Speakers' Bureau

The Fox River Grove Fire Protection District can provide a speaker to your group or organization. Speakers are available on the following fire protection and emergency medicine topics without charge.

- Alzheimer's and Related Conditions–An overview of various dementia-related conditions. 30-45 minutes
- **Dealing with Grief**—The various forms of grief and ways in which people learn to cope with their grieving. 30-45 minutes
- **Developing Child Protective Policies**–Groups working with children need to develop policies and procedures which protect children from physical and sexual abuse. 45-60 minutes
- Electrical Safety–Ways of addressing electrical dangers within the home. 20-30 minutes
- **Fire Extinguishers**–A hands-on opportunity to receive instruction in the proper use of a fire extinguisher and a chance to practice. 45-60 minutes (This must be scheduled at the fire station and during mild weather. This is done with a simulator in the parking lot behind the station.)
- **Heat-Related Illness**–The signs, symptoms, and remedies for heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and related conditions. 20-30 minutes
- In Danger of Falling–Ways of addressing fall hazards with the home, especially for older adults. 20-30 minutes
- Legacy of the Fire Service–The history of firefighting and fire prevention. 60 minutes
- **The New Heroin Epidemic**–Opioid abuse and addiction are on the rise in America. There are things which can be done to better understand and address this situation. 30-45 minutes
- Non-Suicidal Self-Injury–Self-injury, especially "cutting behavior" among junior high through college young people, is on the rise. What can be done to understand and address the problem? 30-45 minutes
- **QPR Suicide Prevention**–This program identifies the risk factors connected with suicide and ways of addressing the problem. 60-90 minutes
- **Solar Panels**–Harnessing the energy of the sun is a good thing, but what problems and concerns are associated with it? 30-45 minutes

- Stroke Awareness–If the signs and symptoms of a stroke are immediately addressed, improved outcomes will result. 20-30 minutes
- **Vaping**–The dangers of vaping are all over the news. Understanding this growing problem will help to more effectively address it. 30-45 minutes
- When the Ambulance Comes to Your House–An explanation of what is happing and why when an ambulance is called for a traumatic injury or medical emergency. 30-45 minutes

These presentations can be arranged by contacting the department's Fire Marshal, Gerald Schalk (847-639-9232).

Note: Many of these presentations are PowerPoint-based and require appropriate equipment at the presentation site. Also some require a WiFi connection. Arrangements can be made for groups to come to the fire station for these presentations.