

# WHEELING FIRE DEPARTMENT

## QUARTERLY REPORT



3rd QUARTER 2023

### CALLS FOR SERVICE

Fire – **15**  
Explosion/Overheat (no fire) – **14**  
Medical/EMS – **1,333**  
Hazardous Condition – **47**  
False Alarm – **230**

Service Calls – **254**  
Good Intent Calls – **162**  
Severe Weather – **0**  
Special Type/Other – **1**

**TOTAL Calls: 2,056**

## 'TREE TOPPING' CEREMONY



A tree-topping ceremony took place August 14 at the site of new fire headquarters in East Wheeling

The ceremony notes the last piece of steel being put into place on the structure along with a tree - signifying construction has reached the sky without loss of life or injury and it bodes well for the future inhabitants of the building.

The project should be completed by the end of this year.

## STATION IMPROVEMENTS

Structural upgrades took place this summer at two fire stations.

At Station 10, crews replaced a deteriorated portion of the truck floor and replaced the front apron/driveway entrance.

New concrete was poured at Station 2 for the truck floor and exterior apron. Work also was completed to secure the front and rear walls of the building.



## SUMMER TRAINING

In early September, WFD personnel trained on new rescue equipment - the Paratech strut rescue system.

The struts can lift and stabilize anything from a passenger car to a school bus to a fully loaded semi-truck. The struts are also useful for trench rescue incidents and structure collapses.

Firefighters were able to test out the new equipment on an Ohio County school bus that was taken out of service and decommissioned.



# GUNS VS. HOSES GAME

Wheeling Firefighters joined the Wheeling Police Department on August 3 for a charity basketball game at WesBanco Arena – all in good spirits to benefit the family of Ella Raddish, the daughter of Wheeling PD's Sgt. Josh Raddish, who died in February.

Firefighters won the game 47-41!



# HAPPY RETIREMENT!



A happy retirement to Lt. Bill Wagner! He retired from WFD on August 13 after 23 years of service. Bill was known for always lending a hand to Honor Guard ceremonies and his skills on Boat 5. Thank you for your service!

# TABLETOP TRAINING

WFD helped facilitate a mass casualty tabletop training along with the Wheeling-Ohio County Emergency Management Agency and Wheeling Police in August at Wheeling Park High School.



All the agencies worked with Wheeling Hospital and their physicians, security personnel, and staff to help update emergency plans and educate those in attendance.

# SEPT. 11, 2001 REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY WHEELING HERITAGE PORT

