

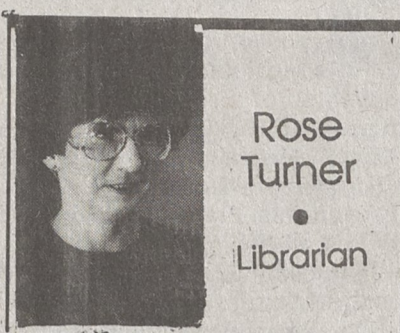
Summer Reading Club kicks off

Robert Eng, his associates, and students, held the crowd spell-bound last Friday, June 5, at the Mauney Library, as they broke boards and piles of cement blocks with their elbows and their bare hands and feet. Over 175 children and adults gathered in the library parking lot for the Summer Reading Club kick off program.

Children and their parents began arriving well before the program began at 11:00 a.m. in the circle at the end of the parking lot. At one point, the line stretched half the length of the parking lot as children waited to register for the Summer Reading Club and to receive their passports and logs.

The theme, "The Whole World in a Book," will give the children an opportunity to read about different countries and cultures around the world. The dramatic opening program of the summer highlighted the Oriental countries with a demonstration of the martial arts.

Mr. Eng, owner and head instructor of the Eng School of Self-Defense, put on an excellent program which demonstrated not only spectacular feats, but also practical self defense. Mr. Eng emphasized



Rose Turner
Librarian

that breaking cement block and wooden boards is for demonstration purposes only and were not the primary purpose of his school. The focus of his curriculum is techniques for self defense. He talked about the violence and crime in the world today, and said that guns and weapons were inadequate because they were not always available when needed.

However, once a person learns karate techniques, he will be able to defend himself anywhere.

Mr. Eng talked about the popular teenage mutant Ninja turtles and the bad influence they have over youth. He said that a mutant is a deformed being and a Ninja is an assassin. No teenager really wants to be a deformed teenage assassin. The most daring exhibit occurred toward the end of the program when Instructor Norris lay down and a watermelon was placed on his stomach. Two students, one positioned at Mr. Norris' head and one at his feet, held a cucumber in their hands. Mr. Eng blindfolded himself, took a sword, and sliced the watermelon and each cucumber without harming the participants! Mr. Eng emphasized that these dramatic exhibits were not to be attempted by children at home, but

were performed to demonstrate the discipline and concentration required in learning karate. Mr. Eng repeatedly emphasized that karate does not promote violence, but demands strong discipline and concentration. The result is the ability to defend oneself in any situation.

Mr. Eng donated to the library several copies of his book entitled COMMON SENSE SELF DEFENSE: ARE YOU PREPARED? (World Combative Arts, Inc., 1984). These books are available for students to check out.

Other programs throughout the summer will highlight Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Australia, the Arctic regions, South and North America, and the South Pacific Islands. Students will want to attend all programs and read additional books about the countries of the world.



Students at Eng's School of Self Defense (left to right) Kevin Green, Justin Johnson, Gary Norris, Robert Eng (instructor) and Danny Smith helped kick-off the Summer Reading Program at Mauney Memorial Library.



HOLLY HARMON Holly Harmon gets scholarships

Holly Harmon, recent honor graduate of Kings Mountain High School, won three scholarships during the recent commencement.

She received the Prospective Teacher Scholarship, Carl F. Mauney Memorial Scholarship, and Helen Logan Memorial Scholarship and will enroll this fall at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and major in Special Education.

Harmon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Harmon of Kings Mountain. She is granddaughter of Annie Hollifield and the late Philip Hollifield and Hattie Bess Harmon and the late Earl Harmon, all of Kings Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Gaines of Boone.

At KMHS she was a Girls State Citizen, played All-Conference on the tennis team her senior year, and was active in the Beta Club and National Honor Society.

Writers' Group seeking members

The Run of the Mill Writers' Group announces that it is now accepting applications for membership. The purpose of the group is to provide a forum for critical review as a means of developing writing skills.

Prospective members must be willing to work toward publication.

To apply, submit a representative sample of your writing to the group in care of Mauney Memorial Library, 100 South Piedmont, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Dinner honors couple

A rehearsal dinner May 22 at Kings Mountain Country Club honored Rebekah Louise Ayers and Michael Lewis Homesley, whose wedding took place May 23. Hosts were the bridegroom-to-be's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gean Lewis Homesley of Kings Mountain.

Forty guests enjoyed roast beef, chicken, corn, green beans, twice baked potatoes, carrots, salad, homemade rolls, tea, and coffee. A chocolate groom's cake and peach cobbler were served for dessert.

The engaged pair took the occasion to present their gifts to members of the wedding party.

Brides-elect honored

Kings Mountain brides-elect Rebecca Bolt and Patricia Davis were honored recently by Kim Vaters at her home in Murrells Inlet, SC.

Miss Bolt was married in May to Danny Woodard. Davis and Dr. Bryan Baker will marry June 13 in Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Vaters is the former Kim Hawkins of Kings Mountain and is a member of the wedding party for both brides.

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