Richard M. Carani Fire Chief Libertyville Fire Department

I have lived in Libertyville since 1977, attended St. Joseph grade school, Carmel High School, St. Norbert College, and received a Masters Degree in Public Safety Administration from Lewis University. I joined the Libertyville Fire Department in 1989 as a Volunteer and was hired by Libertyville as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic in 1990. I was promoted to Lieutenant in 1997 and 3 month later to Assistant Chief. In this role I was responsible for the Emergency Services Division of the Fire Department. In 2005, I was promoted to Chief of the Department, a position which I currently still hold. I am also the Villages Emergency Management Coordinator and I am certified as an Illinois Professional Emergency Manager. I am responsible for the Villages Emergency Operations Manual and the Emergency Operations Center. As Chief of the Department, I am active in seeking innovative ways to reduce services costs yet maintain the same high level of professional services we currently deliver.