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

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Pledge: Pat Owens

Prayer: Pat Owens (double duty!)

Guests: Doug Ahrens, Bob Jones, and Steven Cane

### Picnic at the Playground

A very special day in the life of the Danville Chapter of AMBUCS. Danville Mayor Bob Jones with Doug Ahrens and Steve Lane presented the club with the Governor's Home Town Award 2000.

As if ordained, the award was presented just the day before in Springfield to a contingent of City of Danville officials along with members of our AMBUCS club. How cool that our meeting was scheduled to be at the park the next day!

Our new president Pat Owens was given a plaque for the club and a large sign proclaiming the award will be erected at the park entrance. Bill Sr. and Bill Jr. (unfortunately Bob wasn't there) were honored at our meeting for their great work.

### Membership Corner

*Don Anderson* has been a member since 1977, received his Big Hat in 1982, and works for Marine Bank. He is a Life Member and William L. White Member and was our chapter president from 1991 to 1993.

*Donna Carlton-Vish* has been a member since 1995, received her Big Hat in 1997, is our Past-President, and works for Heritage Development. She is also a Life Member and William L. White Member.

*Gary Dyar* has been a member since 1977, received his Big Hat in 1982, and works for Shick Office Supply. He is a Life Member and William L. White Member and was our chapter president from 1981-1983.

We are going to include more information on our members in our newsletter and on our web site. On our web site we will list your AMBUC details and your place of business. For the newsletter, watch for Richard Woodard's emails and phone calls.

### Playground for Everyone

New Pavilion

Julius W. Hegeler II has done it again! We were over-budget and planning some fund-raising. Julius heard about it and refused to write a check for less than the full amount of the pavilion structure! Once again, we thank you for your generosity and vision Julius W. Hegeler II.

### Summer Camp

Summer camp is upon us! Camp runs the last week of July and first week of August so it's time to help out. Sign-ups went around but if you can't make a meeting and would like to help out, email info@danvilleambucs.com and we'll get your name in there!

We will be joining the campers for lunch as part of our regular meeting July 31 (also a Big Hat day!) and August 7.

### Summer Sounds Concert Series

Our next concert is July 12 with El Conquistador on Salsa Night. For more information, visit [www.summersounds.org](http://www.summersounds.org)

Not only do we make a little money from these concerts (we split any proceeds with Downtown Danville), not only does it give us an opportunity to give something to the community, not only does it put the AMBUC name all over town, it is also our summer social - so come out and enjoy the sun and fun!



### Future Program

6/26 Luanne Freed will talk to us about Arts in Motion, and if I knew what we were having for lunch, I'd tell you...wouldn't I?

7/10 Laura Williams - Big Brothers/Sisters  
7/17 Andrew Phillips - Volunteerism  
7/24 National Convention Report  
7/31 Summer Camp & Big Hat Day  
8/7 Summer Camp at the Grotto  
8/28 Orientation & get to know AMBUCS

### Board Meeting

July 8 at noon at Clifton-Gunderson. Feel free to join us, but please park in the lot.

### National News

*Still Time to Register!*

If you haven't registered for the 2002 AMBUCS National Conference, what are you waiting for? The conference will be held July 17-20 and registration before July 9 is \$225. With all the exciting things planned, this is a conference you do not want to miss! You can register on-line at [www.ambucs.com](http://www.ambucs.com).

### Nomenclature

*National Conference*

A three day summer conference for all members. Members attend club business and educational sessions, award ceremonies, celebrations, and fun outings. This year it is being held at Niagra Falls from July 17th to the 20th.

### History

The first chapter of American Business Clubs was chartered May 18, 1922, in Birmingham, Alabama with 53 members. During the first year, our founder, William L. White, was the self-appointed director general. He printed applications, prepared a charter, designed an emblem and had 1,000 buttons made to give each new member.

The first emblem had two eagles encircled by the words, American Business Clubs.

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Meetings - Wednesdays at Noon - Days Inn

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