



Nebraska One Box

PHEASANT HUNT

BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA

**PRAIRIE STORM
SNIPERS**

2017 TEAM BIOGRAPHIES

TEAM HOSTS

Dan & Amy Wenquist • Dale & Janice Nozicka • Nate & Lisa Bell
PARTY VENUE: Wenquist Residence

CAPTAIN

CAPTAINED BY RANDY NEEMAN (Lincoln, NE): Randy started hunting with his father and extended family in his youth and vividly remembers getting his own shotgun at the age of 12. Pheasant hunting has always been a passion of his, with his love of deer hunting taking a second spot in his heart. One of his fondest memories of his father's last deer hunt in the Pine Ridge area just prior to his death in 2008. His father was excited and grinning like it was the first buck he had ever shot. It is memories this that keeps Randy carrying on the tradition of hunting with his kids and grandkids.

Randy started his own successful company as an electrical contractor and sold it after 34 years. He served as President of the Associated Builders and Contractors and was a lobbyist in D.C. for nine years. He gained support for bills that would benefit small businesses in Nebraska.

Randy and his wife, Jill, are very active as Red Cross volunteers and serve as Disaster Relief Operation Managers for the non-profit organization. They have been sent worldwide to manage typhoon, hurricane, flood, fire, and tornado disaster relief. Operations which provide aid to those impacted by these tragic events. They were honored to receive the Tribute to Heroes Award for the Red Cross Organization in 2016.

Randy and Jill are avid scuba divers. Randy spent 24 years instructing scuba at Union College in Lincoln, preparing their International Rescue and Relief bachelor program students for future careers in disaster. Randy happened to meet Jill in one of those classes and because of the love the hobby they share, they were married in an underwater wedding in Guanaja (Gwuh-naw-haw), Honduras, which can still be seen on occasion on the programs Real TV and Maximum Exposure.

The couple has four children and four grandchildren whom they adore when they are not fulfilling their Red Cross duties. They are passionate about traveling, and their adventures have taken them all over the world. They particularly enjoy spending vacation time with friends and family at their island home in Roatan (Row-uh-tan).

TEAM MEMBERS

DOUG FREEHLING (Lincoln, NE): Doug works at Ameritas on their Enterprise Architecture Team with responsibility for establishing and implementing technology strategies. Born and raised in Nebraska his parents slowly migrated from Dundy County to the Saunders and Lancaster county areas. Attended high school at Raymond Central and college at Nebraska Wesleyan. An avid bird hunter for the past 30 years since graduating from college. Has been experimenting with dog breeds during that time, loves both the pointing breeds and a good ole Lab. First exposure to hunting was with my dad, I think I was a retriever in those days. Grandfather William Mahon established a waterfowl refuge in the late 30s early 40s which the family still protects today. Preferred shotgun is a Browning Side by Side. Preferred hunt is long hard day of chasing Rudy's. Best hunting day was a day in Dundy county bagging Canadians, Mallards, Pheasant, and Quail with a chance at some Grouse and Prairie Chickens. Married for 27 years to Mary, three kids Katie, Shelby, and Drew. The two latter at UNL and Katie helps refugees resettle to America.

KEVIN GUSE (Lincoln, NE): Growing up in Colorado and having an Uncle with a farm near Hay Springs, Nebraska has blessed me with many opportunities to hunt, fish and camp from a very early age. In Colorado, I learned to fly fish in the mountain rivers and bass fish on a friend's gravel ponds. I started goose hunting around the age of 11 and shot my first goose with my Grandfather's model twelve 16 guage. Next, I began to hunt rabbits and pheasants on my Uncle's farm near Hay Springs. Rocky Mountain Elk archery hunts have always been and continue to be a family tradition. When I moved to Nebraska to attend college, I met a friend who had a farm on the Platte River near Columbus. It was there that I was introduced to archery deer and turkey hunting. After college, I got my first German shorthair pointer, which I trained alongside the breeder, and titled him as a Senior hunter. I also started climbing mountains and organizing groups to climb 14,000 ft + mountains in Colorado in the last 6-7 years. This fall, I will go on my first archery Antelope hunt in western NE. Each of these outdoor activities have become a love and experience that I will always enjoy, cherish and work hard to share with others.

I grew up in Longmont, CO and was very active in sports and the outdoors. I was in boy scouts from an early age and earned the Eagle Scout Rank. My dad and I were on our Ducks Unlimited chapter committee and I was the head Green Wing.

My primary sports were football and track and field (competing in sprints and pole vault). After high school, I was recruited to play football for the University of Nebraska from 1999-2003. I also pole vaulted for two indoor seasons. During this time, I earned my degree in coaching/teaching and a black belt in Okinawan Karate. A few years after college, I

continued to be active competing in several Tough Mudder obstacle races, including a 24 hour race during December in New Jersey.

After graduating, I married my college girlfriend, Alisha, who was a Husker gymnast, and started a family Lincoln, NE. We have a daughter, son and German shorthair. I work as a independent medical device consultant for Johnson and Johnson. We have also built an independent distributorship for nutritional supplement sales and leadership development that spans across many states with which we help 100's of distributors build their own businesses.

CHAD SPRINGER (Lincoln, NE): Chad grew up in the small town of Utica, NE, just 30 miles west of Lincoln. His dad was an avid hunter and taught Chad by taking him out to hunt every available moment. They spent their time bow hunting for white tail deer, pheasant hunting around home, and turkey hunting around Long Pine, NE. His love for hunting with friends and family never left, even when he went away for college. He and his college buddies would make time to go back home as often as their studies (and partying) would allow. He still gets together with those same guys each year for some hunting and shenanigans.

Chad graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan and then went on to the University of Nebraska Medical Center where he received his Masters of Physician Assistant Studies. Since then, he has worked in Lincoln in the field of Orthopedics. Chad currently works for Lincoln Orthopedic Center doing general orthopedics with an emphasis on Total Joint Reconstruction.

He has been married to his wife, Melanie, since 1997 and has two children, Sydney (16), and Garrett (12). Chad wants Garrett to be involved in the great outdoors as much as he and his dad were as a kid. He feels there is nothing better than seeing a smile on Garrett's face as he's telling hunting stories to his grandpa. Chad looks forward to continuing his hunting adventures with Garrett and all of his friends he's made along the way.

CLAYTON SIEVERS (Elkhorn, NE): I grew up on a lake 10 minutes west of Omaha in Waterloo, NE. From an early age I was very active with several different outdoor activities including fishing, boating, and hunting small game around the lake property. My parents really pushed my brother and I from an early age to embrace the outdoors and stay active.

Growing up in a small town was great. I played baseball, basketball and football. I ended up attending Valley High School through my sophomore year and then finished my last two years at Elkhorn High. Transferring to Elkhorn set me up to receive more attention from D1 colleges for football. I accepted a scholarship to play football at The University of Nebraska from Frank Solich going into my Senior year. When he was fired

Coach Bill Callahan honored my scholarship and I played under him for 4 years. After my junior year Coach Callahan was let go and then I played under Coach Bo Pelini for one year and we beat Clemson in the Gator Bowl to close out my football career.

After my football career ended I stayed in Lincoln for 5 years building a business in Medical Device sales. I really enjoyed my time in Lincoln but once I married my girlfriend from college Desire' Sievers, she wanted to live closer to my parents. Desire' is from Wisconsin and wanted help from the grandparents once we started having kids. I met Desire' my freshman year of college while she was competing on the UNL Gymnastics team. We have a 15 month old son named Tucker. We are already setting Tucker up to be an outdoorsman. He loves to go out to my parent's lake house and swim and watch his older cousins catch bass off the dock.

Hunting, Fishing and the Outdoors: Growing up on a lake gave me the freedom to fish and enjoy the outdoors from an early age. I would follow my older brother Chad around the lake and we would catch bass and catfish. When we didn't have a pole in the water we would have my dad pull us on the tube or chase friends around the lake on jet skis.

Along with the lake, my grandparents owned a farm just outside Columbus in Duncan, NE. I can remember going here in the Fall to go deer hunting with my dad and brother. These are some of the best memories I have hanging with my uncle and his hunting buddies. I loved listening to them tell all their past hunting experiences. I was hooked when I finally got old enough and my dad bought me my own rifle. On opening day that year he took me out to a tree stand on the river and I harvested a mature buck. My parents ended up getting it mounted for me that year for Christmas. I look forward to experiencing these same experiences with Tucker. Over the last five years a group of buddies and I have started going on an annual pheasant trip to Hay Springs, NE and also a Ducks Unlimited fishing trip to Longmont, CO. I look forward to these trips because they take you out of your daily grind and allow you to bond with your friends and enjoy the outdoors.