



Andy Skowronek surveys wind damage to beer tent.



Pam Johnson

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## *Wind gusts blow down tent; Gaylord Middle School site for salute to education*

**T**his was the year the beer tent blew down.

The Bier Stein Inn's (now Schlang's Bavarian Inn) 60 by 240 foot beer tent was lifted and then collapsed by a gust of wind on Sunday, July 11.

Around 35 people were in the tent at the time, but no injuries were reported.

Over 300 volunteers labored in the wind and the rain to re-erect the tent.

Pamela Johnson, daughter of Bill and Bev Johnson, was named Queen of the 18th Annual Alpenfest. She is the sister of Kellie Johnson, 1980 Alpenfest queen.

It must have been a year for Alpenfest mishaps, because the taped background music for Pamela's jazz routine during the talent portion of the pageant stopped when an electric cord was accidentally unplugged.

Tom Gill, superintendent of Gaylord Community Schools, was named Buergermeister of the Alpine Village.

The July 15 issue of the Herald Times hailed him as "dedicated, determined and dependable."

Gaylord Community Schools and St. Mary Cathedral Schools were the honored industries at the annual Alpenfest Honors Luncheon.



The luncheon was moved from its traditional location at Hidden Valley to Gaylord Middle School to accommodate a record turnout and salute the newly-built middle school.

C. Glen Catt served as the Parade Marshal at the Grand Parade. Catt was the first Parade Marshal to travel the parade route in the 1911 Gaylord 30 motorcar, purchased with public contributions in 1981.

The "Most Beautiful" float prize went to Gaylord and St. Mary schools' entry. Glen's Market won the prize for best overall float with its "Four Seasons of Fun" entry.

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