



Last Week's Meeting

Van Craddock

Plethora of Print: A quick history of Longview newspapers

"There was a time long, long ago when your one and only news source was the newspaper," Van Craddock told members and guests last week. "Boy, has that changed."

But for the past 145 years or so, Longview has been served by a number of hometown newspapers.

"You ever heard of the Evening Herald? The Record? The Democrat? The Cyclone? The Surprise? Each was a newspaper that served Longview at one time," said Craddock, a longtime Longview reporter, columnist and author.

Other papers that have reported on the comings and goings of Longview have included The New Era, the News-Item, the Clarion, the Times, and Times-Clarion. There's also been the Gregg County News, the Longview Leader, the Longview Daily News and the Longview Morning Journal.

"None other than James Steven Hogg, future governor of Texas, established Longview's first newspaper in late 1871," Craddock said. "The town had just been founded, thanks to the railroad coming through. Hogg was only 20 years old at the time he established the paper. He called it the Longview News."

But Hogg's thrice-weekly newspaper lasted only a couple of months. He pulled up stakes and relocated to Quitman, in Wood County.

Next came the Longview New Era, founded in 1872 by the Rev. J.L. Terry, a part-time Methodist preacher.

"The Rev. Terry believed in brevity. He didn't have long articles in his paper," Craddock said. "Here's a roundup of news in Nov. 1879. This is the entire article: 'Longview is healthy. No dust. Some mud. No deaths. Rain plenty. A few still sick. No marriages. Very few drunks.' That's what was going on in Longview that week."

In 1873, the Texas News Item was established. Four years later, The Longview Reporter got its start. And in 1880, W. Alex Abby began a paper called The Longview Democrat.

"A paper that served for a number of years was what became the Longview Times-Clarion," Craddock said. The Longview Clarion was founded in 1886, and in 1893, it combined with the Longview Times to become the Times-Clarion. In 1925, the Times-Clarion consolidated with the Longview Leader, which had been established in 1913. That consolidation resulted in the paper called the Longview Daily News. And in 1931, the Longview Morning Journal was first published.

Carl Estes purchased the Daily News and Morning Journal in 1934. "By the late 1980s, the two papers had been combined into one edition, what we now know as the Longview News-Journal," Craddock said.



Last week's visitors and guests

Visitors: John Bisese, Longview Greggton. Mike Bishop, Longview Greggton. Charlie Whiteside, Kilgore. **Guests:** Mike Knollenberg, guest of Steve Knollenberg. Pedro Martinez-Berrios, guest of James Roberts. Van Craddock, speaker.

Rotaview News



Welcome our newest members

Please join us in welcoming our two newest members. Lindsay Loy was inducted last week and Allen McReynolds was inducted Aug. 4.

Lindsay is executive director of the Gregg County Historical Museum. Her member classification will be Non-Profit Administration. She was proposed for membership by President Scott Novy.

Allen was proposed for membership by Gene McWhorter. His member classification will be Real Estate Investments.

Welcome, Lindsay and Allen! We're pleased you're joining us.



Next week's program

DG Tom DeWitt – District Governor Tom DeWitt, a third-generation Rotarian, will join us to discuss his history in Rotary and his plans for the year in our District 5830. DeWitt is past president of the South Tyler Rotary Club.

For a look at more upcoming programs, visit rotarylongview.org and find the "Speakers" section.

Calendar of events

Thursday: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 25: District Governor Tom DeWitt speaks at regular meeting, noon.

Sept. 4: Labor Day flag duty, flags out.

Sept. 8: Labor Day flag duty, flags in

Sept. 16: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

Oct. 21: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

Dec. 17: Musical "Behold the Lamb of God," fundraiser to benefit Newgate Methodist Mission and HiWay 80 Rescue Mission, Belcher Center.

Lunch menu: Today – Pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad. Aug. 25 – Spaghetti and meatballs, green beans, garlic toast. (All served with soup, salad, dessert, coffee and tea.)

Share your news: If you have items for the calendar or other news for the Rotaview, club website or Facebook page, please share with Ric Brack at ric.brack@gmail.com or Gai Bennett at gntnt@aol.com

The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas

P.O. Box 2244 - Longview Texas, 75606

Club website: www.rotarylongview.org

District 5830 website: www.rotary5830.org

Meets at noon Tuesday at
First Baptist Church, Longview - (903) 758-0681
Enrollment as of Aug. 11: 97



Be a gift to the world

Ash, Kandi 0 YPA Attorney - Registered Nurse
Barkman, Donald FS, PH+1, 29 YPA Pecan Grower
Bartleman, William FS, PH+1, 2 YPA Self Storage
Bell, Deborah PH+2, 0 YPA Medicine - Humanitarian
Bennett, Gai PH, 1 YPA Business Manager - Construction
Bentley, Bob PH, 0 YPA Scout Executive - Retired
Best, Shane FS, PH+2, PP, 24 YPA Banking - Commercial Loans
Bigony, Jayne FS, PH+7, 19 YPA Insurance - Fire
Boon, Mark FS, PH+3, PP, 32 YPA Law Estate - Planning
Brack, Richard 1 YPA Newspaper Editor
Butler, Stephen 0 YPA Chemical Plant R&D
Cammack, Casey PH+1, PP, 33 YPA Insurance - Estate Planning
Chaikin, Craig 2 YPA Banking - Personal Trusts
Chaney, Frank FS, PH+2, 7 YPA Real Estate - Commercial
Chaney, Jill FS, PH, 3 YPA Banking - Loans
Cox, Doug FS, PH+2, 25 YPA Pub. Education - Dir. of Athletics
Cromer, Jon 0 YPA Banking - Commercial Loans
Deike, Terri PH, 2 YPA University Athletics
Dial, Richard PH, PP, 35 YPA Income Tax Service
Dolive, Wayne PH+1, 30 YPA Civil Engineering
Drayer, Kellyn FS, PH+1, 10 YPA Investments - Vice President
Florence, Patricia FS, PP, PH+5, 22 YPA Law - Title
Florio, Charles PH+1, PP, 38 YPA College Administration
Forester, Sam FS, PH+2, 1 YPA Investments - Financial Services
Greenwaldt, C. DG, FS, PH+7, PHS, PP, 25 YPA Chem. Plant - Admin.
Greenwaldt, Mary FS, PH, PHS, 0 YPA Higher Education
Griffin, Keith PH, 0 YPA Accounting Services - Taxes
Griffin, Shirley FS, MD, PHS, PP, PDG, 19 YPA Travel Agency
Hall, Kevin 0 YPA Insurance - Specialty
Hargett, Gordon FS, PH+2, 51 YPA Cleaning/Chemical Distribution
Harrison, John W., Jr. FS, PH+2, PP, 49 YPA Electr. App. Retail
Harrison, Patti PH, 1 YPA Concrete Manufacturing
Hays, Tom FS, PH, 0 YPA Real Estate - Appraiser
Herrington, Angie 0 YPA Investment Advisor
Henry, David 0 YPA Attorney - Oil and Gas
Hollis, LaJuan PH, 0 YPA Non-profit Administration
Horaney, Betty FS, PH+3, 13 YPA Feed Supply
Hubbard, Griff FS, PH+1, 5 YPA Railway Management
Hugman, James FS, PH+5, PP, 3 YPA Architect
Jameson, B.H. 35 YPA Justice of the Peace
Johnson, Dietrich PH, 2 YPA Municipal Gov't - Administration
Johnson, Joel FS, PH+2, 16 YPA Consultant - Business
Jordan, Gene 0 YPA Business Development
Key, Carl 0 YPA School Administration
Khoury, Dorothy FS, PH+1, 9 YPA Consultant - Political
Knollenberg, Steve 0 YPA Boy Scouting
Lanier, Jack, Jr. PH, 0 YPA Police Chaplaincy
Lewis, Cindi-Marie FS, PH, 4 YPA Primary Education

Liu, Jeannie 0 YPA Neurosurgery
Loy, Lindsay 0 YPA Non-Profit Administration
Maly, Robert FS, PH+2, PP, 0 YPA Civil Engineering
Manley, Richard FS, PH, 3 YPA Real Estate - Development
Mann, Jack FS, PH+4, 1 YPA Distribution - Soft Drinks
Mann, Nat 0 YPA Distribution - Soft Drinks
Mason-Durrant, Dawne 0 YPA Hospitality Management
Matlock, Paul 0 YPA Building Construction and Electrical
McClellan, Joe 0 YPA Music Education
McFaul, Justin PP, 2 YPA Banking - Trust Services
McKinney, Ronnie PH+1, 2 YPA Construction Consulting
McLemore, Reagan FS, PH+3, 20 YPA Business Broker
McReynolds, Allen 0 YPA Real Estate Investments
McWhorter, Gene FS, PH+1, 32 YPA Advertising - Industrial
Mwakikoti, Alex 0 YPA Higher Education
Neal, Billy PH, 0 YPA Vehicle Collision Repair
Neill, Jeremy 0 YPA Banking
Northcutt, Gordon FS, PH, 0 YPA Financial Advisor
Northcutt, LeGrande FS, PH+2, 50 YPA Insurance - Fire
Novy, Scott 25 YPA Law - Taxes
Overman, Rodney FS, PH+2, 14 YPA Income Tax Service
Parrott, Deborah FS, PH, 16 YPA Banking - Mortgage
Pigeon, Lee PH+2, 31 YPA Chemical Plant - Engineering
Pistone, Joseph PH, 0 YPA Emergency Medicine
Poland, Rick PP, PH+1 19 YPA Beer Distributor - Market
Primo, Darryl PH, 0 YPA Oil and Gas Leases
Rice, Bill PH, PP, 19 YPA Financial Advisor
Risinger, Charles FS, PH+3, 26 YPA Chemical Plant Utilities
Roberts, James FS, B, PH+8, PHS, PP, 13 YPA Accounting Services
Ruff, Eric 5 YPA Real Estate - Commercial
Scoggins, Don FS, PH, SE, 12 YPA Chemical Plant - Admin.
Smith, R.H. Jr. "Hank" PH, 2 YPA Insurance - Casualty
Smith, Philip FS, PH+1, 25 YPA Insurance - Casualty
Smith, Shawn 0 YPA Auto Dealer - Comm. Prop. Mgmt.
Smith, Trey FS, MD, B, PHS, PP, 18 YPA Oil and Gas Properties
Stoult, Bill FS, PH+2, 0 YPA Investments
Taylor, Gary PH+1, 0 YPA Bank Executive
Thomas, Linda FS, PH+6, PP, 20 YPA Plumbing and Heating Supply
Thomas, Wiley FS, PH, 5 YPA Information Systems Manager
Thompson, Chris FS, PH, 1 YPA Banking - Real Estate
Walker, John FS, PH+7, 29 YPA Gasoline Distributor
Welge, Ava FS, PH+3, 19 YPA Education - Testing
Welge, Jack Jr. PH+3, PP, 36 YPA Law Practice - Criminal
Wells, Wes 0 YPA Administrator- Long-term Care
Wilcox, James 0 YPA School Administration
Wilkinson, Dickens 1 YPA Sulfur Sales
Willett, Jim FS, PH+1, PP, 9 YPA Financial Advisor
Williams, Kasha PH, 3 YPA Home Health Care
Winn, Terry FS, PH, PP, 0 YPA Civil Engineering



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The Four-Way Test

Is it the *truth*?

Is it *fair* to all concerned?

Will it build *goodwill* and better friendships?

Will it be *beneficial* to all concerned?

Today's Program

NaTusha Howard – Longview Teen Court

Officers and Directors

Tom DeWitt..... District Governor
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James Roberts Vice President
Trey Smith..... Secretary
Griff Hubbard Treasurer
Justin McFaul Past President
Craig Chaikin Club Administration Director
Dietrich Johnson..... Service Projects Director
Richard Brack..... Membership Director
Joel Johnson..... Foundation Director
Sam Forester..... Fund Raising Director
Gai Bennett..... Public Relations Director
Steve Butler..... Endowment Fund Chairman

B: Benefactor. **DG:** District Governor. **FS:** Foundation Sustaining Member. **H:** Honorary Member. **MD:** Major Donor.
PDG: Past District Governor. **PH:** Paul Harris Fellow. **PHS:** Paul Harris Society. **PP:** Past President.
SE: Senior Exempt. **YPA:** Years of Perfect Attendance.

Area Club Meetings

Monday: Marshall Metro, Trinity Episcopal Church. **Also:** Big Sandy, Greater Paris, South Tyler.

Wednesday: Kilgore, Meadowbrook Country Club. **Also:** Jacksonville, Jefferson, Lake Fork, Pittsburg.

Thursday: Gladewater, Chamber of Commerce. **Also:** Atlanta, Marshall, Overton, Quitman, Texarkana, Tyler.

Friday: Longview Greggton, First Baptist Church. **Also:** Carthage, Henderson, Paris.

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