



# The Sonic Boom

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## 2018 Riverfest Sundown Parade

Air Capital members gathered in downtown Wichita on Friday, June 2, to participate in the Sundown Parade, kicking off the 2018 Wichita Riverfest.

Local Amtryke recipients and their families were invited to join AMBUCS members in walking or riding Amtrykes in the parade to celebrate their accomplishments and increase visibility for the organization.

The Air Capital trailer led the group, helping to raise awareness of AMBUCS and its mission to encourage mobility and independence.



**Upcoming Events:**

*Big Hat Brunch - 11 a.m.  
Sunday, July 15 - Sweet Allie B's, 707 N. Waco St., Wichita*

*Watch for more information about...*

*Amtryke Build and Rodeo*

*Family Fun Day*



Thanks to Frank and Linda Chappell who helped to organize the event and get information out to members, as well as to Alexis Wallis and Cass Helms who called to invite the families of Amtryke recipients

## Biking Across Kansas 2018



In June, four AMBUCS members participated in Biking Across Kansas 2018. The event began at the Colorado border on Friday, June 8, and ended crossing the Missouri state line on Saturday, June 16. This year's route crossed southern Kansas, passing through Johnson City, Montezuma, Ashland, Pratt, Clearwater, Burden, Fredonia, and Arma, ending in Fort Scott.



Air Capital members participating in the ride included Curtis Stubbs, riding his prototype #1 Amtryke tadpole, and Eric Hensley, who rode his bicycle with the group for three days. A special member of the team was Erin Slawinski, AMBUCS Veterans Initiative Coordinator based in ST Louis, who rode her production model Amtryke tadpole.



Member LP Jordan did SAG duty each day, providing an estimated 750 gallons of water, as well as snacks for the bikers. He was assisted on Saturday and Monday by members of the Order of the Eastern Star. The Order of the Eastern Star and Masons sold steak and baked potatoes Tuesday evening in Clearwater.



Bikers Erin and Curtis completed nearly 480 miles of the 550-mile route. Exhaustion from heat, humidity, wind and "hills" caused them to shorten their ride three days in a row. So much for "flat Kansas."



"It was challenging," Curtis said, "yet we had a great time with 650-some riders experiencing Kansas on two or three pedaled wheels. More AMBUC members are considering joining us next year for BAK."



## Grants Announced at Board Meeting

Two donations to the Amtryke fund were announced at the June 7 meeting of the Air Capital Board. Frank Chappell announced the receipt of a \$15,000 grant from the Lattner Foundation. And LP Jordan announced a donation of \$900 from his employer, ACM Removal.

These contributions will make it possible to purchase Amtrykes to clear our current wish list. Thanks, Frank and LP, for your efforts!



## OK Kids Day 2018

Air Capital members once again participated in the Outdoor Kansas for Kids Day, Saturday, June 23, in Rose Hill. The annual event at School Street Pond encourages families to spend time together outdoors, offering a wide variety of activities such as fishing, kayaking and canoeing, archery, horse-riding, a rock-climbing wall, and kite flying.



Air Capital volunteers grilled hotdogs and served lunch to families attending the event. With the AMBUCS trailer and several Amtryke models on display, they were able to raise awareness and share information about Amtrykes as well.

Thanks to project managers Anita Harris and Mike Agnew for organizing the effort.

## From the President...



*I'm excited about the coming year. This past year we saw a growth in our membership, thanks to Jeff, and I see a lot of excitement in our new members. They are coming to events and I can see their enthusiasm. I've seen them stepping up to become officers and committee chairs.*

*I'm looking forward to the new members attending their first rodeo or presentation, so that they see first-hand the smiles of the recipients and the parents and grandparents when the recipient rides a Tryke for the first time. I've often said that if you can see someone ride a Tryke for the first time with a dry eye you, are a hard-hearted SOB. So, to all of you new members, it's OK to have a tear in your eye. We have all been there and it's OK to ask for a tissue.*

*I want to close with a "Thank You" to Frank Chappell. Because of your efforts with getting grants, I will be able to say that I was the first president of Air Capital AMBUCS to be able to clear our wish list. Because of you, my year as president is already a success.*

LP Jordan

## Looking Ahead...



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



# 2018 - 2019 Committee Members

## Air Capital **AMBUCS**

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## Shoulders Together

### Officers

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

### Board Members

Past President - Jeff Harris  
 Curtis Stubbs (2017-19)  
 Marian Stubbs (2017-19)  
 Brian Cavin (2018-20)  
 Frank Chappell (2018-20)

### Service Committee

Brian Cavin (Chair)  
 Karen Blume  
 Dennis Carter  
 Frank Chappel  
 Curtis Stubbs  
 Alexis Wallis

### Information Committee

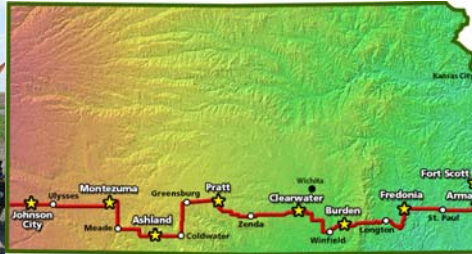
Mike Agnew (Chair)  
 Marian Stubbs

### Friendship Committee

Jeff Harris (Chair)  
 Linda Chappell  
 Mike Light

### Fun Committee

Anita Harris (Chair)  
 Cass Helms  
 Jesse Helms  
 Alicia Stubbs



# Air Capital **AMBUCS** July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 	5 <b>BOARD MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 <b>BIG HAT MEETING - 11 am at Sweet Allie B's</b> 	16	17	18	19 <b>REGULAR MEETING - 6 pm at Old Chicago</b> 	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				