

# G.A.P.S. NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2016

GERRISH ALTERNATIVE POLICING STRATEGIES "COMMUNITY WITH POLICE...CARING AND SHARING TOGETHER"



## 2016 ACT-NOW SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

Officer Norm LaBonte and ACT NOW Chair Mary Link presented two \$500 Scholarships at the RHS Senior Academic Awards Night on May 2, 2016 to Erica Luck and Paige Patterson.

Erica Luck is the daughter of David & Suzanne Luck and will be attending Kirtland Community College in the fall to major in Cosmetology. Erica was very active in her four years at high school both with school related activities and extra-curricular activities. She served on Student Council, Youth Advisory Committee, Prom Committee, Rotary Interact, National Honor Society and participated in Quiz Bowl, Musicals, Cheerleading, Track and Field. Erica also volunteered at the Roscommon Area District Library and was a

Teen Buddy for Camp Live Laugh Love.

Paige Patterson participated in Volleyball, Basketball and Soccer all four years of high school while she was also a member of the National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, LINK Group, Rotary, Moose State Leadership Program and Markey Baptist Youth Group. She volunteered as a basketball and volleyball camp counselor, 8th Grade Orientation Leader, Special Olympics, River House, Sunrise Run, Winterfest, Little League and Lake Louise Camps, just to name a few!

Paige will begin classes at CMU this fall and will major in Special Education. Paige is the daughter of Rodney & Michelle Patterson.

**Congratulations to Erica & Paige and all the RHS Seniors and Best Wishes in your future endeavors!!**

**7th Annual HIGGINS LAKE SUNRISE RUN** is scheduled for Saturday, June 18, 2016. This event consists of a Half Marathon, 10K, 5K and a Family Fun Run which takes runners on a point-to-point route along Higgins Lake between the North and South Higgins Lake State Parks and inside the South State Park. Registration fees are \$45 for the Half Marathon and \$25 for the 5K and 10K Run/Walk. Participants are encouraged to pre-register on line by following the link on the Roscommon Rotary Club website at [www.roscommonrotary.com](http://www.roscommonrotary.com). This annual event is sponsored by the Roscommon Rotary Club, who partners each year with ACT-NOW and the Roscommon Area Youth Booster Club. The Gerrish Township PoliceDept. and the Gerrish C.E.R.T. Team play an intricate role in the run as they are responsible for the course traffic control and runner safety throughout the event.





## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

### JUNE 2nd

1:00 p.m. ACT NOW Exec. Board Meeting  
@ Gerrish Township Police Department

### JUNE 3rd & 4th

Playground Community Build Program  
Behind Gerrish Twp. Municipal Building

Start at 10:00 a.m. on Friday June 3rd

Start at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday June 4th

### JUNE 18th

HIGGINS LAKE SUNRISE RUN

### JUNE 25th

Noon - Midnight "Relay for Life"

@ Houghton Lake High School



## 17th Annual ACT-NOW Meeting & BLOCK PARTY

Will take place on July 18th at 6:00 p.m.  
at the Gerrish Twp. Hall (Outdoor Pavilion Area). Burgers, hot dogs,

potato salad and beverages will be provided by ACT-NOW. Please bring a dish to pass, your own lawn chairs and table service. After everyone eats, the ACT NOW Annual Meeting will take place with an update of the groups accomplishments over the past year, the upcoming events and the 2016-2017 Election of Officers. If you are interested in becoming an ACT NOW Executive Board Member or would like to nominate someone, you can contact the Nominating Committee members Chief Brian Hill at 821-5207 Ext. 287 or CERT Coordinator Sharon Zacny at 275-8858. Following the meeting will be the annual Community Awards Presentation.

## 7th ANNUAL ACT NOW Golf Outing

is scheduled for August 13th and will take place at Redwood Golf Course. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a Shot Gun Start at 10:00 a.m. The cost is \$50 per person and the fee includes a four-person scramble, golf cart, prizes, hot dogs on the turn, and a meal afterwards. Pop and water will also be provided all day for the golfers and workers. Registration Forms are available at the Gerrish Police Department, Redwood Golf Course or online at [www.gerrishpolice.org](http://www.gerrishpolice.org). For more information on this event or if you would like to sponsor a hole, donate a prize or volunteer to work the event please contact Officer Austin Martin at (989) 821-5207 Ext. 292.

## 2016 ACT NOW "Getaway Package" Raffle...

Make sure you get your tickets for this great raffle, they are being sold by any ACT NOW Board Member or Gerrish Police Officer.

**1st Prize - Water Park Resort Package to Great Wolf Lodge in Traverse City (Value \$1,000) Based on 2 Nights/2 Adults/4 Kids**

**2nd Prize - Casino Package to Kewadin Casino in Sault Ste. Marie, MI (Value \$750) Based on 2 Night/2 Adults**

**3rd Prize - \$250 CASH**

Tickets are 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25 and only 600 tickets are being sold. The drawing will take place on November 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Fred's Restaurant in Roscommon and you do not need to be present to win.

ACT NOW ran this same fundraiser in 2014 and it was a great success. All proceeds from this raffle will benefit ACT NOW community programs and projects such as Shop-With-A-Cop, Scholarship Program, Trunk or Treat, Kids Helping Kids and CERT just to name a few!

Don't forget to come out to the Roscommon Relay For Life event on June 25th at the Houghton Lake High School from Noon - Midnight and help Gerrish Township Police Officers meet their fundraising goal of \$2500. All of us have been "touched" by someone who has battled cancer and this is a great way to show them support or remember those that lost their battle.

**Celebrate. Remember. Fight Back.**