

Minds in the Middle

Next Thursday, May 31st, we invite all 5th graders to attend *Movin' to the Middle*. Upcoming 6th graders and their families can meet the RCMS staff and learn more about the exciting things going on at our school. The event will begin at 6:30. Enjoy free pizza and refreshments and sign up for door prizes! Fifth graders will receive a free *Movin' to the Middle* T-shirt.

Our SBDM Council member elections were held on Monday afternoon. Teachers serving for the 2001-02 school year will be Angela Hunt, Chris Hendrickson, and Ken Mattingly. Parent representatives elected were Ray Hensley and Janice Poynter.

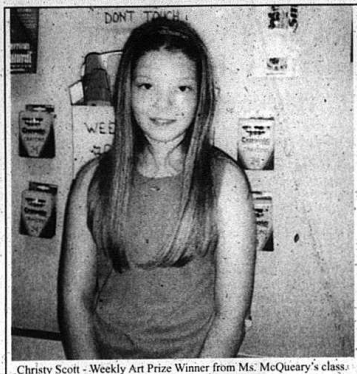
RCMS students who made the honor roll all year were rewarded Monday with field trips. The 8th graders enjoyed Laser Quest, while the 7th graders visited Fishy's, and the 6th graders showed their skills at the bowling lanes.

This Thursday evening, May 17th, we invite everyone to our RCMS Band Concert beginning at 7:00 p.m. The band will perform for our students on Friday morning. Congratulations to Cody Moore, Harold Burdette, Mary Brinson, Kara Martin, and Teddy Stallworth who participated with the high school band in competition in Orlando, Florida.

We enjoyed having the Mt. Vernon Elementary 5th graders visit our school on Tuesday. The 5th graders from Roundstone Elementary will visit next Tuesday and the 5th graders from Brodhead Elementary will visit us on Wednesday.

RCMS 8th graders need to remember that Class Night will be this Friday from 3-8:00 p.m. This will be a celebration with lots of food and fun!

Good luck to our softball team which will be playing in a tournament Saturday at North Laurel Middle School.



Christy Scott - Weekly Art Prize Winner from Mrs. McQueary's class.

Adams named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Derek Adams of Brodhead has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.0 or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Derek, who attends RCMS, was nominated for this national award by Julie Phillips.

Derek will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by the USAA for other honors.

Derek is the son of Glen and Tina Adams of Brodhead and the grandson of Danny Simpson and Jean Simpson of Crab Orchard and Donnie Adams of Somerset.



Derek Adams

Roundstone Achievers

Perfect Attendance - 4th grade - Mrs. Viohl: Corey Hatton, Dakota Mahaffey, Nicky Shelton, Pamela Johnson, Ashley Vanwinkle, Dalton Robinson and Tommy Spencer. **Mrs. Gabbard:** Robbie Rogers, Megan Mazurek, Michelle Masters, David Polly, Dalton Hill and Dustin Rader. **5th grade - Mrs. Burdett:** Jay Cobb and Morgan Thacker. **Mrs. Midkiff:**

Leslie Burdette, Seth Cain, Justin McCracken and Kelly Poynter.

Academic Achievers - 4th grade - Mrs. Viohl: Grant Burdette, Jamie Todd, Sassy Hundley, Hannah Ponder, Miranda Darnell, Jonathan Gadd and Brooke Bowlin. **Mrs. Gabbard:** Dustin Barnett, Allen Burdette, Megan Mazurek, Rasquid Bullock, David Polly, Samantha Bishop and Dustin Rader. **5th grade - Mrs. Burdett:** Sara Cain, Morgan Thacker, Jamie Wilson, Brittany Pruitt, Katie Williams, Courtney Hayes, Erik Jordison, Nathaniel Mullins, Jay Cobb and Brittany Owens. **Mrs. Midkiff:** Leslie Burdette, Yances Burchett, Seth Cain, Zachary Goebel, Tim Harding, Devin Hasty, April Johnson and Tyler Vaughn.

Moore and Robinson graduate from Alice Lloyd

A capacity crowd watched on Saturday, May 5, as sixty-six Alice Lloyd College graduates received either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in the Estelle Campbell Center for the Arts.

Among those sixty-six were Rockcastle County students Kristi Lynn Moore of Brodhead and Amy Renee Robinson of Mt. Vernon.

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Mt. Vernon Message

Special Events: On Tuesday, May 22, the Rockcastle County High School Band will have a concert at our school. The concert will begin at 1:15. All students will attend. Parents are welcome to attend.

On Thursday, May 24, the Pentatonics will be performing for our school at 1:15. There will be performance for the public at 6:30 p.m.

Our PTO will be sponsoring a dance on Thursday, May 17 after school. Preschool through P2 will attend from 3:00-4:15. P3-5th grade will attend from 4:30-5:45. Admission is one can of food. All food will be given to the Baptist Mission.

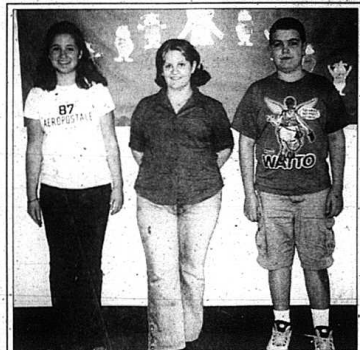
Thanks to Rockcastle County Middle School for inviting our fifth graders to your school for a visit.

Art Prize: Last week's art prize winner was Christy Scott from Mrs. McQueary's fifth grade classroom. Congratulations Christy!

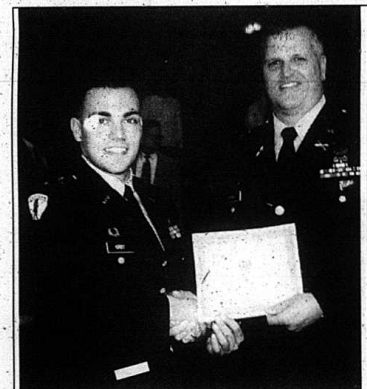
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RCMS students are enjoying reading and earning points through the Accelerated Reader program. During the fourth grading period, these students earned the most reading points for their team. **Voyagers -** Dustin McGuire, Shooting Stars - Aaron Cromer, Adventurers - Megan Anderkin, Entrepreneurs - LeAnna Mink and Comets - Christine McCarthy.



Earlier this year, several RCMS 7th graders were identified to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program. Ten students chosen to participate and took the ACT assessment in February. Allison Carter, Lori Ann Miller, and Justin Miller have qualified for state recognition due to their excellent scores. Of the 22,449 students from across the country who took the test, these students scored in the top 11% in the subject of Reading. Allison and Lori also qualified in the area of English. The three students will be part of a State Recognition Ceremony at Western Kentucky University on May 25th.



Mr. and Mrs. Coy Kirby of Livingston would like to congratulate their son, Kyle W. Kirby, on receiving the Junior Class Superior Cadet Award in Military Science at EKU. Kyle has also reached the rank of Sergeant in the Army National Guard at the London post. Kyle is a 1997 graduate of RCHS where he was a member of the JROTC.



Several Cumberland College students were honored Monday, April 24, 2001 during a special Honors Day convocation. Honors Day Convocation, held annually in the O. Wayne Rollins Center on the Cumberland Campus, recognizes those students who have excelled academically throughout the year. Kevin Rader, son of Kaye Rader and the late Calvin Rader of Mt. Vernon, received the ranking of Honor. Those students who received an Honor ranking were recognized for maintaining a minimum of 3.70 cumulative grade point average. Kevin also received the Computer Information Systems Department Award.

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