

November 8th, 2016

Diane Peppler Resource Center

November 2016 Newsletter

Monthly Days of Interest:

- Nov 13th: World Kindness Day
- Nov 14th: World Diabetes Day
- Nov 14-18th: American Education Week
- Nov 15th: America Recycles Day
- Nov 19th: International Survivors of Suicide Day
- Nov 24th: Thanksgiving
- Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month
- Native American Heritage Month
- And Many More...

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National Philanthropy Day—November 15th

National Philanthropy Day® is the special day set aside to recognize and pay tribute to the great contributions that philanthropy – and those people active in the philanthropic community – have made to our lives, our communities and our world. This year marks the 23rd anniversary of this special day.

National Philanthropy Day is formally supported by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) and hundreds of other nonprofit and for-profit organizations throughout North America.

Visit <http://www.afpnet.org/about/?navItemNumber=500> to learn more about AFP, the leading professional association in the world dedicated to harnessing the spirit of philanthropy.

Ways to Volunteer for DPRC:

- ⇒ Have a truck or own a moving company? Help move furniture for our clients that are moving out.
- ⇒ Do you like working with kids? Help out with childcare during

Donating time is just as valuable as donating money.



the week for our mom's in shelter.

- ⇒ Like doing work in the community? Help us with our community events like food trucks, awareness walks and DPRC hosted fundraisers.
- ⇒ Want to plan a fundraiser on behalf of DPRC? Host a fundraiser of your choosing to raise money for our agency.
- ⇒ Want to collect items for our agency? Host a drive for hygiene products, non-perishable food items or children's toys for the Christmas season.
- ⇒ Contact our volunteer coordinator for more information: Call 906-635-0566 or email heggatonk@dprcenter.org

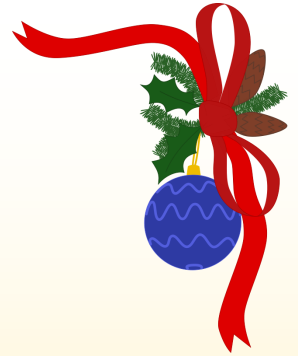
Dear Holiday Donors,

Hello, my name is Cassidee Retzloff, and I am the Youth Advocate at Diane Peppler Resource Center. As the Youth Advocate, I provide activities for in-house children, facilitate educational groups for children and teens, and provide support for parents in shelter.

This letter is to ask for any donations that you may be able to give the children and youth that I work with. Donations that we are looking for include (but are not limited to): craft items, games, children activities, toys, and any necessities children and adolescents may need. The donations will be used for our Children's Program, as incentive prizes for our Youth Groups, and as activities the children can do while their mother is attending an in-house support group.



We are having our annual Christmas Party for clients and their children on Dec. 11th, 2016 and we are accepting any donations to give as presents to the families. Any donation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me personally by emailing retzloffc@dprcenter.org.



Use AmazonSmile for Your Online Shopping Purchases!

Do you like to shop online instead of going to the store and standing in line for things? Do you use Amazon.com to make your online purchases? Guess what? You can shop online at smile.amazon.com to make those same exact purchases and they will make a donation to the Diane Peppler Resource Center every time that you purchase from their website! AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Diane Peppler Resource Center every time you shop, at no cost to you. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select Diane Peppler Resource Center to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. They will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation to the shelter. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. All of us here at DPRC sure will appreciate the time you take to switch to shopping with

AmazonSmile and we want to thank you so much for all of your support!

Send in an email to Kara Heggaton at heggatonk@dprcenter.org with what you purchased from AmazonSmile and you could be featured in an upcoming newsletter!

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You shop. Amazon gives.

Shopping online can now help you support the Diane Peppler Resource Center!

From the Director

It's been a wonderful time of year so far. The weather has been fantastic and none of us can complain about that. During this time of year, we also would like to focus on what blessings we have been receiving. We have been offered some great opportunities for grants that will increase the services that we provide in our three counties. The Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) offered us the opportunity to increase our funding for additional services that we do not already provide. We were able to secure funding for a Civil Legal Attorney and a Sexual



Assault Advocate specific to those services. We also received funding from a Rural Grant to assist with providing services to those in our outlying regions. This funding will also allow for us to bring trainers to the area. It is imperative that we continue to maintain training for all staff, law enforcement, medical professionals, and stakeholders. If we want to continue to change the conversation of how abuse effects the community, we have to have all of the agencies involved having the same conversation.

- Betsy Huggett, Executive Director

Welcome Carole Yeomans!

This month we welcome our new Counselor/Outreach Advocate, Carole Yeomans!! Carole is a graduate of Lake Superior State University with her Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, and Associate's degrees in both Law Enforcement and in Criminal Justice.

Carole is a Yooper transplant living in the Sault with her husband, originally from Greenville, Michigan. She has prior experience working with the Victim's of Crime Act. We are very excited to have her join our team and begin working out in the EUP community with our clients.



The Diane Peppler Resource Center is looking for volunteers to help with the following:

- Overnight crisis line volunteers
- Organizing/cleaning of the shelter garage
- Fall yard work
- weekly sanitation/cleaning of our shelter
- Child Care for our residents in shelter

Please Contact Kara Heggaton at heggatonk@dprcenter.org or call 906-635-0566 if you can help with any of these.



**Diane Peppler
Resource Center**
**Volunteer to
Stand Against
Domestic Violence.**

9 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT TITLE IX

1. Title IX is a landmark federal civil right that prohibits sex discrimination in education.

2. Title IX does not apply to female students only.

3. Schools must be proactive in ensuring that your campus is free of sex discrimination.

4. Schools must have an established procedure for handling complaints of sexual discrimination, harassment, or violence.

5. Schools should ensure that a victim doesn't have to share spaces, such as dorms, classes and campus jobs, with his or her assailant.

6. Schools may not retaliate against someone filing a complaint and must keep a complainant-victim safe from other retaliatory harassment or behavior.

7. Schools can issue a no-contact directive under Title IX to prevent the accused student from approaching or interacting with you.

8. In cases of sexual violence, schools are prohibited from encouraging or allowing mediation (rather than a formal hearing) of the complaint.

9. Schools cannot discourage you from continuing your education.

Not Your Momma's Title IX

www.knowyourIX.com



For most when we discuss Title IX, it brings up the topic of "sports." Title IX was originally used because schools did not want to fund female sports teams. This required the school to offer a girls' team or allow the female students to play on the boy's team.

The true role of Title IX was to prohibit sex-based discrimination in education. This landmark federal legislation is now evolving to address the issues of violence in education, specific to dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, gender-based discrimination, sexual harassment, and so much more. It has further evolved to protect students of all gender, allowing male and female students equality in their education and programs offered by the school to be offered to everyone.

Our schools, no matter the level (preschool, elementary, middle-or-high school, college, etc) are all required to have policies and procedures in place to address issues of discrimination in education. Every student, and parent, needs to understand their students "right" to go to school in a safe, "hostile free" environment and be awarded the same educational rights as any other student. School are not allowed to

discriminate against a student by limiting their ability to be involved in extra-curricular activities, educational programs, or requesting the student "take time off" or go to another school strictly based on filing a Title IX complaint. Every school has a Title IX coordinator and all students and staff should be made aware of whom the coordinator is at each school.

The Title IX coordinator and school are required to investigate any allegation of discrimination within their school. It does not matter if the student decided to file charges with local law enforcement, the school is still required to investigate these accusations. The school is not allowed to wait for the decision of any criminal or civil proceeding but must start their investigation and should have a decision determined with 60 days according to the 2011 Office of Civil Rights Title IX. Title IX required the "preponderance of the evidence" in which if the school feels as if there was a more likely chance that discrimination occurred there will be disciplinary action taken. Both the accuser and accused would receive, in writing, notification of the investigations finding and have the right to appeal.

As an accuser, remember there are protections and the school needs to have measures in place to ensure that education continues in a safe and discrimination free environment. There needs to be action for protection and safety for the accuser and the school can issue "no contact directive" to protect an accuser from the accused while the investigation is underway. It is very important the accuser is safe and able to continue their education with no fear of retaliation or further sexual discrimination based on these claims. If a school is not properly following these regulations under Title IX, an accuser should contact the U.S. Department of Education or a lawyer to file a formal complaint against the school in their mismanagement of sexual discrimination.

For more information, please feel free to contact us at Diane Peppler Resource Center or knowyourtitleix.org. Also there are some great documentaries for better understanding the need for strict enforcement of Title IX. Check out "The Hunting Ground" or "It Happened Here."

-Kaylynn Cairns, Teen Sexual Violence Prevention Educator

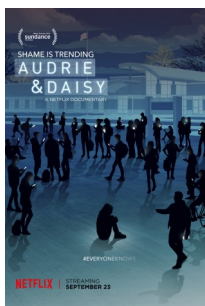
Highlights in Today's Media

The media as of late has been shining a more intense light on the severity of domestic violence and sexual assault and its impact on the victims as well as those close to the victims. In the documentary "Mourning Son" produced by Dave Navarro tells the story of Dave's mother's murder due to a domestically violent relationship she was in. In this relationship, the most severe violence occurred after the break-up, which is a common occurrence in domestic violence relationships. Dave explains his



coping mechanisms to deal with his pain of loss. Warning: This movie is very triggering due to substance use and views of blood.

Netflix currently has a number of documentaries discussing sexual assault. Along with "The Hunting Ground", the film "Audrie and Daisy" goes over the public shame that a victim is subject to when they come forward and speak out against their perpetrator of sexual assault. In this film, they talk to multiple victims as well as their families and the impact that the sexual assault cases had on their lives, both publically and personally.



Diane Peppler Resource Center Donation Wish List

We gladly accept donations. Here is a brief wish list that the shelter has going for this month:

- Towels—all sizes
- Socks (new)
- Trash Bags
- Clothes Hangers
- Plastic Storage Bins
- New Unopened Packages of Underwear
- Laundry Detergent, Fabric Softener, and Dryer Sheets
- Deodorant
- TVs & DVD Players
- Family Friendly Movies
- Twin and Full Size Mattresses and Box Springs
- Twin Size Bedding
- New Pillows
- Unopened over the counter medications
- First aid kits
- Feminine products
- New or Very Gently Used Children's Toys
- Hand soaps
- Birthday or Thank you Greeting Cards
- Baby Monitors
- Small Household Furniture
- Kitchen Items
- Organizational Items
- Unexpired Food Items and Non-Perishable Items
- Baby Diapers, Baby Wipes, and Pull-Ups
- Baby Hygiene Items (shampoo, baby wash , etc.)

"If you can't provide any of these items but would still like to support us, we always accept monetary donations as well and all donations are tax deductible."



Thank You to Our October Donors and Volunteers

We would like to thank all of the donors who supported the Diane Peppler Resource Center in the month of October.

- Adrienne Beckham
- Desiree McCurley
- Lynn Morrison
- Debbie Connolly
- Janet Hess
- Maria Cantarero
- Erin Lahti
- Charlotte Hewitt
- Don Corbiere
- Frank Quinlivan
- Patricia Caruso
- Bob Patterson
- Joyce Nadolny
- Ladies of the Moose Lodge
- Randy Rogers
- Barb Green
- Donna Gunderson
- Julie Munro
- Elks Lodge
- CC Hall
- And many anonymous donors

We would also like to thank our volunteers for giving their time in the month of October.

- Don Corbiere
- Robyn LaLone
- Molly Hartman
- Brittany Heflin
- Ellen Quinlivan
- Jennifer Dibble
- Errin Fornicola
- Caitlin Spink
- And Megan Hall



Thank you for your dedication to helping the Diane Peppler Resource Center Shelter!

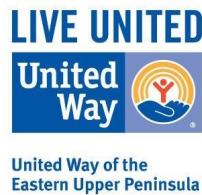
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Our light is always on, Our door is always open.

Diane Peppler Resource Center Support Groups



If you are in need of support, there are local support group options that you are more than welcome to attend. If you have questions about locations, times, or topics of discussion please call the Diane Peppler Resource Center.

Mackinac County

Walk in anytime
8am-4pm
Monday–Friday
246 Ferry Lane
St. Ignace MI

Chippewa County

Children's Group

Contact our Youth Advocate for more information.

Chippewa County

Domestic Violence Group
Every Thursday
6pm-8pm

Sexual Violence Group
Every Tuesday
6pm-8pm

Luce County

Walk in anytime
8am-4pm
Monday–Friday
407 W. Harrie St.
Newberry MI