

# **CORNBELT BUC-ETIN**

# December 2022

### **Upcoming Events**

**December 7, 2022** – Next monthly <u>Cornbelt AMBUCS Lunch Meeting</u> at Noon at Monicals Pizza next to Best Buy on Veterans Parkway.

## **From Your President**



Cornbelt AMBUCS – I have many things to be grateful for in my life and one of those things is the good work that we do in our community to help people. I appreciate all of you and the ways that you show up to help with our volunteer activities. It matters to those we help. Since this is the last newsletter of the year and since we are so close to Christmas – I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

#### Salvation Army Bell Ringing

On December 5, 2022 – 10 AMBUCS rang the Salvation Army Bells at 5 locations around Bloomington-Normal. It was a chilly evening for those outside but all survived and went out to dinner afterwards at Outback Steakhouse. It was great serving our community and then getting together to share a meal.



















#### **December Lunch Meeting**

Our December lunch meeting on December 7, 2022 at Monical's will be extra special as in addition to a holiday celebration, we will be visited by our National President – Carmela Davis. Please consider attending to join in showing support for AMBUCS as well as a bit of fun.

I hope to see each of you in the near future at one of our projects or events.

#### Shoulders Together!

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# Ramp News from Bill



Hey. All you ramp-builders -

We didn't get a chance to build any ramps in November but we've got a couple planned for December! We've enjoyed a great year of building ramps together and we're planning to continue our efforts into the new year. Funding for our ramp program has been difficult this year but we have managed to work around these obstacles and we've put quite a few ramps together for families that have been very grateful for our services. I want to thank all of our volunteers who have come out to help us throughout the year. If you have held a piece of lumber while someone was using the saw, if you have lifted a platform to get it into place, if you have put those screws into the decking on that ramp, if you have hauled that lumber for us, if you have done anything to help us in our ramp-building process, I thank you! We've got a great group of volunteers that have always responded to the needs we have in this community and it is still a pleasure to work with all of you. I'm looking forward to a new year and I will see you at a future ramp, I'm sure. As you gather with family and friends over the holidays, take a minute to remember what you did for those families when you showed up at their home. The ramp was great!.. but the impact that you made on that family was even greater, I'm sure. Yep, now they can gather with all of their friends and family, as well.. thanks to your efforts and dedication.

Enjoy the holidays!.. Safe travels!.. and I'll see ya' at the next one!

**Bill McHie** 



Amtryke® News from AI

Merry Christmas to everyone.

Unfortunately we do not have an Amtryke ready to present this Christmas. However, we have a few weeks and a few recycled Amtrykes we could present.

Amtryke activity was very light this past month. We did exchange the seat for a lovely girl riding an AM - 10. The therapist thought the snappy seat would work better now as the wonderful girl needs a back brace.

As usual, please send me the contact information when you become aware of someone who might benefit from one of our therapeutic bikes.

Happy New Year



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