

Press Release

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ONALASKA POLICE ANNOUNCE DATE FOR THE 5TH ANNUAL CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY

The Onalaska Police Department will be holding the 5th annual Citizen's Police Academy starting on March 15th 2017. This 10 week course is designed to demystify police work by immersing it's participants in all facets of an Officer's day to day reality. Participants in the class will also see into the world of forensics as they cover Crime Scene Investigations with the Onalaska Police Department Investigators.

"We cover a lot of topics," said Sergeant Jasson Jobe, "it's designed so that graduates will have a good idea of what it is like to be a Police Officer. We go to the gun range, train in Defense and Arrest Tactics and even conduct scenario training where participants experience firsthand how quickly situations develop in real time."

The CPA also covers topics like Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVOC), the K-9 Program the DARE program and includes a trip to the Jail and the Dispatch center.

Applications for the 2017 CPA are now available on the City website and at the front counter of the Onalaska Police Department. There are three forms necessary to apply and the

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forms can then be either scanned and emailed to Officer Leah Myers at lmyers@cityofonalaska.com or turned in at the front desk of the Police Department.

Instructors for the CPA will be subject matter experts from the Onalaska Police Department, La Crosse County Sheriff's Department, the Jail and Dispatch. The CPA every Wednesday evening from 6:30pm until 9:30pm and the graduation is held at the Annual Police banquet which will be on May 15th. Class size is limited so interested citizens are advised to sign up early. Any questions can be directed to Officer Leah Myers of the Onalaska Police Department at (608) 392-0280 Ext 280.

Applications will be accepted from anyone who lives or works in the Coulee Region but preference will be given to citizens who work, live or attend school in the City of Onalaska. Applicants must be at least 18 to participate.

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