

# THE BUCSHOT

**Greater Champaign County AMBUCS Newsletter** 

August 2020

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# **Golf Outing in September!**

September 21st is the date for the 16th Annual Charity Golf Outing and the deadline for teams to register is Sept. 10th. Talk with your friends who play and anyone who might sponsor a hole. While it will be different from outings in the past it's still going to be a lot of fun. Only \$100 per golfer which includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, a packed lunch, 50/50 raffle, and hole prizes. All funds raised will go to support our various projects, Amtrykes, ramp building, scholarships at Parkland College, enhancements to AMBUCS Park in east Urbana.

This year we'll have assigned tee times instead of a shotgun start. Larry Windingland will be happy to work out a time with teams but we do ask that teams pay in advance to secure the

#### Calendar

**Sept. 12—**Virtual National Conference

**Sept. 19—**Scarecrow Festival—CANCELED

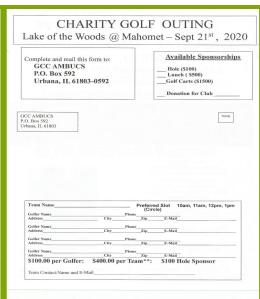
**Sept. 21**—Charity Golf Outing, Lake of the Woods Golf Course

Oct. 10—disAbility Expo

time. Teams can contact Larry at 217-621-6991. You can contact Don Dunlap, 217-202-3061, or Keith Jamieson, 217-377-7112 for more information.







## **Amtryke Give Aways**

**Imtryke leader, Scott Price,** continues to distribute Amtrykes to new riders as possible. He has refurbished several, about 12, which saves the Chapter money and gets the proper trikes to the people who need them. Scott reports that the storage shed, maintained by the Chapter, has been invaluable in storing and organizing extra parts. The storage





shed provides Scott a place to work, helps with repairs, and provides one central spot for all returned trikes making it easy to keep the inventory up-to-



date.. There are still problems with getting new Amtrykes from outside of the country so Scott's

ability to refurbish trikes has helped immensely with continuing our mission during these tough times. (pics: I-r, Alora, Brandon, and David)

#### Awards for the 2019-2020 Year

**Outgoing President, Renae' Strawbridge** announced her choices for Project Manager of the Year and AMBUC of the Year.

**Project Manager of the Year: Bob Lacey** Renae' said in part: "A manager for this project [grant writing] must possess a critical eye for detail; must be able to effectively communicate about our chapter's goals, mission, community impact, and our success; and they must be able to track and report their success of this project to our chapter...The success of this project manager is evident in the \$6,250 secured in funding this past year, which our chapter then used to improve our community and those lives we touched....The Greater Champaign County AMBUCS are proud to present



the 2020 Project Manager of the Year award to Bob Lacey! Bob's success in writing multiple grants that have been funded not just this year, but throughout multiple years, has proven time and again that he is truly a great project manager, leader, and valued member of the [GCC] AMBUCS. Congratulations Bob!"

AMBUC of the Year: Sally Denhart Renae' said in part: "This year's AMBUC of the Year has had an exceptionally challenging year but has been instrumental in bringing us through it with flying colors....some of our business as a Chapter had to continue and this member was prepared. There was no playbook for any of this so our AMBUC walked this new path with us, sometimes leading the way. This dedicated AMBUC provided information to not only me, but also many others in our Chapter when asked...This was especially true when I had to inquire about historic infor-



mation...We as a Chapter, and me specifically as president, depend on this member for accuracy, efficiency, and timeliness. Not only our business, but our history are dependent on this person keeping accurate notes, providing answers about both previous and current actions, events, or motions, responding quickly and keeping the official Chapter records...GCC's 2020 AMBUC of the Year exemplifies what I envision is a genuine AMBUC and it is with a sincere 'thank you for all your hard work in this unprecedented year' that I am happy to present this award. Congratulations Sally!"

## Early Childhood School Sensory Garden

**Member Cris Vowels,** newly retired principal at Early Childhood School, asked our Chapter for help in creating a Sensory Garden at the school. The garden will be planted by the students and will be built to be handicap accessible so that all students can take part in the planting and maintenance of the garden. Scott Price and Keith Jamieson have been working with the school on the design and layout of the raised beds needed for wheelchair access. Due to the pandemic, there is a shortage of wood so Cris will salvage some wood from a friend up north that can be used in building the boxes. Any other supplies needed will be bought from a grant given to the school for the purpose. AMBUCS members will help build the garden when the time comes. The Sensory Garden will be beautiful and will enhance the lives of the children involved. Stay tuned.

# Splinters From the Board

**Our Board met** at Papa Del's on August 26th. The action items were:

==> Treasurer Elaine Windingland presented the budget and the Board accepted it.

==> Created a Ramp Committee to take over the build project when Ray Griest stepped down: Don Dunlap, Scott Price, Bob Lacey, Keith Jamieson, Sally Denhart are members

==> Approved Don Dunlap selling National Big Hat pins to members.

# **Winning Chances**

8/4/20—50/50: \$5 to Kyle Moe; Attendance: \$11 could have been won by Steve Miller but he was not present

8/II/20—50/50: \$5 to Dick Adams; Attendance: \$22 was won by Deb Griest.

8/18/20—50/50: \$6 to Laura Gibbs; Attendance: \$12 could have been won by Alan Edwards but he was not present.

8/25/20—50/50: \$6 to Keith Jamieson; Attendance: \$24 could have been won by Cris Vowels but she was not present.