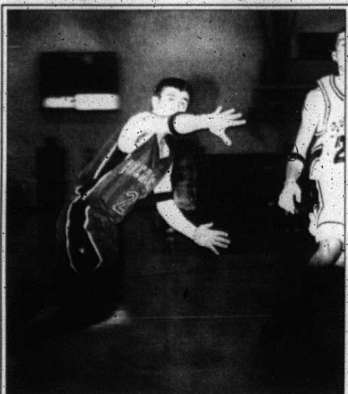
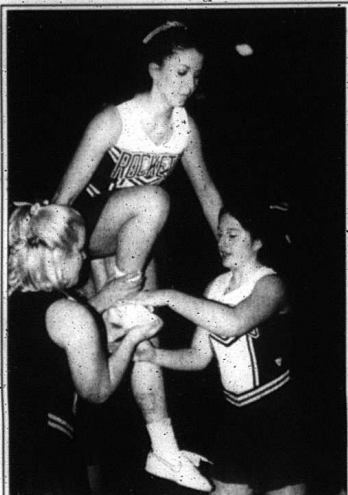
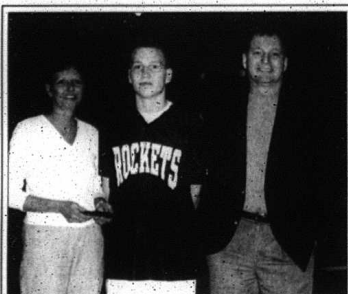




Junior Devin Taylor tries to deflect a pass in the Barbourville game last week. The Rockets won 80-70 and on Friday night the Rockets won 59-53 over Lincoln County. Taylor had 13 in the JV's win Friday night.



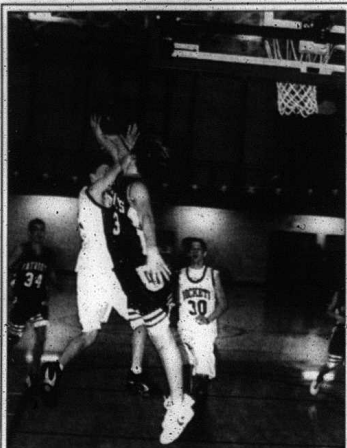
The Rockcastle County High School Cheerleaders will be on hand at next week's district tournament and will be in competition for another district championship. Shown above at last week's homecoming doing a floor cheer are, from left: Kately Scoggin, Casey Taylor and Amanda Wright.



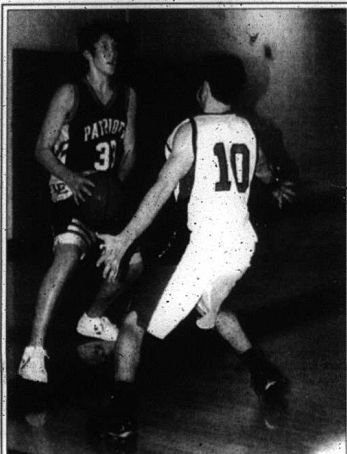
The four Rockcastle County Rocket senior basketball players and their parents were honored before Friday night's contest with Lincoln County. Shown above is Chris Settles with his parents, Gaylen and Danny Settles.



Shown above are Jason Reynolds and his parents Allison and Roger Reynolds.



Freshman Ronny Lee McClure goes to the basket in the JV win over Lincoln County on Friday night. McClure had 16 points.



Sophomore Derrick Hurst #10 applies pressure on a Lincoln County player Friday night. The Rockets won in overtime.



Shown above are Aaron Anderkin and his parents Rick Anderkin and Cindy Taylor Anderkin.



Shown above are Austin Miller and his parents James and Dee Ann Miller.

Patriots take ROCK to OT on Senior Night

Somerset falls Tuesday 64-53

The Rockcastle County Rockets blew a nine point half-time lead on Friday night and allowed Lincoln County to push them into overtime before winning their 18th game of the season, against only four losses.

The Patriots are now 12-11. Rockcastle and Lincoln were tied at ten at the end of the first quarter, but the Rockets put up 18 in the second period to take the nine point half-time lead.

Lincoln County outscored the Rockets 20-12 in the third period and both teams had little scoring the final period with regulation ending in a 45 all tie.

The Rockets shot much better in over-time than they had in regulation putting up 14 to take the 59-53 victory.

"We didn't play real well tonight is all I've got to say," head coach Clayton Cash said.

Cash, who is in his 11th season at the ROCK, said his team must work hard this week to get ready for next week's district tournament.

"We got to get focused and come together - Oneida will not be a push-over," he said.

The Rockets will play the Mountaineers in the first round Monday night. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

The Rockets have defeated Oneida twice this season and are the number one seed in the district.

If the Rockets defeat Oneida they will play the winner of the Clay and Jackson County.

Although the Rockets won the 13th region last season they have never won the 49th district since the school opened in 1972.

Friday night Aaron Cash led the scoring with 21, Chris Settles had 19, Jason Reynolds had 7, Aaron Anderkin and Austin Miller had 5 each and Blake Roberts had 2. Reynolds had a team high 8 rebounds and Cash had 7 assists.

Before the game the Rockets four senior Miller, Settles, Reynolds and Anderkin were honored.

Tuesday night the Rockets did what they have done most of the season - they hit the road again, this time to Somerset where they defeated the Briar Jumpers 64-53.

It was another hard-fought game for the Rockets, against a less superior team, and the first quarter was all Somerset with the Briar Jumpers up 14 points at one time.

However, in the second quarter, the Rockets press forced several turnovers and the Rockets got points on those turnovers. A three by Aaron Anderkin, who led the game in scoring with 20 points, gave the Rockets their first lead at 31-30 late in the

second quarter.

At half time, the Rockets were down 36-33. In the third quarter, the Rockets took over, outscoring the Jumpers 18-7 and also took the fourth quarter 13-10.

Anderkin's 20 points included three of six from three point range and a perfect 4 of 4 from the free throw line. Anderkin also led in rebounds with 9, had one blocked shot and one assist.

Senior Jason Reynolds, with arguably his best game of the season, was second in scoring with 18 points. Reynolds was 3 for 3 from three point range and 3 for 4 from the charity stripe. Reynolds also accounted for three blocked shots, two assists and four total rebounds.

The Rockets leading scorer, point guard Aaron Cash had 17 points, 7 assists and 4 rebounds.

Senior Chris Settles only had 3 points but accounted for three steals, two assists and three rebounds. Another senior, Austin Miller, had 4 points.

Devin Taylor came off the bench to harass the Jumpers with three steals, but had to go to the bench with an injury late in the fourth quarter.

Blake Roberts rounded out the scoring for the Rockets with 2 points, one rebound and one steal.

The Rockets, 19 and 4, will play their last regular season game this Friday night at McCreary Central.

Tie school record for wins

Lady Rockets beat Estill Co. 83-54

The Lady Rockets traveled to Estill County last week for an easy 83-54 win, tying the school record for the most wins in one season 22. The last team with 22 wins was the 1998-99 team, also coached by Chrissy Noble.

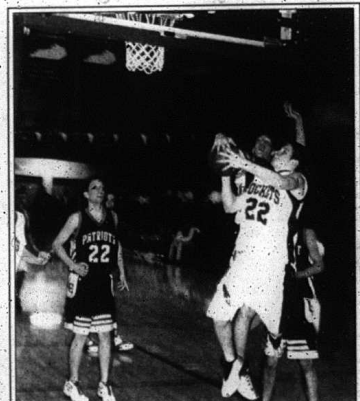
Nine Lady Rockets got in the scoring column with Johnna Abney leading the scoring with 20 points.

Tara Rowe got 17, Heather Hammond 16, Lauren Clontz and Jessie Hayes 9, Brianna Bussell 4, Ashley Mink, Ashley Kimberl and Ashley Lunsford, 2 each.

The Rockets were 23 for 33 from the free throw line with Abney hitting 10 of 12.

The Lady Rockets were scheduled to take on the number two team in the state, Lexington Catholic, Wednesday night at Seabury Gym at Berea College.

Friday night will close out the Lady Rockets regular season when they host Middlesboro for senior night.



Weston Riddle, #22, attempts a shot in the JV game Friday night. Riddle had 8 points in the win. The JV team is 6-3.

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