

THE BUCSHOT

Greater Champaign County AMBUCS Newsletter

February 2018

Bar Stool Golf

One of our biggest fundraisers was held on February 10th in nine bars around Champaign. This year we had a near record turnout with 151 teams starting on the course. Our limit is usually 120 teams in order to get everyone through the nine bars in the time we have.

Some of our regular teams returned, like the teams who rent their own limo for the day. They ride around in style! We had more customized teeshirts this year and some inventive team names. A couple of the clean ones were: "Fire Breathing Rubber Duckies" and "What...this isn't speed dating?".

At the bar, Hubers, we had quite a few golf balls leave the hole and bounce around the room. For the file of, "We couldn't do that again if we tried!" was the golf ball that bounced into the top of a lady's boot! Luckily she didn't jump and spill her drink.

We thank all the bars, our sponsors, the AMBUCS and friends who worked the day, and of course, the golfers! Hope to see you all again next year!











(Photos by Cris Vowls, Renae' Strawbridge, Larry Windingland, Ray Griest.)

Calendar

March 10 — Cash Bash, Elks Lodge, Savoy



April 7 —
Disability Expo, 9am-2pm, Vinevard Church

April 7 — AmTryke Road Rally at Elks Lodge, Savoy

April 27-28 — Regional Spring Conference, Carmel, IN

September 22 — Scarecrow Festival

Splinters from the Board

The Board of Directors met on February 28th at Perkin's on University Avenue in Champaign. Action items were:

The Board has been working for a couple of months on a new version of the ByLaws and Guidelines for operating our chapter. This month they approved the new documents. Sally Denhart will send a copy to the entire membership.

Resolved: only project leaders will answer questions about their projects, either online or other methods of contact.

District 4A Meeting

Our District 4A meeting was held on February 6th at the El Toro in St. Joseph. There were eight members in attendance from the Danville and Greater Champaign County chapters. District Governor, Jenna Wirth, reminded everyone of the Regional conference coming up April 27-28 in Carmel, IN. Hotel reservations are open and are \$119 per night. Conference registration will be open soon.

We had planned on discussing more about the AmTryke trailer becoming part of National but there was no

news on this item. We discussed more about dissolving the District and Jenna made a pros/cons list. The issues on the con side were what happens to the trailer and to the dollars in the District account. The pros of dissolving the District were that we would have less bureaucracy and member dues would be slightly less per year.

We will continue to discuss these issues at the next meeting.

We ended the night by celebrating GCC member, Ray Griest's birthday since it was that day.



2018-2019 Slate of Officers

The nominating committee, chaired by President Roger Adams, and consisting of at least five past presidents, came up with a first draft of a slate of officers for next year. The original list has changed a little and can change again up until the week before the election on March 27th. The secretary will print the ballots that week but will leave room for write-ins during the voting. Anyone who would like to hold any office can talk with Roger or Sally and get their names added. Please try to attend the meeting on March 27th so you can vote!

The slate as of this writing is:

President: Ray Griest (currently President-Elect)

Chairperson of the Board: Roger Adams (chapter President becomes Chairperson of the Board)

President-Elect: Renae' Strawbridge or Scott Price

Sargent at Arms: Jeannie Gothard or Andy VanEngelenburg

Treasurer: Elaine Windingland

Secretary/BucShot Editor: Sally Denhart

Big Hat President: Deb Griest

Board Positions: Larry Windingland and Keith Jamieson (select two)

(Bob Lacey and Kyle Moe will continue with their second year of service)

Potbelly Sandwich Shop Fundraiser

There was a good turnout for the Potbelly Sandwich Shop fundraiser on February 8. The nominating committee held it's meeting there and about 12 members came by either for the meeting or just to eat. Thanks to Bob and Pat Lacey for manning the display and talking with the customers!

Tidbits

Grants: Grant writer, Bob Lacey, submitted a grant to the Junior League for one AmTryke at a cost of \$750.

Student Group Help: Interviews by the student group on campus are being conducted with members who volunteered to speak with them. We expect recommendations sometime in the next couple of months.

Park District Meeting: Our internal park committee will meet with the Urbana Park District on March 7 to help plan park improvements.

Road Rally: The first AmTryke Road Rally will be April 7th at the Elks Lodge in Savoy. Members are encouraged to attend.

Disability Expo: April 7th is also the Disability Expo being held at the Vineyard Church. Sally Denhart, (leader), and Bob Lacey will man our booth.

CiLiving Video: In a continuing quest to get our name in front of the public, Sally Denhart filmed a short video which may be shown on a segment of CiLiving called, "Hello, Central Illinois!".

Ramp Donation: President, Roger Adams was contacted by the VFW Post 6750 in Rantoul, about a metal ramp they were about to scrap. We took the ramp instead and will loan it out when we find a house where it will work.

Talks: Member Deb Griest will speak to Delta Capa Gamma on campus.

Board Meeting Location: Due to the closing of Zas, the Board has been trying new places to meet. The March meeting will be at Giordanos.

Guests This Month: Barb Satterfeld, past member; Alan Jones, candidate for Champaign County Sherriff; Dale Hanson; Keith Rogers and John Rogers.

From the History Section of the News-Gazette, Feb. 24, 2018: "In 2003, Greater Champaign County AMBUCS had only 25 members, but they gave big. The service club that month presented the Urbana Park District with a check for \$19,500 to remodel the restrooms at AMBUCS Park in east Urbana to make them completely accessible to the disabled. Since 1993, the club had donated more than \$100,000 and tens of thousands of dollars more in uncompensated labor toward AMBUCS Park."

Winning Chances

2/6/18—50/50: \$13 to Dave Fones; Attendance: \$44 to Cris Vowels.

2/13/18—50/50: \$10 to Bud Mesker. Attendance: \$20 won by Andrea Betzler.

2/20/18—50/50: \$9 to Bud Mesker, (again!); Attendance: \$16 could have been won by Candace Ziegler but she was not present.

2/27/18—50/50: \$9 to guest John Rogers. Attendance: \$33 to Scott Price.