

# Loves Park Ambucs Newsletter



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## President's Message

*By Pat Hubly*

What a mistake! If you missed the June meeting, it was, indeed, a big mistake. The Browns (Terry and Karen) hosted a wonderful cookout at their residence in a beautiful outdoor setting. The weather was perfect, the steaks delicious, and the company awesome. Thirteen members and seven guests attended and enjoyed a Meads signature menu dinner: steaks, mushrooms, Jeff's special potatoes, baked beans, rolls, and Karen's homemade brownie dessert. Yummy! This was a fantastic start for our 2007-08 club year. Thank you, Browns!

All the above information is provided to show to you, the absent club member, just what it is that you are missing. Friends - Fellowship - Fun and we perform service to our community. Come join us.

The July meeting date has been changed to July 19<sup>th</sup> because of the National Conference in San Diego which is July 11-14<sup>th</sup>.

The place for the July meeting is **GENSLER GARDENS** on the northeast corner of Argyle and Orth Roads, near SportsCore II. We'll receive a tour of the **greenhouse**; have a meal in their café and a short meeting. Come early to shop their gift area or purchase plants. Tour starts promptly at 6:30 and we have to be concluded by 8 p.m. The shop closes at 7 p.m. and purchases can be made until that time.

Attendance drawing format has changed. The drawing will be from the membership list for \$30.00. If the name drawn is not at the meeting, the amount rolls over to \$40.00 for the next month. If not won the second month, the amount will roll over \$50.00 and the drawing on the third month will continue until someone in attendance wins the **50 bucks**. Any month there is a winner, the amount reverts back to \$30.00 and the process starts over.

Be sure to put the Central Region Fall Convention September 21-23 on your schedule. **AMBUCS™ Mardi Gras Style** is the theme for the event being held in Springfield, IL. What a great opportunity to see the new Lincoln Museum as you meet and have fun with other AMBUCS™ from across Illinois and perhaps from other areas of the country.

### Officers for 2007-08 Loves Park Chapter AMBUCS

#### President

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Trish Betz  
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Richard Larson  
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#### Sergeant-at-Arms

Terry Brown  
815/877-7191

### Big Hat News

By Bill Dredge, President

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### Meeting Notes from June 14th

Members in attendance: Trish Betz, Terry Brown, Darlene Estabrook, Dave Hardy, Pat Hubly, Dave, Jahn, Cecil Kennington, Richard Larson, Richard Lierman, Bob Shields. Brad Shields, Tracy Shields and John Stenerson. Karen Brown, Jackie Hardy, and Donna Larson were guests of their spouses; Brad, Jodi, Nicole and Kristin Akey were guests of Richard Larson. Past president's plaque and pin were presented to Trish Betz by District Governor, Dave Jahn. New member pins were presented to Brad and Tracy Shields by their sponsor, Bob Shields. Brad Akey was presented with a plaque in appreciation for providing at no cost the steel plates that are used at the end of our ramps. July meeting was voted to be changed to the 19th because of National Conference date. July meeting will be at Gensler's new greenhouse on Orth Road. John Stenerson was the winner of the \$30.00 attendance drawing.

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### July 19th Meeting

Will be at **GENSLER GARDENS** on the northeast corner of Argyle and Orth Roads, near SportsCore II. Take Riverside Blvd east past the interstate to the four-way stop. Proceed to the next road north, Argyle Road, and turn left. Go approximately 1 mile to Orth Road. You can't miss Gensler's on the right. We'll enjoy a tour of the **greenhouse**, a light meal in their café and have a short meeting. Tour starts promptly at 6:30. We will conclude by 8 p.m. Come early to shop their gift area or make other purchases. They close at 7 p.m. and purchases can be made until that time. We look forward to seeing you; guests are welcome.

Menu: choice of sandwiches, served with pickle, chips, cookie and drink - **roast beef** (roast beef and mozzarella, basil mayo, lettuce, tomato and red onion on country white), **chicken salad** (chicken salad with grape halves and toasted walnuts topped with romaine lettuce, tomato and red onion on whole grain) or **chicken wrap** (grilled chicken breast, romaine lettuce, tomato, and onion with Green Goddess Dressing on spinach wrap). RSVP to Darlene at 815/877-5867 or wait for her to call.

### Committee Chairs

Sergeant-At-Arms	Terry Brown, John Stenerson
Big Hat	Bill Dredge
AmTrykes®	Trish Betz
Ramp Building	Terry Brown
Scholarships	Bob Shields, Jr.
Membership	Darlene Estabrook & Bob Higginson
Calendar Fundraiser	Brad and Tracy Shields
Community Service	Dick Larson
Visibility - Open	
Socials – Open	
New Member Orientation	Bill Dredge
Newsletter	Dave Hardy
Program - Open	
Spring Roundup – Open	
Web Site	Terry Brown
Inter-Chapter & Conference/Car Raffle w/Rockford	Dave Jahn
Sponsorship	Jim Nordstrom
Hot Dog Day	Sue Mullins

If you would like to serve on one of these committees, tell Darlene when she calls you. All members will be asked to serve on a committee; choose one you'll enjoy.

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Terry cooking at the June 14 meeting. See what you missed! Other pictures at [www.lpambucs.org](http://www.lpambucs.org)



## Birthdays

Bob Shields July 8  
Willie Mayer July 18

## Club Anniversaries

Dave, I need to check records for info here.

## Upcoming Events

Watch this space for news of local, district, regional and national upcoming events. Calendars provided so you will know exactly what day and date AMBUC events are taking place so you can plan to attend.

<b>July board meeting</b>	July 2
<b>July membership meeting</b>	July 19
<b>National convention in San Diego</b>	<b>July 11-14</b>
<b>August board meeting</b>	Aug 1
<b>August membership meeting</b>	Aug 9
<b>September board meeting</b>	September 5
<b>September membership meeting</b>	September 13
<b>Central Region 2007 Fall Convention</b>	September 21-23

Brad Akey of Hanover, WI makes and donates the steel plates that are used at the bottom end of the ramps. He made these out of scrap metal and donated them to the club. It would have cost a lot if we had to have them made. The Ramp Committee had been looking for quite some time trying to find something that would bring the ramps right down to the ground and these steel plates work perfect.



Thank you, Brad, for providing us with the answer and allowing us to have the final touch for the ramps.

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## Name the Newsletter Contest

Contest still open. Winner yet to be determined. It's not too late for your ideas. Please submit to [davidhardy@chorus.net](mailto:davidhardy@chorus.net). So far PETE, CLEO, FRED, among others, have been submitted. Since we have yet to figure out what these stand for, other ideas will be considered.