



Burlington Fire Department

Monthly Report

December 2015

“The Mission of the Burlington Fire Department is to provide for the fire and life safety needs of the community in the most professional, courteous, and efficient manner possible.”

Operations

We had 359 calls for service in December including 81 overlapping calls. 258 of those calls were in Burlington. Our average response time from when we receive the dispatch to when we arrive on scene was 5 minutes and 32 seconds. This time includes all calls for service including non-emergency calls.

Our total calls for service in 2015 were 4586. By comparison, in 2014 our total calls for service were 4201. We ran almost 200 more EMS calls in 2015 than we did in 2014.

Deputy Chief Ryan completed several contracts for confined space rescue coverage in December. These contracts are on an annual basis, all expiring on Dec. 31st. All the contracts had to be refigured based on our change in coverage fees and several businesses' had changes in the number and types of confined spaces. We have contracts with several facilities inside and outside the city of Burlington including Case New Holland, Alliant Generating Plant, Big River Resources, and Hearth and Home Technologies.

Training

In December we had Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) training on each shift. Battalion Chief Bullinger and Paramedic Howard are certified instructors and provide the required training annually.

We also had various training opportunities with our new air bags and strut systems. These items were purchased using money obtained through the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant. Each shift had the chance to train with the new equipment either in the station or by going out to Alter Scrap Processing. Alter's has been very accommodating whenever we need cars to either cut up or otherwise damage for training purposes.



Left to right: LT. Luers, Paramedic Hemmie, Paramedic Rudy, and FF Winnie are giving the new Paratech Air Lifting Bag System a workout.

Fire Prevention

Crews installed 39 smoke detectors and 4 carbon monoxide detectors in December. We were able to obtain two sets of smoke detectors designed for the hearing impaired from the Iowa State Fire Marshal's Office for local residents. These detectors are hard-wired to the homes electrical system so they require a licensed electrician for installation. Norm's Koestner Electric installed these detectors free of charge.

Fire Marshal Crooks completed 22 inspections or re-inspections in December. He continues to work with the Iowa State Fire Marshal's Office, Burlington Police Department, and Farm Bureau Insurance on the investigation for the November fatality fire. He has also been finishing up the checks on the 4586 call for service reports that must be submitted to the state.

Other Activities

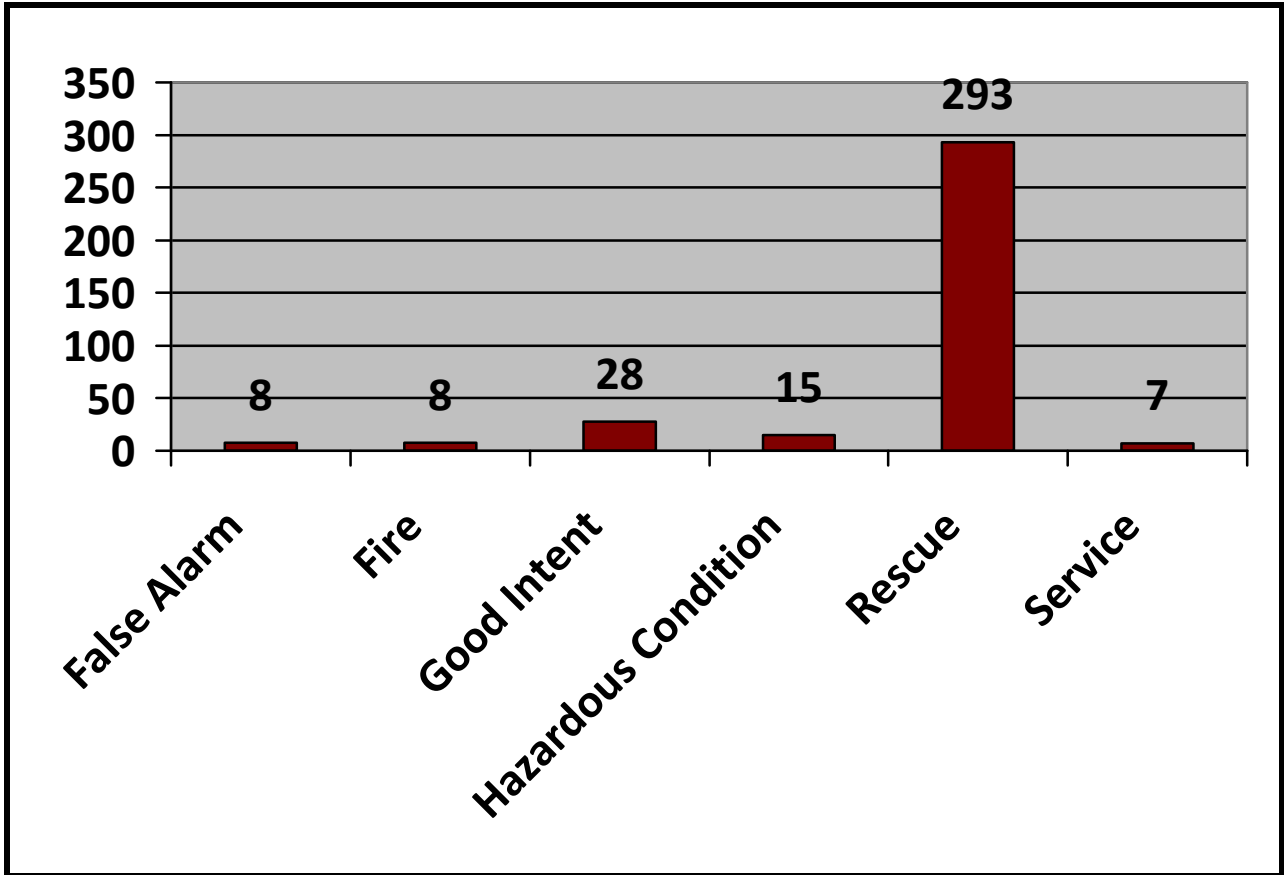
- Shift 3 members assisted Toys for Tots with auditorium set-up and unloading toys.
- The newly formed Ambulance Committee met to review ambulance specifications in preparation for FY17 purchase of a new ambulance.
- Chief Trexel attended the Joint Safety Committee meeting.
- Battalion Chief Workman and Deputy Chief Ryan attended webinar on coaching and counseling.
- Chief Trexel attended a joint dispatch meeting with DESCOM and officials from Wapello County.
- Battalion Chief Bullinger attended the National Fire Academy's Leadership III course in Ames.
- Several EMT students from Southeastern Community College completed their EMS clinical ride time with our crews.
- Chief and Billing Manager Hunter attended the Combined Townships Ambulance Association meeting in West Burlington.
- Fire Marshal Crooks, Battalion Chief Bullinger, Deputy Chief Ryan, and Chief Trexel re-established the Continuous Quality Improvement Committee.
- Shift 1 hosted lunch and a tour of Central Station for new council member Annie Wilson.
- Deputy Chief Ryan attended the City Safety Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

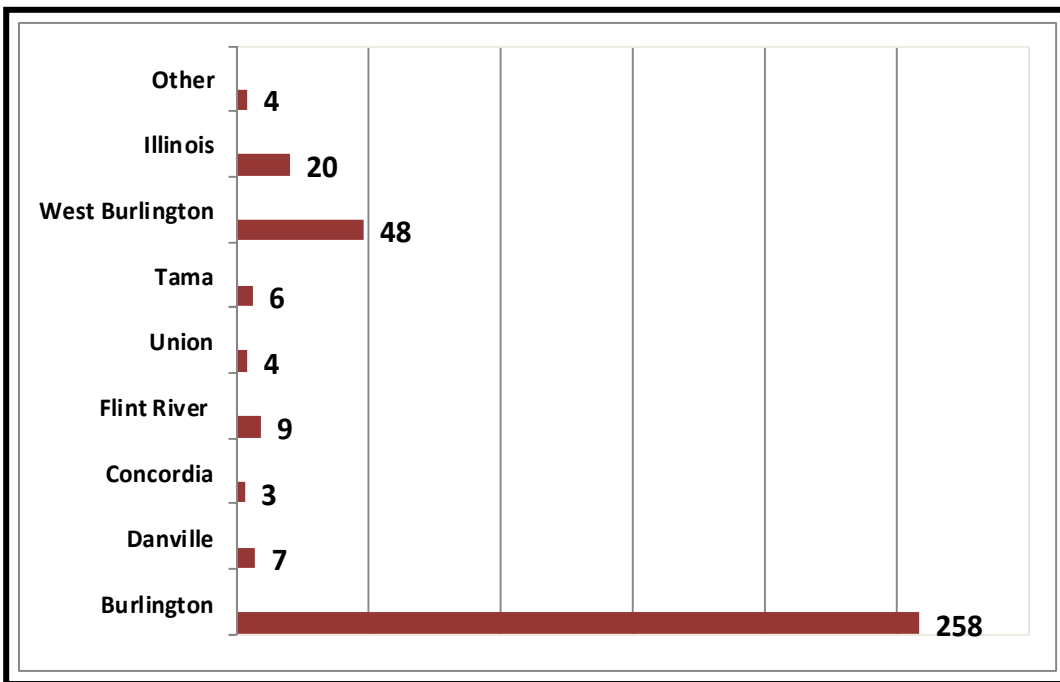
Matt Trexel

Fire Chief

Incident Type Report December 2015



Responses By District December 2015



LIFENET Monthly Transmission Summary

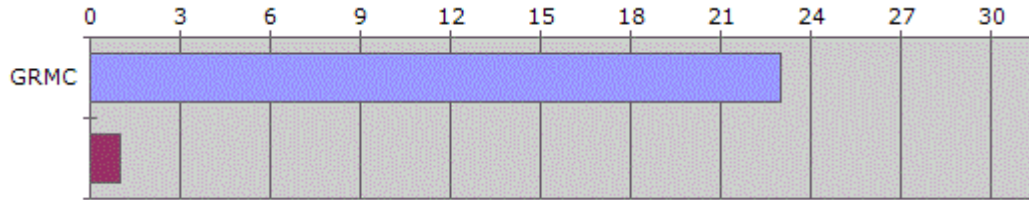
12/1/2015 - 1/1/2016

Account Name: Burlington Fire Department (Burlington, IA)

Total Transmissions in December: 24

Transmissions to Site: GRMC 23

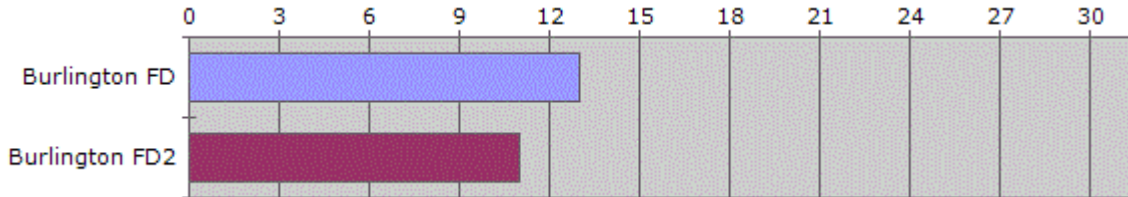
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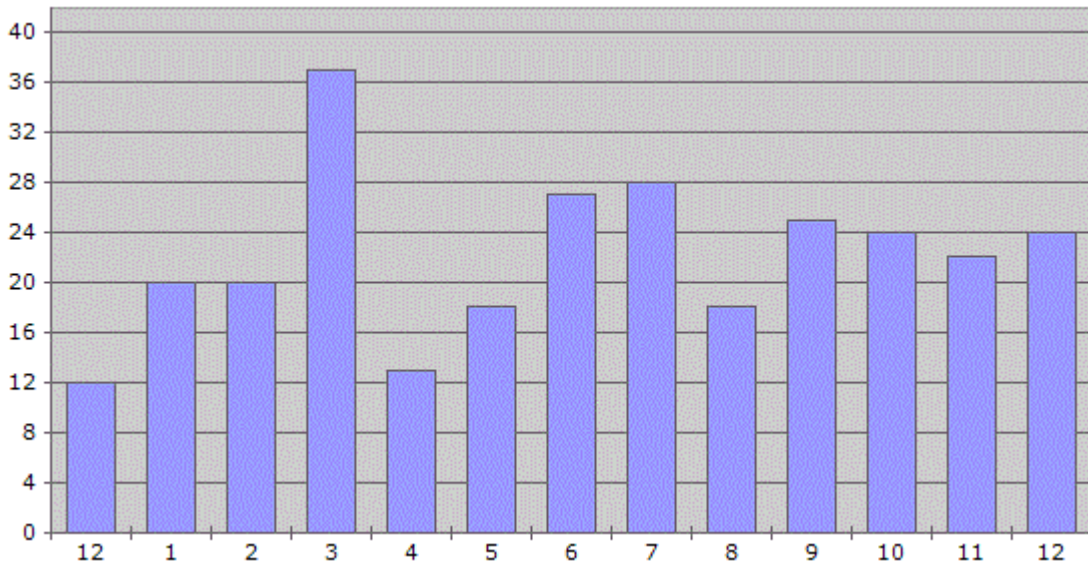
Transmissions by Device/Gateway: 24

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Dec 2014

Dec 2015

Training Summary December 2015

Administrative Summary - December

Assignments

Completions (December 1-31)

Users with completions:	43	96%
Total completions:	457	

Overdue Assignments (as of December 31)

Users with assignment(s) that are overdue:	30	67%
Total overdue assignments:	166	

No Assignments (as of December 31)

Users with no assignments:	15	33%
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Users

Log-ins (December 1-31)

Users who have logged in:	41	91%
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Credentials

Users with credentials expiring next month (January):	0	0%
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