

CORNBELT BUC-ETIN

September 2023

Upcoming Events

September 9, 2023 – Cornbelt AMBUCS information table at CIDSO (Central Illinois Down Syndrome Organization) Buddy Walk

October 4, 2023 - Next monthly Cornbelt AMBUCS Lunch Meeting at Noon at Monicals Pizza next to Best Buy on Veterans Parkway.



From Your President

Happy September everyone,

As the extremely hot embrace of summer gradually makes way for the crisp and colorful days of fall, I hope you had a most excellent summer.

I also hope that you're looking forward to diving into this month and the fall with renewed energy, commitment, and enthusiasm for the work we do and the difference which we make in our community.

Wishing you all a fantastic September!

Warmest regards,
Bill Hamann
Cornbelt AMBUCS President

Adopt A Highway cleanup 8/26/2023

On August 26, 2023 – 9 AMBUCS went out to clean up our part of the highway. We started early to avoid the heat of the day. It was a good thing because it was really warm by the end. We did not find a lot of garbage but we did find enough. It must mean that we do a really good job. Thanks to all who helped. Our next and last highway clean-up for the year will be in October. Be watching for additional information.



Central Illinois Down Syndrome Organization 9/9/2023

Cornbelt AMBUCS has been invited by CIDSO (Central Illinois Down Syndrome Organization) to host an information table at their Buddy Walk event this Saturday, **September 9, 2023 from 9 am - 10:30 am**. This is a new event for us and a new opportunity to get the word out about who we are and what we do. If you would like to help staff the table, please contact Bill Hamann.

This is the website address for this organization - www.cidsobuddywalk.org

Please let us know of any other serving opportunities that you are aware of in our community.



Ramp News from Bill

Hey, all you ramp-builders -

We built a couple of ramps in August.

First one was in Bloomington for the Daugherty family. Over 50 ft. of ramp and we were able to make this home accessible! Great crew to help with the project and the family was very pleased with the results. Thanks, AMBUCS



The second ramp was built in Bloomington for the Jackson family. They needed a small ramp at the front of their home so their father could get in and out of the home. They were very happy to make this home accessible and it didn't take too long to build. A big "thank you" to Duane for his help on this one!



We've got several more ramps "on the books" so if you're looking for something to do in the next couple of months, come and join us!

Thanks to all our volunteers for your willingness to help with these projects. Nice to work with such a dedicated group of people. Thank You!

See ya' at the next one!

Bill McHie



Amtryke® News from Al

August was a busy month for finding homes for several Amtrykes. At the Regional Caucus chapters mentioned the need for Amtrykes while waiting for back orders to be filled by National.

Cornbelt indicated we had two 1420 XL that we did not have a rider waiting on at this time, but we needed two 1416 Pro Series. The Greater Champaign County Ambucs had one 1416 and they needed a 1420 XL. The switch was made, and we are preparing the 1416 to be presented in early September. We are still waiting for the full padded back, H-harness and the 10-degree seat post but not sure when they will be available.

One of the St. Louis chapters requested the second 1420 XL we have in our stock. We met in Springfield, and they will be sending us a check for the 1420 XL.

Cornbelt Ambucs also had a 1416 returned to us last month. It is an older style so we will need a new front end if a new rider requires the rear steering option. The Amtryke is in excellent condition.

We still have another 1416 with rear steering on back order. Hopefully the Amtryke will become available soon and we can get it to a young girl in Clinton.

We also have two requests for Amtrykes from families because their child has outgrown their current Amtryke. Once we receive the new Amtryke Evaluation from the therapist the request will be taken to the board for approval.

It looks like September will be a busy Amtryke month. Please watch your email for the date and time for the presentation or Amtryke assembly.

As usual please continue to send me contact information for anyone who might benefit from one of our outstanding Amtrykes.

Thanks,

Al Bedell

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