

Alice Strack



Alice received a degree in education from the University of Wisconsin 1955. She started teaching in Traverse City and then came to Midland teaching art. Alice married before her final class finishing with a Masters Degree. She became a mother of four children, a son with Downs followed by three girls. As the children flew the nest, there became more time to take fun, creative classes as well as doing bronze sculptures which led into cement creations. Most of Alice's art work is given away and some sold. She has enjoyed some fun participating in at least five of the Midland Downtown Sculpture Series. In 2000 Alice happily surprised herself doing graphite portraits.

Alice's life began in a Chicago suburb where she frequently used the train to get around. She also shared those years with an identical twin, which now lives in Arizona so you don't have to figure out who is who.

I have spent many years as room mother, Girl Scouts leader, and many 4-H involvements as well. In the spring of 1976 Rose Diss and I started the Tall in the Saddle Program, also known as The Midland County 4-H Exceptional Riders Program. Horseback riding is a therapeutic form of recreation for

recreation for people with disabilities such as Mental impairment, emotional and learning impairment, hearing and visual impairment and physical impairment. This is a great program, which continues today and has been beneficial for three of our children as well. Of late, it has been a joy watching The Art Workshop, which started with four organizations become a successful art shop for many handicapped young people.

Most of my energy goes to the Arnold Center. Being a small voice I can spread the word of all it's involvements from recycling, various contacts, job development, achievements and auction house.