## **Greenhand Ceremony** by Rockcastle FFA

Submitted by Chapter Reporter Bethany McKinney "Leadership and learning are indispensable to each

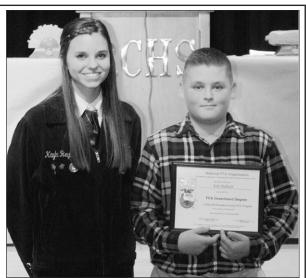
(John F. Kennedy) On November 8, 2012, the RCHS Auditorium was filled with many parents of young FFA members anxious to receive their Greenhand Degree and also compete in the Creed and Quiz Contest.

For a Freshman FFA member, receiving the Greenhand Degree is usually their first big accomplishment in the FFA, and is also an honor to receive. In order to receive this honor, the members must recite the FFA Creed, the FFA Motto, and Opening Ceremonies; and also have a general knowledge of the FFA.

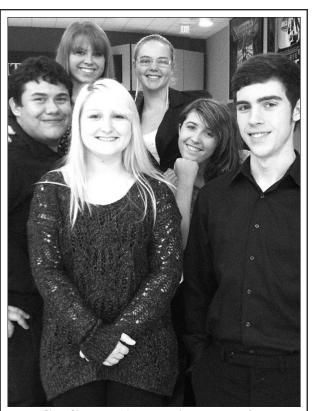
Along with receiving their degree, the members are offered the chance to

compete in the local quiz contest, in which the members are asked questions of FFA history and knowledge. The winners of the Quiz Contest were: Allie Johnson, Brittany Long, and Chelsea Overbey, tying for 2nd; and Eric Bullock placed 1st overall. Being the local winner, Eric will go on to compete in the regional contest at the regional banquet.

Another big contest for the Greenhands is the Creed Contest. In the creed contest, the members have to recite all 5 paragraphs of the FFA Creed to the best of their abilities. The winners of the creed contest were: Ricki Jean Lay placing 3rd, Brittany Long placing 2nd, and James Clay Ballinger placing 1st. James Clay will go on to compete in the regional contest in April. Congratulations to all the Greenhands.



Congratulations to local quiz contest winner Eric Bullock. Also pictured is Kayla Reynolds.



### RCHS Band Members Perform with Bluegrass All-Regional Band

Recently members of the RCHS band were selected by audition to perform with the 2013 Bluegrass All-Regional Bands at Madison Central High School. The students were among the top musicians from 30 schools in south central and eastern Kentucky. Students spent the weekend in rehearsals with conductors John Fannin and Dennis Johnson of Murray State University and gave a concert on Saturday January 12th in Richmond. Pictured are Micheal Brewer, senior Hannah Tyler, Shanoah Shelton, Jessica Harris, Shelby Brown, and Dylan

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Congratulations to the FFA freshmen who received their Greenhand Degree. Pictured are, third row from left: Aaryn Thompson, James Clay Ballinger, Ricki Jean Lay, Tessa Nicely, Tesla Riddle, Kendra Kelley, Whitney Thomas, and Eric Bullock. Second row from left: Jessica Mason, Brittany Long, David Gabbard, Hunter Hines, Alissa Chasteen, Jacob White, Katie Adams, Amber Chestnut, Allie Johnson, and BJ Wynn. Front row from left: Micheal Collet, Tiffany Hamilton, Chelsea Overbay, Tara Northern, Alissa Snyder, Kamryn Brinegar, Kayla Horn, Kayla Shaffer, Jacklynn Thacker, Kaleigh Noel, and Sierra Rader.



Congratulations to local creed speaking contest winner James Clay Ballinger. Also pictured is Charity Adams.

### "York"

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Court Clerk and those who are new to the office.'

Twenty-nine circuit court clerks were newly elected in the November 2012 general election. Of the 29, 26 were either unopposed or won their primary election to become unopposed in the general election. The other three were opposed in the general election and won.

All newly elected circuit court clerks receive support from the AOC, the operations arm of the state court system. As part of the orientation, they were invited to an AOC resource fair, a one-stop shop to assist them with information and items they need to get started in office. Court personnel provided information about human resources issues, Law Library, court programs, stationery, email and other matters.

The circuit court clerks also received an introduction to the Kentucky Association of Circuit Court Clerks and the Trust for Life program at the orientation. The KACCC sponsors Trust for Life to promote organ and tissue donation through driver licensing and the Kentucky Organ Donor reg-

In Kentucky, one circuit court clerk is elected to serve in each of the 120 counties. They provide professional recordkeeping, receive money due the courts, pay money to required parties and the state, record legal documents, provide legal documents and other legal materials, maintain the jury system, administer oaths, handle affidavits and issue driver licenses and non-driver ID cards

### Kentucky Crossword # 567 www.kentuckycrosswords.com

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64. Lightly cooked

67. Head start

go 69. Exhausted

Wager Clothes moths

DOWN

65. S-shaped molding 66. Unlawful firing?

68. Poor, as excuses

70. Prepared to drive

71. What icicles do

Fiddle with

Met solo

maybe

11. Radio tuner

12. Farm unit

Recipe"

Jacob's twin

25. "Kentucky's Public

Ivy University

27. Famous guitar

brand

13.

10. Thoroughbred

racetrack in

Henderson, KY

Famous

Student grant

Bandleader Miller

Portrays in words

President Wilson's

John E. Madden.

Treasury Sec. and 57

ACROSS Deer sir

Inner hand

Award Cash drawer

**Guitarist Clapton** 16. Guthrie's restaurant

owner Some chips, maybe

18. Peru's capital 19. Driving problem

20. Home race course of the Blue Grass

Stakes 22. Louisville native, known for his collection of folk songs

23. Takes in 24. Human frames

26. "Act your \_\_\_!"
29. Surpass in speed

Racetracks

38. Brought up 39. Creme-filled cookie

40. Farm machine

42. Fair attraction 43. Actor Keanu

45. Home city of race course

Kentucky Downs 47. They call themselves

49. Swedish rug 50. "Dressed to the

28. SDF letters 52. Harness and steeplechase, for two 57. King's retainer 60. Famous Derby

63. Refuse

unit "Downs" race track

30. Seed cover 31. Ghanian monetar 32. Genesis garden 33. Apple leftover 34. Ticks off

35. Raise a stink

Latonia Race

Track opened

there in 1883

37. Space Shuttle

44. Distinguished

54. Racehorse that

(1994-96)

55. Varnish resin

before..

58. Stringed instrument

61. Push for

62. Kentuckian

consecutive races

"The sweetest gift

\_ the night

of heaven": Virgil

59. To be, in old Rome

Supreme Court

SOLUTION TO KY566

Justice from

Mason Co.

46. DEA agent

48. Hush-hush 51. Sun visor 53. "Grab \_\_\_

won 16

airport abbr.

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Mt. Vernon Council **Meeting Date Changed** 

Due to Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday falling on January 21st (regular meeting date), the Mt. Vernon City Council will instead meet Monday, January 28th at 7 p.m.

### **Bookmobile Schedule**

Mon., Jan. 21st: Sprio, Level Green, Willailla and Country Care. Tues., Jan. 22nd: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

**Livingston Fire & Rescue Turkey Shoot** 

Livingston Fire and Rescue will hold a Turkey Shoot on Sat., Jan. 19th, beginning at 10 a.m. at David Mason's garage, north of Livingston on US 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shotguns only. \$2 a shot. Shells furnished by the fire dept. Concessions will be sold.

### Tenth Annual Books for Bikes

Registration for the Tenth Annual Books for Bikes began January 7th and will continue through January 31st at the Rockcastle County Public Library in Mt. Vernon.

Nami Meeting There will be a NAMI meeting Mon., Jan. 21st from noon to 1 p.m. in the conference room of the Comp Care

**Kiwanis Meeting Change** The Kiwanis Thursday luncheon meetings are held at the

Tea Cup Cafe, Main St., Mt. Vernon. VFW News During the winter months, the post will be closed Mon-

### day, Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday. **Brodhead Lodge Meeting**

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

**RCDB Meeting Notice** The Rockcastle County Development Board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at noon at the Rockcastle

County Courthouse 3rd floor Technology Center. The public is invited to attend.

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

### **Kiwanis Club Meetings**

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at The Renfro Valley Lodge in Renfro Valley. Everyone welcome.

**Historical Society Hours** The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

### **Sons of Confederate Veterans**

The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV), Rockcastle Camp, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, contact David Owens at 606-256-9870.

### **American Legion Post 71**

American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. of each month at the Back Porch Restaurant in the Renfro Valley Village. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.