



Member Spotlight: Rollo Gurss



Rollo said he joined Ambucs to help the community. His father always stressed "giving back" and he followed his advice. Rollo said the more he gave of

- himself, the more he received. He says he is fortunate to have joined about 45 years ago and have developed so many close friends in AMBUCS throughout the years.
- Rollo said, "I always look forward to seeing my AMBUC family on Mondays, new and old."
- Say hi to Rollo next time you see him!

Well friends, we somehow survived August. Between the Lubbock heat and all the activities, our AMBUCS crew still managed to make big things happen [seriously, y'all are unstoppable]. In this issue, we're looking back at the highlights from August—new tryke smiles, Summerfest, and all the ways our chapter kept rolling [literally]. September is already shaping up to be just as exciting, so stay tuned and keep those calendars handy. Here's to cooler temps [please, Lord] and another great month with our AMBUCS family! —Hannah

Birthdays

Shauna Brown 9/11
Terrell Thrasher 9/23
Don Lynn 9/24
Karen Rummel 9/27

Anniversaries

Roger and Donita Clark 9/29

We gave away
1
tryke this month

On average, how many parts does it take to build an Amtryke?

- A. 3
- B. 12
- C. 47
- D. Too many to count when you lose the Allen wrench

We meet every Monday at the McKenzie-Merkel Alumni Center [2521 17th St. Lbk, TX] at noon

Speakers This Month:

- UMC Health & Wellness
- Magic in the Library
- Habitat for Humanity

Upcoming Speakers:

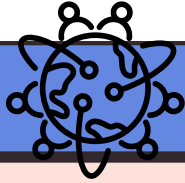
- 9/8 UMC CEO
- 9/22 Membership Orientation
- 9/29 SkyGardens



Upcoming Events:



- Big Hat Fundraiser at Parry's 9/9 5-9pm
- Steak Out 9/15 at Shauna's
- Membership Orientation 9/22 at lunch
- September Board Meeting 9/30
- SAVE THE DATE: Southwest Regional Convention 4/24-4/25/2026



Regional & National News:

- Southwest Regional Quarterly Meeting 10/28 7-8pm on [Zoom](#)
- If you are interested in participating in the Stronger Together Committee to volunteer to be on the mentor list for fellow chapters, [click here](#).
- AMBUCS Action Hour for September will be all about the "NEW" Bootstrapping and Mentorship Programs on 9/8 at 7:30pm. [Click here](#)

Off the Kickstand



Drop your funniest caption for this picture at our next meeting (or email it in). Winner gets bragging rights and the last cookie at snack time



Summerfest Recap



What a night! SummerFest was a huge success, and it was all thanks to our incredible AMBUCS family and supporters who showed up ready to celebrate. From the live music to the laughter-filled atmosphere, delicious food, and all-around good company, the evening was packed with fun and fellowship.

We also raised important funds to keep our mission rolling—providing Amtrykes, scholarships, and service in our community. It was more than just an event; it was a reminder of how powerful our group is when we come together with energy and heart.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered their time, donated, and invited friends and family. You helped make SummerFest a highlight of the season, and we couldn't have done it without you. Here's to keeping the momentum going into fall!

Tryke Moment: Andrew Mendoza



This month's Tryke moment is extra special thanks to one amazing young man—Andrew Mendoza! Andrew lit up the room when he received his brand-new Amtryke, and honestly, his joy was contagious. The smile on his face reminded us all why we do what we do

From the very first spin of those wheels, Andrew showed us the pure happiness and freedom that a tryke can bring. His excitement filled the room, and by the end, there wasn't a single person without a grin (or maybe even a happy tear).

A huge thank you to [Commercial Electric](#) for sponsoring Andrew's tryke and helping make this unforgettable moment possible. Andrew—you truly brought the most joy to our meeting, and we can't wait to see all the adventures you'll have on your new ride!



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