# **Greetings from the York Center Fire District**

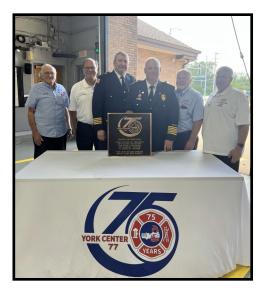
#### Welcome

The York Center Fire District recently celebrated 75 years. This commemorative plaque will soon adorn the station. During this celebration non first responder members were acknowledge for their years of service. Those included: Frank Vosicky, Trustee 20 years; Shawn Flaherty, attorney 20 years; Brother Thomas Harding, Chaplin 30 years; and Tom Bauer, Accountant 48 years.



# Public Always Welcome

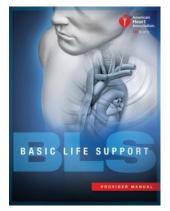
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## **Public Education**

The Public Education division believes community risk reduction programs are the most effective way to promote and retain safety throughout the fire district residence, schools, and businesses.

#### CPR

The fire district offers both Heartsaver CPR classes and BLS CPR classes for the Healthcare Providers. Visit our website for <u>2023 class dates</u>.

#### **Car Seat Inspections**

The district has a certified car seat technician. Car seat inspections are done by appointment only. <u>Appointments can be made on our website</u>.

#### Narcan Program

The York Center Fire Protection District is now participating in the Home Narcan Program presented by HOPEDuPage and in collaborative efforts with the DuPage County Coroner, Sheriff, State's Attorney, Chiefs of Police, and Health Department. Participants can now receive the lifesaving drug Naloxone to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose from the York Center Fire District. Contact Lt. Nick Carnaggio (630) 627-1940 ext. 241 or carnaggio@yorkcenterfire.org.

## Fire Prevention Week is October 8 - 14,

York Center received a 2023 FPW kit thanks to a grant from State Farm in partnership with NFPA.

This year's Fire Prevention Week<sup>M</sup> (FPW<sup>M</sup>) campaign, "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention<sup>M</sup>," works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe when cooking.

**Did you know?** Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires and deaths.

What can you do? The good news is you can prevent most cooking fires and burns. Help keep your family safer with some simple but effective tips.



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# Our Safe Home Program

We also emphasize the importance of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Updated law in Illinois effective January 1, 2023 encourages all residents to replace their old smoke alarms with a type that has a long-term, 10-year sealed battery.

Inspecting smoke / carbon monoxide alarm:

→ Test the unit on a regular basis.

 $\rightarrow$  Do not paint.

→ Secure to the ceiling or highest point.

Smoke and/or Carbon monoxide alarms should be installed at all levels of the home. Our Safe Home Program has been successful in assisting older adults over the age of 65 or disabled residents within our fire district.

The on-duty Firefighters will come to your home and inspect your smoke & carbon monoxide alarm (s) to ensure they operate properly. If the smoke alarm(s) require replacement, we will replace them free of charge with a new 10-year smoke alarm. If you would like more information or would like to participate in the program, please contact Lt. Anton at 630.627.1940 ext. 233, anton@yorkcenterfire.org or fill out our contact form here.

## **Ambulance Billing Information**

The York Center Fire District contracts with an outside vendor, Paramedic Billing Services (PBS), to perform all ambulance billing functions. Billing questions should be directed to PBS at 630.530.2988 or via email at insuranceinfo@paramedicbilling.com.

#### What should I do with my ambulance bill?

If you are covered by medical insurance, Medicare, Medicaid or are a member of an HMO, please provide information about your coverage on the back of your ambulance bill and return it to PBS. PBS will bill your insurance carrier. <u>Residents of the York Center Fire</u> <u>District are not required to pay any amount above</u> the amount paid by their insurance.

#### Why is there a fee for emergency ambulance service?

York Center uses reimbursements from Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance companies to assist with the high costs of providing these services. Remember, as a resident you are not responsible for any remaining balance after your insurance has paid.







ladder to change batteries.



**BENEFIT OF 10-YEAR SEALED BATTERIES -**

NO LATE-NIGHT LOW BATTERY CHIRPS



**MORE SAVING** No more costly battery replacements for the life of the alarm.



RxBOX program offers residents a safe, easy way to drop off unwanted medications that might otherwise have been misused or gone to waterways and landfills. Click <u>here</u> for RxBOX locations throughout DuPage County.

## Contact Us...

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