



Award-winning author Donna Jo Napoli reads to RCHS students.

Award-winning author visits RCHS

Award-winning children and young adult author Donna Jo Napoli visited Rockcastle County High School on Friday, September 26th. Napoli was in Kentucky to be honored with the 2003 Kentucky Bluegrass Award at the Kentucky Reading Association's conference. Betina Gardner and Melissa Schutt, librarians in the Learning Resources Center at Eastern Kentucky University, coordinated Mrs. Napoli's appearances in this area prior to the KRA

conference in Louisville. Mrs. Janet Wells, Library Media Specialist at RCHS, and the RCHS Book Club hosted the event and were joined by the English students of Mrs. Angela Baker, Mrs. Jennifer Mattingly, and Mrs. Susan Norton. Scarlet Frederick, RCHS Book Club President, introduced the author. Mackenzie Marie, Vice President, and Michael Campbell, Secretary, presented gifts of appreciation to the author and to the ECU librarians.

Mrs. Napoli treated the students to a reading from her latest book, *Breath, to be released later in October*. The students also participated in a question and answer and autograph session with the author. Mrs. Napoli's popular books for young adults include *The Gypsy God*, *Pen, Sigma, Zed*, and other titles that incorporate her favorite topics of legends, mythology, and fairy tales. More information about the author can be found at donnajanapoli.com.

Tiger Pause

On Friday, August 29, 2003, the citizens of the 4th Grade Green Pod at Broadhead Elementary met in the BES Gym to hear speeches from the presidential candidates for the office of Pod President.

The following students were candidates for the presidency: Samantha Adams, Lige Graves, Chase McGuire and Michaela Woodall. Each candidate was chosen by their classmates to represent their room.

Following the speeches, the citizens went to their different precincts and cast their votes for the candidate of their choice. Congratulations to Lige Graves, the winner and President of the Green Pod for the school year 2003-04.

Earlier, students had met and discussed in their classrooms the responsibilities of the president. Some of those chosen by the students were: presides over student council of Green Pod; hears the "voices" of the student body through surveys, question/answer sessions, etc.; leads monthly council meetings; demonstrates the rules and laws of the Green Pod and works directly with the executive council (Brown, Powell, Reynolds, Williams, Messina, Ott and Creech).

This election was part of a unit on Citizenship that enabled students to participate in this very important part of government.



Rockcastle County's 4H Land Judging team competed at the Kentucky State Fair in late August. The young team, made up of four junior members, included two first-time land judges, Ben Whitaker and Jessica Albright. Team members are, left to right: Jeffrey Albright, blue ribbon winner, Dustin Reynolds, red ribbon; Jessica Albright, red ribbon; and Ben Whitaker, blue ribbon.

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Regular Meeting

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AGENDA

October 14, 2003

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Silent Prayer
- B. Roll Call
- C. Reading of Board Team Commitments

2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION

3. COMMUNICATION

- A. 2003-2003 Assessment Results

4. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS

- A. Approve minutes of the September 9, 2003 regular monthly meeting
- B. Approve bills for payment
- C. Approve Emergency Substitute Teacher Application TC-4: Brandy Shoemaker; Donna Marie Anderson
- D. Approve Board Policy 08.13452 English as a Second Language
- E. Approve request for Extended Disability Leave (03.2234) for Kim Childress
- F. Approve 2003-2004 MOU with Cabinet for Families and Children (FC-03-04-1785)
- G. Approve 2003-2004 Pride Grant (EF03-70)
- H. Approve Board Policy 03.2321 Use of District Property (maintain existing policy)
- I. Approve 2003-2004 Memorandum of Agreement with Kentucky Cabinet for Workforce Development, Department for Technical Education, Rockcastle County Area Technology Center (21" CCLC)
- J. Approve waiver request for shortened school day for: Rockcastle Hospital - 3 females (ages 3, 19 and 19); Rockcastle County Hospital - 3 males (ages 4, 14, and 19); Mt. Vernon Elementary - 1 male (age 9)

Mt. Vernon Message

For the week of 10/9/03

Upcoming Events:

Smoky the Bear visits MVES on Wednesday and Thursday, October 8 and 9.

This year, we have moved to a 9-week grading period. The end of our first 9-week period is October 10. Report cards will be sent home on the following week.

Tune in to WRVK on October 11 for the Know Your Schools program. There will be a feature presentation for our school.

Our monthly Parent-Teacher Group meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 13.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 16. Watch for notes to be sent home for scheduling an appointment.

Special Projects:

Project Wisdom Readers for last week were: Cassie Robinson, Samantha Stewart, Courtney Campbell and Zachary Napier, students and Debbie Cummins, 4th grade teacher was our mystery reader.

Art prizewinner for this rotation is Kayla Wynn from Mrs. Cameron's homeroom. She chose *crayons* as her prize. Congratulations, Kayla! Our quote for this week is "Living without goals is like going on a trip without a destination."



Kayla Wynn
Weekly art prize winner



Upcoming Reunions

McClure Reunion

Descendants of Lee and Maggie Bradley McClure will hold a reunion on Sunday, October 19, 2003 at Burnett Chapel Methodist Church on Highway 934, just off 461 at the Rockcastle/Pulaski Co. line. Lunch will be served about 1:30 p.m. All relatives and friends are welcome. Bring a dish and join us.

Durham Reunion

The First Family Reunion of the late Bill and Ethel Durham will be held Saturday, October 11, 2003 at the home of Emma Gray. All relatives and close friends are invited. No alcoholic beverages allowed.

It is an all-day event and dinner will be at 1 p.m. Bring a covered dish and join us for this happy occasion. We will be looking forward to seeing you.

Thank You

The family of Ora Howard would like to thank everyone who sent flowers, brought food, and gave condolences during the loss of our Mother. We would like to especially thank the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home, Livingston Pentecostal Church, Bros. Jimmy Miller, Jeff Lewis and the

Wonderful singers Jim & Liz Miller, Sandy Miller, Jasper Carpenter, Ricky Hensley, Shaye North, and Renee Warren.

A special thank you to the members of Carmichael Church for the wonderful dinner.

The Children, Paul, Jerry, Fairy, Clara, Bertha and Burns.

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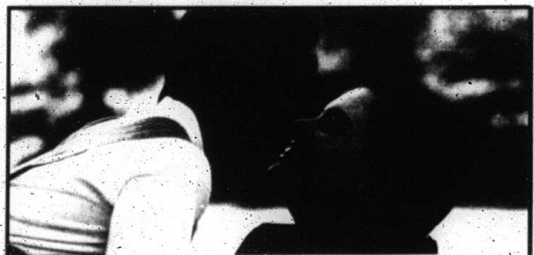
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Notice

The County Board of Election Commissioners will convene at the County Clerk's office Wednesday, October 15, 2003 for the purpose of examining the voting machines for all fourteen precincts of Rockcastle County. Any candidate or representative who wishes to observe the examination may do so.

Applications for paper absentee ballots must be received in the county clerk's office by October 28, 2003. Requests for applications must be made by phone, fax, mail or in person and can be requested by the voter or the spouse, parents or child of voter.

Absentee voting for voters who will be absent from the county on election day but according to law are not allowed to vote by paper absentee ballot will be conducted in the county clerk's office beginning October 20, 2003 through November 3, 2003. The hours for voting will be Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.



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