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Bright Star Children's Theatre kicked off Summer Reading

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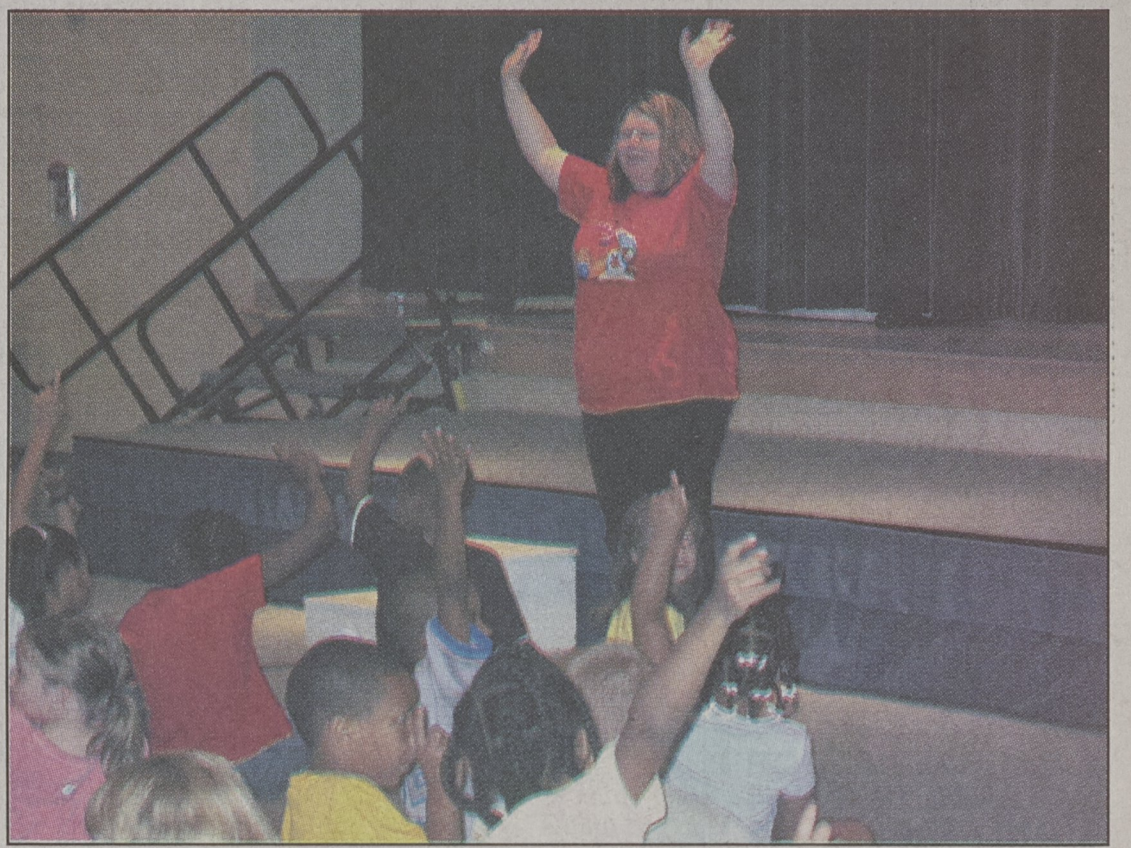
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Mauney Memorial Library kicked off its Summer Reading program Monday morning, with a performance of Aesop Fables from Bright Star Children's Theatre, out of Hendersonville, NC. The two traveling actors performed a handful of fables for the enthralled audience of kids and adults, including "The Tortoise and the Hare," "The Lion and the Mouse," "The Boy who Cried Wolf," and "The Bird and the Pitcher."

Children in the audience were called to help the players in the skit of "The Boy who Cried Wolf," and one young lady was called on stage to help them announce the beginning of the play. They fitted her with a big fluffy hat from their trunk of costumes and props, as the audience laughed at the silly sight.

The play, which only lasted about an hour, captivated the attention of mothers and babes alike. A few children cried at the sight of the odd performers, but at least one decided he would be one stage too. He attempted to join the cast on the lower stage a handful of times but was often detained by his older sister. At one point, he was so amused that he plopped down on the steps to the stage and had the closest view in the entire room, if for only a moment.

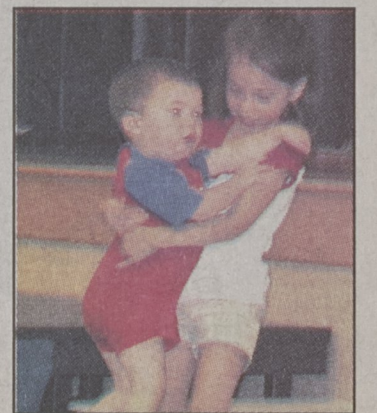
The play was held at Central United Methodist Church and was funded by Friends of the Library. The event was open to the public and invited children to sign up for summer reading. The next scheduled Summer Reading event will be held on Wednesday, June 21st at 10 am behind the Kings Mountain Historical Museum, where the Schiele Museum will be providing a program on "Endangered Animals."



Children's Librarian Christy Conner asked the children to raise their hands if they signed up for Summer Reading. Left: The first participant was drug from the audience. A funny hat was placed on her head as she presented the show of Aesop's Fables. Right: One of the performers looked for three more audience members to play the role of his three sheep in the skit of the "Boy who Cried Wolf." He asked for a girl who was always good to her siblings. Once he picked one, another child yelled "Oh no she isn't!"



Above, children enjoy the play, one a little too closely. In the bottom pictures, left to right, a little fellow is amazed by the performance and devises a plan to join the interesting creatures on stage. He inches closer and closer to the stage. His mission is almost complete . . . but just before he can make his debut, his sister foils his plan.



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GONDOLA ITALIAN RESTAURANT

Hours:

Monday - Thursday . . . 11:00am-9:00pm
Friday 11:00am-10:00pm
Saturday 3:00pm-10:00pm
Sunday 11:00am-3:30pm

Famous Buffalo Wings...Hot • Mild • Medium • BBQ

Appetizers

- Bread Sticks w/ Mozzarella Cheese 4.25
- Mozzarella Sticks with marinara sauce 4.95
- Sauteed Mushrooms in butter w/ garlic 4.95
- Potato Skins with monterey jack & cheddar plus bacon w/ sour cream & chives 5.99
- Rice Ball w/ Cheese (each) 2.95
- Stuffed Jalapeno 4.99
- Stuffed Mushrooms 4.99
- Spinach & Artichoke Dip with chips 4.99
- Shrimp Cocktail 5.95
- Buffalo Wings mild, hot, or BBQ with celery & ranch dressing (10) wings 5.95 (50) wings 24.95 (25) wings 13.95 (100) wings 39.99

Burger-Rama

- All served with lettuce, tomato, mayo and French fries
- 6 oz. Hamburger 5.25
- 6 oz. Cheese Burger topped with provolone cheese 5.50
- 6 oz. Pizza Burger Plus bread topped with mozzarella cheese, lettuce and tomato 5.50

Wrap Delights

- All served with choice of French fries or chips
- Chicken Wrap Spinach bread 6.50
- Garden Panini Wrap Diet bread 6.50
- Gondola Wrap Ham, turkey, pepperoni, bacon and provolone cheese 6.50
- Gyro Beef Wrap Sliced beef with lettuce, tomato, onion and tzatziki sauce 6.50
- Eatable Bowl Choice of red meats (chicken, turkey or ham) with lettuce, tomato, cheese & ranch 6.95

Soups & Salads

- Served with our special seasoned bread sticks
- House Salad with lettuce, tomato, onion and cucumber 1.95
- Garden Panini Salad Garden mix, tomato, onion, cucumber, mushrooms & olives 3.95
- Chef Salad Chef tossed salad with ham, turkey, cheese, tomato, cucumber & onions 5.95
- Antipasto Salad 5.95
- Caesar Salad Fresh Romaine lettuce, parmesan cheese, croutons & dressing 4.95
- Greek Salad Tossed greens with tomato, olives, onions, pepperoni & feta cheese 6.95
- Cold Shrimp Salad House salad topped with freshly prepared shrimp 7.95
- Grilled Chicken Salad 6.95
- Deep tossed salad with marinated chicken breast topped with chives served with hot honey mustard dressing 6.95
- Blackened Chicken Salad Chef tossed salad with blackened chicken choice of dressing 6.95
- Soup of the Day (ask your server for today's selection) 1.75
- Cup 2.95
- Bowl 2.95
- Soup, Salad, Breadsticks 5.95

Philly Subs

- 8" Sub served with potato chips & pickle
- Gondola's Deluxe 5.75
- Shredded steak or chicken breast (grilled) with onions, pepper, mushroom and topped with provolone 5.25
- Cheese Steak Shredded steak topped with provolone and baked golden brown 5.25
- Onion Steak Shredded steak topped with onions and topped with provolone & baked golden brown 5.25
- Pepper Steak Shredded steak topped with peppers & onions topped with provolone 5.25
- Mushroom Steak Shredded steak topped with lots of mushrooms & topped with provolone 5.25

Greek Specialties

- Served with small Greek Salad & bread sticks
- Homemade Greek Mousaka 8.95
- Potatoes, eggplant, ground beef and spices topped with cream sauce 8.95
- Greek Gyro Platter served with tzatziki sauce, French fries or salad 8.95
- Homemade Spinach Pie 8.95
- Fresh spinach with feta cheese, olive oil, etc. (lots of ingredients) topped with filo crust 8.95

Seafood Specialties

- Served with Baked Potato, Sautéed Vegetables and Salad
- Fried Baby Flounder 8.95
- Grilled Center Cut Pink Salmon 10.95
- Grilled Center Cut Ocean Tuna 10.95

Sauteed Specialties

- Served with choice of Pasta Salad
- Chicken Cordon Blue breast of chicken stuffed with ham & multiple cheeses 9.95
- Veal Cordon Blue baby veal stuffed with ham & multiple cheeses sautéed to perfection 10.95
- Combination Seafood Ala Diablo 12.95
- Tender shrimp, scallops catamaran & mussels sautéed with marinara sauce with spices 12.95
- Combination Seafood & Chicken Ala Diablo 12.95
- Tender shrimp & chicken sautéed with mushrooms, marinara sauce with spices 12.95
- White or Red Clam Sauce over choice of pasta 9.95
- Half Shell Mussels ala Marinara over choice of pasta 10.95

Steaks & Chops

- USDA choice - served with potato, vegetables and house salad
- 12 oz. New York Strip 13.95
- 12 oz. Rib Eye Steak 13.95
- 12 oz. Texas Cattleman's 11.95
- 12 oz. 100% Ground Beef Hamburger Steak w/ onions & peppers 9.95
- 12 oz. Angus Prime Rib (only served Saturday & Sunday) 13.95
- Beef Tenders over Rice Pilaf 9.95
- 3-4 oz. Center Cut Loin Chops 9.95
- Fried Chicken Tenders served with French fries and salad 8.95

Desserts

- Cannoli Sicilian a light pastry shell with sweet cream filling 3.25
- Tiramisu lady fingers soaked in espresso layered with fluffy cream & dusted w/ cocoa 3.75
- Cheesecake a heavenly slice of New York flavor 4.25
- Cheesecake served with Fruit 4.25
- Chocolate Silk Pie 2.95
- Key Lime Pie 2.95
- Greek Baklava 3.25

Submarine Sandwiches

- 8" Sub served with potato chips and pickle
- Gondola's Special 5.50
- Roast beef, turkey, bacon, imported ham, pepperoni topped with provolone, lettuce, tomato, onion 4.75
- Italian Supreme Genoa salami, pepperoni, imported ham, Italian dressing, lettuce, tomato, onion 4.75
- Roast Beef lean slices of roast beef topped with provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion 4.75
- Turkey lean slices of turkey, provolone cheese, tomato and onion 4.75
- Ham & Cheese thin slices of imported ham and provolone, lettuce, tomato, onion 4.75
- Meat Ball meatballs topped with spaghetti sauce and melted provolone 4.75
- Sausage Italian sausage topped with spaghetti sauce and melted provolone 4.75
- Eggplant Parmigiana breaded eggplant with marinara sauce topped with mozzarella and parmesan 4.75
- Chicken Parmigiana chicken with marinara sauce topped with mozzarella and parmesan 5.75

Children's Menu

- Spaghetti with marinara sauce 4.25
- Spaghetti with meat sauce, meatballs or sausage 4.25
- Lasagna 5.25
- Pizza 8" non personal with cheese 3.25
- Chicken Tenders with french fries 5.25

Pasta Dishes

- Served with house salad and garlic bread
- Spaghetti 6.95
- Grilled 7.95
- with spaghetti sauce 6.95
- with meat sauce 7.95
- with meatballs 8.95
- Sausage & Peppers cooked in a tangy marinara sauce served on a bed of spaghetti 8.95
- with mushrooms 7.95
- with meat sauce and mushrooms 8.95
- with butter and cheese 6.75

- Spaghetti Gondola 8.95
- Greek Spaghetti 7.95
- Baked Spaghetti 7.95
- Sausage & Peppers 8.95
- Fettuccini Alfredo 7.95
- with blackened or grilled chicken 9.95
- served with shrimp, scallops, catamaran sauce and mozzarella 12.95
- Baked Ziti 7.95
- Ziti and Chicken 8.95
- Homemade Lasagna 8.95
- Manicotti (cheese or meat) 8.95
- Ravioli (cheese or meat) 8.95
- Lobster Ravioli 9.95
- Florentine Ravioli 9.95
- fresh spinach, cream, melted garlic, baked ricotta, ricotta cheese, fresh mozzarella, romano cheese 9.95
- Tortellini and Meat Sauce 8.95
- Pasta Primavera 8.95
- Baked & Stuffed Shells 8.95

Italian Specialties

- Served with house salad and garlic bread
- Shrimp Marinara 10.95
- Shrimp Scampi 10.95
- Butterfield Chicken 9.95
- Chicken Sappirello 8.95
- Chicken Parmigiana 9.95
- Chicken Cacciatore 9.95
- Chicken & Broccoli 9.95
- Chicken Marsala 10.95
- Chicken Piccata 9.95
- 7 oz. Smothered Charbroiled Chicken Breast 9.95
- Marinated chicken breast topped with grilled mushrooms, onions, melted mozzarella 9.95
- Stuffed Chicken Breast 10.95
- Veal Parmigiana 9.95
- Veal Marsala 10.95
- Veal Piccata 9.95
- Veal Scaloppini 9.95
- Veal Cutlet 9.95
- Eggplant Parmigiana 10.95

Side Orders

- French Fries 2.25
- Baked Potatoes 2.25
- Loaded Baked Potato 4.95
- Dinner Salad 1.95
- Marinara or Alfredo Sauce 0.95
- Meatballs (2) 1.95
- Onion Rings 2.25
- Garlic Bread Sticks (4) 0.85

Pizza

Create your own pizza from the following toppings
Meat: Pepperoni, Chicken, Italian Sausage, Anchovies, Bacon, Canadian Bacon, Ground Beef, Pork Sausage, Smoked Sausage, Ham
Veggies & Others: Mushrooms, Red Onions, Tomato Slices, Green Peppers, Mild Peppers, Banana Peppers, Jalapeno Peppers, Black Olives, Pineapple

	10" (small)	12" (medium)	14" (large)
Cheese Pizza	5.99	6.99	8.99
Extra Cheese	1.10	1.30	1.70
Each Additional Top.	1.00	1.25	1.50
Gondola (5 toppings)	9.95	11.95	13.95
Gondola Supreme	9.95	12.95	14.95

Get a Second Pizza For Less
Small Medium Large
3.50 5.95 7.95

8" Personal Size Pizza
Cheese 2.95
Gondola (5 toppings of your choice) 5.25
Extra toppings 0.85

Specialty Pizza 14"

- Grilled Chicken 14.95
- Grilled Chicken Alfredo 14.95
- Barbecue 14.95
- Spinach with assorted cheeses, bacon, garlic and onions 14.95
- Vegetarian with 4 toppings 14.95
- White Pizza 15.50
- Angie's Margarita 12.95
- Greek Pizza 14.95
- Calzone 5.75
- Stromboli 5.95
- Stuffed with sausage, peppers and onions 5.95
- Stuffed with meatballs 5.75

Take Home Family Pizza Specials

- 2 - Large 14" Pizzas with 1 Topping 13.95
- 2 - Medium 12" Pizzas with 1 Topping 11.95

Beverages

- All Beverages 1.15
- Coke
- Diet Coke
- Sprite
- Mellow Yellow
- Dr. Pepper
- Tea
- Coffee

Lunch Specials

Monday - Friday
11am - 3pm

Only \$6.59

(Drink Included)

- Beef Tips Over Rice w/Salad
- Baked Spaghetti w/Salad
- Baked Lasagna w/Salad
- Butter-Filled Chicken Over Pasta w/Salad
- Stromboli w/Salad
- Chicken Wrap w/FF or Salad (Chicken, L-T-M, Mozzarella Cheese, Ranch Dressing)
- Diet Panini Bread Wrap w/FF or Salad
- 8" Personal Pizza w/Salad (w/ one topping)
- BBQ Chicken Tenders (w/FF or Onion Rings or Salad)
- Gondola Club (w/FF)
- Chicken Delmonte w/Salad
- Spaghetti & Meat Ball w/Salad
- Hamburger, L-T-M & French Fries
- Gondola Wrap w/Chips or FF (L-T-M, Onion-Ham-Turkey-Mozzarella Cheese-Ranch Dressing)
- Fettuccini Alfredo w/Salad
- Gyro Beef Wrap w/Chips or FF
- Baby Beef Livers & Onions w/Potato Salad
- Fried Chicken w/FF & salad
- 10 Chicken Wings w/Salad
- Philly Cheese Steak w/FF
- Fried Flounder w/FF & Salad
- Baked Alaska White w/Potato & Salad
- Chicken Capri over Pasta & Salad