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### OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

**Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety has chosen Sunday October 11, 2020 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM as the date and time for our Fire Prevention week open house.**

Fire Prevention week memorializes two devastating fires that occurred on the same day, October 8, 1871.

The Great Chicago Fire was a conflagration that burned from Sunday, October 8, to Tuesday, October 10, 1871. The fire killed up to 300 people, destroyed roughly 3.3 square miles of Chicago, Illinois, and left more than 100,000 residents homeless.

The Peshtigo fire was a massive forest fire that took place on October 8, 1871, in and around Peshtigo, Wisconsin. It was the deadliest wildfire in American history, with estimated deaths of around 1,500 people, possibly as many as 2,500.

As in past years, we will have our fire apparatus, ambulance and police vehicles on display for the public, along with other displays and attractions. As part of our fall tradition, we will be serving cider and donuts. Please join us to celebrate your Public Safety Department and the dedicated professionals that serve our community.

Respectfully,

John J. Schulte  
Chief of Police/  
Director of Public Safety