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## LCSO's Citizens Academy Class 37 Graduation & Award Announcements

35 local residents will receive their certificate of completion for LCSO's Citizens Academy at a ceremony this evening. Class 37 is the Sheriff's Office's largest class to date and includes several well-known locals, such as former FSU football player Corey Simon, State Representative Loranne Ausley and Radio Personality Joe Bullard.

Citizens Academy participants meet one night a week for 10 weeks. They learn about virtually every aspect of a deputy's job including recruiting, administration, patrol operations, traffic enforcement and communications, criminal law, SWAT and hostage negotiations, crime scene investigations, corrections and many other areas. In addition to classroom education, students are given the opportunity to ride along with a deputy on patrol, attend a SWAT demonstration and shoot some of the high powered weapons used by deputies.

During the graduation ceremony, LCSO's Citizens Academy Alumni Association will also announce their choices for Deputy of the Year, Correctional Officer of the Year, as well as a Career Achievement Award. As a special tribute, the awards now bare the name of longtime former Sheriff, Larry Campbell.

Who: LCSO's Citizens Academy

What: Citizens Academy Class 37 Graduation & Awards Announcements

When: Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Capital City Country Club, 1601 Golf Terrace Drive







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