



## **News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office**

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### **Sheriff's Office Citizens' Academy Graduation Next Week**

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office will graduate its twelfth Citizens' Academy class next week. The ceremony will be held Tuesday, June 30, 6 p.m. at the Sheriff's Office Training Academy, 993 Dovecrest. Twenty-two (22) students will graduate.

**"This has been an excellent opportunity for people to learn more about the operations of the Sheriff's Office. I commend these citizens for giving several weeks of their time to find out how they can assist us in our efforts to keep Memphis and Shelby County a safe place to live and work,"** said Shelby County Sheriff Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

During the ten-week course, students saw equipment demonstrations, participated in group discussions and attended presentations by officers and staff members from various Sheriff's Office bureaus.

The keynote speaker for the graduation will be Walter Crews, Deputy Director of the Shelby County Bureau of Prisons and former Director of the Memphis Police Department.

With Tuesday night's graduation, **229** people will have completed the Sheriff's Office Citizens' Academy training course which was first offered in 2003. The next session will be held this fall.

Those interested in attending the next class may call the Sheriff's Office Training Academy at **(901) 387-5750** or register by email at the Sheriff's Office website at [www.shelby-sheriff.org](http://www.shelby-sheriff.org). Students must pass a criminal background check to take the course.

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