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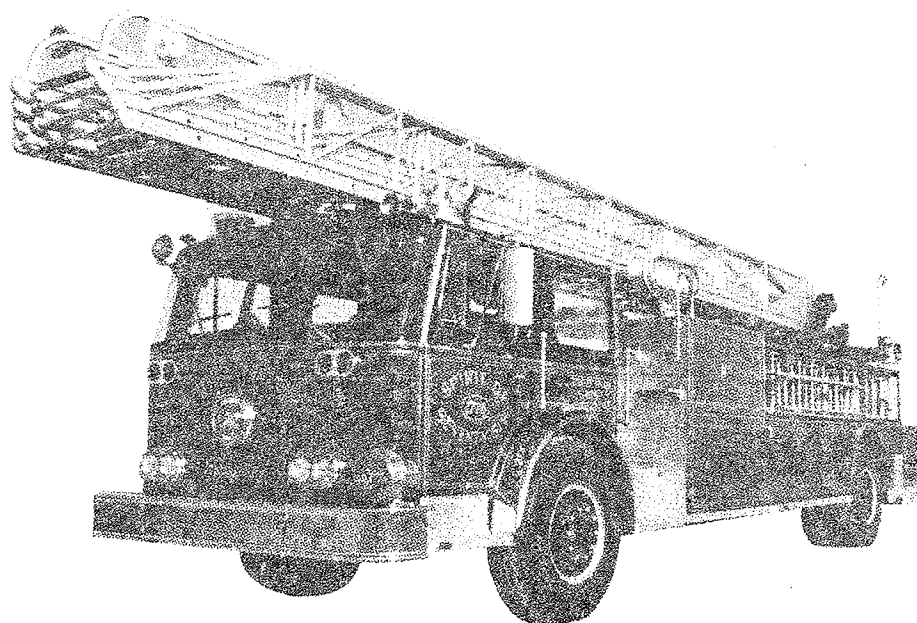
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ROBERT T. BETTENHAUSEN, Chief

January 1980

TO: All Firemen  
Village President  
Village Trustees  
Village Manager

As usual, enclosed you will find the annual twelve month report of the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department and the Tinley Park Fire Prevention Bureau for the year 1979.

As in the past, I would like to thank all the Volunteer Firefighters, the Fire Prevention Bureau and office personnel for their continuous and professional services rendered in the past year and previous years.

As we know, many accomplishments and goals have been derived by both Departments during this year and past years. Some concern should be leveled at the fact that the Volunteer Fire Department carries an I.S.O. rating of Class 5. As in past reports, the goal of the Department is to possibly move to Class 4. With this in thought, we must continually be on guard for manpower, equipment, construction of the training tower, Fire Station #3 and updated tactics in the fire service of this Village. Also we must be continually on the alert for water transmission, reservoirs and reserve supplies.

As I have previously written and stated, in no way has or is the Fire Department totally perfect at this time but the goals of this Department and myself are to make it the best Fire Department that is possible under many trying conditions. You might note that in 1979 the number of calls was slightly less than last year.

TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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You may have observed by this time that the foregoing is a carbon copy of our annual report cover letter from 1978. Other than the updated tactics with the water reservoir being accomplished, many items previously listed have hardly been discussed or talked about. Added to some of the problems will be: zoning for certain conditional occupancies in the community, Fire Station #3, disaster plan, training tower and other priority items. In regards to firefighting equipment, Fire Stations, etc., in the past we have been on a three to five year advance planning period and initiated these programs in that period. In regards to the training building and Fire Station #3, I believe we are now one year on the minus side in this facet of our operation at this time. As we all know, to operate a Volunteer Fire Department from a satellite Station also takes approximately two to three years before the Station is working trouble free.

Some update in the budget process should be given to the basic buying power. This should be raised as we have discussed in the past. Day to day operations of the Fire Department should be defined. The computerized bookkeeping system, alarm system, etc. should be looked into quickly.

It might be noted that we have purchased another new pumper, cost being \$90,000 under the Volunteer system. As in the past, this brings the firefighting equipment three to five years advanced in the equipment program.

As reports and statistics show, the fire loss is normal, manpower is on an even level and fire calls are running even. The statistics are in more depth. Although they are printed, if there are any questions regarding the statistics, please contact me and I will answer them to the best of my ability.

The statistics compiled are to the best of my knowledge and as always typographical errors and corrections could be possible. If there are any other questions regarding the Volunteer Fire Department or the Fire Prevention Bureau, please contact me.

For another safe year for  
the entire community,

  
Robert T. Bettenhausen  
Fire Chief

1979 TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ROSTER

FIRE CHIEF

ROBERT T. BETTENHAUSEN 28 yrs SERVICE

ASSISTANT CHIEFS

RONALD WINTERSTEIN 14 yrs SERVICE      JAMES PATTON 13 yrs SERVICE

DEPUTY ASSISTANT CHIEFS

MILFRED BETTENHAUSEN 32 yrs SERVICE      CHARLES JOHNSON 26 yrs SERVICE

HENRY BETTENHAUSEN 24 yrs SERVICE

CAPTAINS

WILLIAM ROECKER 18 yrs SERVICE      EDWARD BRAUER 13 yrs SERVICE

KENNETH DUNN 9 yrs SERVICE

LIEUTENANTS

JOHN AITCHISON 19 yrs SERVICE

HARLAN BETTENHAUSEN 13 yrs SERVICE

ROGER ALBERS 14 yrs SERVICE

ROBERT COYLE 7 yrs SERVICE

ENGINEERS

ELMER DULL 22 yrs SERVICE

MARK BETTENHAUSEN 9 yrs SERVICE

GEORGE MASON 13 yrs SERVICE

STEVEN WILENSKY 9 yrs SERVICE

ROY GAGER 10 yrs SERVICE

THOMAS SEERUP 6 yrs SERVICE

FLOYD YOUNKER 10 yrs SERVICE

THOMAS SLEPSKI 6 yrs SERVICE

WILLIAM TONN 5 yrs SERVICE

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS

LESLIE SCHOONVELD 11 yrs SERVICE

DAVID JOHNSON 5 yrs SERVICE

HARRY CALLAHAN 7 yrs SERVICE

PAUL CUMMINS 4 yrs SERVICE

TIMOTHY KRYSZAK 7 yrs SERVICE

THOMAS GOTKOWSKI 4 yrs SERVICE

CURTIS HECHT 4 yrs SERVICE

61 OFFICER AND FIREMEN WITH AN AVERAGE OF 9 YEARS SERVICE

3 ROOKIES WITH AN AVERAGE OF 9 MONTHS SERVICE

AVERAGE AGE OF MEN ON THE DEPARTMENT IS 36 YEARS OF AGE

1979 SENIORITY LIST

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DATE VOTED ON</u> <u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
1.	Bettenhausen, Milfred	6/ 1/27	52	8/ 3/48/	32
2.	Bettenhausen, Robert	9/ 6/31	48	10/ 7/52/	28
3.	Johnson, Charles	2/28/24	55	6/ 1/54/	26
4.	Klepper, Elwood	4/25/22	57	7/ 1/54/	26
5.	Bettenhausen, Henry	4/10/33	46	1/ 1/56/	24
6.	Klepper, Henry	2/ 4/26	53	7/ 1/56/	24
7.	Dull, Elmer	7/12/36	43	3/ 1/58	22
8.	Tindall, Richard	2/ 1/40	39	9/12/61	19
9.	Aitchison, John	2/20/26	53	12/ 5/61	19
10.	Roecker, William	9/19/40	39	9/ 4/62	18
11.	Winterstein, Ronald	9/16/41	38	5/ 3/66	14
12.	Albers, Roger	3/21/36	43	8/ 2/66	14
13.	Mason, George	8/17/36	43	1/ 3/67	13
14.	Brauer, Edward	8/15/35	44	5/ 2/67	13
15.	Bettenhausen, Harlan	11/ 7/42	37	11/ 7/67	13
16.	Patton, James	9/ 9/46	33	11/ 7/67	13
17.	Brandau, Albert Jr.	2/12/34	45	8/ 6/68	12
18.	Schoonveld, Leslie	11/27/40	39	12/ 2/69	11
19.	Wieczorek, LeRoy	9/21/35	44	12/ 2/69	11
20.	Gager, Roy	12/16/46	33	7/ 7/70	10
21.	Meyer, Benton	5/23/46	33	9/ 1/70	10
22.	Yunker, Floyd	5/30/45	34	10/ 6/70	10
23.	Bettenhausen, Mark	2/18/50	29	4/ 6/71	9
24.	Dunn, Kenneth	2/ 3/47	32	11/ 2/71	9
25.	Hallahan, Dennis	7/23/28	51	2/ 3/76	9***
26.	Krause, Walter	4/29/50	29	11/ 2/71	9
27.	Matson, William	10/ 7/48	31	11/ 2/71	9
28.	Wilensky, Steven	8/ 6/49	30	11/ 2/71	9
29.	Teehan, Harold	10/14/47	32	7/11/72	8
30.	Ogar, James	8/21/41	38	10/ 3/72	8
31.	Coyle, Robert	11/14/40	39	4/ 3/73	7
32.	Kotschi, Robert	1/15/40	39	4/ 3/73	7
33.	Callahan, Harry	4/20/47	32	7/ 3/73	7
34.	Kryszak, Timothy	8/ 2/51	28	9/ 4/73	7
35.	Seerup, Tom	3/22/43	36	7/ 3/74	6
36.	Slepski, Thomas	11/ 9/46	33	6/ 4/74	6
37.	Gawley, Thomas	2/16/51	28	3/ 4/75	5
38.	Gunia, Ronald	2/ 5/50	29	3/ 4/75	5
39.	Johnson, David	8/ 6/50	29	3/ 4/75	5
40.	Szurgot, John	10/11/42	37	3/ 4/75	5
41.	Tonn, William	7/11/47	32	3/ 4/75	5
42.	Cummins, Paul	1/24/48	31	2/ 3/76	4
43.	Greco, Stephen	1/ 6/50	29	2/ 3/76	4
44.	Rank, Robert	7/11/42	37	2/ 3/76	4
45.	Tackett, Donald	6/20/45	34	2/ 3/76	4
**46.	Beatty, Eugene	10/11/43	36	7/ 6/76	4
47.	Gotkowski, Thomas	3/15/45	34	7/ 6/76	4
48.	Hecht, Curtis	12/21/43	36	7/ 6/76	4
49.	Nichols, George	11/12/43	36	7/ 6/76	4
50.	Skalnik, Lawrence	7/22/52	27	7/ 6/76	4

\*\*\* includes 8/6/68 thru 8/28/73

1979 SENIORITY LIST

**51.	Kawa, Edward	2/22/54	25	2/ 1/77	3
52.	Walker, James	5/19/47	32	6/ 7/77	3
**53.	Zielke, Bruce	9/13/48	31	11/ 1/77	3
**54.	Baxter, James	8/ 1/49	30	3/ 7/78	2
**55.	Bettenhausen, Barry	5/19/54	26	2/ 6/79	2***
56.	Erwin, James	5/13/47	32	3/ 7/78	2
57.	Morinec, Charles	1/30/49	30	3/ 7/78	2
**58.	Cwodzinski, Kenneth	3/21/46	33	9/ 5/78	2
**59.	Bergunder, Gary	9/10/53	26	10/ 3/78	2
**60.	Sehnert, Richard	9/ 3/55	24	10/ 3/78	2
**61.	Kuharski, Dennis	1/20/47	32	11/ 7/78	2
*62.	Aitchison, John Jr.	3/11/58	22	3/ 6/79	1
*63.	Bettenhausen, Donald	3/18/58	22	3/ 6/79	1
*64.	Follenweider, Michael	8/ 8/48	32	4/ 3/79	1

\* Denotes Rookie

\*\* Have not accomplished Certified Firefighter II

\*\*\*includes 6-7-77 thru 4-6-78

22 Advanced Certified Firefighters

28 Certified Firefighter II

ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT

ROY GAGER, PRESIDENT

ROBERT BETTENHAUSEN, CHIEF

THOMAS GAWLEY, VICE PRESIDENT

RONALD WINTERSTEIN, ASST. CHIEF

MARK BETTENHAUSEN, TREASURER

JAMES PATTON, ASST. CHIEF

TIMOTHY KRYSZAK, SECRETARY

FIRE DEPARTMENT POSITION LIST

1 CHIEF

9 ENGINEERS

2 ASSISTANT CHIEFS

7 ASSISTANT ENGINEERS

3 DEPUTY ASSISTANT CHIEFS

32 FIREMEN

3 CAPTAINS

3 ROOKIES

4 LIEUTENANTS

ALARM COMPARISON

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
Population		23,218*		24,918*	
Fire Calls	227	246	266	319	317
Building Fires	93	103	111	153	140
Non-Building Fires	134	143	155	159	177
Inhalator Calls	52	48	36	6	4
False Alarm or Cancel	9	5	2	7	8
Assists to Other					
Communities	5	6	8	7	5
Total Calls	<u>279</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>332</u>	<u>321</u>
City Calls	265	249	257	298	285
County Calls	14	45	45	34	36
Assists from Other					
Communities	4	2	2	2	2
Total Men Responding	7,317	7,408	7,655	9,730	9,209
Average men per call	26	25	25	29	29
Average men per					
inhalator call	19	18	20	16	18
Average men per					
fire call	28	27	26	30	29
Meetings, Drills,					
Fire Prevention,					
Parades, Special					
Assignments	301	400	373	393	383
Total Men Responding	2,574	2,855	3,115	5,063	2,912
Estimated Fire Loss					
Village**		\$ 74,045	\$186,769		
Village other than				\$100,240	\$ 80,955
vehicle***				12,700	46,870
Village car/truck***					
County**		65,550	110,900		
County other than				102,400	4,000
vehicle***				2,000	8,100
County car/truck***					
Other than fire**		20,000		3,000	
Total Loss	\$226,685	\$141,595	\$297,669	\$220,340	\$139,925

\* Census taken only on years indicated

\*\* 1976 is the first year for this breakdown

\*\*\* 1978 is the first year for this breakdown

Below are the paid-on-call figures for 1979. Please note that on some months we have had to initiate a sleep-in program for which funds were taken from the paid-on-call program even though they were not intended for the sleep-in program. If a sleep-in program was initiated in 1980 from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. seven days a week, the cost for two Engineers and five Firemen would be \$137,616.

January	\$11,429.25	May	\$9,022.11	September	\$6,201.83
February	\$ 5,611.06	June	\$9,154.09	October	\$8,667.86
March	\$ 6,663.82	July	\$9,725.84	November	\$7,257.02
April	\$ 8,714.88	August	\$6,849.15	December	\$4,598.00
Proficiency Pay	\$17,750.00	Total for 1979			\$111,644.91

Proficiency pay is paid at the level of Certification based on whether the Firefighter has attended 40% of the drills and 20% of the calls for the twelve month period.

VILLAGE FIRE LOSS VERSUS ASSESSED TAX VALUATION

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
Population	23,218	24,918	24,918
Total Village fire loss	\$186,769		
Total Village fire loss other than vehicle*		\$100,240	\$ 80,955
Assessed valuation	\$87,540,593	\$97,479,007	\$97,479,007**
% loss as per assessed valuation	.0021	.0010	.0008
Assessed valuation saved	\$82,613,231	\$97,378,767	\$97,398,052

Fire loss is estimated at \$50.00 per square foot at the present time.

\*1978 is the first year for this breakdown

\*\*1978 assessed valuation figures used since 1979 figures are not available at this time.

EARLY WARNING DEVICES

Call #2 - January 2 6607 W. 181st Street  
Call #4 - January 3 7510 W. 159th Place  
Call #35 - January 31 17242 S. 71st Court  
Call #58 - March 9 7745 Nottingham Drive  
Call #70 - March 22 7401 W. 175th Street  
Call #250 - September 4 16447 Cherry Hill Avenue  
Call #314 - December 10 6150 Jody Lane

STATE REPORTS

The Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department is participating in the State of Illinois National Fire Incident Reporting System. Incident or Casualty Report forms are completed for all incidents and filed with the State Fire Marshal's Office on a monthly basis.

January 1, 1975	58 Firemen	(49 Firemen, 9 Rookies)
January 1, 1976	58 Firemen	(50 Firemen, 8 Rookies)
January 1, 1977	62 Firemen	(52 Firemen, 10 Rookies)
January 1, 1978	66 Firemen	(58 Firemen, 8 Rookies)
January 1, 1979	69 Firemen	(54 Firemen, 9 Rookies)
January 1, 1980	64 Firemen	(61 Firemen, 3 Rookies)

MONTHLY FIRE REPORT - 1979

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	(TOTAL)
34	14	23	25	31	42	46	29	16	26	18	13	317

MONTHLY INHALATOR REPORT - 1979

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	(TOTAL)
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4

ASSISTS TO OTHER COMMUNITIES - 1979

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	(TOTAL)
0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	5

SUSPECTED ARSONS - 1979

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	(TOTAL)
0	0	0	1	3	4	2	2	1	0	1	1	15

HOURLY BREAKDOWN OF EMERGENCY CALLS - 1979

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m. - midnight	midnight - 8:00 a.m.
111	160	50

MEETINGS, DRILLS AND EXTRA DUTY CALLS FOR 1979

MEETINGS	12
AVERAGE MEN PER MEETING	45
DRILLS:	
Day	15
Night	39
AVERAGE MEN PER DRILL:	
Day	6
Night	41
FIRE PREVENTION CALLS	142
STATION VISITATIONS	1,733
SPECIAL DUTY	173
PARADES	8

1979 STATISTICAL REPORT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

BUILDING FIRES			140
SINGLE FAMILY			42
EARLY WARNING			3
MULTI-FAMILY			14
EARLY WARNING			4
RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES			4
EARLY WARNING	4	NO EARLY WARNING	0
ALARMS TO STATION PANEL:		FIRE CONDITION	0
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION	2	FALSE ALARM	2
		FROZEN PIPES	0
COMMERCIAL			21
EARLY WARNING	10	NO EARLY WARNING	11
ALARMS TO STATION PANEL:		FIRE CONDITION	1
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION	6	FALSE ALARM	2
		FROZEN PIPES	1
SCHOOLS			8
EARLY WARNING	8	NO EARLY WARNING	0
ALARMS TO STATION PANEL:		FIRE CONDITION	0
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION	5	FALSE ALARM	3
		FROZEN PIPES	0
CHURCHES			7
EARLY WARNING	7	NO EARLY WARNING	0
ALARMS TO STATION PANEL:		FIRE CONDITION	0
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION	5	FALSE ALARM	2
		FROZEN PIPES	0
ASSISTS TO OTHER COMMUNITIES			4
ASSISTS FROM OTHER COMMUNITIES			2
TINLEY PARK MENTAL HEALTH CENTER			9
HOWE DEVELOPMENT			4

BOX ALARMS TO STATION PANEL 29

FLOW ALARMS 14

TAMPER ALARMS 1

HEAT DETECTORS 8

PULL STATIONS 6

LINE-OUT CONDITIONS 0

AUDIO 0

BOMB THREATS 0

BOMBINGS 0

FALSE ALARMS 5

COUNTY CALLS 13

NON-BUILDING CALLS 177

GRASS 37

CAR/TRUCK 49

DUMPSTER 24

FALSE ALARM 3

TRAIN DERAILMENT 0

WASH DOWNS 17

GAS LEAKS 1

AUTO ACCIDENTS - EXTRACTIONS 6

RESCUE 1

BOMB THREATS 0

STORM WATCH 2

ASSISTS TO OTHER COMMUNITIES 1

ASSISTS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT 2

COUNTY CALLS 23

INHALATOR CALLS 4

TOTAL RESPONSE BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT 321

ESTIMATED LOSS IN VILLAGE OTHER THAN VEHICLE	\$80,955.00
ESTIMATED CAR/TRUCK LOSS IN VILLAGE	\$46,870.00
ESTIMATED LOSS IN COUNTY OTHER THAN VEHICLE	\$4,000.00
ESTIMATED CAR/TRUCK LOSS IN COUNTY	\$8,100.00
ESTIMATED LOSS OTHER THAN FIRE IN VILLAGE	0
TOTAL MEN RESPONDING TO ALL CALLS	9,209
AVERAGE MEN RESPONDING TO ALL CALLS	29
TOTAL MEN RESPONDING TO FIRE CALLS	9,136
AVERAGE MEN RESPONDING TO FIRE CALLS	29
TOTAL MEN RESPONDING TO INHALATOR CALLS	73
AVERAGE MEN RESPONDING TO INHALATOR CALLS	18
FIRE FIGHTER INJURIES	4
CITIZEN INJURIES	0
CITIZENS KILLED DUE TO FIRE	0
CITIZENS KILLED DUE TO AUTO, AIRCRAFT & OTHER EMERGENCIES	6
HOSE USED	67,900 ft.
MILES TRAVELED	8,898
STATE REPORTS	105
DAMAGE TO MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT	\$60.00
STATION VISITATIONS	1,733
FUEL CONSUMPTION	3,508.1 gallons

1979 ASSISTS

THE FOLLOWING TOWNS RECEIVED ASSISTANCE FROM THE TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT</u>
February 4	Oak Forest	Engine 203
May 20	Frankfort	Engine 209, Squad 201
June 5	Oak Forest	Engine 203
September 24	Hazel Crest	Engine 204, Truck 1776, Squad 200
October 6	Harvey	Mutual Aid - improper page

THE FOLLOWING TOWNS GAVE ASSISTANCE TO THE TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT</u>
April 18	Oak Forest	Stand-by in their Station
November 18	Oak Forest	Rescue 97, stand-by in their Station

## DUTIES

### CHIEF

THE OVERALL FIRE DEPARTMENT, FROM ADMINISTRATION TO FIREFIGHTING, IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FIRE CHIEF. HE IS ELECTED BY THE VOLUNTEERS AND APPOINTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD.

### ASSISTANT CHIEFS

THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND EQUIPMENT AND ARE ELECTED BY THE VOLUNTEERS.

### DEPUTY ASSISTANT CHIEFS

THEY ARE FORMER ASSISTANT CHIEFS WHO ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND EQUIPMENT. ASSIGNMENTS ARE BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE FIRE CHIEF.

### CAPTAINS

THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL MEN AND ALL EQUIPMENT IN THE COMPANY TO WHICH THEY ARE ASSIGNED. ASSIGNMENTS ARE BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE FIRE CHIEF.

### LIEUTENANTS

THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL EQUIPMENT AND MEN ON THE COMPANY TO WHICH THEY ARE ASSIGNED. ASSIGNMENTS ARE BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE FIRE CHIEF.

ALL OFFICERS IN THIS DEPARTMENT ARE TRAINED SO THAT THEY CAN TAKE OVER A FIRE AND FIGHT IT. ALL OFFICERS KNOW THE BASIC JOB OF EVERY OTHER OFFICER AT A FIRE AND CAN TAKE HIS PLACE WITHOUT HESITATION, FROM CHIEF DOWN TO LIEUTENANT.

SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Fire Investigation and Arson Detection - Homewood Fire Department -  
1 day - 2 men

Aircraft Rescue Class - Third District Training - 39 men

University of Illinois Fire College - 3 days - 3 men

Defensive Driving Course - South Suburban Hospital - 1 day - 2 men

E.M.T. Refresher Course - Flossmoor Fire Department - 3 days - 3 men

E.M.T. Refresher Course - Park Forest South Fire Department -  
5 nights - 2 men

B.O.C.A. - BCE 412: Fire Prevention Control - Homewood Fire  
Department - 1 day - 2 men

The classes listed above are those attended at times other than  
Tuesday night's regular training by the Department.

E. M. T.'S

James Erwin	Rich Sehnert
Ronald Gunia	Steven Wilensky
James Ogar	

PARAMEDICS

Robert Coyle

Donald Bettenhausen

CERTIFIED C. P. R. INSTRUCTORS

Robert Coyle

David Johnson

George Nichols

Donald Bettenhausen

## TRAINING

For the past six years our Department has participated in the State of Illinois Training Program. During the past year there has been a more comprehensive outline to be followed in training a Fireman from Rookie through Advanced Firefighter. Tests are given by the State at each level. During the months of November and December, Mr. Carl McCoy, Director of the Division of Personnel Standards and Education, chose our Department as one of four in the State to re-write our battery of tests given for Firemanship II. We also invited surrounding Departments in this area to participate in the evaluation. The new test will include the questions that we suggested.

We were also instrumental in starting a Third District school for Rookies. This is a thirteen week course of basic Firemanship classes which are held every Thursday evening for three hours. The classes are held at eight different Departments in the Third District including ours. We will be monitoring this course very closely to assure its quality. We feel this co-operation between the Third District Departments will be very beneficial to the men as well as the Departments. In the course presently in progress, there are thirty six Rookies and Firemen enrolled of which four are from our Department.

During the past year six men have completed their Certified Advanced Firefighter Level III test. We have twelve men that will take the Fire Fighter Level II test the end of January. We have two Certified Standard Instructors and one Certified Basic Instructor. We also have four Certified C.P.R. Instructors. These men, with the help of the Department Officers and many Firemen under the direction of the Fire Chief and Assistant Chiefs, are responsible for our training program. It is very gratifying to see a new man join our Department and observe his intense interest and desire to learn as much as he can about emergency problems and fire prevention.

We have again added several new slide presentations and training aids to our library, such as railroad accidents involving hazardous materials and fighting L.P. gas fires. We have recently purchased a magnetic board on which we can pre-plan a fire or disaster or re-evaluate a fire that we just fought to point out any mistake we may have made or how we could have done it better as a way of improving our knowledge and performance at the next fire.

We are confident that our training program during 1979 was a success and added to the professionalism of our Department. This is not to say more improvements do not need to be made. We can never learn enough and conditions are continuously changing so the training program must try to always stay a step ahead. During 1980 we will continue to improve and up-date our program.

I must again this year remind you that our goal to build a training building has not been fulfilled. A training building would improve our training program tremendously and allow us to make our training sessions much more realistic. As is the case in any job, it is one thing to be told and shown how to perform a certain maneuver and actually performing that maneuver under adverse conditions.

## TRAINING

This is one of the outlines that is part of the training program and shows only one facet of the training program.

### TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Robert T. Bettenhausen, Chief

#### NIGHT TRAINING SCHEDULE

October 23	LP Gas School Instructor: Captain Brauer
October 30	Physical Fitness - Tom Seerup
November 6	Business Meeting
November 13	Illinois Bell Telephone
November 20	Extrication Instructors: Assistant Chief Patton Captain Roecker
November 27	Company Drill, clean-up, maintenance, mark cabinet doors, etc. Officer's Meeting
December 4	Business Meeting
December 11	C.P.R. Instructors: Lt. Coyle, Dave Johnson Don Bettenhausen, Steve Wilensky George Nichols
December 18	C.P.R. - film Instructor: Lt. Coyle
December 25	Christmas Day
January 1	New Year's Day
January 8	Business Meeting
January 15	C.P.R. Instructor: Lt. Coyle
January 22	Commonwealth Edison Instructor: Ken Cwodzinski
January 29	Physical Fitness - Tom Seerup
February 5	Business Meeting
February 12	Hazardous Materials Instructors: Assistant Chief Winterstein Paul Cummins
February 19	Hazardous Materials Instructors: Assistant Chief Winterstein
February 26	Clean-up & maintenance, Rookie training & pump training - Captains assign Apparatus film Officers & Engineers Meetings
March 4	Business Meeting
March 11	Arson Instructor: Sgt. Scruggs, Cook County Bomb & Arson Squad
March 18	Arson Instructor: Captain Brauer Captain Dunn
March 25	Clean-up & maintenance, driver training, truck company spotting, ropes & knots - Captains assign Officers & Engineers Meetings

WEEKEND STAND-BY

Don't know if you are appreciative of it or not but there is a weekend and holiday stand-by which is initiated fifty-two weeks a year with no cost to the Village. This is equivalent to a full time sleep-in which would cost \$5,000 to \$8,000 a year. This is just an example of one weekly sheet. There are fifty two of these sheets produced in a year.

TINLEY PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Robert T. Bettenhausen, Chief

STAND-BY

Weekend of December 15th & 16th

Write alternate below

Ron Winterstein	
Milfred Bettenhausen	
Jack Aitchison	
Roy Gager	
Dave Johnson	
Curt Hecht	
Tom Gotkowski	
Robert Kotschi	
Ron Gunia	
Henry Klepper	
Gary Bergunder	
Doug Beatty	
Jim Walker	
Rich Tindall	
Don Bettenhausen	

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR WEEKEND STAND-BY:

1. It is the responsibility of each Officer, Engineer and Fireman to hold himself in readiness to answer an emergency call on the dates assigned.
2. It is your responsibility to stay within a close proximity of our response area, so as to be able to answer a call in a safe, quick and efficient manner.
3. If for some reason it is not possible for you to fulfill your assignment, it is your responsibility to find a replacement of equal rank or experience and notify the Chief of your group of the change.
4. The stand-by will start at 0600 hours on Saturday morning and terminate at 0600 hours on Monday morning.
5. When a holiday falls in connection with a weekend, the assigned weekend group will stand-by for the holiday also.

MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT

1963 Dodge 750 GPM 3 Stage Darley Champion Pump  
500 gallon tank "206"

1964 Ford Equipment Van "202"

1967 Ford Station Wagon - Fire Prevention Bureau "232"

1968 IHC 1000 GPM 2 Stage Darley Champion Pump  
500 gallon tank with 30 gallon foam tank "207"

1968 IHC 65 foot Snorkel equipped as Equipment Truck "208"

1970 Dodge Sedan - Fire Prevention Bureau "231"

1971 IHC 1000 GPM 3 Stage Darley Champion Pump  
500 gallon tank "209"

1973 Jon Boat  
Dragging Equipment - Scuba Team

1973 Dodge Station Wagon - Assistant Chief's Car "201"

1973 IHC 1000 GPM 3 Stage Champion Pump  
500 gallon tank "203"

1973 Dodge Maxi Van Squad "222"  
Equipment Van and Emergency Squad

1975 Seagraves 100 foot Aerial Ladder "1776"  
Equipped as Equipment Truck

1977 Hendrickson 1000 GPM 3 Stage Darley Champion Pump "204"  
500 gallon tank equipped as Equipment Truck

1978 Chevrolet Station Wagon - Chief's Car "200"

### COMMUNITY PUBLIC RELATIONS

C. P. R. lecture at School District #146  
Teacher's Institute

B. Y. A. C. and Tinley Park Baseball Parades

Fireworks at McCarthy Park

Fall Festival Parade

Tinley Park High School Homecoming Parade

Babysitting Safety School at Station #1

Fire Prevention displays and demonstrations at  
Tinley Park Plaza, Tinley Commons and  
Bremontowne Mall

Fire Prevention Week Open House at Station #1  
and Station #2

Arrival of Santa at Bremontowne Mall

The Department has visited block parties, schools, civil and homeowners organizations with trucks and spoke at meetings too numerous to mention. Various groups have been given tours of the Fire Stations along with explanations about trucks and equipment used by the Fire Department. Booklets and brochures may be obtained at the Fire Station for public distribution.

### AREA PUBLIC RELATIONS

Flossmoor Parade

Orland Park Parade

Mokena Parade

Homewood Fire Prevention Parade

## SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

### AND REFILL EQUIPMENT

Twenty five Scott Air Paks were in service during 1979. The newest of the air paks were purchased and placed in service in 1978. Only seven of the twenty five air paks are more than six years old.

Since 1976 all air paks that were purchased contained the pressure demand safety feature to maintain positive pressure in the face piece of the apparatus against hazardous atmospheres. All air paks in service prior to 1976 were retro-fitted with modifications for the same purpose. This brought our inventory of self-contained breathing apparatus equipment into compliance with recommendations of the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health.

In 1979 the Occupational Safety and Health Administration reported on a design deficiency suspected of leading to the injury and death of several Firefighters in the United States. The investigation did not conclude that the design malfunction caused the tragedies, but 10% of the operating air paks inspected in random samplings throughout the United States were found to be inoperable because of the design problem. The Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department became aware of the problem in 1977 and had been repairing the disabled air paks on-the-spot as the problems occurred.

Whether the design deficiency which surfaced was due to the NIOSH-OSHA modifications or not is purely speculation. The manufacturer, however, introduced a design modification for new air paks and a retro-fit for air paks in service.

The administration of the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department immediately arranged to have all air paks retro-fitted with the safety modification and ordered four new air paks. The retro-fit will be completed and the new air paks delivered early in 1980. No service time will be lost since the modifications will be made on-site by substituting the newly acquired air paks immediately for those being worked on.

More and new hazardous materials are moving over the highways, railroads and in the air. Since the manufacture of these materials is constantly changing, this area of operation must be closely watched. Four new 300 cubic foot air cylinders rated at 4,000 p.s.i. were ordered. When delivered, these new cylinders will double the refill capability for personnel air paks and cut the refill time by half. The same cylinders were ordered for engines and trucks, extending this capability to the scene of a fire or accident. These acquisitions will continue the capability of the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department to sustain operations in hazardous atmospheres.

The air compressor and purification systems were overhauled in 1979. The compressor pumped more than 50,000 pounds of air in 1979.

The Department's inspection program continues to exceed ANSI standards. New acquisitions and design specifications will encourage use of the air paks for personnel safety and facilitate their use for rescue. Two of the three recommendations made in 1978 have been implemented. Further consideration will be given to a mobile 110VAC compressor in 1980.

DEPLOYMENT OF SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SERVICE/MOUNTING</u>
Squad 200	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel
Engine 203	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel
Engine 204	Four 30 minute harness type, personnel, two extra cylinders
Engine 209	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel, in carrying case
Snorkel 208	Two 30 minute harness type in case. Two large volume cylinders for supplying engi- neer at rear of truck, men in basket, re- filling personnel paks and powering rescue tools.
Rescue 202	Two 30 minute harness type in ready mounts. One 30 minute harness type in case. One large volume cylinder to refill personnel paks or power rescue tools. One oxyacetylen cutting torch, three extra Scott Air Pak cylinders.
Squad 222	Two 15 minute sling type, four extra cylinders
Aerial 1776	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel, four extra cylinders
Squad 201	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel
Engine 207	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel
Engine 206	Two 30 minute harness type, personnel

### OXYGEN EQUIPMENT

Oxygen equipment (inhalator) was dispatched to four calls in 1979. The equipment was not used. No oxygen was ordered. The inhalators are inspected and available for service. In view of the reduced responsibilities of the Fire Department for emergency medical services, it is recommended that in the immediate future the mechanically complex Minuteman Resuscitators be replaced by simpler, less complex and more modern equipment.

### FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Increasingly strict continuing education requirements threaten the continued certification of the Department's E. M. T.'s. In 1980 the continuing education requirements will demand an additional 30% more class attendance over current Department training requirements. This entire area will be re-examined for continued commitment during 1980.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The communications of the Department is the lifeline from the Station to the fire or emergency. It is the responsibility of the Radio Operator to insure that emergency equipment is dispatched to the proper location and to pass any information necessary to responding vehicles.

The Department has for the past six years been using a Motorola paging system to call out the men. This paging system has been working quite well but many problems still exist in the operations of this communications system; such as pages, calling in the Fire Department, calling the respective pages, etc. The Department can at any time call out all the Volunteers at once or can call anyone of the following individually: Company #1, Company #2, Company #3, Fire Chief, Assistant Chiefs and all Officers, Electrical Engineer. To simplify the paging of all Officers for the Third District Mutual Aid System, all Officers except the Fire Chief were given the same page.

For paging the Firemen a Select Call paging system is in operation. With this system we have the capability of paging 999 different combinations. One of our original encoders is installed at Fire Station #2 enabling us to set off a page from there and the second is presently being used as a back-up at the Police Department until it will be installed in Fire Station #3.

We still use, as a back-up system, the bells on the phones provided by Illinois Bell. From the Fire Stations and the Police Department, one can pick up the phone and the phones in fifty-five Firemen's homes and four Firemen's businesses will ring.

We have the capability of transmitting and receiving from four areas of control, from two places of transmission - Station #1, Station #2, basement of the Village Hall and the Police Department. We also have the capability of transmitting from the antenna at Station #2 and they in turn can transmit from Station #1's antenna if it is necessary. We have also recently installed a second base station in Station #1 enabling us to simultaneously receive and transmit on Frequency 1, the primary fire frequency, and Frequency 2, the primary mutual aid frequency. When fully operative, the new base station can also be used as a stand-by for our main base.

The Department has direct communications between the two Fire Stations on the direct phone line between the Stations or by intercom through the base stations. We can also have direct communications with the Police Department on the direct phone line with the Police Department or over the base station from Station #1 and Station #2. There is also a direct phone line to Hickey Vandenberg Ambulance Service from Station #1.

"911" is still not used to its fullest extent. It is again requested and suggested that the computerized address and number system should have been installed and should be installed immediately.

There should be a central telephone answering service isolated from the Police and Fire Departments for monitoring the alarm boards, receiving incoming emergency calls and dispatching the proper emergency service. That person should have no other responsibilities than receiving and dispatching emergency information.

Great improvements need to be made in the telephone system. The telephone system as installed works well for the full time staff but Firefighters off the street are having a problem with the operation of the system. I would expect in the next few months that we would have marked improvements in the system. I personally feel that we have lost something in the Fire Department Radio Room with the new telephone system.

The unlisted telephone numbers for the Fire Stations are:

Fire Station #1 - 532-4496, 4497  
Fire Station #2 - 532-4498

The Department has four MERCI (Medical EmeRgency Communications of Illinois) radios. MERCI provides the communications link from hospital-directed emergency aid at the scene of a fire or accident or at the side of a critically ill person. With MERCI we are able to communicate with all of the hospitals in the area.

The Public Works frequency has been installed in our mobile and portable radios. This frequency can be used when other frequencies are tied up or when private communications is necessary.

The Fire Department is not contracting radio service other than the base stations. A few thousand dollars have again been saved by not contracting these services. Budget money will have to be allotted for repair even though we do not have a service contract in effect for repair of the radio system other than the base stations.

The changes that we have made have improved our communications system but there are still problems and more improvements are needed.

#### COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT ON HAND

3 Base Stations (Station #1 and Station #2)  
13 Mobile Radios (4 on MERCI frequency)  
16 Portable Radios  
13 Chargers (in vehicle)  
1 Reserve encoder  
82 Motorola Page Boy Pagers  
3 Motorola MX Pagers

MUTUAL AID

After five years we have finally initiated the Third District Mutual Aid System which consists of twenty neighboring communities in the Third District. The operation of this system has been due mainly to the efforts of this Fire Department. Our local box system has been updated for the last two years. The local still alarm is posted on the maps at Station #1 and Station #2. Most calls that our Fire Department responds to are handled as still alarms. The only deviation of a still alarm would be by orders of the Chief Officer.

Tinley Park is the dispatch center for the Third District Departments west of Crawford Avenue. The Dolton Fire Department is the dispatch center for the Departments east of Crawford Avenue. In short, the Mutual Aid System does in fact make available manpower, equipment and special tools in every area of the community. I have personally been in favor of this for many years and have talked highly to have it initiated. I believe it is working well; to tell you perfect, I cannot at this time. Someday a large test will come up and we will find out whether equipment can be mustered up.

The following is a copy of a typical local Third District box card.

BOX No. <u>203</u>  DATE: _____	<u>Tinley Park</u>	N 171st St. - R.I. RR S Vollmer Road E Central Ave. W Harlem Ave	SPECIAL INFORMATION
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ALARM	ENGINES	TRUCKS	SQD.	SPECIAL EQUIP.
STILL	TP 203, 204	TP 208		TP 200
BOX	TP 206, 207	TP 1776	TP 202	
2nd ALARM	TP 209   CCH   Mar   Hwd	OF   HC		
3rd ALARM	OF   Flos   Har   EHC	Hwd		
4th ALARM	SH   Glwd   Thor   Riv			

**COMPANIES TO CHANGE QUARTERS**

BOX	OF   TP 209			
2nd ALARM	OF   SH			
3rd ALARM	SH   Dol	Glwd 407 to Hwd, Mar 55 to OF, Riv 83 to Mar #2		
4th ALARM	Dol   Lan			

QUARTERMASTER

It is the responsibility of the Quartermaster to insure that all men have protective clothing for fire fighting and uniforms for social functions. It is also his responsibility to inspect each man's equipment to insure that it is up to Department standards. Clothing equipment is under his scrutiny and jurisdiction.

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Bunker coats:	Helmet liners:		
Black:	64 issued		
64 issued	4 stock		
7 stock			
White:	Chin straps:		
3 issued	64 issued		
1 stock	6 stock		
Red:	Uniform jackets:		
8 issued	61 issued		
1 stock	Uniform trousers:		
	57 issued		
Rubber:	Uniform caps:		
0 issued	45 issued		
23 obsolete & unsafe -	16 stock		
not acceptable for			
safe use	Short sleeve shirts:		
	50 issued		
Rope:	5 stock		
64 issued	Long sleeve shirts:		
0 stock	57 issued		
	11 stock		
Boots:	Ties:		
64 issued	55 issued		
12 stock	5 stock		
Gloves:	Belts:		
64 pairs issued	46 issued		
0 pairs stock	3 stock		
Coveralls:		Sta	Sta
64 issued		#1	#2
5 stock			
Carabineers:	Linen inventory:		
64 issued	Spreads	6	3
0 stock	Blankets	6	3
	Mattress	6	3
	Mattress covers	6	3
Helmet:	Pillows	6	3
Plastic:	Pillow cases	18	3
54 issued	Top sheets	18	3
5 stock	Bottom sheets	17	3
	Wash cloths	25	10
Fiberglass:	Towels	25	10
10 issued			
0 stock			

### FIRE HYDRANT COLOR CODE

We have had all fire hydrants color coded for the purpose of having knowledge as to the size of the water main we are taking water from. This way we know how much water we can expect to receive and if we can put more than one truck on it. The code is as follows:

4"	Main	-	Black
6"	Main	-	Yellow
8"	Main	-	Blue
10"	Main	-	Green
12"	Main	-	Orange
16"	Main	-	Red
20"	Main	-	Brown
24"	Main	-	Gray
30"	Main	-	Purple

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FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

(Calls answered by Fire Prevention Bureau  
not the complete Fire Department)

PULL BOX	6
COMMERCIAL	1
SCHOOLS	4
RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES	1
HEAT DETECTOR OFF	4
COMMERCIAL	1
SCHOOLS/CHURCHES	3
FLOW ALARMS	5
SCHOOLS	1
COMMERCIAL	4
BROKEN/FROZEN PIPES	0
TAMPER ALARMS	12
SCHOOLS	2
COMMERCIAL	6
RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES	4
REPORT OF SMOKE	9
SMELL OF SMOKE	3
GAS LEAK	7
GASOLINE STORAGE	1
SMELL OF GASOLINE	1
GASOLINE SPILL OR LEAK	5
RESPONSE TO MENTAL HEALTH CENTER	15
RESPONSE TO HOWE DEVELOPMENT CENTER	1
WIRES SPARKING	2
COLLAPSED ROOF	4

BROKEN PIPES	2
ASSIST TO POLICE DEPARTMENT	7
MISCELLANEOUS FIRES	18
OPEN HYDRANT	1
INVESTIGATION	24
STRANGE SMELL	4
LEAKING TANKER	1
LOCK OUT	2
MUTUAL AID	7
FIRST AID	1
TOTAL FIRE PREVENTION CALLS	142

## FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

The Tinley Park Fire Prevention Bureau is a completely separate organization from the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department. The Fire Prevention Bureau does, however, report directly to the Fire Chief.

The Fire Prevention Bureau strives to inform the public about fire prevention and to have dangerous situations corrected within the Village and our response area. The Fire Prevention Bureau is headed by a Fire Prevention Officer and has one full time inspector and four part time inspectors, one full time secretary and one part time secretary. The office phone number is 532-5656. This phone has an automatic answering device capable of recording short messages from the caller during the hours when no one is in the office.

During Fire Prevention Week in October three weeks were devoted almost exclusively to Fire Prevention Week activities. The Bureau visited fourteen schools and had numerous tours of the Fire Station. Fire Prevention movies were shown at the schools and the students had the opportunity of seeing a fire truck and some equipment. Approximately 2,100 students participated in the Fire Prevention Poster Contest. Each participating student received a participation award. Firemen spoke with many people at Tinley Park Plaza and Tinley Commons on October 6th and at Bementowne Mall on October 13th where the fire truck was on display and children had an opportunity to handle a fire hose directing a stream at a target on a bell which caused the bell to ring. Approximately 1,400 people were at the Fire Department's Open House which was held at both Stations. The Fire Department and Fire Prevention Bureau are also actively involved in year round Fire Prevention activities such as distributing Spring Clean-Up, Holiday and Christmas Tree Fire Prevention and Fall Clean-Up posters. Articles were placed in the local newspapers and the Village newsletter, "The Exchange". A pamphlet regarding fire prevention is inserted with each inspection form when it is mailed.

The Tinley Park Fire Prevention Bureau has been successful in informing the public on fire prevention through the co-operation of businessmen, schools, churches and Firemen. In 1979 the Fire Department again received a Second Place Award from the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry for Population Class 20,000 to 30,000 for their outstanding activity in Fire Prevention.

The following are a few of the programs that the Fire Prevention Bureau has been actively involved in during 1979. Fire brigade programs have been initiated at Panduit Corporation and the Post Office. In 1980 we plan to expand the fire brigade program into other buildings within the Village. Talks on fire prevention and evacuation procedures were conducted at Bremen Bank and Trust Company and at Tinley Park Bank. A program for marking fire hydrants was only semi-effective because of the vandalism to the wooden markers. It is strongly recommended that we initiate a program of marking the hydrants with a permanent spring-type marker attached to the hydrant as has been discussed at several Public Safety meetings. This marker could be provided by the developer as new developments are

brought into the Village and the Village could initiate a program for installing these markers on the hydrants in the immediate future. A Stop, Drop and Roll and Home Escape program were initiated during Fire Prevention Week. The children actually practice their escape from a simulated room and demonstrate dropping to the ground and rolling to extinguish the fire if their clothing should ever start on fire.

Recommendations and requirements have been given to builders, businesses and planners of complexes in the Village from the Development Committee to the final inspection. The Fire Lane Ordinance with Tinley Park Plaza that was put in effect in 1978 has been very successful. This is a model Ordinance where the name and date can be changed for different shopping centers and apartment complexes.

During the year 142 Fire Prevention calls were made during working and non-working hours. The program of gathering information on buildings to be used in the proposed computer analysis system and print out was continued. There were approximately 1,150 inspections made. The frequency of inspections is every three months for sprinklered buildings, every four months for non-sprinklered buildings and every three months for retirement and nursing homes. Seasonal businesses and apartment buildings are inspected every twelve months. This has been helpful in recognizing fire hazards and also in the correction of fire hazards.

## MAJOR PURCHASES

300 feet 5 inch snap-tite hose  
Adapters for 5 inch hose  
Mutual Aid radio equipment  
Micor base station for Frequency 2  
Mobile radio for 202  
13 pair gloves  
12 pair boots  
1 uniform  
Ziamatic quick clamp  
Foam nozzle  
Fold-a-tank liner  
2 tank level gauges  
Water vac  
Training overlays  
Gas detector  
Fire Prevention banner  
Miscellaneous reeds for pagers  
6 speakers for the Engines  
Evacuation tags

Very few major purchases were made in 1979. However, due to the new engine which has been purchased, the 1980 report will show much more equipment which we already have in the Fire Department at this time but it will not show up until the 1980 Annual Report.

## GOALS ACCOMPLISHED

All Firemen re-certified in the C. P. R. technique

Addition of three new Firemen

New base station at Station #1 for Frequency 2

Six Certified Advanced Firefighters added

Stickers for proper evacuation of homes received

National Fire Incident Reporting System used in co-operation with the State of Illinois as a uniform reporting system

Alcohol foam added for gasohol

Call box Mutual Aid System initiated for the entire Third District and back to back communities

United Parcel pick-up service for all Village Departments

Improved water storage for Village by 5 million gallons - now in progress

Third District Training School for Rookies to the level of Firefighter II was initiated

A new fire engine was purchased which will be identical to Engine 204 except that it will be built on the wider Spartan chassis. Delivery is expected around July of 1980.

Mobile radio in Squad 202

Third District Mutual Aid System monitored in the Police Department and Fire Department Radio Rooms

GOALS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN 1980

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Build a training building other than the Fire Station which would be used for our training program.

Initiate a program in which the Fire Department will meet with the Police Department to inform them of our procedures and show them the equipment we have and it's use. Initiate a co-operative plan for disaster or evacuation. Explain dangers they should be aware of when approaching a fire and helpful information they can give us. Also, would provide a chance to air problems that may come up and create an air of harmony and co-operation.

All building surveys, addresses and equipment to respond put on microfilm with read out capabilities in command cars and Station radio rooms and a computerized system put in operation.

Full co-operation for maintenance and repair of Fire Department vehicles.

Insurance Committee formed to find out the exact coverage as far as insurance on errors and omissions for Officers and Firemen and the exact coverage on fire equipment and rolling stock, etc. so that we have proper insurance and are assured that we are insured.

Xerox machine in the Fire Department

Physical for Firemen after leave of absence or every two years.

Immediate attention to codified street and map index for Village.

Library at Station #1

Install Illinois Bell telephone in Chief's command car

Purchase of air bags for rescue work

Up-date operating procedures manual and rules and regulations manual to be given to each Fireman.

Up-date fire hydrant system as to repaired hydrants, cracked hydrants, unrepaired hydrants, etc.

Continue to up-date program to stay at Rate Class 5 or move on to Rate Class 4 for insurance rating classification.

Sleep-in program on a compensated basis

Consideration of land and construction for Fire Station #3 and consideration for Fire Station #4.

Computerized inventory of all equipment, including Quartermaster.

Alleviate the problem that Illinois Bell Telephone Company has getting adequate lines to facilitate the sprinkler and fire alarms throughout the Village.

Closer record on the operation of the alarm board calls in regards to keeping up a log and recording the type of alarms, malfunctions or pull box or flow alarms. Forms have been distributed to the proper authorities but to keep the logs up-dated has been a problem.

Improvement of the Communications Center in regards to "911". Suggest computerized address and phone number system and much improvement in the Communications Center itself in regards to the handling of calls and alarms with more direct supervision of personnel.

Third band frequency in mobile and portable radios for local Department dispatching.

Parking lot on east side, shrubs, large evergreen tree, interior roof and general maintenance are all needed at Station #2.

There should be a log posted when hospitals call to report that no beds are available. No document of this type is being kept at the present time and it could be useful for future planning.

Have the Village Hall and Fire Station #2 sprinkled

Improve water distribution to the Public Works Garage and areas on 183rd Street.

Stop and go light put in operation at 173rd Place and Harlem Avenue to be operated from the Radio Room.

New air system for refill of tanks

Spring-type flag permanently affixed to fire hydrants for year-round marking of fire hydrants.

Up-dating of the alarm board which is now one year behind due to the supplier.

Up-date of Scott Air Paks to OSHA and all Federal safety recommendations

Up-date all Hurst Tools with new high power hoses and springs

E. M. T. recognition system

Paid-on-call rates updated with automatic update for the future

167th Street completed immediately from 80th Avenue to 84th Avenue

Through street from 80th Avenue to 84th Avenue from 175th Street or 179th Street, whichever will be used.

When installing water mains in new areas, fire hydrants should be installed at the same time to alleviate long stretches without fire hydrants.

GOALS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN 1980

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

Present full time Fire Inspector be Certified under the Civil Service Act.

Additional office space for the Fire Prevention Bureau - have moved and there is some improvement; however, overcrowding is ever present.

Ordinance enforcement officer other than the Fire Prevention Bureau

Computerized or microfilm print out of building surveys and records

Fire lane agreements with remaining shopping centers, schools, churches, apartment complexes and nursing homes.

Rewrite Fire Prevention Ordinance due to the fact that the American Insurance Association is possibly not going to rewrite the fire code which is a small part of our Fire Prevention Code.