

## ~ILLINOIS QUAD CITY CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY~

The Milan Police Department is proud to offer the Illinois Quad Cities Citizen Police Academy to local residents. Designed to increase the understanding of the Police operations, the Academy is conducted over a ten-week period. Students will learn from department personnel who are experts in the areas of SWAT, K-9, drug enforcement, major crimes, patrol operations, traffic laws, firearms and other related fields. All students will participate in practical demonstrations and a ride-along sometime during the Academy session.

Students will gain an overall knowledge of the Milan Police Department, how we are organized, how we serve the community, and how we respond when citizens call. Even though the subject matter is similar to a traditional police academy, the Citizen Academy is not designed to prepare students to be police officers. There is no exercise or stress in this academy as might be found in a traditional police academy, and we encourage people of all ages over 21 years to attend. A typical class will consist of 24 people of all age groups.

Instructors are drawn from all levels of the department. Students will meet the area Chiefs of Police and Sheriff, managers, supervisors, patrol officers, detectives, dispatchers, and other department employees. We encourage students to ask questions and express their concerns about pertinent issues. A major goal of the Citizen Police Academy is to increase understanding between our citizens and the Police Department, and to enhance the strong relationship, which already exists.

Citizen Police Academy students will enjoy a variety of experiences, including the following: Class overview, Patrol Tactics, Use of Force, Laws of Arrest, Public Safety Communications, Juvenile Law, Tour of the Rock Island County Jail, Investigations, S.W.A.T., Self defense, K-9, Community Policing, Bike Patrol, Firing Range, Accident Investigation, Quad City Metropolitan Enforcement Group (QC-MEG), Mock Trial, and the Graduation ceremony.

Prospective participants for the Citizen Police Academy must meet the following criteria:

- Live or work in the Illinois Quad City metro area

- Minimum age of 21 years
- Subjected to a background and criminal history check

Applications may be picked-up at any of the following police departments during regular business hours:

Milan Police Department  
405 East First Street, Milan

Rock Island Police Department  
316 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Rock Island

Rock Island County Sheriff's Department  
1317 Second Avenue, Rock Island

Moline Police Department  
1640 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Moline

East Moline Police Department  
915 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, East Moline

Silvis Police Department  
1040 First Avenue, Silvis

Illinois State Police District-07 Headquarters  
800 Hillcrest Road, East Moline

For further information, please call the Milan Police Department (309) 787-8520.