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**GRAND TRAVERSE METRO
EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY**



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Report created by Capt. Troy Holliday with information
received from the Fire Administration.

Check out our monthly newsletter available on our website
at www.gtmetrofire.org for more information about our department.

Photos shown in this document are special to the
Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority.

Cover Photo by Photographer Terri Newton. Photo of Capt. Mark Shaul taken at
house fire on Highlake Road in East Bay Township in December 2012.

*Access to this department via the Internet has been achieved through the continued use of the fire
department website at www.gtmetrofire.org. The site has pages posted for the Fire Administration, Fire
Operations, Fire Prevention Bureau, contact information, station pages, and links to our monthly
newsletter as well as our annual reports. A “links” page exists for direct connection to addresses of
interest to this department such as the township websites and the county website. The development of
this site allows for the taxpayers and other interested persons to learn who we are and what our fire
department is all about.*



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

It is my pleasure to present to you the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority's 2013 annual report. On behalf of the 95 men and women of the department, we thank you for your continued support. Our department is filled with dedicated individuals who are committed to enhancing safety and the quality of life in the communities of Acme, East Bay, and Garfield Townships. This report cannot possibly capture all of their individual efforts but does represent an overview of their collective accomplishments.

As you will read, in 2013 the department responded to 4,228 calls for service. This was a 32 call reduction from 2012. Medical calls continue to lead our responses with 69.33% of the calls. Once again, it was a very busy year.

The year was filled with many accomplishments and occasions for celebration:

1. We saw an improvement in our insurance ratings this year from ISO. We improved from a 6 to 5 in those areas of the township with hydrants. With added improvements we should see that drop to at least a 4 possibly a 3.
2. We started a staffing assistance program with North Flight EMS to provide them an EMT/driver in their times of low staffing.
3. Our Cost Recovery Program for car accidents, Haz Mat incidents and fires saw its best year ever with invoices of \$130,143.62 and collections which should top \$80,000.
4. We spent part of the year looking for land for a new fire station in Acme. We have settled on 2 sites with hopes to break ground in 2015.
5. Bay Area Technical Rescue (BATR), a regional team consisting of 5 local departments, completed specialized training in: trench rescue, high/low ropes, and confined space.
6. Specifications for a new fire truck for Station 8 were completed and the truck will be delivered in early 2014.

Accreditation and regionalization will continue to be areas that we focus our endeavors on again in the next year. Improved property values and increased construction are helping with the budgetary constraints of the past four years, where we maintained \$2.1 mils for taxpayers each year. A regionalization consulting project is underway.

The department is committed to its mission: ***“to care for, protect, and serve the community.”*** We attempt in all of our endeavors to perform our jobs safely and efficiently, so we all can go home to our loved ones.

Our motto: ***“Omnis Cedo Domus,”*** is Latin for ***“Everyone Goes Home!”***

We are proud to be your fire department and we stand ready to serve you at any time. We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any thoughts or ideas on how we can better serve you, please contact me at 947-3000 ext. 1235 or at pparker@gtmetrofire.org. You can also check us out on the web at www.gtmetrofire.org.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support!

Patrick Parker – Fire Chief





THE DEPARTMENT

Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority (GTMESSA) provides services to Acme Township, East Bay Charter Township and Garfield Charter Township since 1980. Each township supervisor (or designee) makes up GTMESSA Fire Board who governs the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department. On September 11, 2008, former Chairman and Supervisor Lee Wilson (Garfield Twp), Supervisor Glen Lile (East Bay), and Former Supervisor Wayne Kladder (Acme) adopted Act 57 which created the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority. The three townships believe in the concept of a regionalization and the economies of scale by sharing resources. The Authority creates a business model that could incorporate all modes of emergency services from Police to EMS. Our business will continue to operate as Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department with the Authority as its employer and owner of equipment and property.

GTMESSA Fire Board: From the left

Acme Township

Supervisor Jay Zollinger



Rep. Paul Scott



East Bay Township

Supervisor Glen Lile



Rep. Beth Friend



Garfield Township

Supervisor Chuck Korn



Rep. Bob Featherstone



Metro Fire is organized into two divisions: Operations and Fire Prevention. The Operations Division is the largest and is responsible for delivery of all emergency services. Those include such things as suppression, EMS, hazardous materials, water rescue, vehicle extrication, wildland interface, homeland security, and many others. The Fire Prevention Bureau is responsible for community fire prevention efforts and focuses on plan reviews, inspections, education, and fire investigations.

MISSION STATEMENT

To Care For, Protect, and Serve the Community

Code of Ethics

- We are committed to the protection of life, property, and the environment.
- We believe that the community is the reason for our presence.
- We will foster and sustain the trust of the community, and will protect that confidence through our attitude, conduct, and actions.
- We believe that all members of the community are entitled to our best efforts.
- We will strive for excellence in everything we do.
- We will serve the community with honesty, fairness, and integrity.
- We will pursue safe, effective, timely, and economical solutions.
- We will provide professional, skilled, and courteous customer service at all times.
- We will be sensitive to the diverse and changing needs of the community.

FIRE STATIONS

Station 1 843 Industrial Circle, East Bay Township



Station 8 6042 Acme Rd, Acme Township



Station 9 110 High Lake Rd, East Bay Township



Station 11 3000 Albany, Garfield Township



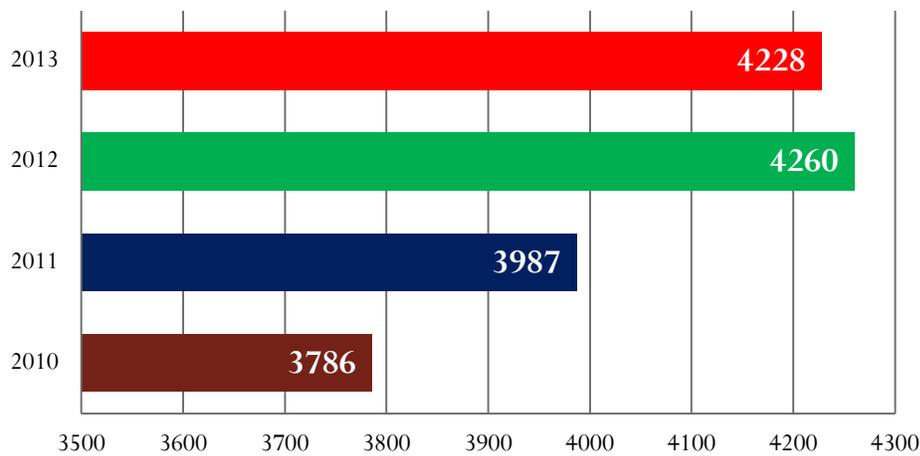
Station 12 2025 East Silver Lake Rd, Silver Lake Park
Garfield Township

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

The Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department responded to 4,228 incidents in 2013.



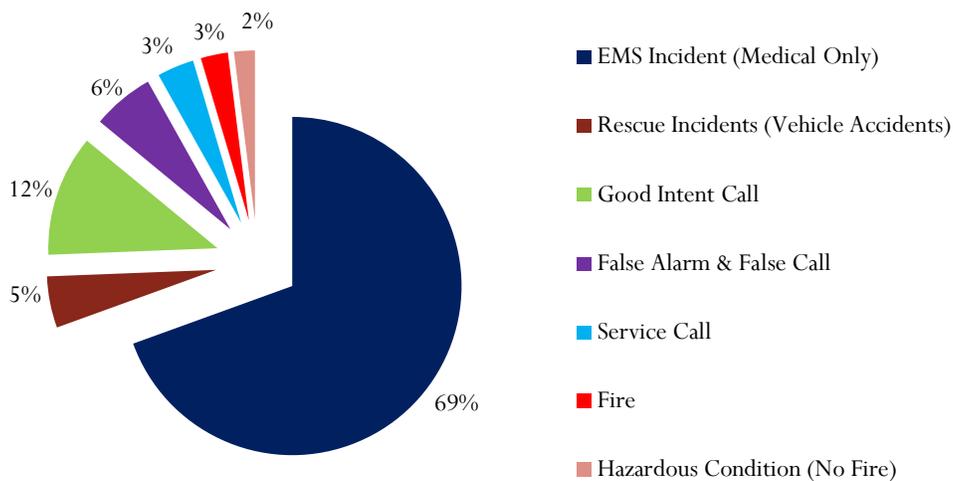
Year After Year Incident Comparison



Statistics for the last few years shows our growth of incidents in the Acme, East Bay, and Garfield Townships.

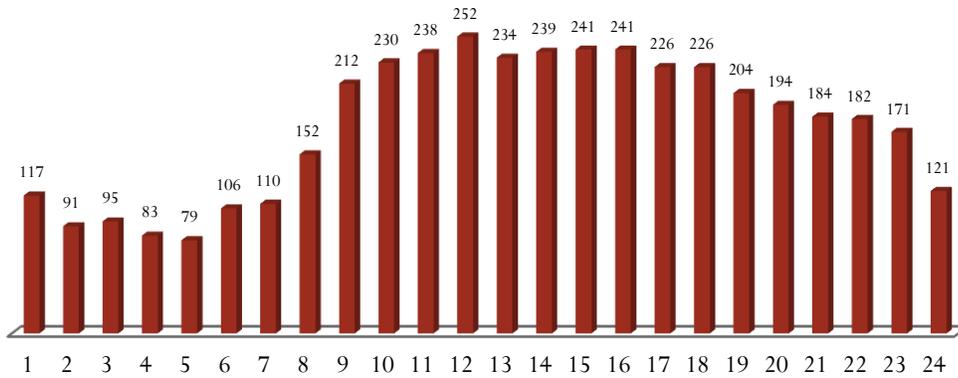
A major snow storm in March 2012 counted for 168 calls in two days... Our trend of calls are still climbing...

2013 Total Incident Percentages



Busiest Time of Day

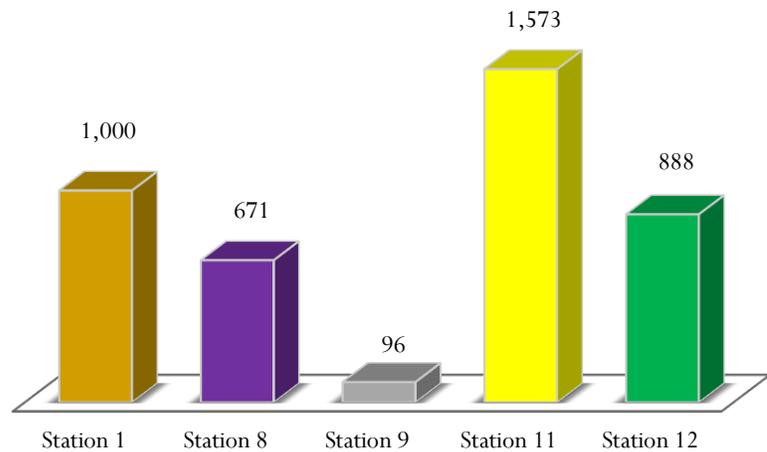
■ Total Incidents for 2013



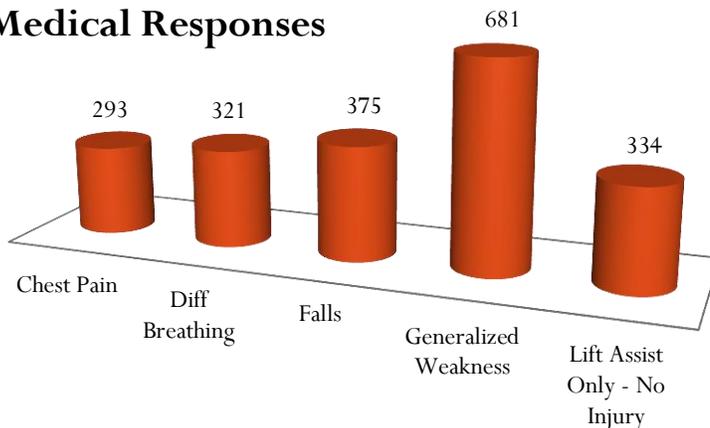
Our busiest time of day appears to be between the hours of 10am and 6pm.

Incidents by Station does not represent assistance to the other stations for additional manpower, apparatus, or to cover for multiple incidents.

2013 Incidents by Station



Top 5 Medical Responses



Total Medical Responses for 2013
2,937

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Of the GTMESA's emergency calls, 69% are for medical response. In 2009, our services upgraded from a Medical First Responder level to a Basic Life Support level, which allows our members to provide a higher degree of medical attention to the community. Our members have the ability and training to provide basic life support measures to citizens, which include advanced airways, pre-hospital drug administration, and automatic defibrillation. The suppression personnel are certified as Medical First Responders, Emergency Medical Technicians, and Paramedics. East Bay Township operates a township-operated ambulance service that responds with members from both East Bay EMS and Metro fire personnel. The other four stations operate rescue units that respond and assist North Flight EMS, an Advanced Life Support agency. Three of our stations house a North Flight EMS unit with a paramedic.

Rescue units at each station respond to all motor vehicle accidents with injuries and are equipped with extrication equipment to free victims from entrapment. In 2013, rescue units responded to 204 motor vehicle incidents, which at least 6 of them required extrication of victims.

SUPPRESSION HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013 by Asst. Chief Terry Flynn

ACCREDITATION

In 2013 GTMESA was proceeding through the accreditation process through the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) as a Registered Agency. In June GTMESA was expecting to move to Applicant Status and preparing for the submission of documents to the CPSE. However due to the GTMESA Board's decision to move forward with the feasibility study on consolidation, the accreditation process was suspended temporarily until the disposition of the study expected in mid-2014. The accreditation process has reaped benefits on the department as many changes have been made since the start of the process. Needed operating guidelines and policies adhering to new standards have been written in the last year and GTMESA has seen efficiencies in staffing, training and improved outcomes in emergencies during the year.

ISO RATING

The current ISO rating is at a level 5 for the GTMESA area. In 2012, GTMESA completed an Insurance Services Office (ISO) evaluation because of the significant improvements put in place since the last PPC evaluation in 2003. With the improvements in training, station staffing, the purchase of additional apparatus and the building of two additional fire stations, it was enough to warrant an improvement of the ISO PPC grade.

TRAINING

As in previous years, we have increased the training requirements for all GTMESA personnel in 2013. The contributing factor for this increase was part due to changing national standards in fire and medical competencies, new trends in tactical response and requirements by the accreditation board. The daily routine at all stations have been changed to include increased training on competencies and physical fitness.



STAFFING

The reduced budget for 2013 has caused some hardships in the Operations Division of GTMESA. However, to meet the increasing demand for services, GTMESA has increased the daily staffing at the five stations in the district. GTMESA has entered into an agreement with North Flight and now staffs our Station 8 in Acme with 2 firefighters for most of the day. GTMESA staffs 17 personnel around the district to respond to calls during the weekdays which are the peak time for emergency calls. There are three Chief Officers in the department and at least one of the Chiefs is on duty 24/7. Station 9 in East Bay Township has one firefighter participating in the resident program which increases the station's staffing during the week. The current roster for GTMESA is at 95 and has increased from the 92 that were active in 2012.



*Rollover accident on Silver Lake Rd.
Engine 12 and Rescue 11 responded.*

COST RECOVERY PROGRAM

GTMESA, at the suggestion of the Fire Board, rolled out a new program in 2012 to bring in additional revenue in an attempt to recover those costs associated with certain incidents which are allowed by law. These incidents where costs are recoverable include vehicle crashes, structure fires, vehicle fires, hazardous material releases and calls to down electrical wires. This program is one reason that GTMESA is able to keep the fire tax millage the same for 2013.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE

GTMESA has increased its capability in its response to incidents involving Hazardous Materials. A serious ammonia release in December of 2012 required a response of the GTMESA HazMat Response team to bring the emergency under control. The team is comprised of technician and operations level personnel from the ranks of GTMESA and are on duty 24 hours a day. The team is required to complete competency training as dictated by national standards and are held regularly on a monthly basis.





STATION 1 NEWS... By Capt. Tony Posey

2013 was the busiest year for Station 1 since its opening in 2008. Station 1 logged 1,000 calls for service last year. This only includes calls within the primary response area of Station 1, and does not include assists to other Metro Stations for medical calls, fire alarms, etc.

Metro Station 1 is counted upon as the Special Operations station for Metro Fire. Some of those specialty responses include: Hazardous Materials, Ice/Water Rescue, Rope Rescue, Confined Space Rescue, Heavy Vehicle Extrication, Land Search & Rescue, and Truck Company (ladder) operations. Our assigned staff at Station 1 spends countless hours, both on and off duty, training in these specialty areas while still keeping up on regular training requirements.

Station 1 consisted of 18 members in 2013 under the direction of Captain Tony Posey and Lieutenants Andy Doornbos and Adam Drewery. Two new probationary members were assigned to Station 1 during 2013 and are in the process of completing their training at this time.

Some of the additional equipment added to Station 1 during the 2013 year includes: Vehicle stabilization equipment, rope rescue equipment, confined space equipment, additional search and rescue gear, and additional forcible entry tools.

The Station 1 officer staff nominated FF Hal Miller as our Firefighter of the Year for 2013. FF Miller is one of Station 1's seasoned veteran firefighters, and is a great asset to our team. Congratulations to FF Miller.



STATION 8 NEWS... By Capt. Mark Shaul

Grand Traverse Metro Station 8 is proud to be serving its response area in a professional manner.

With the ability to have North Flight respond with our apparatus for medical and fire calls, it has provided a better all-around service to our area. It is hard to believe that just a few years ago we were manning this station with one person 24/7. Having the ability to have two people on duty for 16 hours out of 24 along with a paramedic from North Flight provided a game changer that allows for such an improvement in our ability to serve.

Training and preplanning has been a focus priority in 2013. Training was provided when Acme Township acquired the beachfront property (*photo right*) and the buildings that used to occupy the grounds. There is nothing like the use of wood frame construction when training on RIT/Mayday, ventilation, VES (Vent, Enter, and Search), Rescue, and Live Burns. Training was fast pace and beneficial to all of Metro firefighters. New construction has started to turn around and we are planning for the future with walk-throughs and making necessary changes to the equipment that we carry and our approach to engagement of incidents.



Station 8 had a personnel change in regards to our two Lieutenant positions. Randy Agruda and Wayne Mervau both stepped down after many years of commitment to a very demanding position. Wayne (Merv) will be taking a more active role in medical training as the medical demands increase on our system and personnel. Randy has stepped away from Metro for the time being and we all hope for his return. Enormous thanks for the leadership both of these men provided for Station 8 and GT Metro.

With both Lieutenant positions open we were fortunate to fill both with quality individuals that care deeply about providing the future leadership for our organization. Adam Mervau and Tim Newton both accepted the position of lieutenant at the close of 2013 and have hit the ground running. I know Station 8 and all of Metro will provide the support as they grow in to great leaders.

STATION 9 NEWS... By Capt. Mark Shaul

Grand Traverse Metro Station 9 is proud to be serving its response area in a professional manner.

The relationship between East Bay ambulance and Grand Traverse Metro Station 9 has always been one of commitment to serve. Now as you view the daily shift schedule for East Bay ambulance you realize how intertwined we really have become. A majority of the shift personnel that fills the schedule of East Bay EMS are Metro's officers and firefighters. This has provided a great source of manpower if the call goes out for apparatus from Station 9. Station 9 is manned for only 24 hours per week with one eight hour shift for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Station 9 is also the home of some of the most interesting apparatus and equipment, thanks to the dedication of the men and women that came before us. Dedication and commitment is the backbone of Station 9 and you can witness that each year at the annual Pancake Breakfast (which will be May 4th, 2014, so mark your calendar).

Station 9 was also fortunate to have Firefighter Matt Adamek join the Residency Program late 2013. With Matt on board it provides additional coverage for the Station 9 response area. If you are not aware of the program contact Captain Mark Shaul who will be happy to explain the program and the benefits that it provides.



STATION 11 NEWS... By Capt. Brian Bloom

With thanks from Assistance to Firefighters Grant and Michigan Township Participating Plan, 2013 saw improvements around the Station focusing on safety and security. Station 11 was equipped with a sprinkler protection system covering all bays, dorms and common areas (AFG \$38,000). In addition to this, we also equipped the station with security cameras. This project was completed in early December and covers all common areas of the Station and also views the parking area (MTPP \$4,500).

In early December we were contacted by Spartan Manufacturing to see if they could use our Engine 11 to help train a group of their overseas engineers on suspension systems. As a token of their appreciation, they upgraded the suspension on our Engine and also worked on a list of issues we had been having with the truck.

On October 22, 2013, we had a Metro wide Awards Ceremony to select a Firefighter of the Year. Lieutenant Kyle Clute of Station 11 beat out all other nominees for this award for his contributions to the Department. Lt. Clute is very active every year with the annual Heat event we sponsor at the National Cherry Festival and also took the lead at this past years' drive for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Lt. Clute also goes above and beyond with his personal training level, having recently taken and passed his Fire Inspectors Certification. He is a licensed Fire Inspector I with both the NFPA and the State of Michigan. Congratulations Lt. Clute!

STATION 12 NEWS... By Capt. Troy Holliday



Station 12 continues to host numerous events around the station (i.e. Birthday parties, Cub Scout tours, corporate parties at the park with a station tour and education for their employees, Medical First Responder and EMT classes held here, and elementary students holding book clubs). We welcome any outside public events to be held here, just contact Captain Troy Holliday at tholliday@gtmetrofire.org.

In 2014, Station 12 will now be used for Precinct #1 Voting for Elections.

Station 12 had 22 members for 2013 with a fluctuating number of probationary candidates. Capt. Holliday, Lt. Chris Comeaux and Lt. Mike Scanlon worked numerous hours, along with many other dedicated firefighters to ensure our probationary candidates were adequately trained and ready to provide all of the services we provide for our community.

We pushed forward through with a large number of smoke detector installations in our response area. It was a pleasure to meet the citizens we serve on a non-emergent basis. A lot of people didn't even realize the new station was right around the corner and didn't realize the services we perform to ensure their safety. Many gave us compliments on the new station and all that we do for them. We are here for them, because of them... We would like to say "Thank you" to our community for helping keep our areas safe.

In 2013, Metro decided to award a Firefighter of the Year department wide. Each station nominated a member from their respective stations. Our nomination was for Lt. Chris Comeaux. He has spent numerous hours training new and current members, and creating a training schedule for a daily on duty training over the entire year. We tested it at our station and it went very well. Now, each station has adopted a training schedule to reach out to all of our members and further educate them on various topics. He also completed his Associates Degree in Fire Science. Thank you Lt. Comeaux for your hard work and dedication to Station 12 and all the members working there.

Garfield Township is growing and we are expecting our call volume to increase in the upcoming years. In 2012 we responded to 868 calls (just in our response area, not including assisting Station 11). In 2013 we increased by 20 calls for a total of 888 calls.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

by Asst. Chief / Fire Marshal Brian Belcher

MISSION STATEMENT

The Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau, through education, inspections, and community awareness strives to safeguard the life and property of the citizens of Acme, East Bay and Garfield Townships from the hazards of fire, explosions, hazardous materials and all other hazards in new and existing buildings, public gatherings, and outdoor venues used for habitation, work or recreation.

BUREAU OPERATIONS OVERVIEW – 2013

Under new leadership since 2012 with the promotion of Brian Belcher to Assistant Chief and Fire Marshal, the Fire Prevention Bureau has undergone many changes which will help determine our effectiveness and guide us into areas which require our focus in the future. One area we are already acting on this information is by devising ways to impact our residential properties. These single and multi-family properties are where the majority of our fires occur. We are addressing this problem through our Safe Neighborhoods door-to-door smoke alarm campaign to single family homes, and also by reassigning Fire Inspectors and our future company fire inspections to inspect multi-family housing complexes including the individual apartments. Occupants of these structures are subject to the actions of their neighbors where many lives are at risk should a fire occur, and also there is the responsibility of the landlords to maintain safe living situations. The impact of inspecting these occupancies will reduce the likelihood of fire and/or injury to a large percentage of our population.

Part of the new Fire Prevention Ordinances adopted in late 2011 is the ability of the Chiefs to write ordinance violation tickets for non-compliance issues and other violations to the fire code. With our process defined it will be easier to enforce our fire prevention ordinances and thus provide for safer communities with fewer hazards. As of this date no violation citations (tickets) have been issued.

The Plan Reviewer position remains unfilled as the demand for plan reviews had declined in recent years. It is anticipated that this position will need to be filled in the future as construction increases and our communities continue to grow. With the increase in programs anticipated in the future to make our Metro communities a safe place to work, live and play a decision will need to be made whether to continue providing plan review and inspection services outside our district and thus the need to fill the vacant Plan Reviewer position. With these services making up over 40% of the Fire Marshals time and thus not working on programs for our communities, it must be determined whether the financial cost recovery outweighs the loss of programming to our residents.

The Bureau continues to be staffed by the Assistant Chief/ Fire Marshal, three Fire Inspectors, a Fire and Life Safety/ Public Educator, and a GIS data coordinator (part-time).

PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS

Of the 42 reported structure fires in district in 2013, 31 occurred in residential occupancies while 11 occurred in commercial properties. These fires resulted in a total loss of \$1,154,426.00 with reported total property valuations of \$21,392,102.00. This represents a total percent of property saved at 95%. The 11 commercial fires resulted in a fire loss of \$48,450.00. Of the 11 commercial fires, 4 occupancies had been inspected in 2013. The remainder was multi-family apartment buildings that had not been inspected in a few years. This is the trend we are trying to reverse with the addition of our company inspection program. These 11 fires were all attributed to equipment malfunctions or cooking fires in commercial residential properties. These low loss numbers can be attributed to the investment in the fire prevention and also to the quick, efficient response of suppression crews. Unfortunately the district did suffer a fatal fire in 2013. A single man was killed when a fire occurred in his trailer. No working smoke alarms were found in the trailer and the living spaces of the home were very full of possessions limiting the ability of escape and fire crews to perform a rescue. This fatality shows our marketing and education needs to be focused on our lower income residents and also where our Safe Neighborhood campaign must prioritize our efforts.



Structure Fire in Stone Ridge subdivision. Reported occupants still inside. Everyone got out safely. Engine 12, Engine 11, and Truck 1 responded.

INSPECTIONS

Three Fire Inspectors currently perform inspections on all existing occupancies within the district. A total of 841 annual inspections were performed. Out of these, 977 re-inspections were performed, which indicates that multiple re-inspections were required for compliance in approximately 14% of all inspections. This compares with 29% in 2012. This is indicative of our continued efforts at effective, concise inspection reports and education during the inspection process. There were 470 Firefighter Right to Know updates performed in 2013 by the fire inspectors. Firefighter Right to Know is a law which requires businesses to report any hazardous chemicals used or stored on the property. These are required by law to be updated every 5 years. A total of 35 phone-in public complaints were investigated last year. Other activities involve witnessing required testing, updating Knox Boxes, meetings with business owners etc. There are a total of 2100 current occupancies identified within the district which require inspection. Inspectors continue to inspect all assembly, hotel/motel and large box stores on an annual basis. These are the occupancies with large occupant loads where the greatest



life safety hazards are present. 2013 also saw an increased focus on inspecting multi-family apartment buildings. Historically these are where a majority of our fires occur that are not in a single family dwelling.

With a goal to reach more businesses sooner than our current three year timeframes, we have started a fire company inspection program where the fire suppression crews in the stations perform fire inspections of certain assigned occupancies. This not only speeds up the inspection schedules but also allows the crews to see the layout and operations of buildings they may be responding to and allows the fire inspectors to concentrate on the more difficult and hazardous occupancies. A total of 10 suppression personnel attended an 80 hour fire inspection class held at Station 12. This class was sponsored by Metro with attendees from all over the state. These company inspectors are currently field training with our fire inspectors and will start inspections in the spring of 2014. It has been a long process but one which will yield excellent long term results.

Inspectors maintained their certifications through continuing education seminars at the Michigan Fire Inspectors Society annual education conference in East Lansing and by attending webinars and other education programs.

PLAN REVIEW

Assistant Chief/ Fire Marshal Belcher continues to perform all plan reviews and related inspections. Inspector Fordyce has also begun training in this field to help with the increased demand and to provide an alternate person of knowledge in this faculty and is doing an excellent job. We have continued our agreement with the Grand Traverse County Construction Code Office for GT Metro's Fire Prevention Bureau to perform plan review and inspections of all fire alarms and fire suppression systems within Grand Traverse County. The Plan Reviewer position has remained unfilled since the promotion of Asst. Chief/ Fire Marshal Belcher. It is anticipated that this position will need to be filled in the future as construction activity increases. A total of 212 plan reviews, not including related inspections, were conducted in 2013. Of those, 126 (59%) were for in-district projects and 86 (41%) were conducted for out-of-district projects. These out-of-district reviews/inspections generated approximately \$22,350.25 in revenue in 2013. In-district revenues for plan reviews for 2013 were 23,834.95. The new plan review fee schedule adopted in late 2011 has produced the desired results with in-district projects no longer subsidizing out of district projects. In-district reimbursement was \$79.18 per hour, out-of-district projects reimbursed at a rate of \$115.80 per hour. These numbers can vary based on the complexity and hours spent on each project. We will continue to monitor these fees and adjust in the future as necessary.

PUBLIC EDUCATION (See Fire & Life Safety Education for 2013 Report)

The Fire and Life Safety Educator strives to prevent all potential injuries based on the life practices of the target audience. This position does not concentrate strictly on fire safety. As an example, much of our call volume is for medical calls to the elderly. Through these specific programs it is hoped to educate this population on best life practices and reduce these calls. There have been many community partnerships

formed which have allowed our programs to reach many new audiences who have been identified as being at greater risk to injury and death from fire and other hazards. These partnerships will continue to grow and allow for an expansion of our programs.

In 2013 we began extra efforts to reach into our senior living and adult foster care homes to provide fire, life safety and injury prevention programs on a scheduled basis.

Also, in our effort to reach more citizens with safety messages, the partnership with Traverse City Fire Department started in 2012 enabled us to provide (4) one week safety messages on the five electronic billboards across our district. These messages were shown during the holiday seasons with appropriate safety messages. Each message was displayed a minimum of 416 times each day across the five billboards.

Smoke alarms are the first line of defense in preventing injury and death from fire. This is an area we need to concentrate our efforts by the entire department through awareness and education marketing campaigns. Our data from 2013 fire responses show that 15% of homes with fires did not have any smoke alarms and that 12% had alarms but they were not functional. This equates to 27% of the homes in our area that we have had fires did not have a working smoke alarm. This is an improvement over 2012 where 36% percent did not have working smoke alarms. This equates to a 9% improvement but is still an unacceptable number to know that over one-quarter of our residents are unprotected. As a result, a free smoke alarm project was started in late 2011 with the goal being at least two smoke alarms in every home. We have named this program our Safe Neighborhoods campaign. As part of the Safe Neighborhood campaign and efforts to increase our effectiveness and outreach, in early 2013 on duty firefighters began performing door to door neighborhood sweeps to check for working smoke alarms, repair/ replace as needed and leave the occupants with home fire safety checklists for them to utilize to check their homes for fire and life safety hazards. Each of our fire stations is required to spend a minimum of 2 hours per week performing these door to door visits. This resulted with 855 homes visited and 630 smoke alarms installed in 2013. The fire prevention bureau will continue organizing the paperwork, acquiring the alarms and providing assistance to the suppression crews. The response to this program has been overwhelmingly positive with a majority of the comments heard from residents are “you mean you do this for free?” or “nobody ever did this where I used to live, thank you so much.” Many of our residents even called our township offices asking if the program is for real. This program not only provides for the safety of our residents but also provides a positive public image and great public relations for our department. These programs are only a small part of the programs offered through our public education office. Please see the separate Public Education year-end report for a comprehensive list of all of these services.

INVESTIGATIONS

Fire investigations are performed by Inspector Mike Lince, Inspector Mike Scanlon and Assistant Chief/ Fire Marshal Belcher. In 2013, we saw a total of 24 investigations performed by Investigators, including both vehicle and structure fires. Of those, 8 fires were intentionally set and are still under investigation in cooperation with the GT Sheriff’s Dept. These do not represent all fires in 2013 as some fires were

investigated by the duty officer or responding Chief. Investigators are not called out to every fire if the damage is limited and the origin and cause are easily identified. Fire Investigations can be a very labor intensive job which must only be performed by trained, competent personnel. Investigators continue the partnership formed with the Grand Traverse Sheriff's Office which allows a fire investigation trained Sheriff's Office evidence technician to work with Fire Department Investigators to determine origin and cause. This partnership allows for a very effective, seamless investigation culminating in several successful prosecutions in recent years.

JUVENILE FIRE SETTERS PROGRAM

This program provides counseling services to juveniles and their families who have a juvenile firesetter in the home. They are referred to the program by area law enforcement, parents and the juvenile courts. In 2013 there were no children referred to the program. This is outstanding and I would like to believe that our fire safety and danger messages are reaching our youth and preventing the “curiosity” firesetters from acting out. After the retirement of both of our Juvenile Firesetter Counselors in 2013 we are currently seeking new counselors to fill this important role.

INSPECTION DATA – 2013

	ACME	EAST BAY	GARFIELD
ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	149	169	527
RE-INSPECTIONS	184	218	581
FF RIGHT TO KNOW	114	103	269
PLAN REVIEWS	21	19	84

FIRE PREVENTION SUMMARY

We continue to strive to deliver our fire and injury prevention messages to our communities in new, innovative and cost effective methods which address the trends and statistics which show where our focus must be placed. It is our goal that nobody in our community dies or is injured by fire and that we continue to inspect those places in our community which could have the largest impact on fire or injuries due to the number of persons who occupy these structures and events. It is imperative that a strong fire prevention program be in place and be effective in today's fire service. Fire prevention impacts not only those whose fire or injury is prevented but also those who must respond into these unknown structures and place themselves in danger when an emergency occurs. Fire prevention leads the way by giving our firefighters the inside knowledge of these buildings and educating our communities on proper prevention methods and procedures to follow should an emergency occur.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY – PUBLIC EDUCATION by Meredith Hawes



The Fire and Life Safety Education Program of Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department has provided public education programs for the citizens of Grand Traverse County, by working in collaboration with community safety agencies, area non-profits, and local businesses. Cooperation and community partnerships continue to ensure success through utilization of existing programs, participating fire personnel/resources, and established networks.

Target groups continue to include: youth ages 4-14, people within the retirement ages of 60 and over, and the disabled. Further expansion within each target group has allowed for the development of additional programs and additional populations served. Statistical response information indicates that these population segments are “at risk” target groups for fire and life safety education. The fire service continues to emphasize both fire and life safety as 70% of emergency calls that Metro responds to is medical calls.

Youth Outreach:

While burns and fire-related death are 2 times more likely for a child under the age of 5, for children ages 14 and under, the number-one health risk is injuries. Each year, unintentional injuries kill more than 6,000 kids and permanently disable more than 120,000.

Pictured to the right are members of the Grand Traverse Risk Watch Coalition providing teacher training for the staff at the International School at Bertha Vos in the fall of 2013.



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The Fire and Life Public Educator has served to coordinate the unintentional injury prevention program of Risk Watch as presented by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). The curriculum is divided into five age-appropriate teaching modules (Pre-K/Kindergarten, Grades 1-2, Grades 3-4, Grades 5-6, and Grades 7-8), each of which addresses the following topics:

- **Fire and Burn Prevention**
- **Motor Vehicle Safety**
- **Falls Prevention**
- **Firearm Injury Prevention**
- **Water Safety**
- **Bike and Pedestrian Safety**
- **Choking, Strangulation, and Suffocation Prevention**
- **Poisoning Prevention**



This program is a comprehensive, school-based program, intended for classroom delivery by the teacher with supplemental support by community “Risk Experts”. This program serves to expand the scope of unintentional injury education and prevention among young people grades pre-K through grade 8 by providing a safety platform by which community organizations and agencies can provide expertise in their subsequent areas. A Grand Traverse Risk Watch Coalition has been developed and includes the following agencies:

Grand Traverse Metro Fire Dept, The American Red Cross, T.A.R.T., Home Town Health, The Grand Traverse Sheriff’s Dept, Safe Kids North Shore, North Flight, The Coast Guard, The Coast Guard Auxiliary, The Grand Traverse Sail and Power Squadron, Grand Traverse Rural Fire Dept, and Blair Twp. Fire Dept.



Risk Watch is by invitation and has maintained program relationships with the following area schools: Blair Elementary School, Cherry Knoll Elementary School, Kingsley Elementary School, Traverse City Montessori Elementary School, and in 2013 welcomed the International School – formerly known as Bertha Vos. Approximately 2080 students have received both classroom lesson delivered by their teachers and supplemental presentations from Risk Experts on a monthly basis over the past year.



Above the duty crew from Station 12 give kids a chance to spray the hose, and FF Jeremy Draper looks on as teens visiting from Mt. Zion church's Youth Group were able to learn first-hand how to train as a firefighter.

In conjunction with the on-going development of the Risk Watch programs, fire and burn safety prevention education has been provided in many other schools, daycares, youth-serving organizations, local businesses, and neighborhoods. In 2013 approximately 3,250 children were served in following locations:

Grand Traverse Academy, Courtade Elementary School, Cherry Knoll Elementary School, the International School, Cherry Knoll Elementary School, Traverse City Christian School, Traverse Bay Christian School, TEACH Home School students, Fox Motors – Kids Day, Toy R Us, National Cherry Festival, A Little School House, Central Day Care, and several home day cares.

Below, Captain Tony Posey and FF Chris Doornbos give kids visiting Station 1 from a home day-care, a station tour. Safety education is also provided for preschool age children to teach them about things that are not safe to touch.





Above Lt. Chris Comeaux helps a birthday boy spray the hose and Capt. Toney Posey demonstrates to students at Traverse Bay Christian School just how they can maneuver the ladder on Truck one.



Above Public Educator Meredith Hawes and Lt. Comeaux teach children about how an old fashioned bucket brigade work through a fun activity involving water balloons at Station 12.

Older Adult Outreach

At age 65 and older, adults are twice as likely to be killed or injured by fires or falls compared to the population at large. Thirty percent of people age 65 and older are involved in falls each year, the leading cause of death from unintentional injury in the home. In the U.S. and Canada, adults age 65 and older make up about 12 percent of the population – and are the fastest growing segment of the population.

The Fire and Life Safety Public Educator continues to coordinate the delivery of the Remembering When Program as presented by the NFPA and the Center for Disease Control. *Remembering When* is centered around 16 key safety messages – eight fire prevention and eight fall prevention – developed by experts from national and local safety organizations as well as through focus group testing in high-fire-risk states. The program was designed to be implemented by a coalition comprising the local fire department, service clubs, social and religious organizations, retirement communities, and others. Coalition members can decide how to best approach the local senior population: through group presentations, or during home visits, and/or as part of a smoke alarm installation and fall intervention program.

In 2013 Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department and their Fire & Life Safety Public Educator served as a member of the National Fire Protection Association’s Review Board for the Remembering When Program and also as a national trainer for the program. Through steady outreach to the Remembering When program, Metro provided valuable input for the National program, and locally reached approximately 1,650 older adults in the Grand Traverse County over the year. Older adults were reached at some of the following locations or venues; The Village at Bay Ridge, South Ridge and Wood Creek Living Facilities, The Grand Traverse Senior Center, Aspen Hills, The Northwest Michigan Area Agency on Aging, the Bay Area Senior Advocates & Senior Expo, Glen Eagle, Tendercare, Grand Traverse Commission on Aging, and The Aging and Disability Resource Collective.



Fire and Life Safety Public Educator works with local seniors on Fire Extinguisher Training at the Glen Eagle Retirement Community, and presents Customized Remembering When program for members of the Young On-set Parkinson’s Support Group.

Outreach to Disabled

“One Size Does Not Fit All”



In 2013, Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department continued its work to increase Fire and Life Safety programs specifically for people with disabilities through its Customized Outreach Program. The Customized Outreach Project is a fire and life safety public education initiative which focuses customized fire and fall prevention messages and home escape plans for those facing the obstacles of: mobility impairment, hearing loss or deafness, sight impairment or blindness, and/or cognitive impairments. The program recognizes that the typical and traditional fire safety messages that are delivered through public education do not always reach or fit every audience.

Right: Meredith Hawes addresses attendees on the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department’s approach to customizing fire and life safety education at the Indiana Public Safety Conference in November, 2013.



Kitchen Fire Safety was the theme in 2013 for the educational outreach to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Over 25 people attended the November 12 event and 17 applications were submitted for specialized alarms in homes that had no viable smoke alarms.



An invitation was extended in 2013 for Meredith Hawes and Sign Language Interpreter Leanne Baumeler to co-present the model for the Customized Outreach program at the ReCon Convention held at the Grand Traverse Resort. Disability agencies from around the state attend this convention annually. To date the program has been shared in the states of Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana.



Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department was asked to participate in the Quota Club International’s Festival of Cakes in 2013 and Meredith Hawes to serve as a celebrity cake decorator. Inspector Mike Scanlon served as the assistant, and together the team took first place. Funds generated through the Festival of Cakes and Quota International Club make funding for specialized smoke alarms available for local residents.



Above, Meredith Hawes presents the “Customized Outreach” project to attendees at the ReCon Conference at the Grand Traverse Resort in November 2013. Specialized smoke alarms purchased through funding from the Quota Club International.

Additionally Fire and Life Safety outreach was provided to the Grand Traverse Area Parkinson’s Support Groups, the Disability Network, and Grand Traverse Industries, approximately 720 disabled individuals were served in 2013.

Community Outreach

Community outreach was provided throughout the year to include Fire Prevention Week activities, along with community events at Meijer, Home Depot, Lowes, The US Coast Guard Base, the Acme Fall Festival, Northwestern Michigan College, Mt. Zion Church, The Schmuckal Foundation, The Mom’s Club at Fellowship Church, Kmart – Cherryland, Kmart – Acme, Area Agency on Aging, Grand Traverse Industries, the Goodwill Industries and Inn , the Zonta Festival of Trees, The Quota Club Festival of Cakes, UPS, Cherryland Electric, Walgreens, Kings Court, Hillshire Farms, Safe Harbor Program, Third Level Crisis Center, Grand Traverse Department of Public Works, North Shore Safe Kids, The National Cherry Festival, the Station 9 Pancake Breakfast, and individual station tours. Overall community events reach over 4,456 individuals with fire and life safety messages in 2013. In addition the Safe Neighborhood – Door to Door Smoke Alarm Campaign continues to provide and install smoke alarms on an on-going basis.

In 2013 Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department’s Fire & Life Safety Education Program received \$7,100.00 in support through grants from the Schmuckal Family Foundations, the Quota Club International Club, The Builder’s Exchange Club, and the Zonta Club. The program also provided 9 Community Press Releases, and provided 25 radio, newspaper, and/or television news interviews on seasonal topics throughout the year.



Above decals were displayed on Metro vehicles during Fire Prevention Week 2013, and Lt. Kyle Clute and Lt. Nick Lemcool install smoke alarms in a home visited by the Safe Neighborhood Door to Door Smoke Alarm Campaign.



Above; photos from the Heat event, held during the National Cherry Festival, for teens. Volunteer chaperones include firefighters, law enforcement, and community agencies, and volunteers that reinforce safe behaviors. Teens participated in a firefighter agility test, home safety obstacle course, firefighter Confidence Maze, safe driving simulators, and had practice using a fire extinguisher. Approximately 450 teens attended the 2013 event.

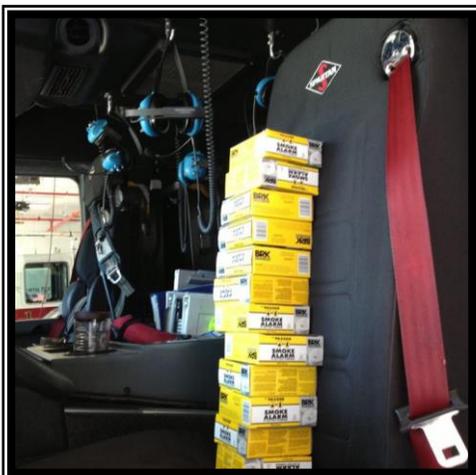




Above: Metro Fire Personnel welcome the Schmuckal Family Foundation Board Members following a grant donation, to educate the board on the value of the Firefighter Confidence Maze. Pictured behind the staff on right is the trailer purchased with the grant to haul and store the training equipment.

The Safe Neighborhood Campaign

In 2012, Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department embarked on a large scale smoke alarm campaign to ensure that every home within the Metro response area had at least 2 working smoke alarms. Through local support through: Rotary Good Works, Lowes, Home Depot, and Kidde, approximately 630 alarms have been installed. Metro firefighters work weekly to schedule installations. Door to door canvassing of “high risk” areas took place in 2013 and will continue.



Capt. Shaul and FF Mansfield installed 12 smoke detectors for residences that either needed new ones, didn't have enough or didn't have any... Thanks to the Smoke Alarm Project.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

It is with great honor to announce this year's 1st Metro Wide Firefighter of The Year Award to veteran of 7 yrs.

Lt. Kyle Clute

Lt. Clute is always willing to help out, there isn't anything that he wouldn't do for our department. He was our chairman for the Teen Heat event for the Cherry Festival; he volunteered to chair this year's open house during fire prevention week. Lt. Clute also offered to be involved in our Public Information Officer program. He completed his Fire Inspector certification this year. He did many of these without asking for any recognition or pay.



Firefighter Class of 2013

New firefighters stand with our officers at the Hagerty Center after their graduation.



YEARLY SERVICE AWARDS

30 Years— Chief Pat Parker

25 Years—Asst. Chief Brian Belcher

25 Years—Lt. Mike Vaughn

25 Years—FF Rick Osburn

25 Years—FF Tim Wrede

20 Years—Lt. Randy Agruda

10 Years—Capt. Tony Posey

10 Years—Lt. Adam Drewery

10 Years—FF Adam Mervau

5 Years—FF Greg Walker

5 Years—FF Cody Lipe

5 Years—FF Shawn Stinson

5 Years—FF Curtis Walters

5 Years—FF Dan Watkins

5 Years—FF Brent Strom

Firefighter of the Year—2013 Nominees

Station 1—FF Hal Miller

Station 8—Lt. Wayne Mervau

Station 9—Lt. Gary Francisco

Station 11—Lt. Kyle Clute

Station 12—Lt. Chris Comeaux

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

9/11 MEMORIAL

The 9/11 Artifact that Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department retrieved from New York City in 2011 has been permanently placed behind the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department Admin Office at 897 Parsons Rd, Traverse City MI 49686. This is located at N Three Mile Rd/Parsons Rd in East Bay Township of Grand Traverse County. More information can be found at www.gt911artifact.com.



The Ground Breaking Ceremony took place for the 9/11 Artifact at Grand Traverse Metro Fire Administration Office on July 16th, 2012. The artifact is available for the community members to view, reflect, and remember in a peaceful and tranquil setting.

9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department hosted the 12th anniversary 9/11 memorial ceremony on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 8:30 am. The Memorial included a flag raising by the Metro Honor Guard, bell ceremony, inspirational speech by US Coast Guard Commander Sean Cross, and other words of remembrance.

Also in conjunction with the Memorial, local Boy Scouts from the President Ford Council honored the day with a 9/11 perpetual Scout Salute from sun up to sun down.



2013 GRANTS AWARDED

A special thank you goes out to the following agencies for rewarding GTMESA with grant monies for needed equipment for the successful operation of our department.

- Art & Mary Schmuckal Foundation \$6,000 for a Cargo Trailer
- Cherryland Rural Electric (Rural Development Grant Initiative) Interest free \$360,000 loan for a new fire truck
- Assistance to Firefighters Grant \$38,000 for a fire suppression system at Station 11.
- Michigan Township's Participating Plan \$4500 for camera surveillance at Station 11
- State of Michigan Competitive Grant Assistance Program \$21,250 for a feasibility study for regionalization of fire services
- Rotary Good Works Fund \$3,370 for Firefighter Rehab Monitoring Equipment

CHILD PASSENGER SEAT SAFETY INSPECTIONS

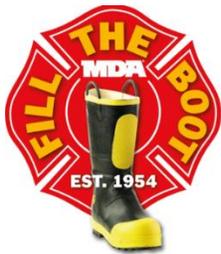
Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of accidental deaths among persons living in Michigan between the ages of 1 – 24 years old. Did you know that 9 out of 10 child passenger seats for children are installed incorrectly? Captain Tony Posey and Captain Troy Holliday are our certified technicians for Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department through Safe Kids Worldwide and the National Child Passenger Safety Seat Program. Station 11 hosts a monthly car seat check station for the community through the Safe Kids North Shore coalition program. Approximately 100 car seat checks are completed and corrected at Station 11 alone each year. In 2013, we added Firefighter Rob Harvey to the list of certified Technicians. Now, we have a certified technician on duty every day.



TOYS FOR TOTS

The Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department continues to help out with the Toys for Tots program every year at Meijer's making sure children have a merry Christmas.

Over 50 bicycles were assembled by our firefighters for the Toys for Tots program.

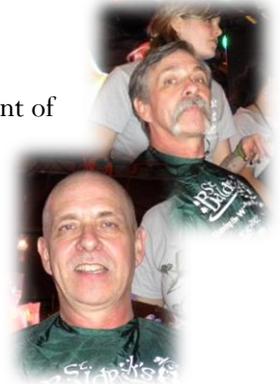


Crews helped with the Firefighter Fill-the-Boot program for MDA this year. Over \$5,300 was raised from generous donations of the public.



ST. BALDRICK'S FOUNDATION – Childhood Cancer Research

The Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department held a fundraising event for the St. Baldrick's Foundation for the 3rd year. All of the donations raised will go to the research and treatment of childhood cancer. Participants shaved their heads in support of the children that lose their hair during radiation and chemotherapy treatments. Both males and females including children participated in this event on March 12, 2013. We raised over \$5,500 this year and overall total for the 3 years of over \$30,000.



Please reference the St. Baldrick's web site for further information about the fundraiser and search for Metro Fire. <http://www.stbaldricks.org>.

FIRE CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

When firefighters respond to a burning building and focus attention on saving life and protecting property, the fire chaplain responds alongside but is focused on ministering to the needs of the firefighters and the needs of the crisis victims. Victims of an emergency crisis may be the family who has just been burned out of their home, or the scared and confused spouse of a heart attack patient. They could be the frightened children whose parents are being transported to the hospital after a tragic traffic accident. Firefighters are trained and able to deal with the varied emergency crisis in our modern world. Fire chaplains are equipped and called to deal with the people being affected by those same events. The fire chaplain is a spiritual presence in the world of fire department and emergency services.



Crews train on East Bay with Marine 1 Water Rescue Boat performing rescue techniques.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS *Photos by various photographers...*

Vehicle accident on US 31 North by Quality Inn.
Truck 1, Rescue 1, Engine 8 responded.



Right: Vehicle accident on US 31 North by Ruby Tuesday's drove through a power pole and causing a power outage for hours. Crews clean up hazardous fluids on the ground.



Right: New Rehab unit (Squad 13) for the safety of our firefighters after fires, trainings, etc. It's housed at Station 1.





We assisted Traverse City Fire Department on a Structure Fire at Century Sun on Aero Park Dr. Truck 1, Engine 11, Chief and personnel responded.



Station 8 helps deliver Santa to a christmas party at the Masonic Lodge in Acme.

Metro personnel help out at Station 9's Pancake Breakfast.



Training Burn: August 2013

Under the Supervision of Capt. Shaul and Capt. Holliday, almost 20 of our newest members were put through a controlled training burn on a house donated to us. Capt. Posey and Lt. Doornbos rotated guys around to perform ventilation techniques on the garage. Lt. Comeaux and Lt. Clute controlled our smoke and heat as our “Stokers”. Controlled live fire training helps us train our new members so they have a first hand knowledge of the job they signed up to perform. This is one the best trainings we can provide to our new members.





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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

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BRIAN BELCHER

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CAPTAIN TONY POSEY
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CAPTAIN MARK SHAUL
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STA. 9
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STA. 11
CAPTAIN BRIAN BLOOM
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CAPTAIN TROY HOLLIDAY
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FIRE INSPECTOR / PLANS REVIEWER
KATHY FORDYCE

JUVENILE FIRESETTERS

DEPARTMENTAL ROSTER

at end of year

Full-Time – Administration

Fire Chief Pat Parker
Asst Chief – Operations Terry Flynn
Asst Chief – Prevention Brian Belcher
Office Manager Marcia Schwind
Administrative Asst Mary Griggs

Insp. / Investigator Mike Lince
Insp. / Invest. Lt. Mike Scanlon (Sta. 12)
Inspector Kathy Fordyce
Public Educator Meredith Hawes

Part-Time – Admin

Medical Dir. Dr. Larry Stalsonburg
Lt. /HSO Mike Vaughn
Accountant Robin Ehardt
Cartographer Dave Lather
Admin Support Curt Holliday
Photographer Terri Newton

Full-Time Suppression

Captain Brian Bloom (Sta. 11)
Captain Tony Posey (Sta. 1)
Captain Troy Holliday (Sta. 12)
Captain Mark Shaul (Sta. 8 & 9)

Lieutenant Gary Francisco (Sta. 9)
Lieutenant Andy Doornbos (Sta. 1)
Lieutenant Adam Drewery (Sta. 1)
Lieutenant Nick Lemcool (Sta. 11)

Lieutenant Chris Comeaux (Sta. 12)
Firefighter Jeremy Draper (Sta. 11)
Firefighter Rob Harvey (Sta. 8)

Fire Department Chaplains

Glen Walters Jude Younker
Vicki Lyon Steve Dodd

Part-Time – Suppression and Support Members

STATION ONE

FF Jarod Barber	FF Hal Miller	FF Curtis Walters	Probationary Erin Fluharty
FF Stephanie Day	FF Lucas Mitchell	FF Dan Watkins	
FF Chris Doornbos	FF David Sicotte	FF Michael Winter	
FF Jacob Garris	FF Shawn Stinson	FF Joe Wood	

STATION EIGHT

Lt. Adam Mervau	FF Mike Courson	FF Brian Haskin	FF John Sanborn
Lt. Tim Newton	FF Ryan Deering	FF Tom Henkel	Probation Jacob Della Pia
FF Bill Brodin	FF Shawn Fitzgerald	FF Heather Hess	Probation Matt Morrison
FF Mike Bryan	FF Adam Grammer	FF Wayne Mervau	Probation Charles Starkey

STATION NINE

FF Matt Adamek	FF Jack Ferris	FF Mike Wilkins	Probation Joe Ruthkowski
FF Jeff Carpenter	FF Chris Kolinski	FF Karen Robinson	
FF Chris Childers	FF Rick Osburn		

STATION ELEVEN

Lt. Kyle Clute	FF Cory Ellis	FF Josh Morgan	Probationary Jordan Rife
FF Shaun Beady	FF Bryan Ferguson	FF Brent Strom	Probationary Tre Reynolds
FF Mark Bulger	FF Daren Mansfield	Probationary Eric Gustafson	Probationary Jesse Thomas
FF Eric Chryst	FF Steve Meek	Probationary Bryan Fasel	Probationary Justen Ziegler

STATION TWELVE

FF Joe Lambert	FF Chase Schelling	FF Tim Wrede	
FF Lee Bailey	FF Cody Lipe	FF Josh Sprenger	FF Amanda Yancho
FF Eric Clone	FF Josh Salyer	FF Greg Walker	Probationary Adam Nelson
FF Anthony Hoffman	FF Spencer Scanlon	FF Rick Worm	Probation Austin Groesser



Photo from March 2011 at Live Burn training at hotels in Acme Township. Largest group photo taken.

**From all of us, Thank You
for allowing us to
serve our community!**