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THE PREZ SEZ...



Hello AMBUCS™

I hope everyone enjoys the wonderful weather they are forecasting for this weekend. Although we are still meeting by Zoom, I am hopeful our April 6th chapter meeting can be in person. Maybe not in a restaurant, but probably outside.

We need to elect our new chapter officers and board members at the April meeting. Please let me know if you are interested in working on the board. The board meets once a month and the meetings are usually over within an hour. We have an opening for Vice President and an at large board member.

Below is a genuinely nice letter Cornbelt Ambucs received from the Salvation Army about our help with their Bell Ringing last year. Let's plan for more participation next year and increase the amount we can help the Salvation Army raise.



Thanks to Denny for the information on the Big Hat fund raiser this year. The Big Hat Club helps raise significant dollars for our organization. Also, we found out after Denny's email that 100% of the ticket sales goes toward either the Scholarship Fund, Amtryke Wishlist or Cornerstone. Paula, the National Big Hat Club President, found someone to donate all the prize money. Please let Denny know how many tickets (\$20 each) you would like to purchase Have a great month and I hope we can see each other soon.

Alan Bedell Cornbelt President alambucs@aol.com 309-826-0405

Upcoming Events

Next Saturday Event

When: Cancelled When: Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Next Noon Meeting

Time: 7:00 a.m. Time: Noon

Place: Shannon's Restaurant Place: Zoom Meeting

Notes From Bill...



Ramps

Hey, all you ramp builders -

Although we've had quite a cold spell this winter, we were able to get one ramp built in January. (Okay, it was inside a garage but it still counts!) We got a call from a veteran in Bloomington needing a ramp for his wife. Even during the cold winter weather, we found a "warmer" day and built a small ramp inside the garage so his wife can have easy access to their home. A special thanks to the homeowner, who paid for all the materials AND gave us a donation so a future family can have a ramp, too! What a nice way to start our ramp-building season this year.



I'll be in touch with future ramp-building opportunities. I've received a few referrals and the warmer weather looks promising! Take care of yourselves and I'll see ya' at the next one!

Bill McHie

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Notes From Al...



Amtrykes®

We received an AM-9 Amtryke back this month. The bike is in excellent condition and just waiting for a new rider. We also just received the remaining parts to assemble the 1416 and 1420. Once assembled we will be delivering both Amtrykes to kiddos at Marc First. The 1416 is a replacement for a much longer bike which is just about worn out. We will be able to save a few of the accessories.

If you know of anyone who received a 1400 pro series bike that is not being used, please let me know. Due to a significant shortage in bike parts our national office does not expect to have any 1410, 1412, 1416 or 1420 bikes until September. We do have plenty of the hand and foot and hand only powered Amtrykes. They also have most recumbent bike styles and grant money for a veteran to receive the Amtryke by only paying the shipping.

Please continue to provide me with the contact information for anyone, child or adult, who could benefit from one of our fabulous Amtrykes. Let's help someone gain their mobility and independence.

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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