

GORDON/WASCOTT EMS

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2012 report

First , I would like to start by saying THANK YOU to you the citizens of Gordon and Wascott, the Town Board members, the members of the Fire Departments of Gordon and Wascott, and last but not least the members of the Gordon-Wascott EMS, without all of your support we would not have the Ambulance service .

Last year we had 120 runs. 62 Gordon, 53 Wascott, and 5 mutual aid calls to Solon Springs.

In 2012 we gained some new members. Welcome Darryle Fiegle, Jason Moberg, and Ashley Palen. We have also lost a few members to retirement. Judy Aspling, Art Lang and LaVonne Almer. You will be missed on the service and thank you for all your years of dedication to the service. All three received a mantle clock with years of service on it.

Dr. McCann (our medical director) received the STEMI of the year award from St. Mary's (Essentia) at their STEMI conference . Dr. McCann, with the help from Brian Ebert, figured out how to transmit 12 lead EKG's from our phones when we have no cellphone coverage giving the hospitals a much better image to be able to alert the Cath-Lab much faster. This provides better care to our patients and results in a better outcome. They enlisted the help from Richard Moven (St. Mary's STEMI Coordinator) and Mike Sullivan to help make this happen. Richard got the Cardiovascular Doctors onboard and Mike got the e-mail address up and working. Thank you to all the members who help pilot this project. With your help we have set the path way for other services. What great team work we have here at Gordon-Wascott EMS.

Other things we have accomplished in 2012:

A second power cot was purchased. Both the Ambulance's now have power cots, with battery chargers on board. A grant from Enbridge for \$1,000.00 was awarded to us. That helped pay for the second charging system. Some members of the service have advanced their level of care to EMT Basic, EMT Intermediate and a few have even gone on to Paramedic. Congratulations on your success in the EMS Field. We are all proud of you. We have members that have hit mile stones on the service. Cheryl Downs 5 years of service, Josh Booth, Mike Chmielecki ,Brian Ebert, Mike Johanson, Lynn Zimek 15 years of service and Brandon Klein has reached 200 runs for the service.

We have 16 members who have made the Service Award Program.

In 2013 we will be adding C-PAP to our service

In closing, Thank you again, Keep up the good work, and always be safe out there.

Betty Ebert /Director, Stacey Vig /Asst. Director