

Last Week's Meeting

Mayor Andy Mack

Longview City Hall Update

Longview is seeing upsides that are positive, Mayor Andy Mack said last week, and he is working to improve the things he sees as downsides.

On the positive side, he pointed to potential retail development at the current site of Hinsley Park; improvements at the city's Development Services office that have, he said, allowed other new retail developments; and opportunities to do more to increase city sales tax revenues. There are more opportunities for increased revenues by selling water to area cities and increasing sports tourism, Mack said.

"Downsides?" he said. "Yes. Obviously we have some things that aren't just perfect in Longview. Our crime is one of those things we're fighting on a daily basis."

He said police have "drastically increased" patrols across the city, and with the department nearing full employment, Mack said the city would begin seeing reductions in violent crime.

"We have a long way to go," he said, expressing frustration about the situation. "We hear people all the time come to the council, come to representatives, and say we need to do something. OK, what do you want us to do? I've heard we need to do something until I'm blue in the face but I haven't heard one suggestion yet."

The city needs suggestions, Mack said, and needs people to be involved. The solution, he, will not come through one effort, but will take efforts by many people.

"If there was a solution to crime in this country," he said, "we'd have no crime in this country."

Citizen of the Year nominations being sought

It is time again to choose our Rotary Club of Longview Citizen of the Year. The annual award is intended to honor someone who has made a lasting contribution to Longview and the surrounding area. Nominees can be club members, but do not have to be.

As always, your input and recommendations are important. Please take the time to think about a deserving nominee, complete the form you received on your table and either bring it with you to our next meeting to deliver it to Gai Bennett, or email your nominations to Gai at gnbnt@aol.com

The award will be presented May 3, when our meeting will be converted to an award banquet for this year's honoree.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration and efforts to help us continue our tradition of honoring deserving members of our community.

Last week's visitors and guests

Guests: Heather McClellan, guest of Joe McClellan. Kristi Bogle-Sherman, guest of Gordon Northcutt. Ellen Goodacre, Longview News-Journal. Mayor Andy Mack, speaker.



Rotaview News

February birthdays and anniversaries

Please join us in wishing a very happy February birthday to these Rotarians:

- Steve Butler – Feb. 2
- Pat Florence – Feb. 4
- Paul Matlock – Feb. 4
- Joey Pistone – Feb. 5
- John Walker – Feb. 8
- Craig Chaikin – Feb. 23

And let's wish a happy anniversary to these Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries this month:

- Jayne Bigony (Ron) – Feb. 2
- Wiley Thomas (Judy) – Feb. 20
- Trey Smith (Tammy) – Feb. 27

Next week's program

Julee Rachels – The executive director of Heartisans Marketplace will tell us about the non-profit organization. Heartisans' mission is to provide customized job training to unemployed and underemployed women. Its goal of increasing the employability and self-sufficiency of program participants is achieved through a business model in which hand-crafted consumer products are produced and sold in various venues. Profits provide the training and employment opportunities for program participants.

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

Calendar of events

Thursday: Paris Rotary Club 100th Anniversary Celebration, Paris Country Club. 6 p.m.

Saturday: Bourbon & Bowties, fundraiser for Longview World of Wonders, The Landing Event Center. 7 p.m.

Feb. 12: Presidents Day flag duty, flags out.

Feb. 16: No meeting, flag duty.

Feb. 16: Presidents Day flag duty, flags in.

Feb. 17: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

Feb. 20: Raisin' the Roof, fundraiser for Longview Habitat for Humanity, Maude Cobb Convention and Activity Center. 6 p.m.

Feb. 25-28: Lone Star PETS, DFW Airport.

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

March 19: Rotary Foundation Dinner, Sulphur Springs Country Club. 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

April 2: District 4-Way Test Speech and Video Contest, Panola College. 8:30 a.m.

Lunch menu: Today – Beef tips and rice, green beans. Feb. 9 – BBQ ribs, potato salad, baked beans. Feb. 16 – Extended salad bar, choice of soups: vegetable beef, potato, chicken dumpling. Feb. 23 – Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, fried okra. (All served with salad, coffee, tea and dessert)

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 gnbnt@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 Jan. 20: 95



Be a gift to the world

Ash, Kandi 0 YPA Attorney - Registered Nurse
Barkman, Donald FS, PH+1, 30 YPA Pecan Grower
Bartleman, William FS, PH+1, 3 YPA Self Storage
Bell, Deborah PH+2, 0 YPA Medicine - Humanitarian
Bennett, Gai PH, 2 YPA Business Manager - Construction
Bentley, Bob PH, 0 YPA Scout Executive - Retired
Best, Shane FS, PH+2, PP, 25 YPA Banking - Commercial Loans
Bigony, Jayne FS, PH+7, 19 YPA Insurance - Fire
Boon, Mark FS, PH+3, PP, 33 YPA Law Estate - Planning
Brack, Richard 2 YPA Newspaper Editor
Butler, Stephen 0 YPA Chemical Plant R&D
Cammack, Casey PH+1, PP, 33 YPA Insurance - Estate Planning
Chaikin, Craig 3 YPA Banking - Personal Trusts
Chaney, Frank FS, PH+2, 8 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. PDG, FS, PH+7, PHS, PP, 25 YPA Chem. Plant - Admin.
Greenwaldt, Mary FS, PH, PHS, 1 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
Harrison, John W., Jr. FS, PH+2, PP, 49 YPA Electr. App. Retail
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, 14 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 Govt. - 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
Martinez-Berrios, Pedro 0 YPA Public Accounting
Mason-Durrant, Dawne 0 YPA Hospitality Management
Matlock, Paul 0 YPA Building Construction and Electrical
McClellan, Joe 1 YPA Music Education
McFaul, Justin PP, 3 YPA Banking - Trust Services
McGaughey, Robert 0 YPA Ministry - Business Office
McKinney, Ronnie PH+1, 3 YPA Construction Consulting
McLemore, Reagan FS, PH+3, 21 YPA Business Broker
McReynolds, Allen 0 YPA Real Estate Investments
McWhorter, Gene FS, PH+1, 33 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, 51 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, 32 YPA Chemical Plant - Engineering
Pistone, Joseph PH, 0 YPA Emergency Medicine
Primo, Darryl PH, 0 YPA Oil and Gas Leases
Rice, Bill PH, PP, 19 YPA Financial Advisor
Risinger, Charles FS, PH+3, 27 YPA Chemical Plant Utilities
Roberts, James FS, B, PH+8, PHS, PP, 14 YPA ... Accounting Services
Ruff, Eric 6 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, Trey FS, MD, B, PHS, PP, 19 YPA Oil and Gas Properties
Stoudt, 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, 30 YPA Gasoline Distributor
Welge, Ava FS, PH+3, 20 YPA Education - Testing
Welge, Jack Jr. PH+3, PP, 36 YPA Law - Aviation
Wells, Wes 0 YPA Administrator- Long-term Care
Wilcox, James 0 YPA School Administration
Wilkinson, Dickens 2 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
Wiseman, Tim 0 YPA Ministry - Executive Director



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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

Justice of the Peace B.H. Jameson – New Texas Gun Laws

Officers and Directors

Tom DeWitt..... District Governor
Scott Novy..... President
Gordon Northcutt..... President-elect
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Trey Smith..... Secretary
Griff Hubbard Treasurer
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Craig Chaikin Club Administration Director
Dietrich Johnson..... Service Projects Director
Richard Brack..... Membership Director
Joel Johnson Foundation Director
David Henry 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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