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## Alpine Bells ring out joy

**T**he sixth annual Alpenfest began at 6 p. m. Wednesday, July 15 with the opening of the Alpenstrasse, followed by an Alpine Bells concert and community night festivities in the Gaylord High School gym.

The Lou Prohut Family appeared at Community Night to provide good music. The July 22 edition of the Herald Times called their performance a "great treat."

For the first time at Alpenfest, a drum corps competition was held, and five bands took part. The Blue Notes from Ishpeming won the competition beating bends from as far away as Ohio and Ontario.

Liz Halter, daughter of Elsie and Rev. Richard Halter, was selected as the Alpenfest Queen.

Billie Jo, a beautifully behaved



Arlene Taylor (l-r), Elizabeth Forshe and Shirley Forshe make Alpine-style music.



goat, was given a special award as the best dressed girl in the Alpenfest walking parade.

An all-terrain vehicle race was held Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19, and the Gaylord State Home (now the Alpine Center) held its annual open house on Friday, July 17.

Standard Products won the

prize for the best float in the parade, and Cindy Martin took the prize for the most beautifully decorated bicycle.

Herald Times Manager - Editor Jim Grisso, writing in the July 22 issue, said, "I think the five - day event drew more people this year than ever before."

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