

Fire Department

MISSION STATEMENT

- Provide firefighting services for the residents of, and visitors to, Grosse Ile, Michigan.
- Provide basic emergency medical services for the residents of, and visitors to, Grosse Ile
- Cooperate with the fire departments of the Downriver Mutual Assistance pact in the performance of their responsibilities.
- Instruct members of the Association in proper firefighting and emergency medical care procedures and study and improve the firefighting and emergency medical care capabilities of its members.
- Provide educational programs to the residents of Grosse Ile concerning the causes and prevention of fires and proper fire safety procedures.
- Collect and disseminate information concerning the causes of fire.
- Cultivate friendship and social contact among its members and promote and hold various social events.
- Solicit, receive, hold, invest and disburse donations, gifts, bequests and other funds for the purposes of the Goodfellow Association.
- Assist in the care, support and maintenance of indigent persons and families and undertake such other charitable activities consistent with this purpose.
- Otherwise promote the general welfare of the residents of Grosse Ile.
- Do all other lawful things consistent with the purpose of this Association.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Grosse Ile Volunteer Fire Department was established in 1943 to provide fire protection to the residents of Grosse Ile. This operation has continued through today, however, many more demands have been placed on the volunteer.

The goal of Grosse Ile Volunteer Fire Department is to continue to provide a quality fire and emergency rescue service to the island. It is also the desire of this organization to remain a volunteer department until such time that demands and/or community growth requires an alternative style of fire protection.

The Fire Department will continue to provide community service groups with special standby coverage of certain events such as all home football games, July 4 Fireworks, Airshows, etc.

2012 HISTORY & CHALLENGES

With seventy years under our belts as the Grosse Ile Fire Department, never did the original members ever imagine that the Fire Department would reach the professional level that we are at today. From a two bay dirt floor building in 1943, to an eight bay state of the art fire station in 2012, the Grosse Ile Fire Department has made great strides working towards a quality of life that is safer for the residents of Grosse Ile. With state of the art equipment and highly trained personnel, the Grosse Ile Fire Department has become one of the premier Fire Departments in the state of Michigan. This has all been made possible with the support of the community.

As 2012 comes to a close, Grosse Ile Fire Department has met the challenges of our economic down turn and has worked through them. We look forward to a better year and serving the residents of Grosse Ile is our top priority. This has been a busy year for the Grosse Ile Fire Department. Structures Fires are up and our E.M.S is extremely busy. The department responded to 620 combined calls. We would like to wish the residents a safe and prosperous 2013. Congratulations to the men and women of the Grosse Ile Fire Department and to the residents for their ongoing support.

As it has been in the past, the Grosse Ile Fire Department is always looking to improve its “Community Alert System”. Life Safety is our main focus. We will continue to keep the community informed about the “Safe and Sound Community Education Program”. With the E-Light System at all major intersection, warning drivers of approaching emergency vehicles. It has made our intersections much safer. Life Safety continues to be our number one concern. The Grosse Ile Fire Chief continues to fine tune our E.R.P (Emergency Response Plan). Additionally he’s working on a Wayne County Sub Committee to update the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

As we grow, the Fire Department is faced with more trainings and education throughout the year. State mandated classes and state of the art equipment make it necessary to train a least once a week and sometimes on weekends. It is important to know that the Grosse Ile Fire Department does all of its own in-house trainings. This commitment from the men and women of the Fire Department is what makes us one of the top Fire Departments in the state.

The men and women of the Fire Department have met the challenges of 2012 and exceeded them. Thank you: to the men and women for their outstanding job and their commitment to Family, Fire Department and the Community.

Goodfellows works diligently throughout the year to help the citizens of Grosse Ile in their time of need. Any resident that knows of a Grosse Ile family or individual in need, please contact the Fire Department.

**Fire Chief
Duncan Murdock**

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ◆ Upgraded E.M.S. Education
- ◆ Reduced legacy cost
- ◆ I.S.O Rating #5
- ◆ Additional Hazmat Equipment
- ◆ IAM Responding (reduce response times)
- ◆ Fire Prevention Open House
- ◆ Goodfellows ongoing commitment to the community
- ◆ Updating the E.R.P. (Emergency Response Plan)
- ◆ Additional EMS Training Devices
- ◆ American Red Cross Blood Drives
- ◆ Onboard mapping of commercial buildings
- ◆ 15 new pagers
- ◆ File of Life
- ◆ Two New Mustang Suits
- ◆ Infrared Thermometer
- ◆ New C.P.R Manikins
- ◆ New A.E.D Trainers
- ◆ Updated Department Computers
- ◆ Added 30% of All Night Calls Between 10PM & 6AM
- ◆ Working with the schools (Safety)
- ◆ Two New Thermal Imaging Cameras
- ◆ Helicopter landing zone lights
- ◆ Hurst lifting bags
- ◆ Hurst jaws equipment
- ◆ Improved scene lighting
- ◆ Three new members
- ◆ Update firefighter training library

GROSSE ILE FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>MANUFACTURER</u>
1997	1661	Quint (Aerial Device)	KME
2006	1651	Pumper	KME
1987	1653	Pumper	GRUMMAN
2000	1654	Rescue Pumper	KME
2006	1673	Air Boat	RESCUE MASTER
2009	1672	Ambulance	BRAUN
2003	1671	Ambulance	BRAUN
2008	1681	Chief's Vehicle	FORD
2005	1685	Fire Marshal's Vehicle	FORD
1995	1673	Ice/Water Rescue Trailer	EAGLE
2010	1691	Pick up Truck	FORD

This list represents the major equipment in the Grosse Ile Fire Department

GROSSE ILE FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

Grayten Bellard	Rodney Jankowski	Peter Payette
Russell Bodrie (Fire Marshal)	Gary Jones	Jim Proctor
John Budny	Jim Kovich	Mark Relich (Captain)
John Camilleri (Sergeant)	Tim Laurain	Kim Richardson (D.Chief)
Brad Chaszar	Charles Lowler (Captain)	Carolyn Sartor
Scott Clauss	David Lowler	Bob Walters
Kenny Cobb	Jason McManus (Sergeant)	Duncan Murdock (Fire Chief)
Chris Davenport	Mike McNabb (Lieutenant)	Chris Payette (Asst. Chief)
Kenny Gape (Sergeant)	Gordon Miles Jr.	Andrew Huber
Dave Hill (D. Chief Engineer)	Chad Miller	Kevin Langley
		Robert Roscoe

Members Also Involved With:

Arson Task Force	Downriver Fire Chiefs
Downriver Dive Team	Confined Space Rescue
Ice/Water Rescue	Rapid Intervention Team (RIT)
Engineers	Juvenile Fire Setters
E.M.S. Training	Open House
School Education	S.W.C Fire Chiefs Association