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Fire Chief's September Report 2017

Run Totals:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Monthly:	428	482	425
YTD:	2,789	3,271	3,696

Public Education:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Monthly:	14	18	22
YTD Events:	153	171	193
Contacts YTD:	7511	9418	13,762

EMS Division:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Monthly*:	277	280	181
YTD*	2,278.25	2,508.25	2,689.25

EMS Revenue:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Monthly:	67,539.46	70,822.60	77,709.22
YTD:	498,964.12	569,786.72	647,495.94

Fire Training Div.:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Monthly*:	1595	1092.5	737
YTD*	7,259.50	8,352	9,089

Prevention/ Investigation Division:

	Jul	Aug	Sep
Service Calls:	46	41	99
Fire Inv.	6	2	4

* Training measured in man hours

Fire Chief 's Report

September 2017

As I prepare this month's report, things are in full swing for National Fire Prevention Week next week. Karen has been setting up the station Open Houses and we have been fielding a lot of requests for visits and tours.

Last weekend was the Heritage Festival, and our crews had a presence there in addition to Karen providing public education opportunities. We had the trailer at the park and provided tours in addition to our junior firefighter challenge course. Two of our shift members competed with the town on town trivia questions, and unfortunately got "slimmed" when they lost the competition.

Our Civilian Fire Academy is in its final weeks, and our latest class will have a class graduation complete with dinner provided by Texas Roadhouse. Several of our students have given us great feedback about what they have learned and the fun that they have had. Thanks to Karen and all of the shift and staff personnel that work so hard to make this possible.

Two of our department members were activated to serve on the Indiana Rescue Taskforce in Puerto Rico. Two weeks ago, Battalion Chief Jason Porter was activated and is just now on his way home from deployment. Hopefully, he will be back on shift early next week. Assistant Chief George was activated a few days later and was in the area for over a week before being demobilized at the end of last week. We have one other department member, Lieutenant Jerry Bessler who is a task force member, that was not activated.

This past week, we received our new re-mounted ambulance. The unit still needs to be stripped but should be ready to be put into service within the next week or so.

Two weeks ago, Chief George, Chief Allen, Chief Shafer and I attended the Indiana Emergency Response Conference. Chief George had to cut his attendance short because of his activation, but Chief Shafer and I both presented programs at the conference.

As I close this month's report, I would like to recognize Firefighter Tom Greene. A short time ago, it was brought to our attention, that there was a lady in the community that is confined to a motorized wheel chair, who needed her battery changed. The trustee sent an email addressing the need, and asking if someone was willing to assist her. Without notifying anyone or asking for recognition, Tom took it upon himself to contact the lady in need and took time off shift, to meet with the lady and change her battery in her chair. It was only later when the lady was contacted, that we found out that Tom had accomplished the request. Thank you, Tom, for taking it upon yourself to assist this lady, for your selfless giving, even without seeking recognition.