



Rock River Valley Ambucs
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Greetings Fellow Ambucs,

2023 is already off to an exciting start! We were honored to have the National President, Carmela Davis, at our January meeting. We had a wonderful time learning from her and are appreciative that she made the trip up here from Texas.

On January 31st the RRVA Board voted to donate an additional \$800 to the "Overnight Café" (for the homeless). We also drew all the winners for our February Calendar Raffle. Please check our Facebook page daily to see winners from the drawing. In March, a full list of winners will be posted to our website.

Although there is still a delay on the orders for Amtrykes, we are able to continue to place orders. We are currently waiting on one Amtryke for our Spring Build. The Second First Church in Rockford is storing bikes for us until the giveaway.

If you know of anyone in need of an Amtryke, please be sure to have them contact us so we can get the order placed! We still have one more recycled Amtryke left to giveaway (size: small 1410). If you or anyone you know would like to help with our recycle program, please let me know.

Ramp building is now on hold until the spring. If you are interested in helping with ramp building in 2023, please be sure to contact Dave Jahn or Jim Nordstrom.

During our Calendar Raffle, we sold 352 tickets! This is more than we sold last year, and the proceeds will go a long way to helping our chapter. We want to give a huge thanks to State Farm, Bob & Chris Shields, and Lisa Miller for all the work and effort that went into this program!

We will hold our next meeting in person at Stockholm Inn at 5:30pm on February 9th. Please RSVP to Dave Jahn if you will be in attendance. I hope you all continue to stay in good health and have a fantastic new year!

Ann Hochmann

Check us out at www.rockrivervalleyambucs.com!

Mission Statement

Inspiring people to conquer challenges related to mobility and independence, through a nationwide network of volunteer chapters, working in partnership with physical, occupational and speech therapists; by providing Amtryke adaptive trikes, scholarships for therapists and many forms of community service.

President: Ann Hochmann
Vice President: Dave Jahn
Past President: Rich Lierman

Secretary: Jim Nordstrom
Treasurer: Dick Larson
Media Coordinator: Samantha Hochmann

NATIONAL NEWS

Q: How can I participate in AMBUCS on a larger scale?

A: The next Central Regional Conference will be held in Springfield, IL on April 21-22. If you are interested in attending, please let us know!

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Q: What does the RRVA do to contribute to our local community?

A: Every year our chapter donates to various charitable organizations. Over the past year, we have donated to RAMP, Tinker Swiss Cottage Museum, the Vets Roll program, and the Overnight Café. If you have other fundraising ideas to help us raise money for our chapter or know of local organizations we can participate in to bring awareness to our chapter, please let us know!