

## ***Remember - Check Your Smoke Detector***

Advise your tenants that the smoke detectors in the unit should be tested at least once a month and batteries replaced at least once a year. Daylight savings time begins on the first Sunday in April, and many people use this date as a reminder to change the batteries.

*The Illinois Smoke Detector Act for Residential Units* requires that every dwelling be equipped with an approved smoke detector within fifteen (15) feet of a room used for sleeping purposes. The Act further states that every single family residence should have at least one approved smoke detector installed on every level of the dwelling unit including basements, but not unoccupied attics.

It is recommended that a smoke detector be installed in every sleeping room. The National Fire Codes have recognized the need by requiring all newly constructed residential buildings to install smoke detectors in all sleeping rooms.

**Remember, smoke detectors do save lives!**