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DECEMBER 2011

THE PREZ SEZ... (President Larry Turilli)



November was a quiet month for our AMBUCS™ club. We built a couple ramps, like we always do, but there wasn't much else going on in AMBUCS™-land. I hope you enjoyed the rest because that's going to change soon. Look at what's coming up in the next couple months:

- Expect an AMBUCS™ social event early next year.
- We'll start preparation for our annual Pancake Breakfast in the next couple weeks.
- Al has some AmTryke® business lined up.
- Of course, we'll build more ramps; the cold weather won't stop us.

 January 17 is the day the National AMBUCS™ web site starts accepting Scholarship applications.

Everyone gets involved and helps with all the things on the list above, but I'm asking for a little extra help with that last bullet. Each year our club presents deserving college students with scholarships, and we also sponsor candidates for additional scholarship money that is available from National AMBUCS™. If you know any college students that are studying in a therapy related field, make sure you tell them about AMBUCS™. Make sure they know what we do, and how we can help them. You can get eligibility information for scholarship candidates from the AMBUCS™ website at http://www.ambucs.org/scholarship-program-information. Don't let someone you know miss out on this opportunity.

Have a great Holiday Season. Enjoy your well-deserved rest. We'll see you all for Pizza at Monical's on January 4th as we kick off the 2012 Cornbelt AMBUCS™ year.

Larry Turilli



Mark your calendars!!!

Next Saturday Meeting

When: Saturday, December 17, 2011

Time: 7:15 a.m.

Place: Shannon's Restaurant

Next Noon Meeting

When: Wednesday, January 4, 2011

Time: Noor

Place: Monical's Pizza (by Best Buy)



Bill BucHie's Babbles...



Hey, All you ramp builders -

We got another one finished in November... and we got to see a huge smile with Rosemary coming down her ramp for the first time on that Saturday morning! We built a 35 foot ramp with one large platform, including those famous ballisters, for Rosemary at her home in

Bloomington. Her family was quite concerned about her being able to get in and out of her home... and we solved that for her and her family that Saturday. Thanks to all of our volunteers, including the Diversity Project scholars, for all the help that day.







We are winding down our season and Mother Nature has been kind to us... up to this point. We still have a few more ramps that I would like to build... so watch for upcoming e-mails and save the third Saturday in December for another ramp, if you can. We'll put a nice red bow on the next one! I also have a ramp to build inside a garage!... so we might try to fool Mother Nature... once.

Thanks to all of the folks that have come to help us throughout the year. As you know, our ramp-building projects are a team-effort and require all of us to work together. As you approach the end of the year... and make those new year's resolutions, consider joining our team this next year. You don't have to come to every ramp... you just have to want to be there... for as many ramps and maiden voyages as you can handle!

Thanks, again, and I'll see ya' at the ramps!

Bill McHie

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Notes from Al...





AmTrykes®

Cornbelt AMBUCS™ did not provide an AmTryke® to any children in November. We are working with two families, one in LeRoy and one in District 87, on potential bikes but still waiting on the paper work from the parents and therapist. We are trying hard to get the bikes ordered in time for a prior to Christmas delivery. AmTrykes® make wonderful presents especially with the big red bow on the front. If necessary Santa will work late to get the bikes delivered by Christmas if possible.

We are also working with an organization in Pontiac that desires to purchase a bike for a child in their school. Unfortunately the bike is currently on back order and not sure when the next shipment will clear customs and be deliver to our national headquarters in High Point.

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