Youth Yak at RCHS

By Myrna D. Childress

Our chorus and band departments entertained us with concerts on Wednesday, December 10. The music got us all in the Christmas spirit. A concert for the community was held on Monday, December 8. Thanks for all the hard work Ms. Hembree and Mr. Daugherty put into the concerts. Also, thanks for the students interest and dedication to the band and chorus programs. Are music department is an asset to RCHS.

We still have yearbooks available. Come by the office if you wish to purchase one.

Congratulations to Jason Leger. The Associated Press has named him to the football 1st team All-State as a defensive lineman. He also received Honorable Mention as an offensive lineman.

The Chess Club is conducting a food drive. Admission to the December 19 Chess Club meeting will be a non-perishable food item or .50. Food items may be dropped off in Ms. Abney's room any day.

Winner of the 4-H Speech Contest was Anthony Cook. Congratulations Anthony.

Auditions for "Macbeth" will be held this Thursday, December 11 at 3:15.

Our boys and girls basketball teams have proved to be winners already this season. There are too many games being played for me to post all the results. Check the sports items elsewhere in this newspaper for a complete story on each.

Academic Team results: JV beat Casey County 24-14, lost to Madison Southern 20-21. Top scorer was Michael Campbell. The Varsity defeated Casey County 15-14 and lost to Madison Southern 17-18. Top scorer was Anna Guilfoil. The A-Team will have a meet at Lincoln Co. on Tuesday the 9th.

Finals for this semester will be this Tuesday and Wednesday. December 11 will start second semester.

Remember the Career Fair is scheduled for December 16 here at RCHS. This is an annual event that the students find very informative for them as they decide on a future career. They can talk to representatives and receive materials from different businesses and colleges. Thanks to the Guidance Committee for planning this event and to all the organizations represented.

If your child is going to ride the bus home with another student, please call the school and let us know. We require verbal contact with a family member before we write a bus pass.

ACT test will be this Saturday. Good luck to all who plan to take the test.

This week we chose Mr. Roy Reynolds as our staff spotlight of the week. Mr. Reynolds has been teaching at RCHS since 1988. He received his degree in Agriculture Education from the University of Kentucky in 1983. He teaches Agriculture, Agro Biology and Horticulture. He is married to Kristi Martin Reynolds. They have two children, Dustin, 11 and Kayla-7. He has lived and worked in Rockcastle County except for the four years where he worked in Hardin County as the County Extension Agent for Ag. His hobby is farming. He owns two farms, about 150 acres. He raises tobacco and beef cattle. He also enjoys working with the Future Farmers of America and watching his children play sports. He feels his greatest accomplishment is all the good FFA teams he's been a part of. "There have been a lot of successful students come through the Ag. Department." His has two favorite movies, "Apocalypse Now" and "Lonesome Dove." Since it's almost Christmas I asked Mr. Reynolds what he wanted for Christmas. His reply was a new tractor with a cab. I hope you get that tractor Mr. Reynolds.

Ms. Jessica Lynn Zupancic was chosen as our student spotlight this week. Jessica is a junior here. She is the daughter of Steve and Linda Zupancic of Willallia. She lives with her parents, brother and cat, Tigger. Her favorite thing about RCHS is Mr. Hale. "He is a kind and understanding person," says Jessica. "He will do his best to help you if you have a problem." Her least favorite thing is teachers who give too much homework. Jessica thinks some teachers expect too much from students. "They want everything to be perfect and some of us are just not perfectionists." Her favorite class is Presentation Graphics taught at the Vocational school by Ms. Patty Himes. Her toughest class is English. Her favorite movie is "Bad Boys II." Her hobby is spending time with her boyfriend. They go to the movies, the mall etc. Her plans for after graduation are to get married and have a job. Her favorite memory of RCHS thus far is being exempt from exams. Her family and friends are lucky because when I asked her what she wanted for Christmas she couldn't think of a thing.

Mt. Vernon Message

Upcoming Events

December 17 is the end of our second 9 week grading period. Report cards will not go home until we return from Christmas vacation.

Christmas vacation begins December 22. Students will return to school on January 5.

Special Projects:

Project Wisdom readers for last week are as follows;

*Louise Kirby, custodian
*Judy Bullock, gym teacher
*Tiffany Gross, student
*Joseph Daugherty, student

David Morris was our art prize-winner for this rotation. He chose crayola twistables as his prize. Congratulations, David!

Our quote for the week is "Everyone has a gift for something, even if it is the gift of being a good friend."

David Morris
Weekly Art Prize Winner

Reynolds initiated into Sigma Kappa

Brandy Reynolds was recently initiated into the Gamma Pi chapter of the Sigma Kappa sorority of Kentucky Wesleyan College. Sigma Kappa unites its members in a bond of friendship for the development of character and the promotion of social, literary, and intellectual culture, and to support and further the program and objectives of the Kentucky Wesleyan College. The Sigma Kappa mission - to promote the ideals of life long friendship, intellectual and spiritual fulfillment and service for the greater good.

Reynolds, a senior math major, is a graduate of RCHS and the daughter of Gary Reynolds of Crab Orchard and Regina Hull-Brown of Mt. vernon

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"PR Awards"

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lection of Rockcastle County High School student writings of various genres and visual artwork reflecting the essence of Kentucky Music in Partnership with the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum (KMHFM).

"This recognition is very exciting for us at the Hall of Fame and Museum, commented Robert Lawson, Co-director of Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum." This project has been a very successful partnership and we look forward to partnering with Rockcastle County Schools on future projects." The student contributors to "There's Music In Kentucky", have presented the plaque to the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum for permanent display.

The Rockcastle County FFA Chapter attended the Made For Excellence Leadership Conference. This conference is a leadership program that helps dedicated FFA members build their leadership and speaking skills for not only their time in the FFA, but for the rest of their lives. The Made for Excellence Leadership Conference was held on Eastern Kentucky University Campus on Friday November 21st and Saturday November 22nd.

Cub Scouts Pack 263 met at the Rockcastle County Hospital Saturday to give out gifts to long-term patients. Pictured are front row: Brian Bishop, Mark Anderson, J.D. Morgan, Austin Harness, Tommy Philbeck, Tristan Girod, Roy Scott Winstead, Dustin Carpenter, and Charles Cornelius. Back row: Shirley Dickerson-Webelos Leader, Jesse Morgan-Cub Master, Charles Dickerson, and Jeff Harness-Tiger Cub Leader. Attended but not shown are Jonathan Alexander, and Jonathan Sowder. Photo by Terri Morgan- Assistant Cub Master. We would like to thank the Rockcastle County Hospital Staff and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Scenes from Kenna's Kitchen held at Mt. Vernon Elementary.

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