

# School Notes

**THE MARCHING WILDCATS** of Lake Norman High School earned a "superior" rating at the Forbush Festival of Marching Bands in East Bend. Superior is the highest rating available at a marching competition.

The Wildcats also earned second place honors in their class 3-A, which is one division higher than the band's 2-A size. Also winning second place trophies were the band's colorguard and hornline.

"This means the Wildcats competed against larger bands and came in as runner up at only the second competition in school history," noted director Chris Brown. "We'll be working hard to maintain this high standard."

The Wildcat band has earned nothing less than Superior ratings in the year and a half the school has been in operation.



**TROUTMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** students have already collected more than 1,400 cans of food for the Help Ministries of Troutman and are still going strong. The young students have issued a challenge to those at Troutman Middle and South Iredell High School to see which group can collect the most for the food bank there in Troutman. Issuing the challenge are, from left, Hayley Barnhardt, Hallie Ramsey, Morgan Monroe, Alex Hall, Bertrell Reid, Claudio Martinez, Megan Martin, Aaron Jordan, Keenen Hildbrand, and Saul Garay.

# Children's Museum Host Play

What a treat it is to discover a holiday classic by well-known children's author Beatrice Potter! "The Tailor of Gloucester" is the featured holiday show of the Magical Moments Performing Arts Series hosted each year by the Children's Museum of Iredell County. The show is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 9.

"We are delighted to have Dana Spicer Off Highway Products participate with the Children's Museum in bringing this heart-warming holiday performance to Statesville," says John Ferguson, with the board of directors of the Children's Museum. Both performances are by Theatre IV and will be viewed in the morning by 800 school children from Iredell-Statesville and Alexander County schools. The 7 p.m. evening performance at MacGray Auditorium, Statesville High School, is open to the public.

Theatre IV is the first theatre in the nation to be selected for the nationally acclaimed Kennedy Center Performing Arts Centers and Schools: Partners in Education Program. Theatre IV creates professional and innovative theatrical productions that complement the teaching of existing curricula across all grade levels and subject areas.

"Families will want to celebrate the holidays and what better way to experience the magic of the season than by attending a live theatrical performance," said Children's Museum director, Patrice Reynolds. "We hope families will take advantage of this opportunity that has been generously provided with the support of Dana Spicer Off Highway Products, to enjoy this classic by Beatrice Potter."

It's the tale of the cherry colored coat that the tailor needs to finish

for the mayor, but lacks one last piece of twisted silk needed to sew on the last button. With help from his cat and a well-dressed group of "scrap-thieving" hilarious mice, the story comes to life with a miraculous happy ending on Christmas Day.

Tickets are on sale now for \$5; \$3.75 for Children's Museum members. For more information call the Children's Museum at 704-872-7508. Tickets will also be available at the door. The Dec. 9 show starts at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

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