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News Release

HPD Hosts 2012 Citizen Police Academy

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The Harrisonburg Police Department is gearing up for the 2012 Citizen Police Academy.

Every year, the Department opens its doors to citizens within the community to learn more about the various jobs and duties of HPD.

Not only do the participants get more insight into HPD, they get hands-on experience and participate in different scenarios that officers could potentially encounter.

The academy will be held every Thursday at the Public Safety Building, 101 N. Main St. from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Classes will begin on March 1 and conclude April 26.

“Not only do citizens have the opportunity to learn about HPD, but our agency is able to get to know citizens within our community,” said Mary-Hope Vass, Public Information Officer with HPD.

Applications can be found on HPD’s website www.harrisonburgva.gov/police and must be turned in to HPD by Friday, February 24.

Anyone with questions, who is interested in participating, may call Officer Rachel Hammer at 540-437-2672.

Note to media: Due to the application deadline, if you could put this information out as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated.

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