

## ***SMART***

### Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Team

Meeting April 10, 2008 in Blue Island started at 19:35.

**COMMUNITIES & OFFICERS PRESENT:** (X) = Present at meeting

#### **SMART Officers**

(X) President	Roger Mumford	(Steger)
(X) Vice President	Bob Small	(Oak Forest)
(X) Secretary/Treasurer	Joe Pilch	(Oak Forest)
(X) 1st Director	Art Johnson	(Sauk Village)
( ) 2nd Director	James Dean	(Hometown)
( ) 3rd Director	John Ranier	(Rich Township)
(X) 4 <sup>th</sup> Director	John Thomas	(South Holland)
(X) 5 <sup>th</sup> Director	Marty Braccio	(Crete)

#### **Communities**

#### **SMART Coordinator/Representative**

1.(X)Blue Island	Charles Truschka, Paul E. Johnson, Daniel J. Tedej,
2.(X)Calumet City	James Meincke
3.( )Chicago Heights	Frank Kush
4.(X)Cook County	Bill Dorgan
5.( )Country Club Hills	Bob Gibson
6.( )Crestwood	Nancy Cistaro, Bob Windberg
7.(X)Crete	Marty Braccio, Marilyn Reid
8.( )Dolton	Bill Claessens, Bob Claessens
9.( )Homer Glen	John Robinson
10.(X)Hometown	Joe Kouba
11.( )Lynwood	Frank Waliszewski, David Harnod
12.(X)Manhattan	Joel Werner
13.(X)Markham	Everett Wilkins
14.(X)Midlothian	Michael Tryon
15.( )Mokena	Greg McElyea
16.(X)New Lenox	Bill Potocki, Jan Tobiasz
17.(X)Oak Forest	Bob Small, Joe Pilch
18.( )Orland Hills	Bill Leddin, Tom Rafferty
19.( )Palos Park	Bill Leddin, Bernie Conboy
20.( )Rich Township	John Ranieri, Bob Russell
21.( )Riverdale	Dennis Reilly, Ricardo Murray
22.(X)Sauk Village	Art Johnson, Ken Cook
23.(X)South Holland	John Thomas, Ralph Turner
24.(X)Steger	Roger Mumford, Mark Copper, Andrew Anifer, Mark Kozy
25.( )Thornton	John Levon Jr.
26.(X)Tinley Park	Steve Clemmer
27.( )Will County	Harold Damron
28.(X)Red Cross	John Mitchell
29.( )State Region 4	?
30.( )Cook County DPH	Lisa Nance

#### **Associate**

(X) Sandwich Tom Ciciora

#### **GUEST:**

Stewart Regan Harvey ESDA.

#### **Opening Prayer & Pledge**

Pledge & prayer lead by Ralph Turner.

**MINUTES:**

Motion made to accept the March minutes by John Thomas and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ralph Turner.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

South Holland Memorial Day parade is 5/26 they will need traffic control assistance.

MNET was used to notify PD about gas spill, in Indiana. Would have been better if it was paged out so we all would have known about the gas smell reason.

There is some mercury in NICOR gas meters (20,000) and NICOR is changing them out. There was a Fire Fighter that had mercury contamination in Indiana and took it home.

New Lenox is having their Loyalty parade 5/4/08 12:00 to 16:00 Traffic control.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Joe Kouba was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Art Johnson.

**TRAINING:**

Shelter management by Red Cross was completed.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

A SMART page was sent Wednesday and Thursday to alphanumeric pagers & NEXTEL's.

Chicago was given a temporary license to operate on the VTAC and UTAC frequencies. MABAS 24 has been challenging the legality of this since the frequencies were established (by the feds) for anyone to use them in an emergency. (Chicago should be losing this license in the near future.)

**EQUIPMENT:**

If you want SMART ID cards this is what is needed. Member's photo (digital or scan able), name for each photo, members rank, unit ID number (as listed in SMART), city logo or ESDA patch (digital or scan able). You need to get the information to Bob Russell.

Box cards need to be completed so we can get them to all communities. South Holland has a good start; he just needs to confirm with the communities he listed as responders.

**Member/Membership Status:**

John Levon had fire in his house and is currently living in Tinley Park motel.

**SMART SAR:**

April 4<sup>th</sup> paged for a missing girl in Sauk Village. There were 30 responders from 8 towns. At 16:30 teams went out and she was found by 17:30.

Other equipment that came to assist was; Air 2, dog, 2 ATV's, 3 on standby, 4 light trucks, command from Steger, and Red Cross canteen.

Would like to have T-shirts made for SAR back would read "Always Ready" "SMART" \$10.00 per shirt, \$25 setup fee. The cost should be under \$300.00 to supply 2 shirts per person. Art or Ken will bring the estimated cost of t-shirts.

SAR patches need to be replenished minimum order is 100. Motion to order 100 patches if under \$2.00 per patch by Art Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Kouba.

Ken handed out a list of things to bring when called to search.

Rich Township said the SAR team could use 155.950 for over head team. This is South Holland's frequency.

During SAR training they will be using Steger frequency.

To all towns that responded to search Roger was proud of everyone that was there. Personal should be commended for job well done.

**Program & Analysis:**

Nothing going on.

**YAHOO Groups update:**

This is working just great. A lot of information is being shared.

**STATE REGION 4:**

There was no one representing region at meeting.

**COOK COUNTY:** [www.cookcountysheriff.org](http://www.cookcountysheriff.org)

Training classes ICS 300 & 400 Lansing check [www.nipsta.org](http://www.nipsta.org)

**WILL COUNTY:** [www.willcountyema.org](http://www.willcountyema.org)

Weather spotter's class had 18 attend in Lockport.

**LEGISLATIVE LIAISON:**

Not present.

**IESMA (Illinois Emergency Services Management Association):**

2008 Conference is April 16-19 in Decatur.

**IEMA (Illinois Emergency Management calling for help Agency):**

2008 conference is September 2nd - 4<sup>th</sup> in Springfield at the Crown Plaza.

**RED CROSS LIAISON:**

Activated for Sauk Village search and brought out the critical stress debrief team.

John met with Steger to talk about shelter operations and management courses. Town will identify shelters and then add to EOP.

Activated for hotel fire in Lockport used canteen and client services housing.

Activated to shelter people in Aurora for apartment fire lasted 3 days.

**CCDPH:**

There was no one present.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Tom Cicora suggested we write letter to Paul Rausch to let him know we exist.

Tinley Park thanked those that assisted at Lane Bryant incident.

When you are at an incident you need to watch what is said because the news media is there listening.

Sauk Village PD thanked all for responding to the search.

**COMING EVENTS:**

May 4 - New Lenox Loyalty parade.

May 14 - Palos Park parade.

**ADJOURNED** at 20:45 April 10, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joe Pilch  
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Meeting hosts for 2008.

January 10	Tinley Park	17355 S. 68 <sup>th</sup> Street
February 14	Riverdale	725 W. 138 <sup>th</sup> Street
March 13	Oak Forest	5301 W. 157 <sup>th</sup> Street
April 10	Blue Island	2450 Vermont Ave.
May 8	Crete	1390 Benton
June 12	South Holland	1459 E. 168 <sup>th</sup> Street
July 10	Steger	3035 Lewis Street
August 14	Markham	
September 11	New Lenox	701 W. Haven
October 9	Lynwood	3111 Glenwood Dyer Road
November 13	Sauk Village	
December	Christmas Party	