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**Annual
Report**

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



**WILLIAM
ANASZEWICZ**
Fire Chief

Dear Residents of Carpentersville,

As we close another year, I want to reflect on our achievements, challenges, and the unwavering dedication of our fire department members. It has been an eventful year, and as always, we remain deeply committed to the safety and well-being of each and every person who lives in and visits our community.

Over the past year, our firefighters responded to over 4,600 calls for service, ranging from structure fires and medical emergencies to specialized rescues. In addition to those calls, our department attended numerous public education events throughout the community. We pride ourselves on being there when you need us most, and it is through your support and trust that we can perform our duties with excellence. Together, we have made significant strides in both response times and preparedness, ultimately strengthening our entire community's safety.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the men and women of the Carpentersville Fire Department, whose professionalism and bravery are the foundation of our success. I also want to recognize the importance of community involvement—whether through fire safety education, supporting fire prevention programs, or simply being vigilant in your own safety practices. We build a stronger, more resilient community when we all work together.

As we move into the year ahead, we celebrate the 110th anniversary of the fire department. We will remain focused on enhancing our services, improving firefighter training, and adapting to the community's evolving needs. We are also committed to investing in the safety of our first responders, ensuring they have the tools and resources needed to serve you with the highest level of care.

In closing, thank you for your continued support and trust in our department. Please take time to visit our website and explore the programs we offer. Remember to stay safe and be prepared, and never hesitate to reach out if you need assistance. Together, we will continue to make Carpentersville a safer place to live, work, and thrive.

Wishing you all a safe and prosperous year ahead!

Sincerely,

William Anaszewicz

William Anaszewicz
Fire Chief

FIRE DEPARTMENT MISSION & VISION STATEMENT



MISSION STATEMENT

The Carpentersville Fire Department exists to protect the quality of life of the present and future generations through interaction with our community, compassionate service, and an atmosphere that encourages innovation, professionalism, and diversity.

VISION STATEMENT

The members of the Carpentersville Fire Department strive to be role models in the community; we are accountable to those we serve, each other, and any organization with whom we interact; we are committed to providing the best public service through quality training, education, and equipment. We will take the fire department into the future through productive teamwork, open and honest communications, and collaborative decision-making throughout the organization.

CARPENTERSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION



William Anaszewicz
Fire Chief



Richard Nieves
Deputy Chief



Michael Peters
Battalion Chief



Brian Simpson
Battalion Chief



Chad Parker
Battalion Chief



Julieta Chalmers
Admin. Assistant

CARPENTERSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT LIEUTENANTS



**Christopher
Bolliger**



**Brian
Berry**



**Mark
Payton**



**Anthony
Ferreiro**



**Douglas
Miller**



**Jason
Ormond**



**Ryan
Barnard**



**Matthew
Jackson**



**Matthew
Benson**

CARPENTERSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDICS



**Daniel
Bartelt**



**Brandon
Bowen**



**Michael
Breu**



**Arturo
Carrillo**



**Joshua
Cunningham**



**Nicholas
Czerniak**



**Adrian
Delgado**



**Benjamin
Foltin**



**Hector
Gonzalez**



**Kenneth
Heinzelman**



**David
Johnson**



**Philip
Karsten**



**Ryan
Lackman**



**Jaremy
Lutzow**



**John
Mahoney**

CARPENTERSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDICS



**Matthew
Mansk**



**Brian
McMahon**



**JonMichael
Monegato**



**Brent
Nolte**



**Sean
Paler**



**Bernardo
Ramos**



**Matthew
Scherer**



**Daniel
Streich**



**William
Sutfin**



**Matthew
Tracy**



**Brandon
Wemken**



**Gregory
Wermes**

CARPENTERSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT PART-TIME FIREFIGHTERS



**Wayne
Andersen**



**John
Chimon**



**Kelley
Dahl**



**Damian
Davis**



**Nicholas
Doumani**



**Samuel
Eisen**



**Alexander
Engelking**



**Jonathan
Flynn**



**Riley
Giebelhausen**



**Kyle
Kublank**



**Olivier
Leon**



**Kyle
Loncsar**



**Kelton
Milani**



**Henry
Nangle**

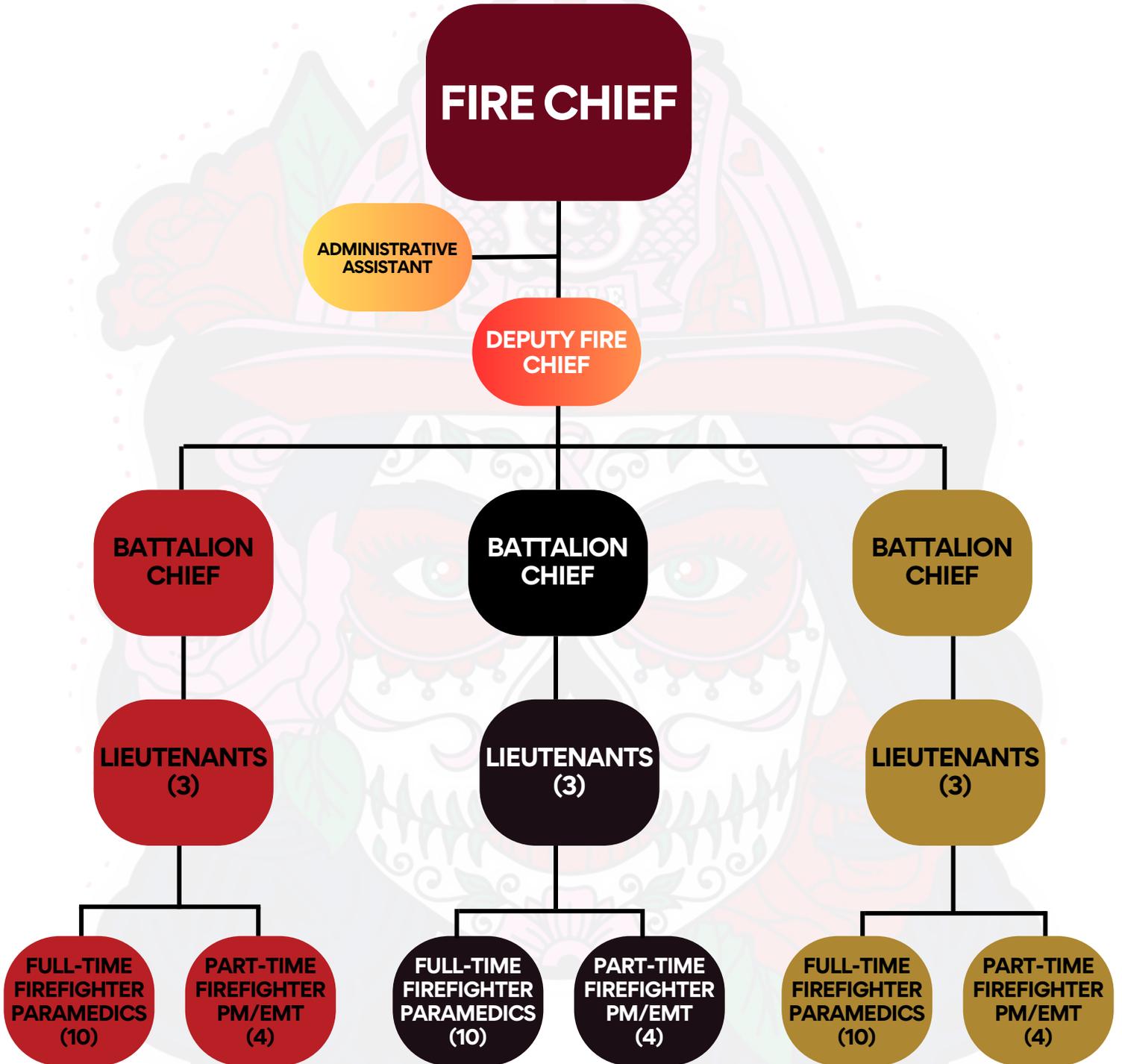


**Bryan
Vantress**



**Reese
Wiggins**

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



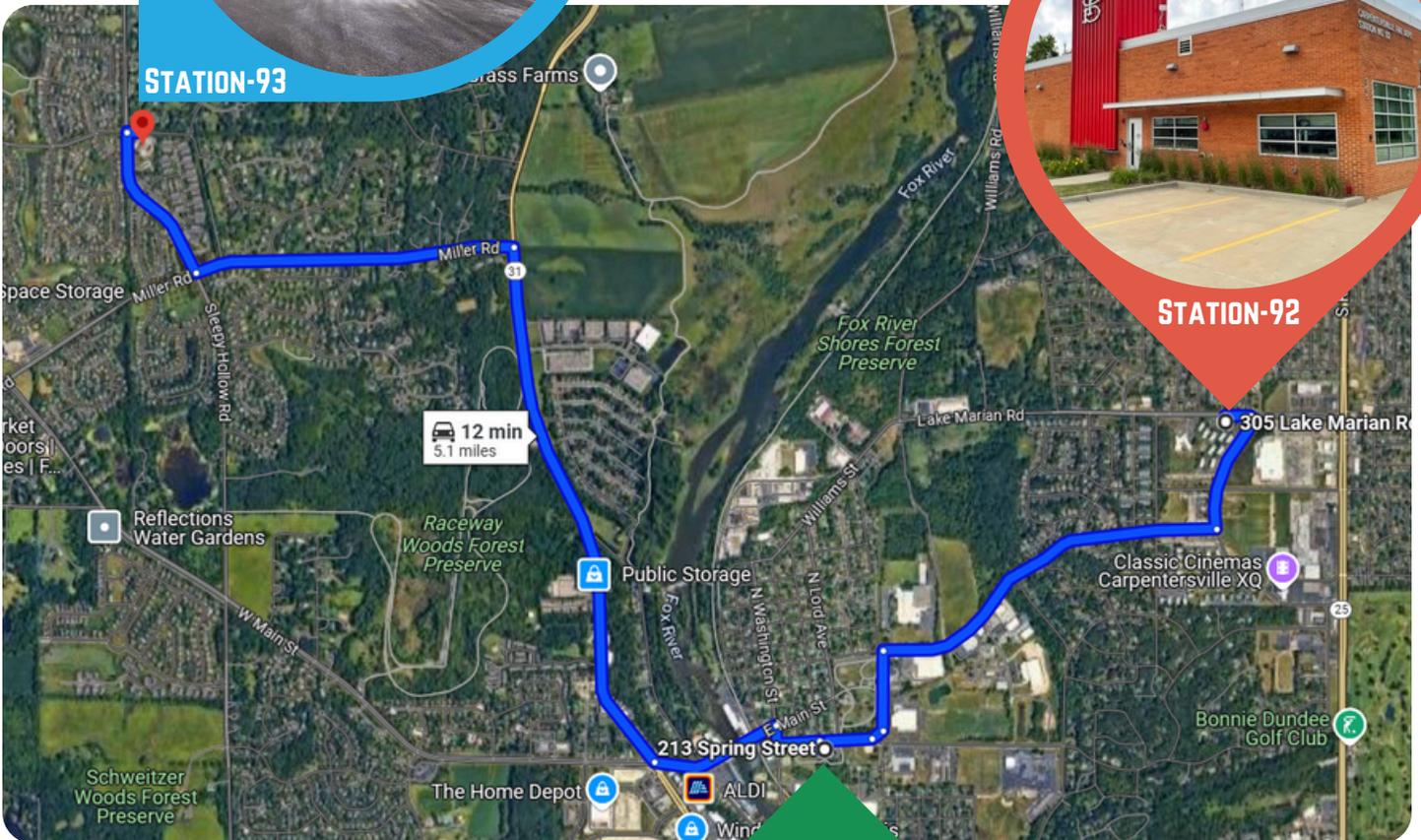
FIRE STATIONS



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STATION-91

- 5000 SLEEPY HOLLOW RD.
- 305 LAKE MARIAN RD.
- 213 SPRING ST.



FIRE DEPARTMENT DEMOGRAPHICS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE STATISTICS




Emergency Medical Services

3,285


Good Intent Service Calls

482


Alarm Investigations

391


Service Calls

242


HazMat Incidents

132


Fire Calls

83

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES



The Carpentersville Fire Department EMS Division concluded 2024 with many achievements. In 2024, seven of our part-time firefighters started their paramedic class through Sherman Hospital. The department currently has 44 paramedics and 17 Basic Emergency Medical Technicians. These certified advanced life support providers staff both fire engines and ambulances to provide our residents with the highest level of prehospital emergency medical care.

Carpentersville Fire, in partnership with Advocate Sherman Hospital, provides ongoing EMS education to its members each month as regularly scheduled training. In addition to the monthly training that members complete to maintain their certifications, the department also hosted structured EMS courses for medical emergencies that we encountered, including CPR, multiple-system trauma, burns, seizures, overdoses, and advanced cardiac life support.

In 2024, the department again received additional hands-on training at the Advocate Sherman Hospital Simulation Lab, where crews responded to a mock scenario involving multi-system trauma. In the Simulation lab, we worked on our skills in an environment where we were observed by GEAEMS system educators.

As an EMS provider organization, Carpentersville Fire completed the recertification process with the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to provide emergency medical service to our community.

2024 EMS Highlights

- **2,968** Emergency Medical Calls for Service.
- **3,653** Medications Delivered by Paramedics.
- **Top 5 Service Requests:**
 - General Illness / Pain
 - Falls
 - Traffic Accidents
 - Psychiatric / Behavioral Problem
 - Difficulty Breathing
- **Top 3 Transportation Locations:**
 - Advocate Sherman – **1,896**
 - Ascension St. Alexius – **94**
 - Ascension St. Joseph – **21**
- **Calls for Service by Ambulance:**
 - Ambulance 91 – **788**
 - Ambulance 92 – **1,588**
 - Ambulance 93 – **772**
 - Ambulance 94 (Special Events Only) - **10**
- **New** Power Load Cot & Load Systems (2) for safer patient movement.
- CPR (**19** Classes / **94** Students Certified)
- Completed **5** 'Stop the Bleed' Classes
- **16** Low cost Medical Help Alarms in service throughout our community
- **2** Members obtained CPR Instructor Certifications through American Heart Association



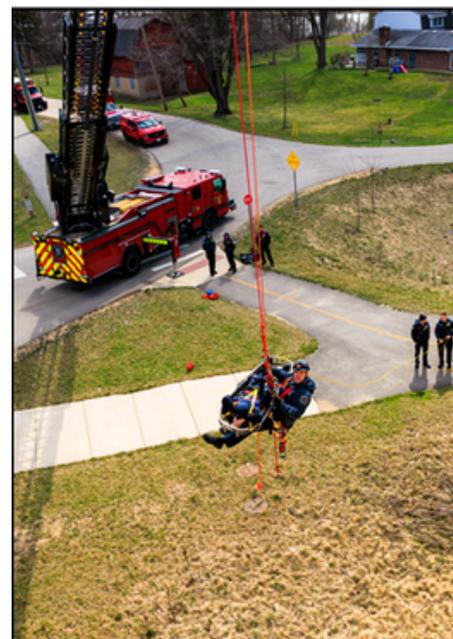
TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM

The Fire Department responds to various emergency situations, including specialized technical rescues such as trench rescues, confined space rescues, rope rescues, and structural collapses. While these incidents are infrequent, they require specialized training and equipment to ensure an effective response.

The Technical Rescue Team is equipped with personnel who are trained in these disciplines. The team is supported by a small cache of equipment maintained by the Fire Department, and additional resources are provided through the MABAS Division 2 Technical Rescue Team. This regional team includes ten fire departments and is equipped with a specialized response vehicle housed in Elgin.

Our team consists of seven members trained in the four major technical rescue disciplines. To maintain and enhance their skills, members participate in monthly training drills hosted by departments within MABAS Division 2. These drills cover a wide range of technical rescue scenarios, ensuring the team is prepared for any situation.

The Fire Department's Technical Rescue Team is dedicated to continuous improvement through both in-house training and participation in regional exercises, ensuring they are always ready to respond when needed.



Carpentersville Fire Department
in-house Technical Rescue Training

WATER RESCUE TEAM

The Fire Department's Water Rescue and Recovery Team is a specialized, highly motivated unit, currently consisting of eleven members. The team is equipped to respond to various water-based incidents, including scuba underwater operations, swift water rescues, sonar operations, and ice rescues. In addition, team members are trained in boat operations to handle a wide range of emergencies.

Water-based incidents are among the most hazardous for first responders, requiring advanced training and equipment. To ensure readiness, the team maintains a rigorous training schedule throughout the year, focusing on skill development and maintenance. Each member must also pass an annual swim and skills test to remain on the team. The department ensures the team has access to essential equipment, including boats, scuba gear, swift water gear, and sonar technology.

Beyond responding to incidents within Carpentersville, the Water Rescue and Recovery Team is part of the MABAS Division 2 Water Team, making it a regional asset. This designation allows the team to respond to requests for assistance from neighboring departments and be deployed as a state asset by the State of Illinois.

The team's ongoing commitment to training, preparedness, and regional collaboration ensures it can handle the challenges posed by water-related emergencies.

TRAINING DIVISION



The Training Division is committed to providing purposeful, rigorous, and up-to-date training to ensure department readiness for any emergency. Training remains a cornerstone of the Carpentersville Fire Department, fostering skill development and operational efficiency.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Management of the department training program
- Coordination of specialty team training (Technical Rescue, Water Rescue, Hazardous Materials)
- Evaluation of training effectiveness
- Maintenance of training records and reports
- Development of a monthly training calendar



2024 Training Highlights

- **46,371.5** total training hours (average of **3,864** hours per month), a 32,330-hour increase from 2023, driven by a streamlined training program and compliance with OSHA and ISO standards.
- Enhanced Target Safety Training online format.
- ISO-focused training to improve community insurance ratings.
- Continued emphasis on hands-on training sessions.
- Prioritization of training quality over quantity.
- Regular participation in monthly QuadCom training and bi-annual M.A.B.A.S. Division 2 training evolutions.
- Increased outside educational opportunities for professional growth.

QuadCom & M.A.B.A.S. Training

QuadCom training has expanded with monthly sessions for all shifts and bi-annual live fire training with regional departments. These trainings enhance operational continuity and test departmental guidelines. Key topics covered:

- Modern Fire Behavior
- Victim & Firefighter Rescues
- Rural Water Supply
- Nozzle Forward Hose Movements
- Rapid Intervention Operations
- Vent, Enter, Isolate, and Search (VEIS)
- Hand Line Hose Advancement



PROFICIENCY DAYS

The department conducted its second annual proficiency days ("Pro Days"), assessing key firefighting skills:

- Forcible Entry
- 24' Ladder Throws
- Masking Up with Gloves
- Hydrant Connections
- Company Evolutions

Results: Nearly **90%** of members met or exceeded set standards, reinforcing the department's training effectiveness.

LOOKING AHEAD: 2025 GOALS

A top priority for 2025 is developing a dedicated training facility in Carpentersville. This facility will:

- Allow in-town training to maintain rapid response capability.
- Provide a controlled environment for realistic hose operations and fire scenarios.
- Support joint training initiatives with law enforcement.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

We thank the Fire Chiefs and local leaders for their continued support and funding. Training is vital in ensuring firefighter safety and operational readiness, and we remain committed to enhancing our department's capabilities.

HONOR GUARD



The Carpentersville Fire Department Honor Guard continues its tradition of representing the Carpentersville Fire Department, the Village of Carpentersville, and the Carpentersville Professional Firefighter's Local 4790 in multiple events locally, at a statewide level, and even at national events. The Honor Guard was formed in 2015, and its primary function and mission are to respond to funerals of current and former members of the Carpentersville Fire Department, as well as to line-of-duty deaths in the state of Illinois and surrounding states.

All members of the honor guard are also members of the AFFI Honor Guard – a statewide honor guard that is Illinois's largest non-military honor guard. All members of the AFFI Honor Guard must complete three annual training sessions to maintain proficiency in all aspects of the honor guard duties. Honor guard members practice on topics including flag posting and retrieving, casket guarding, drill and ceremony, funeral operations, and many other topics.

The Carpentersville Fire Department is also honored to have one bagpiper and one snare drummer to assist at funerals and events in Carpentersville and surrounding areas. The pipe and drum corps members play traditional Scottish bagpipe tunes commonly heard at firefighter and police funerals and practice British military-style drills and ceremonies.

2024 saw Firefighter's Jeremy Lutzow and Brandon Bowen inducted into the AFFI Honor Guard at the annual statewide Honor Guard Convention held in January each year. This recent induction brings the total membership in the Carpentersville Honor Guard to 7 members.

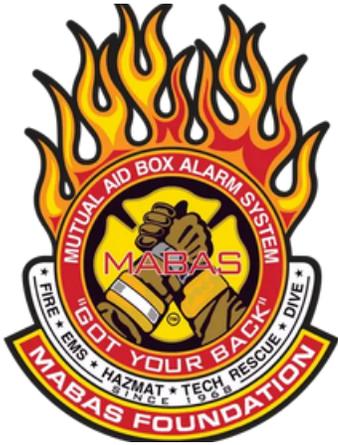
In 2024, members of the guard participated in the following:

- 2 public events
- 6 ceremonies
- 7 memorials and observations
- 4 funerals.
- Guard members committed over 50 hours of training and 200 hours performing our duties to the community. The Honor Guard is always ready to do "Whatever it Takes" to remember those who have fallen in service to our communities.





MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM



M.A.B.A.S. Division II consists of multiple fire departments that assist each other in the surrounding region. Each department actively participates in the training sessions hosted in various locations with outside instructors from other departments, including our own. This committee meets on a monthly basis with the goal of developing hands-on sessions. Twice a year, each fire department sends multiple crews to participate in hands-on scenarios encompassing a variety of topics. Some of the past topics have included the following:

- Rapid Intervention Operation
- Vent, Enter, Isolate, and Search review
- Hand line hose advancement-above/below grade

CARPENTERSVILLE & COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A fire district is a unique area that provides fire prevention and suppression services to a community. The Carpentersville Fire Department provides fire and EMS service to the Countryside Fire Protection District. The district serves unincorporated areas surrounding the Village of Carpentersville. This area primarily consists of residential properties located in Dundee Township, Illinois.

The Fire Protection District has approximately **3,600** residents. Fire districts are often independent of city or county governments. They are funded by property taxes from the area they serve and managed by a board of trustees or commissioners.





HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The Carpentersville Hazmat Division has continued to advance its mission of protecting public safety and the environment by managing hazardous materials incidents with precision and care. This year's report highlights operational achievements, training, and safety improvements. Key accomplishments include enhanced training, successful collaboration with outside agencies, and equipment upgrades.

The Hazmat Division is dedicated to safely handling, containment, and remediating hazardous materials incidents. Our team is responsible for:

- Rapid emergency response to chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear incidents.
- Conducting regular safety audits and compliance inspections.
- Providing training and certifications for internal staff and external partners.
- Collaborating with local, state, and federal agencies, such as the MABAS Hazardous Materials Response Team, local fire departments, Railway companies, the Kane County Bomb Squad, the FBI, and the ATF.



The Carpentersville Fire Department currently has 3 Hazardous Materials Technicians and is working on training additional members to the Technician level. All fire department members are trained to the Operations level for hazardous materials response, and Carpentersville hazardous materials technicians are also members of the MABAS Division-2 Hazardous Materials Response Team (HMRT). This regional team provides over 25 members for hazardous materials incident mitigation. The team meets bi-monthly for hands-on training to prepare members for all-hazards response to hazardous materials incidents.





COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION AND TRAINING

The Haz-Mat Division coordinates with community risk reduction to monitor and inspect high-hazard facilities in Carpentersville. There are currently two large high-hazard facilities in Carpentersville that require special permitting and bi-annual inspections. It is important that a close working relationship is in place in case an incident occurs at one of these locations. Polynt Composites hosted a division-wide Haz-Mat drill in October of 2024, including several local fire departments and the MABAS Division 2 Haz-Mat Team.

Additionally, our team successfully completed comprehensive training to ensure compliance with safety regulations and enhance our emergency response capabilities. The training covered proper handling, storage, and disposal of hazardous substances and protocols for spill response and personal protective equipment (PPE) usage. Through hands-on exercises and scenario-based learning, employees strengthened their ability to identify potential risks and take swift, informed action to prevent incidents. By prioritizing hazmat education, we continue to foster a safety culture, protect our workforce, and uphold environmental responsibilities.



In 2024, the Carpentersville Fire Department shifted from older disposable single-gas carbon monoxide detectors to Drager PAC 6500 non-disposable detectors. These units will also be added to the "jump bags" on our ambulances to give our members the ability to monitor air quality for carbon monoxide on all calls for service. This modification will provide early detection of carbon monoxide when responding to all EMS calls.

PUBLIC EDUCATION DIVISION



The Public Education Division is dedicated to community outreach, risk reduction, and safety education. Firefighters assess community needs and deliver programs to residents, schools, businesses, and local organizations to prevent fires, reduce injuries, and enhance overall safety.

2024 Program Highlights

- Fire Safety Education: Delivered fire safety talks to all elementary schools in District 300, reaching **3,308** students and **200** daycare children.
- Fire Poster Contest: The theme was "SMOKE ALARMS: Make Them Work for You," and **1,156** posters were submitted, with the winner being Damian Ramirez.
- Smoke Alarm Installations: Installed **96** smoke alarms through donations from Home Depot and the new "BE ALARMED" program in partnership with IFSA.org.
- Car Seat Safety Checks: **4** certified technicians provided **52** free car seat safety checks, educating parents on proper installation and safety practices.
- Senior Fire Safety Programs: Hosted Remembering When – Fall & Fire Prevention with **30** seniors attending. The upcoming "Matter of Balance" program is planned for May 2025 in collaboration with Dundee Township Park District.
- Macyn's Jars Initiative: Jars containing sensory toys for children and special needs adults are placed on all ambulances. <https://macynsjars.org>
- Medication & Sharps Disposal: Narcan, medication, and sharps disposal are available at all fire stations; sharps disposal is also provided at Village Hall.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The fire department actively collaborates with local organizations to support various community initiatives. Notable partnerships include:

- ✓ Advocate Sherman Hospital
- ✓ Alzheimer's Association
- ✓ Boys & Girls Club of Dundee Township
- ✓ CAMBR.org
- ✓ Carpentersville Police Department
- ✓ Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ D300 Schools
- ✓ Dundee Township Park District
- ✓ Elgin Community College
- ✓ Habitat for Humanity
- ✓ IAFF Local 4790
- ✓ Kane County Health Department
- ✓ Light of Christ School
- ✓ MDA
- ✓ NFPA
- ✓ Project Fire Buddies
- ✓ Quad-Com
- ✓ St. Baldrick's
- ✓ State Farm Insurance
- ✓ Toys for Tots
- ✓ Wal-Mart
- ✓ Woodman's
- ✓ And many more.





LOOKING AHEAD

As we continue to grow, the Public Education Division is transitioning to a Community Risk Reduction (CRR) model, which focuses on identifying and addressing potential hazards before emergencies occur. This proactive approach will enhance public safety by integrating education, prevention, and risk management strategies to serve our community better.

The division remains committed to expanding educational programs and enhancing safety initiatives. For a complete list of programs offered, visit cville.org/269/Programs.





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