

# AMBUNK

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## GREAT PLAINS AMBUCS NEWSLETTER

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### THIS WEEK

The June 5, 2023 chapter meeting was called to order by Alan Jolly. Larry Kindt led the group in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.



*Che' Cason*

Che' Cason, the Executive Director of the Armed Services YMCA of Oklahoma was the guest speaker. He joined the organization earlier this year following previous work in the private and non-profit sectors and 22 years of service in the United States Army. He is originally from Georgia.

Cason explained the ASYMCA's mission of serving military families. That includes child services for free or low cost. The Lawton-Fort Sill branch is in the process of moving to the installation. The previous location on Cache Road has been purchased by Lawton Public Schools. Cason said the organization's new office will be located in Building 4700 on Fort Sill. The core services offered at this time include day camps for children on post and Altus Air Force Base. They also continue to partner with Jack Daniels for Operation Ride home during holidays.

### CHAPTER NEWS

- Jeff Dunning said the Freedom Fest committee met with representatives from Southwest Sales and have decided to sell canned Coors beverages during the festival on July 1. Friday, June 30 will offer non-alcoholic drinks only. Signups for volunteers are still underway.

### CHAPTER BILLBOARD GOES UP IN LAWTON



- Great Plains AMBUCS now has a billboard along Gore Boulevard in Lawton. It comes courtesy of Bobby Henderson's design work and Scott Meaders' successful campaign for another term as District Judge.
- Kelly Harris is planning a ramp build soon in Lawton. He is working to acquire materials and scheduling dates for pre-build and installation.
- The June chapter board meeting will be held on Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> at noon at Hilton Garden Inn.
- Signups are underway for chapter committees. Members who are not currently serving on a committee are encouraged to do so. See Alan Jolly for more information.
- Tanna Vu said Zeldon Rice has created an online signup platform to volunteer for the Fly a Flag and other chapter projects. She is calling on members to sign up for at least one flag placement and recovery shift this year. The project is expanding as new customers are being added. Zeldon said members will have the option to sign up on [greatplainsambucs.org](http://greatplainsambucs.org).

### PROJECT MANAGER OF THE YEAR



*Jenny Clement-Shaw & Kent Jester*

Jenny Clement-Shaw presented Kent Jester with the award for Project Manager of the Year during the last chapter meeting. Jenny praised Kent for his work on the Bags for Cash Charity Cornhole Tournament, from the idea to create it, to overseeing its success this year and in years past.

50/50

Kent Jester drew the Jack of Spades. The pot stood at \$623.

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Monte Brown had the winning ticket and his copy of AMBUNK.