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The Retirement Register

Recent Retirement Statistics

According to the information in our databases, here are some statistics on recent General Retirement System retirees:

Year	# of Retirees	Gender	Type of Retirement	Average # of Service Years
2006	61	40 Male 21 Female	46 Age & Service 2 Special Early 6 Early 1 Deferred Early 2 Deferred 3 Non-Duty Disability 1 Death-in Service	26.05
2007	61	35 Male 26 Female	54 Age & Service 5 Early 1 Deferred 1 Death-in Service	27.14
2008	47	30 Male 17 Female	35 Age & Service 6 Early 1 Deferred Early 2 Deferred 2 Duty Disability 1 Non-Duty Disability	25.93
2009	41	24 Male 17 Female	32 Age & Service 2 Early 3 Deferred Early 3 Deferred 1 Non-Duty Disability	25.04

Retiree Tip

If you are retired and not driving to and from work each day, consider checking with your insurance agent to see if you can get a discounted auto insurance rate. Many insurers base your rates on the distance you drive each day and whether it is to/from work or driving for pleasure. You are considered at lower risk for an accident if you do not have a daily commute.

If you are over age 65 and enrolled in Medicare, also check to make sure that your medical coverage under your auto policy is set as your primary and not secondary coverage. Medicare will not provide primary coverage for injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Your Medicare Supplemental policy might cover auto insurance injuries, but it is best to make sure you will be covered (either Medicare Supplement or auto insurance) if you are injured in an auto accident.

New Retirees

The Trustees and staff of the General Retirement System are pleased to congratulate the following new retirees:

Elizabeth Byron	(Planning)	01/01/10	Micheal Bukrey	(Water)	03/23/10
Gerald Czyzyk	(Information Tech.)	01/01/10	Jodene Coffman	(Water)	03/23/10
Thomas Syrek	(Comm. Development)	01/01/10	Douglas Riewald	(Water)	03/24/10
James Levandoski	(EP-WWTP)	01/05/10	Eileen Zelent	(Income Tax)	03/25/10
David Marlink	(Water)	01/05/10	Mary Carpenter	(Water)	03/26/10
Benjamin Poll, Jr.	(Engineering)	01/05/10	Susan Bartosiewicz	(Water)	03/27/10
David VanHouten	(Police)	01/05/10	Bruce Hanna	(Parks & Recreation)	03/27/10
Joyce Truss	(Water)	01/08/10	Dale Holmes	(Streets & Sanitation)	03/27/10
Michael Edmondson	(EP-WWTP)	01/15/10	Donna Brown	(Water)	03/30/10
Ida Sawyer	(Income Tax)	01/16/10	Michael Grygorzyk	(Motor Equipment)	03/30/10
Amy Goethal	(Neigh. Improvement)	01/22/10	Dianette Hight	(Engineering)	03/30/10
Willa Nabors	(Parking Services)	02/02/10	Thomas Homrich	(Parking Services)	03/30/10
Bernard Gumbis*	(Engineering)	02/05/10	Christina Ledesma-Burns	(Fire)	03/30/10
Michael Wolski	(Water)	02/17/10	John Noordyke, Jr.	(Streets & Sanitation)	03/30/10
Judith Ruch	(Comptroller's)	02/19/10	Timothy Postma	(Streets & Sanitation)	03/30/10
Mark Siegel	(Water)	02/23/10	Robert Borek	(Engineering)	03/31/10
George Childers, Jr.	(Human Resources)	02/24/10	John DeVogel	(Traffic Safety)	03/31/10
Thomas Wildie	(Water)	03/03/10	Randall Fisher	(EP)	03/31/10
Jeffrey Edmonds	(Water)	03/08/10	Andrew Kennebrew	(EP-WWTP)	03/31/10
Kenneth Neuman	(Motor Equipment)	03/09/10	Craig Mason	(EP-WWTP)	03/31/10
David Radofski	(Motor Equipment)	03/10/10	James McMaster	(Water)	03/31/10
Claire Webb	(Treasurer's)	03/11/10	Stan Milanowski	(Comptroller's)	03/31/10
Timothy Flinsky	(Water)	03/13/10	Robert Paasche, Jr.	(Streets & Sanitation)	03/31/10
Dorothy Czajkowski	(Attorney's)	03/16/10	Jeffrey Pierce	(Fiscal Services)	03/31/10
Jeffrey Wierzbicki	(EP-WWTP)	03/17/10	Cynthia Sikkema	(61st District Court)	03/31/10
Janet Dzwonek	(Water)	03/18/10	Christine Holmes**	(Streets & Sanitation)	04/01/10
Edward Krzeminski	(Water)	03/19/10	Henry Zerfas	(Streets & Sanitation)	04/08/10
Elizabeth Szczepanek	(Water)	03/19/10	Thomas VanWyngaarden	(Parking Services)	04/24/10
Gail Palasek	(Comptroller's)	03/20/10	John Wessely	(Parking Services)	04/30/10

*Death-in-Service

**Deferred Member

Pension or Insurance Questions?

If you have questions regarding your pension, please contact the City of Grand Rapids Retirement Systems office at **(616) 456-4300**. All address, direct deposit, federal withholding or name changes **must be sent in writing** to: **City of Grand Rapids Retirement Systems, 233 E. Fulton, Suite 216, Grand Rapids, MI 49503**. Changes received by mid-month will be effective at the end of that month. Please note that **anytime** you experience a change in your address, whether permanent or temporary, for your protection, you need to notify our office in writing to authorize the change.

City health insurance questions should be directed to Insurance Services at **(616) 456-3300**. **Seniors Choice insurance** questions should be directed to **(888) 228-3002**.

In Memory of Departed Friends

John Shay*	12/10/09	Ronald Roskamp	02/02/10
Rose Nicola	12/12/09	John Colligan	02/06/10
Emmie Cook*	12/19/09	Savannah LaMar*	02/10/10
Betty Herman	12/23/09	J. Robert Smolenski	02/12/10
Paul Wright	12/26/09	Booker Davis	02/28/10
Jean Kelly*	01/03/10	Peter Albright	03/03/10
Mildred Van't Hof*	01/05/10	Stephen Tryc	03/07/10
Audrey Kettner	02/02/10	Kenneth McNamara	03/22/10

*Denotes a beneficiary