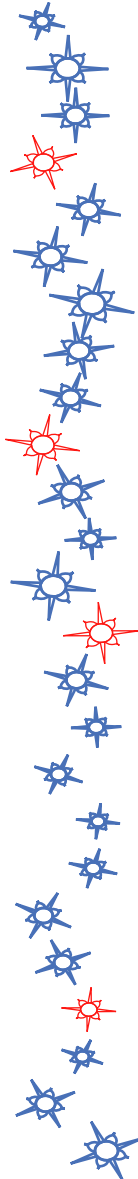




Welcome to AMBUCS, where we are dedicated to creating opportunities for independence for people with disabilities, especially children.

Announcements



The Christmas Party will be December 1st at Turtle Run. We have had the party at Days Inn in the past, and have been very happy with their hospitality. But we have unfortunately outgrown the space, and we needed a ground level facility for wheelchair accessibility.

\$15,000 Annual Raffle will be held on October 4th. Tickets are available from Pat Phillips. There aren't very many left! Pat has received quite a few responses from the letters sent to people who bought from Joe Glick in the past.

Downtown Danville Night of Lights is Thursday, November 15th. We would like to get a group together to participate in the parade. If you aren't already in the parade, please contact Jeff Saylor.

Central Region Fall Convention in Springfield - September 21-23
Don't miss out on your opportunity for low room rate for the Central Region Fall Convention. The deadline for the \$89.00 rooms is September 7, 2007.

Social Get-Together - "Hamburgers & (Duke) Tumatoe" at Kennekuk Park Bunker Hill this Saturday night. You will receive an email with more information as it becomes available.

Guest Speaker

Today we welcomed Becky Robinson from the Illinois Department of Human Services / Division of Rehabilitation Services (DHS/DRS). The office is located next to the unemployment office on Franklin St. The goal of the project is to find gainful employment for people who have any kind of disability.

They have two in-house counselors, and two that come from Champaign-Urbana on a regular basis to help hearing- and vision-impaired candidates. The extent of service is quite broad. Becky went through many of the most common services that they offer, but they will try to help in any way they can. The services that a person receives depend on the nature of their disability and what they need to become employed. They also provide Education services, Independent Living, and Home Services.

National News

October Is National AmTryke® Month! Each year during the month of October, AMBUCS focuses on promoting the AmTryke therapeutic tricycles and the impact that they have on children with disabilities. Again this year, your chapter will receive 5 bonus points and a \$50-off coupon for a future AmTryke purchase, if you buy and present an AmTryke therapeutic tricycle in October! For more information, please visit www.ambucs.org or contact the Jeff Roig at (800) 838-1845 ext 14.

Invest In The Future With a gift of \$300 or more you can now purchase a personalized brick to be installed in the donor courtyard at the AMBUCS Resource Center. The 4 X 8 inch brick is an ideal way to honor a special Ambuc or family member. Proceeds are earmarked for the AMBUCS capital campaign. For more information contact Semaj Marsh at (800) 838-1845 ext. 17. Order forms can be downloaded at: www.ambucs.org/pdf/brickerorderforms/pdf

Upcoming Speakers

09/12/07	Lori Burnett	Advocates
09/19/07	Frank & Judy	WorkSource tour
09/26/07	Peter Blackmon	"Lose the Training Wheels"
10/24/07	Dr. R. Elghammer	Attention Deficit Disorder

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Members and Guests

Amy Russian's guest last week was Shelly Erickson.

Al Runner brought Phil Kruzich as his gues this week.

Information Changes?

Please contact Melody Maxwell at melcurvegirl@hotmail.com.

