

SEPTEMBER/NEWS

SEPT. 1

Couple fight village

KINGSLEY— To Keith and Florence Shoemaker, there's no place like home — they just don't know where home's going to be.

The Shoemakers, both retired, have lived in a three-bedroom, two-bathroom mobile home in a Kingsley park for three years, but recently decided to move it to a lot on the west side of Brownson Avenue.

They hope to complete the move before they go to Florida at the end of October. But some village officials are balking at the couple's planned change of address.

Bonnie Baughn, chairwoman of the planning commission, said she put the brakes on the move attempt because she doesn't believe manufactured houses are allowed in R-1 residential zoning.

The zoning board of appeals

plans to vote on the matter at a Sept. 11 meeting, said Linda Forwerck, village manager and zoning administrator.

SEPT. 2

Police probe drug death

MANISTEE — State police are investigating the death of a Stronach woman as a possible drug and alcohol overdose and allege that two local men provided her with illegal drugs during a party.

Melissa Nichols, 30, was reported dead by people at her home on Stronach Road in Stronach Township at about 2:45 p.m. on Friday.

Witnesses told state troopers that she had consumed a large amount of alcohol along with several Valium pills allegedly given to her by a 47-year-old Stronach man.

They said she was also injected with an unidentified narcotic, allegedly by a 30-year-old Manistee Township

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