



## MAY 21st, 2016 CLASS WAS ANOTHER GREAT CLASS

Golden Eagle Training & Safety, LLC had another great class in 2016 with the May 21st class which had 29 reputable folks going through the Basic Carrying Concealed Handgun Class and four (+ 2 repeats) reputable permit holding folks going through the Advanced Carrying Concealed Weapon course. Couldn't have asked for better weather for a handgun class and being outside but the warmer temps in the afternoon started to show on the Advanced CCW class. However, with more breaks and water, the six made it through with no problems. Sixteen of those in attendance were renewals from a 2011 class G.E.T.S held in Homer and Springhill. It was good to see those fine folks again. The May 21st class also had seven Veterans. G.E.T.S is proud to see our Vets in our classes and recognizes them every time after the class opens with the Pledge of Allegiance. Yes, the Pledge of Allegiance to our country's flag. We have not had one complaint since implementing that in 2010. Not one.

## FIVE ESSENTIAL TIPS TO MUST KNOW WHEN CARRYING CONCEALED

Last month we discussed five tips to remember when carrying concealed. Proper mindset, safely practice & train, stay out of trouble, insurance is a good thought, and picking the right gun and holster were those five tips. We now would like to talk about Must Know 5 Essentials Tip when Carrying Concealed. Safety is with all five of these suggestions.

- (1) Get familiar with the handgun you have and any new handgun that you may get and if carrying in a holster, get familiar with that. Don't put the new gun in a new holster and think it is the same as the one you were carrying, especially if it involves switching from a semi-auto to a revolver or vice versa. There is a big difference in a semi-auto and a revolver. Carry the new handgun in a holster around the house safely.
- (2) Do not.....Do Not fiddle with your handgun while in public. They will not notice you carrying concealed unless you start fooling with it. Don't pull the gun out whenever you are carrying in the public, unless you are ready to use it.

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- (3) Practice, practice, practice safely with your handgun and the method you are carrying it concealed. Whether it be in a holster or in a handbag. Safely practice drawing it and firing. You have this opportunity while going through our advanced class. You can also do it safely at home by practicing with an unloaded pistol.
- (4) Dry fire often. Dry firing is pulling the trigger with an unloaded handgun. Dry fire it while pointing it at an object in the house....safely. Remember the four rules of firearms safely while doing it. (Do not point it at someone else and dry fire. Get you a target and set it up at house. We let you have a target after completing our course. If you want a realistic target, target of a person instead of a large green or black silhouette, let us know, we will get one to you. You will be surprised at how just dry firing about 30 mins once every three months will get you familiarized with your handgun and it doesn't' cost a dime and will not hurt the handgun. While dry firing, you can also practice simulate loading and reloading your firearm.
- (5) If you dry fire, after you get finished dry firing, do not load the weapon immediately afterwards. Wait about 20 30 mins before you load it. The reason we say this is, what have you just practiced doing? Pointing and pulling the trigger at something for many reps. When loading the firearm immediately after dry firing for 20 30 mins, by automatic reflex, you could point the weapon and pull the trigger. If you are doing dry firing at the TV, like Butch and I do a lot (safely), you might put a round through the \$800 flat screen TV. Just don't load immediately after dry firing. Wait awhile until you load it.

## **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 without paying registration fees. We are grateful for our country's active military personnel. We ask all of you to never pass up an opportunity to thank a Veteran or our active military individuals but also thank those that are your local public safety and law enforcement personnel for their sacrifice.

HAVE A SAFE REMAINING JUNE AND TO ALL FATHERS, HAVE A HAPPY FATHERS DAY ALSO. HOPE TO SEE SOME OF YOU AGAIN AT OUR NEXT COURSE WHICH WILL BE LATER IN THE SUMMER. WE WILL DEFINITELY NOTIFY THOSE THAT ARE RECIPIENTS OF OUR NEWSLETTER FIRST OF OUR NEXT CLASS.