

AMBUNK

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GREAT PLAINS AMBUCS NEWSLETTER

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THIS WEEK

The June 19, 2023 chapter meeting was called to order by Alan Jolly. Larry Kindt led the group in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.



Marcia Frazier, Executive Director of Teen Court Inc., was the guest speaker. She has served in the position for nearly 29 years. She said her affection for the children who come through the program is what keeps her going.

Frazier said Teen Court meets at the Comanche County Courthouse every Thursday evening. According to its website, "It's a program that intervenes after a young person is arrested for their first misdemeanor. The program is only available once, as offenders cannot go through Teen Court for a second or other subsequent offenses. This early intervention is designed to help change the path for at-risk youth, getting them involved in more positive activities."

Teen Court also provides volunteer opportunities for youth, "Teen volunteers have the unique opportunity to make a difference among their peers, encouraging them to make positive changes in their lives."

Frazier shared her experiences with youth who have committed crimes and successfully turned their lives around as adults.

SOAPBOX DERBY ASSEMBLY



CHAPTER NEWS

- Phil Kennedy and Kelly Harris put their skills to work this week helping youngsters assemble cars for the Freedom Fest SoapBox Derby. It will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 30.
- Mark Glenn talked to the group about Freedom Fest and laws we must observe for selling beer. We'll have two booths, one for sodas and water and the other for beer/drinks containing alcohol. Members will need to police each other to make sure we're sticking to the rules.
- Jeff Dunning also talked about Freedom Fest. He has a sign-up sheet for the different work shifts, or you can sign up at greatplainsambucs.org. It's probably going to be hot so we'll need plenty of volunteers in order to reduce the amount of time people have to work. We'll be selling cans only and taking cash only.

- Alan Jolly told the group we're in search of an organizational committee chair for ramp projects. Jimmy Roggenbuck and Kelly Harris are still willing to help with the ramp design and construction aspects. Someone is needed to get the details of the projects organized, evaluated, etc.
- Kelly Harris talked about the flag project. He demonstrated how to roll out and roll up the flag and what to do with the Velcro strip (don't put it in your pocket, Jeff Sadler). We have some new flag poles with a thinner diameter. They have to be installed in specific zones in town that have the right holders installed in ground. We have around 200 customers now with room to add another 75 customers. The club will work on getting the poles of our flags branded for Great Plains AMBUCS.

GUESTS

Chance Carney
Sponsored by Jenny Clement-Shaw

50/50

Bobby Henderson drew the 9 of Clubs. The pot stood at \$675.

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Chuck Morgan had the winning ticket and his copy of AMBUNK.