

GAPS NEWSLETTER



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

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Gerrish Police/Fire/EMS and ACT NOW hosted their annual Trunk or Treat on Halloween night. The event was a huge success and the weather was very cooperative. Over 1,000 guests attended and 38 trunks participated.

The winners of the three judged categories were: Best Decorated: W & W Auto Parts

 $Most\ Creative:\ Higgins\ Twp.\ Fire/EMS\ Dept.$

Scariest: Galen Vernon

10 Random Participation prizes were also awarded.

Our "Blow-Up Alley" was a big hit and the vehicle participants went all out this year with their awesome decorations. A HUGE thank you to all of the trunk participants as they are the key to the success of the event! Special thanks goes out to all of the volunteers that helped with set-up, clean-up, traffic control, pedestrian safety, event planning and coordination.

We would also like to thank the community and local organizations that donated cash or candy for the event. We are so grateful for all of your donations! Thank you also to Toy Box Storage and St. Elizabeth's Church for allowing us to utilize their parking areas, the South Higgins Lake State Park for the use of their lighted traffic sign and hay bales, Bart's Fruit Market for the cornstalks, Dankert's Farm Market for the pumpkins, Roscommon Village DPW for the use of their barricades and the staff of the Roscommon County Prosecutor's Office for being our trunk judges! For more photos of the event check out our website page at www.gerrishpolice.org/trunk-or-treat/

WRAPPING PAPER DRIVE

We will be holding a wrapping paper drive during the months of November and December for our Kids Helping Kids Foster Christmas Program and our Shop-With-A-Cop Program.

Boxes will be available at both the Gerrish Twp.

Main Office and the Gerrish Twp. Police Dept. for
dropping off donations of new (or left over)

Christmas wrapping paper, gift boxes, gift bags
and tape.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

NOV 6 CERT QUARTERLY TRAINING @ TWP. HALL VOLUNTEER RECEPTION TRAINING 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

NOV 7
ACT NOW EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
10:00 AM @ GERRISH TWP. POLICE DEPT.

NOV 15 STUFF THE AMBULANCE @ GERRISH F.D. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

NOV 22 FOOD TRUCK DISTRIBUTION @ ROSCOMMON AREA SCHOOLS BUS GARAGE 10:00 AM UNTIL FOOD IS GONE



GERRISH TOWNSHIP FIRE/EMS PRESENTS

STUFF THE AMBULANCE



Join us in the Fight Against Hunger

Saturday November 15, 2025 11:00am - 3:00pm

2997 E. Higgins Lake Dr. Roscommon, MI 48653

Donations accepted anytime until event!

Suggested Items:

Peanut butter
Jelly
Pancake Mix
Canned Veggles
Macaroni and Cheese
Ramen
Canned Soups
Stuffing Mix



Monetary, Dry and Canned Goods Accepted

MOBILE DATA COMPUTERS

Three of the Gerrish Police patrol vehicles were recently equipped with new Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) which will allow for fast and reliable data, utilization of an e-Citation system, ability to draft search warrants, access personal protection orders, bond conditions, and mapping/location service while on patrol. This project included hardware, software, and connectivity service so that officer's can access Michigan, Federal, Local and Department databases including the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN), National Crime Information Center (NCIC), FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS), Secretary of State (SOS), Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS), and Caliber Interact Records Management System (RMS). These updates will enhance employee performance, organizational efficiency, time management, report writing, communications and officer safety.

SHOR with a COP

Planning is underway for our 2025 Shop-With-A-Cop Program. The Gerrish Police Department along with ACT NOW have brightened the holiday season for 178 families, 290 adults and 601

children since 2002. The Roscommon Area Public Schools assists with the application process and those applicants are reviewed by GTPD Officers to make sure families meet the required criteria for the program. If selected, one child from each family goes with Officers to shop for gifts for the entire family. The gifts are kept at the Gerrish PD and wrapped by volunteers at our annual "Wrap Party" which takes place on the third Monday in December every year. If you would like to volunteer to wrap gifts, please contact Julie at (989) 821–5207 Ext. 291 or email

jhill@gerrishpolice.org. Cash donations for this program are always welcome and can be dropped off at the Gerrish PD or by making a secure payment online. Scan QR code for a quick online payment link.



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