

THE 100 CLUB

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FROM: THE 100 CLUB, INC

DATE: MAY 17, 2011

57TH ANNUAL 100 CLUB HEROES AWARDS PROGRAM

"HONORING THE HONORABLE"

WE RESPECTFULLY INVITE YOUR NEWS COVERAGE OF THE FOLLOWING:

EVENT: The 100 Club, Inc. will hold its Fifty-Seventh Annual Heroes Awards Program honoring peace officers and firefighters in our eighteen county coverage area. (Austin, Brazoria, Brazos, Burleson, Chambers, Colorado, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Grimes, Harris, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, San Jacinto, Walker, Waller, and Washington).

Thirty law enforcement officers and Eight firefighters will be honored for exceptional achievement. (see attachments) Committees of their peers selected these officers and firefighters for exceptional achievement in any police or firefighting endeavor; including but not limited to, extraordinary valor, crime prevention, investigative activity, community relations, juvenile programs, drug prevention and control, training programs, traffic safety and innovative approaches to police service or the firefighting profession.

The 100 Club would like to recognize our partnership with Chevron and thank them for being a Presenting Sponsor of the 2011 Heroes Awards Banquet.

EVENT DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2011

PLACE: Hilton Houston Post Oak Hotel, 2001 Post Oak Blvd., Houston, Texas.

TIME: Reception from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m./Awards Program at 7:00 p.m.

COMMENTS: If you or your representative would like to stay for the Buffet please call the 100 Club office, 713-952-0100, prior to the event.

PRESS KITS and dinner tickets will be available at The 100 Club information table in the foyer, just outside and adjacent to the Ballroom, after 5:30 p.m. on May 19, 2011.

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AWARD RECIPIENTS LAW ENFORCEMENT 2011

“Rookie of the Year”

Trooper Jonothan C. Aldridge	Texas Department of Public Safety
Deputy Casey Bilinovich	Harris County Sheriff’s Office

“Officer of the Year”

Sergeant Charles E. Alexander	Chambers County Sheriff’s Office
Investigator Sherry L. Willcox	Chambers County Sheriff’s Office
Investigator Randy Thumann	Fayette County Sheriff’s Office
Detective Vanessa Brady	Fort Bend County Sheriff’s Office
Deputy Jeffery Martinez and Deputy Taylor Leslie Rollins	Fort Bend County Sheriff’s Office
Deputy Charlie Scott	Fort Bend County Sheriff’s Office
Investigator John Wren	Grimes County Sheriff’s Office
Sergeant Jason S. McDaniel	Harris County Precinct #5
Investigator John H. Kleindienst	Harris County District Attorney’s Office
Deputy David LaSalle and Deputy Herman Suarez, Jr.	Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office
Trooper Justin Stohler	Texas Department of Public Safety
Texas Ranger Jason C. Taylor	Texas Rangers Company A
Deputy Mitchell Bettin	Harris County Sheriff’s Office
Deputy Donald J. Hess	Harris County Sheriff’s Office
Deputy Michael Ritchie	Harris County Sheriff’s Office
Deputy Debby Talbott	Harris County Sheriff’s Office

100 Club Law Enforcement Award Recipients 2011

Special Agent Bryan S. Cannon and Investigator Sean D. McCarroll	Federal Bureau of Investigation Brazos County Sheriff's Office
Special Agent W. Todd Burns and Senior Officer Craig H. Full*	Federal Bureau of Investigation Houston Police Department
Special Agent Laritza E. Diazgonsen* and Senior Officer Daniel Rosales*	Federal Bureau of Investigation Houston Police Department
Senior Officer E. Glen Chance and Senior Officer Genni Ruzzi	Houston Police Department Houston Police Department
Senior Officer Millard F. Waters, II	Houston Police Department

"Lifetime Achievement"

Sergeant William David Chapman	Houston Police Department
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***IMPORTANT: NO PHOTOGRAPHS PLEASE, CRAIG H. FULL, LARITZA E. DIAZGONSEN AND DANIEL ROSALES ARE UNDERCOVER OFFICERS.**

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AWARD RECIPIENTS FIREFIGHTERS 2011

“Rookie of the Year

Firefighter Sergio Buentello, Jr. Houston Fire Department
and

“Firefighter of the Year”

Engineer Operator Derek Sandquist Houston Fire Department

Engineer Operator Omar Montemayor Houston Fire Department
and

Firefighter Jacob Chagoya Houston Fire Department
and

Firefighter Alberto A. Vela Houston Fire Department
and

Captain Luis R. Ybarra, III Houston Fire Department

Engineer Operator Aubrey W. Bashara Houston Fire Department

Assistant Chief EMT-P Chet Barker South Brazos County Fire Department



100 Club Commemorative Award Pistol



The Board of Directors of The 100 Club, Inc. has elected to present each Officer of the Year recipient with a Sig Sauer Model 229, .40 caliber semi-automatic Commemorative Pistol. Each gun is inscribed with the officer's name, agency and notation as being a 100 Club Officer of the Year Award Winner. The guns are presented in a special wooden display case. The Sig Sauer firearms are highly regarded by the law enforcement community and it is the thought in giving the award that these pistols could become collectible items in the future.

Additionally, each Officer of the Year recipient is given an etched jade glass award with The 100 Club Logo to celebrate the occasion.

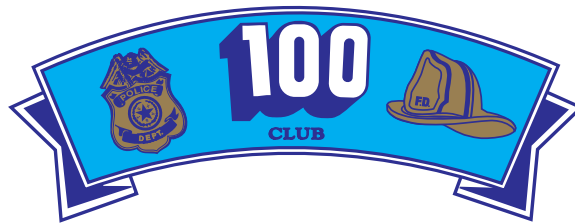


100 Club Commemorative Fire Helmet



The Board of Directors of The 100 Club, Inc. has elected to present each Firefighter of the Year recipient with a custom Cairns Firefighter Presentation Helmet. Each helmet is inscribed with the firefighter's name. The Cairns fire helmets are highly regarded by the firefighting community and it is the thought in giving the award that these helmets could become collectible items in the future.

Additionally, each Firefighter of the Year recipient is given an etched glass firefighter's ax with The 100 Club Logo to celebrate the occasion.



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YEAR TO DATE – MARCH 31 2011 (UNAUDITED)

HISTORY

BEGAN IN 1953, ONE HUNDRED MEN GAVE \$100 EACH. CHARTER APPROVED MARCH 1960.
PURPOSE IS THREE-FOLD:

TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO DEPENDENTS OF CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS WHO ARE KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY WHILE PROTECTING OUR LIVES AND PROPERTY.

TO PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITH LIFE PROTECTING EQUIPMENT THAT CANNOT BE SECURED THROUGH BUDGETED FUNDS; AND

TO PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

ORGANIZATION

VOLUNTEER MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION MANAGED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTED BY THE MEMBERS. SUPPORT IS PROVIDED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL LEVELS IN AUSTIN, BRAZORIA, BRAZOS, BURLESON, CHAMBERS, COLORADO, FAYETTE, FORT BEND, GALVESTON, GRIMES, HARRIS, LIBERTY, MADISON, MONTGOMERY, SAN JACINTO, WALKER, WALLER, AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES. SUPPORT IS ALSO PROVIDED TO FAMILIES OF FIREMEN "KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY" IN THESE COUNTIES. LINE OF DUTY DEATH BENEFITS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED STATEWIDE TO DEPENDENTS OF COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT, AND TEXAS ALCOHOL AND BEVERAGE COMMISSION, AND INSTITUTIONAL PERSONNEL WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

BENEFITS TO FAMILIES

FIRST CHECK GIVEN TO A FAMILY WAS \$1,000, NOW \$10,000 IS GIVEN IMMEDIATELY. THE AMOUNT GIVEN TO DATE IS \$13,269,877.52 WITH ONE HUNDRED FORTY (140) FAMILIES RECEIVING BENEFITS. A TOTAL OF \$6,504,869.59 IS BEING HELD IN THE SURVIVORS FUND FOR THE DEPENDENTS OF PEACE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS "KILLED OR CATASTROPHICALLY INJURED IN THE LINE OF DUTY".

EQUIPMENT

LIFE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT SUCH AS BULLET PROOF VESTS, COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, ETC. HAS BEEN GIVEN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,132,764.40.

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EDUCATIONAL

THERE ARE CURRENTLY 148 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE 100 CLUB EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY, THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, AND PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY. THE PROGRAMS HAVE 573 GRADUATES, WITH 337 RECEIVING UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES AND 236 RECEIVING GRADUATE DEGREES. A TOTAL OF \$6,454,818.04 HAS BEEN SPENT ON THE 100 CLUB EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS SINCE THEY BEGAN IN 1982.

MEMBERSHIP

1,000 MEMBERS IN 1976. 29,551 PRESENT MEMBERSHIP

TOTAL GIFTS

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR TO DATE, MARCH 31, 2011, 100 CLUB EXPENDED \$1,426,990.42 FOR THE ABOVE PURPOSES. A TOTAL OF \$35,213,820.68 HAS BEEN EXPENDED FOR ALL PURPOSES SINCE THE CLUB'S INCEPTION.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS DESERVE TOTAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT. WE GIVE FUNDS AND SYMPATHY. THEY GIVE THEIR LIVES, WHILE PROTECTING OURS.