

Washington Township / Avon Fire Department

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Fire Chief's Report

August 2014

Run Totals:

	July	August
2014	345	380
2013	284	329
YTD 2014	2506	2887
2013	2067	2407

Prevention & Inspection

Service Calls	70
Fire Investigations	2

Pub Ed Events

Monthly: 14
YTD Events: 268
Contacts YTD: 9322

EMS Training August 477 YTD 2841

Fire Training August 450 YTD 4158

Last month was filled with lots of training and preparation for the beginning of the school year for this year. As I did last month, I wanted to begin my report with recognition for the outstanding work that our people do every day.

As you all know, at the beginning of this year, we hired our new public educator Karen Hendershot. When Karen began the job, I think that she was both excited and a bit overwhelmed with the new job environment as well as a new boss and new expectations. Since beginning, she has been a great asset to the department in many ways. With the dawning of her new work, she and I looked at the public education division and had a desire to work into some new areas. With a small amount of guidance, she had hit the ground running and exceeded everyone's expectations. Last month was just another example of her desire to not only meet, but to also exceed expectations. As you may recall, we added the responsibility of overseeing the Project Lifesaver program to Karen's division. Last month, Karen attended a National Project Lifesaver Conference in Florida, and during the conference, entered and won an award for being the best tracker at the conference. I will plan to bring the trophy to the meeting so that you can see it and if Karen is available, I will have her attend so that we can congratulate her properly.

Following the attorney and board's recommendation, last weekend, we published the acceptance of bids for our newest fire engine. The bids for the new truck will be opened on Thursday, October 2, 2014, and then the results of the bids will be presented to the board at the October meeting.

Our newest firefighter, Joe Coffman graduated from the Wayne Township Recruit Academy two weeks ago, and has begun his shift assignment. Chief George, Chief Adams and Trustee Hodson attended his graduation.

Last month, The Hearth at Prestwick required our assistance to provide fire watch protection to their facility for three days. Their fire alarm system was compromised by lightning and could not be fixed for several days. Unfortunately, we had to request assistance from the State Fire Marshal's Office to encourage the facility to make repairs more rapidly than they had originally planned. Chief Carpenter and I are in the process of re-defining our guidelines for fire watches to hopefully make owners more prompt and aggressive in getting contractors to mix problems more rapidly, so that we do not tax our personnel in assisting the facilities.

This month, Chief Carpenter and Karen will be presenting a program to the Hendricks County School Safety Committee on Juvenile Firesetters. Both Levi and Karen have attended two workshops this year and they have become increasingly concerned about the problem in our area. The Hendricks County School Safety Committee is a group of school leaders, law enforcement leaders, fire department leaders, health department leaders and other interested parties that meet on a quarterly basis to promote school safety throughout the county.

As you all should know by now, we have been in the process of selecting a new EMS Division Chief. I wanted to first thank Chief Bessler for his service and hard work while working in the position. I also want to thank our medical director, Dr. Jim Nossett for assisting with the review and selection process. I also want to wish Ted Allen, our new EMS Division Chief the best of luck in the future.

Last month, Chief George attended Fire Rescue International in Dallas, Texas. The conference is the annual conference of the International Conference of Fire Chiefs. He advised me that the programming was excellent and he enjoyed the opportunity for additional personnel development. He and I attend the Indiana Emergency Response Conference in Indianapolis last month also. It was a great opportunity to network and attend state and local chiefs and hear keynote presentations about Community Para-medicine.

As I am writing this report, I am in my room at the National Fire Academy attending the 26th Annual Executive Fire Officer Symposium. This annual meeting of EFO graduates, is a rare opportunity to re-acquaint with past class members, as well as forging new friendships with other chief and executive officers from around the county. This year's program centers around the Patient Protection and Affordable Healthcare Act and its impacts on the fire service. During the weekend, we have 26 different programs covering several topics. I have received some great information about community para-medicine, which is a program that we have been working with the hospital to possibly develop in the future. Thank you for this opportunity to attend this personal development program.

To round out our training and conference report, Chief Carpenter, Chief Adams, Lt. Josephs and I attended the International Arson Investigators Conference in Plainfield. We are fortunate that many of our conferences are held locally, which saves us a lot of money. The unfortunate part of this situation is that being so close to home, sometimes creates problems when problems at the office take us away from a beneficial conference. My hope is that the trustee and board appreciates our desire to forward the knowledge of our officers and personnel, re-enforcing our commitment to training and personnel development.

In closing, I wish to again thank the trustee and board for the many ways that you support our department and the residents that we protect. Our department is fortunate to have your commitment, and we realize that we have been given much, and we should return that trust with quality and commitment to our jobs. Thank you!

**Emergency Operations Monthly Report
August 2014**

Emergency Responses:

August 2014 Total - 380

C1401 – 3	EG142 – 118	LD141 – 53	MD142 – 145
C1402 – 3	EG143 – 78	RE141 – 93	MD143 – 116
C1420 – 0		SUP142 – 1	SQ141 – 2
C1430 – 2		PLS1 – 0	
C1440 - 8			
C1450 – 3			
BC14 – 29			

Overall average response time of all apparatus for the month of August: 5:47

Mutual Aid Given & Received

<u>Department</u>	<u>Given (EMS/Fire)</u>	<u>Received (EMS/Fire)</u>	<u>Total (Given/Rec)</u>
BFT	6/5	4/4	11/8
DFD	8/3	6/1	11/7
DTFD	0/1	0/0	1/0
LIB	0/1	0/0	1/0
MVFD	0/1	0/0	1/0
PFT	17/6	9/4	23/13
WTFD	10/8	2/4	18/6

Staffing:

- Number of days SQ141 in-service: 2
- Number of overtime positions filled:
 - For minimum staffing: 13
 - To keep SQ141 in-service: 0

Incidents Year to Date 2014 – 2,887

C1401 – 14	EG142 – 820	LD141 – 564	MD142 – 986
C1402 – 29	EG143 – 577	RE141 – 432	MD143 – 852
C1420 – 20		SUP142 – 5	SQ141 – 394
C1430 – 17		PLS1 – 1	
C1440 - 135			
C1450 – 20			
BC14 – 289			

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August 2014 Monthly Fire Training Report

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Fire Suppression	Aug. 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 19, and 23, 2014	261.5
Driver Education	Aug. 28, 2014	3.0
Administrative	Aug. 5, and 27, 2014	7.0
PIA	Aug. 1, 7, and 13, 2014	34.5
RIT	Aug. 9, 2014	10.0
Co. Officer		
Development	Aug.1, 2014	2.0
Special Op's	July 29, and 31, Aug. 15, and 20, 2014	33.0
HazMat County		
Drill/PIA	Aug. 13, 2014	98.0
Haz Com	Aug. 20, 2014	1.0
	Total Man-hours	450.0
	YTD	4,157.5

Washington Township/ Avon Fire
 Monthly EMS report

AUGUST 2014 EMS RESPONSES

1402	1
1430	0
1450	3
Battalion 14	8
Ladder 141	4
Rescue 141	81
Engine 142	75
Engine 143	45
Medic 142	122
Medic 143	94
Squad 141	2
Support 142	0

EMS TRAINING - Department Level

Subject	Type*	Date	Hours
BLS A&R, Charting documentation	L	12-Aug-14	54
Patient Handling	I	12-Aug-14	18
BLS A&R, Charting documentation	L	13-Aug-14	22
Patient Handling	I	13-Aug-14	11
BLS A&R, Charting documentation	L	14-Aug-14	32
Patient Handling	I	14-Aug-14	16
BLS A&R, Charting documentation	L	19-Aug-14	8
Patient Handling	I	19-Aug-14	4
Mega-Code, King Airway	L&P	26-Aug-14	36
Mega-Code, King Airway	L&P	27-Aug-14	38
Mega-Code, King Airway	L&P	28-Aug-14	28

EMS TRAINING - Company Level

BBP	I	27-Aug-14	1.5
Stericycle Hazmat	I	29-Aug-14	1.5

EMS TRAINING - Outside

Advanced Life Support Audit and Review	L	20-Aug-14	12
Paramedic	L	August	189
Primary Instructor	L	August	4
Train the trainer HRH megacode	L&P	25-Aug-14	1.5

Monthly Total 476.5
 Year to Date Total 2840.5

* L = Lecture P = Practical L&P = Combination
 * I = Interactive Video training



Fire Inspection/Investigation Division
August 2014 Monthly Report

	August
Fire Inspections/Consultations	34
Plan Review	33
Site Review	2
Inspector Call Outs	1
<i>Total Number</i>	70
Fire Investigation Cases	
Undetermined	0
Accidental	2
Natural	0
Incendiary	0
<i>Total Fire Investigation Cases</i>	2

Division Notes:

- **The Division brought in \$4,550.00 in building plan review, and fire protection permit fees last month.**
- **Chief Smith, Chief Adams, Lt. Joseph, and Chief Carpenter attended the 2014 Indiana Arson Association Conference**



Division of Public Education
 August 2014
 Report by: Karen Hendershot



Director of Public Education	July	August	YTD.
Public Education	15	0	132
Public Relation	1	3	6
Fundraising	0	0	3
EMS coverage	0	0	0
Fitness and Wellness	11	8	55
Monthly Total	27	11	196

Crews/ HQ Staff	July	August	YTD
Public Education	6	0	30
Public Relation	2	2	21
Fundraising	0	0	1
EMS coverage	3	1	20
Fitness and Wellness	0	0	0
Monthly Total	11	3	72

	July	August	YTD
Cancelled	0	0	1
Rescheduled	0	1	2
Refer/Deny	0	0	4
Total Events			268
Total Contacts			9322

Director of Public Education Events:

- **Preschool Risk Watch Program**
 - Scheduled to start in September
- **Fair/Community PR Events**
 - Booth at AHS Community Day – August 23rd
- **Fitness Classes**
 - 6 - Insanity/PiYo Group fitness classes at Pavilion Center
 - 2 – PiYo in the Park outdoor classes taught

Training:

- Attended Youth Firesetting Conference – Effects of Social Media – August 7th
- Attended the PLS Annual Conference – August 11-15th

Crew/HQ Staff Events

- 2 CPR classes offered
- Rescheduled Car Extrication Demo to September 25th due to rain
- Helped Avon Marching Black and Gold with the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge
- Provided medical coverage at AHS Football game

Grants/Fundraisers:

- Wal-Mart for the Community Grant Program – asking for Fire Prevention Week supplies
- Submitted Sponsorship request to Dick’s Sporting Goods – requesting help with providing water bottles to participants in the YMCA Gobble Gallop

Current Projects in the Works:

- Project Lifesaver – Added 1 new client
 - Partnering with Countryside Meadows, IU Health West, Firehouse Subs, Chick-Fil-A for sponsorship/fundraiser opportunities
- Avon Band Together Heritage Festival Event – September 25th
 - Crew will do wing eating contest vs. Avon Police Department
 - Crews will be doing an Car Extrication Demo - 8:00pm
- Heritage Festival – September 27th
 - Booth space
 - Fitness classes at 11:00 and 12:00
 - Obstacle Course at 13:00-15:00
 - Crews will rotate through to be available to show apparatus
- Planning Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 5-10)
 - Article in the Flyer advertising Smoke Detector Blitz and Open House
 - Convocation Oct. 3rd with Sycamore and Kingsway (MC Axe and the Fire Crew)
 - Pizza/Smoke Detector Blitz – Wednesday, October 8th
 - Crew at AHS game – PSA about smoke detectors/advertise about Open House
 - Open House – Saturday, October 11th - 10:00-14:00
- AHS will now announce a safety PSA each month at sporting events.
- Continued planning on Task Force for the YMCA Gobble Gallop 5K on Thanksgiving Day.
- Flyer will run monthly safety tip, and feature an article quarterly in Be Magazine featuring our department.
- Created Washington Township Avon Fire Department YouTube Channel

Ideas for Future:

- Meeting with PFT's to discuss options for joining gym classes for workouts at AIS-E, AIS-W, in the fall of 2014-2015 school year.
- Possible partnership with AHS Video Broadcasting classes to make safety videos to feature on YouTube and incorporate into the schools in the near future.

Items in need of purchase:

- Foam noodles for car seat installations
- Banners to advertise Open House at FPW
- Banner for booth space at events