

**Huntsville / Madison County
Seniors Crime Prevention Academy**

**March 6, 2008 – May 29, 2008
27th Academy Class**

Location:

City of Huntsville Public Safety Training Academy
3011 Sparkman Drive, Huntsville, Alabama 35810

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Seniors Crime Prevention Academy / Spring Schedule 2008

Week #1 Thursday, March 6, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Welcome & Introduction – Elected Leaders and Agency Directors
Overview of goals and objectives we hope to accomplish with the
Crime Prevention Academy, presented by Wendell Johnson.

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Challenges of running 1 of the three Precincts. West Precinct covers 83 square miles and Officers respond to 38 percent of all calls for service. Eighty-three police officers work in West Precinct. Instructor: Captain Lewis Morris, Commander.

2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Traffic Crash Reduction Program. Traffic safety and obeying traffic laws. Why are traffic fatalities and accidents with injuries going down, while traffic citations are on the increase? Instructor: Sgt. Floyd Smith, HPD DUI Task Force Supervisor.

Week # 2 Thursday, March 13, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The values and benefits of having an active and effective Community Watch in Huntsville and Madison County. Instructor: Mrs. Betty Frazier.

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Crime Prevention (home security) and Community Policing. The importance of citizens and police interacting. Safe shopping tips. Instructor: West Precinct, Community Relations Officer, Bill Chappell.

Week #3 Thursday, March 20, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The Better Business Bureau of North Alabama – The history of the BBB and its role in consumer education/awareness, charity requests, telemarketing fraud and keeping track of legitimate businesses. Instructor: Michelle McDaniel, Director, BBB.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The United States Postal Service – Identity theft, mail fraud, and why direct deposit is the best banking for customers.

Instructor: Sharon Shew, Customer Relations Coordinator.

Week#4 Thursday, March 27, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

An Overview of goals and objectives of the Huntsville Department of Public Safety. Preparations for BRAC. Also an update on the Fallen Police Memorial Project. Instructor: Chief Rex Reynolds.

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. An overview of the Huntsville Police Department, Huntsville Fire and Rescue and Animal Services. The challenges facing emergency responders. Technology, recruiting, hiring and training.

Instructors: Police Chief Henry Reyes, Chief Danny Loggins, Huntsville Fire and Rescue and Chief Karen Hill Sheppard, DVM

Week # 5 Thursday, April 3, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Madison/Morgan County Strategic Counter Drug Team (STAC). Overview of drug activities across North Alabama. Street level drug dealer and gang related activities.

Instructor: Sgt. Gerry Norris, STAC Team Commander.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Suspicious Activities. This course teaches the fundamentals on how to spot criminal activity, vehicles and drug houses. Provide information on environmental laws and procedures and how to report the problem. Instructor: North Precinct CRO, Johnny Hollingsworth

Week # 6 Thursday, April 10, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Huntsville/Madison County Emergency Management. Severe weather preparedness and CERT. An overview of how EMA coordinates federal, state and local agencies during a disaster. Instructor: Scott Worsham, Emergency Preparedness Officer.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Devil worship in Huntsville/Madison County. Is there a hidden message in that music your children listen to? Instructor: Retired Huntsville Police Investigator Jeff Bennett is also a pastor.

Week # 7 Thursday, April 17, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meth Labs in Madison County. What actions are being taken address the growing epidemic. Enforcement, arrests, the cost related to cleanup hazardous sites and educating retailers to spot manufacturers. Instructor: Sgt. Mike Salomonsky, M.C.S.D.

Week # 8 Thursday, April 24, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Overview of the Madison County Sheriff's Department. Challenges building a new Metro Jail, jail overcrowding, courthouse security and Deputies patrolling a rapidly expanding community. Instructor: Sheriff Blake Dorning.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Gang activity and juvenile crime in Huntsville and Madison County. The growing influence of Hispanic gangs. Instructor: Lt. Rufus Foxx, Commander, Civil Division, M.C.S.D.

Week # 9 Thursday, May 1, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The population of Huntsville is on the increase. Homicides and traffic fatalities are declining. How safe are you living and working in Huntsville compared with other cities our size. Presentation by Sgt. Ed Cain, Major Crimes Unit.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

How prepared is North Alabama for Weapons of Mass Destruction? (WMD) Instructor: Retired Sgt. Paul Balance, HPD.

Week# 10 Thursday, May 8, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Field trip and tour of the Huntsville/Madison County 911 Center located at 5827 Oakwood Road, just east of Old Monrovia. Phone number 722-7140. Also a briefing from HEMSI Ambulance service. Instructor: Mr. Ernie Blair, Director.

Week# 11 Thursday, May 15, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Fire prevention and safety in the home. How to handle a medical emergency. Demonstrations with Hazmat and fire trucks.

Instructor: Tim Cartwright (and Jay Gates), Huntsville Fire & Rescue, Community Relations Officer.

Week # 12 Thursday, May 22, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

The Madison County District Attorney's Office. An overview of a growing caseload in the criminal justice system. How prosecutors receive cases and how a victim is brought into the criminal justice system. Instructor: District Attorney Tim Morgan and staff.

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The District Attorney's point of view how seniors can avoid becoming a victim of a crime. How the District Attorney's Office works to reduce and prevent crime. – The Worthless Check Unit, the Children's Advocacy Center and the Juvenile Crime Unit

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

What's behind the increase in news stories involving child/sex abuse cases? Also, child sex crimes on the internet.

Investigator Rachael Hopper, MCDA

Week # 13 Thursday, May 29, 2008

Graduation & Cookout

Event to be held at the Huntsville Jaycees Building, Airport Rd

9:00 a.m. Arrival of Graduates

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Self defense, surviving an attack. How to react and protect against physical assault. What are the best products for self defense?
Instructor: Kevin O'Connell, Huntsville Police Training Advisor.

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
SWAT Team demonstration
Instructor: TBA

12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.
Fun, Food and Friendship

12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Awarding of graduation certificates by elected leaders and public officials.

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Displays and demonstrations by
Canine Unit
Bicycle Unit
Bomb Squad
Huntsville Police Patrol & Technology