



# Mason Fire Department 2013 Annual Report



## Mission Statements

**CITY OF MASON, MICHIGAN**

**Mission Statement**

Mason is a community founded upon a respect for our historic past, while encouraging an atmosphere that values family, business, the environment and arts, creating a sense of place for present and future generations.



**MASON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MISSION STATEMENT**

*To strive to meet the needs of our community through Fire Prevention, Life Safety, Incident Stabilization, and Property Conservation, while being committed to creating pride, professionalism and a work place that nurtures the well-being and growth of our firefighters.*



Mason Fire Department  
2013 Officers



Chief Kerry Minshall



Assistant Chief Mark Howe



Captain Dennis Howe



Lieutenant Russell Whipple



Lieutenant John Sabbadin

# Mason Fire Department

## 2013 Personnel Roster

Member:	Position:	Years of Service For Mason:	Years of Experience In Fire Service:
Steven Armstrong	Engineer	39	39
Larry Martin	Engineer	38	44
Dennis Howe	Captain	35	35
Don Parsons	Engineer	35	35
Leon Clark	Engineer	34	34
Kerry Minshall	Chief	33	33
Mark Howe	Assistant Chief	31	31
Jim Hays	Engineer	30	30
Debra Scutt	Firefighter	28	28
Jim Jones	Assistant Engineer	26	26
Michael Buckner	Engineer	25	25
Russell Whipple	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	24	24
Art Moul	Assistant Engineer	19	30
John Sabbadin	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	18	18
Scott Etzel	Assistant Engineer	11	20
Dan Kennedy	Engineer	10	17
Matt Wood	Assistant Engineer	10	10
Scott Preadmore	Assistant Engineer	10	10
Dana Kennedy	Firefighter	9	10
John Scutt	Firefighter	8	11
Brian Jordan	Firefighter	8	19
Vaughn Vandecar	Firefighter	7	7
Jason Buckner	Firefighter	6	13
Brian Revels	Assistant Engineer	6	6
Kevin Revels	Firefighter	6	6
Joshua Woodland	Assistant Engineer	5	14
Jacob Meyers	Firefighter	5	5
Brian Wood	Firefighter	4	4
Chad Chambers	Firefighter	3	18
Kirk Crawford	Firefighter	3	3
Tom Butcher	Firefighter	2	5
Scott Davidson	Firefighter	2	7
Tai English	Firefighter	2	2
Ken Hamel	Firefighter	2	2
John Hill	Firefighter	2	2
Jason Sigman	Firefighter	2	2
Colen Armstrong	Firefighter	1	1
Tim Scott	*Trainee	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	Total:	540	624
	Average:	14.2	16.4

\* Fully certified as a Firefighter. All new members must fulfill a one year probationary period and wait for an opening.

## Personnel Changes in 2013

### New Members

We did not add any new members to the department in 2013

### Exiting Members

There was only one member who left the Fire Department in 2013.



After more than 28 years of loyal and dedicated service to the Mason Fire Department, effective March 1, 2014 **Leon Langridge** retired. Leon left as a member in good standing and has been moved to the position of Honorary Firefighter.



## The year in Review

By Chief Kerry Minshall

The fire department was busy all year volunteering and participating in many community events and activities, training and responding to emergency calls. The following represents only a sampling of the many activities that we are involved in.

There was an increase in the total number of fire calls compared to 2012. Runs in the City of Mason, Aurelius and Vevay Townships all had an increase. The requests for mutual aid however were down. There were several severe weather days in November and December which contributed to the increase.

On December 22, 2013 due to the overwhelming number of weather related calls, we opened our Emergency Operations Center or EOC. The fire department responded to multiple simultaneous calls over a several hour period. All of these calls are represented as one call in the response totals. About 20% of our total calls were during the last 10 days of December.

When it comes to our membership for 2013 the word stability sums it up. We had one member retire in March. Our membership remains high as well as our retention of current members. We currently have 36 volunteers, 1 trainee and myself.

Delhi Township has subcontracted Mason Fire Department to provide primary fire services in roughly the southern third of Alaiedon Township. This is a one year renewable agreement beginning January 2, 2014.

Mason Fire Department interacts with several other organizations and departments such as Metro Fire Chiefs, Ingham County Fire Chiefs, Ingham County Hazardous Materials Team and the Ingham County Tanker Task Force. We do joint purchasing, share services, information, ideas and resources to provide better service to our communities and citizens. I also serve on the Ingham County 911 Advisory Board where I am currently serving as Vice Chairperson.

Captain Dennis Howe is still serving as the Ingham County Training Coordinator and is our training officer as well. We continue to have a demanding training program for our members including topics such as fire suppression, search and rescue, vehicle extrication, hazardous materials mitigation, confined space rescue, water and ice rescue, carbon monoxide monitoring and more. We collaborate with the other Ingham County fire departments to offer seminars, joint trainings, Firefighter Academy and Fire Officer Classes. We hosted a Firefighter academy at the Mason Fire Station in 2012/2013 and again in 2013/2014. Several of our members are Certified Fire Instructors and teach the class along with other area instructors.

The Mason Firefighter's Association is made up of all of the members of the Fire Department and retirees plus several honorary and auxiliary members. We recently amended our bylaws to add the classification of Mason Fire Corp into our organization. The Mason Fire Corp is made up from community volunteers. Through fundraisers and events such as pancake breakfasts and the Golf Ball Drop the Mason Firefighter's Association raises funds for the

purchase of equipment for the Fire Department as well as supports our other various activities in the local area such as scholarships.

Sponsored by the Mason Firefighters Association, the Chief James M. Pelton Memorial Scholarship for 2013 was given to Mason High School Senior Autumn Baughman. The recipient of the Mason Firefighters Association Memorial Scholarship was Mason High School Senior Emily Disselkoen. The scholarships are funded from the proceeds of our pancake breakfast and are given out at the annual awards ceremony in May.

Community involvement of the fire department and the association remains a high priority for me. For example, we continue to host the annual Fourth of July Fireworks program as highlighted below bringing thousands of people to Mason.

A parade would not be complete without fire trucks. The department volunteers many hours to participate in the local parades such as Memorial Day, Independence Day, Veteran's Day and the Light Parade. We also participate in parades at Dansville, Delhi and Leslie and they in turn have trucks in our parades.

The fire department supports the Ingham County Fair each year with many members volunteering to work at the James Malcom Fire Safety House, water the race track, and provide fire protection at tractor pulls, demolition derbies and other infield events.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Mason Cares Day was held on September 11<sup>th</sup> thanks again to Dart Bank and Colleen Briggs. Members of the community descend upon fire station to paint, clean the station, work on landscaping and wash and wax the police and fire vehicles. Businesses and individuals also donate goods and services that help support us throughout the year.

We held our 12<sup>th</sup> annual 9-11 ceremony September 11<sup>th</sup> in remembrance of those who lost their lives during the tragic events of September 11, 2001. Just prior to the event we were called to a field fire sparked from a lightning strike. Crews quickly extinguished the fire and returned just in time for the program. Dress code for the ceremony was therefore turnout gear.

During October, National Fire Prevention Month we hosted 17 classroom visits at the fire station, did a fire prevention assembly at North Aurelius for K – 2 and several scouting groups for fire safety education. We also held our annual open house during Fire Prevention Week which was well attended. Kids (and parents too) could ride on a fire truck, tour the Fire Safety House, spray the fire hoses, and learn about fire safety.

In December we participated in the Shop with a Hero program held at a Meijer. The Mason Firefighters Association donates funds to help with the costs and we sent four firefighters as shoppers.

## Breakdown of Incidents

### Breakdown by Area Served:

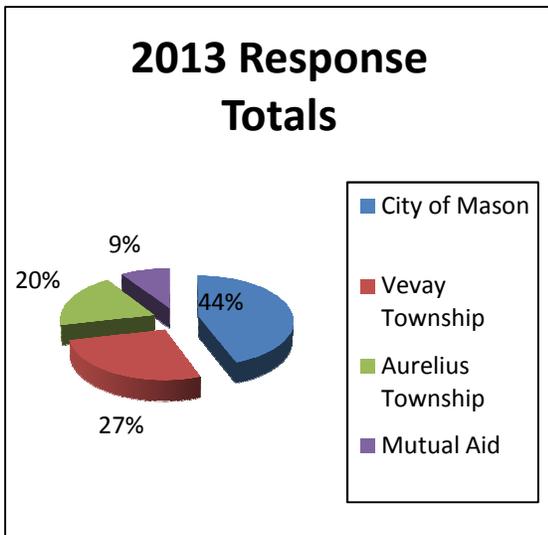
The Mason Fire Department responded to 217 incidents in 2013. This was a total increase of 43 responses compared to 2012. There was an increase in responses in the City of Mason by 33 calls. Vevay Township had an increase of 15 responses and Aurelius Township had an increase of 7. Mutual aid to neighboring departments decreased by 12 responses.

#### 2013 response totals:

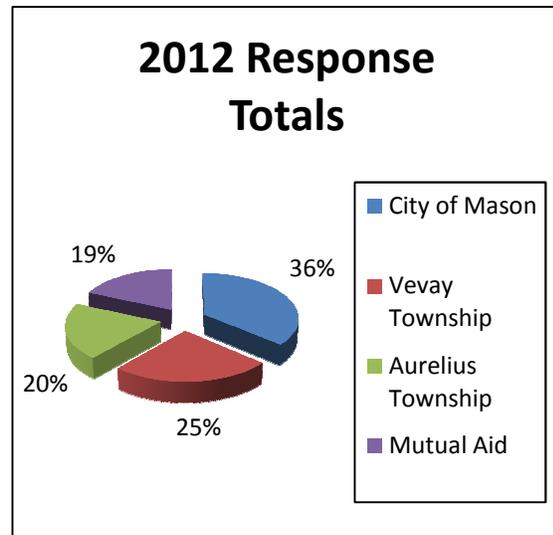
City of Mason	96
Vevay Township	59
Aurelius Township	42
Mutual Aid	<u>20</u>
Total	217

#### 2012 response totals:

City of Mason	63
Vevay Township	44
Aurelius Township	35
Mutual Aid	<u>32</u>
Total	174



Total Responses 2013  
By percent



Total Responses 2012  
By percent

## Breakdown by Incident Type:

### City of Mason 2013:

Structure fires	4
Vehicle fires	4
PI accidents and extrications	2
False alarms: Systems, detectors, etc.	24
False alarms: Canceled, unable to locate etc.	8
Carbon Monoxide alarms	10
Miscellaneous: Power lines etc.	10
Miscellaneous: Odors, gas leaks etc.	16
Fires other: Minor fires, rubbish, unauthorized and authorized burning, fires out upon arrival, etc.	11
Severe weather	3
Wild land, grass fires	1
Missing persons	1
Medical assistance / rescue	0
Hazardous materials, fuel spills	2
Total	96

An average of 20.5 firefighters responded to structure fires.  
An average of 13 firefighters responded to all other incidents.  
Another 38 calls were “Command car only” to scene.

The average response time from dispatch to on-the-scene was 4.2 minutes.  
Average time includes all calls, 15 emergency and 81 non-emergency responses.

There were 43.5 hours spent at runs in the City with an average “on scene” time of 27.2 minutes and a manpower total of 1154 hours.

There was a 52% increase of calls from 2012 to 2013.

## Aurelius Township 2013:

Structure fires	6
Vehicle fires	1
PI accidents and extrications	6
False alarms: Systems, detectors, etc.	0
False alarms: Canceled, unable to locate etc.	3
Carbon Monoxide alarms	6
Miscellaneous: Power lines etc.	9
Miscellaneous: Odors, gas leaks etc.	4
Fires other: Minor fires, rubbish, unauthorized and authorized burning, fires out upon arrival, etc.	2
Severe weather	0
Wild land, grass fires	2
Missing persons	0
Medical assistance / rescue	2
Hazardous materials, fuel spills	1
Total	42

An average of 23.4 firefighters responded to structure fires.  
An average of 15 firefighters responded to all others.  
Another 10 calls were “Command car only” calls to scene.

The average response time from dispatch to on-the-scene was 12.4 minutes.  
Average time includes all calls, 12 emergency and 30 non-emergency responses.

There were 31.3 hours spent at runs in Aurelius Township with an average “on scene” time of 44.5 minutes and a manpower total of 848.5 hours.

There was a 20% increase of calls from 2012 to 2013.

## Vevay Township 2013:

Structure fires ( 1 after the fact )	7
Vehicle fires	1
PI accidents and extrications	12
False alarms: Systems, detectors, etc.	8
False alarms: Canceled, unable to locate etc.	2
Carbon Monoxide alarms	1
Miscellaneous: Power lines etc.	10
Miscellaneous: Odors, gas leaks etc.	6
Fires other: Minor fires, rubbish, unauthorized and authorized burning, fires out upon arrival, etc.	5
Severe weather	0
Wild land, grass fires	6
Missing persons	0
Medical assistance / rescue	1
Hazardous materials, fuel leaks	0
Total	59

An average of 22.3 firefighters responded to structure fires.  
 An average of 14 firefighters responded to all others.  
 Another 11 calls were “Command car only” calls to scene.

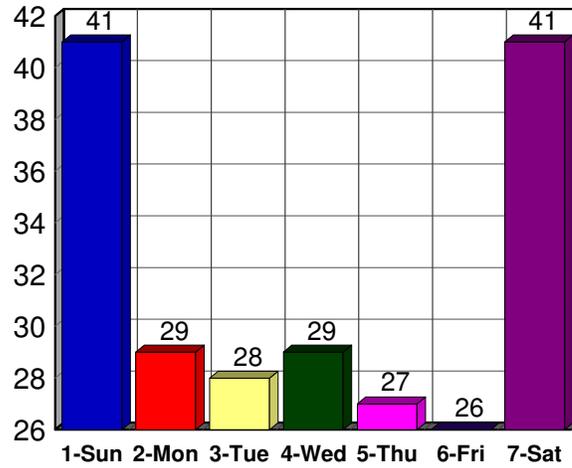
The average response time from dispatch to on-the-scene was 6.3 minutes.  
 Average time includes all calls, 21 emergency and 38 non-emergency responses.

There were 35.7 hours spent at runs in Vevay Township with an average “on scene” time of 36.3 minutes and a manpower total of 874 hours.

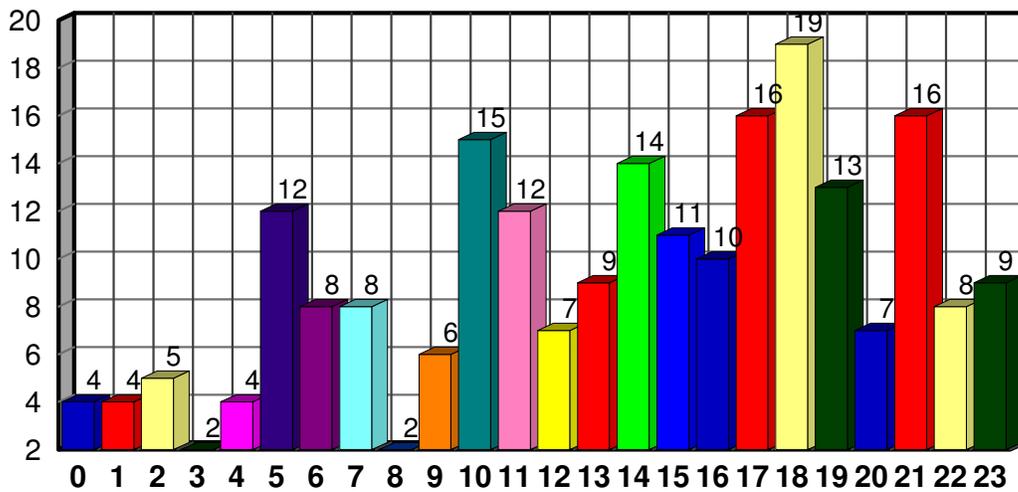
There was a 34% increase of calls from 2012 to 2013.

# Number of Calls Report by Day of Week - Hour of Day

### Calls By Day Of Week



### Calls By Hour Of Day



The above graphs were provided by the Ingham County Dispatch Center

Estimated Losses  
For Structure Fires and Fires in Structures

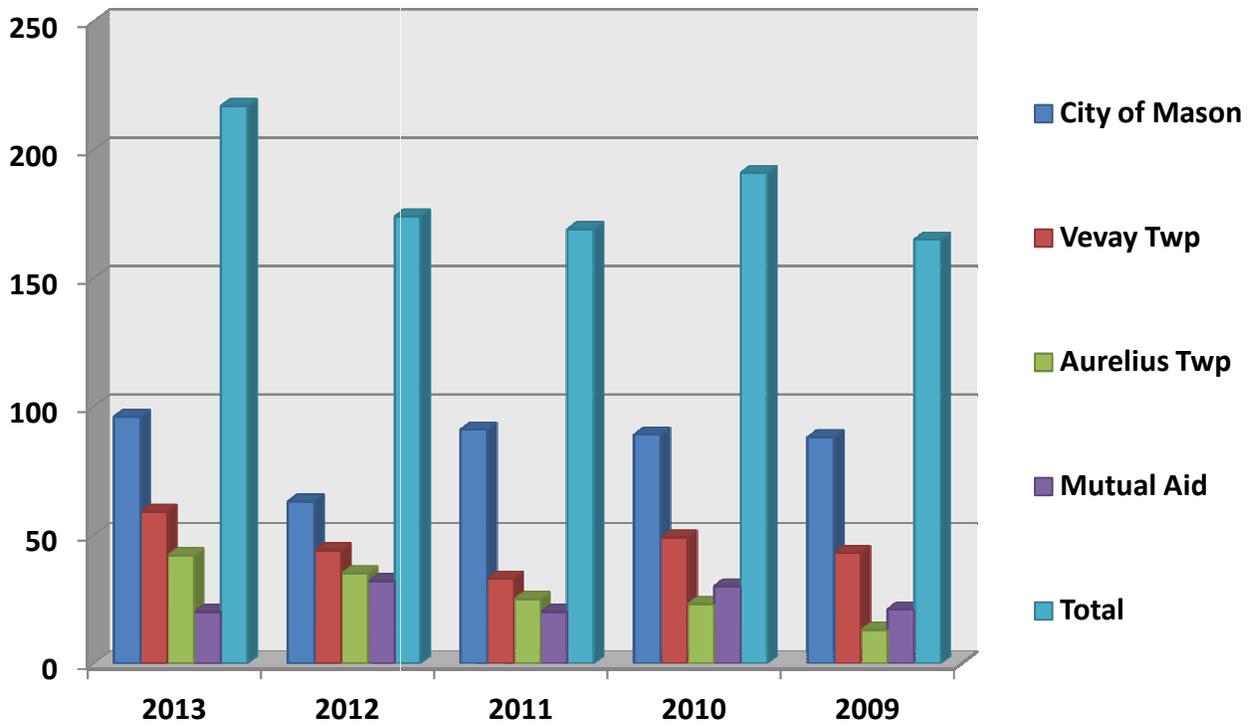
Service Area	Address	Type	Losses Property/Contents	Pre-Fire Value Property/Contents
City	540 E. Ash	Structure fire Garage	\$500 / \$100	\$5,000 / \$5,000
City	316 E. Sycamore	Structure fire House	\$50,000 / \$5,000	\$86,000 / \$10,000
City	955 W. Ash Street	Structure fire House	\$50,000 / \$5,000	\$94,300 / \$10,000
City	311 S. Walnut Court	Structure fire House	\$25,000 / \$5,000	\$78,400 / \$10,000
City	242 Kiwanis Drive	Cooking fire Apartment	\$500 / \$500	\$292,000 / \$80,000
City	210 Kiwanis Drive	Cooking fire Apartment	\$500 / \$500	\$292,000 / \$80,000
City	572 Beacon Lake Drive	Cooking fire Apartment	\$500 / \$500	\$460,000 / \$80,000
City	216 N. Rogers Street	Cooking fire House	\$1,000 / \$1,000	\$63,000 / \$10,000
Aurelius	3822 W. Columbia Road	Structure fire House	\$75,000 / \$10,000	\$131,000 / \$20,000
Aurelius	114 S. College Road	Lightning strike House	\$1,000 / \$5,000	\$84,700 / \$20,000
Aurelius	4701 Elliot Road	Structure fire House	\$500 / \$0	\$33,800 / \$10,000
Aurelius	5959 Curtice Road	Chimney fire House	\$500 / \$500	\$102,000 / \$10,000
Aurelius	813 S. Onondaga Road	Structure fire House	\$49,600 / \$10,000	\$49,600 / \$10,000
Vevay	1978 Laxton Road	Structure fire House	\$10,000 / \$1,000	\$78,700 / \$15,000
Vevay	1785 Kelly Road	Structure fire House / Garage	\$5,000 / \$500	\$76,300 / \$10,000
Vevay	1858 W. Columbia Road	Arson Mobile Home	\$1,500 / \$500	\$1,500 / \$500
Vevay	427 S. College Road	Structure fire Camper / House	\$15,000 / \$0	\$115,000 / \$20,000
Vevay	1981 Eden Road	Structure fire Garage	\$500 / \$0	\$5,000 / \$5,000
Vevay	255 Ives Road	Structure fire House	\$50,000 / \$10,000	\$122,000 / \$20,000

Losses are estimated at the time of the incident report by the information currently available.

## Five Years of Incidents

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	Average
City of Mason	96	63	91	89	88	85.4
Vevay Twp	59	44	33	49	43	45.6
Aurelius Twp	42	35	25	23	13	27.6
Mutual Aid	20	32	20	30	21	24.6
Total	217	174	169	191	165	183.2

The following chart represents responses by area over a five-year period.



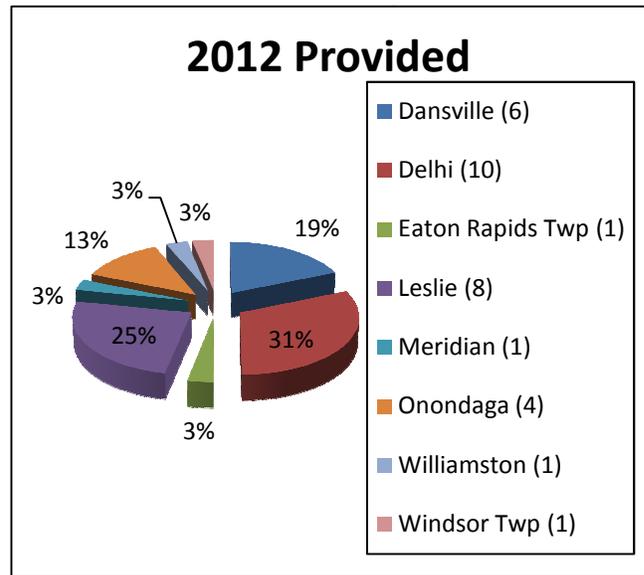
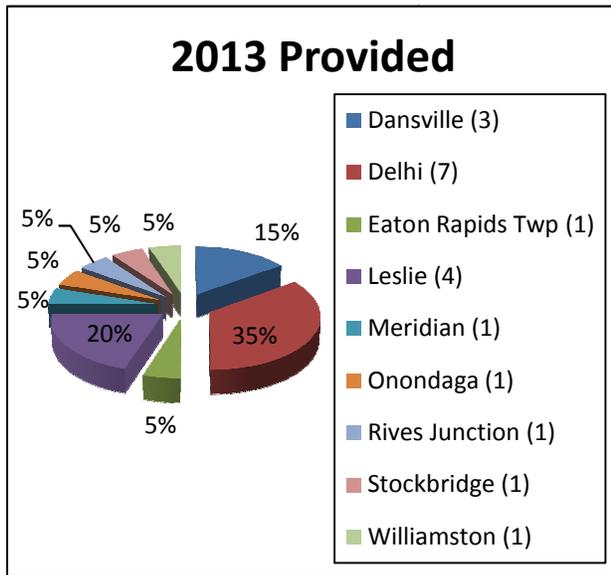
## Mutual Aid

Through our Mutual Aid agreements we give and receive assistance for Incident Command support, manpower, equipment, water tankers and Rapid Intervention Teams or almost any other service requested. By collaborating and sharing our resources with other area departments, we are able to greatly enhance the services that we provide and receive.

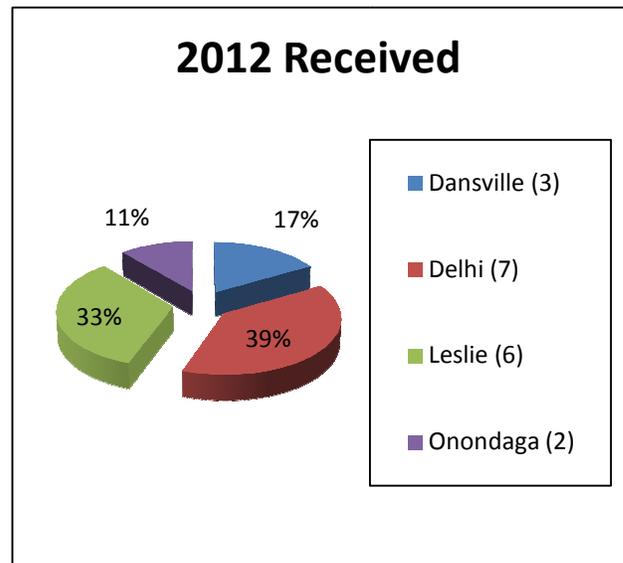
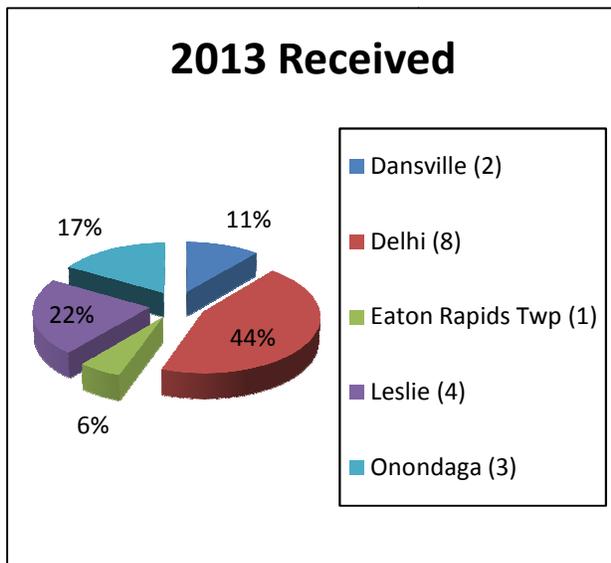
Mason Fire Department continues to participate with the Ingham County Tanker Task Force. A call for the Tanker Task Force will bring tankers from the East, West or all of Ingham County, part of Eaton County, and part of Livingston County.

In 2013, Mutual Aid was given 20 times and was received 18 times.

### Mutual Aid Given 2013:



### Mutual Aid Received 2013:



## Mutual Aid Given 2013:

Structure Fires	12
False alarms: Systems, detectors, etc.	1
False alarms: Cancelled, unable to locate, etc.	3
Miscellaneous: Power lines, etc.	1
Medical assistance / rescue, ice, etc.	3
Total	20

An average of 14.1 firefighters responded to structure fires.

An average of 12.4 firefighters responded to all others.

Another 4 calls were “Command car only” calls to scene.

The average response time from dispatch to on-the-scene was 11.2 minutes.

Average time includes all calls, 15 emergency and 5 non-emergency responses.

There were 24.8 hours spent at Mutual Aid runs with an average “on scene” time of 74.3 minutes and a manpower total of 383 hours.

## Mutual Aid Received 2013:

	Dansville	Delhi	Eaton Rapids Twp	Leslie	Onondaga	Total
Structure Fires	2	7	1	2	3	15
Vehicle Fires (camper)				1		1
PI accidents & extrications				1		1
Miscellaneous: Power lines, etc.		1				1
Total	2	8	1	4	3	18

We also received assistance from Ingham County Heavy Rescue at 12 structure fires and 11 PI accidents & extrications.



## Training & Education

By Dennis Howe  
Captain

The members of the Mason Fire Department are asked to leave their spouses, family, friends, and even their place of employment at a moment's notice to serve this community. In addition, these same members are required to take part in various training opportunities throughout the year. This training allows us to enhance our knowledge, sharpen our skills, and develops the teamwork necessary to maintain the high level of readiness that the citizens we serve have come to expect and deserve.

The Mason Fire Department takes training very seriously as shown by our mandatory practice policy. The first practice of each month is designated as a mandatory practice. The skills that are featured are required to be reviewed on a yearly basis by the NFPA or are ones that the department feels are crucial to its members. These include such subjects as Search & Rescue, HazMat, ICS, SCBA, and Extrication. If a department member misses a mandatory meeting due to work or family conflict, there are several means open to them to make this session up. The member can ask an officer to meet with them, attend a similar session at either the Leslie Fire Department or the Ingham Township Fire Department or in most instances, view a video of the presentation and take a test to show the necessary knowledge was obtained. It is not our intention to punish a member due to circumstances, but rather to insure the safety of the individual as well as the other members with whom they serve.

The Mason Fire Department has a regularly scheduled training practice every other Friday, for a total of 26 sessions per year. Fire practice begins with a business meeting at 7:00 PM, then we move to a training activity and concludes anywhere from 9:00-10:00 PM depending on the exercise. In 2013, approximately 1287 personnel hours were spent on Friday night trainings. This works out to an average of 33.9 hours per person. In addition to the regularly scheduled practices, we have instituted an optional practice that occurs once a month. This allows the members to get together to work on skills that they wish to hone. MFD members also attend training and specialized classes on their own time. The department furnishes each person with a subscription to *Firehouse* magazine. The magazine is filled with information and articles about the latest firefighting techniques, strategy, lessons learned from fires, and articles on items such as the advances in car making technology that will affect extrication practices.

The Mason Fire Department trains with other departments around the county each year. In 2013, there were approximately 1395 additional hours spent in training with the Tanker Task Force, Ingham County HazMat team, Ice Rescue, Extrication classes, Firefighter I & II classes, Fire Officer I, II, & III classes, teaching at other departments, and NIMS training as required by the Dept. of Homeland Security.

It is very important for us to train with other county departments, as we are increasingly working together at emergency scenes on mutual aid requests. We work closely with the Delhi Township, Leslie, Ingham Township and Onondaga Fire Departments. At some point each year, we do training with each of the aforementioned departments. Familiarization with each other's equipment and personnel are crucial to the success and safety of the firefighters and citizens.

It is obvious that the members of the Mason Fire Department deem training important, as evidenced by the 81.3% attendance rate at fire practices for 2013. The approximately 2700 hours of training is done with very little, and in many cases, no compensation, save the satisfaction of knowing that one is improving his skills as a firefighter. The Mason Fire Department is extremely blessed to have dedicated people who understand the importance of training and the

willingness to do so. This department has a very high standing within the fire department and emergency services community for its knowledge, actions, training, expertise, and professional manner with which we serve the citizens of Mason and the townships of Vevay, Aurelius and Alaiedon.

As we look forward to 2013, there will be many efforts made to continue to grow our excellent reputation within the fire community due to our leadership, equipment, training, and professionalism. As I serve the Ingham County Fire Chiefs, as the Ingham County Training Coordinator, I have instituted monthly meetings with the Training Officers from the departments of Ingham County. Through this group, a set schedule of classes has been developed and implemented. We are currently hosting the Firefighter I/II classes for new firefighters. The class, which began the first Monday in December, will conclude with the candidates' graduation at Mason High School on April 3. The Mason Fire Department currently has five certified instructors that can teach state certified classes. Company Officer I/II, Fire Officer III, and NIMS 300 are also classes that are now being offered county wide on a regular basis. This will allow department heads, as well as the potential attendees, to plan their schedules and their budgets.

With the blessing of Dart Bank, we have been able to utilize the INCO Graphics property that Dart owns. Until the demolition of the property later this year, we will continue to use the building for a variety of training scenarios that we would not otherwise be able to simulate. There are two additional objectives that we hope to accomplish in 2014. We will be taking Tower 808 to the surrounding departments and give these departments hands-on training in the use of our apparatus. In addition we are incorporating the Fire Corp into certain aspects of our training. It keeps them informed and further helps to integrate them into our department. We have included the Fire Corp in at least two practices a year. They have been taught how to change SCBA, roll hose, and other tasks that are of great assistance to the department at major fires. Two major points of emphasis this year will be on firefighter safety and survival during May Day month in May, as well as our need to enhance our driving safety education component.

The need to keep up with the ever changing technology and risks involved in being a firefighter in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, are challenges that we readily accept as members of the Mason Fire Department.

Firefighters practice vehicle extrication at the city compost.





## MABAS

Mutual Aid Box Alarm System or MABAS is a mutual aid system designed to streamline the requesting and providing of emergency and fire service resources across Michigan and the Great Lakes Region for events such as major fires, train derailments, tornadoes, hazardous materials incidents, wild fires, domestic or foreign terrorism and other events that may overwhelm a local fire department.

MI-MABAS has mutual aid agreements with many other states across the Country making it a nationwide mutual aid system. MI-MABAS is divided into several regions which are comprised of a number of divisions.

In June of 2013 Mason Fire Department joined the Ingham County Division of MABAS which is part of MI-MABAS.

Before MABAS we only had mutual aid agreements with our tangent departments. At times we would give mutual aid to agencies that we did not have formal agreements with. Often these local incidents did not warrant the state's Declaration of Disaster and its accompanying statutory powers. Without a Declaration of Disaster or Declaration of an Emergency, statewide mutual aid cannot be activated, nor are the statutory powers in force for an assisting agency's reimbursement, liability and workmen's compensation coverage. When such cases exist, being a MABAS member agency affords invaluable benefits to a stricken community, regardless of where the community is located. As a MABAS member agency, every community has the same agreement as the signatories -- all agreeing to send predetermined resources to assist a stricken community. Without a formal written mutual aid agreement (such as MABAS), a request for mutual aid assistance becomes a voluntary act, putting the Fire Chief and the employing community sending the resource, at great risk should equipment be damaged, or if a firefighter is injured or killed in the line of duty.

As we begin to implement our predetermined local mutual aid box alarms it will improve the way we give and receive mutual aid and the dispatch of the tanker task force.

Currently the Ingham County MABAS divisions include every fire agency within Ingham County.

For more information visit <http://www.mabasmi.org>

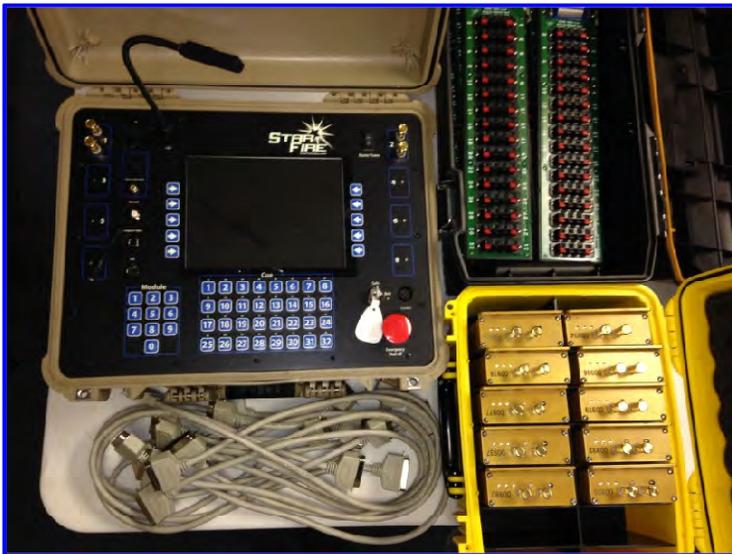
## Fireworks

The Mason Fire Department, Mason Firefighters Association and Dansville Fire Department have been providing and shooting the annual Independence Day fireworks show since the United States Bicentennial in 1976. The money raised by gate donations and fundraisers go to pay for the next years show.

Each year our firefighters, family and friends have descended upon the Ingham County Fairgrounds to dig trenches and holes to provide a safe shooting environment for the shooters and audience. The firefighters would load and hand shoot the fireworks with flares.

This year we decided to purchase an electronic firing system to enhance our capabilities and safety of the show. The cost of the Star Fire system was about \$9000.00. The Mason Firefighters Association held our first annual Great Balls of Fire Golf Ball Drop to help pay for the system.

Due to a last minute dispute with the insurance carrier for the city, this years show was in question. Fortunately the issue was resolved and the show went off without a problem.



Star Fire electronic firing system

Crews wire up the fireworks



## Incidents



Crews extricate a patient after his vehicle lands on the creek embankment.



Car vs. pole on Columbia Road.



Incident at Jewett Airport.



The burn off flare malfunctions and sparks a field fire on Jewett Road.



This home is saved with only seconds to spare.



Discarded ashes from the fireplace cause significant damage to this home.

## 911 Ceremonies

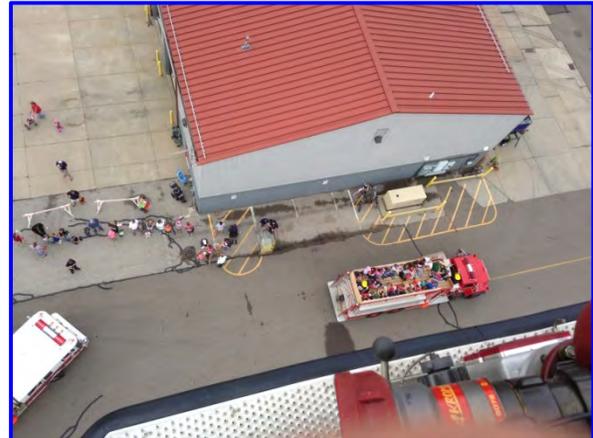


911 Memorial Service in our Memorial Garden

## Open house



Firefighters demonstrate cutting up a car.



807 leaving with a load of kids for a ride.

## Pancake Breakfast



Firefighters, Family, Fire Corp and Friends work at the pancake breakfast fundraiser.

## Susan G. Komen



The Mason Firefighters present check for Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

## Mason Fire Department Fleet



New 2013 Expedition Chief's car  
Command 801 responded to 99 calls



Old 2001 Expedition now officer's car  
Command 802 responded to 130 calls



Rescue 806 responded to 91 calls



Tower 808 responded to 23 calls



Engine 809 responded to 85 calls



Pumper/Tanker 811 responded to 102 calls



Tanker 807 responded to 17 calls



Brush 810 responded to 50 calls



Squad 815 responded to 24 calls

## Conclusion

There are many people and entities that deserve our thanks that help the fire department throughout the year.

Our firefighters, families and friends spend countless hours working at fire calls, attending trainings, serving on committees and volunteering at community events and fundraisers.

Citizens and local businesses donate time, food and coffee at fire calls and supplies that help to support us all year long.

Honorable Mayor Clark and City Council for their continued support of Mason Fire Department.

City Administrator Marty Colburn for his continued commitment to the emergency services in Mason.

Thanks to city staff and the other city departments who help in many ways throughout the year.

It remains an honor and a privilege to serve as Fire Chief for the City of Mason. I look back on 2013 with satisfaction and forward to the challenges the upcoming year will bring.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Minshall, Fire Chief