



HOT SPRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT MARCH 2023



FROM FIRE CHIEF DAVIS

March was busy for the Fire Department as we began the month with the deployment of our Dive Team on an agency assist to the Garland County Sheriff's Office. Our divers floated a car from the bottom of the lake, assisted with its removal and with the recovery of the occupant. Working in conjunction with the Hot Springs Police Department we planned and conducted successful St Patrick's Day operations. Together we deployed the EOC, JHAT, EMS and Law Enforcement teams during this important event. We also planned the deployment of JHAT Teams for the Arkansas Derby. We continued our EMT Training Program and met with new City Directors Phyllis Beard and Dudley Webb. We also met with numerous downtown property owners concerning the application of the new Fire Code to their buildings.

Pictured above: Firefighter crews work on a Structure fire on Chapel St.

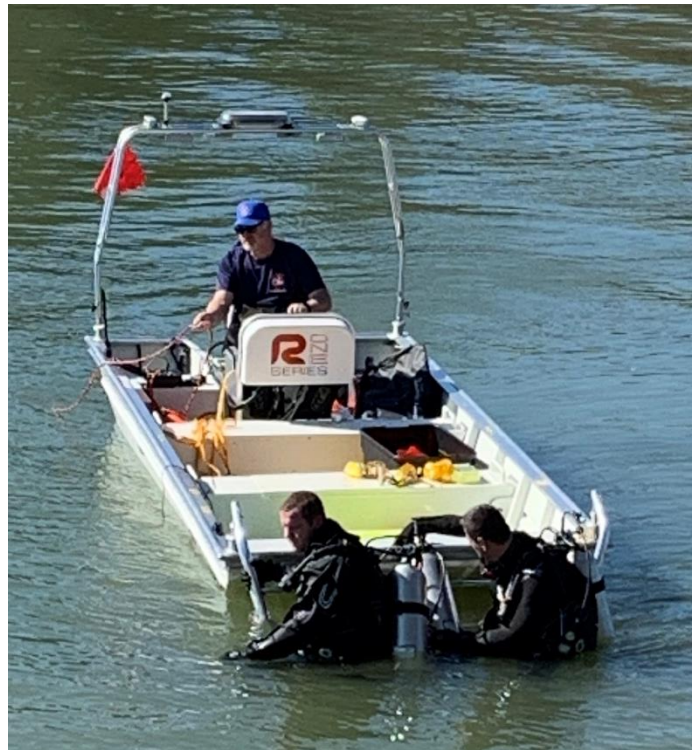
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

FIRE MARSHAL, TOM BRAUGHTON

The Fire Prevention Bureau conducted the following inspections for the month of February.

- 13 Certificate of Occupancies
- 4 Plan Reviews
- 1 Sprinkler Inspection
- 1 Fire alarm test
- 1 Fire Safety Inspections
- 1 Daycare Inspection
- 650 Pre fire inspections

Pictured above on right: Recovery of vehicle by dive team members



Pictured Below: Crews practice forcible entry techniques during high rise training



TRAINING DIVISION

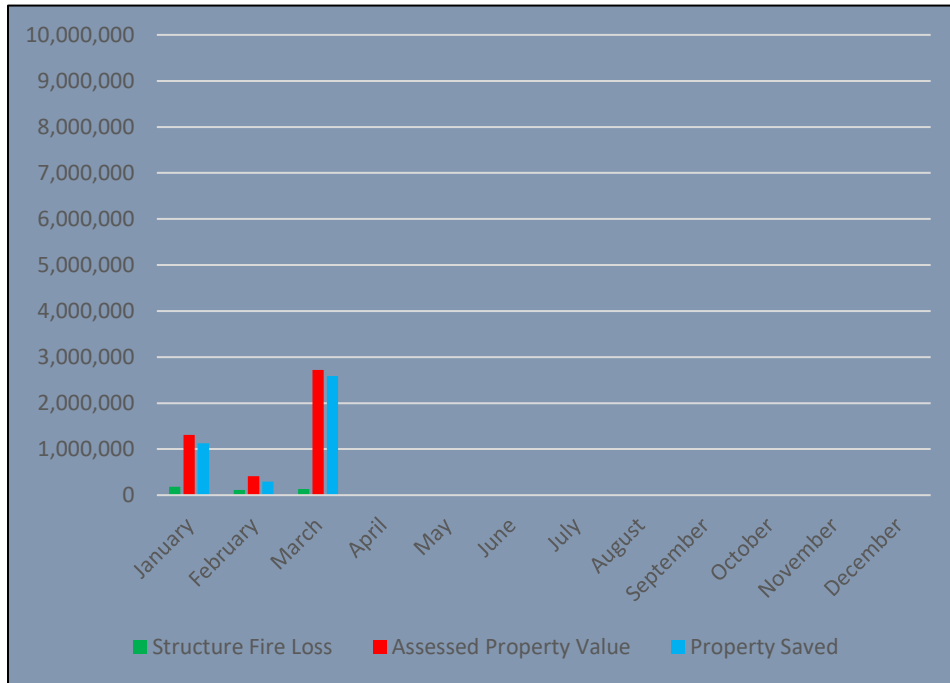
TRAINING OFFICER, TY FARRIS

- Companies conducted high rise training in the old section of the Math and Sciences building. This location allowed personnel to advance equipment and hose up flights of stairs and then connect to a standpipe system and advance hose from that location to a floor above to simulate a fire in a multi-story building.
- The HSF D EMT class concluded with all 8 participants passing the course. As of April 18, four of those participants had passed their licensing exam. The other students were scheduled to take their exams after the 18th. Lieutenants Casey Burch and Quincy Lawrence were responsible for teaching the majority of this class and deserve the credit for the success of this class.
- SCBA training with an emphasis on the use of our thermal imaging cameras in our masks was held at the Training Grounds. Search and rescue evolutions were conducted in a dark environment to enhance the use of the cameras.
- Driver Josh Kincannon provided an overview on the department's Peer Support Program to all 3 shifts. The Peer Support team members assist in providing support to FFs following stressful/traumatic events. The goal is to increase our awareness of symptoms following critical incidents and reassure

FD members that it is okay to ask for help.

- Lieutenants Casey Burch, Andrew Davis and Quincy Lawrence attended the Chief Fire Officer class held in Forrest City. This was the second week of four weeks for this course.
- Driver Tracey Gray was the next intern to shadow Training Officer Farris to learn some of the responsibilities associated with the Training Division.

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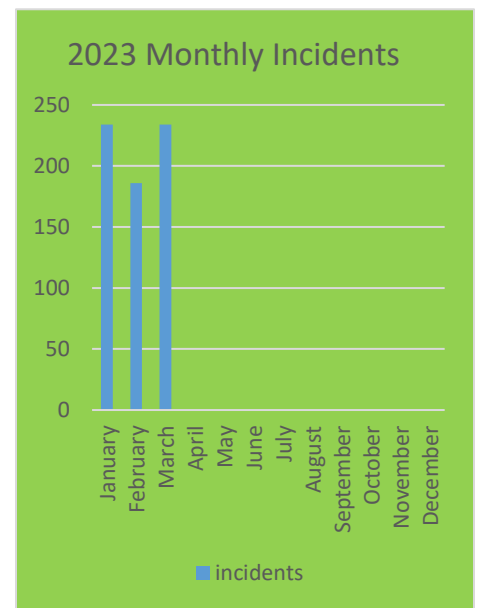
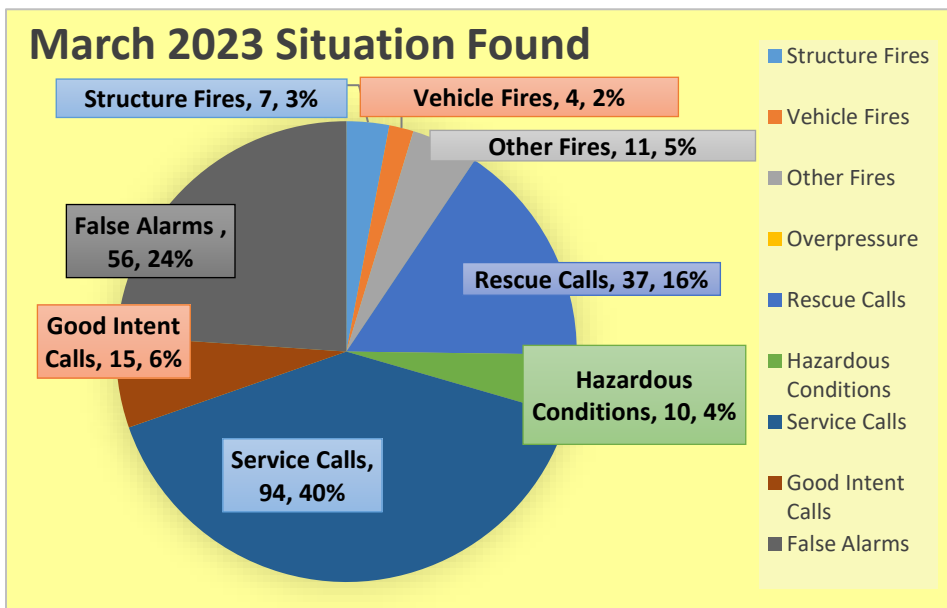
STRUCTURE FIRES

Structure fire loss through March 2023: **\$ 431,200.**

Total Property saved through March 2023: **\$4,007,050.**

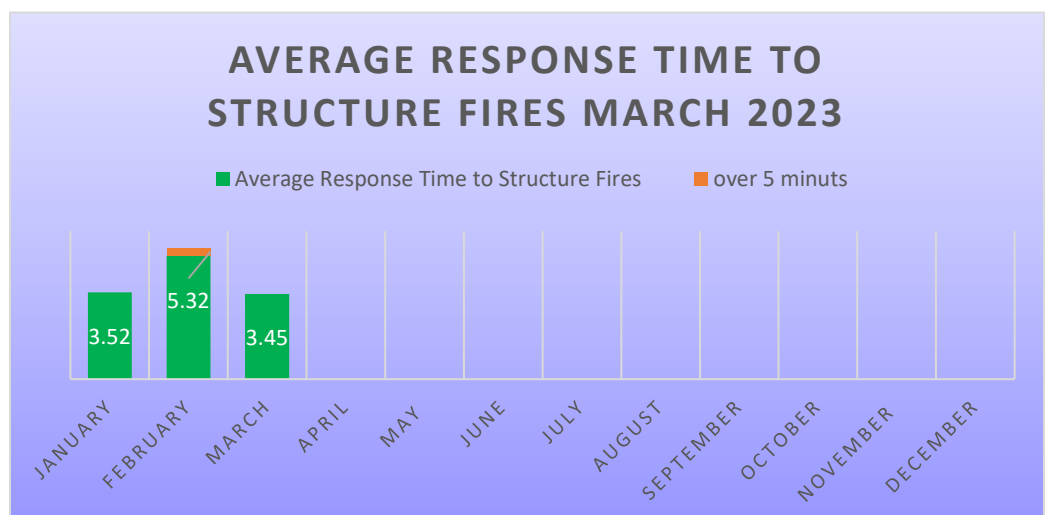
Average response time to structure fires in March 2023: **3:45**

Average response time to all calls in March 2023: **5:08**



Company Responses March 2023

Engine 1	90
Engine 3	32
Engine 4	71
Engine 6	101
Engine 7	77
Rescue 12	24
Rescue2	31
Truck 10	47
Truck 5	19



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES



Driver Jeff Mitchell - 10 years



Lieutenant Blake Harmon – 10 years



Firefighters reload the hose into the high-rise pack following training in the old Math and Science building.