



A SERVICE
PUBLICATION
OF THE
LA GRANGE
FIRE DEPARTMENT
708-579-2338

EVENTS - 2016

Farmers Market
May- October
Thursdays
7:00AM – 1:00PM

IAFF Local 2338 23rd
Annual Golf Outing
May 27, 2016

69th Annual Pet Parade
Saturday June 4, 2016
9:30AM-11:00AM

Endless Summerfest
August 5 – 7, 2016

West End Arts Festival
September 17 – 18, 2016

Fire Department
Annual Open House
Saturday October 1, 2016
11:00AM - 3:30PM

Halloween Walk
October 29, 2016

Hometown Holiday
December 3, 2016
5:00PM – 9:00PM
25th Anniversary

LA GRANGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FEBRUARY 2016



A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

I had the honor of participating in a basketball game Friday, February 12th against the Park Junior High, Mighty Patriots Special Olympics Basketball Team. Here is how the game came to be; Our Heroes vs Heroes Story by Geri Pasioka, School District 102.

‘Our final game in February always marks the time when we honor our 8th grade players, coaches and mascots before these unbelievable students head off to high school.’

‘Last year with only days away from this final game, our competitors canceled. Our 8th grade players were heart broken. On such late notice, we were unable to get another team to play us. We needed to do something for our Special Olympic heroes.’

‘The Fire and Police Departments of La Grange, Brookfield, and La Grange Park were asked to come to our rescue to help give us one last game and that is when our bad situation turned into a great experience. These local heroes were up for the challenge, joined forces and came to our rescue without hesitation. They now have agreed to make this game an annual event!’

The Mighty Patriots, Our Heroes, are now 2-0. All I am going to say is wait ‘til next year!



La Grange Police Officer Laura McDermott looks to pass the ball as Brookfield Fire Lieutenant Mark Duffek calls for the ball. (Courtesy of Suburban Life)

CALLS OF NOTE

On February 1, 2016, at 1757 hours, La Grange Co. 1112 responded to the 100 block of S. Vine in Hinsdale for the reported roof fire. Upon arrival, crew remained staged until released by Command. The Fire Chief also responded and assisted with the origin and cause determination of the fire.

On February 9, 2016, at 1504 hours, all companies responded to 1200 block of W. Goodman for the fire alarm. Upon arrival, FD found activation was due to the phone company as they were repairing phone lines taken down by a snow removal contractor. Further checking of the fire alarm panel showed that the panel was wired improperly and was reading 'normal' when in fact it was in a fire activation. Repairs were made immediately before fire companies left the scene.

On February 10, 2016, at 1711 hours, La Grange Chief 1101 and Co. 1112 responded to the 3600 block of Arden in Brookfield for the house fire. Upon arrival, crew was assigned interior operations, assisted with hose management, victim removal, extinguishment and primary search. Chief 1101 remained on the scene to assist with origin and cause determination.

On February 14, 2016, at 0607 hours, all companies responded to the 300 block of S. 9th Avenue for the automatic fire alarm. Upon arrival, crews found a sprinkler activation in a freezer located in the kitchen. The sprinkler system was shut down and building staff was advised to clean the area per IDPH protocol. Building maintenance was advised to coordinate repairs as the building was placed on fire watch until repairs were made and the sprinkler system was re-activated.

On February 19, 2016 the department responded to numerous power lines down due to a wind storm. Crews responded to over ten wind related calls along with three ambulance calls in a six-hour period.

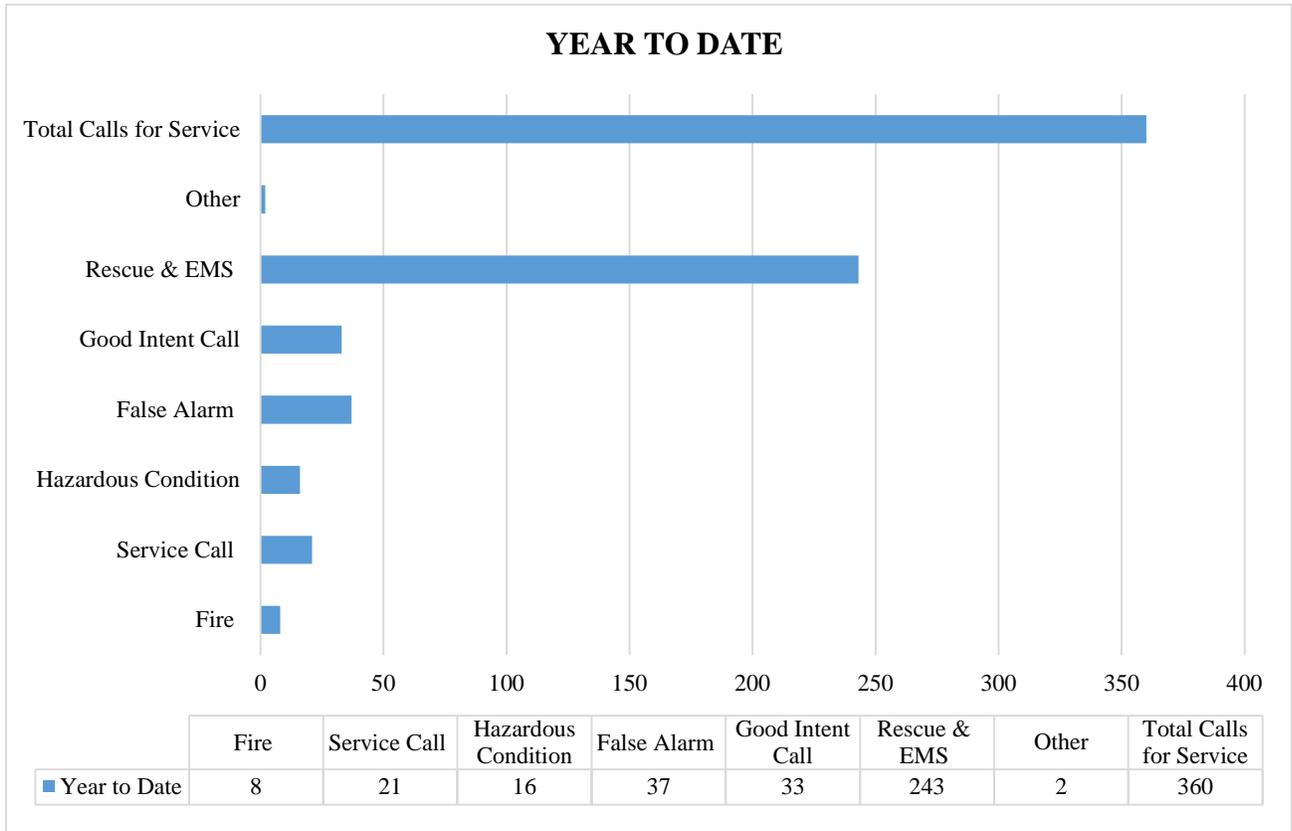
On February 20, 2016 at 1724 hours, La Grange Chief 1101 and Co. 1113 responded to the 3700 block of Maple Avenue in Brookfield for the basement fire. Upon arrival, crews were assigned basement attack line and interior operations. Chief 1101 remained on the scene to assist with origin and cause determination of the fire.

On February 21, 2016, at 0933 hours, Co. 1112 responded to the 4700 block of S. Gilbert for the gasoline spill. Upon arrival crew determined that 1-2 gallons of fuel had spilled and used oil dry compound to absorb remaining fuel.

TRAINING

The department has taken possession of our new MSA G1 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and all members are currently training with the new equipment in hopes of placing them in service by the end of March.

INCIDENT CALLS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – FEBRUARY 29, 2016



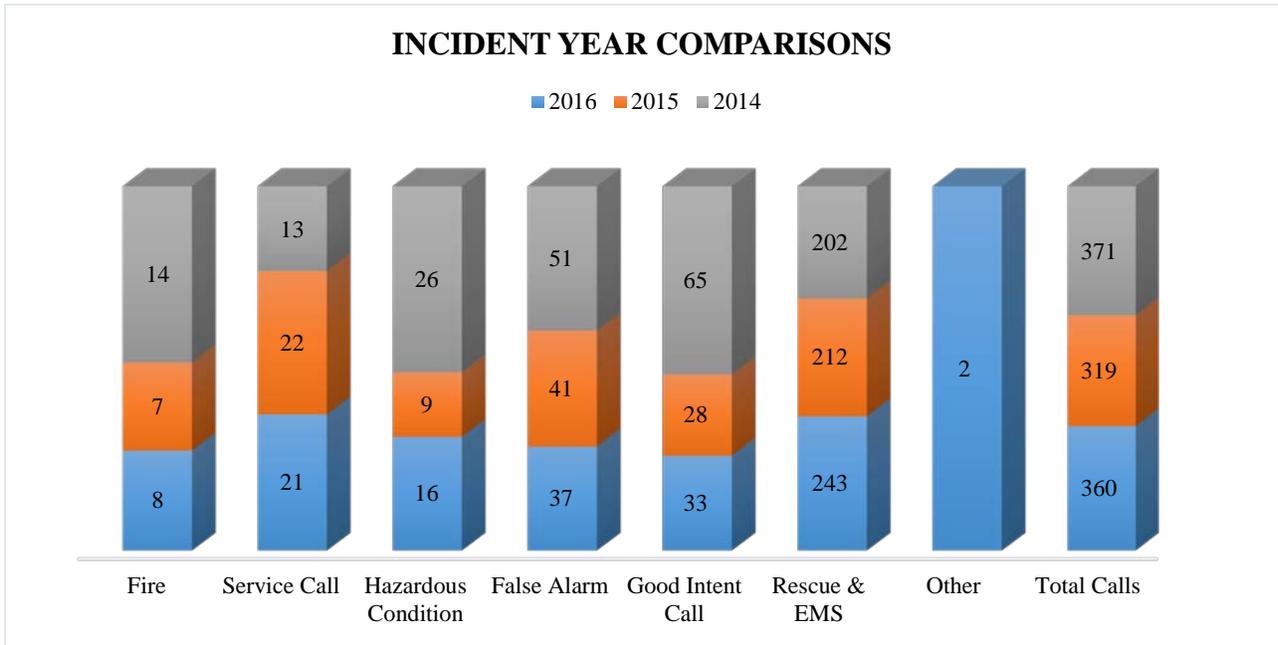
Number of Incidents by Month:

January	169 Incidents
February	180 Incidents
March	--- Incidents
April	--- Incidents
May	--- Incidents
June	--- Incidents
July	--- Incidents
August	--- Incidents
September	--- Incidents
October	--- Incidents
November	--- Incidents
December	--- Incidents

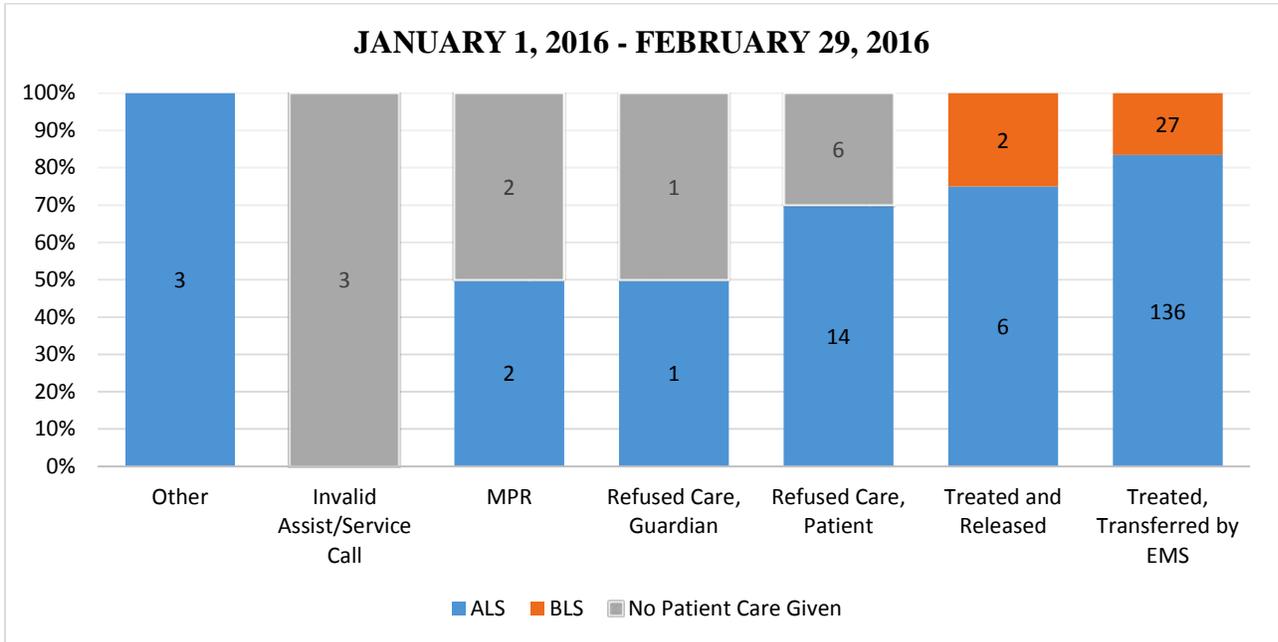
Total Estimated Loss YTD \$500

Total 360 Incidents

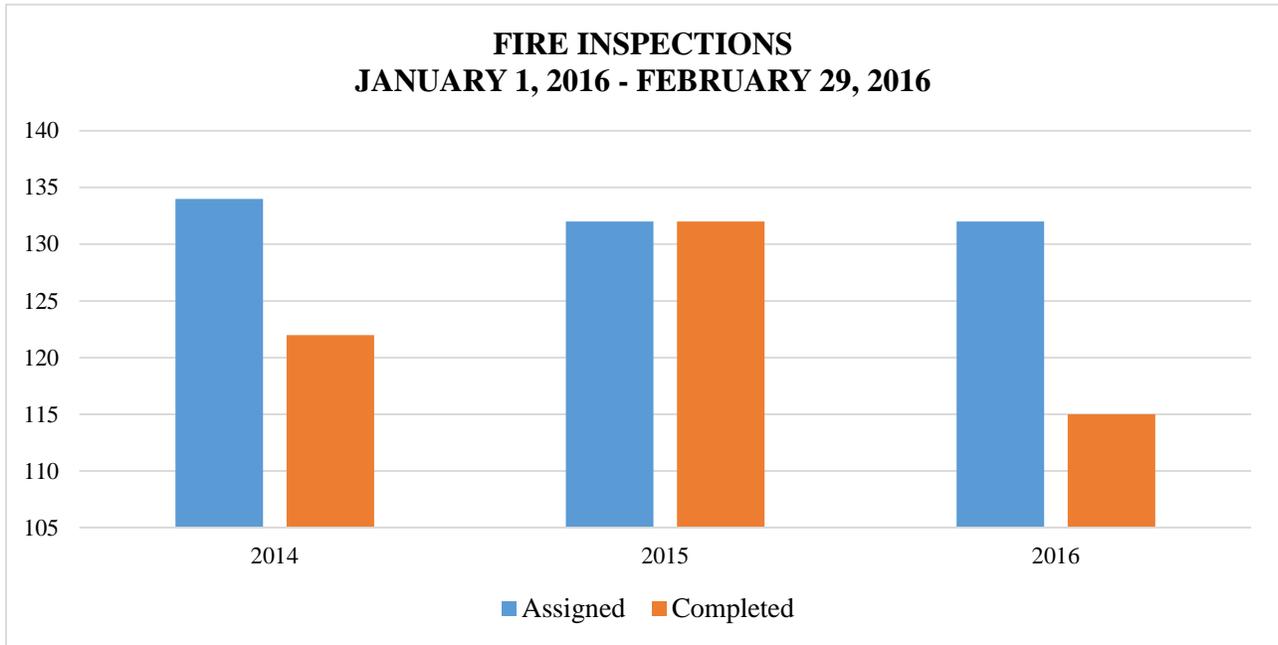
INCIDENT CALL COMPARISONS YTD FOR 2014-2016



LEVEL OF CARE SUMMARY



FIRE PREVENTION



TRAINING DIVISION

TRAINING HOURS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – FEBRUARY 29, 2016

2014	2015	2016 - YTD
2815 Hours	2781 Hours	324 Hours

Fire Chief