



# THE BOCCANEER

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

Home of the AmTryke

## LONGVIEW AMBUCS

P. O. Box 3092 - Longview, Texas 75606-3092

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**Presiding:** President Allen Lizza  
**Prayer:** Jack Miller  
**Pledge:** Dick Allen

### ROLL CALL

**Members: 40**

<b>Guests: 4</b>	<b>Guest of</b>
Dr. Chip Hodges	Club
Norma Whitehouse	Club
Theresa Hodges	Club
Sylvester Mattheson	S. Gordon

### Drawings:

**Attendance:** \$662 ~~Brad Caraway~~

**50/50:** \$54 Randy Andrews

### SCHEDULED PROGRAMS

**21 April**

Special: Business & Inductions  
Bring Roundup Guests

**28 April**

Longview PD K-9s

**5 May**

Jack Miller  
Disaster Response Team

**4/22-24 Regional Conference**  
Contact Allen Lizza for info NOW

### Dr. Chip Hodges Texas Oncology

Dr. Hodges is one of the premiere surgeons in Texas, performing very technically advanced Stereotactic Radiology surgery.

This newly developed technique utilizes extremely sophisticated technology to focus multiple beams of energy to one very precise spot in the patient's body. This approach has multiple advantages over more traditional radiation and chemical treatments:

- Fewer treatments (5 vs 30)
- 2-1/2 weeks vs 6 weeks
- Reduced side effects
- Precision direct targeting

TX Oncology is headquartered in Longview, and conducts more research and clinical studies than any other Texas location. The developer of this new technology is from Westland, Tx, and works from Longview.

Dr. Hodges came from SW Medical Center, where he specialized his study and training on this new technology and procedure. He was instrumental in setting up the new equipment (first in the TX Oncology system) in Longview, at a cost of \$6.2 million.

He likened the new equipment to having a sniper's rifle with the very highest quality scope, versus a shotgun. This permits precise targeting and virtual elimination of side effects from the radiation.

This procedure is the current evolution of studies, equipment and procedures begun in Europe in the 1980s. He emphasized that conducting surgery with this equipment and technique is truly a team effort, coordinating the skills and knowledge of a nurse, physicist, therapist and surgeon.

Impressive result!

- 2+ times increase in life expectancy for stage 4 cancer
- 2+ times increase in life expectancy for stage 1 lung cancer

**16 April Help Build a Ramp!**  
Butcher Shop @ 7:00  
World Headquarters @ 7:45

IMPORTANT Board Meeting at World HQs, Wed 20<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30PM  
We'd like your input on several end of year considerations

**AMTRYKE Update**

Steve Rogers shared four Thank Yous:

- TO TBT for sponsoring AmTryke for Carter at Whaley St. office on 4/12.
- TO Randy Andrews of TBT, who donated his 50/50 Drawing winnings toward another AmTryke
- TO Don Nimmo for taking an AmTryke to Kentucky next week
- FROM Jessie & Bodie Leonard, who sent a video thanking us for AmTrykes for each of their twin sons

If you're going anywhere in Texas, contact Steve Rogers, as far ahead of time as possible. 281-797-9938

**South West Regional Conference**

→ 22-24 April ←

Make Reservations Now!

(Club covers most of the cost)  
Contact Billy or Allen for info.

**REAL IMPORTANT for NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

We're giving away 3 AmTrykes at the Rodeo Conference Rodeo!

When life gives you lemons, make grape juice. Then sit back and watch while everyone tries to figure out how you did it.



**Spring Round-Up**

Danny Lee reminded us that we need only 6 more members by the end of May.

**Bring guests to special meeting on Thursday 21 April**

***"You ought to be in pictures"***

Update your Member Info, under "About AMBUCS", on [www.longviewambucs.com](http://www.longviewambucs.com)  
Contact Steve Gordan for help

**Go out for Supper on 4 May!**

Pick up a flyer from Tommy Knight and turn it in when you eat at Panera Bread on that Wednesday evening.

Community AMBUCS will receive a donation for each meal purchased; and they'll use it for the same good things we do.

Dear Life,

When I said, "Can things get any worse?" it was a theoretical question, not a challenge.

You can't control who walks into your life But, you can control which window you throw them out of.

Follow your heart, but take your brain with you.

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Chapin Miller As they celebrate their 4th Wedding Anniversary today

If you quit rationalizing, who could you ask to come to next week's meeting?

If you quit rationalizing, what can you do to help your marriage today?

Which one of these 2016-2017 officers can you offer help to?

- Prez Chapin Miller?
- VP1 Dick Allen?
- VP2 James White?
- Secretary John Durst?
- Treasurer Harry Barth?

**AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**



**Annual Awards Banquet**  
Thursday 26 May  
6PM @ Tyler Street Bistro  
Contact Doug Fouse for your reservation, and to select your main course

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