

# AMBUNK

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## GREAT PLAINS AMBUCS NEWSLETTER

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### THIS WEEK

The February 6, 2023 club meeting was called to order by Jenny Clement-Shaw. Larry Kindt led the group in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.



Tonya Ellis and Adriene Davis

Tonya Ellis and Adriene Davis from Hungry Hearts Feeding Ministry were the guest speakers. Davis formed the organization in 2016 with a mission to stop hunger. She said Oklahoma ranks fifth in the nation when it comes to food insecurity. Davis said many senior citizens who come to Hungry Hearts are often making a decision between spending what little money they have on food or medicine. She said they're trying to become "a hand up and not just a hand out for the community." The organization has created gardens for participants to not only grow their own food, but also harvest it. Davis said there are some requirements for receiving additional assistance from Hungry Hearts. People are asked to give back by volunteering and take classes to learn financial planning, nutritional shopping and cooking skills. They also partner with agencies, including DHS, to help clients apply for services and housing. In addition, work is underway to create laundry and showering facilities so clients can have clean clothes and bodies.

Tonya Ellis recently became the director of Hungry Hearts after several years of volunteering. She said education is key in everything they do. Ellis said making sure everyone who comes through the doors is able to get their basic food needs met is what keeps her and ministry volunteers motivated.

### NEW BANNER PATCHES



Great Plains AMBUCS chapter received six new banner patches at the recent Regional Meeting. They will soon include Kelly Harris' name to highlight accomplishments during his term as Chapter President.

### CHAPTER NEWS

- T-shirt, Broadcast Buddy & Broadcast Partner sponsorships are still needed for the 2023 Bags for Cash Charity Cornhole Tournament. Volunteers will be needed to work the event March 17 - 19. Contact Kent Jester for more information.
- The first of several AmTrykes on order should be delivered to the chapter soon. Dr. Jimmy will schedule Tryke builds when they arrive. Kathleen Martin is coordinating an AmTryke Rodeo at Hungry Hearts Feeding Ministry on March 25. More details to come at the next chapter meeting.
- Chapter Social scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Thursday, February 16 at Salas Urban Cantina.
- Kelly Harris announced a new plan for the chapter's Flag Service. Members will be assigned to teams for specific holiday deliveries and for communications. Team assignments will be made soon.

### NATIONAL & REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT

- 2023 Scholarships for Therapists program is underway for students pursuing graduate or doctoral degrees in physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech language pathology and hearing audiology. Applications must be submitted to our chapter by May 1. Chapter must submit recommendation to National office by May 15.
- Next Chapter Chat with National AMBUCS President Carmela Davis is Monday, February 13 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. The topic will be the Scholarships for Therapists program.
- Great Plains Region Conference registration is underway. The event will be held May 4 - 7 in Salina, Kansas.

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Dale Keesee drew the Queen of Hearts. The pot stands at \$308.

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Zeldon Rice had the winning ticket and his copy of AMBUNK.