



GOLDEN EAGLE TRAINING & SAFETY

September 2013 Newsletter

We hope everyone had a good and safe August. For those of you that have children or grandchildren in school, we hope things are back to normal and school starting back went smoothly. Things can be fairly hectic at that time of year. As mentioning school starting back, everyone watch out for the school children walking to and from school and give close attention to the school buses. They are hauling precious cargo, so abide by all the traffic laws as it pertains to school buses.

And while we are on the topic of schools, did you hear of the recent school shooting in Decatur, GA on Tuesday, August 20th? Well not a school shooting but almost one. A twenty year old man with mental problems walked into an elementary school during the broad daylight, with an AK 47 style assault rifle, (they make all kinds) , and about 500 rounds. Sound familiar? No one was hurt even after he shot into the floor and police returned fire. (Looks like an Agency needs some firearms training). The elementary school, similar to the Newton, CN, had about 870 students in it, from pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

A school bookkeeper kept her cool and talked to the young mental health case subject, de-escalating him and the situation. She needs to be publicly recognized for her actions on an outstanding job under a very stressful situation. She is the example of how all of us should perform in critical incident. Don't you think she wasn't scared, she just didn't show it.

Butch and I offer an outstanding one day training session for school administrators, officials, and teachers concerning how to prepare, perform, and post-care for similar situations and incidents like the one just discussed. Also an excellent program for churches. How many people with similar mental health problems

reside in your community? Could the same happen in your area schools? Yes, it can. Best to be prepared for it.

While we are on still on the topic about shootings, did you also happen to hear about the student in a Carrying Concealed Class getting shot by the instructor? Yep, sure did happen, on Saturday, August 10th. An Ohio man attending a CCH Class in Fairfield County, in central Ohio, was shot in the arm by the instructor, not on the range, but in the classroom. He was one out of 29 students in the class. The student was sitting on the front row and was shot while the instructor was demonstrating a self-defense technique. Ohio's CCH guidelines must require that in a CCH class. LA's doesn't. The student wasn't seriously injured but could have been along with other persons in the class. Not a good thing. Accidental Discharge (AD) or Unintentional Discharge (UD)? You guessed it....UD. Weapon was loaded and he didn't intend for it to go bang but they usually do when they are loaded and you pull the trigger. Not a good training day for the instructor and student. Won't happen in our classes as Butch, I, and our staff instructors stress Safety, Safety, Safety! We teach weapon self-defense techniques, but definitely not in our CCH courses.

During the month of August, we were bombarded with the same type of question; "Why do I need a permit if I can carry my gun in my car and what will happen if I am caught carrying a gun without a permit?" Well, we answered some with, "If you are going to live out of your car, you are exactly right. Carry on". But Butch & I have yet to find a drive-thru Walmart, Brookshires, Krogers, or Lowes. Nope, sure haven't. And they will have to get out of that car sometime, somewhere. They had a good point, to a certain degree. But why not extend that privilege to carry and lawfully get a permit to carry concealed?

And in regards to the question what will happen to them if caught carrying a concealed gun with a license? Well, Butch & I can't guarantee what will happen to you but we can tell what could happen. Illegal Carrying of Weapons, which if you are arrested and charged, is most likely what you could be charged with, in addition to any local ordinances, (Possession of a Firearm in a

Public Place, Possession of a Firearm where Prohibited, and any other city ordinances). Of course that all begins if the officer elects to even charge or summons you. There are several options she/he may take but a majority of them are going to charge you. It won't happen in your hometown where you know the law enforcement, it will happen where you don't know them. So just go ahead and count on being arrested, which could be from being issued a summons and your weapon taken, placed in cuffs and taken to a booking jail and perhaps released on your own recognizance and your weapon still taken or place under arrest and placed in jail with a bond and your weapon also taken. Either way, your pretty gun will be confiscated.

Now if the District Attorney or Prosecutors office, (depending where you are), decides to pursue the charges, you may be looking at jail time, jail time and suspended sentence and/or a hefty fine and court cost. It is going to cost you some money and in the long run, it would have been cheaper and less expensive to get the LA permit. And just think what the consequences will be if you had to use your weapon and not have the permit. We could go on, and on with what the outcome would be in that particular situation. In short, it is darn sure not worth it and why not continue to be a law abiding person. Get the permit and not worry about it.

We are going to conduct three courses in October and we are wanting you that are already our clients to receive the information first and the opportunity to register early. All the courses are on a Saturday and held at the David Wade Corr. Center Training Building and Range. October 12th will be a Basic Carrying Concealed Handgun Class. On the 19th, we will conduct an Advanced Carrying Concealed Handgun Class and on October 26th, we will conduct a Personal Safety Course which not only entails some easy to use self-defense techniques but also some easy to learn techniques on keeping your firearm from being taken away from you. You will not want to miss taking this course. To register early for any of the classes, simply go to our website, (www.defensivetraining.us) or contact us by e-mail, (gets@kcwd.com), or simply give us a call and inform us what course you would like to sign up for. We will start advertising the

second week in Sept. so take advantage of this opportunity to enroll early.

Everyone, have a safe and great September. Remember to watch out for the school children, school crossings, and school buses. And as always, any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Stay Safe and Remember to Carry Concealed!

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