

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement



Surviving Hidden Weapons

October 13th, 2026

0830-1630

Denny Stewart Training Facility

3121 Dewitt Ave.

Mattoon, Il. 61938

Submit enrollment to:

www.mtu13.com

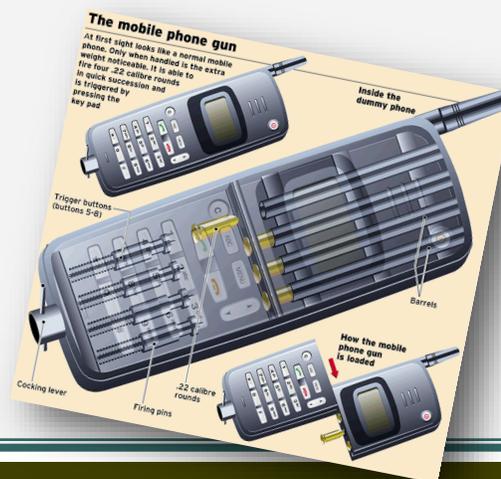
Course Description:

Surviving Hidden Weapons identifies concealment areas in household items, internet purchased items, altered devices and specially designed armaments all made with criminal intent to conceal dangerous weapons. Emphasis is placed on refocusing Officer Safety skills and using tactical advantage procedures.

This course is highly interactive with several live demonstrations showing search techniques and officer Safety reminders. Student interaction is very powerful which demands their attention through real-life videos of Officer Safety “winnable” situations and learning points. Numerous depictions are shown and discussed related to hundreds of different types of concealed dangerous weapons.

*****This course is for PATROL, DETECTIVES and CORRECTIONS alike. All will benefit from this training.*****

Chief Johnson has been here before and taught this class. It is always met with a great response. Now more than ever people are embolden to attack police and corrections. Please take the time to come listen to Chief Johnson and learn some cues that might just save your life. I cannot stress enough, this is not a class you will want to miss.



Observed Mandates Include:

Civil Rights

Lead Homicide Investigator

Constitutional and Proper L/E Authority

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Chief Steven Johnson:

Steve Johnson serves as Chief of Police for the city of Fairview Heights, Illinois. Previously, Chief Johnson was the Chief of Swansea PD and before that was the Special Operations Coordinator for the St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office. With the State's Attorney's Office, some of Steve's responsibilities include participating in grant writing and increasing technology in the grant writing process, coordinating communication between law enforcement and the state's attorney's office, and coordinating law enforcement training.

Steve Johnson also served with the St. Clair County Sheriff's Office and retired as a captain in 2014. Johnson was assigned as the Commander of the elite Street Crimes Unit, a special force designed to go after career criminals in violent areas of the entire county. He also served as the Chief Investigator overseeing the Criminal Investigation Section, Drug Tactical Unit, Street Crimes Unit, Special Response Team (SWAT), Warrant Section, Evidence Section, DEA Taskforce Agent, Auto theft Taskforce Agent, Courthouse Security, Domestic Violence Unit, Internal Affairs and St. Clair County Investigative Professionals Group (SCIP).

Steve is a graduate of the FBI's prestigious National Academy (224th Session) and graduated from the 200 hour Police Training Board certified course, "Police Executive Role in the 21st Century" on Command Leadership. Johnson holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Workforce Education from Southern Illinois University and earned his Master of Arts Degree in Computer Resources and Information Management Specializing in Personnel Management.

Chief Johnson has been a contract instructor with FLETC and has served as an adjunct instructor for Southwestern Illinois College where he taught subject areas that include Criminology, Criminalistics, Crime Scene Investigations, Cybercrime, and Criminal Investigations. Steve currently instructs the Cell Block Survival, Street Survival, Read – Recognize – Respond and Tactical Advantage Calibre Press Seminars.



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