

Early Childhood School Sensory Garden

The second set of boxes for the Sensory Garden at the Early Childhood School were completed on October 10th. Member Cris Vowels brought more Trek from her friend's deck project so we had plenty to create the boxes. Leader, Scott Price, couldn't be there for the build so members Keith Jamieson and Don Dunlap stepped up to make sure things happened. Members, Cris, Bob Lacey, Larry Windingland, and Sally Denhart, showed up to help with the build. As usual we started by digging the post holes. Years of foot traffic, riding lawn mowers, and not much rain, compacted the ground so much it was more like concrete. Keith, Don, and Bob won each round using the gas-powered post hole digger but the ground fought back hard! Don used the grinder to sharpen the end of the digger and that helped some. After this build, we're considering the purchase of a pull behind post hole digger.

We can't wait to see the boxes all filled with growing things but sadly with Covid that will probably not happen until next Spring. The teachers and principle love the results and really appreciated our help. AMBUCS members always step up to help no matter what the project. Great job, All!



New Member: Bill Gingerich

Bill Gingerich joined our Chapter this month. Or should we say rejoined our Chapter as Bill had been a member years ago. He was also a member of the Champaign Chapter but now that Bill and his wife have moved back to Urbana, he decided to rejoin GCC AMBUCS. Here he is, right, with President Scott Price after receiving his membership pin. Welcome, Bill! You're going to love it...again!



Bill's sponsor was Steve Gibbs so he gets the first points in the Fall Roundup Contest. Fall Roundup runs through November so invite those potential new members to lunch soon!

Chapter Social and Amtryke Refurbish

Our quarterly Chapter Social will be held at the C-U Elks Lodge in Savoy on November 7th from noon to 3pm. We'll be having a chili cookoff and refurbish about 8 Amtrykes so they can be given out again to new riders. Due to Covid we'll only be allowed to have 25 people attend so please contact Laura Gibbs or Elaine Windingland if you plan on attending. If you want to be part of the chili cookoff bring your best chili in a crockpot about 11:30. We'll also have some pizza and hot dogs in case you don't like chili. Don't forget your Amtryke tools!

Amtrykes

Kathryn Rose, who came to speak with us last month, sent these three pictures to us via the Facebook page. She wanted us to see how our Amtrykes are being used in action. Whenever there is enough sunshine her students want to be outside on their Amtrykes. In the third picture, Mahomet Schools Resource Officer, Officer Ward, caught this young man exceeding the parking lot speed limit and pulled him over to the curb. He let the young man off with a stern warning to keep having fun! Thank you Officer Ward, and thanks Kathryn for the photos of Amtrykes In the Wild!



Tidbits

Member Steve Gibbs brother, passed away suddenly this month. Please send prayers and healing thoughts to him and his family!

Member Ray Griest's mother, fell and broke her hip. They performed hip replacement surgery and she is working hard in rehab. Please send prayers and good thoughts for her speedy recovery! She's 99 years young!

President, Scott Price says, "Flooring is my life!" as he and Anne replace all the floors in their home!

Keith Jamieson and Sandy Jachino also have been doing home renovations. They now have a whole new kitchen!

Member Justin Griest has a new job at the University of Illinois' Steam Plant. He will be keeping the steam heat up and running in all the University buildings. Congrats Justin!

Tidbits continued...

Former member, Kim VanEngelenburg is not doing well, health wise. Please send her prayers and good wishes!

Splinters From the Board

Our Board met at Papa Del's on October 28th. The action items were:

- ==>Voted to give \$400 in December to Camp New Hope and \$400 in the Spring
 - ==>Accepted the resignation of Andy VanEngelenburg.
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Winning Chances

10/6/20—50/50: \$4 to Keith Jamieson; Attendance: \$34 could have been won by Sandy Jachino but she was not present.

10/13/20—50/50: \$4 to Bill Gingerich; Attendance: \$42 was won by Keith Jamieson.

10/20/20—50/50: \$5 to Bill Gingerich (again!); Attendance: \$10 was won by Pat Webb.

10/27/20—50/50: \$7 to Sandy Jachino; Attendance: \$15 could have been won by Justin Griest but he was not present.