



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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ROLL CALL

Members: 43

Guests: 1 Guest of:
Shawn Hara Club

Drawings:

Attendance: \$116 Don Esch
50/50: \$51 Tom Myers

SCHEDULED PROGRAMS

13 Feb - Mayor Jay Dean
20 Feb - January Business Meeting
27 Feb - Linda Belt



Shawn Hara
City of Longview

Shawn's been Longview's Public Information Officer for ten years, and spoke to us about the *Longview Comprehensive Plan*. It is being developed by a group of 30 residents working to answer the question of what Longview residents want the city to be like in twenty years. This is the 4th or 5th update in a series of similar strategic plans since the 1980's. They have impacted the policies and achievements of the city, and Shawn led us through an exercise in gathering some of our input.

You can have input by answering a few questions in a survey by going to the website: longviewtexas.gov/plan



B⁷ (Bubba, Big Brother of Big Bad Bobby Banana) was **not** at today's meeting with his current buddy Dan Herrington. We hope B⁷ did not stay away because he was embarrassed by rooting for the Broncos. We look forward to seeing B⁷ next week, and meeting Dan's guest.

Remember, B⁷ is a good recruiter, but he'll do his best work if you bring a guest!

A recent study clearly shows that women who possess large backsides live quite a bit longer than the AMBUCS who mention the fact to them.

Coming up...

Half Marathon Sat, Mar 15th
We now have approx 10 sponsors, large and small, but we need more! See Cruz Mendez for information.

AND...

If you haven't signed-up for one of the many volunteer positions needed for the March 15th Half-Marathon, call Cruz
ANYONE can help!

Every group has its own personality. For instance, our own AMBUCS chapter has certain tendencies....

Sometimes we share meals in a caring, and social atmosphere.



Other times we help others by providing solutions



And, sometimes we just enjoy each other, as we ride around Longview, sharing the time one-on-one.



Welcome back, Chuck O'Neal!

After a long absence, Chuck was with us today, and has re-joined our chapter!



We have the applications/rules for the upcoming Fishing Tournament. Pick 'em up at the next meeting; or, to get 'em sooner, call Lutz Kuehnhoefer (736-3945) or Mike Bishop (452-4645).

Now's the time to start collecting door prizes.



Lisa Knight invites all of us, and our wives/dates, to a surprise 50th Birthday Party for Tommy. It starts at 7PM Saturday, at Gerald's on Tyler St., next to the Bistro. Call Tommy, to let him know if you're coming: 903-452-6878. Don't worry about spoiling the surprise, Tommy's a long-time AMBUC... he'll never put two and two together.

AMBUCS Visibility Month



February is a special time to let everyone see what we do. Just this past weekend, we had...

- AMBUCS serving chili to participants in the 26th Annual Special Olympics "Freeze Your Fanny" Run and Bike Ride. We've done this community service for 12 years, and have been greatly supported by Rob Springer, AMBUC and owner of Longview's Wendy's Restaurant, who provides the chili and necessary supplies.
- AMBUCS making an in-depth presentation of AMTRYKES at an educational session for Physical Therapists, in conjunction with Good Shepherd Medical Center

Also, County Judge Bill Stoudt, and City Mayor Jay Dean have each recognized AMBUCS by preparing and signing official proclamations focusing on our contributions to the community.

So, be proud of AMBUCS and tell somebody about us!

Turns out, pounding a wooden stake through a vampire's heart works, even if the guy's not a vampire.