



***"Community with Police...Caring & Sharing Together"***



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**THANK YOU** to Officer Eric Muszynski for organizing this event every year and to Mike Briggs, Jim Vasko and Bob Barber for their help in setting up and cleaning up after the event!

10/31/2019 17:00

**On behalf of the Gerrish Twp.  
Police Department...THANK YOU!**





## UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS:

### NOVEMBER 1st

10:00 a.m. ACT NOW Executive Board Meeting  
@ Gerrish Police Dept.

### NOVEMBER 28th...



## DRUG DROP BOX

On October 29th, 64.4 pounds of medications were transported to the Petoskey Department of Public Safety for proper incineration disposal in partnership with the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council. This represents six months worth of unused and expired medication collection.

On September 11th, Chief Hill was awarded a new Safe Medication Disposal Box through the Rite Aid Foundation's "Kid Cents" program. This new box will replace our older style existing Drug Drop Box and will be in the same location and available 24/7 (just to the left of the front door entrance of the Gerrish Police Department). The custom box is currently in production and we should receive it within the next month. Until then, please keep using our current Drug Drop Box. Watch for updates on the new box once it has been installed.

We appreciate your efforts in supporting the safety and well being of the children in our communities by properly disposing all unused, unwanted and expired medications.

This is also a way to keep our environment healthy by not contaminating our ground water by flushing medications down the toilet or down sinks.

**NOTE:** You do not have to remove labels from medicine containers as the entire container will be disposed of. All items put in the drop box are stored in a locked location until the items are ready to be transported for disposal. Transports are done by police officers only in sealed containers and are put directly into the incinerator. If you would like to remove pills from containers, please put them in a plastic baggie.

On November 1st, we said goodbye to Officer Shannon Fick. After four and a half years with the Gerrish Twp. Police Department, Shannon has left to pursue a career with the U.S. Border Patrol.

Shannon was very active in our community programs and projects and served on our community ACT NOW Executive Board as the Police Officer Representative. Shannon was a Car Seat Safety Technician, organized the Annual Gerrish Twp. Torch Run for Michigan Special Olympics, organized our Shop-With-A-Cop annual Stuffed Animal Fundraiser and was a member of the Gerrish Fire Department.

Officer Fick was an asset on our department and will be greatly missed.

We wish her the best in her future endeavors.



## WREATHS — across — AMERICA



The Gerrish Township Police Officer Association will be honoring the following local Veterans in support of the "Wreaths Across America" local ceremony that will take place at the Lyon Twp. Cemetery on December 14, 2019 at Noon.

- David Nicholas Trombley - WWII ARMY (Private First Class) *David is the father of Police Administrative Clerk Julie Hill*
- Alfred Sylvester LaBonte - VIETNAM MARINES (Sergeant) *Alfred is the father of Sgt. Norman LaBonte*

One of our department's very dearest friend and supporter that passed earlier this year will be listed on the organization's memory wall as we also have sponsored a wreath IN MEMORY OF DONALD STRABLOW - MARINES (Lance Corporal). Don's widow Diane resides in Gerrish Township and continues to support our officers and our department and its mission. We would like to send out a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our community's Veterans and their families, both the one's still with us and those that have passed.

This ceremony is open to the public and if you would like more information on this program or how to donate visit their website at [WreathsAcrossAmerica.org](http://WreathsAcrossAmerica.org) or contact them at (877) 385-9504.