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THE PREZ SEZ...



Hello AMBUCS™

It is with very mixed emotions I write my article for this month's Cornbelt Ambucs Newsletter. To say it has been a very unusual year as President of Cornbelt Ambucs would be an understatement. I realize we did not accomplish many of my goals for the year. However, when one considers we were unable to meet in person for most of the year we did accomplish quite a bit.

I would have to say the two meetings in our front yard were a first for Cornbelt. We are holding our monthly meetings at Monical's again at noon on the first Wednesday of each month. Zoom meetings did allow us to communicate but were still not the same as in person chapter meetings. However, the meetings were much shorter and maybe that was a good thing. I have no regrets in turning over the position to Vicky Strauss. She has been very good as Vice President and is definitely ready to assume the leadership role. I am sure she will have support from every Cornbelt AMBUCS member.

We will end my year as President with the officer installation banquet at our house, 2802 Hendrix Drive, on June 15th starting at 6:00. It will be a fun night and the drinks and food will be provided. Dee and I hope you can join us.

I look forward to seeing you at the meetings, ramps and Amtryke giveaways in the future. Thanks for all you do to make our chapter of Ambucs great and Bloomington Normal a better place to live.

Al Bedell

Upcoming Events

Next Saturday Event

When: June 19, 2021

Time: 7:00 a.m.

Place: Shannon's Restaurant

Next Noon Meeting

When: Wednesday, July 7, 2021

Time: Noon

Place: Monical's Pizza

Notes From Bill...



Ramps

Hey, all you ramp builders –

We built one ramp this past month for a family in Bloomington. Over 40ft. of ramp with a couple of platforms and their home is now accessible! The family was very pleased with the results and we had nice weather and a great time building their ramp. Thanks to all of our volunteers who were able to help us that day!





We've got more ramps to do in the near future so watch for the e-mails and I'll see you at a future ramp! Thanks!

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Notes From Al...



Amtrykes®

Even with COVID our Amtryke activity is still going well.

We presented one lovely young girl with an Amtryke last month. A'leeya received her shiny red Amtryke on May 17th at Stevenson School. Due to Covid A'leeya has been learning at home and had not been back to Stevenson School since Covid began.

The therapist indicated the parents did not want a lot of people at the Amtryke presentation. However, once the word got around Stevenson School, I think every teacher wanted to come to the common area to see A'leeya ride her new amazing Amtryke. I hope you can tell from the pictures below just how excited she was to have her own bike to ride.





We also did a fitting for a very nice young man with Carrie at OSF. The family and therapist are completing the necessary paperwork. Then your board can approve the bike. This will be a bike we have refurbished, and it looks like new.

In addition, we have a child being evaluated for an AM-16 through District 87. Hopefully, the process will be completed soon, and we can get the Amtryke ordered.

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

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