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**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**CC:** Gary Burkholder, City Manager  
**FROM:** Ronald Fletcher, Fire Chief  
**REF:** **Operations Report for March 2018**

Fire Department personnel responded to **137 EMS** and **29 Fire** incidents during March. Crews handled a total of **166 incidents for the month**; a busy month, but still 23 less incidents than handled in March 2017; 112 less incidents compared to the first quarter one year ago.

There were two structure fires in the Brookville fire protection area that resulted in losses. A house fire on Brookville Phillipsburg and a stove-top fire on Main Street in Brookville caused a combined estimated loss of over \$45,500 for the month. Loss to date totals more than \$59,000; total losses for the entire year in 2017 were just over \$76,000. We are certainly on a pace to surpass that total.

We assisted our neighbors on 31 incidents during the month, including mutual aid to Phillipsburg on a significant fire in a home on Sweet Potato Ridge Road. We also provided a heavy rescue response to the City of Oakwood for a trench collapse that trapped a City Service Department employee.

The **137** EMS responses included responses to three (4) injury crashes, one (1) pedestrian struck, and one (1) non-injury crash during the month. In addition to having to extricate a trapped driver from one of the crashes, crews also rescued a resident trapped beneath a piece of farm equipment.

Personnel completed continuing education on Incident Rehab, Alarm and Detection Systems, Ground Ladders, Behavioral Issues, Airway Management, and Mass Casualty Incidents.



A driver was seriously injured in a single-car crash along Diamond Mill Road in Perry Township on March 29<sup>th</sup> (images to the left). Fire Department personnel had to use heavy hydraulic tools to extricate the lone occupant from the vehicle.



Sparky the Fire Dog assisted the Easter Bunny at two Easter Egg Hunts on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. The first of the morning was with the Optimist Club at Golden Gate Park, and the second with Perry Township at Sycamore State Park (image below).

**Calls for the Month by District - 137**

**City of Brookville** 109 total; 96 EMS Incidents; 13 Fire Incidents

**Clay Township** 32 total; 25 EMS Incidents; 7 Fire Incident

**Perry Township** 14 total; 12 EMS Incidents; 2 Fire Incidents

**Mutual Aid Given:** 11 total; 4 EMS Incidents; 7 Fire Incidents



**Calls for the Year by District – 437 (549 – 2017 total)**

**Brookville** 283 total (392 – 2017); 248 EMS Incidents (342 - 2017); 35 Fire Incidents (50 – 2017)

**Clay Township** 93 total (76 – 2017); 79 EMS Incidents (62 – 2017); 14 Fire Incidents (14 – 2017)

**Perry Township** 30 total (46 – 2017); 22 EMS Incidents (41 – 2017); 8 Fire Incidents (5 – 2017)

**Mutual Aid:** 31 total (35 – 2017); 11 EMS Incidents (17 – 2017); 20 Fire Incidents (18 – 2017)