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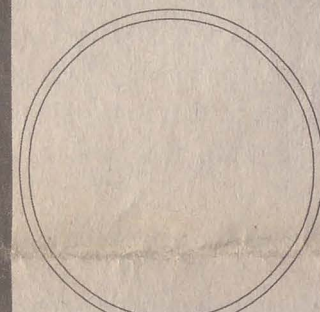
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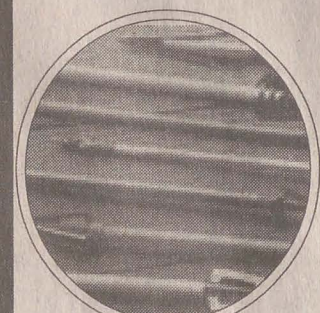
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## Student Made WCCT Sign Welcomed Sight to ACC Landscape

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CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY WORLD CENTER. That's what the new sign welcoming incomers to the World Center for Concrete Technology reads.

The construction of the sign is "two and a half years in the making," says Concrete Tech instructor Bob Eller. The sign began as a concept for a project that each student going through the program must complete.

"We were still back in the old building and he wanted to create a sign for the WCCT," explained Eller.

The student designed the sign himself. Then he built a form, which included many hours of cutting Styrofoam



Photo By Joshua M. Brege

into the shape of each letter. The student graduated and left the design and forms uncompleted.

Eller said, "it was kind of shoved aside because we were in the process of moving into the new building."

Because the project had already been started, Bob Eller and Kevin Sylvester, instructors at WCCT, decided to use

the concept as an instructional tool. They would cover lightweight concrete mix design.

The Spring Graduates of 2001 cast the sign and this year's group completed it. They painted it and displayed it at the Southwest entrance of the WCCT. Eller said it was located there because there was no welcoming sign from that entrance and other students projects were located there as attractions.

Although the sign is up and surrounded in landscaping stones, it is not yet complete. Next spring, Eller and Sylvester plan to complete the landscaping and install lights to dress it up a little more.

## Binge Drinking Sends ACC Student to Alpena General

JOSHUA KUMRITS  
Staff Writer

On Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, an ACC student was hospitalized after passing out due to excessive alcohol intake at the College Park Apartments adjacent to ACC.

The student, who preferred to remain anonymous, never drank much alcohol before this time in his life. Friday night, he decided

to start. He began with beer and eventually moved on to liquor. After having a few beers, the student began sipping on Permafrost (100 proof Yukon Jack). As the night rolled on, the drinking continued and his intoxication began to get more serious.

At the same time, Alpena Police officers had stationed themselves behind the apartments and decided to make a quiet entrance to check up on the student ac-

tivity that night.

In the meantime, around 10:30pm, the student, who had now consumed large amounts of alcohol, was passed out in a living room.

He drank a total of four beers, slammed a quarter of the fifth of Permafrost he was sipping, and eventually finished the bottle.

Some of his friends tried to bring him back to consciousness by talking to him, using ice and water on his

face, and making him throw up. They were successful at first, but after a few minutes the student slipped out of consciousness again.

This is when the Police, who were roaming the property, found him. They immediately called the EMS and he was taken to the hospital's emergency room. After stabilizing his consciousness, they proceeded to give him attentive care as they nursed him back to sobriety.

The student was in the hospital a total of two nights.

The following Monday, the student was back at the apartments and attending classes.

When asked what this experience had taught or shown him, he replied, "It's always okay to have fun, but there's definitely a limit when it comes to drinking and having a good time."

## Cast Your Vote for ACC Board of Trustees

### Four Candidates Seek Two Seats Tuesday, November 6th

TRIS COFFIN  
Senior Editor

Tuesday, November 6th, voters will elect two candidates to the ACC Board of Trustees. Make your voice heard, ACC, by casting your vote.

Eighteen year incumbent Florence Stibitz is challenged this election by retired ACC faculty member Richard Matteson, local businessman Thomas Townsend, and banker Dennis Werner.

The two elected Board of Trustee Members will each serve six years. The six year term allows Board Members to shed their political clothing and focus on contributing to the growth

and stability of ACC.

During a recent forum sponsored by The League of Women Voters, each candidate answered questions and shared their views on issues facing

ACC. Stibitz would like to continue her 18 year tenure and said that she feels she has made a positive contribution to the college. However, she is challenged by three long-time residents and

community leaders. One of them, Richard Matteson, said that the board needed new members in order to be revitalized with new ideas.

Thomas Townsend said that he has the energy and drive and wants to be on the board because he believes that the college is key in bringing new business and people to Alpena.

Dennis Werner received his masters degree through an agreement between ACC and LSSU. He said that this experience will help him see issues brought to the board from a different perspective.



Above: ACC Board of Trustees candidates answer questions at a recent League of Women Voters forum.

Left to Right: Candidates Townsend, Matteson, Stibitz, and Werner focus on the issues

Photos by Joshua M. Brege





## WCCT Expands Enrollment, Reputation Beyond Alpena

H. APRIL WATSON

Staff Writer

Enrollment is up at the World Center of Concrete Technology (WCCT) this semester. Instructor Bob Eller says this is because they are starting to get better known outside the Michigan area.

He adds, "A vast majority of students, [who are in the program,] are there because of another student." Eller thinks this is good but unless they get more assistance, as far as faculty, they really cannot handle any more students.

He states that it is hard to find adjunct faculty because of the "uniqueness of what a person has to know."

The job placement rate after graduating from the two-year concrete tech program is exceptional. With an average of 20 to 25 graduates per year, there are about 200 job openings for them. That's 6 to 10 job offers from across the country for each graduate. Some companies have standing job openings for ACC Concrete Tech graduates. In-

terviews have already begun here on campus for the spring graduates.

In order to help insure success after graduating from the two-year concrete tech program a combined class project was done to give the students the hands-on opportunity and experience to test concrete on sight. The result is a new sign and a couple of new concrete picnic tables in front of the concrete tech building.

In addition to the two-year program, companies from

all over pay to come here to do special projects and tests to see if their new ideas will work.

This year's Block maker's Class is going slower than expected due to the events of September 11th; however, this is expected to change. Development of an interactive CD on concrete technology is in the making. This CD will be for employers; it would show how to use our facilities here, and to help recruit graduating high school students. The plan is for it to

have a video game-like concept.

Some of WCCT's coming events include:

**February** - Cemex will be here. Cemex, formerly Mexican Cement, bought a company called Southdown. They are bringing some of their tech service people here for a four-day school. Two of the people coming are past ACC graduates. Their objective is to show them what we have to offer here.

**March** - Con/Agg Show in Vegas. Bob Eller and Kevin Sylvester will be

the ones primarily running the booth they have reserved at the Con/Agg (Concrete/Aggregate) Show in Las Vegas.

**April** - First Annual Concrete Reunion. Past graduates from ACC's Concrete Tech Program will be invited to a fun barbeque and see what's new and different here at WCCT. The purpose is to encourage the past grads to be supportive of the program by helping with recruiting, hiring, and financing. For more information you may contact Bob Eller at 358-7220.

## Vegetarians Encounter Difficulties in Fight to Beat the Meat Addiction

BEN PADUA

Staff Writer

It is hard to escape the fact that most Americans are plant-rights activists, as opposed to animal-rights activists. The world has conditioned us to think that eating other living things is a necessary human function.

Vegetarians, people who don't eat meat, are often left with little food choices, especially in a town this small.

While I myself enjoy a juicy T-bone now and again, I attempt to make meat consumption a once-a-day habit, if even that much. And unfortunately, most of the world's plant-rights activists don't realize the repercussions that meat and dairy addiction has on your health, the environment, and our fellow living creatures.

The main problem lies in factory farms. Every year in

the U.S., more than 25 billion animals are slaughtered for food. Before they wind up between a bun with fries, they live in crowded, disease-ridden conditions where they can't even turn around. The only fresh air they get is during the ride to the slaughterhouse, always without food and water. When they get there, the animals are hung upside down and sliced open, all while fully conscious.

In addition to these gory details, raising animals for food requires more than half of America's water and at the same time is its biggest polluter. People who eat meat are 40% more likely to get cancer, and an increased risk for heart disease, stroke, obesity, arthritis, diabetes, and food poisoning among other things. Meat also contains up to 14 times more pesticides and

chemicals than plant foods.

So after reading this, you're a vegetarian now, right?



For me it's not that easy. While the mayhem of the meatpacking industry is unnecessary, I am a firm believer in the existence of a food chain. But a lot of our meat addiction has to do with convenience. By convenience, I'm talking about fast food.

Sometimes it's your only choice, especially on road trips where our neighboring



towns don't have vegetarian diners.

As of September 13<sup>th</sup>, the animal-rights organization, PETA, got McDonalds, Wendy's, and Burger King to agree to follow certain animal welfare commitments in their corpo-

rate slaughterhouses. Some of these basic guidelines were more living space for animals as well as unannounced inspections of slaughterhouses. This was actually a good public relations move for the fast food giants, even though they won't admit that PETA influenced them at all.

The question in my mind was "why doesn't PETA just opt to shut them down?" But they won't do that, because they realize that our meat addiction recovery is a slow process. In turn, all places must make it more convenient for vegetarians. A lot of area food markets are attempting to cater to vegetarians by carrying non-meat chicken, beef, and sausages, as well as tofu and alternative dairy products.

I've tried becoming vegetarian many times. While I like vegetables, I still

enjoy meat, so I just stopped trying.

English instructor Denise Bazzett, who grew up in a hunting/farming family, is now a vegetarian. A good way to test your meat addiction, as she brought up to me, is to kill your meat naturally: go hunting. If you can kill it, you can eat it. If you can't, then it's still your choice.

If you're still not convinced, go to [www.peta.org](http://www.peta.org) and watch some of the slaughterhouse videos they have available. If you enjoy *Faces of Death* videos, you'll enjoy these. Some other good sites for plant-rights activists are [www.factoryfarming.com](http://www.factoryfarming.com) and [www.eatthewholes.com](http://www.eatthewholes.com).

Someday, I hope I can put my convenience behind me, but right now, being a broke college student, I'm just waiting for Big Mac Monday.

## Student Calls for Diversity in ACC Staff, Students Alike

JOSHUA KUMRITS

Staff Writer

This year, ACC's students include many different cultures and ethnicities. We have Mexicans, African Americans, Latinos, and even some from Germany, Bosnia, and Slovakia. Does the college faculty have enough diversity to properly support and represent our student body, or is there room for improvement?

ACC is home to a faculty full of caring individuals. Our faculty works hard to make this college a unique place. They do a great job of providing students with all different types of resources and learning opportunities here on campus. But when it comes to representing our students and their cultures, how equipped is our faculty, and how effectively are they doing their jobs?

While interviewing Miss Bazzett, an English

professor here at ACC, we had a chance to talk about faculty representation. She shared an interesting theory: "Our student's cultural diversity and the different minority groups should be equally represented in the college's full time staff."

For example, if 6% of our student body were African American, than about 6% of our full time staff would be African American. In our situation, we would have African American teachers, Spanish or Latino teachers, and maybe some European teachers.

The idea is to have people on staff that can directly relate to different cultural backgrounds. It also allows students to feel more comfortable knowing there are mentors who understand where they are coming from.

Step back for a

moment and ask yourself: what is the overall purpose of a college or educational institution? Bazzett commented on how education is supposed to broaden student's perspectives on the world and its many cultures but more importantly to bring those cultural perspectives into the classroom. And we do this through staff and students.

Jesse Christopherson is a 19-year-old sophomore majoring in Engineering. He was born and raised in Alpena, Mi. He shared how Alpena is a predominantly white community with relatively few minority groups living here.

"All though there are a few, for the most part, kids grow up here and have little interaction with a variety of different cultures. In Alpena, people don't get exposed to different viewpoints, ideas, and approaches that come with having a culturally diverse

faculty."

Many kids who grow up in Northern Michigan, and attend ACC, will likely be transferring to a bigger school down state or even out of state. The fact is, in a school like U of M, there are huge amounts of students from all over the world. This means a students body full of different backgrounds, lifestyles, ways of doing things, languages, and ways of living life. Having a culturally diverse faculty here at ACC would help students become aware of all together.

Lacking diversity in school has an effect on students transferring from larger cities, or from areas with more diverse populations. Two African American students were able to share their thoughts and feelings on the issue at hand.

Matt Harrington is from River Rouge, Mi. He's

a freshman majoring in Electrical Apprenticing. Broderick Knight is from Detroit, Mi. He's a freshman majoring in Auto Engineering.

When asked what their initial reactions were after being here for a couple of weeks, Matt described it as being very different from back home.

"In River Rouge, the majority of people were African American, and then all of a sudden, there's not as many."

Broderick just thought of it as a whole new experience, something that would be completely different from back home. While chatting with these two, they shared how easy it is to see the surprise in people's eyes and facial expressions. Although there has been no real discrimination they've faced at school, they still notice

some people are still just a little hesitant at first, before saying hello or talking. It's almost like there's a natural pause at the time of initial contact. This isn't necessarily a bad thing. It's primarily due to the limited exposure and interaction most people have had with African Americans, here in Alpena and surrounding areas. It's still a rather new site to see African Americans at school.

Bobby Allen is the only African American on staff. He's the Men's Basketball Assistant Head Coach and is involved in helping students on and off the court. Matt commented that having a more diverse staff would provide teachers who would understand them in a more personal way.

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Growing Pains Obvious to Readers While *Lumberjack* Strives to Expand, Improve

LEEANN WHITE  
Contributing Writer

Whoever said change isn't easy was right. However, changes can be good and the 2001-2002 staff of the *Lumberjack* is hoping the changes they have made are moving the paper in the right direction. Some of these improvements are superficial and some are fundamental but they have come with a price. Growing pains. "Yes, there are some growing pains obvious to our readers," stated *Lumberjack* Advisor Shawn Sexton," but some of this is to be expected when a program is in the beginning stages of rebuilding." Sexton went on to say that the

newspaper has a lot of fine-tuning ahead, but the fundamental changes that needed to take place have already occurred. So what fundamental changes have taken place? The most obvious change would be the expansion of the paper from eight to sixteen pages. The new, sixteen page format makes the ACC *Lumberjack* the second largest community college newspaper in the state. "Considering our population compared to other community colleges, we are proud to serve our students with sixteen pages," said Sexton. More pages means the ability to publish a bigger variety of information. The staff

hopes that there is something in the paper for everyone. Other fundamental changes that may not be obvious to the reader are changes to the staff. One year ago there were two editors; today there are seven editors. Changes in staff also included an increase in staff writers from eight one year ago to twenty-two today. "Despite all the criticism, the overall

interest in the program has increased. This is a tribute to the student-led changes," stated Sexton. "I don't think people realize that the students really do run this paper . . .," Sexton added. As a reward for the long hours and hard work that it takes to produce the paper, two recruiting scholarships and

additional tuition waiver hours have been added to the program. "This year ACC doubled the number of tuition waivers allotted. In addition, the ACC Foundation generously awarded a substantial scholarship fund for incoming journalism students," said Sexton. The new editors had a lot of responsibility in the changes that were made; their feelings about the changes were similar. According to Tris Coffin, Senior Editor, "We have taken the necessary steps to becoming the paper that we (the staff) have envisioned it to be." Both Joshua M. Brege, Photo Editor, and Eric Benac, Features Editor, agreed that the changes so far make the paper more

professional and that they show a lot of ambition. Chris Oposnow, Art Editor, added that "*We have raised the bar and now is our chance to reach it and raise it again.*" In order to "reach it (the bar) and raise it again" the *Lumberjack* staff invites you to tell us what you think by sending letters to the editor. According to Jennifer Webb, Managing Editor, "One thing that has been disappointing is that the criticism of the paper has been misdirected. If readers want to voice their opinions in a manner that can inspire positive changes, then they should write a letter to the editor. . . instead of pulling individual students aside."

The following is the  
Alpena Community College  
Inclement Weather Procedure:

The President will make the decision n College closure prior to 5:45 a.m.  
The announcement, to be relayed through the fan-out and broadcast on local stations, will be one of the following:  
a. ACC will be closed, no staff or students to report.  
b. ACC opening will be delayed until 10:00 a.m.  
c. ACC classes are cancelled, offices will be open at 10:00 a.m.  
In the event that daytime weather conditions lead to a shutdown decision after the College is already open, (Weather conditions will be evacuated at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.) One of the following announcements will be relayed to staff by the office of Public Information via voice mail and also broadcast to local stations:  
All ACC classes starting at or after \_\_\_\_ will be cancelled. Offices remain open.  
All ACC classes starting at or after \_\_\_\_ will be cancelled and the College is closed as of \_\_\_\_.  
Dawn McIntyre will make the decision to close Huron Shores and will contact the Deans and the Director of Public Information.  
In the President's absence the decision to close will be made by the Vice President for Administration and Finance.  
For more information on College closings, you can listen to the following stations:  
WATZ AM 1450  
WATZ FM 99.3  
WCML FM 91.7, TV 6  
WCMB FM 95.7  
WHAK FM 99.9  
WHSB FM 107.7  
WCLS FM 100.7  
WKJZ FM 94.9  
WQLB FM 103.3  
WVXZ FM 96.7  
WGFM FM 105.1  
WGRY FM 100.3  
WGRY AM 1230  
WQON FM 101.1  
WBKB-TV 11

\*Friday November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
bombing continued in  
North of Kabul

\*USA trying to help anti-  
Taliban groups to work  
together

\*About 20 US advisors  
are by the front-line  
outside Mazar-e-Sharif

\*Easiest Taliban targets  
have already been taken  
out

\*More terrorist to attack  
Western bridges could be  
next, such as Golden Gate  
bridge and other Califor-  
nia bridges

\*After September 11<sup>th</sup>,  
1,000 people have been  
detained and three arrests  
of Arab men right here in  
Michigan

\*Unemployment  
skyrockets to 5.4 percent  
in October

\*Anthrax that killed a NY  
hospital worker matched  
other infested letters

\*National guard and the  
reserves called up to  
protect across America

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"It wouldn't be such a new thing to have an African American in class." Allen said.

Broderick shared how overall, most people look at African Americans as being different. But like everyone else, they too, want to have a sense of belonging. Everyone wants to fit in. One thing Broderick noticed was when people see you, they automatically assume that you're here to play ball, but the fact is, there are two African Americans here who aren't.

When asked if they could change one thing, what would it be, Matt had the idea of having class discussions about people's feelings and thoughts of the different cultures in ACC. He also suggested a college program where a student from one ethnicity could match up with a student of another, and spend a whole

day together. "This way kids from different cultures get to know each other." Broderick added, "I'd make it all equal so nobody would look at skin color- everybody could just hang with everybody."

Miss Bazzett summed it all up when she said, "We *are* in the woods, but what are we doing to bring culture and diversity here?" Our effort is the most important thing. She added that it's never going to be perfect, but our efforts and attempts to make it better are what really matter.

We as a college and a community need to support what programs we already have and then expand and take action in bringing diversity here to Alpena. For example, this year the college is working with the Global Awareness Consortium. It's a program that helps increase cultural awareness. They will be putting on shows, films, and dinners all centered on India. They also have a dancer

from Uganda coming to perform. The spotlight series is also getting involved. They are bringing a variety of music to Alpena including a renowned Latin singer.

There is so much everyone can do. One option for the faculty is to put more emphasis on recruiting staff that represents our student body. Also, getting to know the students is huge. As the faculty gets to know the students, they begin to learn more about them and that leads to respect. As ACC faculty does their jobs, the students also need to reach out.

There are all different types of support programs that can be put together to recognize diversity. There could be student-led activity groups geared on integrating the colleges' different ethnicities. What can we as students do to make our college more aware of various cultures? How can we attract other diverse students and teachers to come here?

Effort is the key. We all need to work together, staff and student's alike- to make the ACC faculty, student body, and

Lumberjack campus a more culturally diverse place. Winston Churchill once said, "With effort comes understanding, and with understanding comes respect-and the end result is harmony." Lets all get involved.

**Correction:**  
**October**  
**2001**  
*The Lumberjack staff would like to apologize to Josh and those involved with this story for not publishing it in its entirety last issue.*  
*We are Sorry.*

POLITICAL CORNER

MARC GAUZE  
Contributing Writer

My name is Marc Gauze and I want to write an article each month on politics for the *Lumberjack*. Which relate to you, the college students.

Each month I will gather information from local, state, and federal governments that will touch you as a college student, or how it can effect the job that you are working to get a degree for.

Over the summer I made contacts in different branches of the government to get the information that I need to inform you of. I thought there would have been quite a bit of information. Until September 11<sup>th</sup>, when the government focus switched.

One piece of information that I have been looking at is the amount of money the state

is going to be spending on education. This is going to get smaller and needs to be watched. Just remember, if the amount of money spent on education gets smaller, that means that there will be little jobs for teachers.

Next month I hope to have more information on that subject and more to keep you informed. If you have questions or something that you would like me to look into about what the government is doing, just leave a note in the *Lumberjack* office, the Political Corner, or me Marc Gauze

Until next month I leave you with this. Keep your eyes and ears open to what is happening around you, for it could affect you more ways than one.



# Bookstore Serves ACC with Helpful, Friendly Staff

HALEY ROMEL  
Staff Writer

The ACC Bookstore provides students with everything from books and supplies, to clothing and snacks. They also have a helpful and friendly staff.

The staff consists of student Tracie Werblow, Erin Graham, Azra Pilav, and Mira Dejova. The Clerk Cashier is Joan Misiak, and the Bookstore Manager is Bill Matzke.

Each position is very important and they all have many responsibilities. They take care of everything in the store. Not only do they wait on customers, but they also stock shelves, fold clothing, and decorate showcases. They are very hard workers and enjoy their jobs.

Tracie Werblow is a sophmore and has worked at the Bookstore for two years. She thinks it is a lot of fun and enjoys the

people she works with.

Tracie plans to transfer to Central University next year to major in Physical Therapy.

When she isn't working or attending classes, she helps train the Volleyball team.

Erin Graham is attending ACC for the first year and this is also her first year working at the Book Store. Last year she was at Kellogg Community College for Volleyball. This year she is on the ACC Volleyball and Basketball teams. She is majoring in Elementary Education and

says that the bookstore is very helpful by working around her busy schedule. Erin likes working with the others and said that it is nice to see friends and other students throughout the day.

Azra Pilav is a

senior at Lake Superior State University, studying Business Management, with a major in Computer Science and a minor in Accounting. She has worked at the Bookstore for two years and loves it. She is also the Public Relations

Officer for the Student Senate.

Mira Dejova is a freshman and is working in the Bookstore for her first year. She is originally from Slovakia and lives here with her American family. She is studying Business Management and plans on transferring to LSSU after her second year at ACC. Mira also works at the ACC library and is a freshman representative in the Student Senate.

Joan Misiak is the Bookstore's Clerk Cashier.

She has been there for seven years and enjoys making new friends. Some of her responsibilities include ordering clothing, gift items, and school supplies. She takes care of paying invoices and all the secretarial work. She says that the staff is very helpful and they have all become good friends.

Bill Matzke is the Bookstore Manager. He has been there for thirteen years and has his Business Degree from Michigan State University. He is in charge of all the textbook purchasing and any and everything that concerns the books. He oversees everything that goes on in the Bookstore.

There are two ways of applying for a job at the Bookstore. One is through work study, which matches up skills to see if you are eligible. The second is just a general student who wants a job and is reliable. The Bookstore is going to need four more staff for the winter if anyone is interested. Just go to Bill Matzke.

According to boat owner Chris Simon, he simply sprays WD-40 on a rag and quickly wipes down his boat. The principles of motorization are all based upon the combustion engine, so everything that is suggested here can be applied to anything you may own.

Mercruiser, a boat manufacturer, strongly recommends that winterizing services be performed by an authorized dealer. However, the above suggestions are relatively simple to do and should keep you maintaining your toys to come.

## ACC Says Farewell to Bonnie Urlaub

### Women's Resource Center Founder

JULIE HOOVER  
Staff Writer

Bonny Urlaub, founder of the Women's Resource Center, is retiring from the organization she created. Some of her greatest achievements include being the first full-time female counselor, creating the Women's Resource Center, and offering personal and academic counseling.

She is looking forward to a new phase in her life. She will be a grandmother, and she can't wait to spend time with her grandchildren. She also opened a private counseling practice last year and would like to spend more time there.

Urlaub would like to give someone else the chance at working where she is now. Yvonne White said, "Urlaub will be missed tremendously. I think it is wise to retire when you're young enough to enjoy your leisure time."

What Urlaub would like to say to anyone com-

ing in is "Be yourself, be genuine, care about the students, and get ready to do something different everyday".

The Women's Resource Center is a place where men and women can come for help when they want to find out information or just want to talk. Some of the counseling services are personal, academic concerns, career exploration, assistance, and community referrals.

If you are interested in campus workshop presentations there are several to choose from on ACC programs, services, and topics of interest. There are even books, articles, audios, and videos there for



## Winterization Can Save Your Toys Throughout The Winter

JAMIE GWILLIAM  
Staff Writer

It is that time of year when the task of preparing all of your acquired toys for the winter is at hand. We're not talking about just putting a bit of oil on the old college mountain bike. There are a few basic steps to take to protect your motorized investments.

The toys that we either save for years to buy, or make payments on for years at 12% interest, are the ones we need to worry about protecting over the course of the winter


months. Allow me to give you a brief run-down of winterization techniques. These tips will enable you to pull out the toys again in the spring without having to make expensive repairs.

The first thing you should do is drain your boat of all water. This water will freeze and expand, cracking your engine and possibly even your outdrive. Once this is done, add a stabilizer to the gasoline and let the engine run for a minute. Boat-ing Magazine also recommends a "fogger" of some type. This is a

product that is directly applied to the pistons and cylinder walls. It can simply be sprayed through the spark plug holes. This will help prevent surface rust from developing within the motor.

It would also be wise to remove the battery and store it some place warm with a full charge.

Whether you are storing your toy inside or out, it is important to keep in mind that metals tend to corrode or rust. Take an oiled rag and rub down all



**THIS SEASON'S PLAYS AND AUDITION DATES**

From the desk of Civic Center Theatre

**March 14-17**

**"The Last night Of Ballyhoo"**

This Tony-winning Best play of 1997 is a look at a 1939 Atlanta. GA family being pulled apart and mended together again...with humor, romance and introspection. Makes us think even as it makes us laugh.

By Alfred Uhry ("Driving Miss Daisy")

Directed by Carol Witterbee


**Jan.17-20**

**"The Real Inspector Hound"**

This masterpiece of farce is a hilarious spoof of Agatha Christie- like melodrama." Really funny comic gem," Daily Mail; "Witty and delicious parody of the fog-bound whodunit," Guardian; "Zanny, crazily funny,"NY Times

By Tom Stoppard ( "Arcadia")

Directed By Bill Maxwell



**May 16-19**

**"Black Comedy"**

Characters supposedly in the dark are brilliantly illuminated on stage; when the lights are supposed to be on, the actors are in the dark. Inspired by a Peking Opera play set in darkness but staged in blinding light. "It is still possible to laugh yourself into a hernia." USA Today,"Pure hilarity, Int.Herald Tribune.

By Peter Shaffer

Directed by Evelyn Hunter

## United We Dance Unites Alpena Community for Charitable Cause

CHRIS OPOSNOW  
Art Editor

Victor Kahn wanted to help New Yorkers who were devastated Sept 11, so he organized United We Dance on Nov. 3 at East Campus. Proceeds went to the United Way of New York September 11th Fund. Kahn is a sophomore representative who, with the help of the student senate, organized the show. Ryan Townsend, vice

president of the student senate said, "... his enthusiasm rubbed off on the other senators..." The student senate helped get the facilities to host the show.

In the past, Kahn put on a benefit concert for the family of Brian Deneke. Deneke was a teenager from Texas that was killed. Matt Thompson and Rob Bruce of Switch 76 helped him put the Deneke show together. Bruce also helped in organizing

United We Dance. When the tragedy happened, he wanted to put a show together. Shortly after, Kahn asked him for help setting up this show.

The show was organized to attract a variety of people. The four bands that played each had a different style of music. Kahn plays in two of the bands: A.O.T.Z., a hip hop band, and Antithesis, an alternative band. This was

A.O.T.Z first show. Ian McConnell, Mike Goeke, and Kahn have played together since 97 in Lesbianage and Furmunda. This was their first show as Antithesis. The other two bands were Switch 76, an old school punk band, and Split Image, Steve Livermore's new band formerly known as Shanghai Zoo.

The show was positive. During one bands set there was a slide show put

together. The photography class made the slides to show people helping people. Kahn said prior that the show is "... not only a monetary help; it's going be healing for us."

This event has brought people together. College and high school students have worked on bringing it all together. Bruce said, "...people in there 50's come up to me and tell me that we're doing

a good thing..."

Concerts like this are what this community needs to do. It gets people involved. It provides outlets for people. It brings attention to local musicians. It makes our community feel like a community. Townsend said, "It's healthy and it's cultured."



# Traditional Thanksgiving far Cry from Modern Celebration

**KELLY POTTER**  
*Staff Writer*

Thanksgiving is a time when families join together to share in a holiday meal and show their love and respect for each other. Family and tradition, isn't that what the holiday's are really about? The holidays are the one time of the year that families come together and create memories that will stay with them throughout a lifetime.

The tradition of the Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving is steeped in myth and legend. We all have learned about the Pilgrims search for the New World on the Mayflower, and the coming together of the Pilgrims and Native Americans back in Elementary school. Only few

people realize that the Pilgrims did not celebrate Thanksgiving the next year, or any other year after.

In 1827, Sarah Josepha Hale began lobbying several Presidents for the instatement of Thanksgiving as a national holiday. Her lobbying was unsuccessful until 1863 when Abraham Lincoln finally made it a national holiday with his Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Our modern Thanksgiving feast is centered on the turkey, but that defiantly was not the case at the 1621 harvest feast. (As the colonists called it) The only two items that historians know for sure that were on the menu are venison and wild fowl. Many varieties of food were available, such as: seafood, bird, venison,



This Turkey is a Sitting Duck

grains, fruits, nuts, and vegetables.

The colonists believed that the harvest was certainly not a "day of Thanksgiving." To them, a Thanksgiving was a religious holiday in which they would

go to church and thank God for a specific event.

On such a religious day, the types of recreational activities that the Pilgrims and Native Americans participated in during the 1621 harvest feast, dancing,

singing, playing games would not have been allowed. The feast was a secular celebrations, so it never would have been considered a Thanksgiving in the Pilgrims minds.

The original, feast in 1621, occurred sometime between September 21 and November 11. Unlike our modern holiday, it was three days long. President Roosevelt set that date for Thanksgiving to the fourth Thursday of November in 1939. Abraham Lincoln had previously designated it as the last Thursday in November, which may have been correlated with the November 21, 1621, anchoring of the "Mayflower," at Cape Cod.

Thanksgiving, as we know it today, has come a

long way from the Pilgrims harvest festival in 1621. It is an event that seems, as each year goes by, to reinvent itself and to expand it's meaning to larger vistas. Maybe this is the real significance of the occasion; for as we continue to change and grow as a person, there are an increasing number of things for which we can be thankful. Just about everyone has some sort of special tradition surrounding his or her celebration of Thanksgiving Day.

Traditions are a big part of the upcoming holidays, and every family has their own way of celebrating. What special tradition does your family share at Thanksgiving?

## Alpena Homeless Now Have Place to Stay

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*Staff Writer*

The homeless shelter, at 622 W. Chisholm lacks suitable space for the community of single adults and families in crises. John Ritter, director of the Sunrise Mission, admitted that he had to turn away six families since May of 2001.

The famous five words "I hope it will go away" is a far cry for a town that at one point in time did not have a place for homeless to go to when in need of housing. Before 1989, a shelter didn't exist for the people of Alpena, Michigan.

Action has been taken to remodel and add onto the shelter. Ritter and the board of directors have put two years of planning into the upcoming renovation. Mr. Ritter and the board of directors said they put two

years of planning into the expansion, adding 12 to 25 beds, and two rooms for the families. Currently there is one shower downstairs. More beds are being available upon completion along with the office space, living room, show-ers, and reception area.

Michigan State Housing Development Authority {MHSDA} awarded a matching grant for remodeling and adding onto the Shelter. Other organizations are contributing to the expansion, to raise money for the mission and the coming events for the 2002 renovation.

November 11-17 2001 is Homeless Awareness Week. Call 354-1277 to donate. All donations will be accepted. We need the community to get involved, to see what is going on. Being on the outside is nothing compared to looking in.

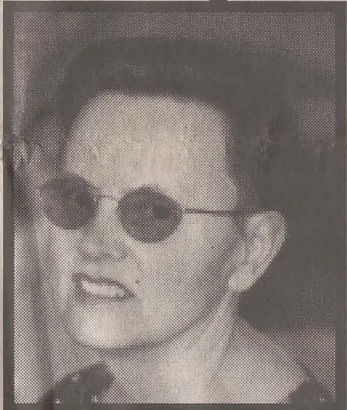
The money will be used for the mission. It will take thousands of dollars to finish the project so all donations are appreciated. Ritter said it would be 2002 before things will fall in place. Needless to say, the renovation will be for the needs of the homeless, to better serve the needs of the public.

Some of the residents of the mission helped tearing down the siding in 90-degree weather. When they look at the weather in December they would wish for the warmth of August, but looking forward to the new shelter.

To meet the demands of the homeless, a fundraiser was held in August. There were races with bikers from different counties. One was held in August of 2001 with every rider raising money for the remodeling of the mission. Planning for

another cycling fundraiser is in the works. When you see the cycles going your direction, stop and think of all the warmth you will bring to the Center by donating money for a good charity.

## Betty Leavitt Here to Help



Betty Leavitt Photo By Joshua M. Bregg

**JENI MANNING**  
*Staff Writer*

If you have been to the Van Lare Campus Services office this year, odds are you've seen Betty Leavitt, a new face to ACC's personnel. Leavitt has been employed with ACC since February 2001, but to great disappointment, many students still do not know her.

Leavitt and her husband moved to Alpena from Clarkston fifteen months ago. They wanted to be out of the fast paced life and they had been boaters of Lake Huron for many years. They both loved being on the water. After her husband's retirement from General Motors, they choose to move to Alpena, even though they had no ties to the area. Leavitt and husband bought a home on State Street, which they are extensively remodeling.

Leavitt currently holds the title, Coordinator of Campus Services office in Student Affairs. Leavitt's responsibilities include admissions, financial aid, and

helping the students. It is very possible that Leavitt registered you for your classes this semester. She enters the admission applications onto the computer and updates them as required. Leavitt also coordinates the admission applications with the financial aid applications. Leavitt has never worked with financial aid before and she admits that she has a lot to learn but she is eager to learn it.

Leavitt has worked in other college settings as well as ACC. She was the Senior Executive Secretary of the General Council and Board of Trustees at Oakland University in Rochester. Leavitt's experience doesn't end there she was also Office Supervisor/ Executive Secretary at Lansing Community College.

According to Leavitt the community college setting, "is more student friendly and more student accessible." She enjoys working with the students and the student interaction. She is eager to help the students any way she can. If she doesn't know the answer to a question you ask, she will gladly research to find it. Leavitt accepted the job at ACC because she wanted to be in the community college setting once again. Her most enjoyable work had been while working in the community college setting and she wanted to once again work closer with the students. Leavitt wants the students to

feel comfortable when they walk into the Services office. "They need to feel like they can ask any question and get the help they need", says Leavitt.

Every time I have entered the office, Leavitt is smiling and eager to help. She has helped me with a variety of issues concerning college. I know that she is here to help and she is eager to do so. So, if you have questions about registering, financial aid, or just need help, go see Betty Leavitt at Campus Services office in Van Lare.

## Upward Bound=Cash for Good Grades

**TRACI SOBEK**  
*Staff Writer*

Here's a thought: getting paid to go to school and get good grades. There is a program that makes this possible. It is called Upward Bound. Upward Bound pays its members \$40 a month. The catch? Get good grades.

While for some people getting the extra spending money might be the main purpose of joining; that is not what Upward Bound is all about. Director Joe Klemens said, "The purpose is to generate the skills and motivation necessary for the successful completion of post-secondary education."

Upward Bound arranges field trips to different college campuses, where students can meet with a counselor in their field of interest. It also offers free tutoring and workshops that help prepare students for

education after high school. With the director Joe Klemens, secretary Deb Klemens, student advocate Ed Retherford and counselor Julie Robarge, there is always help available.

For over 20 years, Upward Bound has helped hundreds of students from Alpena, Alcona, and Posen High Schools (currently there are 65 members). This has been possible because the program is federally funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Upward Bound is sponsored, by ACC.

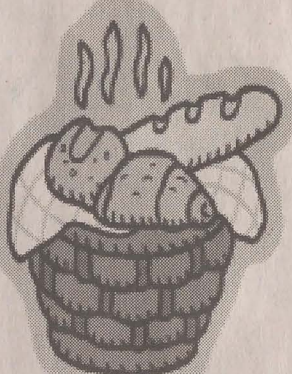
Not just anyone can join Upward Bound. According to secretary Deb Klemens, being a member is based on the "parents' educational attainment and income." This means that neither parent has graduated from a 4-year college, nor family income meets the federal income criteria. Director Klemens added that two-thirds of the

members meet both of the criteria and one-third meets one of the criteria.

In the summer, Upward Bound members participate in a program on the college campus. The program includes math, science, foreign language and English.

While education is the main purpose of Upward Bound, it focuses on fun as well. Included in the summer program is a trip. Past trips have been to Cleveland, Cedar Point, and Chicago. Upward Bound's next trip is still being planned. They also do different things throughout the year. For example, AHS senior, Stephanie Skaluba's most memorable experience is when the members "all dressed like cowboys and Indians and presented Mackinac fudge to Dr. Newport."

Applications can be picked up in the Upward Bound office at Alpena High School in the D-house teachers' lounge.



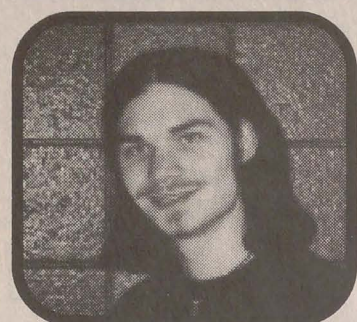
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**\$5.00 adults,**  
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**RYAN SPAULDING**  
Features Editor

That's right, ladies and gentlemen. By popular demand, I have once again opened the gateway to my own personal Pandora's box.

Since I got a lot of feedback on my last editorial, that means that the article did indeed serve its purpose.

With that said, all those who thought the last article was funny, sad, upsetting, or just plain strange must have generated your own thoughts. You all get a golden star.

Feel good about yourselves; it's not everyday us humans actually use our brains for something other than destroying this planet

and ourselves.

Since I got so much great feedback, I might even make this a regular thing. If you like the idea of me sharing my crazy notions with you, please let me know so we can make this a recurring thing. Write a letter to the editors and tell us what you think. Hell, that's what we're here for. With that all said and done, here we go again:

**Wouldn't** it be cool to have two cars? One would be your nice car that you would drive around and stuff, just like you would with a normal car. The other would be a real pile of junk that you would run into things with. Knock down a few mail boxes, hit small trees, see if you can pop wheelies with it, you know fun things. I guarantee it would be a great stress reliever and might even cure road rage.

**I don't** understand

what the big deal is with talking to yourself? It seems like a very healthy habit to me. Think about it, yourself is the one person you can always agree with, and you'll never get into an argument. The trick is to listen to yourself while speaking, though. You have to understand what yourself is saying. I think if everyone started to do this then there would be a lot less stupid things said in this world.

**When** you break it all down, all humans are just statistics.

**I hate** jerks. The one thing I hate worse than jerks, is if the jerk had a twin, who was also a jerk. That's like two of the same jerk!

**Here's** something to do for fun. Go into a restaurant and ask in a loud enough voice so other customers can hear you, if anyone has ever died from food poisoning there. I

guarantee you'll never get an honest answer.

**I think** word searches are stupid. Who would ever want to struggle to find a word? If you want to find a word so damn bad get a dictionary out, I promise you'll be able to find it a lot quicker, and without the hassle.

**I think** this countries whole gun control debate has gone on long enough. I say give every human on the planet a gun, even babies. Hell why stop with humans? Let's give animals guns too. That would put an interesting twist on hunting season, don't you agree? Then maybe the NRA would realize how ridiculous this whole thing is and just shut up.

**Whoever** says gray is the new black, never looked good in black. Besides has gray ever looked

all that appealing? I find it to be the most ugly of all colors.

**Have** you ever tried writing with your opposite hand? Try it right now. Now I know some of you out there are talented where you can do it either way, but for those who can't, don't you feel just a little inferior?

**Whoever** first said the quote "the early bird gets the worm," is the biggest idiot in history! This is why we have to wake up so damn early to go to work and school, because of that stupid quote. I don't know whom I find more to blame; the one who said it, or the ones who thought it was a good idea. If I was there when it was first said, I would've smacked that moron with a rock and told him to go back to sleep.

**Here's** something fun to try in church. If you go to a real quiet church (you know if you go to one) during

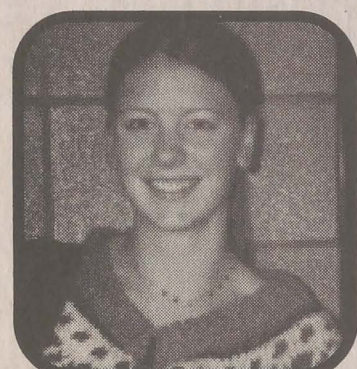
the preacher's sermon stand up and shout as loud as you can "Hallelujah!" You may get some funny looks, but no one will ever question your faith from that moment on.

**I find** it ironic when bigots who hate any race with a darker skin color than them, go to tanning salons. What are these people, mentally handicapped, or what?

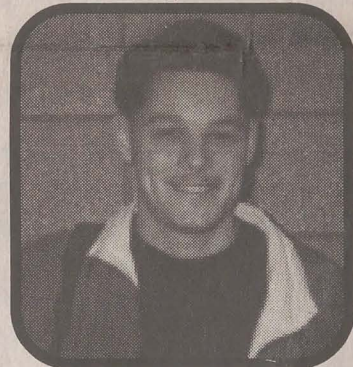
**I think** many of today's musicians should thank their lucky stars for getting famous. If it weren't for music getting them their fame, a lot of these ugly monkeys would never get laid.

Well there you have it. Wasn't that fun? So please if any of what I said made you laugh, cry, upset, or think, please drop me a line. I'll be pleased to here any feedback, it allows me to know that this is actually worth doing. And remember to always speak your mind.

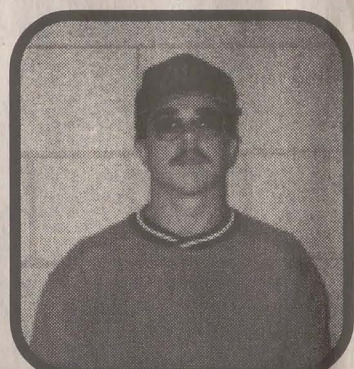
## Do You Think St. Antler's Day Should be a State Holiday? Why or why not?



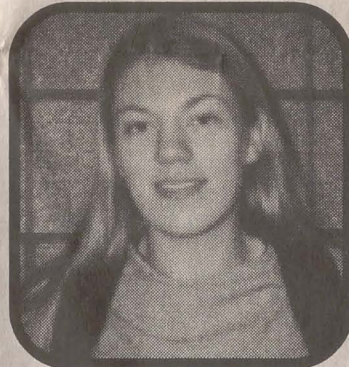
**Nicole Vanderwyst**  
"Hell no, I don't hunt. I think the kids after me should have to go to school."



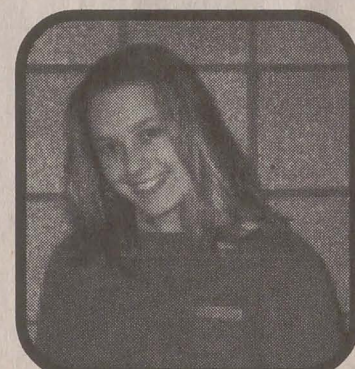
**Joel Hoover**  
"No, there's no reason for it."



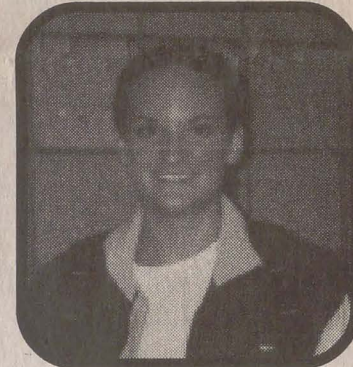
**Tim Johnson**  
"Yes, I'm an avid hunter and if we had a holiday, we wouldn't have to worry about missing school."



**Nicole Tufts**  
"No, because it's stupid."



**April Ahlgren**  
"Yes, it's Michigan and there's a lot of deer. I don't hunt but I like to eat meat."



**Marisa Fenner**  
"Yes, because my boyfriend likes to hunt."

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News Editor

Are we really that culturally educated? Do you remember taking a history class and talking about the Muslim religion, the Islamic religion, or any other foreign religion? Should we even teach these cultures, or should we remain ignorant of this knowledge that affects our country more and more each day?

I couldn't help but be fascinated by Martin Luther King on his speeches for justice. The first time I heard about him I was hooked.

### America's Cultural Education in Question

Every time I read about him, I feel inspired. I was taught black culture and white American culture, but these two races are not the only ones here anymore.

You don't necessarily have to learn about their religious practices, but you should really know about the people and try understanding them a little. America is openly diverse and free to be what we want and that is what makes us all equal in ways other countries don't fully understand.

I was watching Dateline one day after the tragedy of September 11<sup>th</sup> and they had a journalist in Afghanistan talking to a boy around eleven years old. The boy was going on and on about how he hated America so much and said that all

Americans were evil. The journalist asked him two very key questions. One of them was: Do you know where America is? The boy didn't know; he couldn't even point it out on a map. The next question was why he hated America so much? The boy didn't know why he hated America, he just did.

Basically it all comes down to this, the Taliban needs to go to hell, and those women and children under the rule of the Taliban need to be more educated about America and be able to learn about what a wonderful society this country has.

The Taliban, Osama Bin Laden, and their followers poison minds, preach evil, and speak of nothing. We need to get rid of them and fast.

We don't need to educate the terrorists; we need them dead. Americans don't have to learn the terrorist's background; we just have to hate it.

All the education Americans need to know is about innocent people who teach peace and think of us as friends and great people of all sorts of culture.

Adults and especially children need to be more culturally aware, especially the ones in small towns like Alpena. Americans need to learn more about foreign cultures, and most importantly, those cultures need to know about American lifestyles and our great past. God Bless America!

### Attention Students with a 3.5 GPA

If you are interested in being recognized for your excellent academic/community involvement record, now is the time to self-nominate for the **2002 New Century Scholars, All-USA Academic Team, and All-State Academic Team.**

Opportunities sponsored by ACC and the Nu Omicron Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Two ACC students will be selected. These representatives will attend an all expenses paid convention in April 2002 in Lansing to be recognized by the Michigan House and Senate.

The selected students potentially could reap thousands of dollars in scholarships and a free trip to Seattle, WA in April 2002.

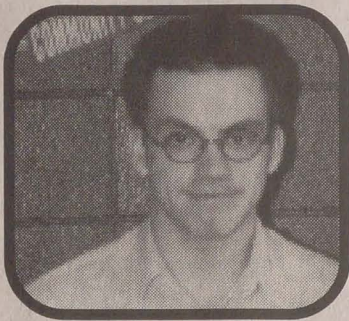
The requirements for consideration are as follows:

1. Presently a full-time student at ACC.
2. Presently enrolled in an Associates degree program.
3. A cumulative GPA of at least 3.5
4. At least 12 hours of completed credit at ACC

Interested students must self-nominate by November 21, 2002 by submitting a letter stating the student's interest and qualifications. This letter should be sent to Doug Huizenga at NRC 303.

Letters can also be e-mailed to [huizengd@alpena.cc.mi.us](mailto:huizengd@alpena.cc.mi.us). Faculty and community references should also be included and will aid in the selection process.





CHRIS A. OPOSNOW  
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Chick tracks are litter. Chick tracks are Christian comics by Jack Chick. You can find them almost anywhere, but you will not find them in stores or comic shops. People leave them lying around for others to stumble upon.

## Chick Pollutes Towns with Propaganda

They might be found in phone booths, in colleges, or in public bathrooms. The basic theme of a Chick track is unless you are Christian and accept Jesus Christ as your lord and savor you are a bad person and are going to burn in hell. Even then if the person is Catholic, Jehovah's Witnesses, or Mormon they are still going to hell.

China used the mass distribution of cartoon booklets as Communist

propaganda. Chick tracks are doing the same thing. Jack Chick got the idea when Bob Hammond, a missionary broadcaster of The Voice of China and Asia, told him how successful the Communist comics were in winning people over. He felt he could use this propaganda technique to win multitudes to the Lord Jesus Christ even though he despises communism.

An example of his propaganda can be found in

any track. In Sin City, you find a person protesting a gay pride parade is beaten by police officers as a camera crew turns away. Later, the guy wakes up in the hospital and is charged with a hate crime. This would never happen for a person who was just holding a sign. The reader is supposed to sympathize with this guy because of reverse discrimination.

Chick constantly has to defend himself.

People are always accusing him of being a bigot. Unlike bigots who hate the people they discriminate against, Chick defends what he says with the fact that he does it because he loves them.

I believe in the first amendment. Chick has the right to tell people whatever he wants, no mater how distorted it is. But the people littering, putting this trash anywhere they feel is convenient for them should be called out.

*The Lumberjack  
is  
interested in  
what you think,  
so please drop us  
a line.*



The winner: tacos! They are cheaper, taste better, and are a little bit healthier. I would have written more, but I was too hungry for tacos after reading this. Ciao!

## Tacos VS. Pizza: The Final Showdown

ERIC BENAC  
Features Editor

Man, I could go for some pizza right now. Or, maybe tacos would be better. The struggle is never ending. Which is the perfect food: tacos or pizza? They are my two favorite foods, but they are extremely unhealthy. Well, not really unhealthy because both contain protein, vegetables, and carbohydrates, among other things. But which is

the best?

The pizza is generally many people's favorite food. I can understand why. The combination of cheese, sauce, vegetables and meat is flawless. Imyself, if I haven't eaten anything else that day, can polish off half a large pizza. I am a meat pizza lover. I love bacon, ham, pepperoni, or anything that is meat. I particularly like getting pepperoni and bacon,

with double cheese, and then I spread bacon bits and parmesan cheese over top. It's so good, I almost weep with joy. One small problem: the grease and fat and calories in bacon and pepperoni cancel out any health I could have gotten from the crust, cheese, and sauce.

Tacos are amazing. Even with some slightly seasoned hamburger, and a bit of cheese placed on a

hard or soft shell, tacos are good enough to send me to cloud nine. I prefer placing the hamburger on a hard shell, spreading cheese lightly on top, and then wrapping it up in a soft shell. This holds the hard shell together, and gives it that extra flavor offered by a soft shell. And they are healthier than pizza, though not much.

In the taste test, I

prefer tacos to pizza. I just love the taco-seasoned meat; it's the meat of kings. Money wise, pizza is more expensive. I mean, when you want a cheap meal, and you're by taco bell and pizza hut, which do you go in? Unless you hate tacos, you go into taco bell because it's fast and cheap. Pizza is also more of a social food. This is why it's almost always eaten at parties.

Nanette Rousseau  
Contributing Writer

Life can be full of negative things that can drag you down. This is when we need to put on our rose-colored glasses and think of things that make us smile. Think of things that make us feel warm inside. Here are some things that remind me that I am alive and that my life is full of many joys:

- The sweet smell of leaves in the fall and the sound of them crunching under my feet.
- The silence during a church service on Sunday, giving me time to reflect and meditate.
- Remembering how my father used to roughhouse with my son and my son begging for him to stop but not really meaning it.
- Smelling a home cooked meal.
- Listening to the sweet, cherub voices of a children's choir.
- Having a lengthy discussion with my husband on a topic that interests both of us.
- Schussing down a ski hill with the cool wind blowing past my face and the sound of fast snow beneath my skis.
- A Sunday afternoon with no plans.
- The feeling of relief and relaxation when returning home after a hectic day.
- Going to church on a snowy Christmas Eve with my family and singing "Silent Night" by glimmering candlelight.
- Finally finding an engrossing novel and having unlimited time to enjoy it.
- Discovering great bargains on things that I expected to pay full price on.
- Warm gooey chocolate chip cookies.
- Watching my beautiful daughter dance during her recital and feeling so proud of her that tears come to my eyes.
- Exploring a city that I have never been to before.
- Waking up in the morning and watching the sunrise over a glassy, peaceful lake.
- Coming inside on a cold winter day after a thrilling day of sledding and sharing steaming hot cocoa and marshmallows with my children.
- Helping friends.
- Having a man in my life that is a loving husband and a super father.
- Working with young children that love to have fun and get lost in the game of pretend.
- Listening to reggae music and the tinning steel drums on a sweltering hot summer day.
- Watching my son play baseball and seeing him slam the ball into the outfield.
- Children's laughter.
- Long phone conversations with a good friend and no children home to interrupt us.
- Going to a huge mall and shopping with my mother until I can no longer walk and I feel like I am going to drop.
- Seeing and smelling the woods awaken in the spring after a long grueling winter.
- Quieting down in the evening and reading my children their favorite bedtime stories.
- Hearing my family say, "I love you".

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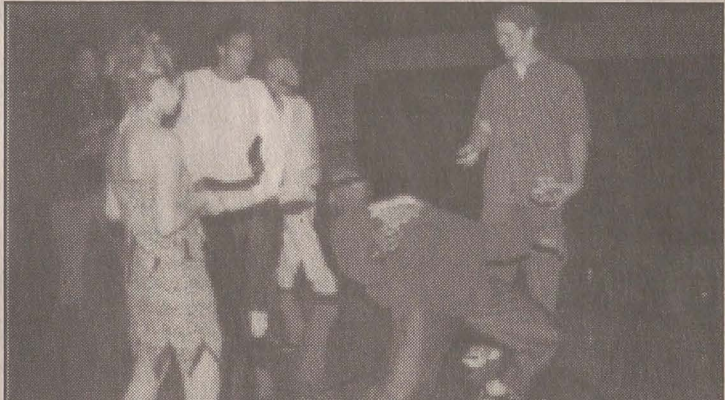
# HALLOW OF A GOOD TIME



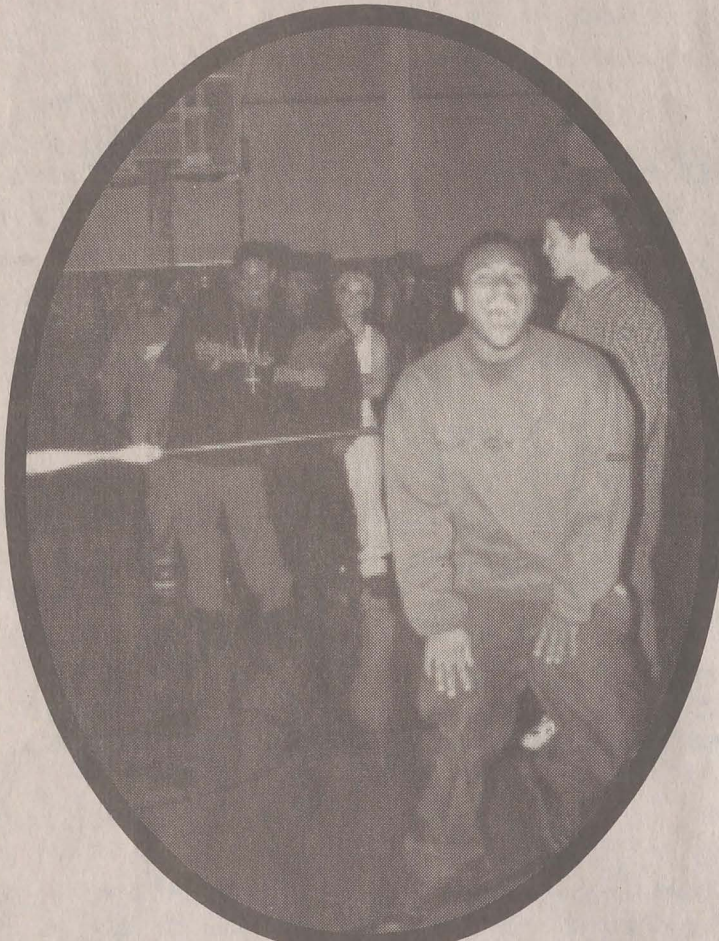
Basketball team does a hustle.



Winner of limbo contest.



Another one bites the dust.



Having fun, Limbo Style

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The student senate held the annual Halloween dance on October 27<sup>th</sup> at East Campus. Rock'n' Randall was the DJ for the night. He played a great mix of today's hottest dance music. Most everyone danced the night away and seemed to really enjoy themselves. During some of the more popular songs everyone seemed to know, the group on the dance floor joined together and it was impressive how good



Basketball players help raise money for student senate.

were dressed up, but all there were having a "hallow" of a good time. The dance contest and the costume contest were cancelled, but no one seemed to miss them because they were having such a good time.

Contrary to previous years, this Halloween event proved to be a joyful experience for many. The ACC Student Senate would like to urge all students to take advantage of future activities.



Rockin' Randell DJ's Dance.

they synchronized, considering it was such a spontaneous thing.

There was a table filled with refreshments. Pop, pretzels, pickled bologna, crackers, candy, and more covered the table. There were more than enough refreshments; there were even some left over.

One of the highlights of the evening was when the men's basketball team members were auctioned off to be indentured servants. The event proved to be successful. Over four hundred dollars was raised for the ACC basketball team.

Many contestants competed in a limbo contest. The winner received a case of blank CDs.

A fairly big crowd

partook in celebrating the activity funded by the ACC Student Senate. There were about eighty people on hand, according to student council member Joshua Kumrits. He also said this was a great improvement over past efforts of holding dances.

The decorations were very interesting. The Senate members created a great spider web, which covered the hallway, prior to entering. Spooky sound effects sent goose bumps down your back as you entered the door. Inside the gym, there were fake pumpkins, some orange lights on the wall by the refreshment table, and some spider webs on the basketball hoops. There were only a few people who



Dancers start breaking it down.

PHOTOS BY ERIC BENAC



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### Soccer Team Has a Kickin' Good Season

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*Photo Editor*

It was a fun and productive year for the ACC Men's Soccer Team. A whole lot of effort and heart developed into a great first year.

Up until this year, ACC did not have a soccer team. Knowing that the general interest was among

the college students, Ryan Townsend took the initiative to "consolidate the mechanisms."

Through the ACC Student Senate Survey, he confirmed that the student body would like to see a soccer team at the college level. After that confirmation, Ryan worked with the administration to make this interest a reality. Max

Lindsey and Dr. Don Newport worked hand-in-hand with Ryan to make sure all of the insurance and transportation issues were possible and taken care of.

According to Townsend, the Alpena Boosters Club, ACC Student Senate, and Thunder Bay Soccer Association donated money. This money funded uniforms and gas for travel.

Area referees officiated the home games free of charge. This great season would not have happened without the huge amount of time and ambition Bruce Dietz contributed as coach. The players believe the volunteer coach deserves a lot of credit.

Townsend believes that this season was a great way to pioneer the program.

"The players made it happen," said Townsend. There were people of all different skill levels playing. The heart in each player led the team to four wins and one tie. The team suffered only two losses.

Although the soccer program is only at the club level for fun competition, Townsend hopes to see it become an intercollegiate sport in the future. If interest is significant,

it should not be a problem.

Everything is ready for next year's season. People of any skill level are welcome to join in the fun. Any students interested in playing next year should contact the Student Services Office in Van Lare Hall or contact Ryan Townsend at 356-1214.

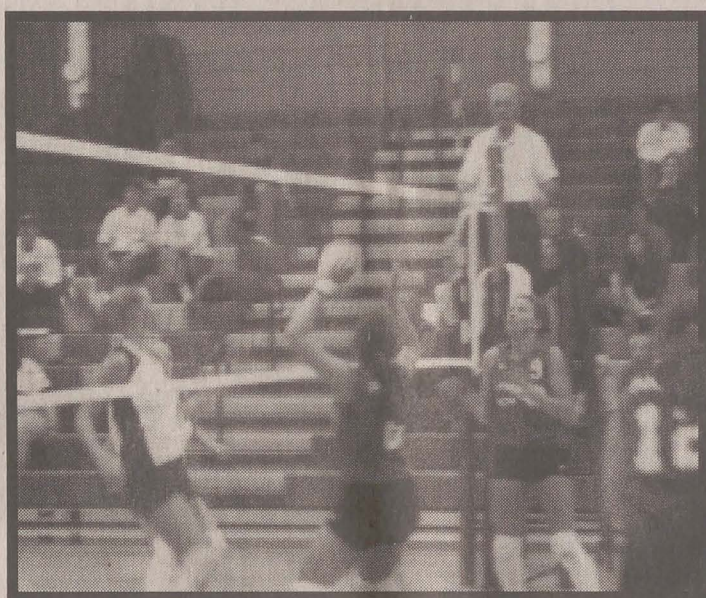
### ACC Volleyball Team Falls Short of Regional Playoffs

**ERIN McDONALD**  
*Staff Writer*

The chance for the Lady Lumberjack volleyball team to make the regional playoffs fell short on Wednesday, Oct. 25. Their playoff hopes ended when Mott Community College beat the Lumberjacks in two matches. Both matches ended in three straight games. The scores were 30-16, 30-21, 30-16, and 30-17, 30-22, and 30-24. Head Coach Dana LaBar said that the team played as best as they could. They played without two of their starters; Elena MaHarg and Kim Hepburn. Kim was injured during warm-ups just

before the game. "It affected our game plan having Kim get hurt right before the game," stated Jessica Harbison. This game was the final game of the 2001 season.

Despite not making the playoffs, the Lumberjacks had a good season. Their overall record was 7-9. Coach LaBar said that overall the team met his expectations for the season. They were in contention for the playoffs right up until the last game. They beat schools that have a higher student population, like Henry Ford, Oakland, and Delta. These schools also have higher recruiting methods. Those wins were a big step for the vol-



Lady Lumberjack sets the ball.

photo by Joshua M. Brege

leyball program. Coach LaBar credits much of the success of the team to the new assistant coach, Bill

Matzke. He brought much skill, coaching ability, and volleyball experience to the coaching staff this season.

Since the season is over, it's time for Coach LaBar to look forward to next year. He will be losing three sophomores: Jessica Harbison, power hitter Erin Graham, and captain Sarah Stafford.

Stafford was the first player to complete two years of volleyball at ACC. Coach LaBar stated that Stafford was the "cornerstone" of the program. In losing her, he loses a player with athletic ability, a positive attitude, and a great knowledge of the game. Returning for next year will be Erin Riopelle, Kim Hepburn, Elena MaHarg, Alicia Klieber, Mandy Vekaryasz, and Jennifer Noffze.

This summer Coach

LaBar hopes to run a camp here at the college for seventh and eighth graders, and also a high school team camp.

He hopes that this will allow him to see other area talent, as well as to put the word out about the ACC volleyball program. He hopes to expand his recruiting process to players in the Upper Peninsula.

Hopefully the team camps, heavy recruiting, and the six returning players for next year will make for another great season.

### Lumberjack Basketball Teams Shooting for Great Seasons

**JESSICA THIEM**  
*Staff Writer*

A new basketball season will begin this fall for ACC. Both men and women's teams are excited to see what this season will hold. Coaches have their goals set and are expecting team members to meet them within the first few games of the season.

According to Reggie Penrose, sophomore and member of the men's basketball team, this year's team is short and quick. With their

first game being November 9, these guys are ready to play hard.

This year's women's basketball team is also extremely athletic and quicker on their feet than past years, according to Mike Kollien, women's basketball coach. Kollien stated that this year's team is extremely coachable and hard working. The women's first basketball game is on November 16.

Both teams do have weaker areas that they will

be focusing on within these last couple weeks, before the beginning of the season. Frank McCourt, coach of the men's basketball team, stated that this year's team has to focus more on academics, defense, rebounding, and outside shooting.

The men's team also has a great deal of new players, with only four sophomores coming back from last year. This makes this team fairly new. McCourt feels that the team is a little young

and is not picking up skills as quickly as he would like.

Kollien reported that the women's team should work on its rebounding and defense skills much like the men's team. He also feels that the team will need to make a few adjustments in playing positions which some of the women are not used to or have not played before.

The most challenging teams to be played in the upcoming season, for both

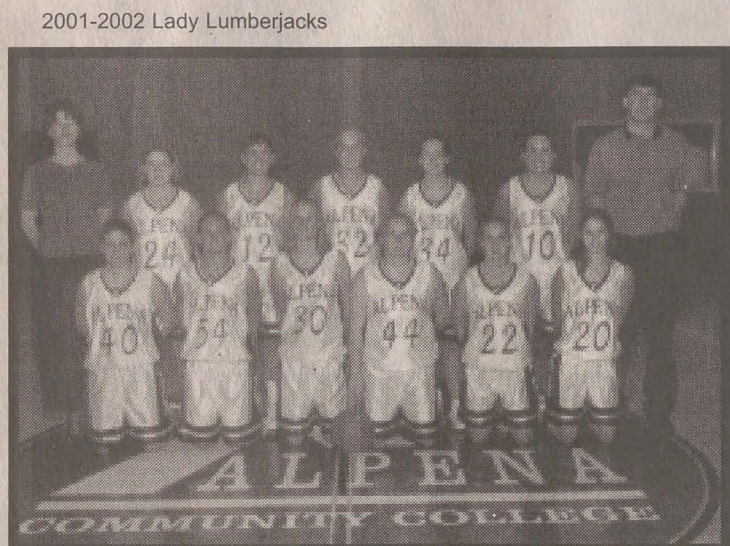
the men and women's teams, are Mott Community College and Schoolcraft Community College. Kollien also feels that Delta Community College will be a challenge for the women's team.

According to Matt Gleason, sophomore and member of the men's basketball team, the team is just going to have to play it's hardest against these bigger teams. Kollien believes that the women's team will be more conditioned and therefore be able to hopefully

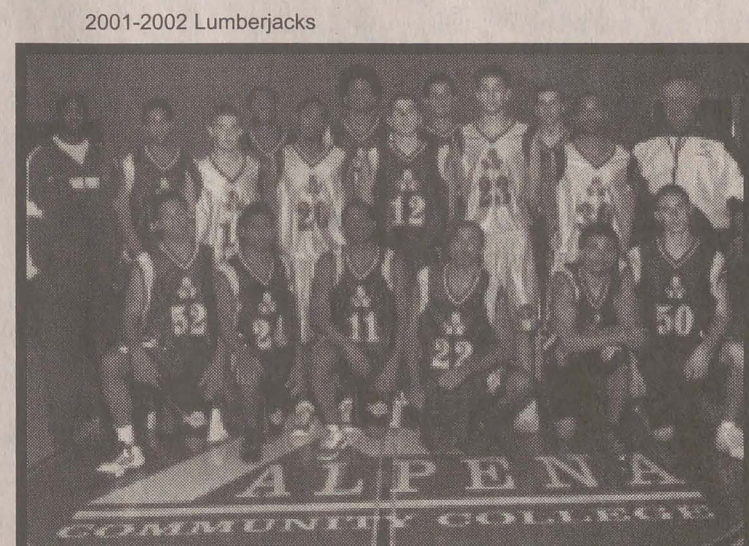
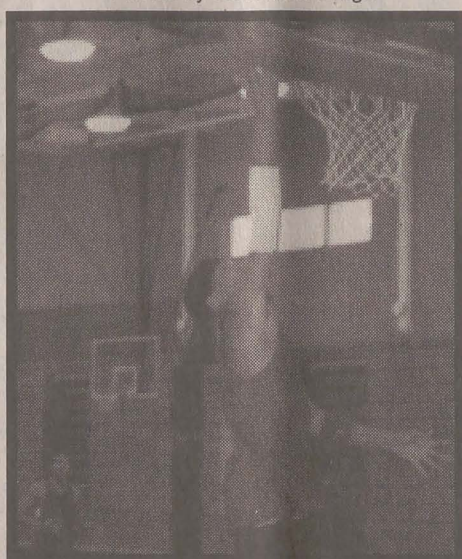
outlast these teams. Kollien also stated that the first 4-5 games of the season usually allow the team to get a feel for where the team stands. This also allows the members to get to know each other and everyone's playing styles a little better.

It is much appreciated by Kollien, McCourt, and each of the teams that they receive continued community support and school spirit. They always welcome an audience.






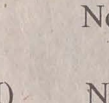
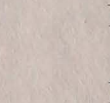

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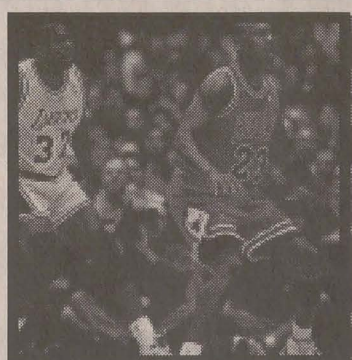
2001-2002 Lady Lumberjacks



2001-2002 Lumberjacks

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	Nov. 9/10	CAN/AM Tournament at ACC (M)		Nov. 20	Sault College (M)		Dec. 7/8	at Muskegon CC (M&W)	





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Is Michael Jordan ready to come back to the NBA? At age 38, some say he still has it. Others are saying he's going to embarrass himself and tarnish his legacy.

When Jordan's career started, it was with the Chicago Bulls for 13 years. Now after being retired for two years he is coming back for his 14<sup>th</sup> season with the Washington Wizards. After 13 years in the NBA, Jordan retired with stats of more than 900 games, 35000 minutes, 2300 steals, 800 blocks, 5800 rebounds, 5000 assists and 29,000 points.

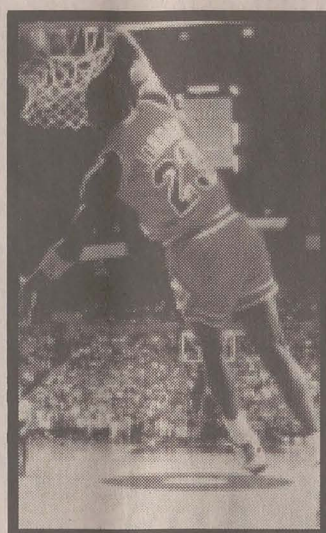
In my opinion, when MJ left in '98 at age 35 and had those types of numbers it's hard to believe he would lose it all in two years. Like everyone says "practice

makes perfect."

"Air Jordan" as he was known, made the saying

"practice makes perfect" true with career highlights of being on the Olympic Dream Team in '92 winning a gold medal, six time NBA champion, five time NBA MVP, 10 time all NBA first team, 11 time NBA all-star, 10 time NBA scoring champ, Defensive Player of the Year, fourth in all-time scoring, first in playoff scoring, and first in scoring average. Now that he is returning to the NBA, he must have a mission! Can the Washington Wizards win a championship just because

## Will Jordan Work His Magic for the Wizards?

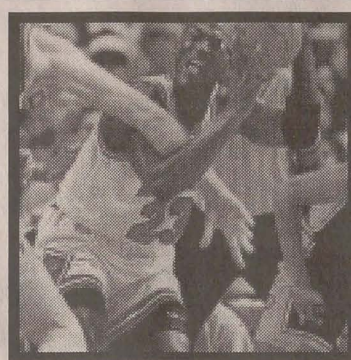


they have Mike? Or is he playing to prove that he's still got it at the age of 38 and that

he can lead the Wizards to a championship.

Now as everyone knows, the last time Jordan came back from retirement he started off slow and then pretty soon vintage

Jordan returned. In Jordan's fifth game of the '94-'95 season he hit 55 points against the New York Knicks, which showed fans he had shaken off the rust of two years. In the following year he took the Bulls to an NBA record breaking 72 wins and 10 losses, and the Bulls again

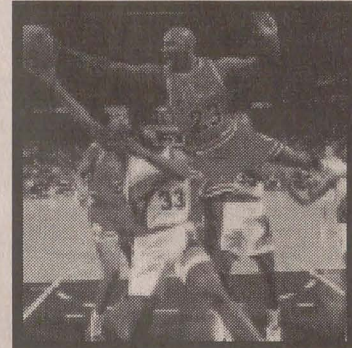


that year were world champions.

Since Jordan's last championship run in '98, he's been sitting out watching players in the NBA and owning the Wizards until he had to turn those reigns loose in order to play again. With that in mind, will any of this and MJ's age affect his game?

In my opinion, no it won't; reason being is even though it's exhibition it's still NBA basketball. In one game already against Miami he scored 18 points in the first quarter and in another game in 30 minutes he scored 41 points. With that said, the first time he came back Jordan scorched the league and I think he will do it his second time back.

(Michael Jordan his "Royal Airness" the saga continues.)



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## After Magical Season MLB Playoffs Provide High Drama

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After a spectacular regular season that saw the breaking of the home run record, 116 wins for the Seattle Mariners, and the retirement of Cal Ripken, Jr. and Tony Gwynn, baseball fans were wishing to see a great post-season, and so far they have.

The New York Yankees, the AL East champions, used an impressive combination of great pitching and timely hitting to reach the playoffs for the sixth straight year. The Oakland Athletics, despite winning 102 games during the regular season, had to settle for the AL Wild Card spot because of the Mariners' fantastic run and West Division title. The AL Central was won by the Cleveland Indian's powerful offense.

The most exciting of all the divisional series was the Yankees and Athletics. After winning games one and two at Yankee Stadium behind solid pitching outings from Mark Mulder and Tim Hudson, the A's returned to Oakland one win away from ending the recent Yankee Dynasty.

But the three-time defending world champions stepped up to the challenge and won a 1-0 pitchers duel in game three, which featured a run saving play by Yankee shortstop Derek Jeter that is still a hot topic on sports talk shows. The Yankees routed the A's in game four and after returning to the Bronx, they finished them off 5-3 behind Roger Clemens and won a trip to the American League Championship Series.

The Mariners and Indians divisional series also went five games, but they featured sloppier play and less exciting storylines. The series started with the two teams splitting a pair of unexciting games at Safeco Field in Seattle. Then the Tribe demolished Mariner pitching for a 17-2 win in game three at Jacobs Field in Cleveland. The Mariners won the series' final two games behind good pitching. They held Cleveland to only three runs combined in both games and advanced to the ALCS.

"You can take (solid pitching and good defense) anywhere and hang your hat on it" Mariners' manager Lou Piniella said after their game

five victory.

In the National League, the Atlanta Braves edged out the Philadelphia Phillies to capture their seventh straight divisional title in the NL East. The Houston Astros squeaked past the St. Louis Cardinals (who ended up as the NL Wild Card) to win the NL Central. Two 20-game winners, Kurt Schilling and Randy Johnson, led the Arizona Diamondbacks to the NL West title.

The Braves easily swept the Astros in one of the National League Divisional Series. In fact, the only game that had a close score was game two, which the Braves won 1-0. Atlanta's pitching

anchors, Greg Maddox and Tom Glavine, were on top of their game again.

The interesting thing about this series was the thousands of empty seats in Atlanta's Turner Field for game three. Braves fans are no longer coming out of the woodwork to see their team in the playoffs.

The other NLDS, between the D-Backs and the Cardinals, was much more exciting. It went five games and had alternating victories. The pitching was stupendous, with the highest scoring game being Arizona's 5-3 victory in game three. Tony Womack hit the game-winning single in the bottom

of the ninth for Arizona in game five and sent the team to its first League Championship Series in its four-year history.

The Diamondbacks shined again in the National League Championship Series as they surprisingly took the Braves in five games, including three straight wins in Atlanta. The Braves' offense was stagnant, managing only seven total runs in four of the five games. The Arizona offense was more potent, led by series MVP Craig Counsell.

Again Arizona's aces were outstanding, with Johnson allowing only 2 runs in 2 games and Schilling allowing only 1 run in 1 game. There were empty seats in Atlanta again, especially for the series-ending game 5, with only 35,000 people showing up in a stadium that seats over 50,000.

After the Braves' elimination, manager Bobby Cox said Schilling and Johnson "are two of the most outstanding back-to-back starters you could ever want" and that he thought the Diamondbacks had a good shot at the World Series title.

The Yankees and Mariners did not turn out to be the great League Champi-

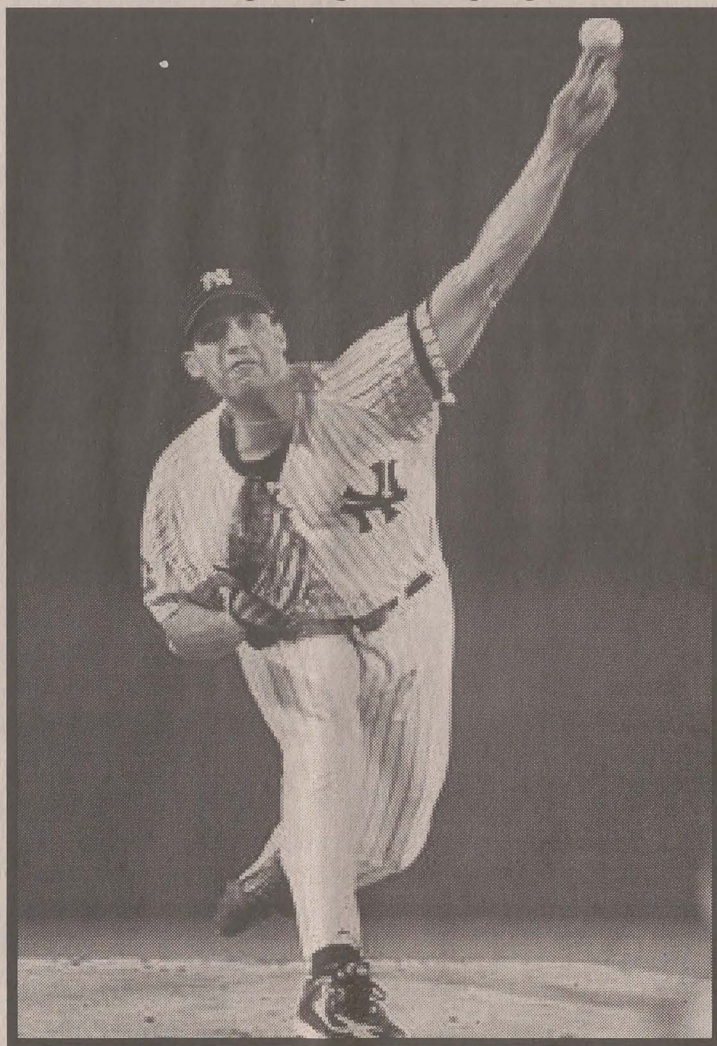
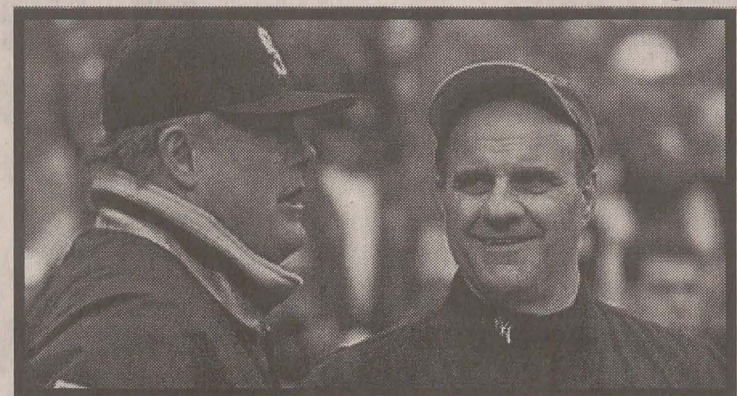
onship Series a lot of fans expected it to be. The Bronx Bombers' pitching out-duelled that of the Mariners in games one and two in Seattle.

When the series moved to New York for game 3, the Mariners were able to rout Orlando Hernandez and the Yankee bullpen for a 14-3 victory. But the Yankees recovered quickly and took the next two from the Mariners, winning their fourth straight American League pennant and the Yankee dynasty continued.

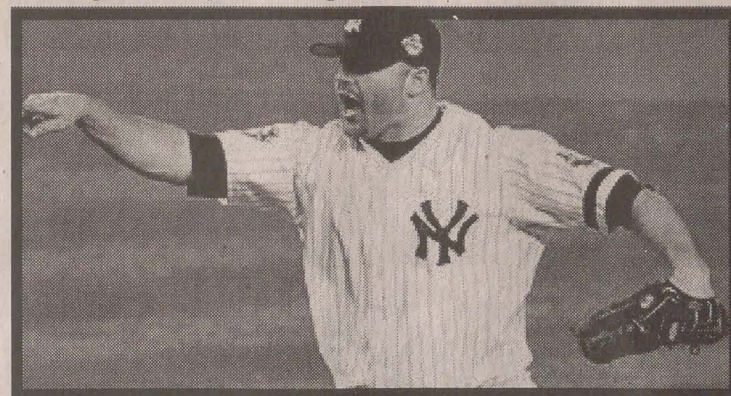
After their victory, Yankee manager credited his pitching staff for the team's success. "It all comes down to pitching. These guys know how to pitch." Added Yankee third baseman Scott Brosius "Our pitching bails us out pretty much game after game."

Yankee pitcher Andy Pettitte was named MVP of the series.

The Diamondbacks vs. the Yankees isn't exactly the most anticipated World Series ever, but it could be a good one. Chances are it will have several pitchers' duels that could easily be decided by one key hit or one costly error.



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## Hapless 2001 Detroit Lions Test Fan Loyalty

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The Detroit Lions entered the 2001 season with high hopes and a new attitude. That must have lasted three minutes into their first game. In one of the worst starts in team history, the Lions are not the kings of the jungle.

Detroit opened the season with a one-sided loss to the Green Bay Packers. In this game the Lions found themselves down 21-0 in the first quarter of play and were never able to come back as they fell 28-6.

Because of the September 11 tragedy Detroit's second game against the Dallas Cowboys was postponed until the end of the season. From there Detroit played Cleveland where Lions backup quarterback Ty Detmer posted an unimpressive 7 interceptions—one shy of the NFL record. Need I say more?

In game three the

Lions played host to the St. Louis Rams on Monday Night Football. If you're a fan of Dennis Miller you could have gotten all the laughs you could handle. The Rams handed the Lions a 35-0 shutout in front of a sellout Lions crowd on National Television. In this game the Lions put together some jokes of their own as penalties and dumb mistakes cost them yet another loss.

That would bring us to the Minnesota Vikings where Detroit showed its first signs of life. Like every game thus far, the Lions again found themselves in a hole by halftime down 24-6. They did however manage to make a game out of it as they scored thirteen unanswered points in the fourth quarter to fall once again 31-26. There were some noticeable changes that occurred in this game. For starters, the offense began to fire as Charlie Batch completed 31-41 passes with a career high 345 yards and three touchdowns. It was also the first time we seen

Batch take command of this new offense. Sadly, Lions fall 0-4 on the season.

Next up, the Tennessee Titans. This one turned out to be a nail biter as the Lions defense kept the

at 24, the Titans marched down the field in just three plays. Capping it off with a 46-yard field goal with five seconds left on the clock. Detroit falls to the NFL's basement at 0-5. Batch

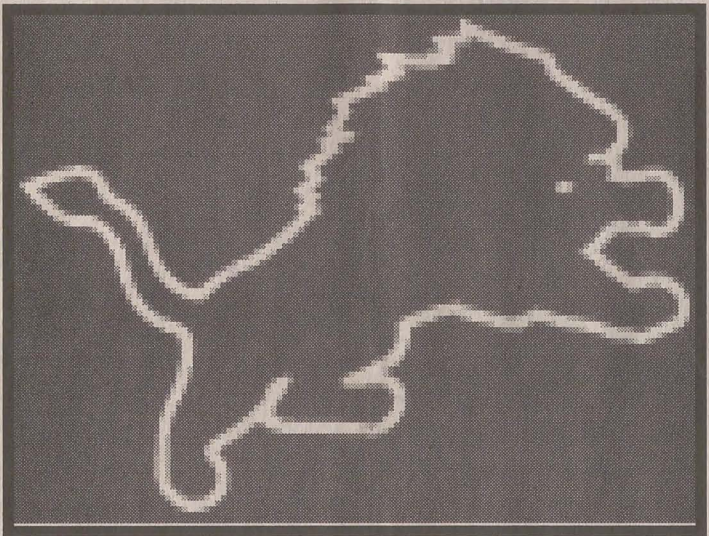
came into the 2001 season under a completely new staff. They replaced everyone from the vice president to the equipment manager. After years of average play from his team Henry Ford Sr. finally sought the help from someone else. This new someone is Matt Millen. Millen was a former NFL player and FOX Sports analyst before coming to Detroit. His purpose? To shine new light into this cursed organization. After all it was 1957 when the Lions won their last championship.

With complete control over the team Millen's first task was finding a head coach. His choice was former 49ers offensive coordinator Marty Mornhinweg. We'll call him Marty for obvious reasons. Marty brought a new style of offense to Detroit, the West Coast offense. It is a complicated offense that takes much work and dedication to get right. A new offense is more than just new plays. It's everything from preparation, practices, to how you conduct

the team on the field. It also highly centers on the quarterback's play, which has been rather poor in the past.

Along with a new offense the Lions also hired new defensive coordinator Vince Tobin. Tobin runs a very aggressive defense. He likes to mix his defense up to confuse his opponents. So far it seems he's done nothing but confuse the Lions.

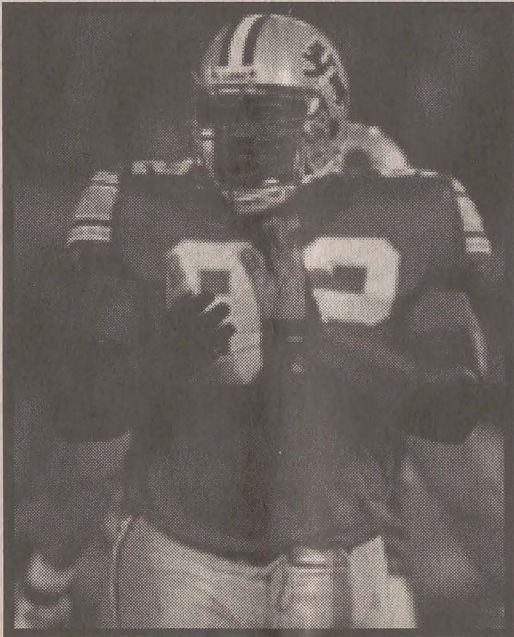
Keep in mind these new additions will take time to develop. Let me remind you that the Rams went from a pathetic 3-13 to Super bowl champions the following year after bringing in a new staff. Not to say that the Lions will do the same, but they're heading down the same pathetic trail of a season with nothing left but to improve. For those of you who are frustrated, try and have patience. Changes this drastic don't take place over night. The team is starting to click, and who knows we might be at the big show in a couple of seasons.



Titans in check most of the day. With 1:18 left on the clock Batch connected with Desmond Howard for a 38-yard touchdown strike on 4<sup>th</sup> and 10. With the game tied

again posted good numbers as he passed for over 300 yards and three touchdowns.

For those of you who are unaware, the Lions



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## Bow Hunting Season in Full Swing

Bow season begins every year on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Hunters will get out their bows and make sure they haven't lost their shooter's touch. Most have an old target sitting around that resembles a deer to practice with. They might buy a half-dozen arrows and the hottest

broad head on the market. Of course deer season is always a great excuse to get a new piece of camouflage clothing. I personally picked up camo coveralls for eight dollars at a garage sale.

Some hunters may scout for hunting season. Rubs and scrapes are signs of deer sought in the bush. Any sign of the infamous trophy would certainly warrant a tree stand nearby. There are those who hunt above feed piles. Others climb nice looking trees with a good view and call it their hunting spot. The lucky hunters hunt on private land. Scott Johnson, ACC/Spring Arbor student, hunts on family land and harvests a deer every year. Others try their luck on the overcrowded state land. My annual deer camp is near Mt. Pleasant on state land.

Bow hunters need the deer to come in much closer than firearm hunters. They have to spend more time and money trying to blend into the forest. Having a shooting range of only up to 40 yards, hunters have a hard time not being detected by the whitetail. Most sudden

movements are picked up by their keen site. However, bow hunters are mostly concerned with scent. Deer

states, "I buy everything I can get my hands on that covers up scent."

Personally, I will

outer hunting garments are kept in a plastic bag with pinecones and leaves. There are no guarantees with any technique of disguising yourself in the animal's territory. We are in their domain and are often beat even with all our technological advances.

The hunter is now ready to get up in a tree and sit. Quietly they sit for hours slowly turning our heads from left to right looking for any movement in the trees. Three deer snuck up behind me my first night out this year. I couldn't resist the temptation to quickly see what was there. As soon as I turned my head, all three were gone before I could tell if any were bucks.

While bow hunters are sitting up in the stand, many will start hearing and seeing things. After looking at the same opening in the trees for hours, leaves in the wind turn into buckhorns. Moving branches turn into walking legs. As night roles in, they sit patiently hoping for a glimpse of the elusive wall-mounter. As you may have heard, deer tend to move at night. So the hunters wait and wait until they can't see anymore. The diehards will

wake up the next morning before light and sit for longer hours looking left and right. Others will just hunt in the evening. Which one are you? Please send any pictures or stories you may have of the current deer season to the Lumberjack.

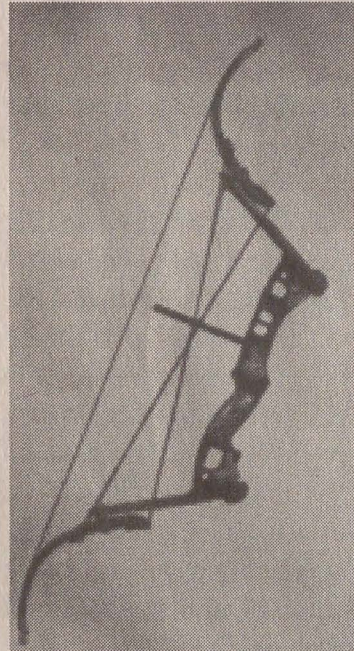
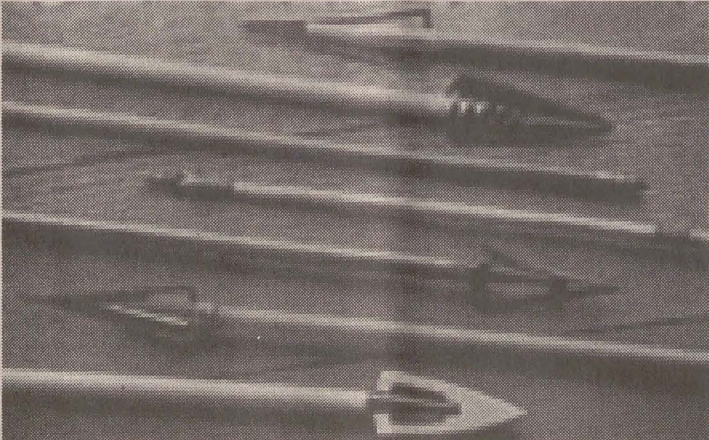


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can smell you from over 50 yards away. College student Brian Webber

wash my hunting clothes with scent free soap. After they are washed, all the

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# White Pepper to Surfers to Strange Little Girls CD Review Has It All

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Staff Writer

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Tori Amos

Strange Little Girls

Tori Amos' newest CD Strange Little Girls surprised this reviewer. I admit I would usually throw any of her original stuff right down a garbage dispenser, but in this album Amos does not have one original work of art (all cover songs).

After listening to this album I realized that she did not just cover the songs because she had writer's block. I think that she covered most of these songs because they have a deeper meaning than what is just on the outside. Eminem's 97' *Bonnie and Clyde*, for example, is about a guy, and his baby daughter killing his wife. Now if you lis-

ten to the rap song you may just think that his lyrics are creative rhymes that do not need to be justified. There is a deeper meaning though, and Amos points it out. She sings his song with dark orchestral instruments, and a crazy low voice. It made me think (and I am not a censorship freak in the least) that she is trying to tell us that we actually let our adolescents listen to this.



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Amos covers songs by Eminem, Depeche Mode, and Slayer just to name a few. If you do not feel like buying the whole CD than you should defiantly check out 97' *Bonnie & Clyde*, *Time*, and *Raining Blood* on the net.

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Butthole Surfers

Weird Revolution

This album defiantly shows why they named it what they did. They have added techno drum beats, and some weird-ass synthesizers to give it a sick twist. This CD is much different from what I remembered of the old Butthole Surfers. I remember songs like *who was in my room last night?* *Who was in my bed?* When Flea (bass player for **Red Hot Chili Peppers**) joined them for speed metal experience that impressed all the little kiddies.

In this CD they have everything from girls to squirrels smoking crack. It even has an excerpt taken from a

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Ween

White Pepper

Ween's latest album *White Pepper* should be graded as one of their finest CDs. Next to their 1994 album *Chocolate and Cheese*, this CD must also be given the respect of four stars. If you are a music lover, you will respect all the music that was produced by these two brothers. The brothers can play a variety of instruments that they defiantly show here. They play a variety of music also. Ween's *White Pepper* provides music that has country beats, reggae sounds, and just some old fashion rock-n-roll to please everyone.

When I listen to this band, I can only ponder on what kind of influence they

have to offer. They sound as if Pink Floyd, Talking Heads, some punk jams, Frank Zappa, Jimmy Buffet and some psychedelic mushrooms were all thrown into a drum and stirred.. If there is one concert I am determined to see before I get stuffed into a metal box, it will be the two talented young men known as **Ween**.

If you are not interested in buying the whole album check them out on the net. A couple of highly recommended songs *Bananas and Blow*, *Stroker Ace*, *Falling Out*, *Even if you don't*.



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# Knights, 70's Rock: What More Can You Ask for in a Movie?

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Have you ever seen a movie that is not only enjoyable to watch but involves a great theme? A Knights Tale does just that. It combines action with drama, and a little comedy, to portray a life lesson worth remembering. It is possible to change your stars.

A Knight's Tale is about a man named William Thatcher, played by actor Heath Ledger. This story takes its viewer on William's journey from a poor little boy in Cheapside, to a squire with a reputable knight, to finally a jousting knight, with a

hidden secret himself. His two best friends Rowland, played by actor Mark Addy, and Wat, played by actor Alan Tudyk, join William. These guys help him as he battles against knight after knight in various tournaments and competitions.

Of course, what would a movie be without a love interest? William is joined by him ladylove, Jocelyn, played by actress Shannyn Sossamon. To add flavor to the story is Geoffrey Chaucer, played by Paul Bettany, a writer turned herald who graces the story with many eloquent, yet funny speeches noting all of William's attributes. Laura Fraser plays Kate, the woman who makes

William's armor and also turns into one of his most loyal friends.

This story is set in the medieval time period where the sport of jousting was extremely popular. The dialogue in this movie is slightly medieval, but easy to understand. The plot is not only interesting, but also believable, with a very strong moral lesson and theme attached to it.

This movie is about changing one's stars; in other words, creating our own destinies and fulfilling our heart's deepest desires. Throughout the whole movie, we are able to watch as William continues on his journey, with all of his troubles and joys, and grapples with the hardship of changing his

own stars.

The music in this movie is awesome. A Knight's Tale is full of current, popular music of today's time period. The soundtrack for this movie involves Queen, Eric Clapton, Thin Lizzy David Bowie, Robbie Williams and a number of other artists. Keeping in mind that this movie is set in the medieval time period, it is not only different, but this movie is ingenious in the fact that it uses modern day music, with all of its emotion and messages, to portray the actions and feelings of the characters even though they are in the medieval period. The music reiterates the thoughts and moods of the characters throughout the whole movie and it is easy to

sense how the characters are feeling through the music. The music also adds a comedic feel to the movie because of the huge differences in time eras. Who wouldn't think it was funny to have a group of medieval knights and townspeople stomping there feet and clapping their hands, while singing "We Will Rock You" as the jousters compete?

The chemistry between the characters in this movie was immense. For the duration of the movie, I honestly believed that William and Jocelyn were in love and destined to spend the rest of their lives together happily ever after. The men in the movie acted so well together that if I saw them on the street hanging out I wouldn't think

anything of it; they had a sort of connection that made it really believable that they were the best of friends and would do anything for each other.

As Jeff Howard said from Fox-TV, "Strap on your armor and hang on." This movie is all action. It is fast-paced and the plot is always moving. Ebert and Roeper and the Movies gave this film two thumbs up, and I would urge you to check out this film, it might even help you change your stars.

Recommended for action, romance, and just plain good movie lovers. Don't watch this movie if you like brainless, break-from-reality movies. You'll need to think through this one.

# Mame Is As Great As Ever

## In The TBT Adaption of the Hit Play

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Alpena Civic Theatre's Production of "Mame" proved so popular its first two weekends, and a third weekend November 8-11 has been added to allow theatre goers an opportunity to enjoy this Broadway musical.

When author Patrick Dennis, a pseudonym for Edward Everett Tanner III, wrote this autobiographical he never dreamed it would be so popular. later it turned into a novel with Patrick Dennis writing about his life and Auntie Mame. It later turned into a play and a musical, now being played at the Civic Theater October 24-29 and November 1-4. In 1974 the late actress Lucy Ball played the role of "Mame" in a movie.

Carol Witherbee, who has a knack for comedy and an outstanding voice, plays the role of Mame in the ACT Production. Who is Mame? She is hilarious as a flapper buckling her age. Believing that "Life is a banquet" with her young nephew Patrick. She's ageless; timeless, graceful, beautiful, kind and elegant. Mame won many Tony awards in 1966, including Best Musical Songs include "Mame" "Bosom Buddies," "We need a little Christmas" and more.

All the action takes place in Mame's Beekman's Place Apartment and various locales in which she became involved during a period from 1928-1946. A toe tapping songs such as "We need a little Christmas" and the title song "Mame," is

about the flowered child of the 1920s and has captured the hearts of hundreds. Well to do and living in New York in the Twenties, Mame is surprised by the arrival of her newly orphaned nephew Patrick, age ten, (played by newcomer Dietrichs Kurenzenhauser).



Mame

Mame proceeds to, "open the window on the world", for Patrick, who has a variety of new,

unconditional experiences in living.

On opening night, the ACT audience adored Patrick. He brings not only sweetness to the role, but also a natural ability to follow Mame's lead. The audience couldn't take their eyes off Patrick, following and adoring his every move.

Lisa Johnson also played a role as the faithful, Agnes Gooch, a nanny delivering her change to Patrick's only living relative. Patrick immediately liked his new Aunt Mame at first sight, the only women bugle player he'd ever met.

From a meek and mild character into a swinger, Gooch is sent out by Aunt Mame and her friend Vera to sample the world. Inexperienced, she returns home a few months later

very pregnant and unwed. Mame deals with it the best she knows how.

Vera, played by Terry Carlson provides a safe refuge for Mame through good times (which there are many) and bad times (like when the stock market crash wipes out Mame's fortune and when her new husband dies). When she is out of work and money she excepts a silly new play with Vera where she is a lady astronomer. She makes a musical discovery that the Man in the Moon is really a Madam. Vera, the highlight of the show is when Mame (the only fall out they had) straddles a crescent moon as it rises properly and she can't seem to put her leg over the thing. She basically wrecks the play. Making this the funniest part of the show.

There are many more funny scenes to numerous to write about.

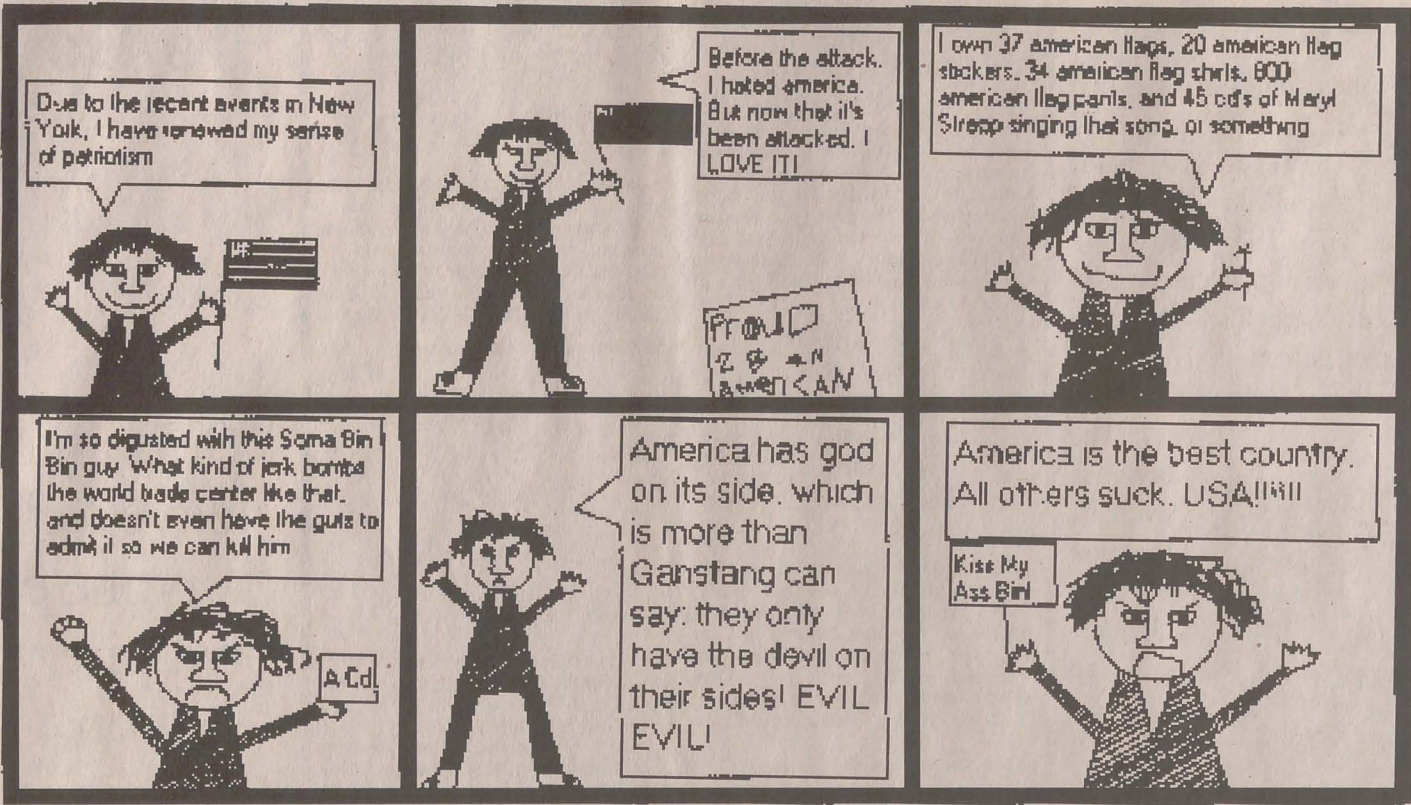
One of the most colorful features was the costume. Mame is so vivid in variety of clothes that along with her female performers who wear elegant gowns to reflect of the late 1920s, while the males looked excellent in black tuxes. The musical numbers, the choreography and the house band also deserve plenty of praising.

This is one toe-tapping musical show you won't want to miss. It's not only for the young at heart, also for the elders of the community that put this all-together. This is one high-energy performance of the season. Makes a person want to join the toe tapping musical.



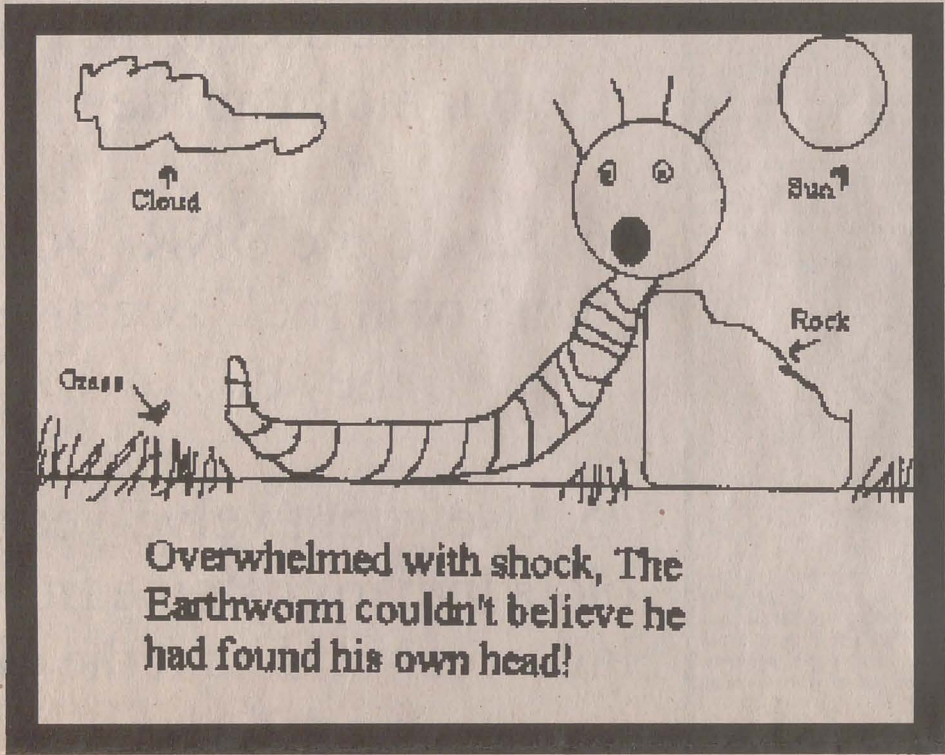
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Stephen's Musings



In The Mind Of Earthworm

Comic By Ryan Spaulding



Shady Lane

Comic By Chris Oposnow



See Unbreakable or I'll Break You



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The movie *Unbreakable* is one of those rare movies that you could watch over and over again. Leaving me with a pounding heart, this psychological, action-packed thriller is a sure hit.

Samuel L. Jackson and Bruce Willis star in this blockbuster. The story revolves around these two individuals, different as night and day. Bruce Willis plays the character of David Dunn, the unstoppable husband and father. The whole plot revolves around the fact that he was born with the ability to resist injury and pain, not to mention the fact that he's escaped death on more than one occasion. Samuel L. Jackson on plays Elijah Price, a man who was born with a rare bone disease that causes him to be at risk for injury with nearly every step, his bones are so brittle they break with little pressure. The two of these men are brought together in this thrilling story of Bruce Willis's character's revelation of his amazing powers and Samuel L. Jackson's character's hope

for a normal life. Adding to the movie are Robin Wright Penn who played Audry, David's wife and the son played by Spencer Treat Clark.

The characters in this movie are really believable. The chemistry between all of the actors was so intense at times that it seemed like I was in the middle of the scenes with them. The dialogue between the characters was fluent and packed with a lot of passion and feeling. It was easy to believe the characters because the whole movie was charged with a sort of energy that let me feel what the characters were feeling.

This movie not only combines a stellar cast but also includes great music and an awesome mood. The music in this movie almost told the story itself. It changed with the emotions of the characters and events in the movie. The mood of this movie, its intensity of suspense stayed at pretty much the same level throughout the whole movie. It kept me guessing throughout the whole film because the story leaves you with so many possibilities for a possible ending. The setting of this movie is as believable

as its characters. This movie takes place in the city of Philadelphia. The use of city dwellings and areas in Philadelphia was immense, with the movie having many different scenes being in different and unique places.

This movie combines emotion with surprise and tons of mysteries along the way. Without giving away the most unpredictable ending I've ever witnessed, I can tell you one thing; *Unbreakable* is certainly worth your time. As Peter Travers from *Rolling Stone* magazine said, "(This movie is) Mind blowing. It's rare that a movie leaves you pinned to your seat, wanting to see it again-right now, this minute."

**Recommended for:** people that like mysteries and action-packed thrillers. **Don't watch** this movie if you have a weak heart, or hate having to actually think during a movie.

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For the Best Lumberjack Cooking Around, Stop by the Shack

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Are you sitting in class listening to your stomach rumble? Are you wondering where you're going to find a place to eat with that \$3.00 in your pocket? How about trying The Lumberjack Shack?

You don't even have to leave campus and worry about fighting that awful lunch hour traffic. The Lumberjack Shack is located in the Center on the college campus.

If you skipped breakfast because you overslept, don't worry because the Shack opens at 7:30 a.m., ready to serve delicious French toast, eggs, toast, bagels, and breakfast sandwiches. They also have a wide selection of juices, in case you forgot to start your day with a dose of Florida's best oranges.

If you're hurrying to class and your stomach is telling you something different just stop in. The Shack has a variety of snacks to munch on. It has cookies, cakes, chips, and almost every variety of junk food possible.

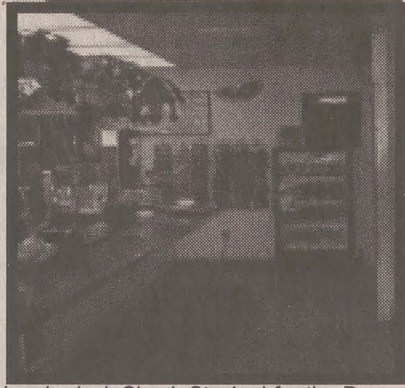
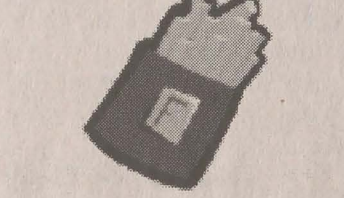
For lunch you can always smell what the kitchen's cooking in the halls of the Center. Each day a lunch special is served. It also includes the soup of the day. These specials are planned ahead by the Dining Room staff. Don't worry if you don't like the lunch special. The shack has a wide selection of items. For instance, pizza slices, French bread pizza, cold sand-

wiches, hamburgers, and French fries. Just to name a few. They even have salads for those of you who are vegetarians. They also serve fountain pop, in case you're tired of struggling with that rejected dollar bill. The dining room is only opened till 1:30.

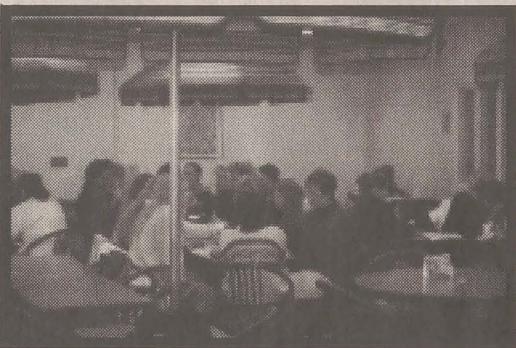
The service is great. Once you enter the buffet line you are greeted with a smile and hello. The food is delicious and at very affordable price, for those of you who are on a budget.

The dining area is terrific. The tables are spacious for eating and doing homework at the same time. Many students agree that the Shack is a great place to do homework, study, and to discuss topics with other students. Students also agree that it is a great place to socialize and relax.

I would give The Lumberjack Shack two thumbs up. It has a great variety of food and service at a very affordable price. It is a great place to get some studying done while chomping down or chatting with friends. The Shack has a very comfortable and relaxing atmosphere. If you're walking to class and feeling those hunger cravings just remember to stop in at The Shack!



Lumberjack Shack Stocked for the Day



Lunch Gathering

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Horoscopes



Aquarius  
Jan.20 to Feb. 18

Go with your first instinct when it comes to love. It's time to start thinking about your future and where you want it to go. Although you enjoy thinking about the past, you need to stop living in it. Let your head rule your heart. The 6<sup>th</sup> is going to be an extraordinary day filled with lots of love, and enjoyment.



Pisces  
Feb 19-March 20

Being the dreamer that you are, you are suddenly forced back to reality. Trying to put all your effort into balancing out the many things in your life, your friends may think you are being selfish and ignoring them. They will understand, but try to go out of your way to let them know you haven't forgotten about them.



Aries  
March 21 to April 19

This month will be full of action, something you really enjoy, but it may land you in trouble on the 19<sup>th</sup>. If your action filled weekends up in a jam take a friend's advice even though it may be hard. If you don't take the advice, things will get worse and your freedom will be limited. You are an adventurous, courageous individual don't let these features get you in trouble this month.



Taurus  
April 20 to May 20

A friend will need you this month, be there for them even if it means breaking other plans. An outdoor activity will portray a new side of a close family member. Remember, don't laugh at, only with. Your life will become more stable on Thanksgiving, something unique will happen. If you don't feel comfortable with the change don't be pushed into it.



Gemini  
May 21 to June 21

School will be rough this month but don't worry you will get through it. You feel like you are in a rut and you can't get out. These feelings make you sick but look forward to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, something will happen and the rut will be forgotten. A special person will enter your life this month and he/she will change you forever.



Cancer  
June 22-July 22

The competition is on this month. That person you have been eyeing lately is noticing you, but is unsure about what to do. Win them over ASAP before someone else does. If you are in a relationship, take a small break and enjoy freedom.

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Leo  
July 23 to Aug. 22

You are a strong willed individual who is independent. Your wild adventures may cause some problems this month. You will need to let someone help you through this rough time. It's all right to lean on others occasionally. Your family will play a role in your life this month don't push them away!



Virgo  
Aug 23-Sept 22

Don't overload on junk food too much this month, even though it is the answer to all your problems. Being a perfectionist that you are, you will prove to your boss that you are more responsible than he/she thought. Dollar signs appear in the near future. \$\$\$



Libra  
Sept 23-Oct 23

This month, speak up in class when that certain teacher brings up a topic you have strong feelings about. You are great with communication skills; you may just not know it yet. You often have a lot to say, but never the confidence to let it out. It will all be worth it in the near future.



Scorpio  
Oct 24-Nov 21

You are counting down the days until exam week. You need to get away from all distractions, and spend time by yourself. After a refreshing break from the world, that special someone will decide if the two of you are meant to be.



Sagittarius  
Nov 22-Dec 21

An argument with your parents takes a bad turn, but don't worry: No long-term damage has been done. Do something different this month, something that you have never seen yourself doing before. You may have just found yourself a new hobby.



Capricorn  
Dec. 22 to Jan. 19

A major change at work will take place this month, possibly a promotion. Your financial situation may become a bit better if you splurge and buy a lottery ticket on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Don't let your partner's dreams get in your way, follow your own heart.

Top Ten Things Not To Do During Deer Season

10. Bait!

9. Bait anyway, and then leave a cute sign that says, "anyone eating off my compost pile will be shot." That won't fool the DNR.

8. Shoot yourself.

7. Mistake deer urine for your mountain dew.

6. Say to the DNR "you don't own me!" because they do.

5. Use your twelve-year old's Indian costume from Halloween and hunt the ole' fashioned way.

4. Dress up like a female deer during mating season.

3. Snore loudly.

2. Read too much porn.

1. If you do get a deer, bite it's head off like you're Ozzy or something.

Mandarin Garden Offers Great Alternative to Fast Food

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Are those Big Macs, Whoppers, super-sized fries, and that 42-ounce soft drink not satisfying your hunger? Is your stomach bored with those fast food and traditional American restaurants? Well how about surprising it tonight with a little taste from another land? Chinese food is what comes to my mind. The perfect spot to get a taste of not only the food but also the culture would be Mandarin Garden.

Mandarin Garden is located on US-23 south and

is a restaurant in town that has the variety and satisfying taste of Chinese food. Once I entered the doors I felt as if I was taken to the China. The dragons, lions, colorful paintings, and music provided a look into Chinese culture. As I entered the doors I was greeted with a smile and hello as I was helped to my seat. This restaurant has a smoking section for those of you who smoke.

As I sat down I was greeted again with a hello as I was given a kettle of green tea and ice-cold water. The menu has a variety of dishes to choose. It has all kinds of

food, pork, seafood, beef, vegetables, and chicken. It even has traditional American meals of hamburgers and french-fries, for those who don't like a change. There were many appetizers and side dishes to choose from. The appetizer I ate was Crab Rangoon's.

My server was very friendly and encouraged me to try an appetizer. He gave recommendations on what to try. He was informative and knowledgeable about the food when I asked him questions. I ordered my appetizer and drink. I asked for a few minutes to decide

my main course. I was having a hard time choosing between the Mandarin chicken and the Sweet and Sour chicken. I decided on the Sweet and Sour chicken.

Right on time my server returned with my appetizer. My Crab Rangoon's were delicious. Shortly I received my main course. It was delicious. The white rice was hot and didn't clump together. The vegetables were fresh. The chicken was tremendous, and the sauce was just right. My server never let my drinks get half empty. I couldn't finish my main course.

For desert there is a

scoop of ice cream. I had to pass on desert. I was very satisfied with the food and service I was given.

I was pleased with my meal. The atmosphere is peaceful and relaxing. It is great for socializing with a friend or for a relaxing meal. The menu provides a great variety to choose from, the service is exceptional, and the food satisfies. It is opened till 9pm for people who like to eat a late dinner. However, the disadvantage is the price. Just remember unique food comes with a price. But, your stomach will be telling you it is well worth the change from

"Mickey D's."



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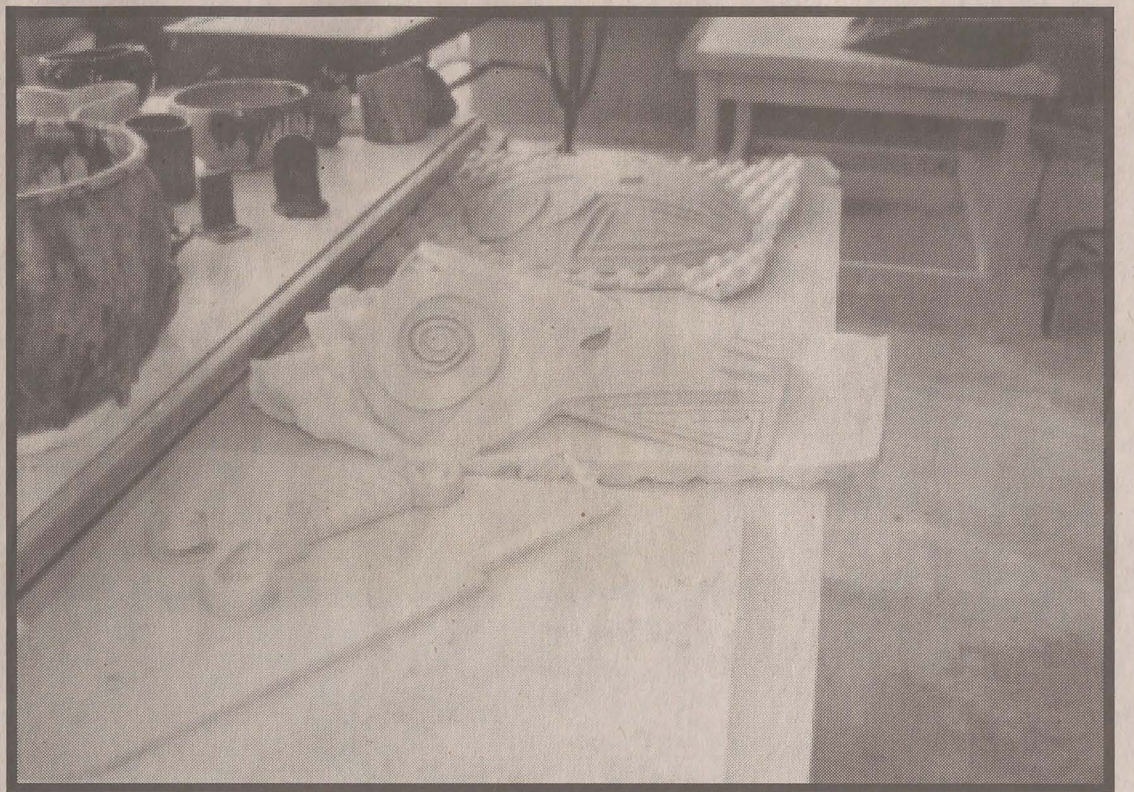
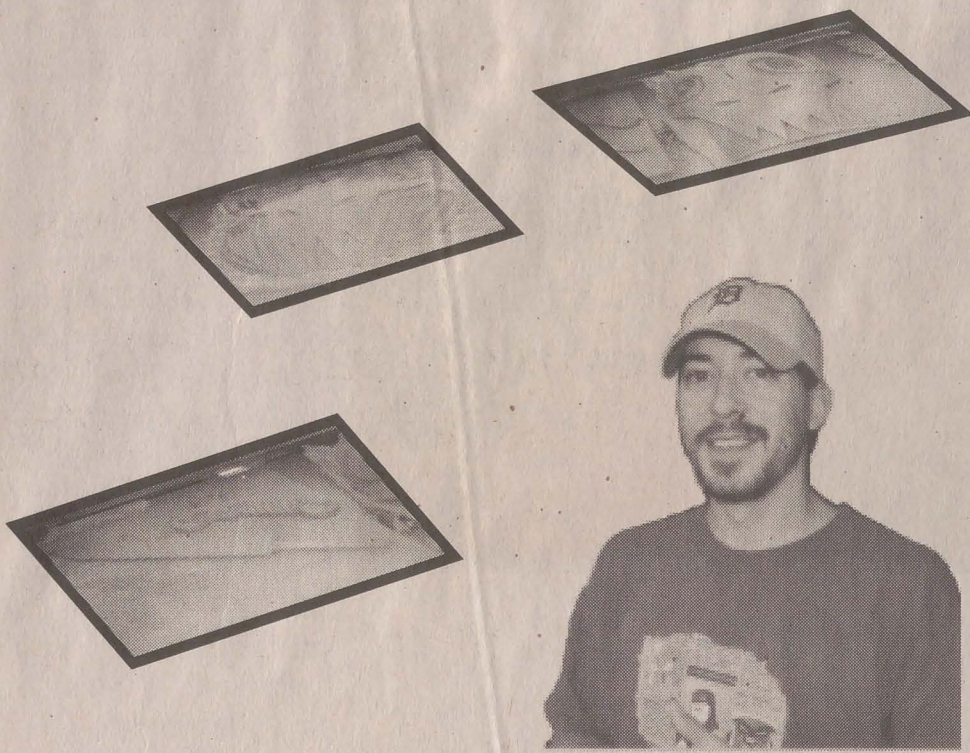


# Showcase Artist of the Month

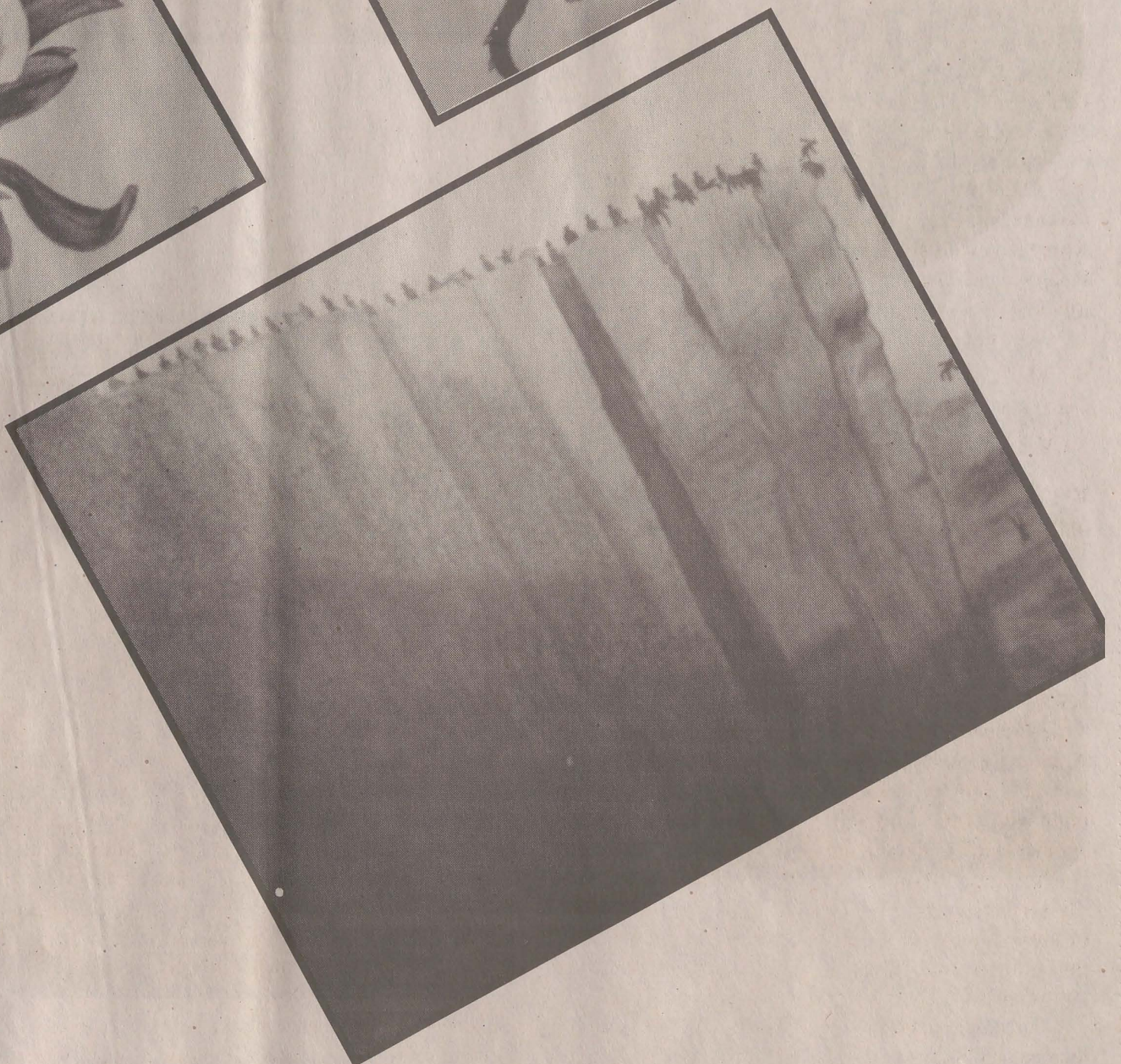
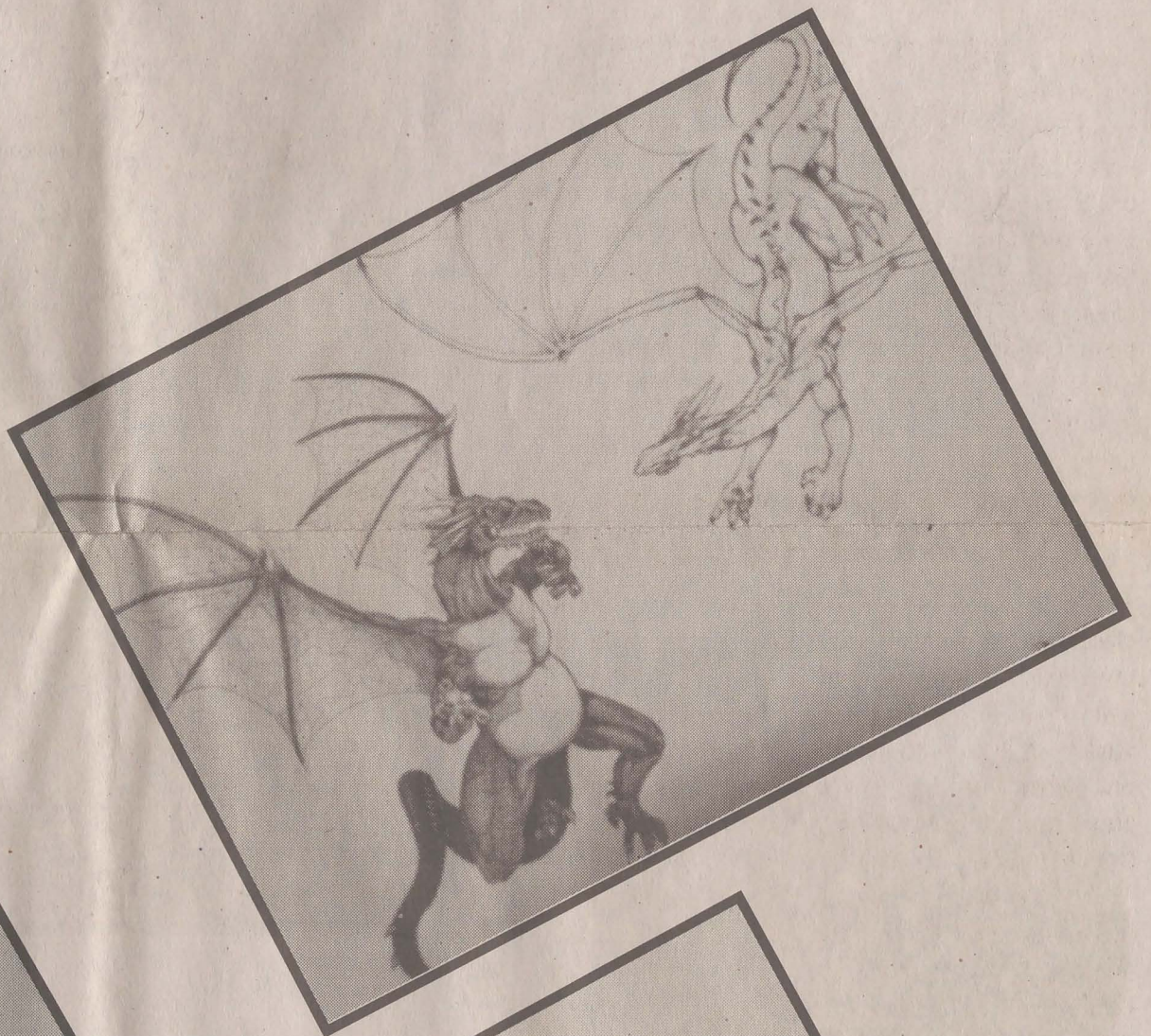
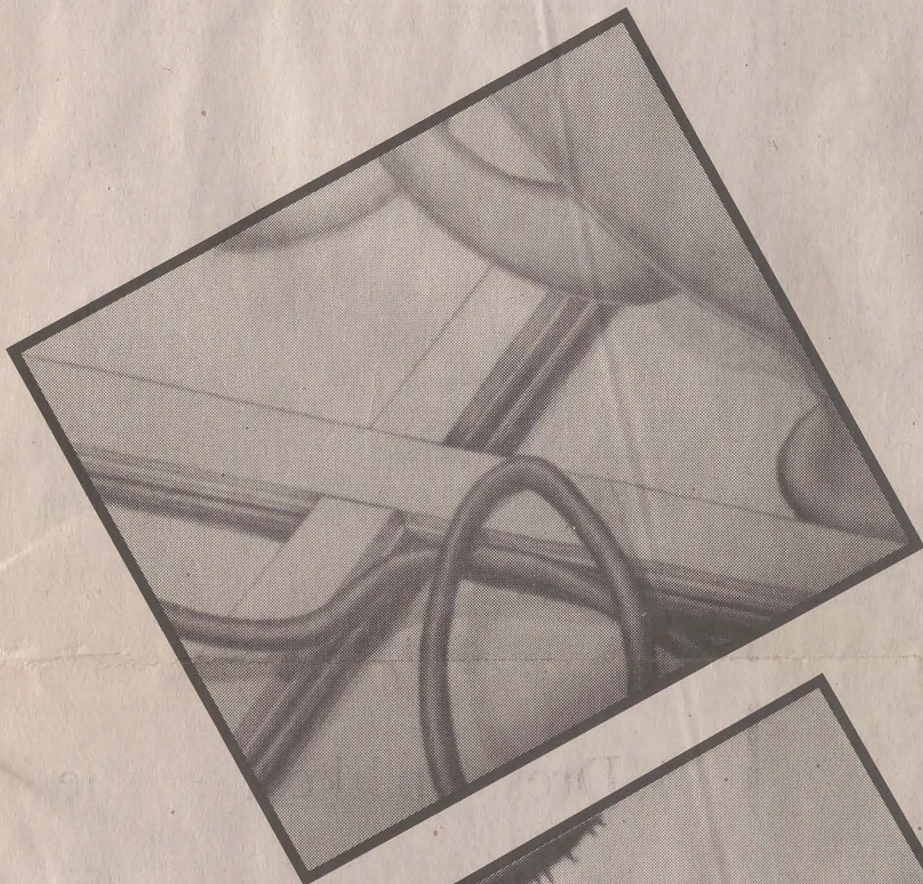
The Lumberjack

Brian Pomerantz

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## CHRIS OPOSNOW *Art Editor*

Brian Pomerantz is a creative artist with imaginative work. Pomerantz is a fan of cover artists of fantasy books. These artists are his main influence. He works in as many mediums as he gets a chance to, and he has recently started exploring the possibilities in ceramics. He also started dabbling with oil paints. Pomerantz enjoys the challenge of trying a new form. He plans on pursuing a career in teaching art, but he also studies English so he will have more choice for where he wants to go.



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I have always thought that there was just not enough stuff to do in this town. Then I realized that there was tons of stuff to do in a city surrounded by woods. The woods are an excellent place to go take pictures, hike, camp, fish etc.

The young people in this town always think that there is nothing to do. I have news for those of you that think this way. Alpena may not have a lot to offer as far as big clubs and rocking concerts, but it is surrounded by nature's beauty. This town is full of retired Republicans, so it is kind of impossible to have anything fun around here, but they have been helping the youth with more stuff lately (the skate park for example). But if that is still boring to you, you may want to go try something new or

go experiment. When I was late in my high school career, I found out that Alpena had a lot more to offer than I thought. I started hanging out with a different group of young adults that taught me to respect and idolize nature. I started hanging out more in the woods taking photos, hiking, camping, and destroying old timbers. I found a new me. I was not rushing home anymore to watch *The Simpsons*. Instead, I would go hang out with my dog, and do some exploring.

One of my favorite places to go around here is

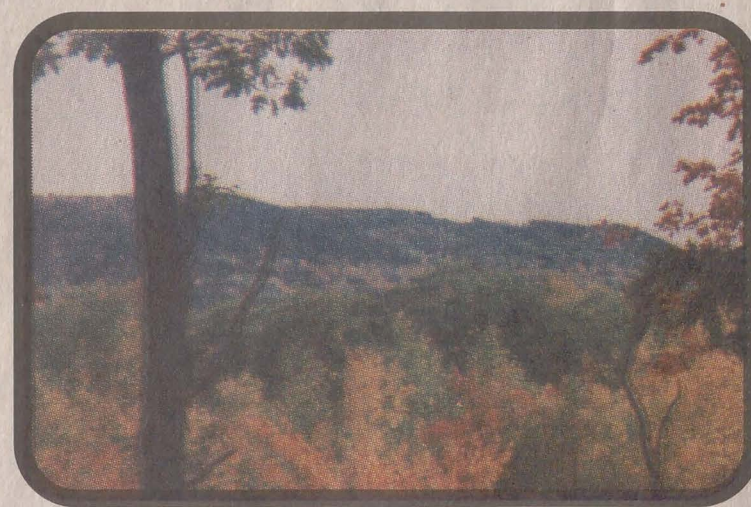
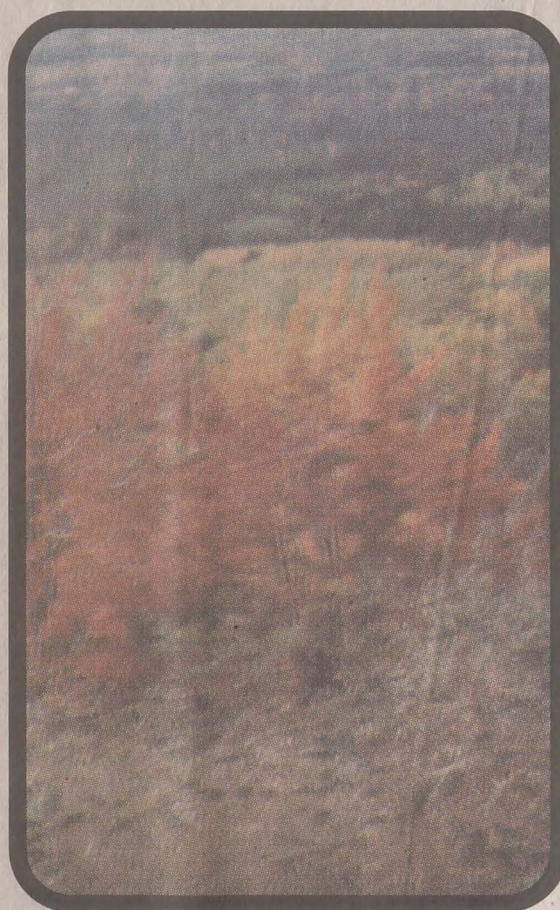
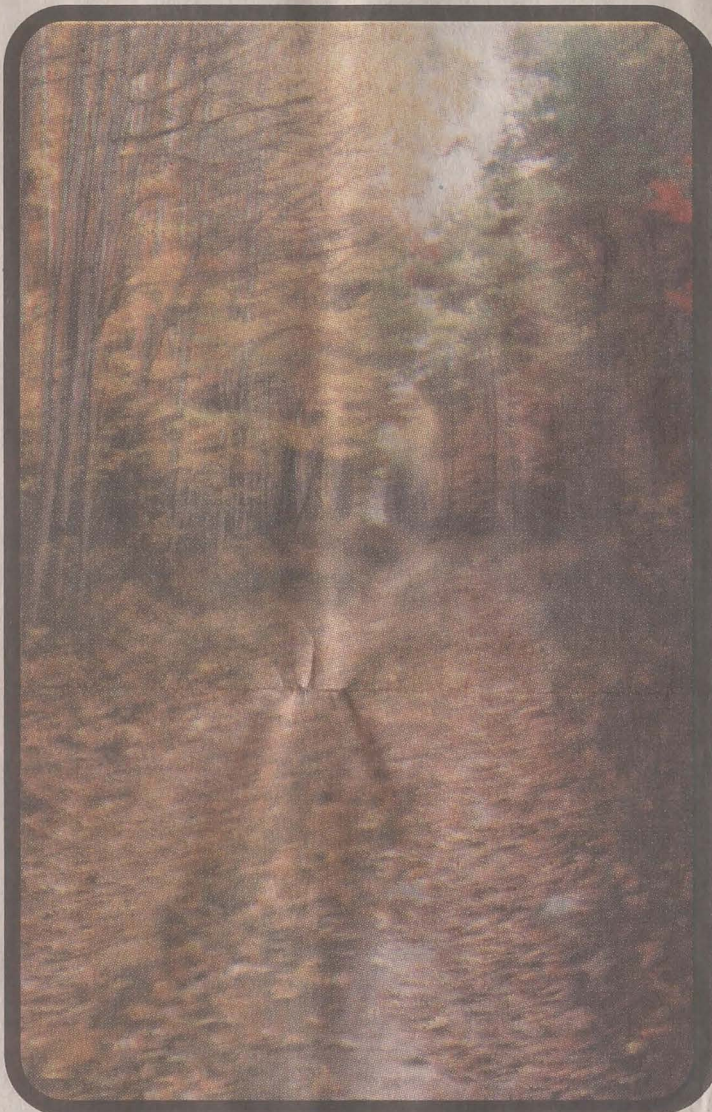


trails to go look around. If you do not know where to go just look on a map, and find some small highway like Country Road 612. Driving down that road you will find several small lakes that you may have never heard of before. Stop your car and go walk around it, throw rocks in the water, go abolish some dead trees; you will have fun, I guarantee it.

Now, when you are sitting at home on your butt thinking of something to do because you are bored, grab yourself an empty pop bottle, clean it out, fill it up, and then take yourself to the woods to go do some exploring. Go check out the fall colors, or snatch-up your fishing pole you have not touched in years. Do not lock yourself in the house all fall/winter because you are a bum. Just remember one thing that I love to say, "It takes a boring person to get bored."

Rattlesnake Hills (this is where I took the pictures). Rattlesnake is about an hour northwest from Alpena, and is an excellent place to go mountain biking or hiking. The hills are quite large so make sure you pack light and bring plenty of water. It is right off of M-33 North on Rouse Road. Make sure you ask someone who is familiar with the area because it is a little tricky.

Rattlesnake is not the only place to go explore though. Norway Ridge, for example, is only about eight miles down Werth Road, and there are about 12 miles of



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