<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Thread:</th>
<th>Chief Gerald Lewis</th>
<th>Posted Date:</th>
<th>June 25, 2017 11:36 PM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Post:</td>
<td>Chief Gerald Lewis</td>
<td>Status:</td>
<td>Published</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Author:</td>
<td><a href="#">Lamar Kimble</a></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

My impressions on Chief Gerald Lewis was that he was very inspirational. He knew what he wanted from the beginning and he chased it. He got kicked off the basketball team to pursue a career that he knew he would love and make a change in. He is leader. Him being African American made it more appealing and meaningful of him to reach out to the student body of UTSA.

I am hopeful that he will be responsive. He has already shown that he will be and continue to be responsive. After handling the situation that happened in High View, he has shown me that he already has the safety of the students under control. He is also a man of his word from what it looks like hearing him speak in front of us.

I think he should consider handling the robberies that be happening around campus. Students should not be afraid of getting robbed while on campus or even around campus.

(Post is Read)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Thread:</th>
<th>Chief Lewis: Impressions &amp; Expectations</th>
<th>Posted Date:</th>
<th>June 25, 2017 11:18 PM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Post:</td>
<td>Chief Lewis: Impressions &amp; Expectations</td>
<td>Status:</td>
<td>Published</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Author:</td>
<td><a href="#">Ashara Abalos</a></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

I thoroughly enjoyed Chief Lewis' candid introduction and discussion. I believe he is a humble, level-headed, no nonsense, qualified individual that has no qualms in doing what is right and not necessarily what is expected-- which is seemingly an anomaly in today's law enforcement. When he prefaced his remarks as "not reflective of UTSA," I felt disappointed after he spoke because the reality is all officers don't share his perspective, especially when it comes to the value of life, training, and disciplinary actions taken. He seems to truly care about both his officers and the diverse student population, understanding the current socio-political dynamics (eg. Blue Lives Matter vs. Black Lives Matter) and attempting to bridge a gap between civilians and law enforcement that can and will reach out off campus as well.

Considering his focus on community outreach and his law enforcement experience with both students and officers, I have no doubt that Chief Lewis will be active and urgent in addressing student safety issues on campus. I have had no safety issues or concerns to raise since attending UTSA and nothing jumps out at me at this time. If I do, I will be sure to inform him immediately.
My thoughts on Chief Lewis are very positive in so many ways. He seems to care about the safety of UTSA and how he wants people to view the UTSAPD. You can tell that he will always look at both sides of the story not just one side. I feel like he will be responsive to issues on campus regarding the safety here at UTSA. He is actually going around and speaking to students so people will actually know who he is and that is a very good thing. I don't know much about the safety at UTSA since I have only been enrolled for a year but based on what I experienced the bomb threat was sent out hours after they evacuated the buildings which is something that we should know about. But other than that I have no issues with the police on campus.

Courtney Johnson

My impression of Chief Lewis was he's a likable charismatic guy and that wants only the best for the community and environment around him. Not only will he be responsive to student safety on campus, I believe he will also be able to better respond to student safety off of campus as well. Chief Lewis' ideas of creating active communication between UTSAPD and students will strengthen and mend the relationship. An issue Chief Lewis may be able to help would be the hostile reaction to police officers. He spoke about the "no snitching rule" and it's effect on the community. As a collective whole, we may be able to reteach the benefits of police and how they'd be a greater ally than enemy. That not only needs to happen on the student/civilian side but as well as within the police community. Hopefully Chief Lewis' new training with UTSAPD will motivate SAPD to conduct themselves in a similar fashion.

Chelsea Calvo

I agree with attitudes of the police. They do need to learn how to talk to people instead of sounding like they have attitudes every time they pull people over. Better relationships do
My first impression of Chief Lewis was that he was very friendly and easy to talk to which is not normally what you expect when encountering a police chief. He went against the mainstream stereotype that a lot of people feel about policemen, which I greatly appreciated. I am hopeful that he will be responsive to student safety because he appears very compassionate about our safety and ensuring that everyone is accounted for. He doesn't seem to have any bias or attitude towards students like some cops you encounter do. I feel like he should be aware of the attitude that some of the police officers have towards some students on campus. They speak in a manner theta makes the student feel like they are disliked or seen as a threat when we should feel comfortable around the people taking care of our campus. I believe this is the biggest issue on our campus and once a strong relationship is built between the police and students, our campus will be safer.

The impression I got from Chief Lewis was that he was a man that takes his job serious. Chief Lewis cares about the student's well being and will try his best to keep students safe and well protected. He spoke briefly to the class about about his life and you know that he has been through a lot growing up. He speaks on making a change and I believe he can do that. I know Chef Lewis will be responsive for student safety because all he cares about is student safety. He became police Chief to do good for the people and the university. Chief Lewis has made it clear that he is motivated to get more involved with the community and make sure police has the training they need to do better for student safety. Some issues i feel like Chief Lewis should be aware of is late night assaults and many bomb threats that have been going on at UTSA. I feel like Chief Lewis should have more police on campus at night to reduce the number of assaults that is going on.
I agree, Chief Lewis seemed to be very genuine which made me believe he will take all students safety into consideration.

(DPost is Read)

My first impression of Chief Lewis was that he seemed like a very genuine person who cares about his job as well as the students here at UTSA. Chief Lewis seems very knowledgeable about his career and seems like he wants to do his best to better UTSA as a whole. To me he seems like a very trustworthy person and I would have no problem talking to him if I were to ever have any problems in the future.

I am very hopeful that Chief Lewis will be responsive to student safety as well as other issues because one of the only ways to improve UTSA is to improve the environment for students to thrive in and for students to feel safe while on and around campus.

One issue that I hear a lot of complaints about on campus is always parking. I'm not sure how much of an impact Chief Lewis can have to fix this problem however, I have noticed that more parking on campus would definitely be beneficial to all students and faculty members at UTSA.

(DPost is Read)

I love the point you made about the officers interacting with the student body more. I think that would do well off campus too as the officer vs civilian relations are extremely touchy, especially when concerning people of color. I hold my breath and avoid eye contact with officers frequently and while I know I shouldn't, I have had a recent run in with an officer who made me wary of all of them. It's one thing to see it on social media, it's a whole other thing to experience it first hand. I was pleasantly surprised that one of the officers (Miranda?) introduced herself to our class before the Juneteenth ceremony and gave us her number. I have never seen a campus officer do this in the 5 semesters I've been here. I do believe Chief Lewis' influence is definitely there and look forward to seeing more PD and student interaction. Great post!
The impression I got from Chief Lewis is that he is very prideful in what he does, he loves his community, and he is extremely approachable. He is what I like to call a one in a million Chief. I hear about police, especially a Chief, I think of somebody who is just trying to give people a hard time rather than somebody who wants to better your day. With him I get a sense of relief. I wouldn't say I am hopeful that he will be responsive to the students because I know he will be. He has made it clear that he will not only protect the students, treat them fairly, and also help them when he is called on. I think if anything the issue of UTSA PD not making a great effort to interact with the students is my biggest concern. I can say that I feel safe on campus because of their presence, but I think it would make a bigger impact to the student body if the police took time out to interact with us more.

I totally agree with you about the tough father part I was thinking the same exact thing when he talking to us.

I completely agree with your impression of Chief Lewis. He seems like the type of person that will hold you accountable for something you do wrong however, he also seems like the type to praise you if you were to do everything right.
I completely agree with you when you say "he is like a tough father". I got that vibe from him when he first started talking to us. He holds you responsible when there is something you need to be held responsible for but will also take care of you as long as you are doing what you are suppose to do.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Post: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Author: Parker Pennington

My impression of Chief Lewis was: he is like a tough father. From the way he intervened with the police officer and the family standing in the cold in New Jersey to the way he handled the situation at UTSA, firing the officer, he has high and reasonable expectations for police officers. He knows it's a hard job, but he knows a person has to be a special kind of person to do the job and some people are not made for it. Of course I think he will be responsive to student safety on campus because he knows how important it is. The students are most of the reason he is a police chief on this university campus. If he isn't paying attention to student(s), staff, and faculty) safety, then there isn't much else he can worry about. I do not know that much about student safety on UTSA's campus, but I have a friend at UIW who told me a ridiculous story when they had an armed person on campus in the past year. She said she was on campus when it happened and she was trying to get back to her car, when she was walking back, she didn't see a lot of police officers, but before she got to her car, she saw a large group all standing together. If there is ever an armed shooter/person on any campus, I would hope the officers would have a better strategy than standing in a large group in one location. Maybe spreading themselves around campus is an idea, or walking with students back to their cars or dorms?

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Lewis Post  
Post: RE: Chief Lewis Post  
Author: Chelsea Calvo

Javon,

I agree that Chief Lewis will ensure the safety of students. You bring up an excellent point about those that are living on their own the first year.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Lewis Post  
Post: RE: Chief Lewis Post  
Author: Stanley Nzeadibe
I agree the way Chief Lewis carries himself shows that he means business. He wants to make sure students that get the proper protection that is needed on campus. Chief Lewis is a good man and I believe he will make a change in the community.

To me, Chief Lewis was very professional and his demeanor and knowledge about his field let me know that he wanted to improve on every situation if there was anything that could be done better.

His job is to ensure safety for the students, and I believe, he will be successful at that.

I believe there not to be any issues at UTSA that present itself a problem. The dorms might need a close eye, because many students there are living by themselves for the 1st time in life.

Hi Gayla,

I completely agree with you on Chief Lewis' work ethic. As a former athlete, that tells me his time as basketball player prepared him for the discipline, hard work, and patience that is required in law enforcement.

I agree, his work ethic was incredible. His delivery in his story showed his passion.
My thoughts on Chief Lewis were amaze. Something that I found interesting the most was Chief Lewis work ethic. I thought it was amazing how he worked was up in the law force. That right there showed me his very passionate and serious about his job. He is accomplishing one of his goals which is to make a change. It is a guarantee that he will be responsive to student safety and on campus issues. Action has been made within the UTSA community against police brutality. So, I know Chief Lewis is already responsive to student safety. One issues that Chief Lewis should do something about would be students walking home from their car at late hours on campus. Especially, for the people that have to park far away from their dorms. I had this issue last school year and I didn't feel that safe when I had to park by chisholm hall and I lived a laurel.

I agree with you when you said Chief Lewis is humble and genuine man. He was very humble as he told his story.

From listening to Chief Lewis speak about his life, it is evident that he is a humble, compassionate, and genuine man. I believe his past experiences and record of zero tolerance for excessive force reflects his transparency and dedication to making communities a safer
place for all people. He also stressed the importance of building relationships with people whose views, ethnic or ideological backgrounds may differ from oneself. Because of this, I am hopeful that he will be urgent and fair when dealing with issues that occur on a campus with so many different people. In addition, I believe the Chief and his police should constantly be aware of the theft that occurs quite frequently in dormitories as well excessive force upon students. These two issues have come to light over the past year at UTSA and I believe now is the time for preventative programs and enforcing the right policy.

(Post is Read)

**Thread:** Chief Lewis  
**Post:** Chief Lewis  
**Author:** Stanley Nzeadibe

Chief Lewis is a good man who has been through a lot. I can tell he loves his job and that he takes his job serious. I can also tell that he cares about the students protection and safety as if the students were his own kids. I hope and expect him to be responsive to the student safety and issues on campus. I know he will get the job done because he holds himself accountable when dealing with the law enforcement. He wants the students to trust him and his police department that he is willing to punish his own police officers if they are at the wrong in a situation. Some issues that happen on campus is late night assaults that be taking place on campus or around campus. I feel if there was more police roaming the campus that issues like that would never happen. If more police was on campus late night the campus could be more safer than it already is.

(Post is Read)

**Thread:** Chief Lewis  
**Post:** RE: Chief Lewis  
**Author:** Annette Davis

I also believe Chief Lewis is easy to talk to and well qualified because of his experiences, and his passion in protecting and caring for the community.

(Post is Read)

**Thread:** Chief Lewis  
**Post:** Chief Lewis  
**Author:** Matthew Mansour

My impression of Chief Lewis is that he is a caring individual who stands up for what's right no matter what others may say. He also seems down to earth and easy to talk to, someone with a lot of experience around people. I do believe Chief Lewis will will be responsive to
student and campus safety because he has experience in dealing with students in a campus setting and is passionate about protecting and serving the community. Chief Lewis, in my opinion, is well qualified and has the right personality for the position of UTSA police chief. I really like how Chief Lewis has worked as a city officer because there is valuable lessons and obstacles people encounter in the world outside a university campus. I believe Chief Lewis should be diligent on the issues of pedestrian safety and traffic, since UTSA is a bit difficult for people to learn how to navigate sometimes they do not pay attention to what is going on around them.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Lewis
Post: RE: Chief Lewis
Author: Stanley Nzeadibe

I agree Chief is a role model figure who anyone can look up too. He is a good man and cares a lot for the student safety. I know the campus will be more safe under him and I know he will work on some of the issues on campus.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Lewis
Post: RE: Chief Lewis
Author: Matthew Mansour

Hi Brent, I agree that Chief Lewis is someone to look up to and I like how involved he has been across the nation.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Lewis
Post: Chief Lewis
Author: Brent Davis

What can you say about Chief Lewis? What a man, you can see that he lived a hard life. It gives me hope knowing that I can look up to another African American who grew up like myself, and knowing that I can be a success too. The way that he takes accountability, not only of himself, but also other police forces that he commands. He's not only been through the racism before, he was in a system, and the police force that was one of the first in the country to get sanctioned for it. However, I do like how Chief Lewis said that as police he was obliged to know the community. He was obliged to know them because if he did it would be less conflict, because he would understand their point of view as well as other races point of view. I also am not only hopeful that he's going to do more for student safety. But he's going
to hold his entire staff to do more for student safety, and as a full-time student at UTSA that
gives me a lot of comfort knowing that he's going to do everything that he can to make it to
where people are safe. Although, I have not been on campus long I do know there are a few
issues that go around. There have been robberies and bomb threat. I hope that they will
keep doing a good job at sniffing those out and it becomes less of a problem in the future.

Hi, Isaiah. I agree with your impression of Chief Lewis emphasizing community policing and
building relationships. Also, recognizing what kind of people he wants to have working for
UTSA and represent UTSA. It is good to know a person in a position to make changes is
doing so.

There are many issues that exist on campus as well as off. Just because we are on a campus
does not mean we are safe from harm. Issues such as excessive force by policemen, date-
rape, rape, robberies and gun violence are just a few. Hopefully, the leadership of Chief
Lewis, additional training and open communication will lead to less incidents taking place. If
it doesn't, let's hope that justice and fair treatment continues for those that are victims of
crimes as was demonstrated earlier.

My impression of Chief Lewis is that he seems to have a very clear and fair vision of how
policing should look, and that as a chief he really seems to emphasize community policing
and the relationships with the people he is serving. I am very hopeful that he will continue to
be responsive to student safety, I think the situation we spoke of in class that he already has
dealt with, the incident with the officer who used excessive force. He deemed him not a good
fit for the responsibilities that come with being a cop so he terminated him. That reaction is
something that as an African American male I can appreciate, because some days it feels as if
though any and every cop can get away with abuses of their power, as long as it was towards
a black man. I personally haven't seen or heard enough around UTSA to have any concerns
here, but as far as campus policing, one of my friends from high school was recently date-
raped at a frat party at another university. In talking to her, justice has been nearly
impossible to attain, I guess I would just like to see that any kind of rape culture would be
kept down.
Annette, I have had some concerns about guns being on campus as well. I am not naive enough to believe there were no guns on campus before now. I think there will be those that would not abide by the rules of where they can and can't carry their weapon. By not abiding to these rules is what causes me concern. As mentioned before, I am concerned about the strategic location of cameras in the Downtown Campus buildings. I have noticed the campus police more at the Main Campus than at the Downtown Campus. If something happened what would be the reactionary time?

(Post is Read)

I was very impressed with Chief Lewis, he looks and talked very professional. I was very impressed with his accomplishments. I was extremely impressed how he handled the incident in the dorms. Many people would have done what the majority would have wanted or expected, so they did not make anyone upset. I liked how he brought it to light. The only thing I wish he had done, (he might have, we just did not talk about it), was break it down step by step of what the officer did wrong and why, explaining it to the officer, maybe he would understand maybe he wouldn't but if he gets a security job or something maybe he would think back to the incident that probably ruined his career, and not repeat the use of excessive force. I also hope he uses the video in the training of his officers, again explaining step by step what went wrong, and making sure the officers understand what the officer did wrong and why he received the termination. I am very hopeful he will be responsive to student safety and other issues on campus. I believe he will make a difference or is making a difference at UTSA. He seems easy to approach and talk to. The only issue I think he should keep an eye on is the the fact that guns are allowed on campus, and hopefully they have to be registered some kind of way to be kept in the dorms. I also think his police department should know everyone attending UTSA that has a license to carry.

(Post is Read)

Hi Yasmine! I also like how he is paying attention to what has happened and what is currently happening on campus and in the law enforcement positions around the country. Without knowing the past, improving changes for the future is harder to do. I also got the impression that he is making these changes because he believes in them, which is a very powerful
thought. I think the changes he brings to this campus and law enforcement in general is
great and a big step in the right direction.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Post: RE: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Author: Isaiah Meuchelboeck

I agree that he seemed very knowledgeable, and cares about being a positive influence. The
way he talked about all of us students being in his mind his very own children he has a duty
to protect was a comforting feeling coming from the police chief.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Post: Chief Gerald Lewis  
Author: Yasmine Fields

My impression on Chief Lewis was very good. The fact that he knows the problems that are
occurring within law enforcement and feels the same way that the community does that a
change needs to happen, lets me know that he is not naive but very aware and is working
towards making a difference and has a great idea of where to start and how to start. Hearing
his experiences about being in law enforcement and knowing the wrongs that are constantly
being committed everyday and is wanting to change how law enforcement is being viewed
shows the heart he has for his community and his family as well. I'm a freshmen here at
UTSA. I just started this summer, so I'm not fully aware of what goes on yet, but just from
what I heard about one incident that has occurred and he has already started making
changes, shows that things going in a good direction.

(Post is Read)

Thread: Chief Gerald Lewis Speech  
Post: Chief Gerald Lewis Speech  
Author: Yolanda Smith

I always like hearing stories of people's background and what lead to them choose their career. It always
means a lot to me whenever someone takes time out of their busy schedule to visit as well as speak to our
class. Many might think this is time wasted, however sharing knowledge and experience is not.

I like knowing the experience Chief Lewis brings to this position. I feel better knowing our campus might
be better served by what he brings to the table.
Responsiveness to student safety and issues on campus need more attention than the administered student surveys. He has started open communication by talking to and listening to students. I hear the issues on other campuses such as Baylor and Incarnate Word and it makes me shake my head. To hear of the incident at UTSA that was discussed in class infuriated and disturbed me. However, the decision and action taken let me know there is justice.

I attend the Downtown Campus. This spring, I left my cell phone on top of a vending machine. When I went back to retrieve it of course it was gone, lost not stolen. Following the advice of a classmate, I asked the campus police if they had cameras in the Durango building so I could see who took it. I learned cameras are strategically placed in the Durango building and are not in the common areas. This concerns me since campus police are more visible on main campus than the downtown campus.