Student teachers learning, practicing at RCHS

by Adam Lister

As many students may know by now, RCHS has acquired three uniquely different students. These students are teachers. We have been blessed with their presence through our school's connection with Eastern Kentucky University since mid- February.

They are training for their future careers. They study, work, and put together projects and portfolios just as we do. Even they have a teacher.

Mrs. Charity Edwards is a student teacher for Mrs. Jennifer Mattingly who teaches English IV and Transitions; Mrs. Sarah Brown is working with Mrs. Nancy Bussell who teaches English I and II. Mr. Paul Dotson supervised by U. S. History teacher Mr. Chuck Cash.

When asked what inspired her to become a teacher, Mrs. Brown responded. The only thing I have ever wanted to do is teach. I spent my hours teaching my stuffed animals, my brothers, and anyone who would stand still long enough."

Mr. Dotson was inspired by one of his own: an eleventh and twelfth grade history teach

Mrs. Edwards had he kind of inspiration. "Whet. I mas a junior, I had an English teacher who realized my potential and high expectations of me. She really made a difference in my life. I decided that year I wanted to make a difference in the lives of students, even if I only affected one life."

Even though they have different sources of inspiration, they seem to agree on one thing-RCHS.

They were all impressed with our school, discipline, friendly faculty and staff, and of course the students.



Student's in Ms. Sarah Brown's English II classes took part in a medieval banquet as a class project.

"RCHS is a beautiful school. Everyone has made feel welcome by being so friendly," commented Mrs. Edwards

After a little practice everyone has a few changes in their views and opinions on a subjects. Perhaps it is a bit more challenging than originally thought.

"As I've learned and worked

with my students, my views and opinions <u>have</u> changed, but I still love teaching and look forward to the start of my career," says Mrs. Brown.

Mr. Dotson's ideals and goals haven't changed. " I enjoy teaching and it is a good profession."

"In college, the lessons I taught were not to real students, but classmates...Teaching real students is much more challenging and exciting. Teaching these students has made me aware that I have, indeed, chosen the right profession," Mrs. Edwards commented.

They will continue to teach and work with students until May 11.

Plans underway for prom

by Christina Cadena

Last year prom goers rocked the castle. This year, they will be "Amazed." Yes, the theme is finally set.

According to Ms. Dana Singleton, who has organized prom for the past four years, everything is ordered, and decorating for this year's event will begin Thursday, May 11. Prom is May 13.

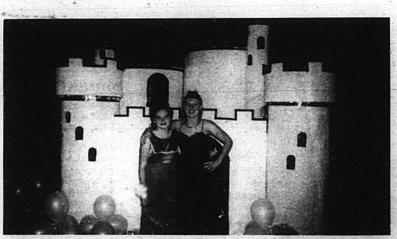
Ms. Singleton jokingly refused to give out too much information on what to expect, but she did say that there would be a live fountain set up in the gym. "And that's the only thing I'm giving away," Ms. Singleton added.

However, she did reveal that the colors for the event will be teal, black, and silver.

Tickets went on sale March 20, and can be purchased from Ms. Singleton in room 33 before school, in between classes, at break, or after school. Students will not be allowed to buy tickets while classes are in session.

Tickets are \$20 for singles, and \$35 for couples. If students buy their tickets before spring break, prices are \$15 for singles, and \$25 for couples.

If you happen to be one of the first 125 students to buy a ticket, you will recieve a free Prom 2000 key ring featuring the theme and this year's date.



Last year's prom theme was "Rock the Castle" and decorations included a large replica of a castle.

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