

## **KEEPING THE PIECE**

### **Women's Shooting Club**

#### **Safety First:**

- 1) Treat All Guns as Loaded!**
- 2) Never point the muzzle of any firearm toward anything you do not wish to destroy.**
- 3) Keep trigger finger outside trigger well and on something solid until sights indexed on target and decision to shoot has been made.**
- 4) Know your target and what lies behind it.**



## **Points to Ponder : January 2012**

(Tueller Research & Drills)

- Original research experiments by Sgt. Dennis Tueller (Salt Lake City, UT PD).
- His goal was to discover the length of time required for an attacker, armed with a knife, to reach a victim at distance of 7 yards.
- Average time for an attacker to reach his victim was 1 ½ seconds.
- Results published in SWAT Magazine in 1983 in article called, "How Close is Too Close?"
- In defensive shooting, we must weigh when to draw and shoot an attacker. Too soon, we can be charged with murder because we become the 'initial aggressor'. Too late, and we're the one who's dead.
- This drill helps you learn what is the 'danger distance' for you and should encourage you to practice shooting effectively from at least 7 yards + practice drawing smoothly & quickly from your holster with concealment garment.
- **Awareness is key!** Stay alert to who is close to you so attackers can't get within this 'danger' distance. Avoid dark places where stalkers could hide out and watch you. Travel in groups if possible. **ALWAYS have your gun accessible. Attackers hope you won't be ready!**
- **Move Off Line of Attack** if someone charges you. (Move too soon, they follow, too late they cut you – so timing is a factor in this skill.)

#### Tueller Drill Methods:

1. The "attacker" and "shooter" are positioned back-to-back 7 yards from target. At the signal, attacker sprints away from the shooter & shooter draws gun and shoots two rounds at target. The attacker stops as soon as the shot is fired. The shooter is successful only if the shots are in the effective zone (CNS) and if the runner did not cover 7 yard distance.
2. To add stress to the shooter, "attacker" begins 7 yards behind the shooter. At signal, the attacker runs toward the shooter from behind & shooter draws and fires two rounds into target. The shooter is successful only if he is able to make 2 effective shots before being tapped on the back by the attacker.