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METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Citizens Police Academy Graduation

St. Louis Citizens to Graduate after Completing 12-Week Course

The Metropolitan Police Department (“the department”) will honor 27 citizens who have completed the Citizen Academy course with a graduation ceremony on Wednesday November 28 at 7 p.m. The ceremony will take place in the board room on the sixth floor of Police Headquarters located at 1200 Clark Avenue.

The 12-week course was designed to strengthen the bond between the department and the community. Participants meet once a week and almost every class is taught by an actual police officer.

The Citizens Police Academy offers St. Louis city residents and business owners a better understanding of the inner workings of the department and the daily challenges that officers face. The classes include instruction in the department’s history and structure, how the department predicts and analyzes crime patterns, gang intelligence, homicide investigations and community policing techniques. Students in the Academy also have the opportunity to interact with police canines and the police bomb robot, as well as tour the 911 center and use driving and shooting simulators.

Wednesday’s graduation will honor the 27 citizens who completed the course and will go on to use their knowledge to better serve their communities. Chief Isom will be the guest speaker at this event. This will be Chief Isom’s final Citizens Academy Graduation before his retirement in 2013.

WHO: Metropolitan Police Department
WHAT: Citizens Academy Graduation
WHEN: Wednesday, November 28 at 7 p.m.
WHERE: Police Headquarters
1200 Clark Avenue

Reporters and photographers are welcome to attend.

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