



Home of the AmTryke



We meet  
Each Thursday at Noon  
At Cace's Restaurant  
1501 East Marshall  
Avenue  
Longview, Texas

# THE BUCCANEER

## LONGVIEW AMBUCS

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**Presiding:** Prez Mike Bishop  
**Prayer:** John Durst  
**Pledge:** Forest Williams

### ROLL CALL

**Members:** 40

**Guests:** 6      **Guest of:**

Judge Bill Stoudt	Club
Dr. Van Patterson	Jack Miller
Brayden Bell	David Dean
Byron Horne	Richard Fuhrman
Chad Hinton	Danny Lee
Josh McLanahan	Tom Davis

### Drawings:

**Attendance:** \$35      Tom Davis

**50/50:** \$58      Steve Warner

### SCHEDULED PROGRAMS

**30 Jan -** Bob Dyer, Bank Texas  
**6 Feb -** To be determined  
**13 Feb -** Mayor Jay Dean



**Judge Bill Stoudt**  
**"State of the County"**

Bill outlined many reasons why this is a good time to be in Gregg County.

- 10<sup>th</sup> year of no County debt, substantial reserves and lowest County tax rate in the State.
- Tax rate dropped in 4 of 10 yrs.
- 2014 projects already paid for:
  - Airport Terminal renovation & perimeter road (security).
  - Court of Law #1 upgrade of room and support facilities.
  - Longview Community Center Downtown renovation
  - Animal Shelter partnership w/city taking lead
  - Many road projects!

Plus many infrastructure studies and plans are "in the mill".

**Help Build a ramp this Saturday**, along with volunteer students from LeTourneau University. Meet for breakfast at Jucy's on Hwy 80, at 7AM. You should be home well before noon.

**Judson Lions** donated \$5K, and 1/2 of proceeds from upcoming Chili supper, Jan 25<sup>th</sup>. Call Bob Graham for \$5 tickets.



County Judge Bill Stoudt presented Prez Mike with a proclamation recognizing the good works of AMBUCS, and declaring February as AMBUCS Awareness and Appreciation Month in Gregg County.

(Honest. He wasn't smirking.

That was my poor picture timing. Jack)

### Coming up...

**Freeze-Ur-Fanny Fun Run Sat, Feb 1** Still need 1 person for 10-noon shift: Contact Billy H.

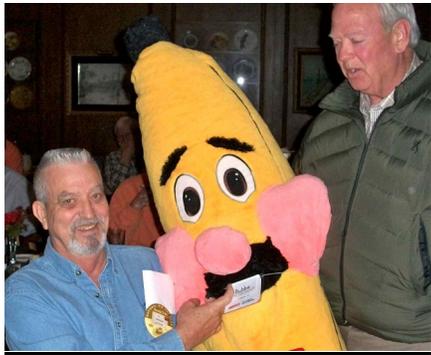
**Community AMBUCS Social,** 7PM Saturday, Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. 2165 Gilmer Rd. Across from O'Rielly's

**Super Bowl Party at World HQS,** Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Time TBA

## Welcome back, Duke!

Duke Owens has rejoined our club after an absence of a few months, and we're glad to see him back. If you've not met Duke, introduce yourself. He's easy to spot... he's the wimpy little guy who has to duck while walking across the room.

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**B<sup>7</sup> (Bubba, Big Brother of Big Bad Bobby Banana) was at today's meeting with his buddy Tom Davis. Tom brought a guest, and chose Al Bingham as B<sup>7</sup>'s next buddy. Here we see Al proudly welcoming B<sup>7</sup> to his table, and happily thinking about the week of fun ahead.**

**Remember, B<sup>7</sup> is a good recruiter, but he'll do his best work if you're helping!**

## Half Marathon Sat, Mar 15<sup>th</sup>

We now have approx 60 sponsors, large and small, but we need more! See Cruz Mendez for information.

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**The Miracle League** (baseball for handicapped kids) will be having fundraising baseball and softball tournaments this Spring. Why not take your family and/or go with some friends!

*"Always do right. This will gratify some people and astonish the rest."*

~ Mark Twain

## "AMBUCS"

A uniquely American term for "retirement in action"

The trouble with retirement is that you never get a day off.

~Abe Lemons

When a man retires and time is no longer a matter of urgent importance, his colleagues generally present him with a watch. ~R.C. Sherriff

When a man retires, his wife gets twice the husband but only half the income. ~Chi Chi Rodriguez

I've been attending lots of seminars in my retirement. They're called naps. ~Merri Brownworth

Retirement: It's nice to get out of the rat race, but you have to learn to get along with less cheese. ~Gene Perret

Middle age is when work is a lot less fun and fun is a lot more work. ~Author Unknown

There are some who start their retirement long before they stop working. ~Robert Half

If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt. ~Dean Martin

Retirement means no pressure, no stress, no heartache... unless you play golf. ~Gene Perret

Golf is played by twenty million mature American men whose wives think they are out having fun. ~Jim Bishop

Don't play too much golf. Two rounds a day are plenty. ~Harry Vardon

The best time to start thinking about your retirement is before the boss does. ~Author Unknown

I'm now as free as the breeze - with roughly the same income. ~Gene Perret

There's never enough time to do all the nothing you want. ~Bill Watterson, *Calvin and Hobbes*

Retirement is having nothing to do and someone always keeping you from it. ~Robert Brault,

I enjoy waking up and not having to go to work. So I do it three or four times a day. ~Gene Perret

Youth would be an ideal state if it came a little later in life. ~Herbert Asquith

First you forget names; then you forget faces; then you forget to zip up your fly; and then you forget to unzip your fly. ~Branch Rickey

In my retirement I go for a short swim at least once or twice every day. It's either that or buy a new golf ball. ~Gene Perret

The reason the pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing. ~Phyllis Diller