

LUBBOCK MONTEREY BUC & BULL

Reminder: Christmas Social, December 6, at
Gilberts, 2608 Salem Avenue. 6:00pm. NO
NOON MEETING ON December 6.



The Fun Way to Serve!!

Invite a guest to the Monday
Luncheon Meeting.

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER

Date: 11/29/2021



**Today's speaker was
Jodey Arrington (R), U.S.
Representative for Texas' 19th
Congressional District**
which includes a large portion of
West Texas, around Lubbock and
Abilene.

He was born and raised in Plainview, Texas. He is the son of a tractor salesman and a schoolteacher. Jodey is married and has three children. He graduated from Texas Tech, moved to Austin, where he worked for Governor George W. Bush. He was then appointed by President Bush to join the White House as a senior advisor, before being appointed as Chief of Staff to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. In 2007, he returned to West Texas where he was Vice Chancellor of Texas Tech followed by becoming the President of a healthcare innovation company in Lubbock. January, 2017, Jodey became the fifth person to represent Texas' 19th Congressional District. He is outspoken as an advocate for reining in the federal government, promoting agriculture and energy, strengthening national security, and respecting the Constitution while serving the largest agriculture and energy district in the U.S.

Since 2019, he served on the Ways and Means Committee with focus on the broadest legislative jurisdiction, including tax, trade, healthcare, social security, and welfare. It was important for him to prioritize rural America's most critical issues... agriculture, energy, and healthcare. In subcommittees he is an advocate on select revenue measures (tax), trade, and social security. He further serves the food, fuel, and fiber capital of the world by working as co-chair of the Rural Health Care Task Force, leads a bipartisan congressional delegation of fixing the national debt and reforming the federal budget process, and co-chairs the Congressional Term Limits Caucus. He was appointed to serve a second term as Deputy Chair of the National Republican Congressional Committee.

In 2021, he was appointed to the U.S. Congress' Joint Economic Committee (JEC) by House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy. JEC is a bicameral Congressional Committee tasked with reviewing economic conditions and recommending improvements in economic policy.

As he states, it is so important to care for your community and your country; but when you have children this becomes even more important and you will become more engaged in your country. It is just like our dads and our granddads, moms and grandmothers, in their giving us this great country, with its blessings and opportunities. We want to pass this on to our children. Jodey has three young children, and states he is obsessed with making sure they inherit the great liberty and democracy we inherited. It is this certain inheritance serving the freedom-loving people and benefits not only us, but also the world. The great superpowers do not have what we have. It is China, who is

breathing right down our necks. There is a lot at stake for your children and their future. It is through his labor of love, Jodey gets to serve in your nation's capital. It is important that you fight for everything good about West Texas. It is West Texas that is the "heartbeat of America". Jodey stated he loved the heartbeat of American and he talks a lot about it. Jodey believes, what is represented in this room is the heartbeat of the American values. Using your freedom and your opportunities, not only for you and your family, but by working hard, staying the course, making sacrifices, and giving back to your community.

There are people in Washington, who think every problem can be solved using a one-size-fits-all-solution. They believe it is through the government their answer is the solution in order to make someone feel good, while it bankrupts the country. In addition their solution really doesn't help the people they intended to serve. Their motive was good: such as, better health care, equal opportunity for all. We need to remember it was the Founding Fathers who articulated the importance of "limiting government" in The Constitution. It was in their framework to limit government in the roles of our lives. They knew what would happen with a beast-of-government that believes it has the answers. They framed it in such a way to limit the government as they believed in the giving of the human heart of people who were created in God's image. They knew, maximizing freedom, you maximize the human potential. You would unlock and unleash the greatest of God's

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UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

12/06/2021-CHRISTMAS DINNER--NO NOON MEETING. Happy Hour Cash Bar 6:00 pm.

Followed by Dinner 7:00pm. Bring a gift for the gift exchange. Tone-Deaf Trio.

Location: Gilbert's.

Also the 12/06/2021 Newsletter will not go out until later on Tuesday 12/07/2021 due to the evening CHRISTMAS DINNER and the many photos that will need to be uploaded.

12/13/2021-Alyssa Bradley, Hunnicutt Land Services

12/20/2021-Jess Peterson, Christmas Carols

12/27/2021-Elizabeth Middleton, Everything you need to know about the montereyambucs.org website, but were afraid to ask.

Inspiring Mobility & Independence



**Bobby Sanders asked all Ambuc members to remember the phrase:
"YES I CAN"**

Marble-O

Marble-O is a fund raiser for the Big Hat Club. The monies raised go to auctions at the Regional and National Conventions to purchase AMTRYKES. Richard Hamilton has recently added a new marble to the bag...a shiny white and blue marble. Should you draw that one, you'll receive \$10.00. Draw the cat-eye marble, you'll receive \$5.00. Draw the white marble, you'll receive one-half of the PROGRESSIVE MONEY COLLECTED to that date. To participate and have a chance to draw, you **must** purchase a ticket(s) from Richard. GOOD LUCK!!

PLEASE text Elizabeth if you are interested in working as an assistant on the newsletter and/or website. 806-787-0005. Need additional information, please call.

Had a change in your phone number, home address, email address, etc.? Please email Elizabeth Middleton, emiddleton7aol.com, and provide the changes so we can update the member directory, mailing lists, email list, etc. Thank you.

THE HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION CORNER



Our Fire Extinguisher Birthday Wishes
Go To
Brett King, 11/29

Anniversary Wishes Go To
No one claimed this honor



AMBUCS FOCUS INFORMATION

Guests attending today's luncheon: Pam Sweeten brought Linda Jones, and Subodh Patel brought Matt Hall. Matt stated he would be joining. Other guests were spouses: Gail King brought Dave King. Rick Sosebee brought Cathy Sosebee. We are always enjoy seeing spouses as they support this Chapter of AMBUCS.



IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR....and the membership committee is busy getting ready for **Branding Time**. From October 1 – November 30, AMBUC Members are to invite prospective guests for membership. Robbye Hendryx, Chair, reported this year's Branding theme is **"Share and Grow"**. **Share our Mission and Grow our Memberships**. So do your part and bring in guests you believe will make a great member.

HAND SHAKER PROGRAM

The hand shaker program is designed for you to get to know your fellow AMBUC, and it is also a fundraiser for the Amtryke program. Each member puts a dollar into what is referred to as the "Hand Shaker Pot" when they come into the meeting. At the end of the meeting if your badge number is drawn you are eligible for half of the monies collected for that meeting.

To be eligible to win half of the pot you must do the following:

- Put in your \$1 (that is no option)
- Before you sit down to eat, you are to go around the room and greet each member who is already seated and call them by their first name (i.e.: Hi Richard). If it is a guest, you are to introduce yourself to the individual.
- Each member's badge has a number applied to the back of the badge. At the end of the meeting, usually our speaker is asked to pull out a chip with a number on it.
- If that person is present at the meeting they are eligible for half of the pot, **provided they shook or into today's world - did an elbow or fist bump with the mystery hand shaker**.
- If they did not make contact with the mystery hand shaker, then the money rolls over to the next meeting.
- The "Hand Shaker Program" raises around \$480 during our fiscal year or half of an Amtryke.
- It is the responsibility of the Sargent-at-Arms to pick the mystery hand shaker for the meeting.



Please keep the following in your prayers

Kim Owens was to be sworn in today; however, she is having to have back surgery. We pray for guidance of her surgeons and for her to have comfort and a fast recovery. ***Patty and David Vannoy***. Patty just got out of the hospital. She continues to have problems with one of her lungs. David received his last radiation. Please pray for comfort and better health.

Prayers of thanksgiving go to ***Emmanuel Gaytan and Jerrod Shelton***. Their wives had baby girls last week!! Congratulations on these fine folks and their new additions to their families.

Members who believe you should wear a mask to protect yourself, please do so. There is no regulation on this: it is a personal preference based on your own health needs and beliefs.

IMPORTANT NATIONAL AMBUCS DATES

NOW TILL NOVEMBER 30--CONTINUATION OF BRANDING TIME

DECEMBER 1 - CHAPTER SECRETARY - UPDATE ROSTER

DECEMBER 10 - SECOND QUARTER SCORECARD DUE

Dave Hallberg is our AMBUCS Southwest Region Director and he is a "hands-on" type of guy!! He is our go-to support person when we need information, assistance, and/or guidance when it comes to the operations of our Chapter. He is an important person for all Chapters who may be struggling with their scorecard and he will help solve issues quickly! *Dave has lots of resources to help for all who just ask.* He has great ideas and has a terrific success record. Should you have questions, you can give him a call: (817) 247-0494. Thanks Dave for being so "hands-on". "Shoulders Together".

MISSION STATEMENT:

Inspiring people to conquer challenges related to mobility and independence, through a nationwide network of volunteer chapters, working in partnership with physical, occupational and speech therapists; by providing AMTRYKE adaptive trykes, scholarships for therapists and many forms of community service.

How can you help? You can become a [member](#), a [sponsor](#), or make a [donation](#) to the Lubbock Monterey Chapter of AMBUCS.

For more information, please visit our website:

montereyambucs.org

The Lubbock Monterey AMBUCS
is proud to be a part of
GIVING TUESDAY



GivingTuesday is November 30.
Take advantage of this wonderful
opportunity. Please give generously.

This is our first time to participate in *GIVINGTUESDAY*.
Our goal is \$15,000.00.
Continues through December 31, 2021



Jason Kennel joined the Lubbock Monterey Chapter of Ambucs during today's luncheon meeting (11/29/2021). Pam Sweeten is Jason's sponsor. Jason works for Keller Williams Realty. Above are photos of Bobby Sanders and Jason during his member swearing-in. Jason, we are so glad to have you as a new member.

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given talents to us. That is what the American spirit does. We have a government that is a democracy, self-ruled, and your-in-charge. But we put a premium on freedom...free markets. That is why we see the progress for all people, all class of people, higher standards of living, and more people who come out of poverty, than any other place in the world. This is why we are the envy of so many other countries. It is through solving the great problems before us, that allows us to have freedom...it is freedom that unleashes the very best of America.

My (Jodey's) struggle, today, is having too much government and this squelches the human spirit. Too much government will have a drag on the American economy and bankrupt all government institutions. It will disrupt the American Republic, our drive, our motivation, and our living the dream. It is this that concerns me (Jodey) the most...*the big government social agenda!* We are the freest country in the world. Most people don't want to hear this. Most people want to hear about the infra-structure. What infra-structure use to be with Democrats and Republicans as it pertained with the role of government, now is very different. For example, 25 cents on the dollar is what we spend on the highways and waterways. What I see is, while China is a threat, the true enemy is *us*. One hundred twelve trillion dollars is completely unsustainable, placing a negative debt on the budget. If our generation doesn't step up and do something about this, the negative debt will knock the shine off the shining hill and the party will be over. When we have a negative debt crisis, we won't be able to borrow money from anybody. This is my greatest concern as this can destroy our independence and autonomy of our nation. So the infra-structure as it stands today, it is too broad. We will spend trillions of dollars that comes out of nowhere and this can result in a protracted recession. This infra-structure is too much at this time. It involves electric vehicles, 5,000 charging stations, while decreasing our oil production, closing pipelines and then, having to purchase oil from Russia. They believe we are going to electrify the entire United States' economy by doing this. I am (Jodey) not against transitioning to renewable energy, if smartly addressed. It is a very good place to be when you are looking toward the future. Having energy independence is so important to having a good economy and supporting your security. It is so important to be able to send your military to places without having to depend on another country to furnish you the fuel. Our bombers can't take off using wind turbines!! I am in favor of an emerging growth in technology...that is good for the economy and the environment too. We lead the world in carbon reduction and green-house gas reductions. (Continued on next page)

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Jodey finds it concerning when we would rather have a debt crisis that puts the cost of the debt onto our children. When you hear they are going to increase the debt, don't think of it as just a debt when in actuality it is debt that is 100% of your income. This is the highest debt since WW II, and we are not in a war. This will affect Social Security, Medicare, farmers, etc. It is electrifying of the entire United States that is the problem, along with not having energy independence. When this occurs, you have given the keys to China. We need to make it on our own.

Jodey doesn't believe the world will end in the next 10 years like some believe. But it is the crisis people in West Texas have...prices at the pump, crisis of hiring people, etc. that are the concerns. It is the breaking of the country, putting the debt on our children that gives concerns. It isn't healthy to say we are going to establish a hundred trillion dollar debt, as that is truly a disaster for this country. They are not addressing China or the open Southern border problems. We all need to come to reason. Not everyone thinks the same way, and because of this, they won't get all of what they want, and you or I won't get all of what we want. We need to do something productive for the good of the country. Let's keep America number one. Let's do it in a way it provides an economic growth opportunity, and have an environmental impact.

Jodey stated other things, but too long for a write up. This was a great presentation by Jodey Arrington, and we wish to say "thank you" to Pam Sweeten for getting him as our speaker. Way to go Pam!



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