

GOLDEN EAGLE TRAINING & SAFETY APRIL 25th CLASS CANCELLED

Golden Eagle Training & Safety had plans to hold a Basic Carrying Concealed Handgun Class and an Advanced Carrying Concealed Weapons Class April 25th but Mother Nature had different plans. Severe weather rolled through Claiborne parish late Friday, (April 24th) evening and although most of the central and southern sections of the parish were spared,, the northern and northeastern areas were not. A small twister skipped around the training site at David Wade Correctional Center and although the area suffered only trees down and some power poles leaning over, the twister stayed on the ground just north of the prison and decided to clear numerous trees out over Hwy 520 and then continued its up and down path over into Union parish. Although the morning of the April 25th was quite and somewhat clear, with no power at that training site, the class was cancelled that morning and those that showed up were informed at the site and politely understood. We appreciated their cooperation and hope to look forward to seeing them in the next class.

NEXT BASIC CCH AND CCW CLASS

Our next Basic Carrying Concealed Handgun Class and Advanced Carrying Concealed Weapons class is Saturday, June 6th, 2015 at the J.O. Whittington Firing Range at David Wade Correctional Center, Homer, LA. Either class is still \$62 and to be eligible to go through the Advanced class, one must either be currently in possession of a valid CCH permit or has previously attended one of GETS Carrying Concealed courses. Besides being on the range most of the entire time in the Advanced Class it does require a few more rounds of ammunition than the Basic CCH course. Instead of needing only 72 rounds of ammunition as in the basic CCH class, one will need 250 rounds of ammo to go through the Advanced course. We have noticed that ammunition is beginning to get a lot easier to purchase now; besides, in the Advanced course you shoot our ammo for the first hour. If you know of any that would like to enroll for either of these or if you are interested in going through the Advanced, go online at www.defensivetraining.us to register or contact us at gets@kcwd.com or by phone at 318-465-0633. It will be good to see any of you again.

GOLDEN EAGLE TRAINING & SAFETY STAFF INSTRUCTORS

Most you have already met or have been in a class with a couple of our Staff Instructors and some of you have met all of our Staff Instructors (Buster Flowers, Col. Rogers, John Stanley, Bill Frasier and JD Faulkner). We want to continue to tell you a little bit more about our Instructors and how they ran into us or us ran into to them. We bragged about W.R. "Buster" Flowers last month, this month we will tell you a little bit more about Col. Rogers.

Colonel Brad Rogers / DWCC

Col. Rogers has been a big asset for us since joining us in 2010. Col. Rogers joined us when we were conducting classes at the Homer Fire Dept. We had learned of how well Col. Rogers was teaching the Hunters Safety Education courses in the area for so long, we were anxious to ask him to come on board and expand his teaching skills. We first ran into Col. Rogers long ago at DWCC when he was a Correctional Officer and while holding OC/ Chemical Weapon Training at DWCC, Brad eagerly volunteered to take a "hit" of OC (Oleoresin Capsicum). He took it like a trooper and appeared to somewhat enjoy it. Brad started his career at DWCC in 1987. It didn't take long for Brad to move up through the ranks, Sergeant within six months,

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Lieutenant within five years and Captain after eight years. Brad moved to the Training Dept. in 1999 and two years he was promoted to a Major in that section. In 2001, Brad was appointed Commander of DWCC's Mounted Tactical Unit. Brad and his staff were responsible for training that unit to assist in those crazy Mardi Gras holiday parades in Shreveport. Brad was repositioned as Field Major in 2002 and four years later he was promoted to Colonel and assigned back into the Compound. It didn't take Brad long to be placed back out into Field Operations as in 2008, Brad was assigned as Unit Manager over Field Operations, a position he currently holds. Brad has received certification not only in First Aid and CPR but also in several areas in the Use of Force. If the Chase Team is ever called out by area law enforcement agencies to look for you, you may run into Brad as he has been on that Chase Team for well over ten years and is a certified K-9 Handler Tracker. In his 28 years thus far at DWCC and with the LA Dept. of Public Safety / Corrections, Brad has had eight Employee / Distinguished Service Awards and the Award of Excellence in 2004. Don't we know how to choose good Instructors? In addition to all his duties as a Unit Manager at DWCC, in his spare time and when he is not Instructing for us, Brad has been an Instructor for the past 17 years with the LA Hunter Ed program which has been approved by the LA Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries. I do imagine some of his students in those classes just may have been through some of Golden Eagle Training & Safety classes. We surely do enjoy having Brad abroad and he has been another asset to us. Brad and his family reside there on the grounds of DWCC in Homer.

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

As other CCH agencies are now doing, we have also started allowing anyone who is currently active duty military free tuition to our Basic CCH Classes. Although any one in that status may not need the class, if they have fulfilled the training requirement while with the military, those that do not and are wanting to attend the class to apply for a LA CC permit, they will be our guest and can attend the class tuition without charge. We are not only grateful for our country's Veterans for their sacrifice and service but also for our country's active military personnel. We asked that all of you never pass up an opportunity to thank a Vet or our active military individuals but also thank those that are your local public safety and law enforcement personnel for their sacrifice.

ONLINE APPLYING PROCESS

As we have mentioned before one can now apply online or electronically for a Carrying Concealed Handgun permit. We would still like to hear from anyone that did how it was and if and how long it took for them to get permit back. Applying online is somewhat easier and although you still have to scan and send some forms, you don't have to get your fingers dirty with two sets of finger print cards. Mailing application and forms in is still an option however and setting aside any additional forms required, anyone that completes our class on a Saturday can definitely put the entire packet in the mail to LSP on that Monday. Please let us know how the online process is going.

Hope to See some of you the Advanced Class June 6th and spread the word for us on the Basic Class June 6th. Stay Safe!

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