



Welcome to AMBUCS, where we are dedicated to creating opportunities for independence for people with disabilities, especially children.

Pledge: Lisa Bridgens, Prayer: Dean Carlton

Announcements:

Donna Carlton Vish: Decatur club will hold its annual golf outing Sept. 22 at Mowequa. Contact Donna for details.

A donation was made by Luke Britton Sr. His attends Challenger League and Summer Camp.

Committee Reports:

Richard Woodard: Challenger League All-Star Baseball games begin at 9 a.m. Sept. 20. Games will take place at the Catlin Sports Complex behind Catlin High School. Buddies are needed.

\$15,000 Raffle: Pat Phillips

As of Sept. 10,, 227 were out to sellers. Please contact Pat if you need tickets at 260-0717 or 446-7170. If you have tickets, get the money in as soon as possible. The raffle is Oct. 2 at the Beef House.

Board Report: Euan Fernsler

Board authorized \$100 for the We Can Do Anything Club at Danville High School and \$50 for hole sponsorship at the GAO Grotto fundraiser golf tournament.

Home & Business Expo:

Euan is looking for co-chairs for the hospitality room, main stage and volunteer/welcome booth.

Christmas Parties: Date is Dec. 13 to avoid having to shop on the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

Program:

Speaker: Chad Hayes, It's All in the Jeans.

Chad encouraged businesses to enter teams and match the money they raise. Corporate sponsors will then match the total money raised. Provena USMC is planning to open a Women's Health Center in the basement level of the hospital in a previous storage area on the south side of the building. A goal of \$950,000 has been set for the project and roughly \$435 has been raised.

Increases in the number of patients treated at the hospital is being driven by the number of Medicaid Public Aid people or those with no insurance using the ER as their main source for care. The hospital is trying to find a more appropriate place for those people to get care, since emergency is the highest cost of medical care.