

Young Rider Enjoys New AmTryke® From Noon Network Chapter



On November 18, 2010, the Noon Network Chapter of AMBUCS, Salina, KS presented a 2700 series AmTryke to a

local 10-year-old boy Austin Meyer. Austin is blind and is unable to ride a traditional bike. His mom Jan says that he loves his new AmTryke (especially the bell) and rides it every day he can. They family has a concrete basketball court in their backyard which gives Austin lots of room to ride. According to his mom, Austin always remembers where he parks his AmTryke® and goes straight to it each time he goes out to ride. "I am very thankful for the organization that made this possible for him," said Jan.

Persistence Pays Off

Mid-States Region Director Jack Bellware spent months courting the local Sam's Club store in Portage, MI, with hopes of securing a small donation to purchase an AmTryke therapeutic cycle. Eventually, his hard work paid off when, upon learning about AMBUCS and the AmTryke program, the store honored Bellware's request with a \$500 donation. Bellware encourages every chapter to visit their local Sam's Club and investigate the many programs the company has to help local charities.

Joyce Titus, the Portage Sam's Club director of marketing, and Matt Kennene, store assistant manager, present a check to Mid-States Region Director Jack Bellware



Lubbock Caprock Chapter 52nd Annual Basketball Tournament

Lubbock Caprock AMBUCS held its 52nd annual FiberMax Caprock Classic in December. It was the largest high school basketball tournament in the nation, attracting 94 varsity teams from all across Texas. The boys and girls teams competed at 12 different gyms for the chance to play in a championship game at Lubbock Christian University's new arena. Ticket revenue increased over \$10,000 from the previous year. Several referees even donated money afterward to buy two AmTryke® therapeutic tricycles. A total of six AmTrykes® were given away to local children with disabilities on Championship Night. The tournament was originally adopted as way to finance the Lubbock Children's Training Center, which was a pre-school for children with mental disabilities. All of the net proceeds from the tournament go to local charities and towards the mission of creating mobility and independence for people with disabilities.

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Charleston, WV Chapter Honors Corrie For 60 Years Of Membership



The Charleston, WV chapter of AMBUCS recently honored longtime member Tom Corrie for his six decades of service. Corrie (left) who has been a dedicated member of the Charleston chapter since 1950 was presented with a 60-year membership plaque.

Lititz, PA Chapter Donates Christmas Baskets To Needy Families

Each year, the Lititz, PA chapter of AMBUCS donates approximately 15 baskets to local families in need. These food baskets are filled with nutritious groceries beginning with a whole turkey and all of its fixings to everyday canned goods and beverages. The chapter members pack the baskets early in the morning and then head out in force through the community to deliver them to the families.

Yellow Rose Chapters Honors Memory Of Local Veterans

The Yellow Rose chapter of AMBUCS in Irving, TX participated in a wreath laying ceremony at the D/FW National Cemetery in Dallas, Texas last December.

This event was held in conjunction with the Wreaths Across America Project, a national campaign created to honor the memory of the brave men and women who have defended this country throughout the years.

The organization's ultimate goal is to place a wreath on the gravesite of every veteran interred at a national cemetery.



Pekin, IL Chapter Featured On Local Telethon

The Pekin, Il chapter of AMBUCS attracted great visibility this past March when they were featured on local station WMBD-TV's annual Easter Seals telethon.



Chapter members Bill Calvert and Dennis Davison were both interviewed by popular reporter TV Bob Larson, and they did an excellent job informing viewers about the AMBUCS mission. Also on hand were Petra Petty and David Maughan, two local children with disabilities who had previously received AmTrykes from the Pekin chapter.

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