



# Tinley Park Fire Department

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## Station #1

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## Station #2

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## Station #3

9191 W. 175<sup>th</sup> Street

## Station #4

7801 W. 191<sup>st</sup> Street

## EMERGENCY PHONE

# 911

### VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK

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## Dear Fire Alarm Subscriber:

On behalf of the Fire Department and Fire Prevention Bureau, I hope 2013 was a safe and prosperous one for all. This past year was busy for the Fire Department; here are some of our highlights:

- On May 5<sup>th</sup> we held our first annual 5K race benefitting Illinois Fire Safety Alliance's burn camp.
- We took delivery of a brand new 100' Pierce ladder truck in June.
- We agreed to a five year maintenance agreement with Fox Valley Fire and Safety with no increases to you, the alarm holder.
- We held our annual Fire Prevention Open House on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Fire Prevention Bureau received a *Life Safety Educator Award* from the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance.

We expect 2014 to be another busy and productive year, but we can not do it without your help.

Our wireless radio alarm vendor, Fox Valley, will be performing maintenance on the radio transmitter in your facility. This work is periodic, is at no cost to you and is designed to keep equipment working reliably.

We will be distributing informational brochures during our regular inspections regarding fire alarm and fire protection test documents. Our goal, since 2011 was to develop a "greener" process by which documents can be sent in a more efficient and cost effective way. I believe this new process will be helpful for you the alarm holder and contractors.

On May 4, 2014, we will be hosting our second annual 5K "Run for Your LIFE SAFETY". I encourage you individually or as group to get involved. All proceeds again will go to Illinois Fire Safety Alliance's burn camp.

By the time you have received this newsletter, we probably have already experienced a couple of cold days. For those that have fire sprinkler systems, are your buildings properly heated? A frozen fire sprinkler system will not save any lives and will cause damage to your property. Ensure that your heating equipment is operating properly.

Once again thanks for all your cooperation. It has helped with the success of the Radio Alarm Program.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Dunn  
Fire Chief



[firedocs@tinleypark.org](mailto:firedocs@tinleypark.org)

This is our new E-mail address in order to submit fire alarm and fire protection/sprinkler test documents to our offices. We realize many of our alarm holders are now comfortable with having both your fire alarm and fire protection/sprinkler systems tested on an annual basis. The



problem we are encountering is getting these test documents to the Tinley Park Fire Prevention office. Presently we have been receiving your test documents by various ways (fax, U.S. mail, E-mail, sent directly from contractors, Business owner drop offs, fire inspector's pick them up at the inspection, etc.). This has resulted in some confusion of which documents have been sent, documents not being sent at all, or documents being sent more than once. When we do not receive test documents in a timely manner, this can result in the building owner, the business owner, or the management company receiving a citation. In fact, this past year we wrote many citations because either one or both sets of test documents never made it to the Tinley Park Fire Prevention office.

Naturally, we would like to see the number of test documents received in a timely manner go up, and the number of citations written go down to zero.

Our idea is to provide you with an E-mail address strictly for your use in submitting your fire alarm and fire protection/sprinkler test documents. We will provide you with post cards that you can pass on to each contractor who does the work on your systems. There will be two different cards: one for your fire alarm contractor and one for your fire protection/sprinkler contractor. We ask that you submit a current E-mail address and a contact name on the space provided on the card. When your contractor visits your Business/Residence, you will give them their respective card. When the work/testing is completed, the contractor should be able to provide you and the Tinley Park Fire Prevention Bureau with the test reports via E-mail in a timely manner. Thank you in advance for helping us get this program in place. If you have questions, please contact Bob Buttala (708) 444-5250 or E-mail [rbuttala@tinleypark.org](mailto:rbuttala@tinleypark.org).

## SAVE THE DATE

2nd Annual  
5K Run For Your  
LIFE SAFETY  
May 4, 2014

Proceeds to Benefit  
"Camp I Am Me"  
Kids' Burn Camp

For further  
information about  
the event or available  
sponsorships, please  
call 708-444-5200.



## Meet the Staff

**Anthony (Tony) Mazziotta**  
**Fire Department Lieutenant &**  
**Fire Inspector**



Tony has been working for the Tinley Park Fire Department for over 16 years and recently joined the Fire Prevention Bureau to share his skills as a part-time Fire Inspector. Tony is also an officer on another Fire Department in an adjoining community. Tony brings many years of knowledge and expertise to the Bureau and is available for any questions you may have. He can be contacted at 708-444-5200.

## Adopt a Fire Hydrant this Winter

In the event of a fire emergency this winter, could firefighters find the hydrant near your home or business? During a heavy snow, residents and business owners who have hydrants nearby are asked to make sure the hydrant is cleared of snow enough to make it visible from the street. Even better is to clear the snow 3 feet around the hydrant so firefighters can easily connect a hose. Your help is greatly appreciated this winter.