



# The Sonic Boom

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**Upcoming Events:**

**Chisholm Trail Bike Ride / Newton Downtown Car Show - Saturday, May 5 - Newton**

**Air Capital Awards Banquet - 6 p.m. Saturday, May 19 - Drury Plaza Hotel, 400 W. Douglas**

**Wichita Riverfest Sundown Parade - 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 1 - Downtown Wichita**

**Biking Across Kansas - June 9-16**

## 2018 Great Plains Region Conference

Four Air Capital members - LP Jordan, Alexis Wallis, and Curtis and Marian Stubbs - traveled to Tulsa to attend the Great Plains Region Conference, April 6-7.

While unseasonably cold, damp weather put a damper on some of the pre-conference activities, everyone gathered for a festive buffet on Friday evening at the Doubletree Downtown Hotel.

Saturday began with the Big Hat Breakfast and Auction, attended by Big Hatters Alexis, Curtis and LP.

The Opening Ceremony followed, including inspirational talks by two young teenagers impacted by AMBUCS. One had encouraged her school to plan a fundraising event resulting in a donation of more than \$4,000 to the local AMBUCS.

Throughout the day, members attended sessions for officers, and gathered information about scholarships, social media, Amtrykes, and member recruitment. In lieu of District Meetings, Kansas chapters met informally to share ideas for events and fundraisers and discussed ways to coordinate as needed.

Lunch time featured an interview with an Oklahoma veteran, who shared his experiences with injuries and PTSD, and riding more than 1,000 miles on his Amtryke. The event concluded with an Amtryke Rodeo featuring nine new trike recipients.

During the General Session, Executive Director Jay Laurens gave updates on Amtryke production, prices and safety features.

After considering 3 bids for the next Region Conference, the body voted for Bentonville, AR, hosted by Northwest Arkansas AMBUCS, April 24-26. A bid by Air Capital AMBUCS to host the 2020 Conference in Wichita was also approved.

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## Great Plains Conference (Cont'd)

The banquet Saturday evening carried out the Island Time theme with Hawaiian music and dancers and a delicious buffet. The Sergeant-at-Arms provoked laughter while raising funds. National President Kevin Sheehan gave the keynote address, sharing his vision for AMBUCS. With closing remarks by Regional Director Vic Menendez, the conference was formally closed, though many continued to socialize in the hospitality room.

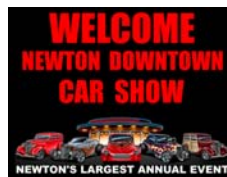


## May 5: Events in Newton

Air Capital AMBUCS is lead sponsor for the Chisholm Trail Bike Ride on Saturday, May 5, with Curtis Stubbs as project director. The Newton event will include 4 bike routes of varying length, an Amtryke presentation, and an Amtryke Ride for previous recipients and families. Air Capital will also provide a SAG stop on the bike route.



Air Capital will also make an appearance at the Newton Downtown Car Show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the same day. The Air Capital trailer and Amtrykes will be on display, with members available to share information.



Lots of opportunities to volunteer—don't miss out on the fun!

## Officers for 2018-2019

Election of officers was held at the regular meeting of Air Capital AMBUCS on April 19, at the Green Mill Restaurant.

Officers elected for the 2018-2019 year:

- President - LP Jordan
- Vice President - Eric Hensley
- Secretary - Alexis Wallis
- Treasurer - Linda Chappell
- Sergeant-at-Arms - Anita Harris
- Board of Directors (2018-2020) - Brian Cavin  
Frank Chappell

Continuing members of the Board of Directors are Curtis Stubbs and Marian Stubbs (2018-19).

## Air Capital Awards Banquet

The 2017-2018 annual Awards Banquet will be held in rooms 104 & 105 at the Drury Hotel (Broadview) on Saturday, May 19. The event will begin with a cash bar reception at 6 p.m., with a buffet dinner to follow at 7 p.m.



Air Capital members will be recognized for outstanding service during the 2017-18 year. Officers for the 2018-19 year will also be installed.

The cost for the event is \$22 per person if paid by the next regular meeting on May 17, or \$25 thereafter. Checks may be made out to Air Capital AMBUCS.

However, Jeff Harris needs to give a count by **May 15**. If you have not paid, but plan to attend, **please RSVP to him by that date**.

## Looking Ahead...

Plan to participate in the **Sundown Parade**, which launches the **Wichita Riverfest**, at 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 1. Amtryke recipients and their families will be invited to join Air Capital members and the Amtryke trailer in the parade.



Air Capital members are selling 1-day ground passes to **Wichita Open Tournament Play**, June 21-24 at the Crestview Country Club. Air Capital will receive the \$10 ticket price for each ticket sold prior to the event.

Three Air Capital members will participate in **Biking Across Kansas**, June 9-16. Eric Hensley, LP Jordan, and Curtis Stubbs will be joined by Erin Slawinski, Veterans Initiative Program Coordinator from national AMBUCS.



## 2017 - 2018 Committee Members

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### Shoulders Together

#### Officers

President - Jeff Harris  
Vice President - LP Jordan  
Secretary - Alexis Wallis  
Treasurer - Linda Chappell  
Sgt.-at-Arms - Anita Harris

#### Board Members

Brian Cavin - Past President  
Frank Chappell  
Alicia Stubbs  
Curtis Stubbs  
Marian Stubbs

**Service Committee**  
Brian Cavin (Chair)  
Alexis Wallis (Co-Chair)  
Frank Chappell  
Eric Hensley  
Tiffany Owens  
Judy Pollard-Licklider  
Curtis Stubbs

**Fund Raising and PR Committee**  
Frank Chappell (Chair)  
Karen Blume (Co-Chair)  
Brian Cavin  
Linda Chappell  
Raymond Dondlinger  
Alexis Wallis

**Fun Committee**  
Alicia Stubbs (Chair)  
Anita Harris (Co-Chair)  
Karen Blume

**Friendship Committee**  
Linda Chappell (Chair)  
Big Hat Members



# Air Capital **AMBUCS** May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 <b>BOARD MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	4	5 <b>CHISHOLM TRAIL BIKE RIDE / DOWNTOWN NEWTON CAR SHOW</b>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 	14	15	16	17 <b>REGULAR MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	18	19 <b>AWARDS BANQUET - 6 p.m. at Drury Plaza Hotel</b> 
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 	28	29	30	31		