



We meet
Each Thursday at Noon
At Cace's Restaurant
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THE BUCCANEER

LONGVIEW AMBUCS

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ROLL CALL Members: 34

Guests: 1 Guest of:
Preston Rader Lutz Kuehnhoefer

Drawings:

Attendance: \$148 John Durst 50/50: \$44 Chapin Miller

SCHEDULED PROGRAMS

17 Apr - Mike Bishop & Lutz K
24 Apr - Laura Hill
1 May - Michael Wilcox
8 May - Tommy Knight



We have four new members toward our **Spring Round-Up** goal of five. We only need one more before the end of April!



Don Esch <u>Credit Card Security</u>

We use 40+ year-old magnetic stripes that are more vulnerable than Europe's cards with microchips in them. Because we had a more secure phone system in the early 1970's than Europe did, we got away with lower levels of security for many years.

Now, high-tech criminals have pushed us toward a chip-in-card system that <u>may</u> come into effect in Fall 2015. It would put financial liability (for sales using counterfeit cards) on the bank or merchant, whichever had the lower level of technical security.

Cards that "wave" at the gas pump are convenient, but risky!

April 25th & 26th Embassy Suites, Love Field

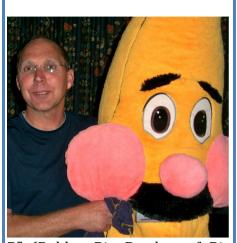
- Big Hatters Be sure Paul Herring knows if you're going to the BH Breakfast on Saturday.
- Everyone be sure Billy Hagenbuecher knows if you'll be at the special ramp info session & ramp build on Friday.



Lutz Kuenhoefer reminded us that the Fishing Tournament is April 19th a week from this Saturday. Contact Lutz for flyers and applications. Get donations and door prizes to Al Goettle, and give fees and completed applications to Harry Barth.

If at first you <u>do</u> succeed, try not to look surprised.

Spring Conference



B⁷ (Bubba, Big Brother of Big Bad Bobby Banana) was at today's meeting, with his buddy of the past week, Lutz K-something..

Here we see B⁷ with his new friend-for-a--week, Billy Hagensomething.

Remember, B⁷ is a good recruiter, but he'll do his best work if we all help!



Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 16th 5:30 @ World Headquarters **All members invited** & <u>Welcome</u>



TELL somebody about AMBUCS!



Tommy Knight reminded us to pitch in for the upcoming Fishing Tournament, but to then be ready to help with the May 16th Golf Tournament. Now's the time to contact previous sponsors, and you can help do that. Call Tommy for pointers on getting new \$100 sponsors.

Ramp It Up!



The new program is working! Meet for breakfast at Mi Casita, on Spur 63 at 7am on April 12th, and we'll build three this week! Team Captains are Steve Gordon and Bob Graham.



Bob Graham reported that the August "Fun Run" is gaining momentum, and it looks like there could be up to 3,000 people paying money to run in the mud filled obstacle course! Sign-ups have already come in from Longview, Kilgore and Carthage, with more hitting the website everyday. Heavy-hitter sponsors include Chick-Fil-A, Longview Regional Medical Center, and the Lions Club. → miracleleagueofeasttexas.com



New Board of Directors

In a couple of weeks, we'll be voting on the members who will begin their terms in July.

The proposed slate is:

Chairman Mike Bishop
President Doug Fouse
1st VP Allen Lizza
2nd VP Chapin Miller
Secretary/Treasurer John Durst
Members Forest Williams

James Albritton Mike Tomanio Steve Gordon Danny Lee

Dennis Rand Tail Twisters Steve Warner

Jerry Kelley Cruz Mendez

Any member may nominate an additional candidate at one of the next two meeting. But, out of courtesy and common sense, ask that person first



SECRET!

Next meeting, 17 April, will be "Forrest Williams Day"
Wear a suit, and don't say anything to him before then.
(We're not sending him a copy of this week's newsletter.)