

Couple

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trees. They will also be growing vegetables to sell at their roadside stand this summer.

Christina said that whatever flowers they don't sell to clients and shops locally, she has connections to sell them to florists in New York, Arizona and California.

The couple has made a strong local connection, too. They've joined the Leelanau Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, doing floral decorating for their annual dinner in October.

"Everything in the centerpieces came from our garden," Christina said.

They participated in Zonta's Festival of Trees and are getting to know locals curious about their new venture, which will have its first season this spring.

Is their any downtime for them?

Andrew said that growing up on a farm makes him look forward to winters as a time to plan and "getting back into that whole small farm life."

But they have fun too. The Pfeufers have plenty of pictures from their "First Annual Pickle Off," a tribute to their profuse cucumber crop.

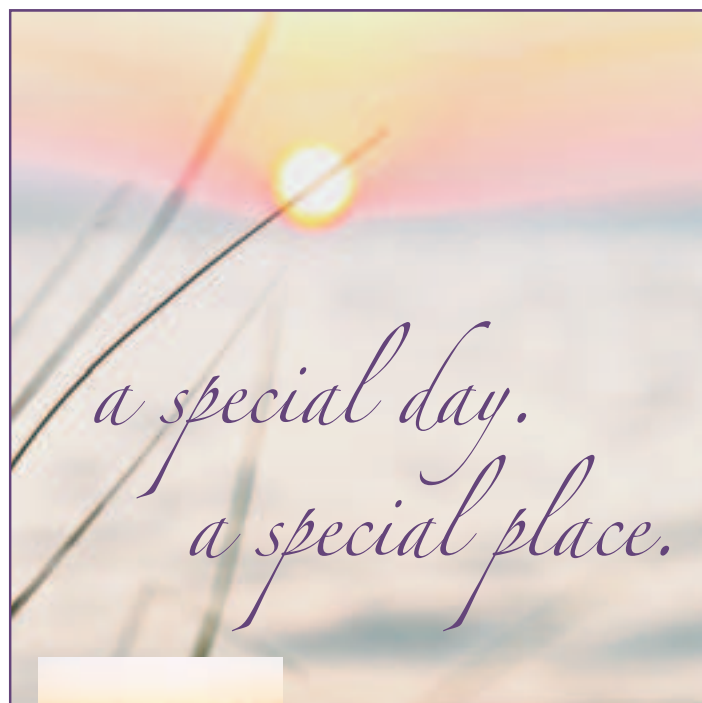
Comparing their life in New York, Andrew noted this area's quality of life.

"Here, we have Lake Leelanau one mile this way and Lake Michigan that way," he said. "We're not dealing with \$115 tickets for having a truck parked somewhere for 20 minutes. Here, we're working hard but enjoying life." Andrew added, "We like

to say we're retired from New York but not retired."

To contact the Pfeufers, call 256-9530 or visit their Web site at www.FieldofFlowers.net

The barn at Field of Flowers Farm was moved to its current location 96 years ago. Now renovated to accomodate parties and receptions, the second floor is 2,000 square feet. The grounds feature a gazebo, bridge and decorative landscaping.



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