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**MVC HOME TO MISSOURI SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION TRAINING
ACADEMY**

Enrolling students now until January 23.

Marshall, Mo. (January 18, 2006)—Missouri Valley College and the Missouri Sheriff's Association have announced that the Missouri Sheriff's Association Training Academy will begin February 7 on the MVC campus. Applications are being accepted until January 23 or until the Academy is full.

The Academy is designed for working individuals and classes will be offered two nights during the week, Saturdays, and some Sundays. According to Ron Carroll, training director for the Academy, students will have a Missouri Class A peace officer license.

"Missouri Valley College is excited about the partnership with the Missouri Sheriff's Association," said Bonnie Humphrey, Missouri Valley College president. "It provides an excellent opportunity for working adults to continue their education."

Carroll agrees with Humphrey.

"The program is great for people who have to maintain a full-time job," said Ron Carroll, training director for the Missouri Sheriff's Association Training Academy. "This is a great opportunity for those individuals who want to get into the law enforcement field or are looking for a career change."

According to the MSA Web site, the mission of the Academy is to meet the varied needs of our constituency by providing quality, professional law enforcement education and training in an on-site, outreach format. The Academy is a 640-hour program.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to enter the academy: have a minimum of a high school diploma or GED; be a US Citizen; be at least 20 years of age at the time the academy begins; have a clean criminal record (having convictions does not disqualify an individual automatically. If there are convictions they can call the MSA and discuss the criminal history); have no DWI convictions for 3 years prior to the start of the academy; fill out an academy application; submit to the academy a copy of a birth certificate, high school diploma, GED, or college diploma and a \$125.00 application fee; and write a 2 page handwritten autobiography. If these records are not readily available they can bring them to the interview. The application deadline for the Academy is January 23.

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For more information about the Academy's application process and enrollment fees, visit www.mosheriffs.com or www.moval.edu or call (573) 635-9644 ext. 15.

ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE

Missouri Valley College is a liberal arts college that provides educational, social and cultural experiences in a decidedly Christian environment. Established in 1889, MVC offers 27 majors and 7 pre-professional programs, and 12 sports and 20 varsity teams. The liberal arts heritage focuses on scholarship, critical thinking and academic excellence to prepare students to become members of a responsible citizenry. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit www.moval.edu.

ABOUT MISSOURI SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION

Our mission is to further professionalize the Office of Sheriff. Our goals are to upgrade the qualifications of the Office of Sheriff through training programs; to provide technical assistance to sheriffs and their departments; and provide research for law enforcement legislation. Our ultimate goal is to help provide better law enforcement services to the citizens of Missouri. For more information, call (573) 635-9644 or visit www.mosheriffs.com.

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