# G.A.P.S. Newsletter

Gerrish Alternative Policing Strategies

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

**APRIL 2022** 



## **Spring is in the Air**

Would you like to learn more about our area Spring and Summer weather such as tornado development, thunderstorm hazards, severe weather safety, or things about the weather that may fool you? If so, come join us on May 4th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Gerrish Township Municipal Building for a "Spring Weather Spotter Training" class.

This class will be presented by the National Weather Service and is free and open to the public, no preregistration is required.

The class is being sponsored by Gerrish Township and Roscommon County Emergency Management. After completing the training, attendees will be official National Weather Service Skywarn Spotters and will be given a spotter card and information on several online spotter networks. Spotters play a pivotal role in helping the National Weather Service warn for dangerous conditions and storms.

If you are interested in becoming a Skywarn Weather Spotter or just learning more about severe weather and storm spotting, we encourage you to attend this very informative class.

For more information about the Skywarn program you can visit www.weather.gov/apx/faq\_skywarn.

#### TORCH RUN T-SHIRT SALE

The 2022 Law Enforcement Torch Run Sale
T-Shirts are now available to purchase from
the Gerrish Township Police Department.
They are only \$10.00 each and all sales
support Special Olympics Michigan!!
The shirts are a heather blue color in a 52/48
cotton/poly blend and are available in Adult
sizes Small - XXLarge. Stop by and pick up a
couple as they sell out rather quickly!
If you would like to place an order, please
contact Julie Hill at (989) 821-5207 X291 or
email jhill@gerrishpolice.org and we will set
them aside for you.

Our Gerrish Township Community TORCH RUN will take place on September 13th this year. As always, it is a 5K Run/Walk/Bicycle event that starts at the Gerrish Township Police Department and ends at the South Higgins Lake State Park. Watch for more details on this event coming in the near future. This will be our 13th ANNUAL TORCH RUN and we have raised over \$18,800 for Special Olympics Michigan since we began the event in 2010!!



2022 TORCH RUN SALE SHIRTS \$10

These are different than the run shirt you would receive as a run participant

Mark your Calendars...our SCRAP METAL PROJECT will open for the season approximately April 15th. Watch for the utility trailer and drop-off sign to be set up behind the Gerrish Police Department.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS:**

#### APRIL 1st

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

APRIL 17th



#### APRIL 15th - Scrap Metal Project OPEN APRIL 23rd

Food Truck Distribution @ Roscommon Area Schools Bus Garage (10:00 a.m. until food is gone)

#### APRIL 23rd

ACT NOW Bowling Tournament Fundraiser 11:30 a.m. Registration - Start at Noon @ Fred's of Roscommon

### GERRISH TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL CAMPING ORDINANCE & PERMITS

Permits for Camping are available beginning April 1st at the GERRISH TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT at 3075 E. Higgins Lake Drive, Roscommon, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. These permits were previously obtained at the Township Municipal Building but now will be handled through the Police Department to assist with Ordinance compliance.

Under the Gerrish Township Camping Ordinance XXXV, each property address is allowed up to three 4-Day Permits, one 10-Day Permit or a Special Exception 180-Day Permit per calendar year. Each Permit Fee is \$2.00 and you may obtain all three 4-Day Permits and a 10-Day Permit for a consecutive 22-day period for an \$8.00 fee. (If you choose this option, you have exhausted your permits for the calendar year all at once.)

For a complete copy of the Ordinance you can visit the Gerrish Police Department's website at www.gerrishpolice.org or the Gerrish Township's website at www.gerrishtownship.org.

Copies are also available at the Gerrish Township Police Department. For additional information please contact Julie Hill at (989) 821-5207 Ext. 291.

## **ROTARY AUCTIONS**

Roscommon County has two very active Rotary Clubs that do wonderful things for our community. They would not be able to provide all of their services without the support from the community and they each hold a large Auction fundraiser every Spring. Please consider attending one (or both) of these fun-filled functions and help them in attaining their annual fundraising goals!

