

## ICEBREAKER MACKINAW MARITIME MUSEUM

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Renaissance PSA 8th Grade

## Rub-A-Dub-Dub!



Members of the Mackinaw City Fire Department came to the rescue of the Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum Ship. It wasn't to put out a fire – it was to give her a good blast of water to clean her up and get rid of the midge bugs.

We normally use a large pump and the fire hoses that were left aboard when the ship was decommissioned. However, while we have been waiting on parts to repair the pump, I looked into other options to get the ship rinsed.

I called a friend who is a volunteer firefighter and pitched my idea. He came down to the ship, took a look at the scope and scale of the job, and then went

to speak to the Fire Chief, Fred Thompson Jr. Next thing I knew, we were on their schedule.

It was a great way to tackle some necessary spring cleaning and throw in a little practical training for the volunteer firefighters!

—Lisa Pallagi, Executive Director



The ship is open for tours daily at 9:00 a.m.

For more info, visit: www.themackinaw.org



## **School Tour Groups**

May and June are traditionally the busiest months for school groups visiting the Straits and touring the ship. One school, Renaissance PSA, came for an educational tour on May 22. They also took part in a Fly-A-Flag event with a flag flown in honor of their school. They put together a nice <u>video</u> from their visit to Mackinaw City and Mackinac Island which features highlights from their tour of the ship. Be sure to check it out!

If your group is interested in booking an educational tour, please contact: lisa@themackinaw.org