

Calendar

June 7—Big Hat Meeting Changed to first week of the month

June 7—Thank-a-Therapist Cookout, 5:30, AMBUCS Park

August 21-27—AMBUCS National Conference

TBD—Scarecrow Festival

September 19—Charity Golf Outing



Awards and Officer Installation

Certificates of Appreciation and two National Awards were given out at our annual Awards and Officer Installation banquet at the Italian Patio on May 18th! Outgoing President, Kyle Moe, began the evening by saying that he would give a certificate to each of the members but, "...Elaine only gave me 6!"



Kyle started his Certificates with **MaryLou Younger** for her unflinching enthusiasm for decorating all of our events so that they look festive and fun! Kyle especially liked the new 30 foot scarecrow she came up with for our annual Scarecrow Festival in AMBUCS Park!

The next certificate went to **Don Dunlap** for his co-leadership on our new Bourbon Raffle fundraiser which netted the Chapter over \$6,000! The third certificate was given to **Keith Jamieson** as the co-leader of the Bourbon Raffle!

Kyle's next Certificate of Appreciation went to **Cris Vowels** for her excellent representation of our Chapter to the Tom Jones Challenger League. Cris attends almost every game, Tuesdays and Saturdays, and keeps our Chapter up-to-date on League happenings.

Larry Windingland was Kyle's next recipient of appreciation for his leadership on the Amtryke Giveaway we had at the C-U Elks Club to Ceasar Perez, a Marine Veteran. Larry worked with the Elks to set up the giveaway on a Friday night when a good part of their membership was in attendance. We even had a local TV station there filming.

Kyle's final certificate went to our Amtryke Ambassador, **Scott Price**! Scott works tirelessly to refurbish returned Amtrykes and get them back out into the hands, and feet, of children and adults who need them. Due to the supply chain issues from the pandemic, we can not get new Amtrykes so the refurbished ones are the only thing that has kept our Amtryke program moving forward!

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Kyle next gave out the Chapter awards of **Project Manager of the Year** and **AMBUC of the Year**.

He started with **Elaine Windingland** as **Project Manger of the Year** for her initiation and leadership on the Amtryke Past Recipients Project! This project entailed enlisting the help of other members to call all of the past Amtryke recipients. The members asked a set of questions to make sure the Amtryke was still in good working order and was still the proper size for the child or adult. The calls resulted in many Amtrykes returned, refurbished, and given away to a new child! This truly kept our *Mission In Motion!*



AMBUC of the Year went to **Sally Denhart** for her, "...tireless efforts maintaining GCC AM-BUCS social media accounts, timely Newsletters, setting up on-line registration for Barstool Golf and being a true Ambassador for AMBUCS."

We congratulate all the winners and thank them for their service to GCC AMBUCS!

National Events

The National Conference is just a couple of month's away on **August 21-27, 2022** in Birmingham, Alabama! At right is our conference hotel, the Sheridan Birmingham Hotel. This conference is always a lot of fun and we hope to have a big turnout! The tentative schedule of events was published in the May National Newsletter so start marking down what you want to attend now!



We're still hoping to get more tickets for the **National Big Hat Raffle!** For a mere \$20 per ticket you can be sitting on the balcony at right in Fort Myers, Florida, at the GullWing Beach Resort on Estero Island! Sitting here is free but you can use the \$500 in spending money that comes with the package, for room service to the balcony! "Can't wait for those tickets!", says Big Hat President, MaryLou Younger!



Our Capital Campaign has increased again, (Yea!), and is over \$497,000, as of this writing! And this is just from 68 donors! We will make our goal if all members give just a little. These dollars will be used to: 1. Replenish our Amtryke inventory; 2. Establish an Amtryke Research and Training Academy; 3. Add a licensed therapist to our ARC team. Please consider giving!

<https://ambucs.org/missioninmotion/mission-in-motion-capital-campaign/>

Amtrykes

We have two new Amtrykes in boxes at Keith Jamieson's office. We also have several in the storage unit that have been refurbished and can be given out to new riders. We will be hosting giveaways at the lunch meetings on **June 7th, June 14th, and June 21st**. Mark your calendars and plan on attending these lunch meetings! It's great to see how our hard work helps these kids and makes Happy Faces!

Bourbon Raffle Fundraiser

As a new fundraiser this year we partnered with **Super Lucky Star Food and Liquor** to sell raffle tickets for a chance to win a dozen bottles of really nice bourbon! The owner of the store in East Urbana, approached Don Dunlap and Keith Jamieson, about wanting to give back to her community and her idea was for a raffle fundraiser for AMBUCS. This idea came about quickly so that we could advertise the fundraiser at our BarStool Golf Event on April 23rd. The tickets were \$10 each or 15 tickets for \$100. Our chapter ended up netting over \$6,000! The big winner was Sheila Mulcahey, pictured next to Keith Jamieson and the store owner, picking up her prize! We thank all who bought tickets, Don and Keith for leading the project and to the owner, Vaishali of the Super Lucky Star! We encourage you to check out Super Lucky Star Food and Liquor and tell her AMBUCS sent you!



Iroquois Federal Grant

Judy Dramstad announced we received a \$1,000 grant from Iroquois Federal for our Amtryke Program! She wrote the grant request and it was her first successful grant! Thanks, Judy! And thanks Iroquois Federal for your continued support!

Splinters from the Board

The Board met at Papa Dels on May 25th and addressed the following items:

- ==> great need to find new members
 - ==> draft flyer for the Golf Outing is in the works
 - ==> 10-12 Amtrykes are on order but we don't expect them until Fall
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Tidbits

Traveling this month:

...member **Renae' Strawbridge** was visiting relatives in Lillian, Alabama and enjoyed some walks on the beach.

...members **Don** and **Darcy Dunlap** went off to Florida for some fun boat time.

...members **Keith Jamieson** and **Sandy Jachino** were also in Florida enjoying the beach.

...member **MaryLou Younger** spent some time in Texas but not for fun, they were attending a family funeral. They had car trouble on the way down which was also no fun. They did pass through Uvalde, TX, before the shooting, and noticed what a beautiful, peaceful town it was.

...**Scott Price's** wife, Anne, was off to London with her student group and later visited Ireland with they daughter Meg. And speaking of Meg, she is getting married!

Winning Chances

05/03/22—50/50: \$3 to Bill Gingerich; Attendance: \$18 could have been won by Keith Ewerks but he was not present.

05/10/22—50/50: \$4 to Renae' Strawbridge; Attendance: \$27 could have been won by Bill Gingerich but he was not present.

05/17/22—50/50: \$6 to Sally Denhart; Attendance: \$40 could have been won by Sandy Jachino but she was not present.

05/24/22—50/50: \$5 to Elaine Windingland; Attendance: \$49 to Scott Price.

05/31/22—50/50: \$5 to Sally Denhart; Attendance: \$10 could have been won by Dave Miller but he was not present.
