

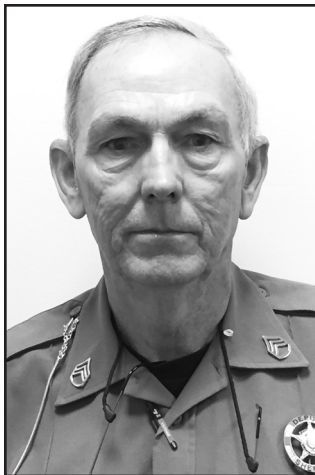
# Firearms Conceal Carry Class open to the public sponsored by Union County Sheriff's Department

On May 10, 2016 starting at 6:30 p.m., with a Meet and Greet, the Union County Sheriff's Office will sponsor a Firearms Conceal & Carry Class. The class is open to the public and free of charge. The actual class will start at 7 p.m. and last until 8 p.m.

This event will be held at the Haralson Memorial Civic Center, 165 Wellborn Street, Blairsville, GA.

Additionally to the class open to the public, all active duty law enforcement officers are invited. There will be one hour of P.O.S.T. credit for all active duty law enforcement officers who attend. This will also be a great opportunity to meet and interact with your local law enforcement personnel.

The training will be conducted by Staff Sgt. Billy Purcell of the Union County Sheriff's office. Sgt. Purcell has over 30 years of law en-



**Staff Sgt. Billy Purcell**

forcement experience, including a Georgia P.O.S.T. certified instructor with Firearms and Defensive Tactics as his major course of instruction, Sgt. Purcell was Senior Instructor from 1986 to 2010 at Abraham Baldwin Agriculture College Police Academy and

in addition, he was the Assistant Director of the Academy from 2002 to 2010.

Staff Sgt. Purcell has a degree in Criminal Justice and has graduated from the Professional Management Program, Command College and also a graduate of the prestigious Federal Bureau of Investigations National Academy 159th Session. In addition to his law enforcement service and education, he was one of the few officers selected to travel to Israel and serve as a Law Enforcement Exchange Officer.

The invitation for this community event is open to the public. The training will cover "Do's and Don'ts" for conceal carry and provide you an overview of how you can legally defend yourself and your property as a citizen.

No firearm is required. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.