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March 2019

THE PREZ SEZ...



Hello fellow AMBUCS™! Well, we finally made it to March. It seems like it was a long time coming, but spring can't be far away now! I'm sure you are all looking forward to spring, as am I! The Cornbelt chapter has not been still during these winter times, though, as you will see.

Cornbelt members recently got together to build two additional picnic tables for Marcfirst. These were tables 3 and 4, and I believe we will build a few more. We are getting pretty good at this! Thanks to Larry Turilli for organizing this activity, and Thrivent for providing the majority of the funds.

Another recent AMBUCS activity was purely for fun and socializing. Several Cornbelt members and their families made their way to E. Peoria for pizza, then on to downtown Peoria for a Rivermen hockey game. We joined the Central Illinois AMBUCS chapter, and had a good time socializing with them. You may even see their members at some of Cornbelt's upcoming events. It is great to cross chapter boundaries and work with other chapters!

Coming up on March 9, will be the Evaluation and Fitting Training Session for therapists, that you have been hearing about. This is a great opportunity for therapists to earn continuing education hours. Therapists in several states, including Illinois, Missouri, and Indiana, would be eligible for these CE hours. I believe there are still some spots open, so continue to pass the word to therapists that you know. If you have any questions on this event, please contact Al Bedell. While we are talking about therapists, I would also like to remind you that applications for therapy student scholarships are now available. We would love to have more local students take advantage of these scholarships, so please pass the word. There is more information about this on the Cornbelt Ambucs website.

Also coming in March is our Pancake breakfast, and each of you should have received tickets to sell. This is our biggest fundraiser, so please sell those tickets. It would be great to see lots of breakfast eaters there! In addition to raising funds, we hope to make more people familiar with our good work, when they visit our displays.

One additional activity that will be coming up, in April, is the Red Cross Sound the Alarm event. You received an email on this recently. This is another great community service, and we hope to provide few teams, so we can help the Red Cross with this event. Please check your email and let me know if you want to join in.

As always, it's a great day to be an AMBUC!

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Upcoming Events

Next Saturday Event

When: Saturday, March 16, 2019
 Time: 7:00 a.m.
 Place: Shannon's Restaurant

Next Noon Meeting

When: Wednesday, April 3, 2019
 Time: Noon
 Place: Monical's Pizza (by Best Buy)



Bill Buchie's Babbles...



Hey, all you ramp-builders -

It's been a cold winter and Mother Nature seems like she's not done with us yet! We did not get the opportunity to build any ramps during the last month but we have received several ramp requests over the past few weeks. I have visited several ramp sites recently and hopefully, we will be under way very soon with our ramp-building projects again. Get those tool belts out and keep your gloves handy.. and I'll be in touch with details very soon.

Thanks.. and I'll see ya' at the ramps real soon!

Bill McHie

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Notes From Al...



Amtrykes®

February was a busy Amtryke month but not with giving away Amtrykes. Cornbelt Ambucs is the host chapter for the first Amtryke Evaluation and Fitting Training for therapist in the Central Region. There will be at least 27 therapists in training and Ashley Schilling is the lead instructor. Ashley is a key member of the Ambucs Amtryke Advisory Board and is from Murfreesboro, Tennessee. During the training in the afternoon session the therapist will be evaluating 5 kiddos that have received Amtrykes in the past and 5 or 6 new children. Plus we will be assisting a family with an evaluation on Friday afternoon as the family will be out of town on Saturday.

The Physical Therapist attending will be able to receive 5 CCUs, certified by ProCert, for the training session. We are waiting for Occupational Therapist credits to be approved by the State of Illinois.

We hope to present the children in the Bloomington Normal area with their new Amtrykes at the Pancake Breakfast on March 30, 2019. The exact time will determine when the family is available on the 30th.

As usual, please continue to send me the contact information for any child or adult who could benefit from one of our wonderful therapeutic bikes.

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