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Creating Mobility and Independence For People With Disabilities

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September 2021

### THE PREZ SEZ...



Hello Fellow AMBUCS!

It is September – my favorite month of the year. 1<sup>st</sup> -because the weather is changing and 2<sup>nd</sup>-because it is my birthday month. ©

As we settle into fall, we continue to build ramps as they are needed and to look for ways to serve in our community. We have two ways to serve this Saturday (September 11). First, if you are so inclined, we are building a ramp in Bloomington at 10 am or if you would rather help in a different way, we are doing our monthly Adopt a Highway clean-up at 9:00 am. You should have received emails about each of these events.

We are still meeting monthly in person on the first Wednesday of each month at Monical's Pizza. We will continue to do so as long as it is safe. Please consider joining us.

Marcia Hammerstrand recently sent an email to all members indicating that our Wine Tasting Fundraiser event for September 15 has been cancelled. We hope to reschedule in the future when it is safe to do so.

We will also continue to look for other safe opportunities to serve in our community in this time of Covid.

I also wanted to provide an update on Denny, my hubby. We have been home from the hospital since August 26<sup>th</sup> with therapists and a nurse coming to our home to help Denny. He is improving, little by little. Each little improvement is a victory and a step back to "normal". Thank you for all of your good thoughts and prayers.

If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please let us know.

Shoulders Together, we can do more. Take Care

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#### **Upcoming Events**

**Next Saturday Event** 

When: September 18, 2021 When: Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Next Noon Meeting

Time: 7:00 a.m. Time: Noc

Place: Shannon's Restaurant Place: Monical's Pizza

## Notes From Bill...\_



#### **Ramps**

Hey, all you ramp builders -

We built three ramps in August. The weather made it difficult but the volunteers made it seem easy! Just goes to show what a great team of volunteers can do when we all work together. Here's an example of what we accomplished.

The first ramp was built in Normal, which made this home accessible. Nice looking ramp, AMBUCS.. Thank you!





The second ramp was built in Normal, as well. This family had a very small ramp at their garage door but they were unable to use it.. too small and too steep. We were able to build a functional ramp with a proper slope so this family can get in and out of their home safely. Extra points and a thank you to Duane and Dennis!





The third ramp was built in Bloomington. A hot day but a cool-looking ramp. Mary was very happy with the results and we were certainly glad to help her. Now, she can get in and out of her home safely. (We built the ramp on a Saturday and I drove by the home on Sunday after church. The family was planting her flowers back into the front yard. Mary was telling me how pleased she was with her new ramp and how pretty it looks and wanted me to tell everyone "thank you" for all the help she received. Well done, AMBUCS.. Thank You!)





We've still got several ramps to build and I'll keep everyone posted on the next ramp-building projects. Thanks for your willingness to help and I'll see ya' at the next one.

Bill McHie

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#### Notes From Al...



#### **Amtrykes®**

Unfortunately, we did not have any Amtryke activity this month. I anticipate we will receive a couple of requests once the school year gets going and the therapist are seeing the children in person.

We do have a couple recycled bikes that could be used, if and when we get a request.

Please send me the contact information for anyone who might benefit from one of our terrific therapeutic cycles.

Thanks.

Al Bedell 2802 Hendrix Rd Bloomington, IL 61704 309) 826-0405 Check out what our neighboring AMBUCS™ club is doing. Here is the link to the Pekin club's newsletter: <a href="http://www.pekinAMBUCS.org/newsletter.html">http://www.pekinAMBUCS.org/newsletter.html</a>