

# Booster Line

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## “911, What’s your Emergency?”

Our current reporting period covers the activities that Schiller Park responded to in the last month. The following incidents are the firefighters and paramedics more unique calls. As always Schiller Park members responded to any call for help.

This month we begin on February 22<sup>nd</sup> when Black shift responded to smoke in the basement with additional callers stating that there was visible smoke. The fire investigative team entered and found light smoke which they were able to trace to the laundry room and the clothes dryer. The lint build up and heat created the smoky condition. The landlord was contacted and the residents were told that before each load clean out the lint trap.

A water flow alarm on February 25<sup>th</sup> again had Black shift respond to the call. As our companies approached they saw the building was being evacuated. The building engineer met the fire investigative team who indicated that when an overhead door was opened it came off the track and broken a sprinkler head.

After midnight members were called to another automatic fire alarm. Lt. Swiontek was met outside by bystanders who stated that a child had pulled a pull box by the front entrance. Members verified this and that there was no other problems.

February 28<sup>th</sup> had red shift respond to car fire. At the location a vehicle was on the shoulder with a fire in the motor compartment and beginning to enter the passenger compartment. Members of our truck company forced the hood while the engine dropped a 1 ¾ inch line. About three hundred gallons of water was used to put out the fire. The owner stated that he did a brake job the day before and today while driving the pedal failed do he pulled over then saw the fire.

A fire alarm on February 29<sup>th</sup> had Gold shift take in the call. The

business has a heavy fire load which concerned incoming companies. After arriving a representative of the business tried to wave off the fire department indicating that it was burnt food in a toaster oven.

Prior to Gold shifts tour of duty being complete, they responded to smoke in the building. Upon arrival police officers were assisting with resident evacuation. Light smoke was in the hallway and stairwell with an odor of burnt food being present. On the lower level in one of the garden apartments, members did find burnt chicken in a pot on the stovetop. An exhaust fan was used to clear remaining smoke and the alarm reset.

Black shift on March 1<sup>st</sup> took in a change of quarters with our ambulance when Bensenville was committed to a working fire in their town. FF/PM Mileta and PM Tenant covered their community.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> had a good intent call from a condo owner who was concerned because a detector was going off in the unit above them. Black shift arrived and using the Knox Box key was able to enter the unit. The unit was vacant and it was determined that it was probably a bad detector.

As dawn broke on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Black shift was dispatched to wires down. Arrived and found wires down and unable to determine if they were “Hot”. The area was secured by both Police and Fire with an ETA from Com Ed at 2 hours.

While Franklin Park was training on their western border March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Schiller Park covered their town. A fire alarm brought our companies to the location in their town where Red shift found a fork lift had sheared off a sprinkler pipe going into the office area. Our firefighters shut down the sprinkler system and notified the tenant so that repairs could be made.

While remodeling was being done to a local business March 3<sup>rd</sup>, it accidentally tripped the fire alarm system causing a response. On scene B/C Hatcher was told by the owner that it was inadvertent because

of the dust.

March 4<sup>th</sup> found a resident who locked their keys in their car and in a panic. Black shift responded to assist and after verifying it was her car members were able to gain access to the extreme delight of the owner.

March 5<sup>th</sup> saw one of our banquet halls cooking feverishly for a large party. Due to the extensive cooking on the grill it set off a detector in the general area. Members responded to the scene and helped ventilate some of the smoke so that the system could be reset. The party and meal went on as planned with plenty of food prepared by the chef.

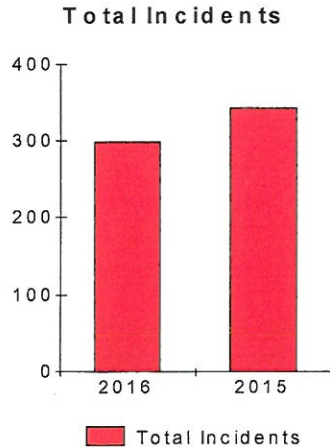
An unusual lock out (in?), occurred on March 6<sup>th</sup> when Engine 5 was dispatched to the METRA station for a child locked in the station. Firefighters were able to successfully pry open a window to let the child out.

A call for a multi vehicle accident with a fire involved had members respond on March 8<sup>th</sup> to Irving and Mannheim. On scene we found a three car accident where the second car had caught on fire. A passing semi-truck driver pulled over and used his portable extinguisher to knock down the fire. A second ambulance from Franklin Park was requested.

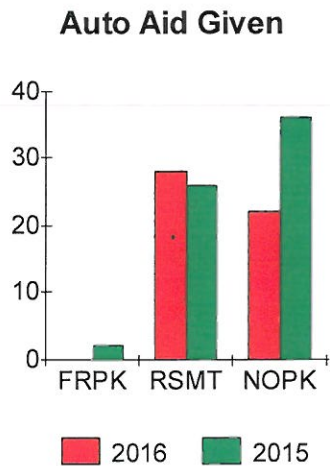
The last call of the reporting period occurred on March 13<sup>th</sup> when Battalion 5 and Tower Ladder 5 both responded to Northlake for a structure fire. Initially our crew was assigned the Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) position and then asked to secure all the gas meters.



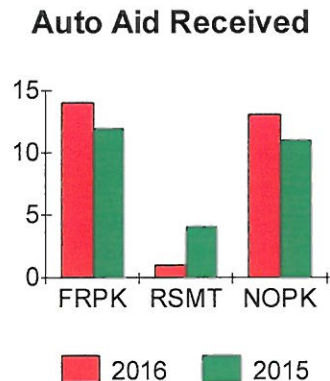
The following is the total run count compared with the same reporting period from 2015:



The run summary for Automatic Aid as of February 29<sup>th</sup> "To" the following communities:



The run summary for Automatic Aid as of February 29<sup>th</sup> "From" the following communities:



	2016	2015
Total Incidents	299	342

**Auto Aid to:**

Franklin Park (FRPK)	0	2
Norwood Park (NOPK)	22	36
Rosemont (RSMT)	28	26

**Auto Aid From:**

Franklin Park (FRPK)	28	29
Norwood Park (NOPK)	26	25
Rosemont (RSMT)	6	4

## Chief's Corner

*We Stagnate When Caution Prevails*

Our condolences to Dave Lemar on the passing of his mom, Janet Lemar, this past month. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

We are also working with Community Development in adding information to their file database. When we create a form pertaining to a residential building, excluding NIFIRS, we will add it to their residential file. Please consult the memo on how to access these folders on the shared computer drive.

MABAS Division 20 celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on February 13<sup>th</sup>. It was a combining of the old MABAS Division 6 and 7. As a thank you and remembrance the Division is providing each current member with a Division 20 challenge coin. If you would like any additional coins they can be purchased for \$10 each with the proceeds going to the Division benevolent fund.

MABAS Division 20 keys have been placed in 458 should you need it to pick up equipment not housed in Schiller Park. A MABAS Division 20 knox box will be placed on Station 6.

This will be for other departments to access the keys for Station 6 only. The key core will be a MABAS core not a Schiller Park core similar to the one in front of Station 5.

The 2017 budget is finalized and awaits the Village Board Budget hearings and adoption. If interested in seeing a draft copy see Chief Chiodo.

All shifts have reviewed the new 2016 General Orders. Hard copies can be found in each administrative office as well as the Kitchen and classroom.

The Village is working with the Bellwood Emergency Management Office to see if a surplus vehicle will serve their needs. The old Blazer, 4-6-9, which served both the fire department and Community Development is deemed surplus.

FF/PM LiRosi represented our department at retired Assistant Fire Chief Michael Malpier (Westchester) funeral this past month.

FF/PM LiRosi remains on light duty. FF/PM LiRosi has an on the job injury. We hope to see him back soon.

The Recreation Department is looking for volunteers to help with the Easter Egg hunt on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The fire department will again transport the Bunny to the Hunt.

Many of you may have seen film crews in town this past month. The NBC show Chicago P.D. has been filming here using the Eden Cemetery as one of the locations.

This past month the Village also hosted 21 students from Leyden High School who were participating in the Student Government Days. The students partook in the weekly staff meeting before visiting the different Village departments including the Fire Department.

The Village also hosted an Employee Appreciation lunch on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The Chinese cuisine was fantastic and everyone loved the change of pace from the standard pizza, chicken, beef and pasta. The food was purchased locally from the Chinese Chef on Irving.

The Village is working with GINKGO Planning on a new Village-wide comprehensive plan. Preliminary meeting have been held with the different departments. The fire department was represented by the Staff/Line Officers. The consultants plan on meeting weekly to determine needs as they develop the plan. A final version will take approximately one year.

At the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Village board meeting, the Board passed a resolution adopting the National Incident management (NIMS) system. This will assist with future disasters grants, assistance and planning. All Village Officials are being trained to the appropriate levels. The Board also passed the Ordinance adopting MABAS which authorizes us to be a part of the group. Somehow in the 1970's we missed this. We signed an addendum and an agreement but MABAS did not have any record of an ordinance. This is now corrected.

We have added to Battalion 5 the STARCOM radio. This is a state-wide based radio for inter-operability. The toll way is also using this radio to communicate with Police and Fire.

The Primary election had the polling spot moved from the firehouse to the Village chambers. This was the first time and the transition went very smooth.

The Village has allowed us to sell surplus equipment on Ebay. We are looking into this as a way of disposing equipment that the taxpayers have purchased as opposed to donating it.

We are looking at getting voluntary compliance with numbering or lettering the stairways in our multi-story buildings. This would aid residents and firefighters in identifying the fire attack and evacuation stairways.

Another project is to identify which elevators our stretchers can be fit in by placing a Star of Life on the elevator(s) that we can get our stretcher into. A blue bar under the Star of Life will indicate that the stretcher can be fully vertical in the elevator. |

## Tools / Equipment and Other FYI's

A number of items have been worked on this past month.

Items worked on and happenings around the firehouse this month include:

Engine 5 (455) was sent out to Cummins for engine (motor) work. The check engine light had come on and issues with the turbo charge were taken care of.

Tower Ladder 5 (454) went out to Global for the end of year preventive maintenance. Lt. Budnik has made arrangement for this yearly service including the testing of the ladder.

The East and Center overhead doors both needed repairs this past month. Repairs were made to both. Lt. Budnik is working on finding a new vendor and sending out requests for prices.

This past month we also had the new washer/extractor installed. Please be aware that this is for bunker gear only and at least two pieces must be washed together for best results. Lt. Budnik will provide instructions on its use.

The new lockers for the bunkroom have been delivered and placed in the bunkroom.

The new windows for the firehouse have also been delivered. We will store them at 4499 25<sup>th</sup> until the weather gets consistently warm as we remove the old ones and install with firefighter labor, the new ones.

April 11<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for submitting all bills to the Chief for items budgeted this year. This includes all clothing items.

We are also working on the new logos which will be applied to the vehicles and eventually our new scrambled SPFD. Lt. Leiser is also working on new logo for our duty class C shirts. |

## EMS Briefs

Just an update on activities within the bureau...

Continuing Education for March was pediatrics.

The next prescription pill take back day is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup> on the rear apparatus floor from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. NO SHARPS!!

FF/Pm Bubis did one car seat inspection.

The Center for Disease control is investigating a bacterial infection that has killed 18 in Wisconsin. We will provide everyone with further information on this. It affects mostly older people with underlying health issues. It has been named the Elizabethkingia infection.

We have also had the first zika reported case in Illinois. This is mosquito born and normally repellent should protect you. As information is made available we will pass it on.

Ambulance 5 (463) had its VMUX replaced this past month. This is the brains of the computer.

Ambulance 5 also had a window switch replaced by Tony.

Lt. Swiontek has passed out to all members Health History forms. We ask that you fill them out and turn

them back in at the EMS office and sign off that you placed them in the locked box. If you choose to decline, fill out the last page and return it.

Please make sure that all signatures on EMS forms are legible including your own. It is important for billing and identifying persons on the call, patient and other identifying information (see photo).

There was 1 CPR classes that members taught this past month with a total of 1 students.

FF/PM Bubis will work with B/C Cesaretti to schedule the CPR training and re-certification for all members.

FF/PM Bubis is also working on a new program for residents for family hands on only CPR. We will have more info | the near future.

Whenever you transport to any hospital as a matter of habit please check to see if we have any backboards that were left there from patient transports. This will help retrieve them and cut down on the time they are out of service and unavailable.

On the horizon is the new Mobile Integrated Health Care System/Plan. If you are not familiar with it begin to explore its impact on the fire/EMS services and the expectations. This is popping up more frequently in the literature and will affect our department. We will soon have Connie Mattera from NWCH come in and explain their model. If you want more information see Lt. Swiontek.

We would like to remind all personnel that when they are exchanging or retrieving drugs from the hospitals, that you check and verify the dosages. With different manufactures and packaging we must make sure that the correct dosages are picked up.

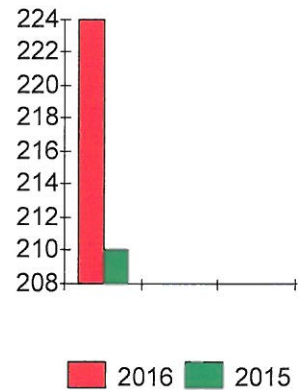
The Northwest Community Hospital website for Continuing Education has a ton of information that can assist paramedics with continuing education and also provide assistance on the monthly training. If you have not had

an opportunity to check the website it would be advisable.

During the past month personnel responded to 108 emergency calls. A total of 98 patients were encountered. 76 patients were transported to area hospitals.

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Responses	108	224
ALS Transports	57	105
BLS Transports	19	40
Refusals/MPR's	15	40
Other Non Transports	2	5
Fire Responses	15	34
CPR Students taught	3	4
Mut. Aid to SHPK	1	3
SHPK to others	6	9
Car seat inspections	1	2

## EMS Total Responses



## Projects in the Works

All the shifts are encouraged to take on new challenges. If you have a project or an idea, please run it past Lt. Budnik or FF/PM Bertoncini.

FF/PM Bubis and Lt. Budnik are

working on a wireless option to open the doors to station 6 on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. This will piggy back a signal from 4501 25<sup>th</sup> (Community Center).

New lockers arrived and were installed in the bunkroom and the Officers sleeping quarters. Everyone has a keyed locker. If you lose your key see your shift officer.

Lt. Budnik and FF/Pm Bertoncini are working on the replacement windows for the east side of the building. This was a budgeted item for this year.

We are looking at insulating the old entrance to the firehouse from the radio room to make it more sound proof.

What's in the works? –

- New lights at station 6
- Additional outlets at station 6
- Emergency phone outside sta. 6
- mount patches around kitchen
- paint apparatus floor border
- Paint sta.6 floor
- Door and jam simulator
- sprinkler simulator
- New high-rise load packing tool
- fully sprinkler the firehouse

## Trivia

*Answer to last month's Trivia*

### February Trivia

What was the name of the retired fireboat that responded to and pumped water at the World Trade Center disaster on 9/11/01?

The John J. Harvey

Only one correct answer was submitted by Richard Belmonte, Westchester Fire Chief (ret.)

## March Trivia

Besides Philadelphia, what city used letter designations for its truck companies in the 19<sup>th</sup> century?

Please submit your answers in writing to the *Booster Line* in order to be eligible for the prizes. Winners will be selected randomly from all correct entries.

## Office of the State Fire Marshal and Training

### *Failure to Train is Training to Fail*

The training division has been active in defining and charting a course for our department.

Chief Chiodo and B/C Cesaretti attended the Division 20 Training Officers meeting.

Chief Chiodo attended the Division 20 Chiefs monthly meeting. He also continued his Pension training as part of the new Trustee program and the Fire Investigators Strike Force training in Norwood park.

FF/PM Santiago completed Tactics and Strategy I and Leadership I at NIPSTA as part of the State Fire Marshal Fire Officer I program.

B/C Cesaretti attended the Firefighter Behavioral Health seminar in Orland Park.

B/C Cesaretti and Lt. Budnik both completed the Fire Service Vehicle Operator class at NIPSTA. This is a safe driving program and certification designed for firefighters through the State Fire Marshal. They will take the State exam for certification shortly.

FF/PM Piculas attended "Terrorism, The New Reality for First Responders" in Evanston.

A presentation was held for all three shift by the Division 20 Honor Guard to recruit members. FF/PM Jackson has volunteered to be a part of this unit. He replaces POC Quinn who retired this past year.

Lt. Budnik completed the Illinois States Attorney Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) training and Open Meeting Act training on-line. He also received completion certificates for both.

B/C Cesaretti has purchased for the department Target Solutions a training program for tracking and assigning training. This is an internet based program that all the shifts have been trained on. It seems to be working very well in tracking our training in all areas.

A representative from the State Fire Marshal was on hand at the Training meeting. He talked about the changes in the certification program and that the State will be getting out of the business of administering exams and will relay on the teaching agencies. See B/C Cesaretti for further info.

The State Fire Marshal is transitioning to a new Fire Officer program. Continuing Education will be a requirement for this certification. Their goal is to have all certifications have continuing education.

We will try to bring some of the Cornerstone programs to Schiller Park. These classes are provided free through the Illinois Fire Service Institute.

B/C Cesaretti has purchased the complete set of Jones and Bartlett fire books. These are the books that the academies are using for training as well as the Fire Officer classes. We will be phasing out the old IFSTA manuals.

No promotional exam for lieutenant is based on Jones and Bartlett yet. The Commission will continue to use IFSTA.

The Training Committee is exploring ways of creating a Training Center at Station 6 with props.

B/C Cesaretti has received a DVD training simulator where we can use pictures of buildings in town and I will be able to set up different scenarios.

I have signed up several members for

OSFM classes as part of their job requirements. If you know that you need a class please let me know, I will try to find one, however if you find one on your own please submit the paperwork and maintain a copy for yourself.

Members completed 373 hours of training for the month with 31 training drills. This includes outside classes.

The second Thursday of each month the State Fire Marshal has a testing site at Triton College. They have also instituted a new policy of a government issued picture ID at the test site. If you cannot produce one you will not be allowed in. Likewise they are requesting that all phones be left in the test takers car to help with the integrity of the test (too many camera phones). If you would like to sign up see B/C. Cesaretti.

State Exams are a duty assignment and failure to show up will result in disciplinary action. We will try to sign up for exams at Triton on shift days. If you attend a class it is our expectation that you take and PASS the State exam. If you do not pass, you will not be able to take further classes.

Please fill an Outside Training Form whenever you attend a class, seminar or training session outside of Schiller Park. This allows for accurate record keeping in those areas and credit for the hours you put into training.

Signing up for tests is considered a Duty Assignment. If you can't attend see me in advance and provide a written response for the absence.

## Special Operations

### - Fire Investigations

On Duty fire investigators responded to two Box alarms within the Division for Fire Investigators. These were for structure fires in Rosemont with Lt. Leiser responding off duty to Rosemont and FF/PM Bubis responding to Berkeley. No other off duty investigators were required. On

duty investigators determined origin and cause of all fire incidents in town along with the Battalion Chiefs or Lieutenants. Members trained with Division investigators with the guest speaker consisting of a presentation on NFPA 921 concerning procedures for fire investigations.

The Schiller Park Fire Department has 3 active fire investigators and our Police department has two active Arson Investigators.

### Hazardous Materials

No hazardous materials incidents occurred in Schiller Park and our technicians-advisors did not respond within the division. Members did monthly training with the Haz Mat Team with training on Level A protective suits. Schiller Park has four active hazardous materials members.

### - Technical Rescue

No technical rescue incidents occurred in Schiller Park and our members did not respond within the division to other incidents. Members participated in monthly training consisting of familiarization of the new rescue truck. Schiller Park has two active team members.

## Employee of the Month

This month we acknowledge several members as our employees of the month. FF/PM Jackson, FF/PM Dehmlow and FF/PM Zydlo.

These three members were given the task of researching a new gear washer and extractor for the department.

Working with Lt. Budnik they came up with the needs of the department and the various models that would meet those needs.

The department had budgeted \$10,000 for this project and the

committee was able to narrow down the field to three choices which were submitted to Lt. Budnik.

Lt. Budnik then took the final three and contacted each vendor to get the best price. After negotiating he was able to get the best price of \$5,700 which included the washer and the base along with an automatic soap dispenser.

This proposal and supporting documentation was given to the Village Board who approved the bid and the purchase saving the Village over \$3,000.

Thanks to the committee for their research and hard work and to Lt. Budnik for putting it all together.

For your time and dedication we thank you as Employee of the Month.

Congratulations!

Thanks for your time and dedication, you make us proud to be firefighters and in the fire service and village employees.

If you would like to nominate a firefighter, paramedic, officer or other persons for recognition, please submit the action or the incident in writing to the editor Chief Chiodo.

## Fire Prevention

### *An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure*

Fire Prevention is trying to work with Community Development on all the new projects and developments that are in the planning or building stages in Schiller Park.

The Bureau has been working on deficiencies that were brought to the attention of the Coordinator that needed B/C Hatchers direct involvement.

If any residential Knox Boxes are installed, please make sure that a copy of the paper work is scanned and entered into the shared Community Development files.

There are also several new

commercial knox boxes for electrical shut offs that we will be updating with pictures next month.

Shifts are working on their 2016 inspections. Each shift received 1/3 of the inspections or about 135 per shift. The inspections are rotated so that over a three year period each shift should have the opportunity to enter all the businesses.

FF/PM Adam Niemand and B/C Hatcher continue to move the Bureau into the electronic age. The digital IPADS are working out great with both the inspectors and businesses accepting with open arms. Adam who is working on the new Village website also plans on having fire prevention forms available on the website to help expedite the process by businesses having these in advance or making another copy if necessary to update their file.

The construction of the new addition to Kennedy school is coming along. You will find in this issue the traffic patterns that are being used. It is an overhead view. (see photo)

The State Fire Marshal is looking into having all inspectors do continuing education to remained certified. We are monitoring this and what constitutes training hours. One way it seems is to attend seminars and monthly training sessions.

B/C Hatcher continues to do plan review for businesses. These include their fire alarm systems, sprinkler systems and building alterations.

The Fire Prevention Office now has a dedicated Fax Line for paperwork. (847) 671-8547. Please check the bin for faxes that may pertain to your inspections.

As a reminder when we go on trouble alarms we need to contact the owner to report that the alarm went into trouble and document that on the incident report and in the trouble alarm binder. Midwest may also be doing this as a back up to our call.

If you are interested in any plan

review in Fire Prevention, please see B/C Hatcher. He will review what is coming into town based on what plans Community Development sends over.

Any member wishing to attend the monthly meeting of the Illinois Fire Inspectors Association should contact B/C Hatcher.

We are also suggesting and strongly recommending that sprinkler and standpipe connections be converted to stortz fittings.

The State Fire Marshal is instituting a new certification program Inspector I. B/C Cesaretti is looking into the program if this should replace the Fire Prevention Principles as required before third year of hire. B/C Cesaretti will advise those needing the class when it is available. i

## Public Affairs

### *Saving Lives Through Education*

We continue to provide fire extinguisher demonstrations and CPR classes for residents and businesses in town.

FF/PM Schneider and FF/PM Warden are setting up monthly meetings for all Public Relations/Affairs coordinators in the Division. The first meeting was held in Broadview and FF/PM Schneider coordinated the meeting.

On February 16<sup>th</sup> a CPR lecture was conducted at Lincoln School for the 7<sup>th</sup> graders with a CPR survivor that who was saved by Schiller Park Paramedics. A hands on CPR class followed the lecture for the classes.

We will also be resurrecting the Adopt-A-Firefighter for first grade at Kennedy school. This all will be a part of the Fire Information Reaches Everyone (F.I.R.E.) program that we developed several years ago.

We will also be transporting the Easter Bunny on March 26<sup>th</sup> to the Egg Hunt at Kennedy Park.

We are working with our Police Department and the Knights of

Columbus from St. Beatrice on a BLUE MASS honoring 1<sup>st</sup> Responders. This will be held in September at St. Beatrice.

Both the Public Relations and Fire Prevention arms of the Fire Department are working with Grace Condos as they transition to FOBS to enter their building. We will be looking for a MASTER FOB to be placed in the Knox Box.

We are also coordinating with other a fire service organizations the implementation and publicizing the "ICE" program (In Case of Emergency) for people's cell phones.

## Emergency Management

B/C Leiser is working on updating all of our NIMS certification as well as the compliancy of all Village employees. He will pass out to all department heads what certifications each employee needs to have for their level of participation. This will include all Village elected officials and administrators.

A class will be held shortly for all members in writing Incident Action Plans. These are now being required in more and more events.

We are also reviewing and making changes to the Village Disaster Plan. We are discussing portions that affect the Red Cross and village Health Board. We are looking to have in the new budget a mobile trailer for our EOC (Emergency Operations Center) and supplies.

We have had Alternate Power do maintenance on the Generator at the Community Center. It has been experiencing several problems lately. Ben Delaney our liaison is also coordinating the repair efforts.

We also are working on the next Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) through the federal government for \$180,000 for new SCBA for everyone. Please submit

your ideas so we can pare them down and then submit. We did not get our last grant.

Our grant writer is looking into the possibility of grants for a fire extinguisher simulator and money for enhancing our Emergency Operation Center. We are also looking into having a specific line item for Emergency Operations.

B/C Leiser also is working with Comcast to see about the steps necessary to use cable television in the event of an emergency.

We are updating the mass notification communication system for all current employees.

We are also reviewing our dispatch procedures and our Emergency Operations Center (EOC) looking at improvements. In order to comply with the new State laws on dispatch and ETSB consolidation we are looking at several alternatives.

## Retiree Row

Chief Deegan (ret.) has called to see how everyone is doing. He currently works with Paramedic Billing and assists us in ambulance billing for Schiller Park. He has also submitted proposal for 9-1-1 consolidation with NORCOMM.

Please drop a line as to how any of our retirees are doing. This is an opportunity to let others know what you are doing and how you are doing. Please email to Chief Chiodo at [pchiodo@schillerparkil.us](mailto:pchiodo@schillerparkil.us).

## Schiller Park Fire Fighters Association

The Schiller Park Firefighters Association continues to work with the Division 20 Benevolent Fund. Danielle Cortes DeVito, wife of a Hillside firefighter, is working to create an auxiliary for the fund. She is working diligently to keep the organization going and has many plans. Please support her and the Benevolent fund. Information can be obtained from Blaine Schneider or Jessica Warden on our department.

## Stork Report

Please forward any info of upcoming Stork Visits.

## Letters and Notes

Thank you were received for the following:

A note was received from the Buffalo Grove Police Department thanking us

for our generosity in donating water that was sent to Flint, Michigan. Two semi-trailers of water was sent with the trailers and drivers all donating their time.

## Where's Randy?

Members in the firehouse have spotted "Randy the Raccoon" living in the firehouse. He has been spotted in several areas and our photographer has caught sight of him this past month. Randy was seen in the men's shower this past month. Where will he turn up next month? (see photo)

## And Finally...

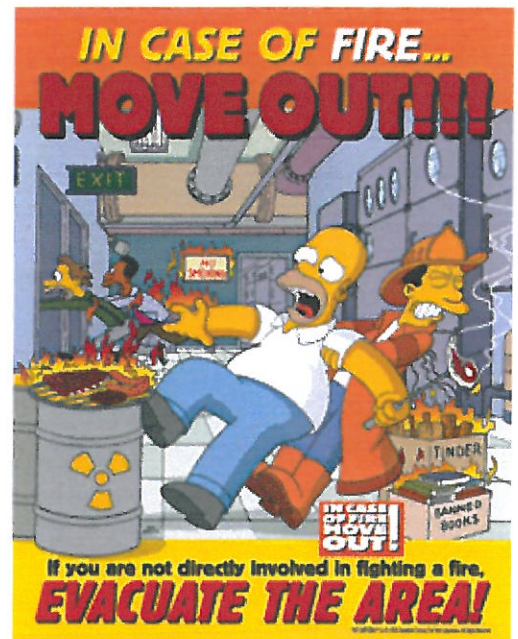
Remember, no matter how long the Winter, Spring is sure to follow.

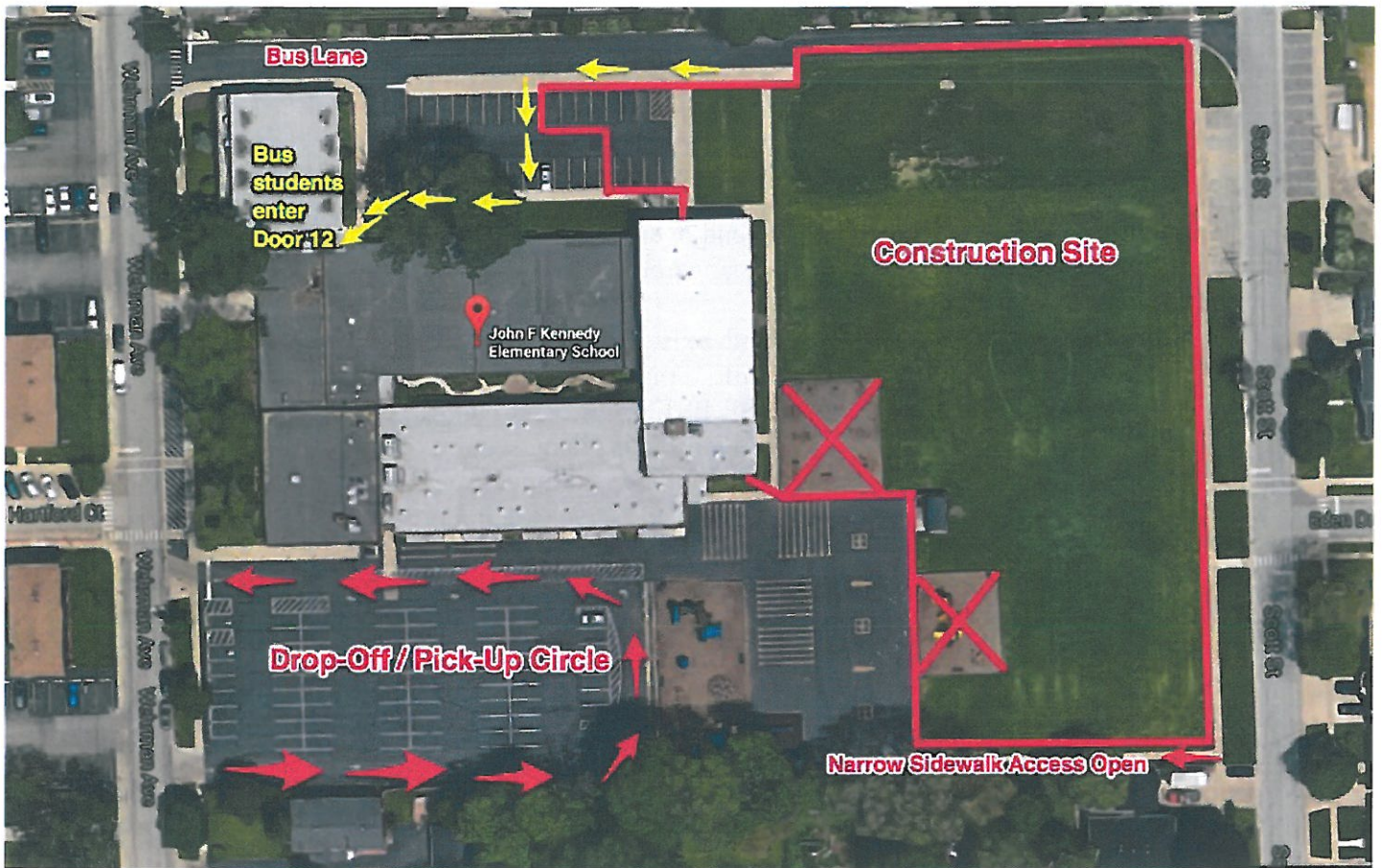
## Deadlines

*The Booster Line is published monthly. All articles and suggestions are welcome. The Editor, Peter Chiodo reserves the right to edit based on content and space availability. Please submit all materials, articles, ideas and photos to the Booster Line c/o Chief Chiodo at [pchiodo@schillerparkil.us](mailto:pchiodo@schillerparkil.us).*

Page 8- Randy the Raccoon spotted in the men's shower.

Page 9 Site plan for Kennedy School construction and addition.





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# Paramedic Billing Services

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## PROBLEMS WITH LIVING DIGITAL!

**What signatures looked like on paper forms:**



**What they look like now:**



**Why do we need your name?**

Please help us meet Medicare's signature requirement by obtaining the facility reps **title and first/last name** when signing on behalf of the patient (when the patient is unable to sign and no relative is present) or for transfer of care. Medicare requires an identifiable signature. 42 C.F.R. §424.36

**There is no financial liability created on the facility or staff when they sign for the patient.**