



# The Sonic Boom

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## 2016 in Review

**January** began with the traditional "We forgot to plan a New Year's party" at Brian Cavin's garage on January 2. Following a delicious buffet, members and guests enjoyed a lively game of Pictionary. The month ended back at Brian's garage for an AmTryke build on January 31.

**February's** main event was the 2016 Wichita Home Show at the Century II Convention Center. Air Capital members spent four days raising awareness for AMBUCS. Both February meetings featured speakers: Sonia Sanchez, from Paraguay, who is a Physical Therapy PhD student at WSU; and two youth members of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Cadet program.

**March** found members gathered at Adrian's Restaurant to celebrate St. Patrick's Day by "wearin' the green." They enjoyed a menu featuring corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew, and Irish-themed drinks and desserts.

**April's** big event was the Great Plains Regional Conference in Midwest City, OK. Seven Air Capital members participated in workshops, Tryke-building sessions, special presentations, and the final Awards Banquet. Members also took the Air Capital trailer and Amtryke display to the Rainbows United GLOW Run/Walk in Augusta.

**May** events included the 2015-16 Awards Banquet at the Candle Club. Officers were installed for the 2016-17 year. Tryke recipients and families were invited to Family Fun Day at Hope in the Valley Equine Rescue Center. Five youngsters were presented with new AmTrykes at this event.

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## 2016 in Review (Continued)

**June** began with four Air Capital members riding in Biking Across Kansas - one on an Amtryke JT 2300 . The trek became a Big Hat fundraiser, promoting the AMBUCS mission. Three members accompanied the Air Capital trailer to the annual OK Kids Day at Rose Hill, where they grilled more than 400 hot dogs.

**July** featured Cindy Combs, adaptive PE Teacher for Newton schools, as guest speaker. She shared how her students benefit from the Amtrykes they received in 2015. And a Saturday hot dog and drink stand at Atwood’s Ranch and Home in Andover raised \$300 for the Big Hat Club.

**August** brought AMBUCS National President Al Bedell and Great Plains Regional Director Gary Miles to an Air Capital meeting . Members and families gathered for a summer party at Mystic Lakes, enjoying grilled hamburgers, playing on the beach, and a boat ride.

**September** was a busy month, with Curtis Stubbs riding 748 miles from Claxton, GA, to Key West, FL on the prototype Amtryke Tadpole. Fundraising efforts removed about 31 applicants from the National Wish List. Back home, Air Capital members supported the MCC Flatlander Bike Ride with a sag stop, and participated in the Big Hat Miniature Golf Tournament .

**October** found five Air Capital members in Tucson, AZ, for the 2016 National Conference. Highlights included the Veteran’s Ride and Dinner, the Super Hero-themed Rodeo for children, and the President’s Dinner. Amtrykes were presented to Dale in Newton and Nick in Wichita. The month ended with Halloween fun - costumes, food and games – at Brian’s garage.

**November** events included the Ponca City Veterans Day celebration. Two Air Capital members joined the Ponca City AMBUCS Clubs in the parade. And Frank Chappell appeared with the Air Capital trailer at the “Vote for Hope” Erin Is Hope Run at the Waterfront.

**December:** See this issue!





### Amtryke Presentations: Ian

Seven-year-old Ian, Newton, received an early Christmas present when Curtis Stubbs and grandson Arlo delivered his Amtryke on December 23.

Ian likes to play outside, and will enjoy the independence of having his own tryke to ride.



### Donn

Air Capital AMBUCS held a joint meeting with the Goddard Lions Club on Thursday, December 15, at the Goddard Community Center to fit Donn with a new bike. With limited ability to bear weight on his right leg, Donn received a hand-cranked Community Cruiser. He looks forward to riding for fitness, weight loss, and recreation.

Donn, a Vietnam veteran, was referred for an AmTryke through the VA Hospital. Frank Chappell helped to connect him to the Goddard Lions Club which had donated funds for an AmTryke for a veteran.



### Christmas Party Cancelled; New Year's Eve Party "Forgotten"

The Air Capital Christmas Party scheduled for Saturday, December 17, was canceled due to frigid temperatures and snow. The Amtryke presentation planned for that evening will be re-scheduled.

The chapter's traditional "We Forgot to Plan a New Year's Eve Party" will be held in January. Information will be coming about date, location, and further details.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Marian Stubbs - January 23

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



## 2015 - 2016 Committee Members

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#### Friendship Committee

Big Hat Club



**2016**

# Air Capital **AMBUCS** January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b> 	2	3	4	5 <b>BOARD MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 <b>REGULAR MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	20	21
22	23 Marian Stubbs 	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				