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SHERIFF'S CITIZEN'S ACADEMY TO START MARCH 17

Sheriff Richard Pierce is pleased to announce the commencement of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department's first Citizen's Academy class on March 17, 2004. The class will be comprised of Fresno County citizens in good standing who are interested in learning more about the agency that serves and protects them. They will learn about numerous topics related to law enforcement and crime prevention so that they can better understand the way the Fresno Sheriff's Department works. In turn, the Sheriff's Department hopes to better understand the public they serve and the needs of the citizens.

The Citizen's Academy will meet once a week for 14 weeks, and will culminate with a graduation ceremony on Thursday, July 1, 2004.

Anyone who is interested in applying for a slot in the next class should contact Sgt. Matt Alexander at (559) 292-1138. Applicants must work or live in the County of Fresno.