

# CORNBELT BUC-ETIN



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**May 2019**

**THE PREZ SEZ...**



Hello Fellow AMBUCS™! I can hardly believe that my first term as president of Cornbelt AMBUCS is coming to an end! I have enjoyed my term, and we have done lots of good things and had lots of fun doing it. I am pleased that you have enough confidence in the current board to re-elect all of us for another term. We will have one new at-large member on the board, when Dennis Wentworth joins us, as Jerry Wyrick steps down. But have no fear...Jerry will still handle the newsletter for Cornbelt. I hope you will be able to attend the installation banquet later this month, when we install the officers for the new term, review the last year's activity, and award scholarships to some well-deserving students. The banquet is on May 29 at Baxters, and you should all have received an invite via email.

We had a good time at the Regional Conference in April. We learned some good things about using the toolkit, and it is always fun to meet and talk with members of other chapters. It is a good place to see what other chapters are doing. The sponsoring chapter, I-80, which was sparkplugged by Cornbelt, is only 5 years old. They have made lots of community connections, though, and they were able to give away their 100th Amtryke at the conference! Next year's regional conference will be here in Bloomington, sponsored by Cornbelt.

We continue to build ramps, give away Amtrykes®, and do community service, of course. One of the community service activities we are planning, is to build flower boxes for Marcfirst. Our plan is to build two flower boxes, then present them during a picnic with the residents. We will pass on details when everything has been nailed down.

If you are interested in any AMUCS clothing, please let me know your thoughts. At the regional conference, I noticed several members had their chapter logos emblazed on their shirts, so it gave me the idea that we might need some Cornbelt AMBUCS shirts. Also, the national organization came out with socks. They can be ordered for \$20 for a 3-pack. I do have forms to order them, if you are interested. This is a national big hat fundraiser.

Until next time..shoulders together!

Marcia

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### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Next Saturday Event**

When: Saturday, May 18, 2019  
 Time: 7:00 a.m.  
 Place: Shannon's Restaurant

#### **Next Noon Meeting**

When: Wednesday, June 5, 2019  
 Time: Noon  
 Place: Monical's Pizza (by Best Buy)



## Bill's Babbles...



Hey, all you ramp-builders -

We built two ramps in April and we've got more to build this spring. Here's a sample of what we can do to make someone's home accessible. The first ramp was inside a garage for a family in Normal. The gentleman had just come home from a rehabilitation facility and needed a ramp to get in and out of his home. We were able to build the ramp inside his garage and he was very pleased with the results!





The second ramp was built for Mr. Anderson in Bloomington. We had a sunny day and plenty of help to build the ramp. We had some extra volunteers that day and we had a great time making his home accessible. Nice work, everyone!







I've received several calls for ramps lately.. so I'll be in touch with some building dates in the near future. Thanks to all of our volunteers, we will continue to build ramps this spring.. if it ever stops raining!

See ya' at the next one!

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## Notes From Al...

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### **Amtrykes®**

Cornbelt Ambucs saw quite a bit of Amtryke activity last month.

We received 3 requests for Amtrykes which were approved by the board and ordered. Two are for kiddoes in District 87 and one is being treated at Easter Seals. The Amtrykes, two 1410s and one 1412, and the rear steering kit for one of the bikes given away at the pancake breakfast have arrived and are waiting to be assembled. Please watch your email for information on the Amtryke assembly and presentations.

We also have two Amtryke request in the works but the Amtryke therapist paperwork has not been received.

Please continue to send me the contact information for anyone who could benefit from one of our wonderful bikes

Thanks.

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Check out what our neighboring AMBUCS™ club is doing. Here is the link to the Pekin club's newsletter: <http://www.pekinAMBUCS.org/newsletter.html>