

CORNBELT BUC-ETIN

July 2023

Upcoming Events

August 2-5 – AMBUCS National Conference in Louisville KY

August 9, 2023 - Next monthly Cornbelt AMBUCS Lunch Meeting at Noon at Monicals Pizza next to Best Buy on Veterans Parkway. **Please note date change.**

August 26, 2023 – Adopt a Highway clean up

From Your President



Hi there! I trust and hope your summer is going well and that you had a wonderful fourth of July. Boy, this summer sure has been flying by. Please read on to see what our chapter has been up to. Consider coming out to help with our community service efforts if you are able. We'd love to see you there!

Kindest Regards,
Bill

Adopt A Highway cleanup 6/24/2023

It was hot one on June 24 when 5 brave souls went out to cleanup our Adopted part of the highway.

Because we always do a good job, there was not a ton of garbage unless you count the really heavy pieces of shredded tire that Larry T had to lug around. We found the usual cans, bottles and empty cigarette packs. We decided that next time we definitely need to carry water bottles with us. 😊 We hope that you will join us for our next cleanup day – which will be in August.





Midwest Food Bank – 6/12/2023

On June 12 – Cornbelt AMBUCS volunteered at the Midwest Foodbank. There were 6 AMBUCS plus 4 AMBUC Guests. We, along with a few others packed and sealed over 3000 lbs. of white chocolate wafers for donation. We kept envisioning all of the chocolate coated pretzels and cookies that we could make with these. It is always fun to help and serve together.



Other Opportunities

Boys and Girls Club –

By now you should have received information about a serving opportunity at the local Boys & Girls Club on **Tuesday, July 25 at 5:30 pm**. The address is 1615 Illinois St., Bloomington. We will be sanitizing tables and chairs, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, etc. It is easy work and this would be a good activity to bring your kids or grandkids to. With a group of us, it might take a couple hours, since we can divide up the work. Please contact Marcia Hammerstrand if you would be available to help on this date.

Adopt -a-Highway

Our next cleanup for our piece of the Highway will be on August 26, 2023. Additional information will be sent in the near future.

We would love to have your help. Also please let us know of any other serving opportunities that you are aware of in our community.

AMBUCS National Conference in Louisville – August 2-5, 2023

Registration is still open for the AMBUCS National Conference in Louisville, KY!

Please consider attending this year's conference on August 2-5, 2023. Louisville is so close and the experience of gathering with AMBUCS from all over the country is priceless. We learn so much, we see old friends and make new ones. It is a gathering of folks who want to help others by working Shoulders Together.

You can find more details at this address:

<https://ambucs.org/members/ambucs-national-conference/>

(Note: If link does not work – paste this address into your browser)



Big Hat Raffle

This year's AMBUCS Big Hat fundraiser is a chance to win a fabulous trip. The winner of this year's raffle is getting the trip of a lifetime! Choose from 5 exceptional adventures for a curated travel experience worth up to \$12,000 – Nashville, Wyoming, Florida, St Martin or Argentina.

The price of a ticket is **\$20.00 or 6 for \$100.00**. All of the money raised goes to support AMBUCS programs – Scholarships, Amtrykes and Cornerstone. You can even buy tickets online if you choose.

Here is the link to National AMBUCS website with more detailed information: <https://ambucs.org/members/big-hat-club/> (Note: If link does not work – paste this address into your browser)

You can contact **Dennis Strauss** if you wish to purchase tickets or you can buy tickets online at: <https://form.123formbuilder.com/6244226/form> (Note: If link does not work – paste this address into your browser)

DATE CHANGE for August Lunch Meeting

The August lunch meeting at Monical's will be held on the **second Wednesday - August 9, 2023** as our President and many of our board members will be away at the National Conference in Louisville Kentucky on the first Wednesday. Please mark your calendars so you don't show up and find no meeting. 😊



Ramp News from Bill

Hey, all you ramp-builders -

We didn't get to build any ramps in June but we do have a few ramps to build in July, I hope. I'll keep you posted on future ramp-building opportunities.

We do have a need for our AMBUCS trailer, though. We are looking for a place to store our trailer along with a small rack for extra lumber, as well. Inside storage in Bloomington or Normal would be preferred and the trailer is a 6x12 "V-nose". If anyone has options for us, let me know. Thank you and I'll be in touch!

Bill McHie

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Amtryke® News from Al



Cornbelt Ambucs did not present any Amtrykes last month.

We have one Amtryke evaluation pending for board approval and another one the therapist is still completing. One is for a Pro Series 1416 which we will need to order and the second one is for an AM-16 or an AM-12. We have both of the AM Amtrykes in stock.

As usual please continue to send me the contact information for anyone who could benefit from one of our fabulous bikes.

Thanks.

Our Cornbelt AMBUCS Board

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