

# CORNBELT BUC-ETIN

## August 2026

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### Upcoming Events

**August 15, 2026** – 8:00 am Ramp build in Bloomington

**August 22, 2026** – Ramp Build in Bloomington

**August 26-29, 2026** – National Conference in Myrtle Beach SC – Still time to register

**September 2, 2026** – Next monthly *Cornbelt AMBUCS Lunch Meeting* at Noon at Monical's Pizza next to Best Buy on Veterans Parkway. Bring a friend!

**September 12, 2026** – Adopt-A-Highway cleanup date



## From Your President

Hello Cornbelt AMBUCS

I can't believe that the kids in our community are going back to school next week. The summer has flown by. It is still warm out but not as bad as it has been.

We have been busy building ramps and cleaning up the highway. Our National Conference in Myrtle Beach is just 2 ½ weeks away. There is still time to register, if you want to go.

We are a healthy AMBUCS chapter but we could use some more members to help us serve our community. Please invite those you know to a ramp build or our monthly noon lunch so they can come and see what we are about.

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, please contact me or anyone on our Board.

**Vicky Strauss**

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## 2026 National AMBUCS Conference – August 29-29, 2026

The National AMBUCS Conference is being held in **Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on August 26-29, 2026**. It is going to be a great conference at a beautiful location. The hotel is located right on the beach and there are many things to see and do in the area. **There is still time to sign up.** A conference like this really connects you with the organization and the others around the country who have the same heart for service as we do.



Go to: <https://ambucs.org/ambucs-national-conference-2026/> to read about the conference. *You can still register.*

## Upcoming Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup – September 12, 2026

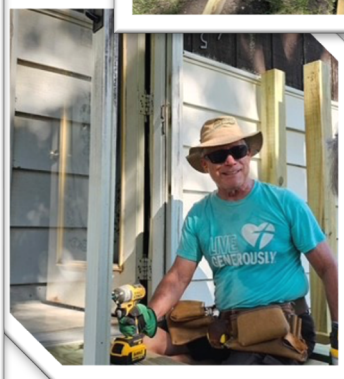
Our next Adopt-a-Highway cleanup is scheduled for **September 12, 2026**.

Additional details for times and sign up will be sent out soon. Be watching for an email from Marcia.

## Ramp News

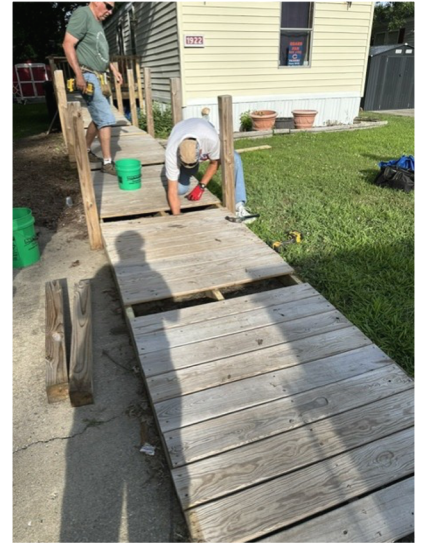
We built our second “solo” ramp on July 18 in Chenoa for the Resseger’s, a very sweet couple who had great difficulty getting in and out of their home.

It was a warm day but our Cornbelt members persevered and built a wonderful ramp. Thanks to all those who showed up to help with the build.



### **Ramp Donation – Tear down**

We had a ramp donated back for use for another person who needs a ramp. We had 4 strong AMBUCS plus the homeowner helping us take down the ramp. We will be able to use sections of this ramp in the future. Our small group of mighty AMBUCS had the ramp down and loaded in about an hour. They were very efficient. Thanks to all who helped.



### **More Ramps to be built**

We have another ramp scheduled for **August 15** in Bloomington. We will be meeting at 8:00 am at the residence. You should have received an email with all of the details. If you want to help with this ramp but have not previously let us know, there is still time to do so by contacting Vicky Strauss.

We have a 2<sup>nd</sup> ramp scheduled for this month on **August 22** in Bloomington. Please respond to the email requesting help for this ramp.

The need in our community for ramps is great at this time. There are so many that can use our help. We thank you for any time you can come and help us help these folks.

We are doing our best to schedule ramps for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, but there may be times when another day of the week may be necessary.

Shoulders Together – We can do more.

## Amtryke® News



This month – we received a request for a bike repair for a bike that we provided at the 5<sup>th</sup> Learning School. A weld had broken on the chain tension which required an aluminum weld. The bike was taken to a welding shop, repaired and returned.

We anticipate more Amtryke activity when school starts from the local school therapists.

As always, please send me contact information for anyone who could benefit from one of our wonderful therapeutic bikes.

Al Bedell

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## New – Member Anniversaries/Birthdays –

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> AMBUCS Anniversary to Alexis Landry (sorry last month it indicated 3 years)

Happy August birthday to **Seth Bauersfeld** and **Don Barnard**. May you both have a wonderful year.

## Our Cornbelt AMBUCS Board

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**Secretary:** Marcia Hammerstrand

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**At-Large Board Member:** Pete Hettinger

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