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SPRING 1998 NEWSLETTER

Greetings! This newsletter's a short one, just to bring everyone up to date on what we're offering over the next few months. As many of you know, Penny and I are getting married in May (full details are on the WWW page). The next newsletter will come out in July with our schedule for the rest of 1998.

February 7th and 8th: Texas Concealed Handgun Instructor Association annual meeting.

The meeting is open to everyone, not just instructors. On the 7th we'll have featured speakers, including Thunder Ranch trainer Ken Murphy, NRA Training Department head Warren Pelton, defense attorney Leon Grizzard, and others. For more information: **www.txchia.org** or call 210-785-0032.

February 15th: CHL, CHL renewal, and Beyond the Basics.

Offered at Sanborn Shooters in Smithville by <u>Karl Rehn</u> and <u>Penny Riggs</u>. Complete CHL is \$85, renewal is \$45 and Beyond the Basics is \$40.

March 7: Basic Pistol. This course will be offered through the Texas Union Informal Classes (471-0270) and taught by <u>William Quiles</u>. It will be held at Austin Rifle Club from 10-3. This course is intended for people with little or no shooting experience.

March 8th: Beyond the Basics. This course will be offered through the Texas Union Informal Classes (471-0270) and taught by <u>Karl Rehn</u> and <u>Bruce Ryder</u>. It will be held at the Schaefer Training Academy from 10-2. This course is intended for people with basic shooting experience who are interested in improving their accuracy and speed.

March 11th: Advanced Training for Law Enforcement. Training seminar for the Austin Police Department SWAT team incorporating many of the drills from the AT classes.

March 14th and 15th: Advanced Training weekend (AT-I, AT-IA, and AT-II).

The AT classes are similar to introductory classes at Thunder Ranch, Lethal Force Institute and other national academies. Classes will be run at Sanborn Shooters. The prerequisite for any of the AT classes is a valid CHL or instructor approval. Sanborn Shooters (512-360-4894) is offering a discounted bulk ammo buy for AT students. Mary Ann at Sanborn Travel (1-800-531-5440) can assist with hotels and bed & breakfast bookings if needed. AT-I and AT-II are each \$85, AT-1A is \$30. Sign up for all 3 for \$170.

March 14th: Advanced Training I: A one-day defensive shooting class designed for Texas CHL holders. Topics covered include: shooting on the move, rapid target acquisition, increasing shooting speed, drawing, speed reloading, and generally developing proficiency with the handgun under stress. You will need a centerfire handgun, belt holster, magazine carriers, spare magazines, and a minimum of 500 rounds.

March 14th: Advanced Training IA:. A 3 hour introduction to night and low-light shooting. In addition all the equipment needed for AT-I you will need a pushbutton flashlight and an additional 100 rounds of ammunition. Low-light Simunition roleplaying is also included.

March 15th: Advanced Training II: A one-day defensive tactics class which complements the advanced shooting training offered in AT-I and IA. This course incorporates mindset, martial arts, use of the folding knife, pepper spray, firearms, and verbal commands into a self defense system. Students will learn techniques for dealing with attackers, bystanders, arriving officers, and the legal and psychological aftermath of a shooting. The class includes many roleplaying exercises using Simunitions, inert pepper spray, and other training aids. The focus of this course is giving the student a more realistic understanding of what can and will occur during and after a violent encounter. Prerequisites: AT-I or similar training is suggested but not a mandatory prerequisite.

April 4th: Basic Pistol. This course will be offered through the Texas Union Informal Classes (471-0270) and taught by <u>William Quiles</u>. It will be held at Austin Rifle Club from 10-3.

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SPRING 1998 ADDENDUM

We have had a number of requests for additional Concealed Handgun License and renewal courses during the March-May time period. Unfortunately, preparations for our wedding in May and my upcoming work trip to the Persian Gulf will keep us from adding any classes to our schedule before July.

One of our Associate instructors, Tom Schaefer, will be offering the following CHL courses:

March 14: Concealed Handgun License, \$125 includes photos and prints, one day class

March 21: CHL Renewal, \$50 includes photos and prints, 4 hour class

April 18: Concealed Handgun License, \$125 includes photos and prints, one day class.

Tom is recently retired from the Austin Police Department, where he was a theft investigator and instructor at the Austin Police Academy. He is a Texas CHL instructor, NRA pistol instructor, experienced PPC (Police Pistol) competitor, and a skilled custom holster and belt maker. His courses are taught at the Schaefer Training Academy, which is located south of Austin Bergstrom Airport. To enroll in Tom's CHL courses, contact him directly at 601-2057. Additional or alternate class dates may be available so feel free to call if you are interested in a class but cannot attend any of those listed above.

We will be putting out our Fall newsletter sometime in July with class dates for: Basic Pistol, Beyond the Basics, Advanced Training, NRA Instructor Training, CHL, CHL renewal, and a 1-day Red Cross First Aid course. We look forward to having you as a student!

Karl Rehn

Penny Riggs