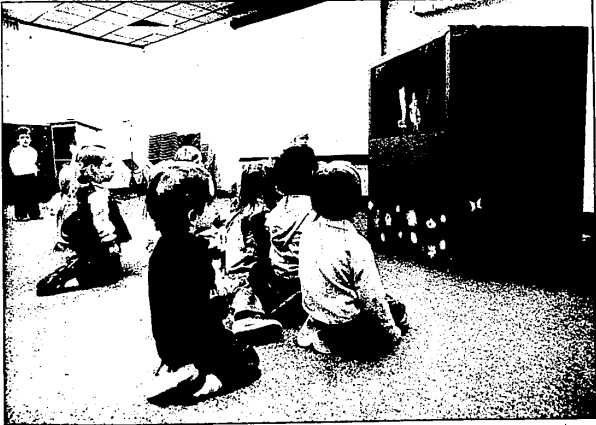


At Farmington Library

Kids gather to hear tales about cat capers



A Danish folk tale titled 'The Fat Cat' was the basis for a stick puppet show put on for the children.



Lisa Richardson wants to know what makes those puppets move.



Tina Theeke, head of the children's department, got the festivities started by reading a story.



Jessica Haeusler plays the part of a kitten during storytelling time.

INSIDE ANGLES

A LITTLE BIRDIE perched on 1A's hypothesis long enough to let us know that Gary Weisenburg is back in town briefly, playing music with his group Palm City at Charley's Place on Farmington Road, south of Grand River. The three-piece group hails from Fort Myers Beach, Fla., where they often entertain the sun-tanned natives by playing on the beach. Through mid-October they'll be performing Wednesdays through Sundays, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Weisenburg grew up in the area, and his proud mother is Mrs. Betty Weisenburg, who probably will be embarrassed that her name is mentioned.

THE ORIGINAL Old World Market is host to the Sarisan Slovak Dancers, founded by Milan Straka, 25, of Farmington Hills, Oct. 1-4 at Detroit's International Institute. The festivities will begin at 11 a.m. and end at 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and run from noon until 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at the Institute, located on 111 E. Kirby across from the Art Institute. The dance troupe's director, Straka, came to Michigan from Czechoslovakia 12 years ago following the Russian invasion. The dance group was formed 10 years ago to keep cultural traditions alive in exile. Straka's wife, Eleanor, 28, was one of the first dancers accepted into the group. Following the Strakas' example, three other couples in the troupe have married. Other ethnic dance, music, food and fashion will be featured at the annual festival. Admission is \$2 for adults, 50 cents for children under 17 and \$1 for senior citizens.

WOMEN'S AWARENESS WEEK-END is the title of a seminar planned Sept. 26 and 27 at Glen Oaks Golf Course clubhouse in Farmington Hills. Sponsored by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission, some of the topics for discussion include ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment; assertiveness training; skills needed to return to the job market; plus sessions on estate planning, day-care alternatives, domestic violence, sexual assault, divorce and business planning. Teresa Fortino, seminar coordinator, said the seminar is geared toward "women who want to enter the business world." Time of the seminar is 9 a.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday. A \$20 fee covers the cost of both sessions and lunch. The golf course is located on 13 Mile Road, between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt. Call 858-0916 for more info.

DISNEY WORLD is the destination for Gisela McCabe of Farmington Hills, who, along with Joy Holloway, Novella Zinkon and Cecyl Hergeth, all of Northville, will represent Michigan in the national American Cancer Society Walter

Hagen Golf Finals on Dec. 10-11. The four shot a combined score of 101 for 36 holes to capture the women's handicap division title recently at Boyne Highlands. The Michigan tournaments raised almost \$300,000 this year for the American Cancer Society. Those who progress to the state and national finals pay all expenses incurred, including travel costs, themselves. Oh, and when you're in Orlando, Ms. McCabe, be sure to give Dumbo our best. He may look a trifle overweight but think of the trunk space on that plucky little pachyderm.

PRIZE MONEY for young musicians is being offered for the fourth consecutive year in competition sponsored by the Oakway Symphony. A total of \$3,000 is up for grabs in the Young Artist Competition for solo instrumentalists under 25 years of age. Prizes are awarded by the Michigan Foundation of the Arts, through grants from the J.L. Hudson Company and the Ford Fund. First prize is \$1,000; second and third prizes are \$750, and fourth prize is \$500. Auditions will take place in January at Madonna College in Livonia, and winners will appear as soloists with the Oakway Symphony on Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day. To obtain rules and application forms, write to the Oakway Symphony, P.O. Box 171, Farmington 48024 or phone Nelda Di Biasi at 476-6514. The closest 1A ever came to appearing in a musical concert was by masquerading as a triangle. Couldn't keep a beat.

FOUR BLUE RIBBONS went home with Delores Petachinko of Farmington Hills after competition at the Michigan State Fair. Ms. Petachinko received seven items for judging and entered ribbons for six of them. The china painter took top state honors for her flowers, fruits, portraits and porcelain painted eggs. She is a member of the China Decorators Guild.

FIRE PREVENTION spokesman Smokey T. Bear will be on hand from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at Farmington Hills Fire Headquarters, 28711 Drake Road, between 12 and 13 Mile roads. Firefighters will demonstrate their aerial rescue equipment and show a movie, "Donald's Fire Survival Plan," every half hour. Presumably, one will also learn the answer to that age-old question: "Why do firefighters wear red suspenders?" Answer next week.

DOROTHY BURTCH of Farmington, a registered nurse, has been elected president of the Michigan Association of Nurse Recruiters. She is a recruiter at Harper-Grace Hospitals in Detroit's Medical Center. Well done.



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