

2013 Year End Report



Mission



The mission of the Wagontown Volunteer Fire Company is to provide superior service to the residents of the Wagontown Volunteer Fire Company District in an effort to protect their lives, property and environment. The members of the company will accomplish the mission through fire suppression, fire prevention, public education, emergency response and non-emergency response. The company will maintain the highest level of readiness and training enabling delivery of fire fighting and emergency rescue services in a safe, competent and caring manner.

2013 Fire Officers



Fire Chief – **L. Todd Ziegler**

Deputy Chief – **Gerald O Patton Jr.**

Assistant Chief – **Robert Yearsley**

Battalion Chief / Safety Officer – **David Stein**

Captain / Training Officer – **Michael Reber**

Lieutenant – **Andrew Moore**

Lieutenant – **Gregory Ziegler**

Chief Engineer – **Charles Pfitzenmeyer**

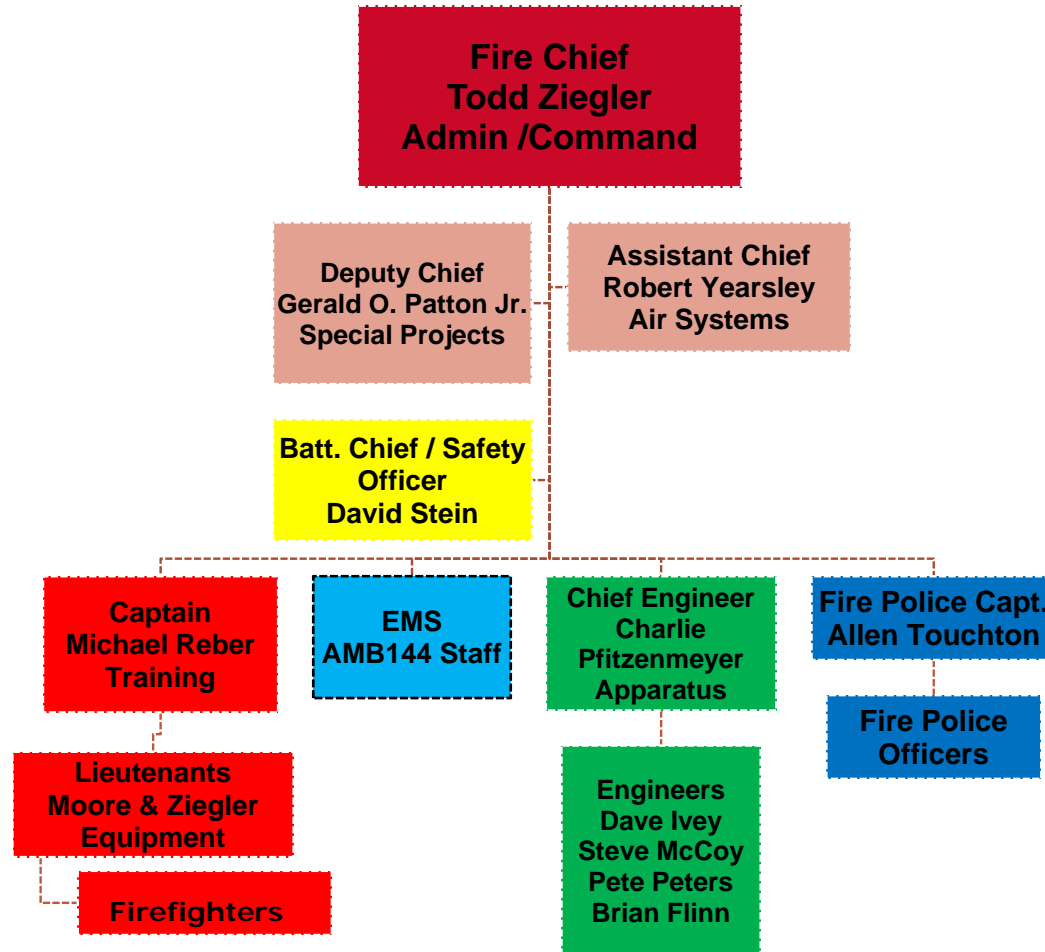
Engineers - **David Ivey**

Robert “Pete” Peters

Steve McCoy

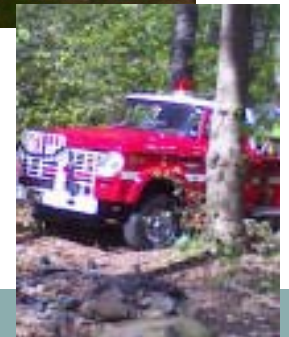
Fire Police Capt. – Percy Trumbower / **Allen Touchton**

2013 Chain of Command



Services Provided

- ▶ Fire Suppression
- ▶ Vehicle Rescue
- ▶ Water Rescue
- ▶ Trench Rescue
- ▶ Wildland Firefighting
- ▶ Fire Training Programs
- ▶ EMS (when needed)
- ▶ Fire Prevention Programs
- ▶ Controlled burns for residents
- ▶ Fire Safety Training
- ▶ CPR / First Aid Training
- ▶ Birthday parties
- ▶ Special Event Stand By's
- ▶ EMS Continuing Education



Apparatus In Service



- Engine 35
- Rescue 35
- Squad 35
- Boat 35-1
 - Boat 35-2
- Brush 35-1
- Brush 35-2
- Brush 35-3
- Utility 35
- Command 35



Apparatus



- This year saw the addition of a Command Unit, primarily operated by the Chief. The Command Unit provided the ability to provide proper scene management through the use of tools and the National Incident Management system.

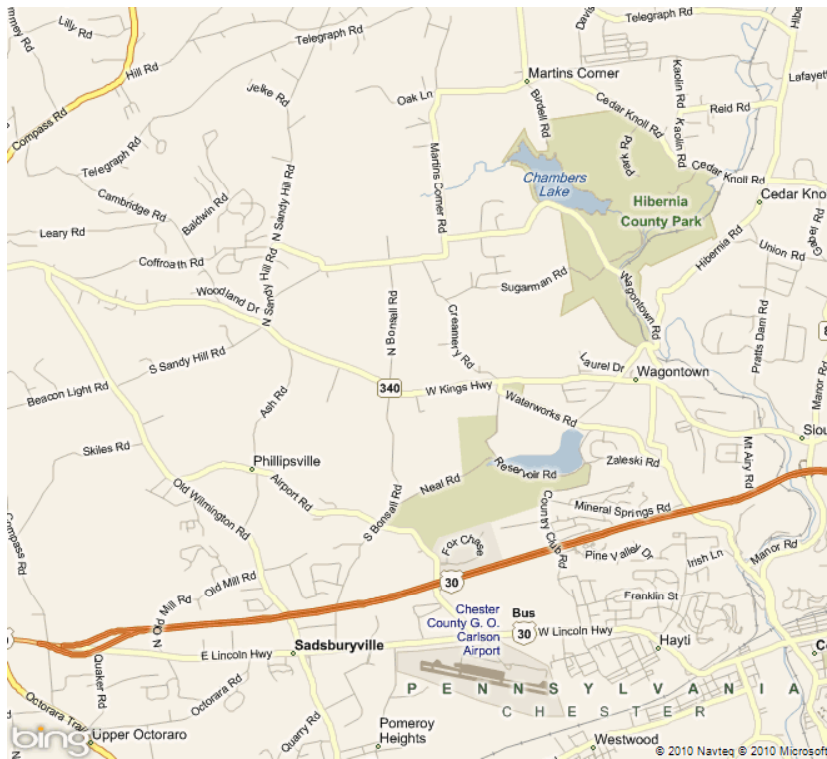


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- We also purchased a new Water Rescue Boat to ease the burden on our current Rescue Boat
 - With this we will now have a spare boat and motor should the need arise to staff two boats or one needs serviced.

Run Area



- **Wagontown Fire Company covers West Caln and West Brandywine Townships.**
- **Encompasses a diverse run area**
 - **Residential**
 - **Farming**
 - **Light Industrial**
 - **Parks & Recreational areas**
 - ✦ Hibernia County Park
 - ✦ Layton Park
 - **Major roadway arteries – Routes 82, 340 and Route 10**
 - **Large bodies of Water**
 - ✦ Coatesville Reservoir
 - ✦ Chambers Lake

2013 Activities



- ▶ The Wagontown Volunteer Fire Company is comprised of over 40 active volunteers. This past year was another busy year with the company answering over 300 calls for service, with **307 total**.
- ▶ The company also held many fund raising activities and special events such as, Hoagie Sales, Chicken BBQ's and a variety of other events.
- ▶ Hall rentals continue to flourish as well as Bingo
- ▶ Participated in the Annual West Caln Community day at the end of September.
- ▶ Participated in the Annual Father's Day car show at West Brandywine Township's facilities.
- ▶ Provided stand by services for events such as the Country Club fireworks and other requested events this years
- ▶ Fire Prevention activities kept us busy during October

Review of 2013



- This year brought some very interesting events our way, it was the year for very different types of incidents.
 - This year saw an increase in serious auto accidents with people trapped
 - The company trained a lot this year, not only in house but attended numerous training programs offered by the National Fire Academy, State and Local
 - **As noted on the training page, we renewed our 75% Participating department with the Office of the State Fire Commissioner on training. This affirms the fact that we respond with Nationally Trained Firefighters on calls which meet the minimum National Standards for Firefighting.**
- During the spring and fall, we also handled a number of brush related fires as well as numerous snow events in the early part of December.

Grants Received



- 2013 – The Fire Services grant from the Pennsylvania Fire Commissioner’s Office gained the Fire Company \$12,000.00 for our Fire Grant. Which was used to upgrade the Emergency Lighting on our apparatus.
 - The base award amount this year to a Fire Company was \$9,500 but due to our training we received \$2,468.95 in bonus funds for our training levels.
- Pa American Water Co. \$500 award for the purchase of Water Rescue equipment
- The Company was also the recipient of a FEMA Grant which provided the funding to replace all of our Ventilation and lighting equipment along with some tools. This is all part of the plan to provide the best equipment to our firefighters who protect our communities.
- The Company was also part of a regional fire grant with six other fire companies to purchase new radios that will work on the new county radio system. This grant was for over \$400,000 dollars to provide over 200 radios to these companies.

Task Forces



- The Fire Company still maintains membership in the following Task Forces for the Southeastern PA region
 - **Fire Task Force** – Still an active member with the South Eastern PA Fire Task Force in Chester County.
 - **Regional Rescue Task Force** – With the company specializing in Water Rescue and Trench Rescue
 - **Wildland Firefighting** – Company continues to support the PA Bureau of Forestry District 17 with equipment and manpower on Wildland fires.

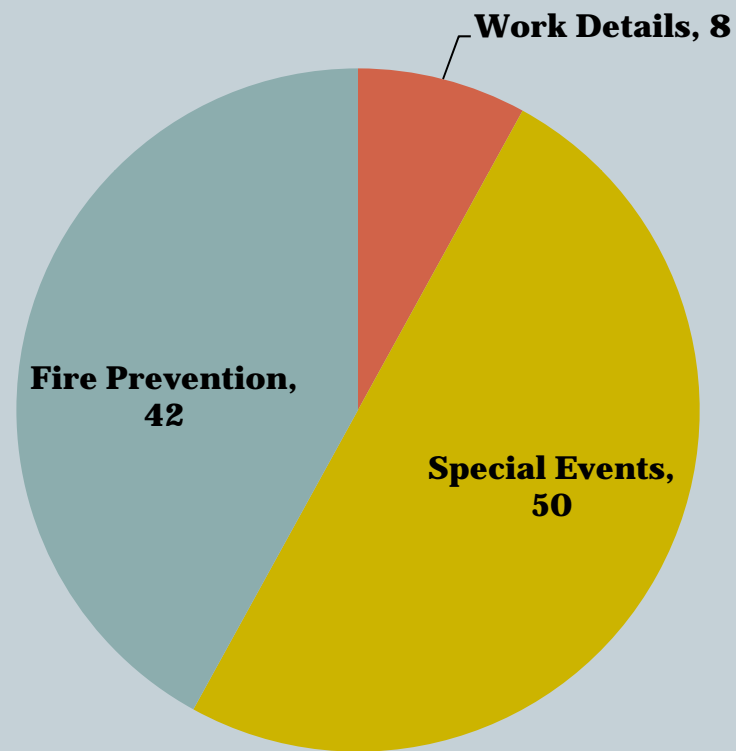


Fire Prevention Details



- **Kings Highway Elem. School**
- **Wagontown Country Day School children**
- **Wagontown Country Day School staff fire safety**
- **Indian Run Helping Hands pre-school**
- **Kathy Hawk Daycare – Fire Safety Program and visit**
- **Brandywine YMCA pre-school programs**
- **Mom's Club of Coatesville**
- **Girl, Cub and Boy Scout packs**
- **Birthday parties**

Non Fire Activity



Funeral Details



This year brought some somber moments as we mourned the loss of our members and Friends.

Active Fire Police Captain Percy Trumbower who passed after a brief illness.

Fellow Firefighter Robert Miller from the East Brandywine Fire Co.

Active Firefighter Christopher Brown who passed away suddenly.

Fellow Past Fire Chief Robert “Scats” Gathercole of the Keystone Valley Fire Dept.

Fire Police Officer and Company Treasurer Rich Markoski who passed away suddenly on us in December

Training



Wagontown Fire Company Renewed their Participating Department recognition of 75%

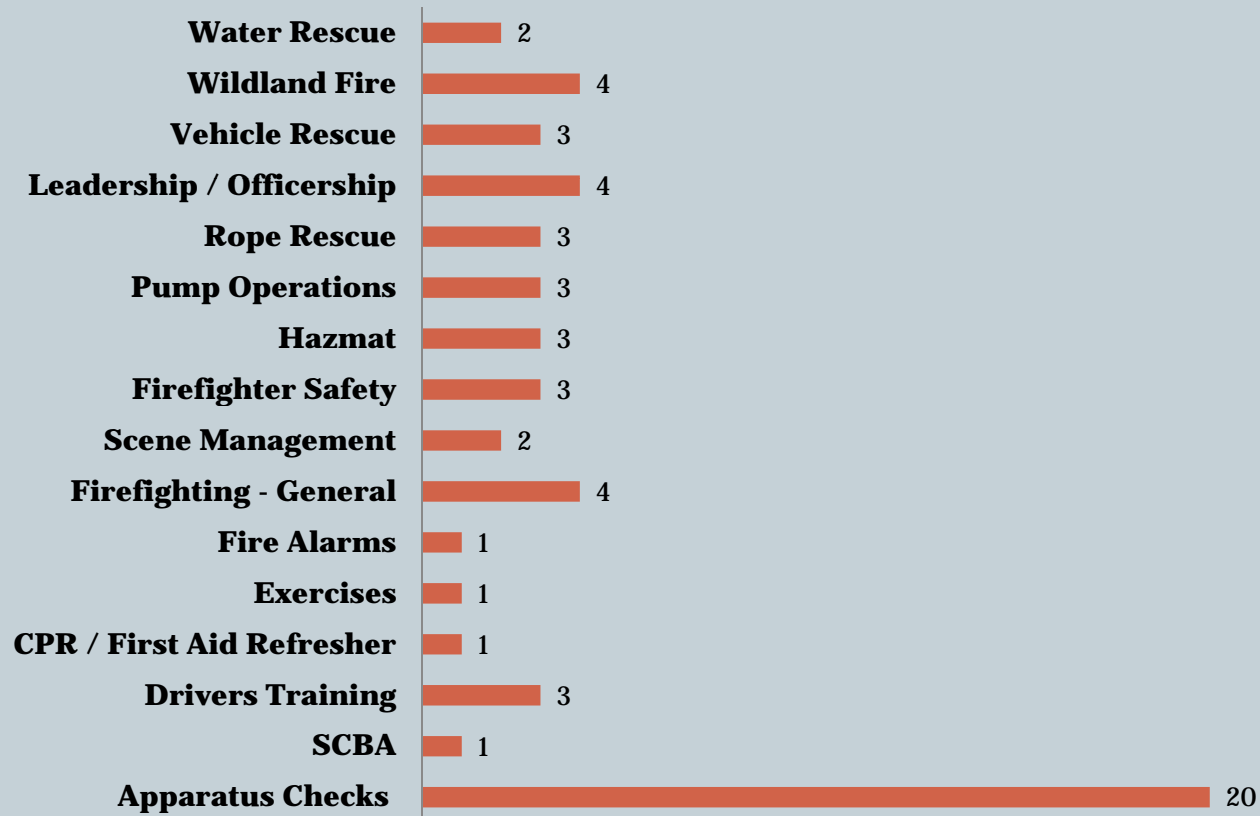
This year members attended the following training courses

- Incident command classes
- Firefighter I
- Incident Safety Officer
- Haz-Mat Operations Class & Refreshers
- First Aid / CPR
- Wildland Firefighting classes
- Vehicle Rescue Classes
- In-House Weekly Training
- Radio, MDC and communications
- PECO Gas and Electric School
- EMS Con-Ed Courses for our EMT's
- Structural Burn Session
- In-House Officers training
- Rapid Intervention Training
- Numerous County Provided classes
- Elevator Rescue
- Solar Panel systems
- Building construction refresher
- Ropes and Riggins
- Tanker Truck Emergencies

Training



- **Training by Type**



Mutual Aid

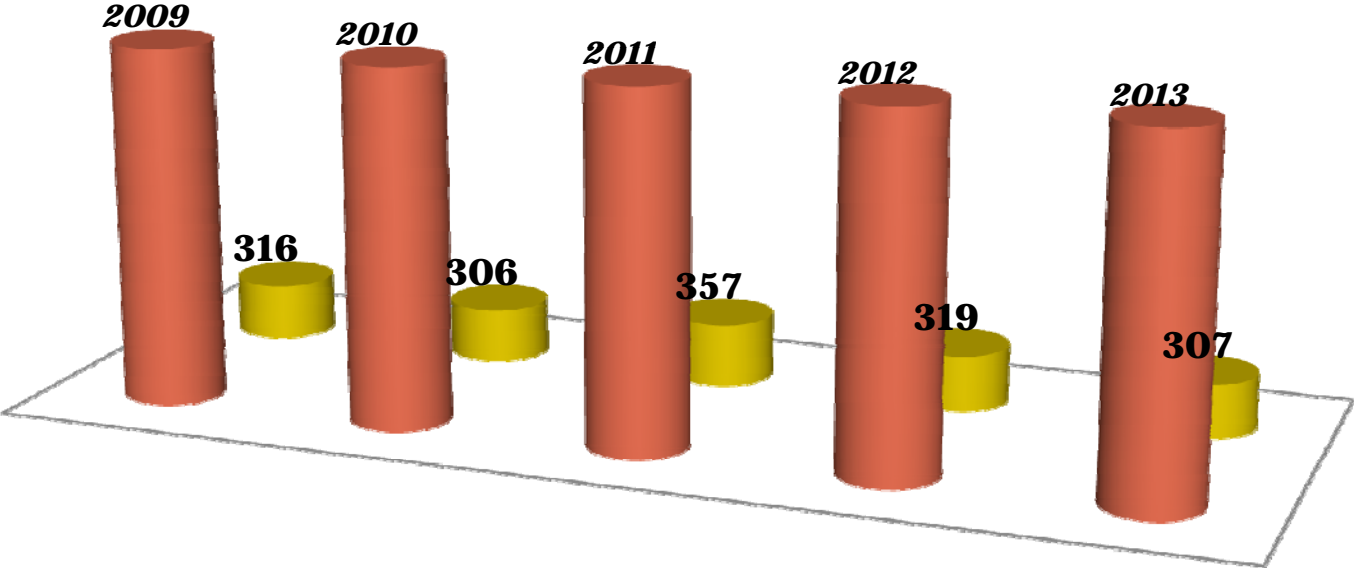


- Working to continue to build our working relationships with the neighboring companies. We were invited to train with Sadsburyville, Coatesville Westwood and other fire companies this year, Further building our mutual aid relationships.
- The City of Coatesville allowed us to use their spare Engine while our Engine was out of service for repairs and Rehab. This again shows our commitment to working with our mutual aid daily.

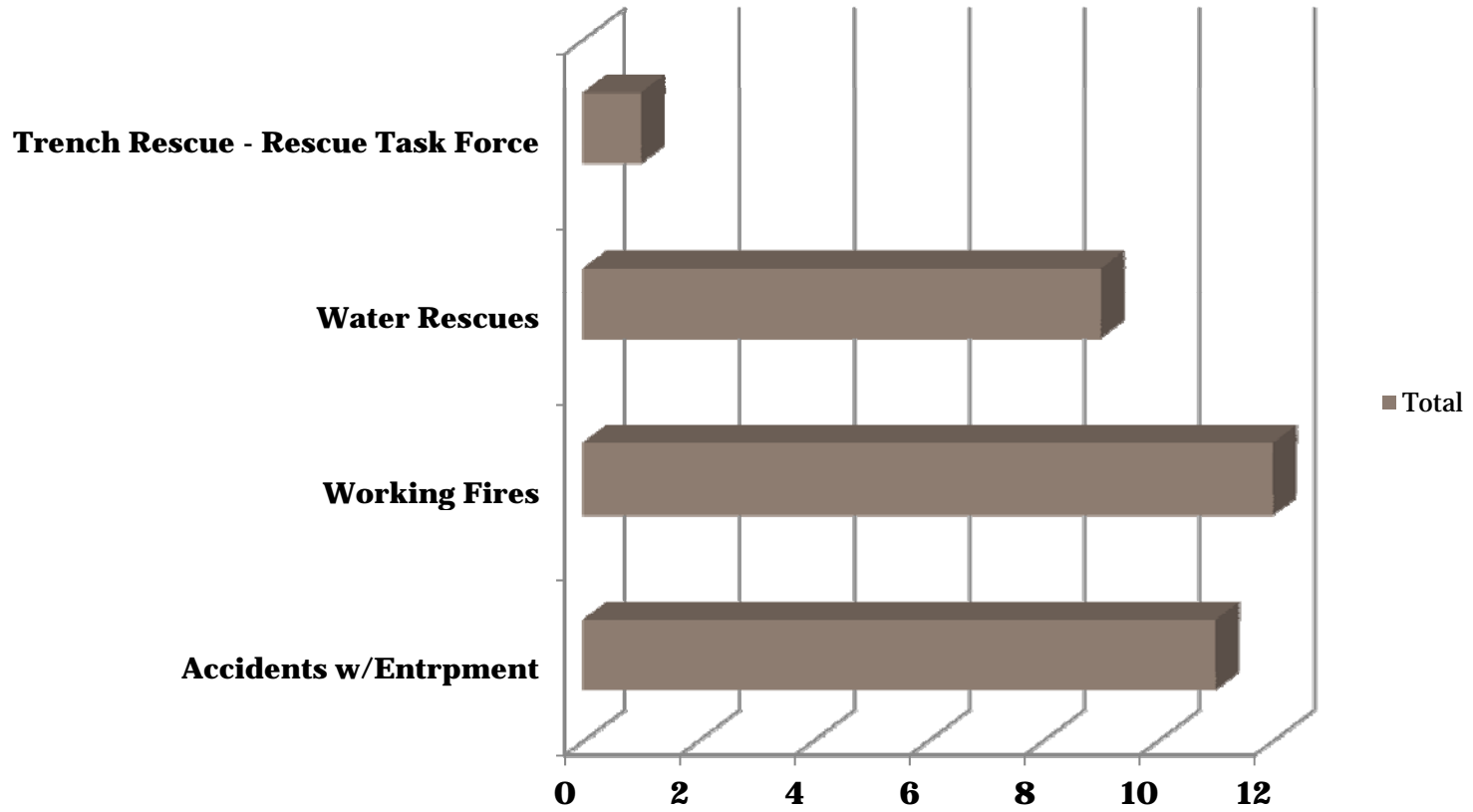


Incidents by Year

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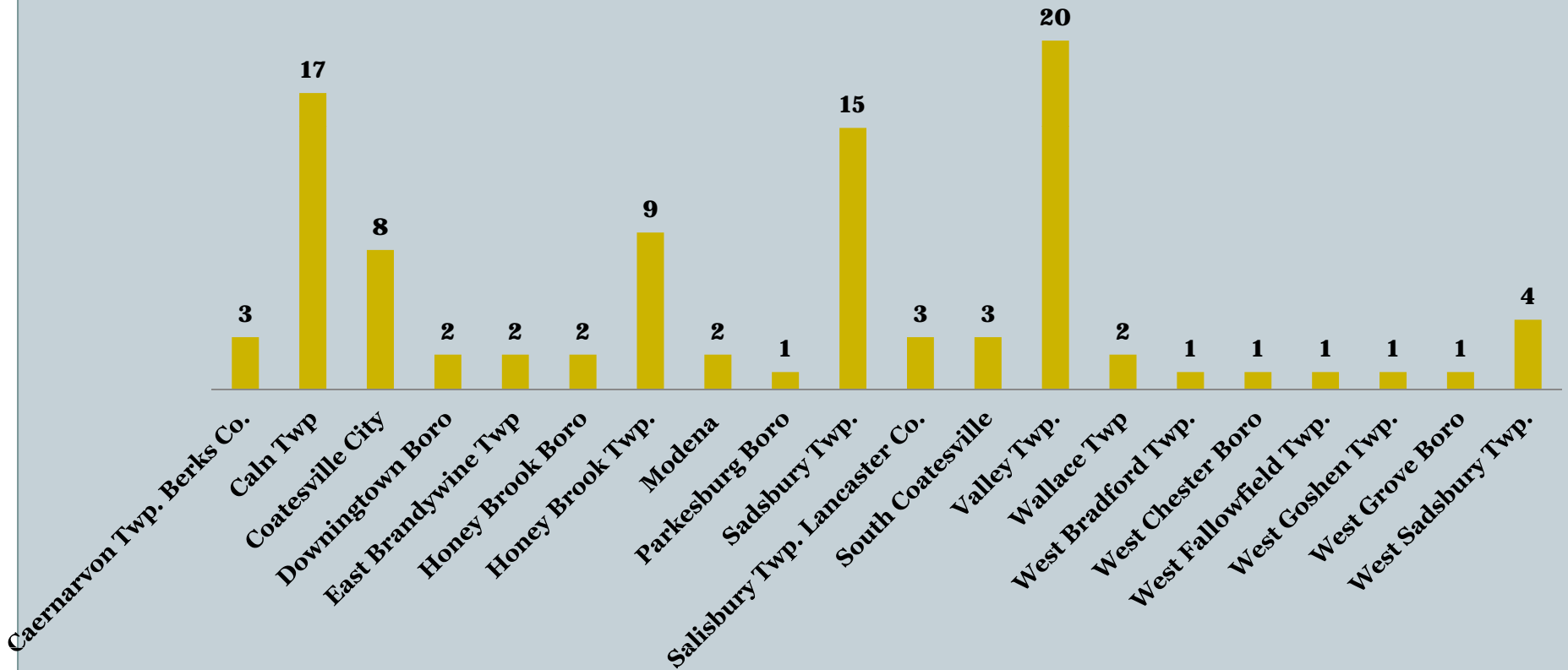
Serious Incident Types



Calls by Township



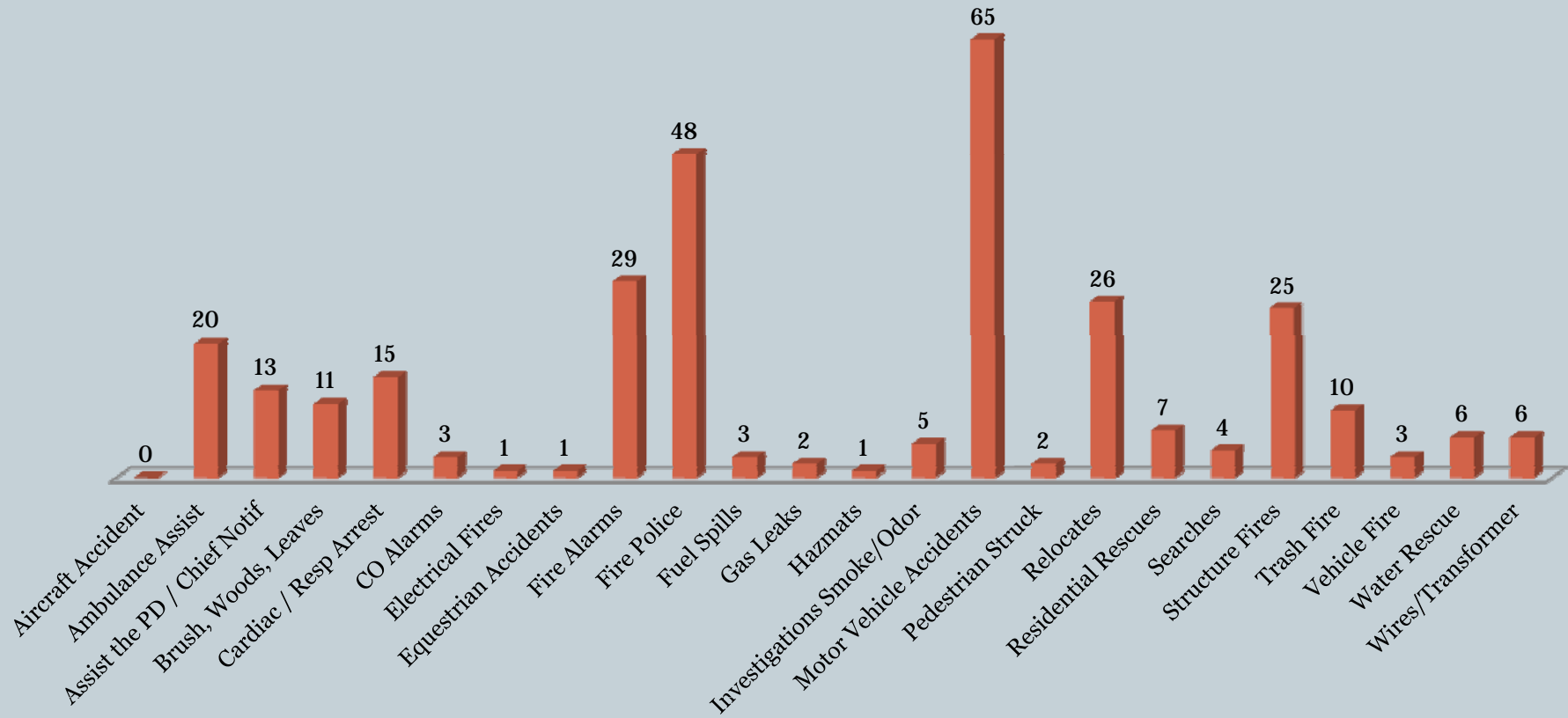
Mutual Aid Provided



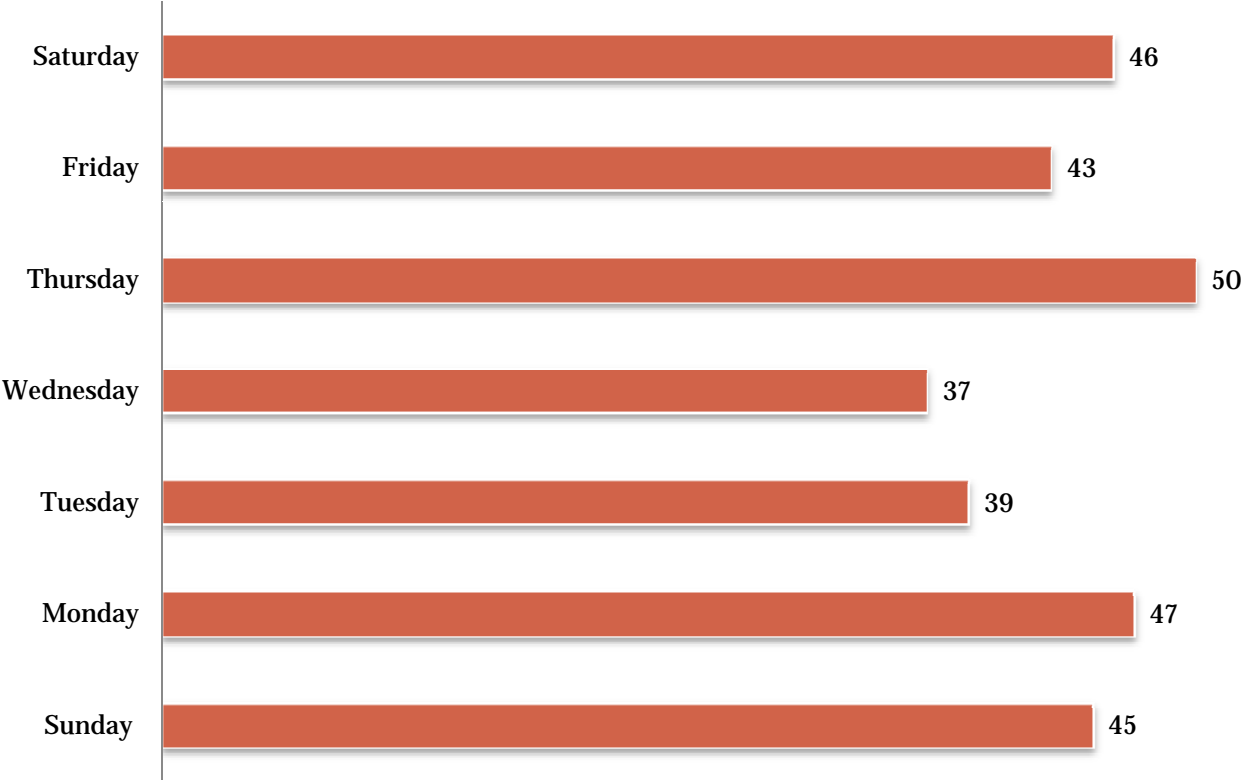
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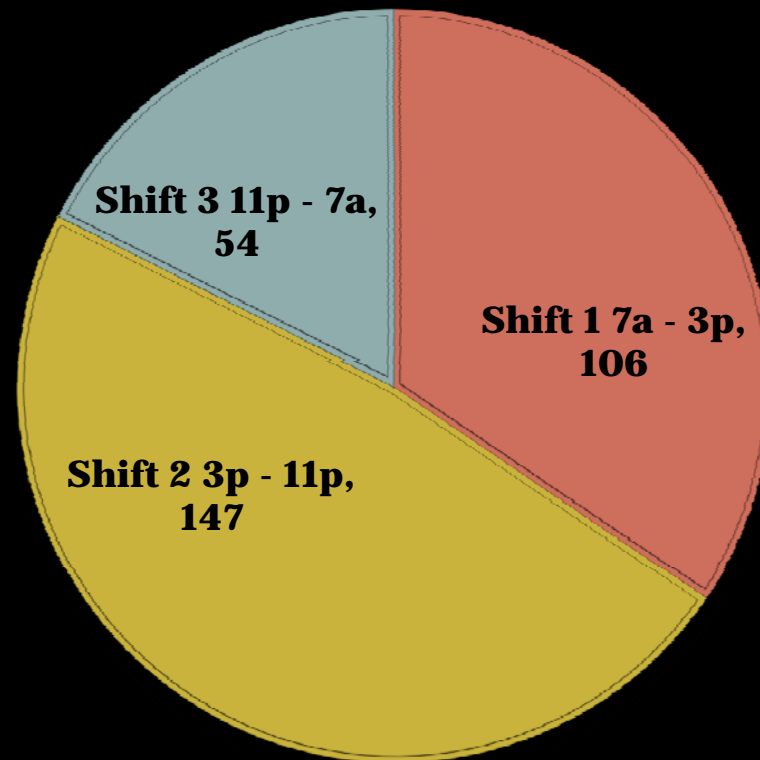
Incidents by Type



Incidents by day of the week



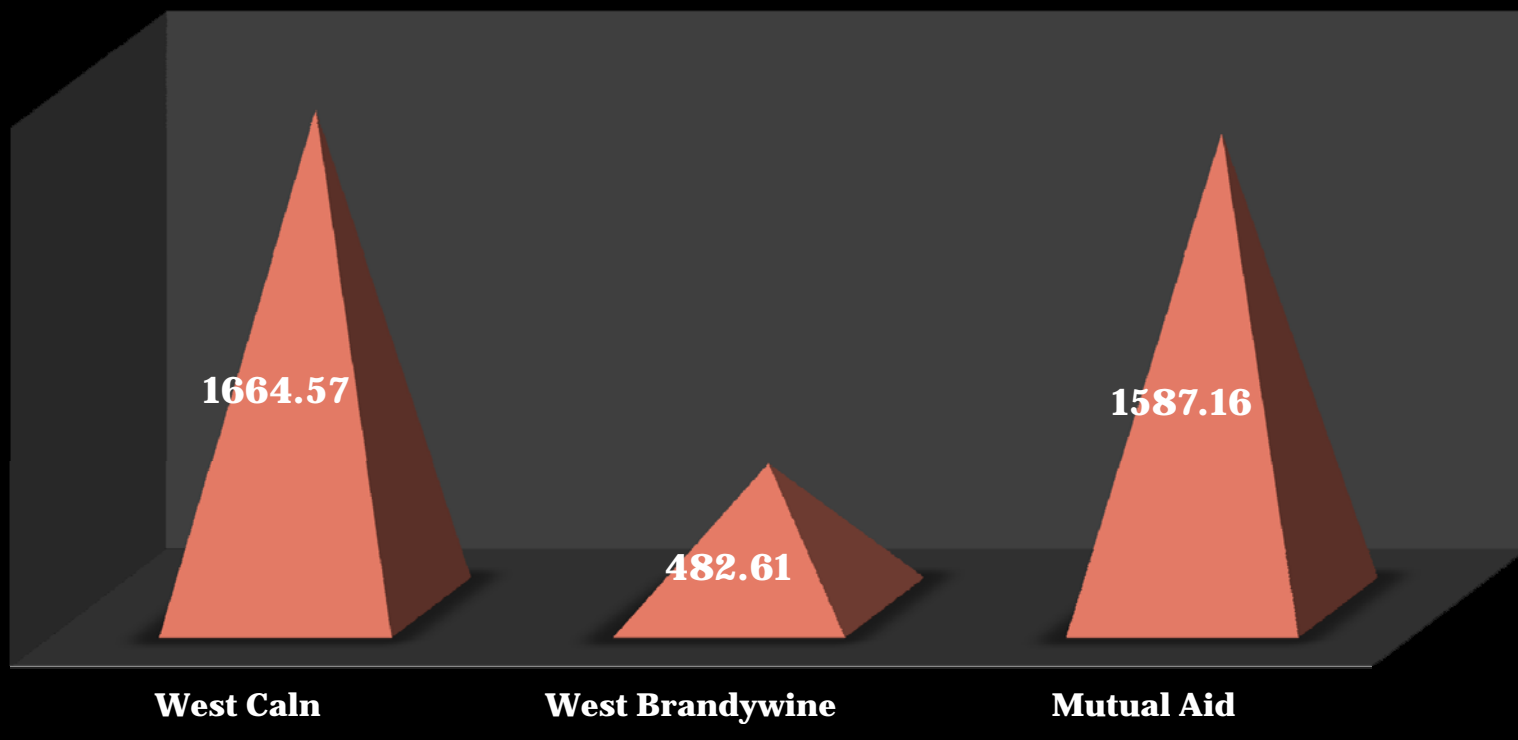
Calls by Shift – Time of Day





Total Man Hours – 3,734.34

Total Man Hours In Service



Equipment Usage

Equipment	2013
	Year to Date
Hose	
3/4"	1000
Booster	500
1"	2000
1 3/4"	2400
2 1/2"	0
3"	1500
4"	0
5"	3000
Ladders / Feet – Raised at Incidents	
Roof	28
28'	140
24'	72
Little Giant	30
Air Packs	125
Hurst Tools – Includes calls and training	20
Hand Tools	100
Brush Tools	30
Water / Gals. - Estimated	50,000
Foam / Gals. – Class A	20
Water Rescue with Boat 35	9
Medical Equipment	30

Average Turnout Per Incident

Alarm Date Between {01/01/13} And {12/31/13}

Total Number of Incidents 307

Total Number of Responding Personnel 3305

Average Turnout per Incident 11

Statistical Data



Dispatch to response time: 7 Minutes and 5 seconds - Includes all responses

Damage Totals - All In West Caln Township

Type	# calls	Total Value	Total Loss	Total Saved	% Loss	% Saved
Building	4	995000	357000	638000	35.88	64.12
Wildland	1	1000	1000	0	100	0
Vehicle	2	4000	4000	0	100	0
Grand totals	8	1,000,000	362,000	638,000		

Returning to the Community



- **This year the company was able to help Seventeen local families during the Holiday Seasons.**
 - Donated food items and small gifts were provided to the families to ensure a good Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner was had by all.
 - Assisted with the West Caln PD Toys for Tots program by giving Santa a sled for the delivery of toys.

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Thank you for your support throughout the year