

Suburban Life

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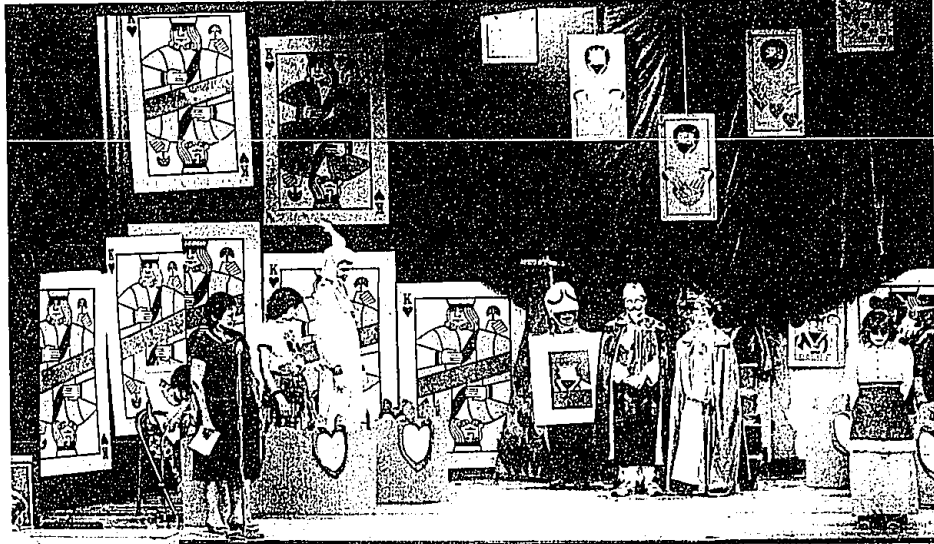


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Joe Feathers and Mary Jo Sheehan assume their regal poses for their roles as the King and Queen of Hearts in Farmington Training Center's production of "Alice in Wonderland." If Feathers looks a bit familiar, even in moustache, its because television viewers watched him in a commercial for a couple of months leading up to the Special Olympics.



Language teacher Fran Aaron (next to the microphone) acts as narrator for the Alice in Wonderland cast of players. On Aaron's left is Terri Fine who plays the Jack of Hearts. On Aaron's right is Elise

Grodan, Jack Rabbit Allan Lowther, Soldier Gregory Monticelli, the king and queen, and Alice, played by Mary Tomasowski.

Students act out Alice's adventures

Players in Farmington Training Center who staged "Alice in Wonderland" for their end-of-the-season show probably had one of their biggest audiences to date.

The auditorium was filled with students who arrived by buses and vans from counterpart training centers throughout the county for the actors' combination dress rehearsal and performance one morning last week. Then the auditorium was filled again for a first-time dinner theater performance.

Fran Aaron, teacher of sign language and to those with language impairments, has been producing well-coordinated, lavishly staged and brightly colored fairy tales every spring for the past 12 years.

This year a reactivated parent organization made the annual show a little more festive by turning the auditorium into a dinner theater for parents and friends who came to see the performance.



A happy Alice, played by Mary Tomasowski, was lead player in the 14 member cast, then led the cast in singing "Reach Out and Touch Somebody's Hand" at the close of the production.

Staff photos
by Randy Borst

Gardeners prepare a concert

"Say it With Music," described as a floral concert, is the name of Farmington Garden Club's standard flower show set for Friday and Saturday, June 14-15, in Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 11 Mile Road. Show hours are from 1-5 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free.

All gardeners are invited to enter any of the 12 sections in the horticulture division of the show with the theme "This Land is Your Land, This Land is My Land."

All youngsters, from kindergarten through sixth grade, are invited to enter any of three classes in the junior division of the show which carries the theme of "Musical Interlude."

Copies of all the rules inherent to a standard show, times for judging, and prizes to be awarded are available on request. Persons interested in entering the horticulture division are invited to call Sue Phillips, 851-4560, or Jessie Lind, 456-4474. Those interested in entering a division of the show are invited to call Eileen Abbott, 626-8587.

The artistic division has 14 classes and is restricted to only members of the host club.

In addition to submitting artistic arrangements of flowers up for judging, members will compete in place setting entries, wreaths, and with dried or treated plant materials.

The show will also include a number of conservation and education exhibits, including one on birds, on garden therapy, and on landscape design, and herbs.

All of the judging will be done in accordance with rules laid down by Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, and National Council of State Garden Clubs Inc.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Eileen Abbott (at left) is president of Farmington Garden Club and Kay Briggs is chairman for the club's standard flower show, set for Friday and Saturday. The two admire a wild flower arrangement made by club member Betty Frankel.

Abbott is president of the club, and Kay Briggs is general chairman of the show.

The awards are being handled by Barbara Denton, and scheduling is being done by Jan Dolan, Kay Blakeney

and Nancy Johnson.

Others on the committee are Wilma Cushing, Hazel Scheldeman, Jean Henry, Emma Carkeo, Marie Allen, Marjorie Perry, Marian Hickey, Ann Audette, Betty Frankel and Peg Moore.

fee, or they can stop in and just observe any class in session.

"Or they can get an idea of what we're doing here by watching a class in session on Channel 12," said Kitty Eilenbaas who leads the five-times-a-week classes. "We've had several tap-

logs here and the channel will schedule the tapes to be shown periodically. After you register for a five-week session, you can attend as many of the classes as you wish in any five-week period."

Eilenbaas will take inquiries at 553-8483.

Fitness Fever in session 5 times a week

Fitness Fever classes begin at 9:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at 7 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in Farmington Holiday Inn, Grand River and 10 Mile Road. Participants can join the on-going classes at any time. Visitors can stop in to participate for a one-time drop-in

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