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Foundation Blazes Pathway to the Future

Fundraising for ACC's *Pathways to the Future* Campaign Begins; Foundation on it's way to reaching \$1.6 million

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This spring ACC's Foundation began the silent phase of fundraising for the *Pathways to the Future* campaign. *Pathways to the Future* is a program started by the ACC Foundation to improve the laboratories and art facilities on ACC's campus. The goal of ACC's Foundation is to raise approximately half the total cost of the project.

The silent phase does not mean the campaign is a secret, but that members of the Foundation are not making it a large public event just yet, said Penny Bartosh, Executive Director of the ACC Foundation.

According to information packets about *Pathways to the Future*, the two pathways are: "Laboratories for the Future" and "Art's Alive at ACC."

The "Laboratories for the Future" pathway will

upgrade and expand ACC's computer laboratories in the Besser Technical Center. This pathway will also create a computer laboratory that will support the seven new technical training programs. Also, science labs in the Natural Resources Center will be updated. Lastly, a new telecommunications lab will be developed.

"Arts Alive at ACC," the second pathway, will relocate the fine arts program to the Graphic Arts building located directly on ACC's campus. The building will be renovated and expanded. This pathway will provide new labs and facilities for the arts programs that are now found at ACC's East Campus.

"The projects that make up the Pathways program are very much needed here on campus. They focus on allowing us to be more effective in the delivering of instructional activities," stated Dr. Don Newport, President of ACC.

According to Bartosh, the Foundation has already collected about \$400,000. She believes half of the \$1.6 million goal may be met by midsummer. After which, the members of the Foundation will hold a

"Good Morning Alpena" breakfast to celebrate the kickoff for the fundraising project. Bartosh hopes that the breakfast will bring community leaders together and get members of the area excited about the *Pathways to the*

Future campaign.

By December of 2003 the \$1.6 million goal will hopefully be reached, said Dr. Newport. That is when the state will match the amount that ACC's Foundation has raised. The total project is

estimated at about \$3.5 million. When all these financial goals are met, ground breaking for the *Pathways to the Future* project will occur. That event can be expected sometime in 2004, according to Dr. Newport.



Prediction of what the new Fine Arts Addition will look like.

Photo courtesy Integrated Architecture

Davis' Replacement Decided, Arrival in May

Dr. MaryAnn Carlson takes Dr. Curt Davis' place as Vice President

ANDREW KOWALSKI
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Since Dr. Curt Davis' announcement of retirement, the administration at ACC has been looking for a replacement suitable to fill the position he will leave behind. The search has now ended and a candidate has been chosen.

Dr. Mary Ann Carlson is currently Dean of Instruction at Eastern Idaho Technical College. On May 19th, she will arrive at Alpena Community College to begin her work as the college's new Vice President.

Dr. Carlson grew up in Hoopeston, Illinois. She lived there until just after high school. After two years at Purdue, she went on to earn

a Bachelor of Science degree in Housing Policies from Colorado State University. Then she worked towards a Master's in Planning and Community Development from the University of Colorado in Denver.

Most recently, she attained an Educational Doctorate in Community College Leadership from the University of Texas.

Before being named Dean of Instruction, Carlson held several titles, including Dean of the Division of Business and Information Systems, Director of Continuing Education, Director of the Small Business Development Center, City Planner, and Director of the Trinidad Downtown Development Project.

In her time at Eastern Idaho Technical College, Dr. Carlson has developed three practical nursing programs at off-campus locations and a part-time evening program on campus.

She also helped turn EITC from a school into a college, with higher course quality and rigor, convenient course scheduling, and improved instructor credentials. She also gained national accreditation for her work in developing the surgical technician program.

Eastern Idaho Technical College has a much lower student population than ACC, which Carlson does not foresee as a complication in her work here.

With experience at schools of varying sizes, from 1,500 to 10,000 students, she is "looking forward to returning to a college that is a little bigger than EITC."

Dr. Carlson also shared some other reasons for applying here. "The good reputation of the college, the President, the Board, and the community" were all factors in her choice.

She also spent some time in Michigan as a child and fell in love with the area. "Last but not least, I felt very comfortable with the interactions I had at the college and in the community when I visited for my interview."

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Bellows Instructor of the Year



Photo by Jessica Thiem

John Bellows explains metabolic reactions to his students in one of his Physiology classes in preparation for finals week. Bellows was elected ACC's Instructor of the Year for the 2002-2003 school year. Congratulations.



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Beck Trades in Computer for Fishing Boat

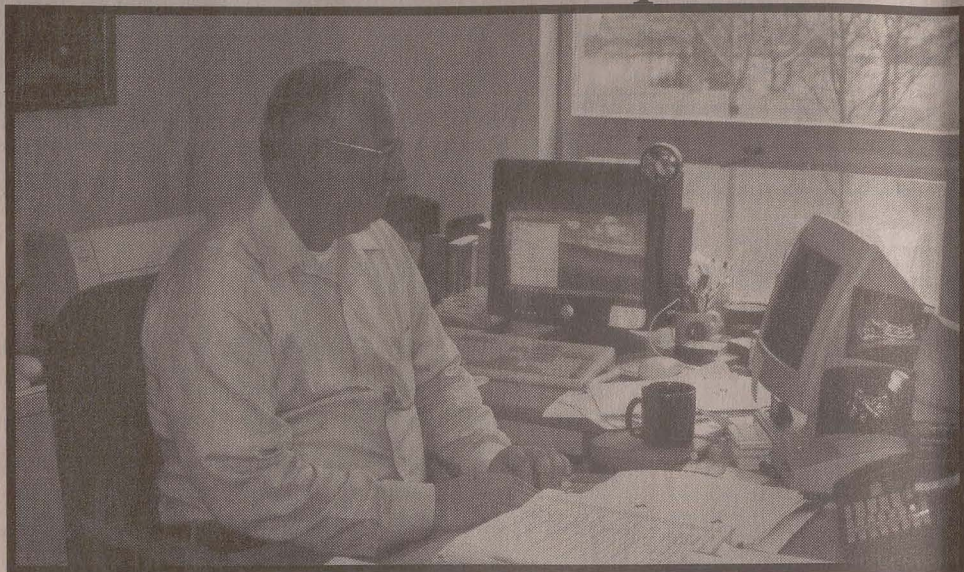


Photo by Jessica Thiem

Lyle Beck works on one of the many computers at his desk.

CONNIE IRLAND
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Lyle Beck is retiring after more than 23 years at ACC. "As Director of Management Services, Lyle has been instrumental in all of ACC's technological advances," said coworker Vicky Kropp.

Some of the upgrades he has been involved in include the phone system, the computer network, the

Internet, the satellite uplink, and the interactive TV. Until 1997 he was the only person who did technical work at ACC. He is described as honest, straight forward and, a good boss who is appreciative of the work done by those under him.

Lyle first became involved with ACC in 1977 through Core Intermediate School District in Roscommon. ACC had a main frame computer

and was shifting all their computer work to Roscommon. The software to run their systems was unavailable until he was able to locate it at Polk Community College in Florida. At that time Core was doing the computer work for around 40 school districts.

Core got out of computers in 1979, and Lyle continued operating ACC's systems at home, evening after work. In

1982, he was hired full time at the college and has not had a computer at his home since, nor does he plan to get one any time soon.

Another job he did, on the side, for about a year was that of technical advisor to Fred Bear of Bear Archery.

Lyle will never forget the day he began his first job in the computer field. It was on Dec. 4, 1962, the same day his daughter was born. He missed his plane because he had to bring his wife to the hospital. His father then drove him to Alpena where his wife and daughter joined him on December 21. This was the first time he had seen his daughter. A fact, he says, his wife has never quite forgiven him for.

His plans for retirement are fishing and working around the house. He enjoys building things and fishing from his houseboat, a boat Ann Schultz said he built.

Lyle Beck has had a major impact on ACC during his years here and will be missed by all of us.

New Vice President at Alpena Community College

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For the first five weeks, she will work side-by-side with Dr. Davis. When reached for comment, Dr. Davis seemed very eager to work with Dr. Carlson during this time. They will work together in starting the summer term, setting up fall staffing and activities, and finally in familiarizing Dr. Carlson with ACC's policies and procedures.

Once these goals have been accomplished and she gets settled in, Dr. Carlson hopes to "continue the fine work already in place at

ACC and assist in moving forward." She added that she had much to learn about the college before she would know how to lend her skills, knowledge, and background for ACC's future evolution.

Once she gets the feel for the college, Dr. Carlson will have time for the things she enjoys such as reading, gardening, and walking.

The faculty, staff, and students at Alpena Community College look forward to seeing her this summer and hopefully for many years to come.

WCCT Executive Director Hands in Resignation

Press Release

Courtesy Jay Walterreit

Jim Hayford, Executive Director of the World Center for Concrete Technology (WCCT), has announced his resignation from the WCCT and his plans to pursue other career directions.

Hayford has been Executive Director since May 1, 2000, and was instrumental in the opening of the new, 44,000 sq. ft. World Center. Hayford's resignation is effective June 30, 2003.

College President Donald L. Newport said, "Jim has worked long and hard to get our new facility open and to build relationships with the concrete industry. He will certainly be missed. We extend our very best wishes to Jim as

he explores new options to utilize his talents."

Chairman of the Partners Council Jim Park said, "Jim Hayford has been instrumental in several innovative WCCT programs such as mason training in Florida and finding grants from the National Concrete Masonry Association to fund scholarships at Alpena Community College."

In looking ahead at the leadership structure for the WCCT, Newport added that the College and the Partner's Council, a group of key leaders in the concrete industry, will closely examine all of its options for effectively carrying on the work of the Center; and a plan will be announced prior to the start of the College's next fiscal period on July 1, 2003.

Search for New President Begins Replacing Dr. Newport Involved Process

JOBETH JOHNSON
Sports Editor

Alpena Community College announced on April 17, that Dr. Donald L. Newport had handed in his resignation. He will be leaving January 1, 2004.

This gives the ACC Board of Trustees about 8 months to find a replacement. Dr. David Ponitz was hired as a consultant in the search and the Presidential Search Advisory Committee (PSAC) was also formed to help in the search.

Trustees Roger Baur, Tom Townsend, and Paul Wegmeyer have volunteered to represent the Board. The PSAC is made up of members from the Board of Trustees, four ACC faculty,

two administrators, two classified/facilities employees, and six community members.

The PSAC met on the 29th to discuss skills and qualities they would like to find in the new president and decide exactly what they would be looking for.

Dr. Ponitz will go over this information to create a candidate profile, which will be reviewed on May 15th. The profile will then be sent to the Board of Trustees for approval.

A website has been designed so the public will be able to keep up on the search. http://www.alpena.edu/personnel/president_search/president_search.htm.

North Korea Pleads Guilty

North Korea Admits to Creating and Possessing Nuclear Weapons

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Staff Writer

As the U.S. was preparing for war with Iraq, North Korea admitted that it was actively working on the development of nuclear weapons. Current relationships with South Korea, and other neighboring countries have affected how the U.S. has been handling this situation.

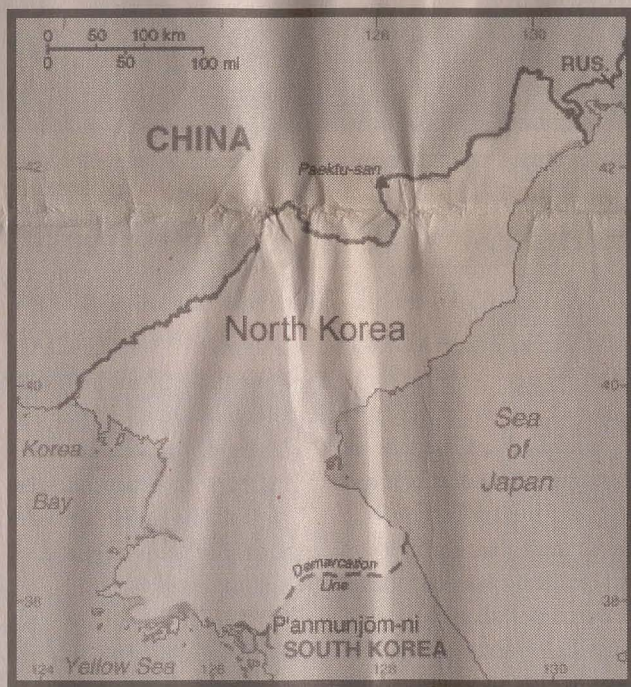
North Korea's neighboring countries are China, Russia, South Korea, and Japan. President Bush is trying to get those countries to realize that nuclear arms in North Korea are not in their best interest so that they will deal with the problem of nuclear arms in North Korea.

The Washington Post said, in regards to North Korea's current and former leaders, "Brinkmanship is the family Business." This comment was in regard to North Korea's tendency to

use unstable situations to bargain for what they want. At this time, North Korea is using their weapons program to try and bring the United States to the bargaining table; however, president Bush is refusing to be blackmailed into bargaining.

Currently China is providing the most foreign aide to North Korea. Presently China seems more concerned with possible U.S. intervention than the fact that North Korea is developing nuclear weapons, said *Newsweek*.

The US still maintains a base in allied South Korea; therefore, the U.S. feels it is important to have the support of South Korea in any action against the North. Growing anti-American sentiment has been developing in South Korea's younger generation, said *The Washington Post*. Thus weakening the U.S.



Graphic courtesy Jonas Boda

North Korea and its bordering neighbors.

position there.

According to cnn.com North Korea, at talks between the U.S., China and North Korea, proposed they receive "something considerable" in exchange for

the abandonment of their nuclear weapons. Colin Powell, Secretary of State for the U.S., said that the U.S. is still studying the proposal, but is not the kind of proposal the U.S. has been looking for.

What Television Does to Children

TAMARADELLAR
Huron Shores

It is not surprising that the results of a recent survey linking adult aggressiveness to a childhood exposure to violence on TV. Remember when the most violent scene on TV was someone getting shot, grunting, and falling down – the single final act in the hero saving the day sort of thing – the good guy wins in the end. You only saw this sort of thing if you liked westerns and didn't mind if things got a little bit rough before good prevailed. The majority of the shows on

TV were humorous family types like "I Love Lucy," or "Leave it to Beaver," or "Lassie."

Today we are bombarded daily with TV violence in graphic detail. We are no longer denied the gory details of blood, guts, and horror. The violence is not a single climatic act but is the major theme throughout the whole movie (or cartoon).

A new study, just published in the March issue of *Developmental Psychology*, finds that boys and girls who watch a lot of violence on TV have a greater risk of being

aggressive adults later even if they were not aggressive as children.

Psychologist L. Rowell Huesman and colleagues at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research made this discovery after doing a follow-up study of adults who were first surveyed when they were children between the ages of 6 and 10. They were interviewed again, along with their spouses or friends, and crime records checked.

As children, they were rated on their exposure to televised violence after choosing 8 favorite shows and how often

they watched them. Programs such as "Starsky and Hutch", "The Six Million Dollar Man", and even cartoons like "Roadrunner" was considered very violent.

The children were also asked how much they identified with the violent characters and if they thought the violence was realistic. In following these children later as adults, researchers found that high ratings on any of these three measures predicted higher ratings of overall adult aggression.

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TV Violence



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TBT a Treasure Chest of Culture

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Staff writers

Some might think of northeast Michigan as a vast cultural wasteland. But there is a "jewel box of culture" right under your nose says Chip Lavelly, Artistic Director at Thunder Bay Theater.

It however, is a jewel box in dire need of support from the community. TBT (Thunder Bay Theater) provides Northern Michigan and Alpena the one venue available for year-round live professional theater, unlike the ACC Players and Alpena Civic Theater that are only seasonal venues.

TBT is committed to providing the audience with a "taste of what they would get on Broadway or in any other major cultural market" with Off-Broadway shows says Lavelly and at \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids, TBT is a bargain to experience.

The theater boasts a core

company of professional players and an Artistic Director with over twenty years experience under his belt. Lavelly utilizes his experience on and off Broadway to maximize his budgetary constraints while providing a versatile but family oriented line-up.

Karen Thompson, Board of Directors member of TBT since 2001, is new to the region. She was skeptical of what cultural venues were in the area and expresses she is "blessed to have a professional theater of this caliber in her new home." In her opinion, "much of the community doesn't realize what a gem they have here and not enough are taking advantage of it yet."

Thompson's concern does not go unappreciated. It is warranted and shared by Lavelly. TBT is a non-profit organization that survives by the sheer will power of those involved with it. TBT must seek out grants and donations

to fund the shows and its company of players.

These grants and donations come from a variety of sources. Central Michigan University frequently rents costumes to the theater. Lafarge Corporation, recently funded, in part, the production of "Little Shop of Horrors."

This still is not enough. TBT is currently seeking newer and larger grants so they might continue the excellence of the experience. They also seek to do more for Northern Michigan, including a renovation of the historic building TBT calls home.

Along with proving a full schedule of shows year-round (three to four per season) TBT provides theater classes, to those interested in the art, for toddler ages and above. Additionally, TBT focuses 100% effort on the Children's Theater.

This is a traveling program that is produced concurrently with in-house shows and sent



TBT actors stop working to pose for a picture.

Photo by Joseph Prevost

throughout Northern Michigan and the U.P. The object—taking the cultural experience of live theater to children who otherwise could not attend.

During the production of *Pinocchio*, the Children's Theater visited many regional schools in five weeks. Those 4800 children have now shared a cultural experience with the players and learned something in the process—live theater is not like TV.

Phil Ludlow, Alpena Mayor, said "TBT is a benefit... part of the overall culture. If we didn't

have it... there would be a void in our cultural community. The community is lucky to have a professional theater year-round." Ludlow applauds their great efforts and concedes it would be a great loss if the doors ever shut on TBT.

Lavelly's contract with TBT will be up at the end of the summer season.

He will be returning home to New York to continue work on other major projects. Lavelly expressed his disappointment in the

audience turnout during his fourteen-show tenure with TBT.

With upcoming summer productions of *Oliver*, *Annie Warbucks*, and *Dearly Departed*, Lavelly assures a great time and requests the community, "Take a Shot".

To make reservations, donations, or for more information, contact Thunder Bay Theater at (989) 354-2267. They are located at 400 North Second Ave. in Oldtown Alpena, on Alpena's north side.

Fieldtrip to Civil War Battlefields

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Staff Writer

A fieldtrip to several Civil War Battlefields is being planned for the last week of summer semester. This fieldtrip is open to all students and members of the community.

Chuck Wiesen, the Dean of Economic and Human Resource Development, is currently planning the final details. Ken Radizibon, a probate judge and part time

teacher at ACC is also contributing his efforts.

The fieldtrip is an optional part of a summer history course taught by Radizibon. The battlefields covered will be Antietam, Fredricksburg, Spotsylvania, The Wilderness, and Chancellorsville.

Last year 35 people went, and about the same turn out is expected this year.

"We want to make sure they all have a good time," said Wiesen. All of the necessary precautions are taken to

make sure the trip is as safe and fun as possible.

Once a person commits to going on the trip there is an orientation to prepare the crew for what lies ahead of them.

A precise schedule is given, along with phone numbers to give to family in case of an emergency.

A paramedic goes along on the trip, and there are two bus drivers. Food and water are brought along as well.

"People get a better

understanding and awareness of what war is," said Wiesen. "We try to bring some life from history."

The park guides give tours of the battlefields. The guides are educated on all aspects of the battles they will discuss.

For those who would like to go, please contact Chuck Wiesen or his secretary Phyllis Tippman in the Center for Economic and Human Resource Development to get further information and sign up.

Herbal Supplements May be Hard to Swallow

ELAINE DRUMM
Huron Shores

Cyanide and arsenic are natural substances that you would not voluntarily ingest. These may be natural substances; however, they are not safe.

Natural substances and safe substances are not necessarily the same thing.

Many students reach for herbal supplements to help control their weight, increase their energy level, or to aid in depression or anxiety, thinking because they're made out of natural substances, they must be safe.

Whatever the reason, herbal supplements can be purchased in any state and there's no need for a doctors prescription. Our bodies cannot distinguish between drugs and herbs, if these products have the ability to benefit us, then they also have the ability to harm us.

One popular choice used to maintain weight and increase energy is ephedra, a naturally

occurring substance derived from the Chinese herb, ma huang.

Ephedra is an adrenaline like substance that increases a person's heart rate. It can be found in a little over two hundred unregulated herbal supplements.

Medical reports nationwide show possible side effects in the hundreds, and link the supplement to seizures, heart attacks, strokes and even death.

Supplements can also interfere with other prescription or non-prescription drugs, or other supplements.

St. John's Wort, for instance, is used as a remedy for depression. According to an article published by Personal Health Zone, certain substances such as salami, smoked or pickled foods, and even yogurt contain chemicals that react adversely with substances contained in St. John's Wort, causing high blood pressure and nausea.

Ginkgo biloba, a supplement taken to improve one's

memory, can cause thinning of the blood. Too much can also cause internal bleeding because the supplement acts as an anticoagulant.

But how much is too much? The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) doesn't regulate herbal remedies, they are considered food supplements, and don't require FDA approval.

That's why the back of the bottle says, "daily value not established."

These products do not have to be tested before they are put on the market, which could mean that the supplements don't actually contain the potency specified on the bottle.

According to a FDA news release from the Department of Health and Human Services on March 7, 2003, a new regulation is proposed to establish standards to ensure that dietary supplements and dietary ingredients are not adulterated with contaminants or impurities, and are labeled to accurately to reflect the

active ingredients and other ingredients in the product.

The FDA also reported in the news release that some supplements contained less than one percent of the active ingredient specified on the bottle, and yet some supplements tested were contaminated with excessive amounts of lead.

One manufacturing firm had to recall a niacin product after it received reports of nausea, vomiting, liver damage and heart attack associated with the use of its product.

The firm that had manufactured the product had mislabeled a bulk ingredient container and sold it to another firm, the resulting product had almost ten times the amount of niacin determined to be safe.

Avoiding herbal supplements until the FDA regulates them may be a good idea.

The bottom line is maybe the supplements we take to improve our health may actually cause damage to our bodies, and our budgets as well.

Serving More Than Pizza

Alpena Pizza Hut Hosts Tip Nights

NICOLE HATCH
Staff Writer

Our Alpena Pizza Hut, serves more than pizza. It serves the community by hosting tip-nights to raise money to support various organizations.

They have helped such causes as Hospice, Relay for Life, Alpena High School choir, and Northern Lights Arena. They even held a tip night to raise money after the September 11th tragedy. For the past six years, Pizza Hut corporations has been doing tip-nights, the first one originated in Alpena. To get a tip-night started, all it takes is a worthy cause and some dedicated volunteers to wait tables. The tips are donated to the hosting organization.

Monday, March 31, Pizza Hut hosted a tip night to help support the All Saints Catholic School. According to Mark Bizanz, manager of Pizza hut, this night for All Saints was the biggest turn out of any previous tip nights.

"We have a lot of fun, and it allows us to work side by side with individuals from the community." He also added that whenever he does a tip night, it impresses him how much support each organization receives.

Most of the customers respond well to the idea of a person who has never waited tables before serv-

ing them.

Kerri Smolinski, a customer and mother of two boys who attend the Catholic school, was touched at the turn out and thankful for the support to keep the school up and running. The crew at Pizza Hut does a nice job of helping out the volunteers.

Server Natalie Nadeau donates her time and gives up the tips she would make that evening because she believes in helping to raise money for a worthy cause. It is her way of giving back to the community.

Some of the volunteers for that evening were Mr. Morford, principal at All Saints School, and teachers', Mr. Suchey and Mrs. Lightener. They all had a good time and would do it again.

Mrs. Suchey added, "The kindness and patience of the Pizza Hut staff made our fund raising efforts rewarding."

Thank you for opening your door and hearts to the future of Catholic education.'

Private schools are not government funded so they rely fund raising to keep schools running.

If you are a non-profit organization in need of financial support, and want more information on how to schedule a tip-night call Mark Bizanz, at the Alpena Pizza hut at 356-6655.

Fast But Not Furious: Local Underground Racing Not a Menace

JOSEPH PREVOST
Staff Writer

They are fast, compact and loud. They are low to the ground. They come in all different shapes from Chevy S-10s to Dodge Neons. Underground street racing culture is alive and well in Northern Michigan. A culture that began in California, it has spread rapidly throughout the U.S.

Thoughts of illegal racing

usually bring visions of muscle cars like Camaros, Trans-Ams and Corvettes revving their engines on a dark road, racing down a deserted quarter mile for pink-slips, cheered on by a throng of drunken teens around bonfires. But not so for the "Unreal Racing" crew and others involved in the local racing scene.

Sport Compact racing is moving from sub-culture into the mainstream with

magazines [like *Honda Tuning*, *Super Street* and *Turbo and High Tech Performance*] dedicated to the expansion of the quasi-sport and mostly criminal activity. These magazines are committed to guiding the interested in transforming their inexpensive sport compacts from the ordinary into distinctively styled high-tech racing machines. These cars then become a personal expression of the owner.

Locally there are about forty people involved in racing sport-compacts ranging in age from eighteen to twenty-three, said JJ the originator of "Unreal Racing". They are all involved for different reasons. Some are in it for the rush of the race, some for bragging rights, and some for the simple reason of belonging. But the common draw is the cars.

The cars are unmistakable. They are tricked out and dressed up to varying degrees. Much of the conversion of these compacts to modern hot rods has to do with how the owners want to express themselves, how involved in actual racing they are, and to a lesser degree how much money they can afford to sock away in their pursuit of power and speed.

Making one of these modern hotrods is not cheap. On average their owners are spending three to four thousand dollars. But it's all

about how far you want to go. One owner is rumored to have buried nearly twenty grand into his car.

But they don't just build their cars to show them off. They like to race them too. On a clear night when the mood strikes, the cell phones will start ringing and a race will be set-up on a deserted road in the outlying county.

There is no overseeing organization to these races; however, participants are willing practitioners of safety measures. They don't race in populated areas. They make sure there is no traffic.

They race on straight flat roads with little danger of losing control. And at both the start and finish line, they use two-way radios to be sure there is no danger of encountering any unexpected traffic.

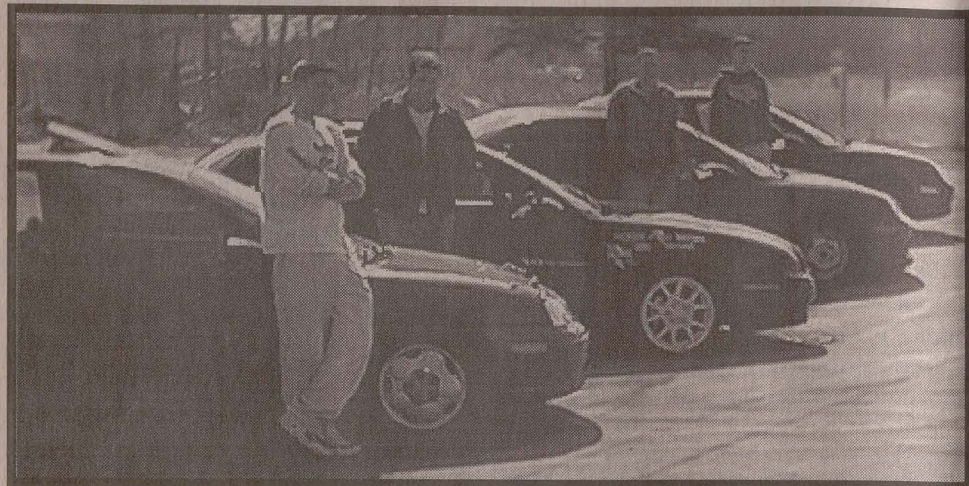
Unfortunately no matter how many precautions these racers take every time they line-up they risk it all. There

is real danger involved in street racing and the local constabulary wants those involved to understand that.

When asked, Alpena County Sheriff James Marquardt said that he understands that a certain amount of youth will always be interested in racing but was unaware of any problems or complaints with street racing in the county. Marquardt did take the position that if their activities became a danger to the community there would be a problem.

Thad Taylor, Alpena Police Department Public Safety Director, took a similar stance.

He also was unaware of any complaints of racing in town but stated officially that street racing is illegal and that anyone involved should understand that they not only take the risk of serious injury but also serious legal consequences.



Some of the "unreal racers" pose next to their high tech racing machines. Photo by Joseph Prevost

Survivor: Alpena; A Guide of Things to Do in This Area

JONAS BODA
Staff Writer

It's happened to the best of us. Class is canceled, your car breaks, or some other mishap. Regardless, you've got time to kill, and the thought is, "There's nothing to do in Alpena." As I found out, there is something to do.

Alright, start from the college, grab some cash and comfortable shoes. From here on we're hoofing it.

Let's start by walking down to Duck Park, and feeding the birds. Continue on, and we've reached Family Video. Currently all

VHS tapes are on sale, and finding a tape you've been looking for is an option.

Next jog on down to Hokie's, open 24 hours, you get greasy but good food, and at a wallet-friendly price. Finally, an alternative to Ramen noodles.

After grabbing a quick snack, continue down the main drag, and keep going till you hit the theaters. So now you're looking for somewhere to hang out, well turn a quick left, and head to Artis Books. Not just books, but three stories of antiques and other odds and ends.

Looking for a 1950s police

club, or those really obscure beer signs that would fit your room? They've probably got them. Grab a homemade cappuccino, and hit the town again.

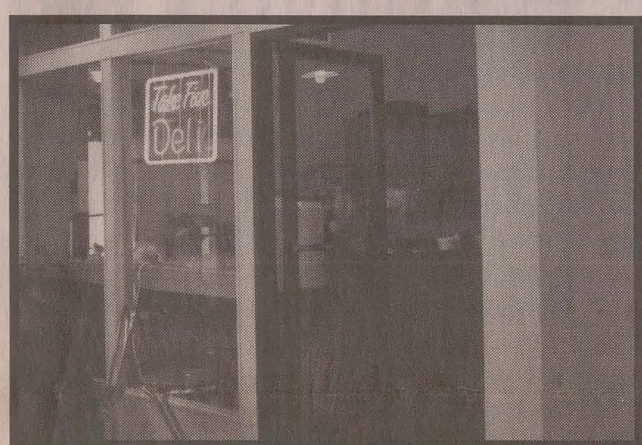
Right next to our local sex-shop, Whispers, is Concert Connections. Help Wayne (the owner) out, and yourself, and grab some cheap records, T-shirts, and other paraphernalia that suits your needs. Wayne's a cool guy, and would gladly order that out of stock or subversive CD, tape, or record FYE or Wal-Mart refuses to stock.

Turn right around, and head on down past the bridge.

Let's hit JJ's next, not only do they offer a good steak, but they run an arcade, and pool hall. It's adults only after 10pm so you won't have to worry about any snort nose punks spilling your beer, ruining your shot.

Alright, now hit the town again, and head back up past the bridge to the The Center. Head inside, because we're getting some lunch. The Take5 deli offers *The Dagwood*, a mountain of meat, and other toppings. It will stop any hunger.

After that, let's get down to the Harbor side mall. You've got two choices. Earthdance,



The Take5 Deli located inside offers hunger stopping food. Photo by Jessica Thiem

or the Military surplus shop. Either one will take up time. Well by now, you've managed to kill enough time

by reading this article that it's pointless. Next time, just remember Alpena isn't boring, you're just lazy.

Students Catapult into a Career After Commencement

DOREEN FOUCHEY
Staff Writer

Wondering where to look for work following graduation? Finding the right job for your specific career goals can be a job. There are several programs in Northern Michigan that can help catapult students into a career of their choice. These careers are in the area waiting to be obtained by students with the proper educational backgrounds.

Alpena Community College offers a program called Employment Services that is managed by Frank McCourt and other counselors at the school. There are two career

centers located on the Alpena College Campus. One is McCourt's office, where he will assist you in obtaining employment and learning liability skills. His office is located in CTR 110 C.

The other office is located in the Van Lare Hall building, located across from the Employment Services Center. Yvonne White is there to assist students with resumes and the skills needed to conquer those vital job interviews.

"We provide these services for any college student or potential students who would like the skills needed in finding employment," said McCourt. So whether

someone is graduating or just starting college, he/she may want to take advantage of this opportunity. Frank McCourt can be contacted at 989-358-7263 during regular office hours, Monday through Friday.

Another program called Michigan Works, located on the 3rd floor of the Huron Shores Campus, offers assistance to anyone in need of a profession. Program Director, Lisa Bolen stated, "One of the hurdles that we have to get over is that people believe our program only serves public assistance recipients. We support every job seeker, no matter what type of profession they are looking for or income

they desire. We also offer informational workshops with resource information on how to write a high-quality resume, a suitable application, and a cover letter, all directed toward your specific needs in acquiring an occupation that fits your degree."

In fact, Michigan Works slogan is, ABC (a better job). Students can call them at 989-739-1444 or walk in and use their computer systems, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition, you can log on at www.michworks.org from the comforts of your own home. They also provide many resources for job opportunities statewide,

by county, or nationwide in their computer data, as well as most major Michigan newspapers, so clients can take advantage of the employment ad sections. These newspapers consist of The Detroit News, The Alpena News, The Lumberjack, and all other local papers in the area. They offer all of these services free of charge to anyone.

You may also find a Michigan Works program near your area by calling 1-888-285-WORKS.

Another service offering job opportunities is Trillium Staffing Solutions located at 836 E. Bay of East Tawas City. The staff consists of

Manager Carole Adams and Assistant, Yvonne Gregg, who will help you achieve your employment goals. "We do some permanent job placement work for local businesses here and are currently looking for people with management backgrounds," said Trillium. They have all the resources needed to help any student obtain an occupation that suits their career desires.

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Festivities Fit for 'The King'

KATIE PIZZA
Staff Writer

ACC's 50-year celebration is drawing to a close. One example of this is the ACC 50-year alumni Sock Hop. This event took place on April 26th at the Holiday Inn on

US-23 and included door prizes, light hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, and the band Espresso.

250 people attended this tribute to the 50's. Many of the people that attended this event also attended the sold-out presentation of

"Memories of Elvis" featuring Chris MacDonald in the Granum Theatre. At this hour and a half presentation he preformed various songs from the different eras of Elvis' life spanning from the 50's to the 70's.

Later that evening, MacDonald as Elvis made an appearance at the Sock Hop. MacDonald, according to David Usher, assistant of the Community College Foundation, was "well received".

The Sock Hop was a welcome change to ACC; because, their have not been many celebrations specially dedicated to alumni, many of whom decided to attend the celebration in poodle skirts and penny loafers. One person who attended the celebration was Gayle Noack. While not an alumni of the college, she complimented the college a



Trendy Cats and Kittens showing off their digs.

Photo courtesy of Student Senate



Elvis rocks the Sock Hop.

Photo by Sara Lyon

great deal. She attended both the "Memories of Elvis" presentation and the Sock Hop itself and said that it was "nice to see everyone having such a good time." She enjoyed the silhouetted decorations of school buildings around campus, designed by Grace Morrison, who "has an unbelievable amount of talent" according to David Usher.

The "Memories of Elvis"

presentation and the Sock Hop were not the only events planned for alumni. Early that morning there was a tour of the campus held by the members of Student Senate to highlight the changes in the college since the alumni were enrolled. Some members of the alumni had not seen the college in years, since they now live as far away as Ohio and Indiana.

Overall the celebration was

considered "very successful" by David Usher. He mentioned that he was approached countless times by people attending the festivity asking what gatherings were planned for next year.

At this time he is unsure, but admits that this festivity will be "hard to top."

For more information about other alumni events please contact David Usher at 358-7293.

The Battle for Bucks and Brains

ELLEN REEVES
Huron Shores

Decisions, we make them every day, some are minor and some are life changing. Where to get your career training is a milestone decision. At social gatherings you may hear comments like, "ITT graduates sure know their stuff when it comes to the computer world, Olympia has an awesome business program, or ACC has a quality level 1 LPN program. ITT is a technical school, Olympia is a training school, and ACC is Alpena Community College." Wow, where to go, and what to do.

Technical/training school vs. Community College seems a confusing dilemma, but both schools often fit in the same category. They aren't that different, Michael Gutierrez from The National Coalition of Advanced Technology Centers likes to call them one-stop career centers, or job training programs.

What do you want to be when you grow up? It's heard throughout childhood, yet the answer may tell what action to take. Community Colleges have both educational degree programs and job training programs. They also have general education programs that get you started in the realm of higher education while still career searching.

Sheila Barnes-Zech said when she applied to ACC, "the enrollment office was very helpful" she started taking basic classes and at this time is working on her legal assistant certification. Technical/training schools are set up to train towards a specific career from day one. There are many similarities and a few differences. Location, both often have satellite locations set up for student convenience.

Class pace, Community College is usually a little more flexible, classes can be taken part time, full time or even one class at a time without losing place in a program.

Technical/training schools are often pre-scheduled and quick paced; some are even accelerated programs (tech boot camps).

Class size, both are usually known for smaller class sizes, allowing for a more personal and friendly atmosphere.

On-line access, both offer many training/class options through the Internet.

Job placement, both have job placement resources, colleges usually have a support department to help with job search and writing resumes. Some Tech schools, such as ITT Technical Institute, are connected to related companies and have

placement programs within their connected companies.

Transfers, Community colleges provide Associate degrees with the option to transfer to Universities and get a Bachelors degree. Tech/Training schools often offer Associate degrees as well as Bachelor degrees, or you can piggyback your training into a more advanced training program.

Yes, the options are multiple, but weighty decisions usually have several choices, the key is to sit down and make a list. What are your needs, and which options fit your personality. Get on line, www.50states.com/cc/michigan.htm, almost every institution has a site to request information, or a tour. Send for information, decide what looks most promising, and then schedule a few tours.

Rick Alger recently took a tour of the ITT facility in Kalamazoo and said "I didn't even have an appointment, they gave me a tour on the spot and the people were very friendly." An honest needs assessment and investing some investigation hours can help you make this milestone decision.

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TV Violence

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Twice as many men and women who scored in the top 20% of violent childhood exposure to TV, had shoved somebody in anger, punched, beaten, or choked an adult, or committed a crime.

Paul Aronson, a Michigan father of two young children, had this to say about how violent he felt TV was for his

children: "I know it is bad, and I try to limit the time my boys watch TV."

In Health Scout News, John Murray, a psychologist who has participated in such studies for the past 30 years, concludes, "The message is clear. Viewing violence is causally related to aggressive behavior in both boys and girls." He further adds, "The potential threat to children has grown because television is

more violent and

more graphic now. Watching such scenes not only encourages violent behavior but also induces fear and makes children less sensitive to the effects of violence. I would tell parents to be very cautious about what their children watch."

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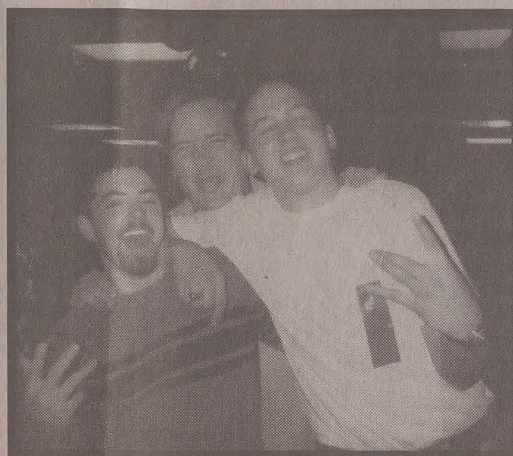
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ACC's 50th Celebration Ends with a Bang

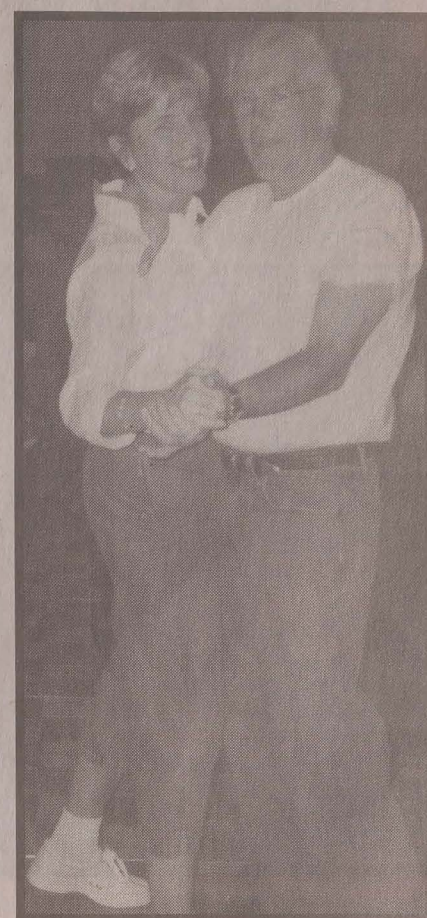
The Alumni Sock Hop on March 26 and ACC Student Senate Farewell Party on May 2 wrap up festivities



The ACC Student Senate was proud to contribute to ACC's 50th Alumni Dance.



The 'Homies': Isreal Munsey, Tim Kuehnlein, and Matt Purol.



Penny and her new husband enjoy a dance.



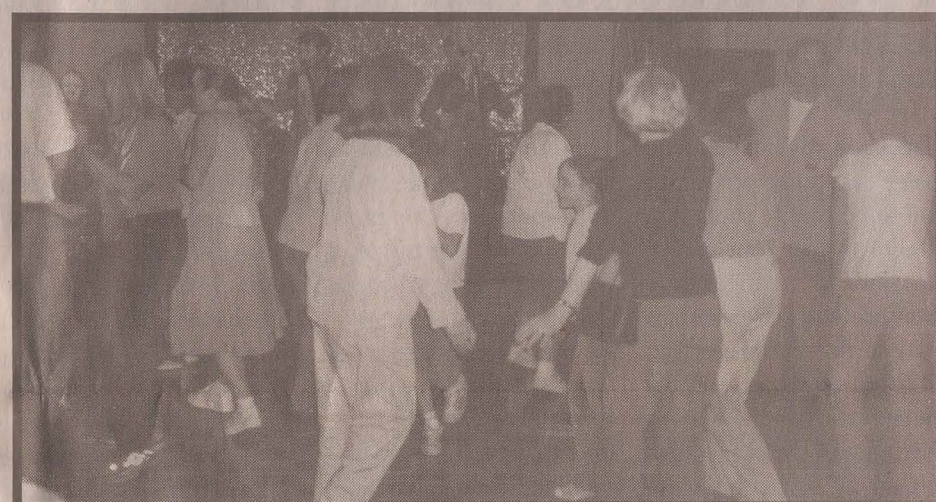
Two alumnis dress appropriately for the occasion.



Tim Kuehnlein having too much fun.



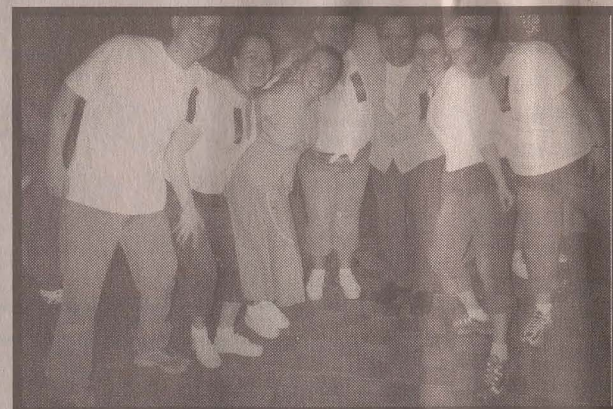
Carol Shafto and Penny Bartosh greet guests.



Many students, staff, and alumni have a blast dancing to the Elvis impersonator.



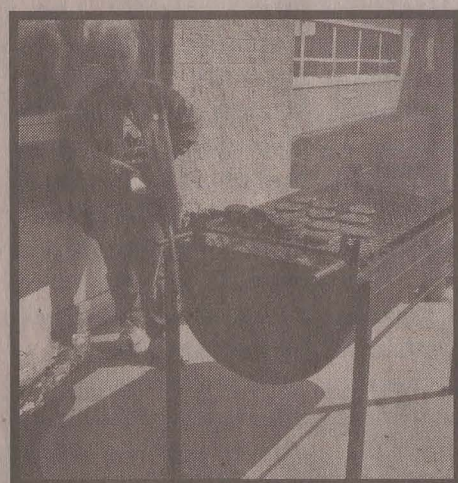
Dr. T. was gettin' jiggy with it.



Members of the Student Senate get silly.



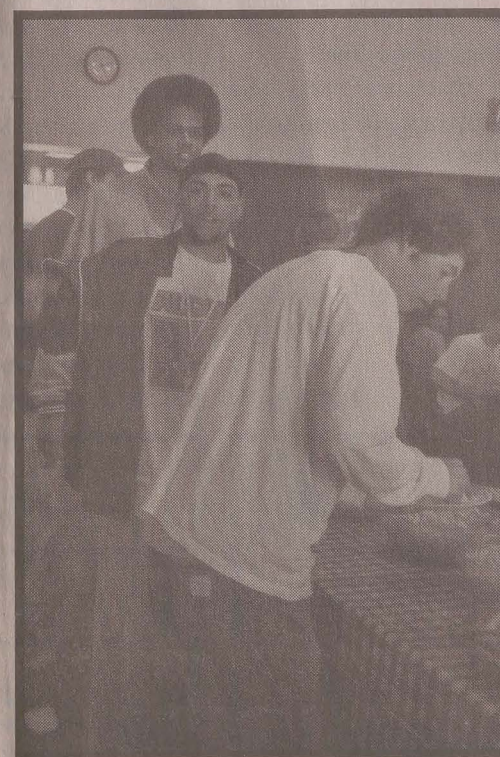
Students from the automotive class enjoy a free lunch.



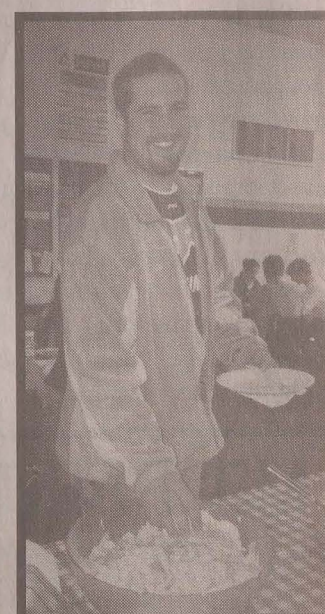
Food Services enjoy cooking outside.



Steve from Bay 108 blasts out hot tunes.



Erik Parker, Chris Dorsey, and Eric Linsday get ready to chow down.



Doug Slominski digs into the chips.



The Van Lare Hall student lounge filled up with students and staff.

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ACC Student Senate

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50/50 Game Score Leaves Room For Improvement

BRODERICK KNIGHT
Staff Writer

From good times, to bad times, to tough times, to rough times, the Lady Lumberjacks have seen them all.

With their record at 7-7 they have lots of room for improvement.

The ladies head coach, Noel Schlueter, stated, "We have learned more about our team chemistry, it's also a lot easier making the line-ups, since we're able to practice outside."

Coach Schlueter is pleased with the teams playing abilities but she is still determined to cover and fix the little things.

Noel believes that after the team gets their bunting and base running down they will be well off.

Rachael Bennett, a member of the team, said, "As a team we are great. We just need to work on our team attitude, fundamentals and we need to get focused."

According to Emilee Werda, member of the team, "We are tied with Delta for third in the conference, but we should be in second."

After playing St. Clair on April 25, 26, 27th their record improved to 11-9.

The Lady Jacks lost one game on Friday the 25th but came back the next two days with a winning sweep.

Coach Noel thinks the team still has a shot at regionals and even possibly state.

"We just have to finish strong, and also let the 1st and 2nd place teams bump their own heads," Noel stated.



Photo By JoBeth Johnson

ACC's Softball team plays at Huron Shores Baseball Diamond.

Ashley Yarrington Shares Softball Skills With Teammates

CONNIE IRLAND

Staff Writer

Ashley Yarrington is very focused and competitive, but still a team player, and a real asset to the team, said Assistant Softball Coach Shannon Woloszyka.

Ashley Yarrington gets very caught up in whatever she does, and for much of her life that has been softball.

What makes Ashley such an asset to the team is that she knows the sport well and is willing to share that knowledge with others.

She is frequently seen on the field during practices showing others how they can improve their game said Woloszyka.

Ashley has been involved in the game since she was young.

She started off in T-ball and then softball. She got

involved in the Junior Olympic Travel Team where she has traveled all over the United States.

Since options in Gaylord were limited she joined the Grand Rapids Blaze. For three years she traveled to Grand Rapids for three hours of practice three days a week.

As she got older and more caught up in high school she traveled to Grand Rapids less frequently. This summer will be her last one with that team since the cut off age is 18.

Ashley also enjoys working with kids. She has spent time helping out with softball and little league camps. She has helped them with their pitching, or has taught them to hold a bat.

Ashley loves being involved and her participation has proven to be a real asset to ACC's softball team.

New Softball Program Should Advance Team

LAURIE PUROL

Staff Writer

Fair, tough, and respected, Noel Schlueter, the head softball coach, is dedicated to developing a winning team.

Under Coach Frank McCourt, Noel was an assistant for one year.

This is her second season as the head coach. Shannon Woloszyk is her assistant, also in her second year.

Coach Schlueter, formerly a pitcher, played ball for the University of South Florida in Tampa for two years.

She transferred to Central Michigan University and received a Masters in Exercise Science.

Coach Woloszyk, formerly a catcher, played at Alma College for three years. This pitcher-catcher dual works well together to improve the softball program at ACC.

Schlueter strives for the entire team to grasp an understanding of why they do the drills at practice.

By explaining the drills to the players, they then understand how they apply to game situations.

Jennie Noffze, an outfielder, said "Coach drives us to perform to our full potential. She expects nothing less."

The team feels that the players are the coaches' first priority.

The coaches want to be with the team." Julie DePrekel, catcher/second base, agrees with Noffze.

"Coach has high expectations for the team. She is fair but tough. The team respects her."

The softball team has a tremendous amount of talent

this year said Schlueter. "The key to winning is to maintain focus; the girls need to react to situations on the field instinctively."

This comes from practice. The team knows my expectations up front, they respect that..." added Schlueter.

Coach Schlueter says that Woloszyk and she compliment each other.

Every aspect of the game is discussed between the two, from field situations to the chemistry of the team. Woloszyk agrees, "Coach respects my ability. I enjoy working with her."

The program will improve, according to ACC Coach Schlueter, over time. Both coaches attend top level National Conferences which provide information to support Olympic level competition.

In December of 2002, the coaches attended the National Fast Pitch Coaches' Association Conference (NFCA) held in Florida.

There were speakers from the Olympic team and top-notch coaches coming from throughout the United States. Every aspect of the game was covered in this conference.

By developing clinics and camps, said Schlueter, we will be able to influence the area's softball programs, and ACC's future teams will become stronger as a result.

ACC has the resources and ability at this level to help the surrounding area softball programs.

Schlueter has future plans of holding clinics for softball players in fifth through seventh grade to begin with and then to build on that.

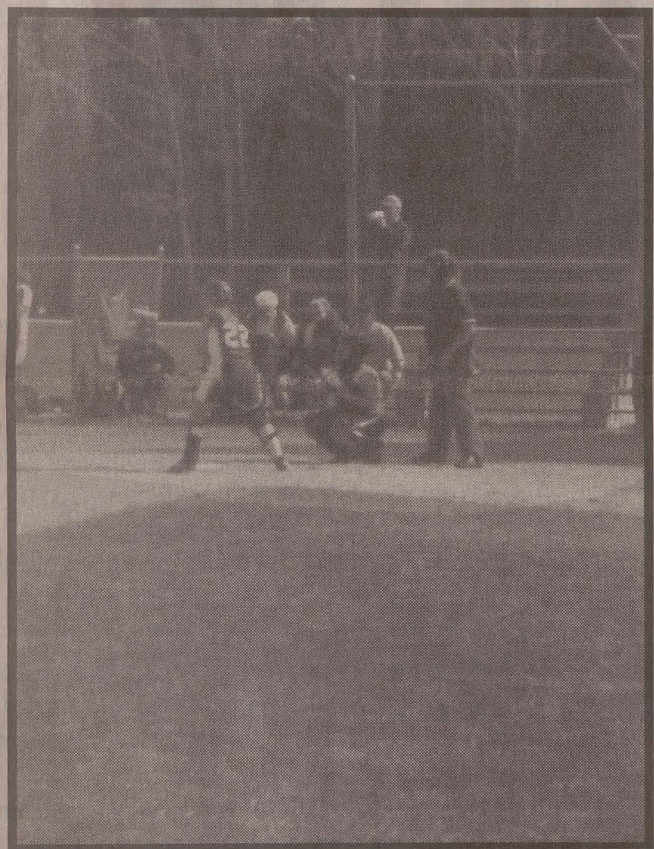


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Ashley Yarrington waits for the batter to strike out.

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New Coach Isn't New to ACC

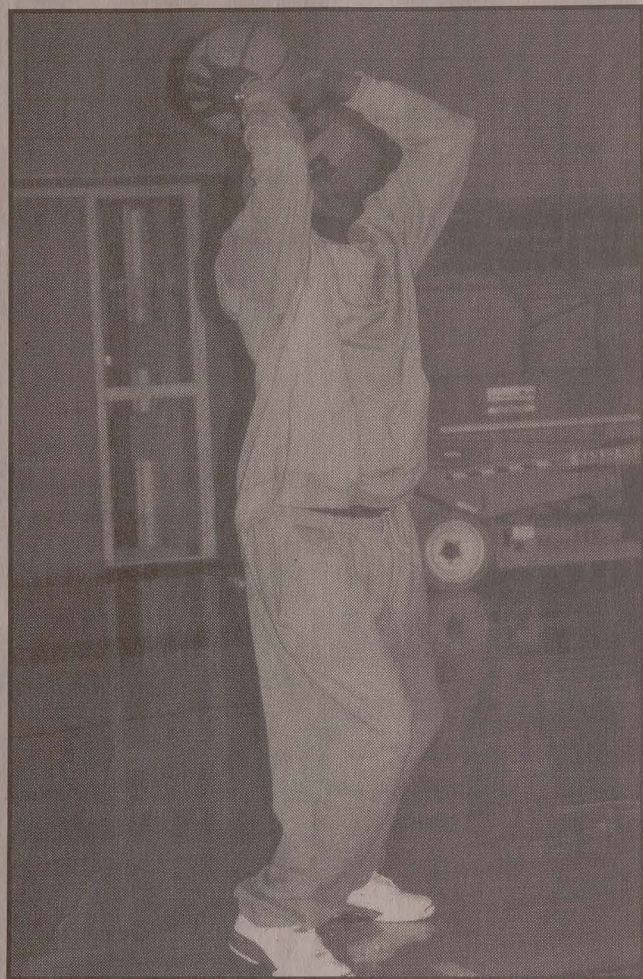


Photo By Jessica Thiem

Coach Bobby Allen can still drain the three.

COREY DALESKI
Staff Writer

After losing 19 consecutive games to end the season—and finishing 2-23 overall, Mike Kollien, has decided to step down as ACC women's basketball coach.

"Mike did some things very well," Athletic Director, Max Lindsey, said, "He graduated [66 of 69] players, and has positively impacted a number of kids."

On Monday, April 14, ACC men's assistant and former player Bobby Allen was named the new head coach of the women's basketball program.

After Kollien resigned, it was highly speculated that Allen would be the front-runner for the opening. As it turned out, he was.

Although, Allen takes over the unenviable task of resurrecting an eroding program, men's coach, Frank McCourt remains

optimistic.

"Bobby is a tremendous competitor. He hates to lose.

He will work extremely hard over the summer to get the right kids for that program, so they can be competitive in the near future," McCourt stated.

Allen has been an assistant under McCourt since 1994, and will retain that role while coaching the ACC women.

Athletic Director, Max Lindsey, doesn't see that becoming a problem down the line.

"Bobby has a job that allows him time to do those types of things," Lindsey said.

Bobby realizes that his main concern is the women's program."

Allen isn't the only coach with a new operation.

Bill Matzke was introduced as the new head coach of the women's volleyball team.

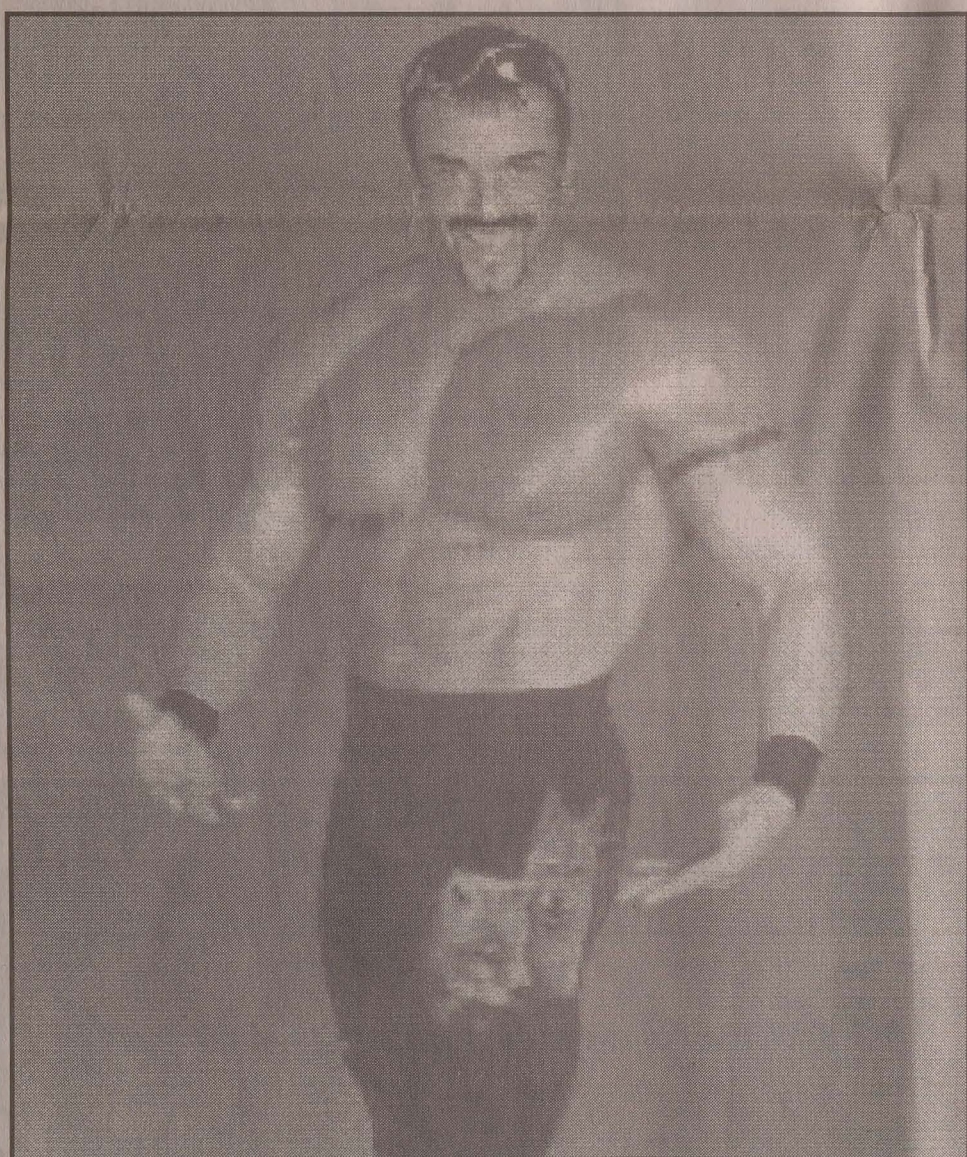
He replaces Dana LaBar. Matzke had served two seasons as the team's assistant coach.



Photo By Jessica Thiem

Brett Anderson, member of ACC's Golf team, drives his team toward improvement.

Northern Lights Arena Hosts Wrestling Favorites



Marcus "Buff Daddy" Bagwell.

Bluewater Championship Wrestling

BRAD BICKSLER
Staff Writer

On May 31, at 8:00 pm, the Blue Water Championship Wrestling Showcase will be held at Northern Lights Arena.

The main event will be Marcus "Buff Daddy" Bagwell vs. "Too Sexy" Sean Casey for the Heavy Weight Championship Belt.

The grudge match is sure to be furious and a stellar event.

Both wrestlers have been on national television dozens of times while previously wrestling for the WWF.

The WWF however, is now known as the WWE. The name WWF belongs to the World Wildlife Federation.

Sean Casey is also the second professional wrestler ever to pose for Playgirl magazine.

Also featured will be a Cruiser Weight title match with Rock Solid vs. Trick Nasty and for the Blue Water Heavy Weight title, Julian the Warlock will lock arms with Big Chuck Wagon.

The title matches hold the most merit, but all to matches are sure to be bonecrunching and mind numbingly cool.

"We're bringing back the old school style of wrestling," said promoter Andrew D'Arcy, "the kind that isn't filled with profanity and garbage."

There will also be a 50/50 drawing with replica championship belts autographed by the wrestlers along with back stage passes.

Many of the matches have yet to be announced, but a 5-8 women gauntlet match will take place for the Blue Water Women's Title.

A live television broadcast will be capturing the intense, high flying action and sending it to Lake Orion, Grand Blank, Oxford, and Lapeer.

However, the television could never be able to capture all the supreme and hard hitting blows as being able to see it in real life.

Also showcasing at the event will be the band Beo

Wulf, a cover band of classic rock to modern rock, with their own songs as well.

The riffs will come fast and flurried as Beowulf jams out to the matches heated reign of pummeling fists.

"We're really excited for this event to come here," said Northern Lights facility manager, Norm Sommerfeld,

"This is the first dry event at the new facility and it should be a great time."

Being a dry event, this means that no alcohol will be served, and that it would be perfect for the entire family.

It's age friendly, and open to all.

Tickets are \$12 ringside and \$10 general admission and can be purchased at Perch's IGA, Besser Credit Union, Twin Acres/19th Hole, Jimmie Garant's Party Store and the Northern Lights Arena.

For any questions, call the Northern Lights Arena at 356-1878 or check out the web sites at www.BWCWstars.com and www.Beowulf-band.com.

Lumberjack Sophomores Puzzle Over Future Plans

JOBETH JOHNSON
Staff Writer

As the end of this school year draws to a close, many of the sophomore guys from the basketball team have no idea what they are doing next year.

When asked, most of them replied they didn't know, or

that they were planning on doing absolutely nothing.

Jake Henski plans on working this summer part-time at a golf course on Gaylord and then maybe working at Jim Werning's Cheverolet also in Gaylord.

He has no plans for school since he is sick of school.

Jermaine Collins counts on

sitting around and having fun this summer and has applied to three different universities.

Broderick Knight plans on continuing his education, but doesn't know where yet.

Chris Dorsey has also applied to three different universities, hopefully he will be able to play for Duke or Notre Dame.

Chris plans to work out and keep up his basketball skills this summer.

Josh Walker isn't sure where he wants to go next year, but his plans for the summer are to resume working at a nursing home.

Justin Miller is undecided in his choice of colleges, but is going home to Toledo to have

fun for the summer.

He will be working out and staying in shape as well.

Erik Parker also plans on working out for the summer and attending either Wayne State, Eastern, or Oakland University.

Mitch Rhodes will be moving back down to Lansing and working for the summer.

He plans on applying to the State Police Academy in November and then starting his training in April. He has no future plans for basketball.

Whatever their plans are, ACC wishes them good luck with their education and will be watching for those who plan an continuing their basketball careers.

It Was Worth All The While: Lumberjack Staff Says Goodbye

KARA EUBANK
Features Editor

With the school year coming to a close, many people have to say goodbye. But, with one ending, there is always another beginning.

This year the Lumberjack will be saying goodbye to four people. Three editors, JoBeth Johnson, Sara Lyon, and Jessica Thiem, and Shawn Sexton, the Lumberjack advisor, will be

leaving.

Sexton came to ACC as an English instructor three years ago. He became the Lumberjack advisor that same year, after the previous advisor quit midway through the fall semester. To put it bluntly, he had no experience in journalism. But, like the students, he took the opportunity to grow and learn.

After three years of learning the hard way, he is passing

on his leadership position.

"Advising the paper is a full time job. The late nights and long hours don't leave me much time for my other classes or my family," Shawn said. He also stated, "The paper is much improved from three years ago, so I would like to go out on that."

Also leaving is JoBeth Johnson. She is the sports editor for the Lumberjack this year. "Working for the paper has been such a learning experience for me," JoBeth stated. "One thing I've learned from working on the paper is sources don't always tell the truth and you always have to edit and re-edit," she also added.

JoBeth's future plans are to attend Central Michigan University and major in photography. Sara Lyon, co-managing editor is planning on attending CMU in the fall also.

Sara, an Alpena native, started off as a staff writer in her freshman year. She liked it so much that she wanted

to be an editor. "This experience has made me realize that no matter how hard things may seem, if I just apply myself I can do anything," Sara said.

At CMU Sara plans on majoring in journalism or possibly broadcasting. "Writing is something that I enjoy," Sara stated when asked why she chose journalism as a major.

Holding the other managing editor position is Jessica Thiem. She is proud of the way the paper has improved over the year. "Hard work really pays off and the paper is proof of that to me. Although we work hard we have had fun at the same time," Jessica stated.

"Like one night during production week it was super late and we had lots of headlines to finish. All of us were making up some really funny headlines and laughing our butts off. Having that experience really helped us to lighten up and enjoy what we were

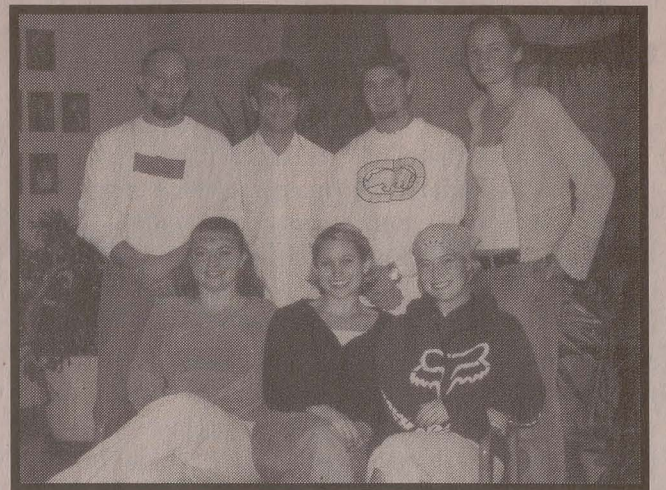


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The 2002-2003 Lumberjack Staff's first picture together.

doing," she said with smile.

After this year Jessica does not plan on moving far. "I'd like to stick around Alpena. I plan on interning at the Alpena News over the summer and I'm not really sure what I'm going to do after that. I'll have to wait and see where life takes me," she said.

This year was very successful for the staff of the Lumberjack. Not only did the paper improve a great deal, but also new

friends were made. As the three editors and Shawn move on to what ever life may bring, they should know that the paper wouldn't have been as good and the experience wouldn't have been the same without them.

Thank you for all the hard work, time and passion you've all put into making this paper flourish.

Good luck in everything you do. You will be greatly missed.



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Sara Lyon patiently waits to receive award the MCCPA.

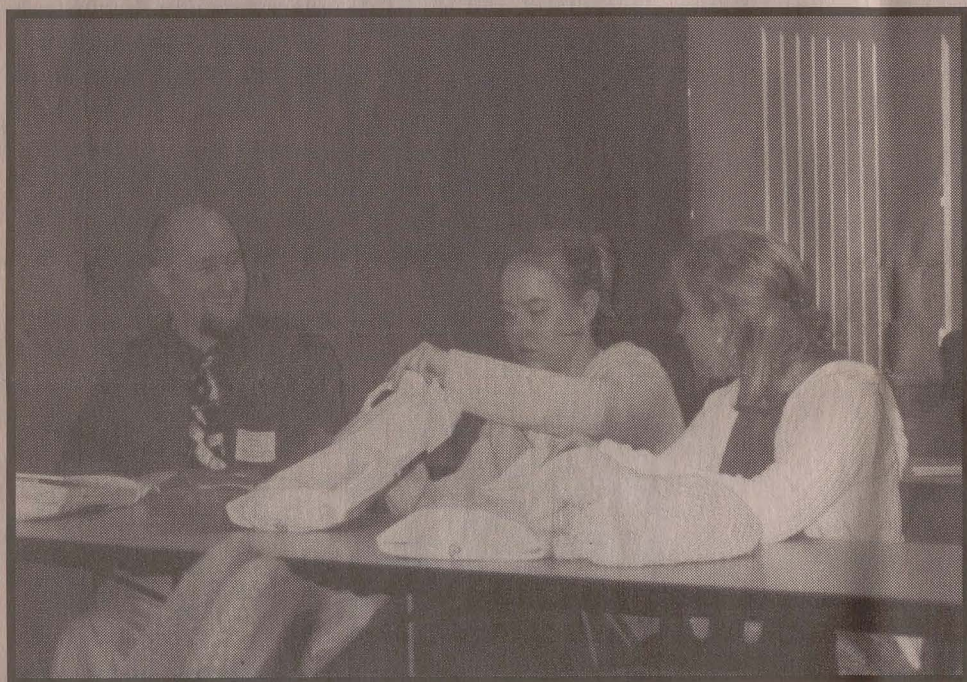


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Shawn Sexton (left) says something funny to Sara Lyon (right), while Kara Eubank (center) checks out her goodie bag.



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Kara Eubank (left), Sara Lyon (center) and JoBeth Johnson (right) smile pretty for the camera.



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Connie Irland (front right), Doreen Fouchey (center left), Matt Petrovich (center right), Andrew Kowalski (back left) and Jonas Boda (back right) wonder, "Are we there yet?" while on the ride to the MCCPA competition.

Exiting Advisor Takes Parting Shot

After three years of reading student articles, it is kind of exciting to write a little something myself; even if the editors would only give me this tiny little space.

Some of the paper's harshest critics the last three years might be nervous by the headline. However, I just want to thank some of the many people that supported the paper during the last three years.

This paper has improved each year. I take the blame for our faults, but all the credit for improvement goes to the following supporters.

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Stargazing 101: It's Out of This World

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It's out of this world, literally.

A cosmic slideshow, including burning balls of gas, swirling nuclear cesspools, and the possible fabric that holds space and time together, beckons on any clear night in your backyard.

The hobby is astronomy and it's surprisingly easy. It's a misconception that it's a costly and highly involved hobby, costing hundreds of dollars, and requiring you to pay attention in physics class. Northern Michigan is a treasure trove of darkness, which is important to any level of astronomer.

So you have decided to swing into astronomy, what do you need to start? At this time of year, the most important item you will need is many layers of warm

clothing, which you most likely have at your disposal. The key to stargazing is comfort. If you are comfortable, you will remain outside for long periods of time, and see more. The other thing that is necessary for the amateur astronomer is a clear night, and with Michigan's constant overcast skies, this poses a problem for the astronomer in Michigan, that short of moving to another state will not be solved. But with luck and patience, this can also be obtained. The next thing that you are likely to need as a budding astronomer is a customized "red" flashlight. This will enable you to read charts, and planispheres in the dark, without affecting your eyesight, cutting down on the time it takes your eyes to adjust to the darkness.

You can purchase lights with

red filters at any army surplus store, or make your own. Red taillight repair tape, red plastic report covers, even a red balloon stretched, or taped over a flashlight lens will make a good light. Lastly on the list is a good compass, this will aid you in finding celestial object, and tell you what way to look in the sky.

Don't spend money on this hobby; astronomy is a hobby that you can start out with for free. So give it try, fifteen minutes a night, weather permitting, go outside, and just look around at what you see. If the moon isn't out, and you are away from porch lights, and traffic, you might start to notice things. For instance you might pick out a m  le of bright dots in distinctive patterns, or a dim violet haze that is quite noticeable. Or the pattern of Orion the Hunter, with

brightly lit stars making his shoulders, and three identical stars, placed at perfect intervals to form his belt. Many start out by noting the many phases of the moon, and how they change from night to night. Another edge-on view of our galaxy is the Milky Way, most often mistaken for clouds. If you would like to take these fifteen-minute stargazing sessions a bit further, you can get a few more items to help you.

Armed with your red flashlight, you are now able to seek out constellations, and other galactic masses. One tool that is good for finding constellations is a "planisphere" or a star chart. Planispheres include the brightest stars, and noticeable deep space bodies; some can be adjusted for different seasons of the year. Or you

can get an atlas such as The Complete Idiot's Guide to Astronomy an informational source for the beginner, which includes detachable planispheres for every season.

You might notice on your star treks, no pun intended, that a very bright dot of light will pass overhead at a fast rate, and die out. This is a satellite. A satellite can be defined as anything from the International Space Station to a rusty bolt from the Mercury Space missions. If you would like the FYI on satellites, check out Heavens Above, at www.heavens-above.com. This site is tailored to your specific location, and includes some of the more

popular satellites and a vast array of astronomy information.

Before you know it you will be picking out constellations, man made satellites and even some star clusters if the conditions are right. One thing to look for in the tale end of February and the month of March is the distinct pattern of Orion the hunter. If you pick out a slightly orange/reddish star that makes up Orion's left shoulder, you have spotted Betelgeuse. On March 2 look for a "new" moon, but don't be discouraged if you don't see anything. A new moon is when the moon is not visible at night from the earth. With time, and practice you will have an interesting hobby, and turn some constellations into old buddies, that you can visit again and again.

Drop an Anchor Down at North Coney Island

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North Coney Island, with its unique dining facility, pulls in a wide variety of customers for a place to enjoy a hearty meal. Red Wings sports memorabilia decorates each wall with staff uniforms sporting their favorite players' numbers, all as you watch your food being prepared right in front of you.

Besides having the classic coney dog or coney burger with fries, North Coney Island serves up breakfast. They also offer a cholesterol free meal, a kid menu, and a variety of desserts.

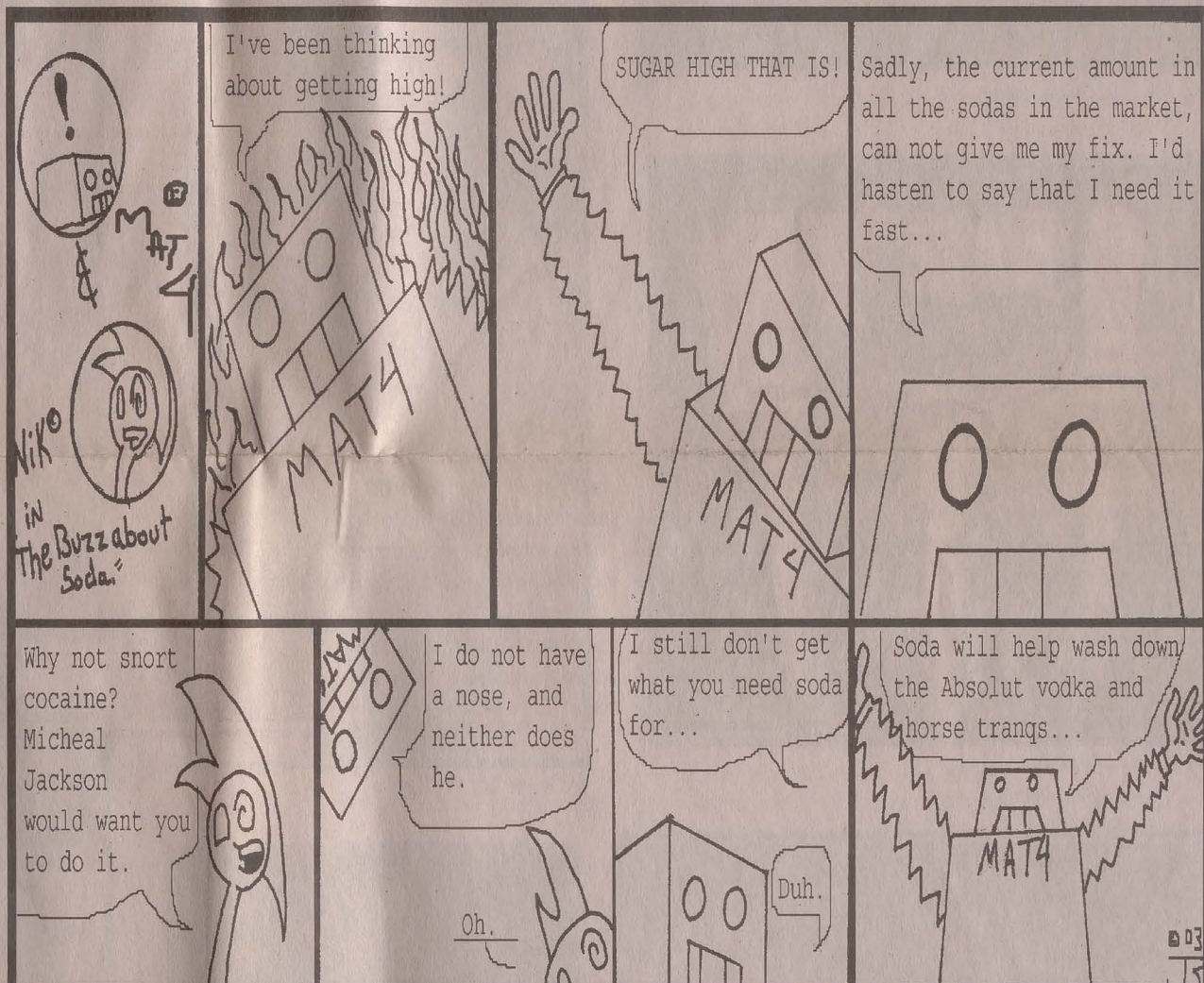
Although packed around lunchtime, the service is extremely fast. You are greeted as soon as you sit down with silverware and a glass of water. The average wait for food preparation seemed to be

about four minutes.

The Coney dog with fries for example, was surprisingly good. No "dirty water" dogs here. Plump, juicy, and just all out great. One hundred percent beef, and a tube skin worthy of any summertime meal.

With no meal priced over \$5.95; the three egg omelettes and all beef coney dogs are a fantastic deal. They also offer take out service so if you're really on the run, you can grab and go then dine in the comfort of your own home.

North Coney Island is located at 2688 US 23 south, right next to the Secretary of State office in Alpena. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. North Coney Island is a great place to dine with its friendly fast service and excellent food.



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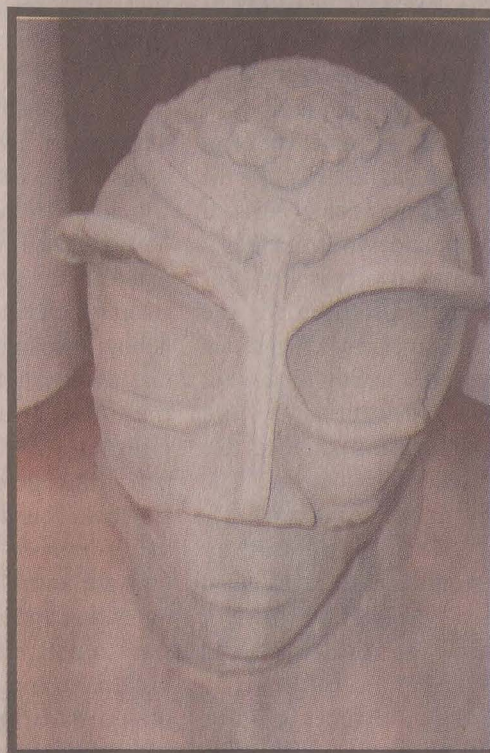
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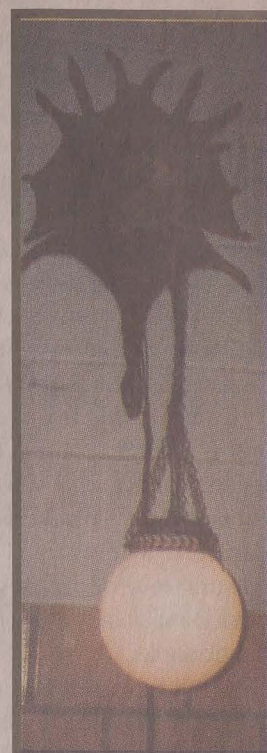
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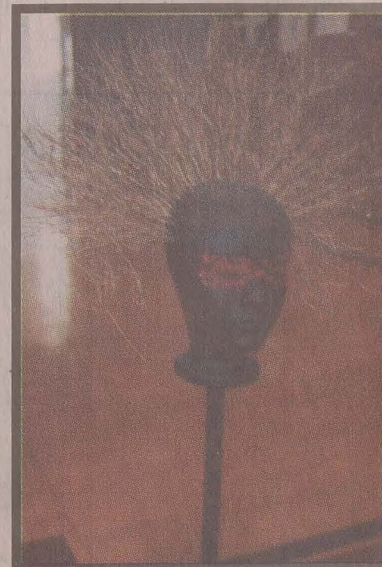
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