



On Friday, August 29th the staff at Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. celebrated the end of summer with an employee picnic, games, and the option to wear blue jeans. The afternoon's event was a fundraising campaign for the Rockcastle County High School Youth Services Center. Pictured above are Melissa Brock, administrative assistant and Carolyn Stevens, director of social services of Rockcastle Hospital presenting a check in the amount of \$838.00 to Jill Ponder, Myrna Childress, and Becky Saylor, representatives of the RCHS Youth Services Center.



The top ten sellers in the BES fundraiser received multi-colored pens. The students are pictured from left: Madeilyn Bullen, John Harris, Angie Lawrence, Zachary Ramsey, Kayla Reynolds, Zachary Mills, Amberlee Woodall, Jacob Taylor, Carissa Looney and Kelsey Bullock.



Eldon Simpson, a pre-school student in Ms. Cindy Ellington's class, was the top seller in the BES fundraiser. He won a monkey bike.

Tiger Pause

It's been a busy week at BES. The book fair started on Tuesday night and is going through this Thursday (today). Curious George arrived to kick off the event and also visited Rockcastle Hospital and the Rockcastle County Library. Thanks to Christy Harper, book fair chairman, and the many volunteers who helped this week.

The fundraisers "top-seller" prizes were given out Monday. Eldon Simpson received a monkey bike for raising the most money. The next top ten sellers received a multi-colored light pen. Those students were: Angie Lawrence, Zachary Ramsey, Kayla Reynolds, Madeilyn Bullen, Carissa Looney, Zachary Mills, John Harris, Amberlee Woodall, Jacob Taylor and Kelsey Bullock. Winner of the giant

fish drawing was James Barron. Thanks to everyone who participated in the fundraiser. The ordered items and individual student prizes will arrive in a few weeks.

The following students were noticed for their "gold" managers: Amanda Northern, Spencer Bolden, Elizabeth Lawrence, Wyatt Aher, Avery Bradshaw, Brandon Jones, Carson Noble, Justice Masters, Christopher Gorodetsky, and Joseph Stevens. Mrs. Jennie Coffey, counselor, recognized these students because they were polite to their peers and adults, listened to others and followed directions.

Tuesday, September 23, is Kentucky PTA Kid's Day. BES PTA wants each and everyone of the students to know that they are special to us. They are our stars!



James Barron, a third grader in Mrs. Beth Jones' class, won the giant fish in the drawing.

Help BES earn free merchandise

Over the past 30 years, Campbell's Labels for Education program has delivered over \$100 million in free merchandise to schools nationwide. To kick-off this year's label collection drive, BES is asking parents, teachers and friends in the community to collect Campbell product labels that can be redeemed for free educational merchandise.

You can help BES earn free merchandise such as computers, audio/visual equipment, sports equipment, reference books, musical instruments and even a mini-van, simply by collecting labels from Campbell products and forwarding them to Brodhead School.

"This year, our goal is to collect 20,000 labels, so we're asking the community to help," said Shirley Martin, coordinator for BES's Labels for Education program. "If we work together, we can build better schools for our children," Mrs. Martin added. It's easy to pick up. Simply save labels or clip proofs of purchase from any of the following eligible Campbell products and send them to Brodhead School.

Campbell's soups, Campbell's Supper, Bakes-meal kits, Franco-American SpaghettiOs pasta, Prego pasta sauces, Swanson broths and canned poultry, Pace salsas and beanitos, V8 vegetable juices and V8 Splash, juice drinks; Campbell's tomato juice, Pepperidge Farm breads, cookies, crackers and frozen products, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish crackers, Campbell's Foodservice products.

Visit labelsforeducation.com to make a Community Label Pledge. Simply visit the website and click onto the "Community Label Pledge" link. Here, you can make a voluntary pledge to donate Campbell product labels to Brodhead School.

For more information on how to be a part of Brodhead School's Labels for Education collection drive, contact the school coordinator Shirley Martin at 758-8170. The 2003-2004 program runs until June 1, 2004.

Minds in the Middle

Our student council representatives have been selected. After campaign speeches in the cafeteria on Thursday, the 8th graders chose Brian Mize as student council president. Sally Mize will represent the Challenger's team, Steven Sealf the Competitor's team, Cody Mize - Adventurer, Ashley Robinson - Shooting Stars, Grant Burdette - Entrepreneurs, and Holly Dees - Voyagers. The group is already at work with their first meeting on Friday.

The Shooting Stars would like to recognize Jeffery Isaacs and Loren Reynolds as their students of the week. Great work Jeffery and Loren!

Several RCMS cross-country athletes competed Saturday in Pulaski County. The girls' team placed 1st out of the 20 teams. Sixth grader Kristin Baker led the way for RCMS finishing 10th. Sixth grader Bethany Clontz finished 11th. The boys placed 7th overall. Sixth grader Blake Parsons led with a 3rd place finish. Andrew Penoli placed 15th and Devin Davidson placed 54th out of nearly 100 runners. The future looks bright!

Holiday Express meets on Tuesday afternoons as part of our 21st Century Community Learning Center. A Hunter's Education course will begin on Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. For more information about these and other 21st CCLC programs, call Anthony Coffey at 256-5118.

Our RAP session for next Wednesday will focus on Drug Abstinence. We want students to know how to say no and to be strong enough to say it. Please reinforce this at home with your children. Kids do get information about drugs. If they are not getting it from parents and teachers, they are getting it from their peers.

There will be an after-school party this Friday from 3-5:00. Students must have parental and team permission in order to attend. Please pick your child up promptly at 5:00. The cost is \$3.00.

The yearbook staff has been selected at RCMS. There were fifty applicants for these positions and 16 were selected. They are: Jessica Cummins, Brian Mize, Megan Lovell, Morgan Thacker, Monica Childress, T. J. Kidwell, Tyler Ingram, Nicole Shepherd, Jordan Cash, Nakeisha Baldwin, Tanner Bray, Hannah Addison, Ian Bullock, Amber Whisker, Chylene Hensley, Nicole McFerron, and Jeanie Alexander. Congratulations to these students!

Many of our students and faculty participated in "See You At the Pole" on Wednesday for a time of prayer for our school and our country.

Congratulations to Mrs. Debbie McClure's homeroom! They achieved five days of perfect attendance and enjoyed a pizza party. We are proud that our students' overall attendance has been excellent.

YSC Center

Research shows that early adolescence (the middle school years) is one of the two most critical periods in a child's life. The other is early childhood. It is during these critical times that children need adult help the most. Schools and parents both have important roles to play in helping middle school children. However, every study finds that parents have the biggest influence. Spend quality time with your student. Be involved and volunteer at school. Time spent with your student will pay off in the end.



RCMS students enjoyed a "Reptile Discovery" last Wednesday learning about predators, camouflage, survival, and the many ways that reptiles benefit people. Eighth grader Mitchell Weaver experienced some hands-on learning with this ball python.

Owens named Robinson Scholar

The University of Kentucky recently recognized its newest class of Robinson Scholars at an awards program held on the campus of Hazard Community College. This most recent class of scholars will contain one student from each of the counties in the program's 20 county service area.

Jill Bellamy Owens, daughter of Ron and Janice Owens of Mt. Vernon, is the most recent student from Rockcastle County to be awarded the Robinson Scholarship.

The University of Kentucky

Robinson Scholars Program provides students from Eastern Kentucky with support services and scholarship resources that empower them to complete a baccalaureate degree at the University of Kentucky. Students are selected in the 8th grade to participate in the program. Upon completion of high school and acceptance to the University of Kentucky or one of the state community colleges, the students are awarded a four-year scholarship which includes tuition, fees, housing, dining and books.

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