



The Sonic Boom

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Upcoming Events:

Wichita Home Show - February 11-14 - Century II

St. Patrick's Party - Saturday, March 19

Great Plains Region Spring Conference - March 31-April 2, 2016 - Midwest City, OK

2015 In Review

January began with " We forgot to plan a New Year's Party" at Brian's garage, where volunteers also spent two Sunday afternoons assembling AmTrykes funded by a grant from Children's Miracle Network. Two Tryke presentations were made at Wesley Therapy Center.

February activities included AmTryke presentations for two youngsters at McGavock Nissan dealership. Members also volunteered many hours at the Wichita Home Show, sharing information about the AMBUCS organization and AmTrykes on display.

March featured an AmTryke Rodeo at South Breeze Elementary School in Newton. Twelve happy youngsters received Trykes on the last Saturday in March. Members also celebrated St. Patrick's Day with "bangers and mash" and corned beef and cabbage at Brian's garage.

April found Warren and Alexis delivering AmTrykes to three recipients, and helping check and adjust Trykes for participants in Challenge 2015 - a sports competition for those with disabilities - in Derby. Volunteers also made an appearance with AMBUCS trailer at the annual Rainbows GLOW Run/Walk.

May began with the annual Awards Banquet at the Green Mill, and ended with participation in the Wichita Riverfest Sundown Parade by Air Capital AMBUCS, AmTryke recipients and family members. Eight Air Capital members attended the Great Plains Region Conference in Midwest City, OK. And AmTrykes were presented to two Newton residents, thanks to funds raised by the Chisholm Trail Bike Ride.



2015 In Review (continued)



June focused on a Fireworks Fundraiser, spearheaded by Brian Cavin. Volunteers worked many hours during the week-long event, raising more than \$3,000. Members, with the Air Capital trailer, also made appearances at two events: Family Fun Day at Camp Hyde, sponsored by Dilly's Place; and Outdoor Kansas Kids Day at Rose Hill.



July events included a visit from AMBUCS National President Patty Vannoy. She joined members for dinner and conversation at the Green Mill. Members also made an AmTryke presentation at the Wesley Medical Arts Building.



August featured another large AmTryke build, as well as a Summer Party at Mystic Lakes. Members enjoyed food, games, and relaxation.

September brought mixed emotions as we celebrated the life and contributions of charter member Warren Wallis.



October began with four members attending the 2015 AMBUCS National Convention in Biloxi. Air Capital was named a Superior Chapter, ranking 7th in the nation. Other chapter awards included the Merit Award for donating 50-75 AmTrykes during the year; First Achievement Award for Visibility; and Third Achievement Award for Newsletter. The month ended with Halloween food and fun at Brian's garage.



November's highlight was an AmTryke Rodeo at the Midwest Corporate Aviation Hangar at Jabara Airport. Seventeen happy recipients were fitted with Trykes, supported by a grant from Children's Miracle Network.

December again found members at McGavock Nissan for two AmTryke presentations. A final presentation was the highlight of the annual Christmas Party at Mediterranean Grill. Tyler and his family joined us for a Mediterranean buffet and appearances by Santa and Mrs. Claus with gifts for the youngsters



Wichita Home Show

Air Capital AMBUCS are planning an appearance at the 2016 Wichita Home Show, February 11 - 14, at the Century II Convention Center. The booth will feature the trailer and an AmTryke display. LP Jordan is organizing volunteers, and several members have agreed to staff the display. Additional volunteers would be helpful during the busiest times - Thursday and Friday evenings and all day Saturday. Please contact LP if you can assist with this project.

From the President...



Greetings:

The month of February looks exciting! Sonia Sanchez, a Physical Therapy PhD student at WSU, will be guest speaker at our regular meeting, 6 p.m. Thursday, February 1, at Adrian's Restaurant. Sonia is from Paraguay, and will be accompanied by her sister, also a WSU student. I will have two additional guests who want to hear their stories.

The Home Show should be exciting as we show off new AmTryke models. Thanks to LP who has worked hard to organize volunteers, and to all who have signed up to help!

Big challenges lay before us. We need to continue to raise funds to purchase AmTrykes for approximately 20 children and adults on our wish list. Frank is working on events where we can cook hot dogs and burgers to raise funds. Your help will be important!

It is a great day to be an Air Capital AMBUC!

Looking Ahead - Save These Dates!

Great Plains Regional Conference

April 1-2, 2016

Reed Center & Sheraton Hotel

Midwest City, OK

Registration before March 1 will be \$99.00. After March 1, it will be \$124.00. Registration includes all Training Sessions, Hospitality Suite, Friday Night Social, Lunch Saturday, and Saturday Night Banquet.

Register on the Great Plains Region website, or print a registration to mail.

For hotel registration, call the Sheraton, Midwest City, at 405-455-1800, and request the AMBUCS rate of \$99.00.

Pre-conference activities will include:

- ◆ Wilshire Gun Shooting - Thursday, March 31
- ◆ Top Golf - Friday, April 1



Birthdays & Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Brian Cavin - February 9

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



2015 - 2016 Committee Members

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2015 Fun



Air Capital **AMBUCS** February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
AMTRYKE BUILD - 1:30 pm at Brian's Garage	1 BOARD MEETING - 6 pm at Mediterranean Grill 	2	3	4 REGULAR MEETING - 6 pm at Adrian's Café 	5	6
7	8	9  Brian Cavin	10	11 HOME SHOW 1-8 pm	12 HOME SHOW 10 am-8 pm	13 HOME SHOW 10 am-8 pm
14 HOME SHOW 10 am-5 pm <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15	16	17	18 REGULAR MEETING - 6 pm at Adrian's Café 	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 BIG HAT MEETING - 6 pm 	26	27
28	29					