



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

### **EVENTS – 2016**

**70<sup>th</sup> Annual Pet Parade**  
Saturday June 4, 2016  
9:30AM-11:00AM

**Ahh! La Grange Carnival**  
Friday June 3 – Sunday  
June 5, 2016

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

**Endless Summerfest**  
August 5 – 7, 2016

**West End Arts Festival**  
September 17 – 18, 2016

**Fire Department  
Annual Open House**  
Saturday October 9, 2016  
11:00AM - 3:30PM

**Halloween Walk**  
October 29, 2016

**Hometown Holiday**  
December 3, 2016  
5:00PM – 9:00PM  
**25<sup>th</sup> Annivesary**

# **LA GRANGE FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 2016**



## **A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF**

There has been a lot of information on the Zika virus in the news lately. The La Grange Fire Department is working closely with the Cook County Department of Public Health who is closely monitoring the Zika virus and will provide updates as new information becomes available.

At this time, there is little risk of acquiring the Zika virus as a resident of La Grange unless you have had relations with someone who has traveled to a country where Zika is already present which could lead to the infection. Cook County is closely monitoring the situation for the spread of infected mosquitoes.

There are several other diseases spread by mosquitoes and you should take precautions to limit the spread regarding all of them. The Village of La Grange is included in the Des Plaines Valley Mosquito Abatement District, which does regular monitoring and spraying during mosquito season.

For more information on the Zika virus, and for the latest updates, please visit the following links:

[www.cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika).

<http://blogs.cdc.gov/publichealthmatters/2016/02/5-things-you-really-need-to-know-about-zika/>

# Protect yourself from mosquito bites



**Daytime is most dangerous**  
Mosquitoes that spread chikungunya, dengue, and Zika are aggressive daytime biters. They can also bite at night.



**Use insect repellent  
It works!**  
Look for the following active ingredients:  
• DEET • PICARIDIN • IR3535



**Wear protective clothes**  
Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use insect repellent. For extra protection, treat clothing with permethrin.



**Mosquito-proof your home**  
Use screens on windows and doors. Use air conditioning when available. Keep mosquitoes from laying eggs in and near standing water.

For more information:

[www.cdc.gov/chikungunya](http://www.cdc.gov/chikungunya) • [www.cdc.gov/dengue](http://www.cdc.gov/dengue) • [www.cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika)



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## CALLS OF NOTE

On May 5, 2016, at 1344 hours, La Grange Co. 1111 responded auto-aid to the 4200 block of Forest Avenue in Brookfield for the report of a house fire. Upon arrival, La Grange crews assisted with interior ventilation and overhaul operations.

On May 6, 2016, at 0901 hours, La Grange companies responded to the 00 block of S. Stone Avenue for the smell of gas inside the residence. Upon arrival, crews did not detect the odor of gas nor were they able to find a source. The resident was advised to re-contact the fire department if the odor came back.

On May 6, 2016, at 1951 hours, La Grange and auto-aid companies responded to the 00 block of S. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue for the automatic fire alarm. Upon arrival, crews found the activation on the third floor was due to cooking in unit 301. Unit was ventilated, alarm reset and all companies released.

On May 8, 2016, at 1545 hours, La Grange companies responded to the 1200 block of S. Brainard for the smell of natural gas in the basement. Upon arrival, crews found a pinhole leak in the flexible gas line to the dryer. The gas to the dryer was isolated, the basement was ventilated and the homeowner was advised to have the gas line replaced.

On May 12, 2016 at 0317 hours, La Grange Co. 1112 responded auto-aid to 4400 block of Blanchan in Brookfield for the reported structure fire. Upon arrival, the crew was assigned to ventilation and conducted a primary search. The crew also assisted Brookfield with re-bedding hose before being released by Brookfield command.

On May 15, 2016 at 2237 hours, La Grange and auto-aid companies responded to the 700 block of W. Hillgrove for the reported structure fire. Upon arrival, crews found a fire on the second floor rear porch. The fire was contained to the wicker furniture with no extension to the building. The cause of the fire was discarded smoking materials.

On May 22, 2016 at 1904 hours, La Grange Co. 1111 responded to La Grange Towers at 141 N. La Grange Road for the couple who could not exit their condominium. Upon arrival, crews found the entry doorknob to the unit was loose and difficult to operate. After gaining entry, the crew tightened the hardware and exercised the knob so that it would move easier.

On May 25, 2016 at 1815 hours, La Grange Co. 1111 responded to the 100 block of North La Grange Road for people stuck in the elevator. Upon arrival, crews located the elevator car and made contact with the residents. Power was shut down to the elevator and the elevator was recalled to the first floor where the residents were released.

On May 27, 2016 at 1039 hours, La Grange Co. 1112 responded as a change of quarter's company for the structure fire in the 4000 block of Leland in Lyons. The crews remained on scene until released by Lyons command.

On May 29, 2016 at 1904 hours, La Grange and auto-aid companies responded to the parking garage for the AFA. Upon arrival, crews found a small intentionally set fire on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor landing of the north stairwell. The fire was extinguished and the alarm was reset. La Grange Police were going to review surveillance camera footage.

On May 30, 2016 at 1012 hours, La Grange and auto-aid companies responded to the 00 block of S. La Grange Road for the AFA. Upon arrival, crews found the hood and duct system had activated and extinguished a stovetop fire. The business was shut down until the hood and duct system could be repaired, and the village's health department could verify proper cleanup had taken place. The business completed all the required work and was allowed to re-open later that evening.

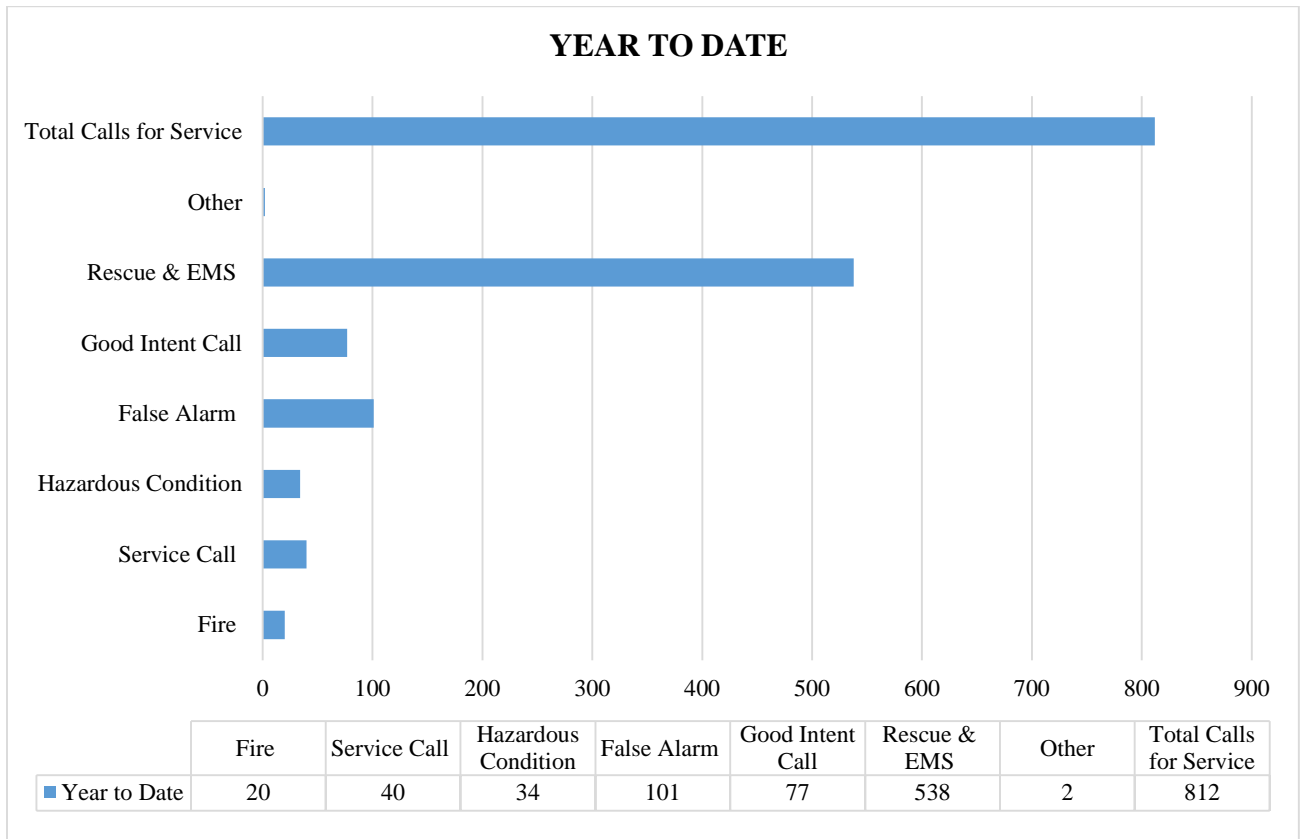
### **La Grange Firefighters Annual Golf Outing**

La Grange Firefighters Local 2338 held their 23rd Annual Golf Outing at Village Greens of Woodridge. The union raised money for the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance's Burn Camp, "I Am Me". The Illinois Fire Safety Alliance is an organization that brings together groups with a common interest in fire safety, burn prevention, public education and to promote programs and disseminate information related to fire safety and burn prevention. All the programs of this organization are made possible by donations from events like this. The Golf Outing Committee is comprised of FF/PM Chuck Crudele and FF/PM James Baum.

### **La Grange Firefighters looking to 'Fill the Boot'**

In cooperation with the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the La Grange Firefighters Local 2338 will be holding a Fill the Boot fundraiser on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at the intersection of La Grange Road and Ogden Avenue from 0900-1200 each day.

**INCIDENT CALLS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – MAY 31, 2016**



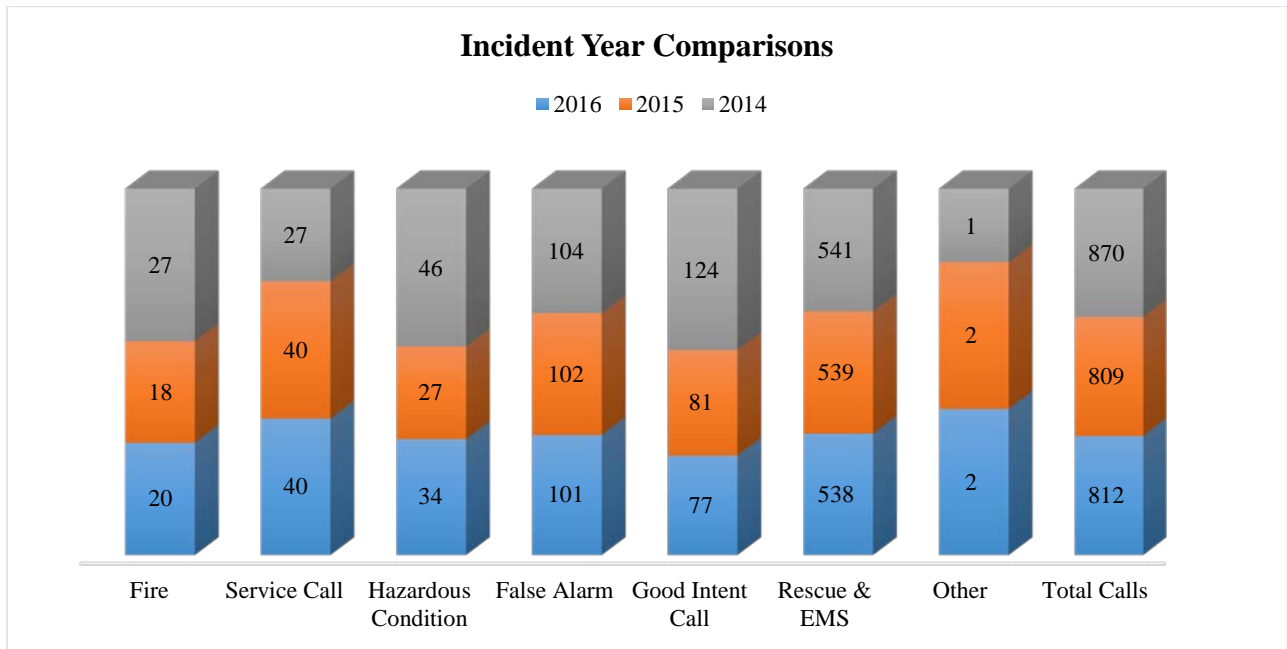
**Number of Incidents by Month:**

<b>January</b>	<b>169 Incidents</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>191 Incidents</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>136 Incidents</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>143 Incidents</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>173 Incidents</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>--- Incidents</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>--- Incidents</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>--- Incidents</b>
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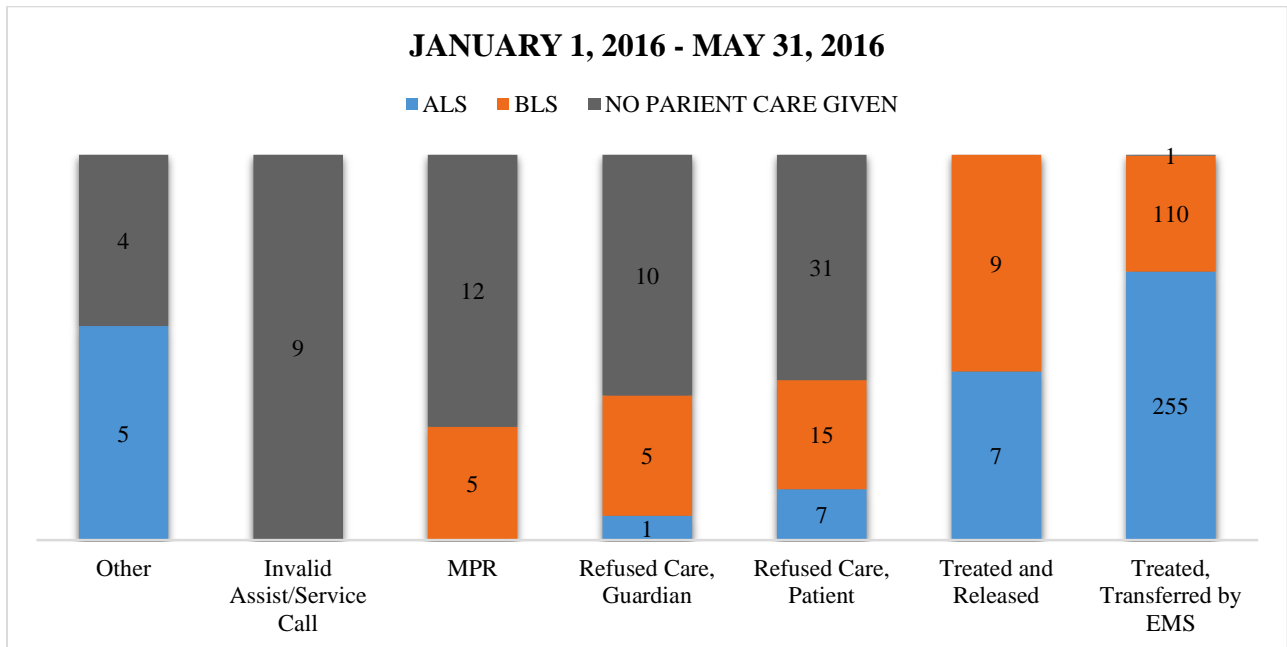
**Total Estimated Loss YTD \$14,100**

**Total 812 Incidents**

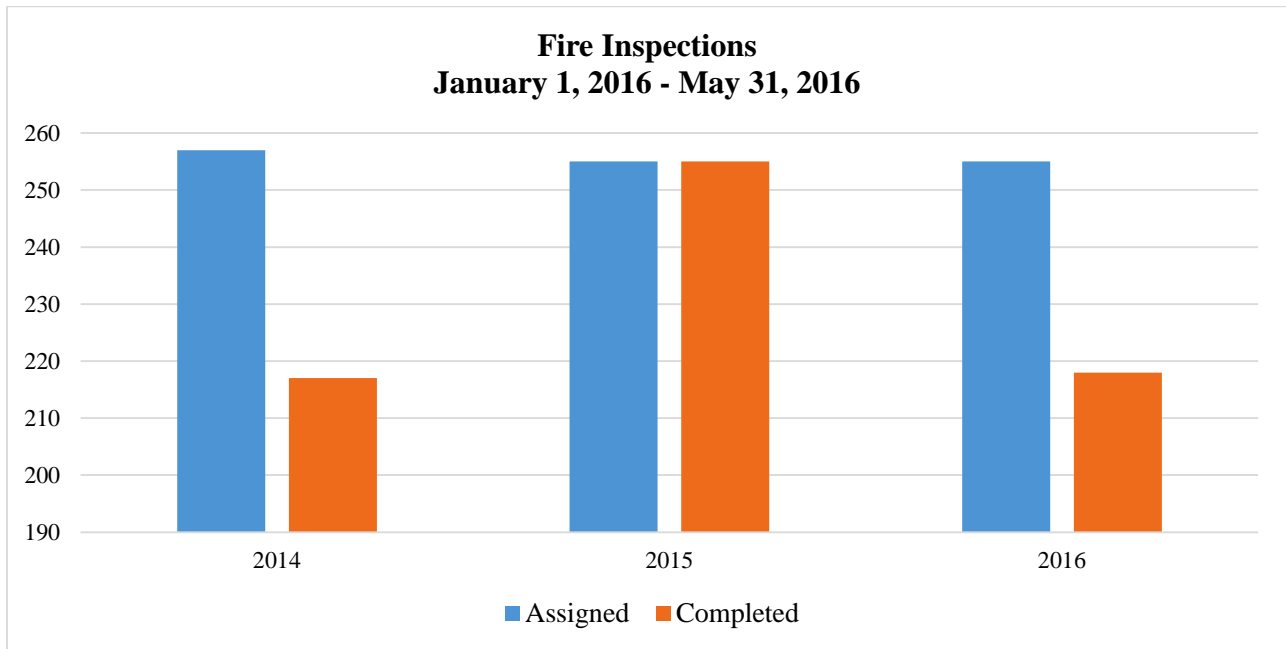
## INCIDENT CALL COMPARISONS YTD FOR 2014-2016



## LEVEL OF CARE SUMMARY



**FIRE PREVENTION**



**TRAINING DIVISION**

**TRAINING HOURS FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 – MAY 31, 2016**

2014	2015	2016 - YTD
2815 Hours	2781 Hours	1272 Hours

**DEPARTMENT MILESTONES**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

None

**BIRTHDAYS**

**Berghaus 1966**  
**Poulos 1987**  
**Jaeger 1977**  
**Martinaitis 1973**

*Fire Chief*