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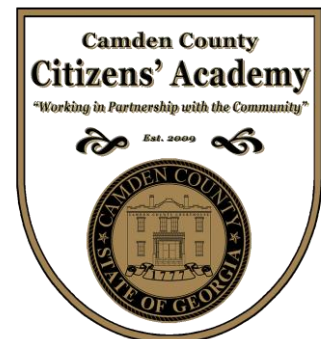
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23 Local Residents Graduate from Citizens' Academy

WOODBINE, GEORGIA – June 20, 2017 – The Camden County Board of Commissioners is pleased to announce the recent graduation of 23 local residents from the Spring 2017 Citizens' Academy Class. The graduation ceremony took place in Woodbine on Thursday, June 15, 2017. All graduates were presented with a Certificate of Completion.

The Citizens' Academy is a 10-session interactive program designed to familiarize the general public with the roles, services, and operations that comprise their Camden County Government. The program focuses on educating residents, business owners, and interested persons who work in Camden County on how daily County Government operations contribute to building a better community. Residents were introduced to just how much their county government is a part of, and works cooperatively with, a larger network of local, regional and state governmental agencies.



Each week, staff from various departments spoke to the class about their role and responsibilities with Camden County Government. As part of the class, students toured and visited the County Courthouse, the Public Safety Complex in Woodbine, the Emergency Operations Center in Kingsland, and the County Landfill.

County Administrator Steve Howard said the Citizens' Academy plays a vital role in reaching our local community. "This is an opportunity for class members to get a thorough, in-depth look at their county government and the vital role it plays in their lives. I would encourage every citizen to consider participating in future classes."

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Pictured Left to Right: County Administrator Steve Howard, Khristopher Ward, Fred Thomas, Allen Trogdon, Lisa James, Heather Trogdon, Stephen Fortier, Teira Cole, Richard Smith, Honorah Gimpel, Donny Gilson, Christian Jennings, Yvonne Young, John Young, Tammy Dukes, Fostina Mitchell, Commissioner Ben Casey, Vivian Mitchell, Janice Beckham, Commissioner Chuck Clark, Stephanie Loveland, Tiffany Campbell, and Commissioner Chair Jimmy Starline.

Not Pictured are Yvonne Dantzler, Anthony Kicklighter, Aundrea Shirah, and Rashawn Shirah.

Stephen Fortier, a Citizens' Academy graduate, appreciated the "excellent presentations and the great information shared by all the presenters." Adding that he "really enjoyed the Citizens' Academy and will highly recommend it to my friends and co-workers."

The program is offered at no charge to Camden County residents. If you would like to be notified about the dates for the next class, please email CitizensAcademy@co.camden.ga.us.

About Camden County: Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is "Georgia's Coastal Community of Choice." Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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