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At 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5, the Coffeyville Fire Department was called to LeClere Park to rescue a black Labrador retriever from the icy lake. The 70-pound dog had fallen through the ice while chasing ducks and was approximately 70-80 feet from the bank. Firemen Kevin Midgett and Will Rosson performed an ice water entry wearing rescue dry suits which are designed for cold water and freezing temperatures. The dog was safely rescued, uninjured and reunited with his owners. No firefighters were injured; the CRMC EMS assisted with warming Midgett's and Rosson's core body temperature once they were out of the water. Derek Messner, Pete Caresio and Todd Hayes with the Coffeyville Fire Department also assisted with the rescue by providing a rope tag line for Midgett and Rosson and manning a rescue boat which was on standby.