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15th Annual Theatre Party

On Monday, March 11, Northern Community Mediation (NCM) held its 15th annual theatre party at the Petoskey Cinema. From 5:30pm to 7:00pm guests enjoyed food provided by eight different local restaurants, 16 people won door prizes from local establishments, and one lucky person won \$285 from a 50/50 raffle. At 7:00, everyone went to the movie of his/her choice.

The most popular movie was Captain Marvel, followed by Green Book, The Upside, Cold Pursuit, How to Train Your Dragon, Fighting with My Family. And The Lego Movie. Evidently, no one was interested in seeing Happy Death Day 2U.

Over 150 people attended the theatre party. As in past years, an often overheard comment is, "I really look forward to this event. It is great fun and for a good cause."

NCM has already set the date for the 2020 Petoskey Theatre Party. It will be on Monday, March 9. Before that, however, NCM will host it Charlevoix Theatre Party on Monday, October 14. Although tickets are not yet available, information about the Charlevoix Theatre Party is available at http://www.northernmediation.org/theatre-parties-2/ on the NCM website.

Funding for NCM comes from primarily three sources. The state provides one-fourth of the funds, and the local counties and courts provide approximately one-half of the revenue. NCM relies upon its fundraising, such as the theatre parties, donations, minimal fees and grants for the remainder of its revenue.

Northern Community Mediation is a non-profit organization that provides an alternative means of resolving conflict. Trained mediators, who meet with the parties involved in a dispute, facilitate so that the individuals themselves can resolve the conflict

Anyone interested in learning more about Northern Community Mediation should contact Dr. Jane Millar at 231.487.1771.

Pictured from left to right are raffle-ticket sellers Suzy Engle and Christine Gebhard.