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**Camden County** 

Citizens' Academy

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Citizens' Academy Graduates 19 **Local Area Residents**

WOODBINE, GEORGIA - October 16, 2015 - The Camden County Citizens' Academy Class of Fall 2015 graduated 19 local area residents during a ceremony in Woodbine on Thursday, October 15, 2015. Each graduate was presented with a Certificate of Completion during the final class of the weekly program.

The Citizens' Academy is an 8-week 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. Students were also 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 various department heads spoke to the class about their role and the role of their department in the larger county government. As part of the class, students toured the County Courthouse in Woodbine, the County Jail and 911 Center, the Emergency Operations Center in Kingsland and the County Landfill. They also toured the route of the upcoming widening of Colerain Road and Highway 40 as well as the Public Service Authority (PSA).

County Administrator Steve Howard said the Citizens' Academy plays a vital role in reaching the community. "This is the opportunity for the 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; David Silva, Sherri Silva; Melody; Sheila Meadows; Brandi Whitehouse; Wayne Greenberg; Dorthelia Boykin; Eddie Allen; Marie Boyett; Robert Wenum; CT Green; Bridget Wenum; Mandy Scott; Joy Cooper; Austin Burkett; Stephanie Brown; Commissioner Chuck Clark; Liz Nelson; Commissioner, Chairman Jimmy Starline; and Peggy Morton. (Not pictured Randi Kramer)

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 <u>CitizensAcademy@co.camden.ga.us</u>.

For additional information, please contact Camden County at 912.576.5601 or visit our website at www.camdencountyga.gov.

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 mission is to deliver defined county services with exceptional customer service and in a financially sustainable and transparent manner.

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