

FFA Contest Results

By Eric Adams

The Rockcastle County FFA recently awarded the Kentucky River Region FFA Day at Eastern Kentucky University on April 5th. We had a very successful day, winning many of the contests we entered.

Wesley Falin, Matt Cromer and Brad Buswell received a Superior first place rating in the talent contest. Jamey Robinson received a Superior second place in A.I.C. and Heather Adams received a superior rating in the Crooked Contest. Also with a superior first place rating was the Record Keeping Team, which consists of Tiffany Hopkins, Nathan Doan, Jamison Cable, Samantha Owens and alternate Heather Adams. Chris McGuire received a Superior first place in Extemporaneous Public Speaking.

In Impromptu Speaking Aaron Mobley received a Superior second place in Beef. Warren Whitaker received a superior first in Diversified Crop. Rebekah Lyons received a Superior first place in Dairy. Bryanna Buswell received a superior first in Fruit/Vegetable. Zach Gentry received a Superior first place in Turf and Lawn care. Billy Hackworth received a Superior third place in Swine. Eric Denny received a Superior rating in Small Animal. Eric Adams received a Superior rating in Horse speaking. Thomas Coffey received an Excellent second in Nursery and Landscape. Pam Shackelford received an Excellent rating in Floral and Crystal Mills received an Excellent rating in Greenhouse.

The Varsity Chapter Meeting Team received first place, being their sixth win in the last seven years. Team members included: President Warren Whitaker, Vice President Zach Gentry, Secretary Ashley

Lawson, Treasurer Chris McGuire, Reporter Jamey Robinson, Sentinel Eric Adams, Members Josh Lyons, Heather Adams, Brad Buswell, Bryanna Buswell and alternate Rebekah Lyons.

The Rockcastle County FFA recently had competed in various Proficiency contests. The results were: In Beef Production Thomas Coffey received a Superior second, Warren Whitaker received a superior second in Crop Production. Eric Adams received a Superior second in Equine Science, in Food Science and Technology, Matt McClure received a Superior second, Eric Adams received a Superior first in Ag. Sales.

Receiving a Superior first in Diversified Livestock Production was Warren Whitaker. Zach Gentry received a Superior first in Turf Grass Man-



Jamey Robinson competed in the A.I.C. Contest.

agement, and in Wildlife Management Bill Hackworth received a Superior first.

In the welding competition we placed second, team members were Rodney Payne, Dustin Robinson and Danny Taylor. Our small engines team placed first with team members, J.J. Clark, Wesley Falin and Aaron Mobley. In Ag. Sales Billy Hackworth, Matt McClure, Aaron Mobley and Warren Whitaker received second place. Matt Cromer, Wesley Falin, Matt McClure and Tim

McClure received second place in the Land Judging competition.

Our Varsity Basketball team received first place and the J.V. Team received second place. Team members were Josh Rowland, Kris Linville, Chris Childress, Warren Whitaker and Thomas Coffey. J.V.-Anthony Brock, Mark Miller and Jesse Haman.

Members that were named to the All-Tournament team were: Varsity-Josh Rowland, Kris Linville, Chris Childress, Warren Whitaker and Thomas Coffey. J.V.-Anthony Brock, Mark Miller and Jesse Haman.

The Rockcastle County FFA has been very successful in many of the contests entered this year. With hard-work, dedication and a strive to win, Rockcastle FFA will be a force to be reckoned with at state convention and state fair this summer.

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ROCKCASTLE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL SITE BASED DECISION MAKING COUNCIL PARENT MEMBER ELECTION FOR 2001-2002

The election for the Parent Members of the Rockcastle County High School Site Based Decision Making Council will be held on **Monday, May 14, 2001 at 6:30 pm** in the high school auditorium. Two parents will be selected from the nominees.

If you are a parent, stepparent, foster parent or legal guardian of a child who will attend RCHS next year, we encourage you to attend and participate in this important event to elect parents who will serve as your voice in decisions on school policies, plans and budgets that will help improve student performance and the overall educational experience at RCHS.

Listed below are the nominees and why they want to serve on the SBDM Council.

PAUL D. ABNEY- I have served on RCHS SBDM Council since July 2000. I have enjoyed the last year very much. I have three children in the Rockcastle County School System, at the high school, middle school and primary levels. I care about what happens now and in the future. During the last year the council made several important decisions, and I believe they were the right decisions for the improvement of our children's education. I would like very much to continue serving as your parent representative for another year.

CINDY ANDERKIN- I have appreciated the opportunity to serve on the RCHS Site Based Council for the past 2 years. It has been a true learning experience as I have been able to gain knowledge in curriculum various programs and policies that affect our children and their education. I ask for your support as I seek to serve another year.

RENEE BURDETT- I have served on the Roundstone Elementary council for 2 two year terms. This gives me a clear understanding of how informed parents have an important role in the school decisions. I feel my experience working with children helps me understand students needs. On the other hand, my experience as a teacher will help me see and understand the teacher's point of view. Meeting the needs of the students while meeting the needs of the school must maintain a perfect balance. This balance can only be achieved by very well thought through, wise decisions of the people in charge. It is my hope to work with the administration of the school as well as the other council members to keep this perfect balance. The students of Rockcastle County High School are the future of our county. With the best decision making process possible our students will be able to receive the very best education possible. By educating the whole student to the highest standards possible we can have the confidence move on to high standards. Through this cycle improvement will prove to follow year after year.

REBECCA CASH- I would like to remain actively involved in my daughter's education. I would like to work actively with the school personnel, Principals and parents in making decisions that affect the education of all high school students. I think students should come first in education and as a member of site based council I can ensure this occurs. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the council at Rockcastle County High School.

HOWELL HOLBROOK, JR.- I would welcome the opportunity to serve a more active role in helping to make decisions affecting our school. I would be available and willing to listen to all parents ideas. I feel I can do a service for those parents who may not have time to attend meetings: Which case a simple phone call with an opinion or idea, and your voice is heard. I know we all are concerned about the well being of our children and faculty in our schools. If we as a community want a great learning environment for every child, it will take the continued cooperation and communication between school staff, parents and students.

JEFFERY A. LASWELL- I am concerned and supportive of the school system. I would appreciate the opportunity to become more involved with plans and development of educational progress of the school and students. If given the opportunity to serve, I will give my best unbiased effort toward decisions regarding the educational development of all students and the school.



Record Keeping Team, from left: Samantha Owens, Tiffany Hopkins, Nathan Doan, Jamison Cable and Heather Adams.



Shown above are the participants who competed.



Talent Group, from left: Brian Powell, Stacey Powell, Wesley Falin, Brad Buswell and Matt Cromer.



Parliamentary Procedure Team, front row from left: Rebekah Lyons, Heather Adams, Bryanna Buswell, Ashley Lawson and Zach Gentry. Back row from left: Jamey Robinson, Warren Whitaker, Josh Lyons, Eric Adams, Brad Buswell.

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