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THE PREZ SEZ...



Our Newest AMBUC™

John Buis was sworn in as our newest AMBUC™ at the July 20 Big Hat breakfast.



John lives in Bloomington with Diane, his bride of 45 years. They have two married daughters and eight grandchildren. John is a Viet Nam War veteran having served in the Army. He retired at the end of July this year (Woo-Hoo!!) and enjoys golfing, fishing, and doing things with his family.

John, welcome to the AMBUCS™ family.

AmTryke® Sponsorship - Kids

The Cornbelt Chapter sponsored AmTrykes® for a child and a veteran. Dennis and Vicky Strauss also sponsored AmTrykes® for two children.

Here is a picture of Dennis and Vicky with one of their sponsored children and his family. The family of the second sponsored child was unable to make it to the hotel for their appointment but will receive their AmTryke® after the conference via their local AMBUCS™ chapter.



Here is the picture of Carter and his family as he sits on the Cornbelt sponsored AmTryke®.



Needless to say, Carter was excited to receive his AmTryke®.



Sponsored AmTrykes® – Veterans

Unfortunately, we never met our sponsored veteran due to the unexpected venue challenges at the veterans ride event. Sponsors were supposed to meet their sponsored veteran at the dinner following the veterans parade, but the crowd of riders and AMBUCS™ was larger than expected and the meeting space quickly became too small. Nevertheless, it was a great setting for the parade and the veterans had a great ride.



Trek for Trykes

Kay Lang and Vicky Strauss raised support for the Trek for Trykes walk-a-thon to provide AmTrykes® for children on the wish list. They are seen here walking with dozens of fellow AMBUCS™ in downtown Fort Worth. Kay and Vicky raised enough money to provide an AmTryke® for one or more children from the wish list. Thanks for stepping forward in this worthwhile event.



AI Throws His Hat in the Ring for National AMBUCS™ President

AI Bedell announced this candidacy for AMBUCS™ President-Elect at the final General Session of the AMBUCS™ Conference. Elections will take place in the October 2014 AMBUCS™ National Conference. Vote for AI !!!



2013 National AMBUCS™ Conference Ft. Worth, TX

Seven Cornbelt AMBUCS™ attended this year's National Conference; Al Bedell, Dennis and Vicky Strauss, Don and Vicky Stogsdill, and Dick and Kay Lang. It was great being surrounded by hundreds of fellow AMBUCS™. Despite the large crowd, I never felt like I was being herded from one place to another like at the cattle drive in the Ft. Worth Stockyards.



Picture from the National Conference.



Awards earned that we picked up at National Conference.



All in a Day's Work

Vicky Strauss volunteered to be a Spanish interpreter at the National Conference. Here is a picture of her hard at work explaining the care and maintenance of an AmTryke® to a Spanish-speaking family. Thanks, Vicky, for giving a helping hand to this new AmTryke® rider.



Dick Lang



Mark your calendars!!!

Next Saturday Event

When: Saturday, August 17, 2013
 Time: 7:00 a.m.
 Place: Shannon's Restaurant

Next Noon Meeting

When: Wednesday, September 4, 2013
 Time: Noon
 Place: Monical's Pizza (by Best Buy)



Bill Buchie's Babbles...



Hey, all you ramp-builders -

We had beautiful weather in July... and also had a few requests for ramps... and then we didn't. We're still planning to build a ramp in August so keep your calendar marked for the third Saturday and I'll be in touch with the details.

In July, we did partner with the Clinton Faith in Action group, along with the Lincolnland AMBUCS™ club and were able to get a ramp started in Clinton, Illinois. Although we do not typically build ramps outside of McLean County, we were able to provide some labor on a Saturday morning and got a ramp started for Mrs. Jackson, who was not able to get in and out of her home anymore. The Faith in Action group finished the ramp recently and is very interested in how we build ramps in the future... so we may be seeing them at a future ramp in Bloomington sometime. Thanks to all the volunteers that showed up in Clinton... as Mrs. Jackson is now able to get out to her doctor's appointments and enjoy some of this beautiful weather!



Keep those tool belts handy.. and watch your e-mail for the next ramp-building activities... and I'll see ya' at the ramps!

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Notes From Al...



AmTrykes®

Cornbelt AMBUCS™ was active with AmTrykes® this month. However, it was mainly at the AMBUCS™ National conference in Forth Worth, Texas. Cornbelt sponsored an AmTryke® for the AmTryke® rodeo and another one for the Vet Ride. Also, Denny and Vicky Strauss sponsored bikes at each event. The pictures are included in the information on the national conference.

We have a few bikes in the works for August and September. We did receive two bikes donated to our chapter in July. One is a recumbent foot bike and the other is almost exactly like our 2700 series bikes. Cornbelt had built a ramp for the family and they do not need the bike any longer. We also have received some donations for our Amtryke® program and a couple grants outstanding.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thanks.

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