



**We meet**  
**Each Thursday at Noon**  
**Heritage Room of**  
**1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist**  
**400 N. Fredonia St.**  
**Longview, Texas**

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## LONGVIEW AMBUCS

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**Presiding:** Chapin Miller  
**Prayer:** Hewitt Wheless  
**Pledge:** Randy Rose

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**ROLL CALL**

**Members: 42**

**Guests: 3** Guest of  
**Don Dingler** Mike Bishop  
**John Wharton** Joe Knox  
**Colton Goetle** Albert Goetle

**Speakers: 1**

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**Drawings \$41 Forest Williams**

**Attendance: \$291 Powers Branch**

**Upcoming Speakers:**

**8/6** TBD

**8/13** TBD

**8/20** Business Meeting



**Guest Don Dingler – Longview Police Chief**  
**- retiring after 42 years. Congrats!**

Mike Bishop & J.B. McCaleb both praised Mr. Dingler for his leadership and service to the City of Longview. There is a reception for him Friday at Maude Cobb from 2 – 4pm.

Bob Graham asked for 10 or 12 volunteers this Saturday at HQ from 7 to 9am to beef up the doomsday spikes, and build/strengthen the rope climbing platform, so they can be transported to the Mud Run without damaging their integrity. Any takers?

Tommy Knight said he is moving the golf tourney yet again to October 16<sup>th</sup>, in order to be combined with the Enbridge tourney. He hopes that in this way, we can build good rapor with them and do another joint tournament next year, creating more income for both parties.

On October 3rd, Danny Lee and Dan Herrington are selling beer for Western Days in Hallsville. Even after the liquor license and liability insurance, we still should be able to make a profit. It is from 6-10pm, and 10 volunteers are needed. A show of hands said it's a go!

Dick Allen encouraged us to keep selling tickets and bring silent auction items for the Mobility Bash. Remember, it is September 26<sup>th</sup> at Maude Cobb, beginning at 6pm. This year, we are giving away a '99 Porsche.

Paul Herring – announced that it was the last day for the Mobility Bash ticket sales contest. Winners will be announced next week after he tabulates the results.

Dennis Rand said that 2 ramps were built last weekend, and that future builds will be suspended until after the Mud Run and Mobility Bash. Dennis has lost 18 lbs.

On August 13th, there is a Big Hatters Club party at Tommy Knight's house.



**Speaker Kaylen Burgess - BBB of Central East Texas**

She spoke of the beginnings of the BBB and how it was founded. The founder of Coca-Cola and other concerned businessmen started the BBB in response to "snake oil" salesman who were speaking blatant lies about their product. This group of pioneers demanded truth in advertising, and out of this, the BBB was born. Kaylen spoke on the various scams currently underway, and understanding the psychology of persuasion that these sophisticated thieves use to influence others. They are much more savvy than the snake oil salesman of yesteryear.

Current scams include Date Breaches, IRS Imposters, Online Click-Bait Schemes, Fake Utility Bills, Pre-paid Cards, Tech Support Scams, Advance Fee Loans, Fake Lottery & Sweepstakes, Office Supplies/School Supply Scams, and Phishing Scams.

She emphasized that "Before You Invest, Ask & Check". And, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. She encouraged us to contact the BBB if ever in doubt.

**Club News:**



**Thanks goes to Chapin Miller for leading the meeting today!**