



GOLDEN EAGLE TRAINING & SAFETY

June 2014 Newsletter

A Basic Carrying Concealed Handgun Class was conducted in May and another good class it was. Twenty-one reputable folks in northwest LA attended and completed the May 24th class at David Wade Correctional Center. The weather could not have been better for shooting. It was a “picture perfect day”, as you can see below of the participants.



MAY 24th, 2014 BASIC CCH GROUP

Three of the twenty-one were renewals. As renewals, the class is free as G.E.T.S stands behind its commitment in allowing those who have attended a G.E.T.S class in the past, to attend a class to renew their CCH permit at no charge. As we have stated time and time again, we strongly support reputable citizens in the community carrying concealed and will do everything we can to help those that do. Don't believe you will find any other CCH Instructors with that type of policy. Anyway, it is interesting to us to see how many of those that had attended our classes, do go forward and get the permit. And it is also interesting and helpful in hearing from those in the class that are attending for renewal. Very important information and tips are obtained for not only our Instructors, Butch and I, but for also the others in that class. Sometimes questions that we do not have the answers for are answered by a renewal in the class. So if you have a renewal coming up, don't forget to let us know if we can help.

June 21st was tentatively a date we had mentioned for our next CCH Class however we have learned that other events in the parish may conflict with that class so as of now, we do not have a date etched in stone for the next class. When we do, you that are our current clients and on our e-mail list will be first to know when the next class is. We are planning to have a weekend of training for the public to go along with the next Basic CCH Class. An Advanced CCW Class, Personal Safety Course, Surviving a Conflict and a basic CCH Class will be

offered that weekend. If you have already attended one our Basic CCH Classes and/or have a current CCH permit, you may be interested in the Advanced CCW class. Or if you are interested in learning how to protect yourself from having your handgun taken away and would like to learn some simple and easy to do techniques in maintaining your handgun, the "Surviving a Conflict" may be of interest to you. Or if you would like to learn some easy to perform moves to protect yourself from an attack, you may want to attend the "Personal Safety" course. Or if you are applying for a CCH permit in LA, the Basic CCH class would be the one to sign-up for. We are looking at starting the "Training for the Public" on a Friday evening, along with a meal, resume the next day (Saturday) and end the event that Saturday evening with another well prepared meal. You would not want to miss this opportunity we will provide for young, elderly, male or female, it will be for all ages and a weekend of training and knowledge.

Have you heard about the incident up north, in Indiana I believe, where a person in a Wal-Mart store was shot in the arm by a handgun that had fell out of a holster from a man carrying concealed and had a CCH permit? The Chief of Police of the town in IN was in that Wal-Mart at the time it occurred and heard the gunshot. Now that would definitely activate the Sympathetic Nervous System (SNS). Wonder if the Chief was carrying, concealed or otherwise. Information received stated that the handgun was in a holster on the waistband of the person when it fell out, hit the floor and a round hit a woman in the arm who was pushing a shopping cart with her newborn son in the cart. This would fall under that civil liability area we hit on in our classes. Article also said the man had a permit and wasn't arrested. Guess they figured he didn't need to be concerned or bother with a criminal case as he would most likely be busy in civil court. Perhaps he should have attended one of our classes where we discuss how to carry concealed. We are going to try and find out just what type of firearm he had that would discharge when falling out of a holster and hitting the floor. We already know his holster was not a very good holster to carry concealed nor did it have any of the restraint items that would secure a firearm in the holster. We would guess he had an "inside the waistband" holster with no straps or fasteners to secure the firearm. Just a guess. That happens with holsters like that. And just being conscious of having a firearm on your person and paying attention to it may have prevented it.

One of renewals in our last class made the very good comment that after you start carrying concealed and continue to do so, it doesn't take long that you don't even know you are carrying concealed and get used to having the firearm on you. If I haven't told you the true story of my firearm almost falling out of a shoulder holster and onto the floor while in court, at the bench in front of a Judge, remind me and I will tell you. We stress in our class to take the time to check out and look into the hundred ways to carry concealed and choose a safe and secure method. As we have said many, many times before, if there is any way we can help you to let us know and we can be of assistance in that area. Our Advanced CCW course provides you that opportunity to not only carrying concealed on the range but also drawing and firing from your carrying concealed method. Google "Woman shot in Wal-mart" and you can find out more about the incident. Man had a .22 pistol. Looks like an older model and a revolver, probably. Also mentioned in that article that it is the second incident in the month of May that a person was "unintentionally shot" in a Wal-Mart. The first one happening in Arizona where a man unintentionally shot himself in his own leg. Article says "accidentally" but we call it

“unintentionally”. Unintentionally pulled the trigger, not accidentally. Sounds like Wal-Mart may be coming up with a “Firearms Not Allowed Inside” sign pretty soon.

We would be willing to bet that the pistol in the IN incident was a revolver and a fairly older one and the pistol in the AZ incident was cocked. We will let you know if we are wrong. Should be a lesson to us though to take advantage of further training, especially when it comes to carrying concealed. And that is exactly what Butch and I want to do, the opportunity to provide that training.

Enough is enough for this month’s Newsletter. We will not hesitate to let you know when we have set a date for our “Surviving a Conflict” weekend training and how to register. You will be the first to know by e-mail and we will advertise in the community newspapers. Until then, have a safe and happy June and let us know if we can be of assistance in any way.

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