



UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BEHIND THE STAR

SHERIFF MALCUM J. "JAMIE" PATTON



CITIZEN ACADEMY BEATS THE SNOW

Sheriff Patton would like to congratulate all the participants of the 2022 Citizen Academy! The Citizen Academy is a chance for members of the public to learn about all functions of the Sheriff's Office and to meet staff members. As one participant in the 2022 class commented, "I could make a hobby of this class". The course is held once a week for ten (10) weeks and concludes with graduation in December of each year.

This year, the Citizen Academy was concluded before any snow storms. Regarding "snow storms" Sheriff Patton and the Union County Sheriff's Office staff want to make sure you are ready. "The weather can change quickly in Ohio", says Sheriff Patton. Citizens of Union County need to understand what each snow emergency level means.

Level 1: Roadway advisory - Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Roadways are icy. Drive very cautiously.

Level 2: Roadway warning - Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Only those who feel it is necessary to drive should be out on the roadways. Contact your employer to see if you should report to work.

Level 3: Roadway emergency - All Township, County, State, and Municipal roadways are **CLOSED** to non-emergency personnel. No one should be out during these conditions unless it is absolutely necessary to travel. All employees should contact their employer to see if they should report to work. Those traveling on the roadways may subject themselves to an arrest or a citation.

The current Snow Level can be found on social media platforms, including Facebook and Twitter, which have links on our website at www.unioncountyohio.gov/sheriff. You may also download our Sheriff's App "Union County Sheriff's Office OCV, LLC" by visiting your Android/iOS app store. Please be safe and look for announcements in 2023 for the next Citizen Academy.