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Subject: Protect Yourself and Your Loved Ones

Beginning on Monday, April 13 at 6:00 pm at Hope Village, the Grand Traverse County Commission on Aging will be hosting multiple presentations throughout the county about local scams. At these presentations, attendees will learn some of the common methods and tactics used to target and scam adults.

“The goal is to arm people with the knowledge they need to protect themselves or loved ones and ensure that they don’t become victims,” says Charles M. Hamlyn, Grand Traverse Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. Mr. Hamlyn served in the United States Marine Corps for more than five years before attending Michigan State University's College of Law and holds a Bachelor degree from the University of Michigan in Economics and Political Science.

In February, a partnership between the Grand Traverse County Commission on Aging, Sheriff’s Office and Prosecutor’s Office formed the “No Scam Zone”. This free program, developed on behalf of residents of northern Michigan, allows enrollees to receive verified scam updates automatically, by telephone and email.

Presentations will also be offered in Fife Lake – April 15 at 1:00 pm, in Traverse City – April 15 at 3:30 pm, in Kingsley – April 22 at 1:00 pm and Interlochen – April 23 at 1:00 pm. To register for the presentations, or to be notified of scams in our area, visit gtcoa.org or call 231-922-4911.

The Senior Center Network is part of the Grand Traverse County Commission on Aging – “Caring for those who cared for you” for 40 years.

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The Senior Center Network is part of the Commission on Aging, “Caring For Those Who Cared For You.” The Network provides many programs to older adults in Grand Traverse County. There are locations in Traverse City, Acme, Fife Lake, Interlochen and Kingsley. Thousands of seniors enjoy dozens of activities on a daily basis. Business hours are Monday – Friday 8 am – 5 pm. Call 922-4911, check our website or FaceBook page for more information.