

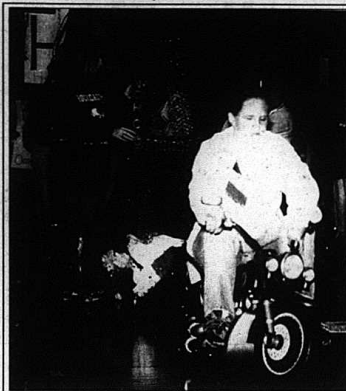
Several activities held for RCHS homecoming

September 28th was homecoming at Rockcastle County High School and like always there was a pep rally, a big football game and of course, a queen. However, this year, many more festivities took place for this special week than in years past. For the first time in the school's history, there was a homecoming "frog." The Frog Prince competition was implemented by the Student Council to help raise money to send to the American Crisis Relief Fund. All Homecoming week, students at RCHS could use their pennies to vote for who they thought would best represent them as Homecoming Frog. In the end, Senior Jens Strietzel was crowned Frog Prince as his jar contained the most money. The Frog Court consisted of Junior Stephen Boring and Senior John Phelps.

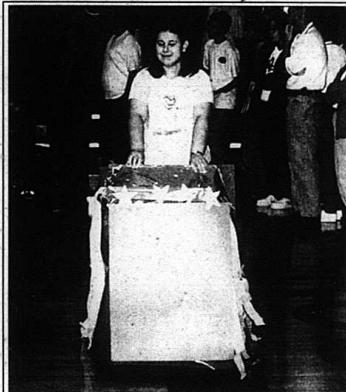
Throughout the week students dressed up to show their support for their school. Monday was Teacher Look-a-like day, Tuesday was Occupation day, Wednesday was Tacky Day, Thursday was "hunting" day and Friday was undoubtedly red, white and blue day. Many students participated and some really stood out above the rest.

Also, something a little different this year that was implemented by the Student Council to raise school spirit was a special "Spirit Parade" which was held in the gym immediately before the actual pep rally. Many different clubs throughout the school showed their Rocket Spirit by entering floats and displays. The last four floats of the parade consisted of class floats. Each float was unique and all of them escorted in their class's frog candidate.

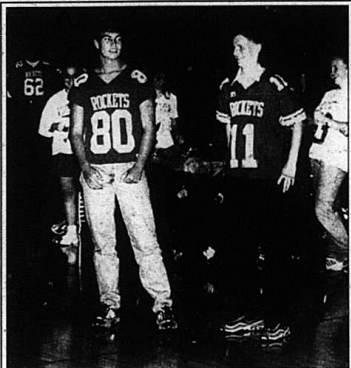
Homecoming was truly special this year and we look forward to the festivities next year.



Brianna Bussell pulling the French Club float with the special "French-Cycle". Ashley Cottrell balances the Eiffel Tower.

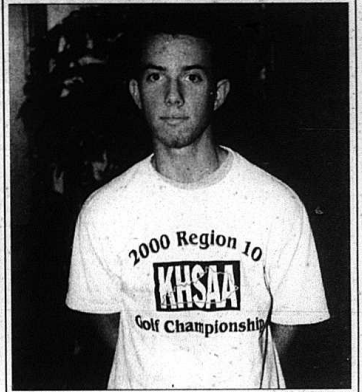


Amanda Cummins pushing the RCHS Y-Club's float in the Spirit Parade.



All week long students used their pennies to vote for their favorite frog candidate. Above is the "Frog Court" from left: Stephen Boring and Jens Strietzel, the Prince. Not pictured was John Phelps.

Academic Honor Roll



Joseph Lambert, son of Chief Justice Joe Lambert and Circuit Judge Debra Lambert of Mt. Vernon, has a 4.0 GPA at Rockcastle County High School. He is a Governor's Scholar, attended a Leadership Program at West Point and is a National Merit Scholar. He is undecided on where he will attend college but is considering the University of Virginia, University of Kentucky or Princeton. Joseph has been a four year member of the RCHS Golf Team and has been very active in several clubs.

Mt. Vernon Message

Family Resource Center is sponsoring a Shakespeare program in honor of Family Art Month. All fourth and fifth graders will attend the program.

Monday, October 15th is Family Resource Center is sponsoring Family Literacy Night. It will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 16th is fifth grade Farm Field Day at Sigmom Farm.

Project Wisdom narrators for last week included: Faith Spies, Instruction Assistant; Larry Hammond, Superintendent for Rockcastle County

Schools; Cindy Anderkin, Counselor; Vicki Chasteen, Family Resource Center. Thanks to all the participants. The quote for this week is: "Teachers open the door, but you must enter yourself."

Any parents, grandparents or members of the community who are interested in being a narrator for Project Wisdom, please contact Cindy Anderkin at MVES.

Last week's art-prizewinner was Tamara Blanton from Mrs. Kincaid's classroom. She chose a pencil sharpener as her prize. Congratulations, Tamara!

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RCHS students participating in Georgetown College's Presidential Mentorship Program are pictured above. Front row from left: Tanya Hasty, Kayla Cook, Bridgette Lear, Brianna Bussell and Michelle Rowe. Back row from left: Jessica Thacker, Tanner Abney, Jamey Robinson, Stephen Boring, Austin Miller, Aaron Anderkin, Jeremy Rowe and Amanda Cummins.

Fifteen participating in Georgetown College Presidential Mentorship Program

The Georgetown College Presidential Mentorship Program is in its third year in Rockcastle County. The program is made possible by generosity of the Rosenbush Foundation through Renfro Valley and The Community Trust Bank.

Over 35 juniors applied of which fifteen were selected to participate in a semester long leadership development program, which will prepare students to attend college and become future leaders.

Orientation was held Wednesday, September 26, for the students and

their families. The program includes after school meetings which will be hosted by different businesses of Rockcastle County, including communication skills, analyzing leadership styles, etiquette training and several visits to Georgetown College.

On Saturday, October 13 the students will travel with the mentorship students from Jackson County to Cincinnati to see "The Phantom of the Opera" and have dinner at a Japanese Restaurant in downtown Cincinnati.

The students who complete the program will receive a \$1,000 scholarship per year to Georgetown College in addition to any other financial aid or scholarships they may receive.

The students who were selected are: Tanner Abney, Aaron Anderkin, Stephen Boring, Travis Burton, Brianna Bussell, Kayla Cook, Amanda Cummins, Tanya Hasty, Bridgette Lear, Rebekah Lyons, Austin Miller, Jamey Robinson, Jeremy Rowe, Michelle Rowe and Jessica Thacker.



The RCMS Y-Club recently donated money to the American Red Cross for the Disaster Relief Fund. Shown above are Y-Club officers and Leadership Team presenting their check. Front row from left: Joshua Blair, Ty Bottoms, Megan Anderkin - president, Red Cross Representative Vanda Dalton and Danielle Arnold - treasurer. Second row from left: Rachel Killen, Ashley Dollins, Morgan Kincaid and Ainsley Bussell. Third row from left: Heather Hopkins, Hillary Proctor, Meredith Robinson and Allison Carter. Back row are Advisors Tracy Gabbard and Nancy Hale. Not shown was advisor J.D. Harris.

Y-Club spearheads "Liberty Fund" Drive

By Heather Hopkins, Secretary

The RCMS Y-Club held their first meeting of this school year on September 12th, one day after the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C. At our club meeting, our Regional Director, Ms. Heather Ludtke, shared with us some information about the New York YMCA whose headquarters were in the World Trade Center and about some of the schools that had been damaged. All of us wanted to do something, but what could a bunch of middle school students do to help? We decided to begin a drive to collect money donations for the American Red Cross. Our club treasurer, Danielle Arnold, made a motion that the Y-Club donate \$250.00 from a previous fund-raiser and ask the rest of the students in our school to match that. Well, the students at RCMS went beyond the call of duty! All in all, we collected \$1,000 for the American Red Cross Liberty Fund which will go to help with the relief efforts in New York and Washington, D.C.

On October 9th, Mrs. Vanda Dalton, Director of the American Red Cross (Daniel Boone Area), came to the middle school to accept the check

for \$1,000. She presented our Y-Club with a certificate recognizing our fund-raising efforts and left a pin for each of our middle school students that says, "GIVE." Mrs. Dalton said, "I hear so many people criticizing our young people today and I have to tell them that they are very strong about our young people, especially those in Rockcastle County. They are some of the most compassionate young people I have ever met and their response to this massive need has been unbelievable. It is quite evident that their hearts are full of love for their

fellow Americans."

We appreciate all the students and teachers who helped in this effort. The Y-Club has begun a new community service project for the month of October - our goal is to raise 1,000 non-perishable food items to donate to the First Baptist Food and Clothing Mission in Mt. Vernon. We challenge our students to again show their compassion and help us in this effort. If any of the citizens of our county would like to help in this canned food drive, they may bring their donations to the middle school during school hours.

Rockcastle County Schools

Menu
October 15-19, 2001

Breakfast

Monday: Gravy in biscuit, sausage or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Wednesday: Pastry or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Thursday: Pancake and syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Friday: Toasted cheese or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Lunch

Monday: Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, dessert and milk.

Tuesday: Fish with bread or corn dog, macaroni in cheese, two vegetables (cole slaw and manager's choice), jello and milk.

Wednesday: Pizza or sandwich, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Thursday: Hot dog or sandwich, french fries, fruit and milk.

Friday: Italian dunkers, breadsticks, salad, applesauce and milk.

Tiger Pause

Broadhead Elementary School will have an open house for parents, students and the community on Sunday, October 14 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Please join us!

Broadhead Elementary students collected \$1,732 with their Pennies for American campaign. They money was donated to the Salvation Army to be used for the Attack on America Relief Fund.

Broadhead Volunteer Fire Department has visited with all of our classes this week teaching fire safety.

Classes offered

The Somerset Community and Technical College District is now granting college credit for short-term classes conducted through the Community and Economic Development Offices. These classes meet one night per week over a five-week period. Each class meets from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The total cost, including text, certificate of completion and materials, is only \$95.00. Seniors, 65 and older, pay only for the text (\$20.00). Pre-registration is required by calling Lorraine Martin at (606)677-4049.

The following classes will be conducted at Somerset Technical College: Microsoft Word starts October

16th, Introduction to Computers starts October 22nd and Excel II (Advanced) starts November 26th.

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