

MISSION STATEMENT

The Chisholm Trail 100 Club, Inc. is a growing network of people working together to provide financial support and encouragement to dependents of eligible law enforcement, firefighters, and emergency medical service personnel who are killed or seriously injured in the line of duty.

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Chisholm Trail 100 Club hosts 1st Annual Sporting Clay Shoot

The Chisholm Trail 100 Club's first attempt at a major fundraising event is off to a great start, reaching our maximum participancy of 240 shooters in just a matter of weeks. To date, we have nearly \$30,000 pledged in Sponsorship dollars for the 100 Shots for the 100 Club Clay Shoot Tournament on Friday, May 18!

"As the event looms ever closer, we are beginning to focus on the details involved in making an event of this magnitude go smoothly," says Event Coordinator, Niki Passmore. These details



include everything from the design and number of t-shirts needed, to the logistics of running this many shooters through our determined course, to ordering over 50 trophies, to deciding what to serve for

lunch. The Planning Committee, consisting of Lonnie Mears, Niki Passmore, Mike Erinakes, Jerry Stringer, Keith Kelly, Melissa Zaborowski, Steve Ramey, Jerry Payne, Bonnie Davis and Jerry Sartor are currently meeting nearly every week to ensure the Tournament's success.



"We are currently completely booked for the number of shooters we can handle on a two course, one flight tournament," says our resident Tournament Expert and head of the Clay Shoot Committee, Lonnie Mears. "We are looking into what options we have to accommodate more competitors, but we simply weren't expecting this type of response our first year."

100 SHOTS FOR THE CLUB CLAY SHOOT

Certainly we have a much greater response than our original challenge of recruiting 150 shooters for this tournament, with that number registering in the first 3 days of online registration.

The Club's biggest challenge now is obtaining Auction Items and Door Prizes. The Committee has set a goal of ensuring that every entrant in the tournament walk away with at least one door prize. We are currently working on meeting this goal and welcome any contributions our members are able to make.

The Planning Committee has already collected some really amazing Auction Items, including a Henry Repeating Rifle Law Enforcement Tribute Specialty Rifle with custom serial number of CT100-2012. Also, a Kimber .45 custom engraved with the Chisholm Trail 100 Club logo, a large longhorn painting by local artist, Sharon Markwardt, a personal Taser, crossbows, wild game cameras, hot air balloon rides and more!

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OUR FUTURE

When tragedy strikes, the effects are both swift and devastating. The 100 Club recognizes the need to respond immediately with personal support and understanding. Whatever the need - be it financial, advisory, or moral support, the 100 Club is there to ease the pain of the family of a firefighter, law enforcement, or EMS responder injured or killed in the line of duty.

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In addition to the Clay Shoot Tournament, the 100 Club is hosting an exclusive Sponsors Only Pre-Event party, donated by Board Member, Mike Erinakes of MAAD H Ranch. This party is set to be one the largest social venues in Johnson County, complete with drinks, dinner, shooting games and live entertainment. This event will also feature a live auction.

"This event has already surpassed even the brightest expectations we began with," says Passmore. "Clearly we are pleased with the support the community has given us, and are already looking forward to next year!"

Meet Your Directors

Michael Erinakes

Michael Erinakes has the kind of life people write books about. Mike is a long time resident of the Johnson County area, having residences in both Burleson and Joshua. His long list of accomplishments, include a heavy resume in the law enforcement field. Mike has worked for the Johnson County Sheriff's Department as the Johnson County Jailer. He is a former Police Officer, Tactical Officer, Weapons Instructor and Chemical Weapons Instructor with eight years of experience. He worked with the Tarrant County Task Force and was also a repelling Instructor for the Tactical Team. He can also boast being a DPS certified CHL Instructor, he worked for Tarrant County Constables Office as Deputy Constable for Constable Joe Kubes.



As if his impressive police pedigree isn't enough, Mike has already made his mark in the business world, founding a commercial diving company in the late 1980s. For the next ten years, he was featured on shows like Ripley's Believe It or Not, Discovery Channel and National Geographic specials. He is also a Commercial Diver and Underwater Welder.

Later, he sold his diving company (U.S. Underwater Services, Inc.) to a private company, Benford Capital, then sold it again one year later to a public company, Neptune Marine.

He also started and sold an offshore ship company, Hunter Offshore, with a fleet of one 240' OSV and four 180' OSV's. He also started the company, MAAD Hunter Venture Capital Group, a company designed to invest in start up companies to the buying of larger companies.

A Commercial Diver, Mike is a past Board of Directors for the International Association of Diving Contractors (IADC), an international Board that delivers safe diving standards around the world. This Board has over a hundred company members as well as hundreds of individual members. Mike was Vice President of this Board and was a Board Member for around five years.

It goes without saying that Mike is very outgoing, and passionate about his family, hunting and businesses. His extensive police background continues in the support he gives to local law enforcement through his work with the Chisholm Trail 100 Club.

Mike is also a professional hunter and has been around the world hunting in Africa, New Zealand, Australia and more. Along with being a big Game Fishermen, he loves to fish for Black and Blue Marlin. His 14 year old daughter recently caught an 1100 pound, 16 foot Blue Marlin off the coast of South America.



He is a producer of several programs on the Outdoor Channel, including Rocky Geared Up and upcoming show Wardens 2011-2012.

Building Dedication

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office administration building was officially dedicated as the Clifton Taylor Law Enforcement Center during a ceremony that took place at 11 a.m. Monday at 1102 E. Kilpatrick St. in Cleburne.



Deputy Taylor was killed in the line of duty April 23, 2011, when he responded to a domestic dispute call near Venus. He was a three-year veteran of the sheriff's office at the time of his death, and became only the second sheriff's office employee killed in the line of duty.

The public was asked to join in the dedication of the building, to take place outside in the front of the building, weather permitting. Inclement weather conditions moved the dedication indoors where refreshments were served after the dedication.

The building was officially renamed for Taylor by unanimous approval of Johnson county Commissioners' Court August 22, 2011.



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Steve Davis

Board Member
Steve Davis,
Executive Vice
President of
American National
Bank in Burleson, is
extremely active in
the Burleson



Community. Besides
his strong role at American National, he
is actively involved in several community
Boards; Harvest House of Burleson,
Burleson Area Chamber of Commerce
and the Chisholm Trail 100 Club.

Davis, ACU graduate, has had a long
and lucrative banking career, beginning
as a Credit Analyst for First National
Bank in Abilene, TX. From there, Davis
traveled to San Antonio, and quickly
worked his way up the ladder, becoming
Vice President in several different
successful San Antonio area banks.

In 2009, Davis settled in the Burleson
area with wife, Lori. Lori grew up as
part of the renowned Bransom family in
the south Fort Worth area and, and still
had family in Burleson, where they ran
the Bransom Market.

"We were so excited when such a
great job opportunity came up in an area
we liked so much anyway!" Says Davis.

Davis, and their family of four, quick-
ly settled into life in Johnson County.
Davis soon became involved in several
area charities. He serves the Harvest
House of Burleson, the Burleson Area
Chamber of Commerce and the Chisholm
Trail 100 Club.

"I truly enjoy helping people and
helping people improve themselves.
Particularly people that have served the
community and been negatively impacted
somehow, such as First Responders,"
says Davis. "It's hard to choose where
to place my efforts with so many worthy
organizations out there, but I've tried to
be involved in those where I think I can
contribute my talents most effectively."

Besides his day to day life as a banker
and volunteer, Steve enjoys the Great
Outdoors. Steve is an avid golfer, bicycle
rider and general fitness enthusiast.

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Meet Your Directors

Steve Davis, continued

Three years ago, he and his son, Luke, travelled to Colorado, a memorable experience. "We summited three fourteeners (mountains in excess of 14,000 feet in altitude) in one day. It's the most physically challenging thing I've ever done, but what a view when we were on top. We could see about 200 miles literally," reminisces Davis.

Though wife, Lori, isn't much of a mountain climber, they do enjoy some fantastic vacations together.

"Our most memorable trips have been a cruise to Alaska and several visits to Europe. Probably the most memorable is a visit to Sachsenhausen concentration camp in Germany," says Davis. "It was mind numbing and hard to believe I was actually standing in places where the Jews were methodically killed. Hopefully, our next big trip will be to Israel."

For now, the biggest projects Steve has are growing American National Bank and growing the Chisholm Trail 100 Club. Both are large projects to be sure, but Steve enjoys a challenge.

CT100 booth represented at Venus, Texas on "The Square".



Club members Niki Passmore, Bob Russell and Steve Ramey manned the booth while signing up a new member on a windy Saturday in October.

Each quarterly publication of the newsletter will feature a First Responder serving in Johnson County.

Meet Your Responders

Brian Peterson, Detective, Johnson County Sheriff's Department

Fifteen year law enforcement veteran, Brian Peterson, knows what it means to serve the community. After beginning a career in banking, Peterson felt the call to duty. He transferred to a career as a Correctional Officer with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office and went to Weatherford Police Academy at night. In 1998, he received his Peace Officer's license and was assigned to the patrol division. Only two years later, he was promoted to Sergeant within the Patrol Division assigned to supervise



Communications; then promoted to Lieutenant of Support Services Division, which entailed supervising Communications, Warrants, and Transport, a total of 31 employees.

After that, Peterson left the Sheriff's Office to work for the Roanoke Police Department as a Detective. "I was assigned to General Investigations, which ranged from Theft to Homicide. I was also assigned the task to investigate Crimes Against Children," says Peterson. "I was a member of the Child Abduction Response Team, which included several Agencies within Tarrant and Denton County."

In 2009, Peterson returned to what he considers his home base of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, and was assigned to work Crimes Against Children.

Law Enforcement runs in the Peterson family. His father, Billy Peterson of Cleburne, was a member of the legendary Texas Rangers.

"I was raised in Law Enforcement, and it was just something in my blood. I have always had a strong desire to help people and to try and make a difference in the world I live in," explains Peterson. "As a child I saw my father work long hours, getting called out all hours of the night and day, getting called in to work on holidays, vacations and during family
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Brian Peterson, continued

time. I witnessed his selfless dedication to the call of his job serving and protecting the State and the community we lived in. I was so proud of him. As a child I knew the reality of his job and the dangers in entailed.”

Any police officer will tell you a career in this field is full of ups and downs. Undoubtedly most will picture major events, heroism in the works, but Peterson has a much simpler view on the rewards of being a law officer.

“It’s the unspoken communication that is the purest form of expression. The look of a victim’s face when they realize their terror is over, the look when the verdict and sentence is handed down, when they realize justice worked the way it should,” says Peterson. “These are the best moments to me.”

Peterson and his wife, Ivy, are extremely active in the community. Ivy has a 15 year career in city management, working as Deputy City Secretary for the city of Cleburne. She is an active member of the Zonta Club of Johnson County, even serving as President from 2008-2010 and continues to serve as a Board Member. Both Brian and Ivy volunteer as Child Advocates for CASA of Johnson County. Although the couple has no children, both are passionate about helping children in need.

“We are going through the certification process of the Foster Parenting Program and are hoping to help some kids as soon as possible,” says Peterson.

Peterson is also a strong supporter of the Chisholm Trail 100 Club, “The Chisholm Trail 100 Club is a great organization, which supports the local first responders. It’s comforting to know that if something were to happen to me, that my family will be taken care of,” says Peterson.

“We are going through the certification process of the Foster Parenting Program and are hoping to help some kids as soon as possible”.

“Sad to say I have had firsthand knowledge of what this organization will do for the family of a fallen officer. This last year our agency lost one of our own in the line of duty, it was so comforting to see how immediate assistance was given to his family. Chisholm Trail 100 Club not only stood beside his family, but also by his brothers and sisters in law enforcement offering words of encouragement and comfort.”

Following his parents’ lead of serving the community, Peterson is also pursuing a career in local politics, running for Johnson County Precinct 1 County Commissioner.

“I decided to run for office because I feel it is the right thing for me to do, I was asked by several citizens to consider the position. I talked it over with my wife and family and after much prayer and thought; I felt it was the right thing for

me to do,” explains Peterson.

“My career in law enforcement has always been about serving the people of our community, if elected that vision will be the same, serving the people of our community.”



Peterson also co-owns Cleburne’s Heroes Cafe, a small restaurant themed in police, fire fighters and EMT paraphernalia. Clearly, Peterson wears many different hats, but all with one goal in mind - serving the community he’s proud to be a part of.

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*Jeremiah Lozier, Fire Fighter
Burluson, Texas*

Thirteen year Burluson Fire Fighter veteran, Jeremiah Lozier, is a man that has always dedicated his life to public service. Lozier has been a Fire Fighter for years, and a Johnson County Deputy before that. In his career he has accomplished much, two Lifesaving Awards, Fire Officer of the Year twice, and a Mayoral Commendation.



In thirteen years, a Fire Fighter can see a lot of things, but the highlight of Lozier's career as of yet is easy to choose; Lozier was the first Fire Officer on scene, and consequently, Lead Officer, in the Cell Tower rescue last August. Although Fire Fighters train for this type of rescue, it's a once in a lifetime situation.

Lozier directed the rescue team of Matt Mosely, Bill Buchanan and Dallas Fowler over 7 seven hours in the 100+ degree weather. The 700 foot high rescue made national news, airing on programs such as the Today Show, Good Morning America and CNN.

"I get to do a lot of amazing things in my line of work, but that cell tower rescue is definitely the highlight of my career," says Lozier.

Lozier, like all fire fighters, has a particular rescue specialty, that is, a particular area he has had more training and experience than most in. Jeremiah's specialty is Swift Water Rescue.

"Burluson City Management is extremely pro-active," explains Lozier. "Most people think that if there isn't a fire, we're just hanging out at the station, but we spend a great deal of time studying the city for possible emergencies.

We study maps of city water paths and examine flood patterns in the instance of extreme flooding and road rescues. We find places, like Tarrant County College and sometimes the old Burluson city pool, to practice water rescues in."

Burluson is fortunate to have specialists in many different areas. Fighting fires is actually a very small part of what Fire Fighters are trained to perform. Some areas of expertise are confined space rescue and trench rescue. Training which has already proven valuable in our area.

"Not too long ago, we had a man fall into a gas well. Luckily our team has had extensive training in how to handle a situation such as this, and we were able to get him out safely and quickly," Lozier said.

Another type of specialty the Burluson Squad has trained for, but hopefully will never use, is USAR (Urban Search and Rescue) training. This type of training

involves the location, extrication, and initial medical stabilization of victims trapped in confined spaces due to natural disasters, structural collapse, transportation accidents, mines and collapsed trenches.

"For example, if a tornado were to hit our town, we have trained on how to safely dig through destroyed buildings, and structural damage on a large scale," explains Lozier. "We just hope we don't ever need to use that training, but we are prepared if necessary."

Though there are many negatives to working this type of job, the extreme temperature exposure, leaving your family at home when a violent storm is predicted, the positives far outweigh the negative.

"I think easily my favorite part of the job is the comradery. The men and women I work with are my family," explains Lozier with a smile. "I enjoy coming to work just as much as I enjoy going home!"

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Jeremiah Lozier, continued

Jeremiah and wife, Michelle, along with their two daughters live in Burleson. Most of their family time is spent practicing sports with their girls, softball, basketball and horseback riding. The Lozier girls, Sydney, 11 and Emma, 9, are their dad's biggest fans.

"I think what he does every day is so cool! I'm so proud of my Dad," says Emma.

Emma even participated in the Junior Sheriff's Posse and Sydney in the Junior Fire Fighters Academy.

The family attended Game 5 of the Texas Rangers World Series game. Daughter, Sydney shakes her head as she remembers a particular part of the game. "Mitch Moreland hit a home run right at us! If Dad hadn't left for snacks, we would have caught it!" Sydney says.

True or False:

Each newsletter will have 3 statements of an accomplishment from one of the directors on the CT 100 Club. The "True" answer will be provided in the next newsletter issue:

Director, Jerry Stringer

- Took 3rd place in Motocross Competition in high school.
- Met his wife, Becky, through a newspaper personal ad she had placed.
- Completed a Tactical Training program with world Sniper and record holder U.S. Marine Gunnery Sgt. Carlos Hathcock from the Vietnam war.

ANSWER from previous newsletter -

Director, Steve Ramey

- Took 2nd place in the Lightweight Body Builders 1974 Jack LaLanne Competition.
- Speaks 4 different foreign languages, and served as a translator for Xerox Corp. early in his career.

True- Won First Place in the Arkansas State Bowling Team Championship in the 8th grade in 1963.

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