

Annual 4-H Speech Contest held at Mt. Vernon Elementary

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The Rockcastle County 4-H Council held their annual 4-H Speech Contest on Tuesday, December 4, 2001 at Mt. Vernon Elementary School. A total of 47 speeches were given and awarded ribbons. Champions and alternates were recognized in each age category 9 through 14. The 1st and 2nd place winners have earned the privilege of representing themselves and Rockcastle County in the Wilderness Trail Area 4-H Communications Day on Saturday, April 20, 2002 at West Knox Elementary School at Corbin, Ky.

A big thank you goes to all those who served as judges for the event:

Deborah Cook, Betty Spires, William Leger, Daniel Wayne, Beth Saylor, Seth Saylor, Chris McGuire, Melissa McGuire, and Zack Gentry. Also, a special thanks to Mt. Vernon Elementary School for hosting the program. Also, tip of the hat goes to all the school teachers and staff for helping work with the young people on their speeches.

Below is a list in each category of the participants and their ribbons:

9 yr old:
1st Place - Devin Davidson
2nd Place - Amber Whitaker
Blue Ribbon Winners: Ashley Miller, Carly McClure, Adrienne Childress, Megan Perkins, Taylor McGuire, and Bethany Clontz.

10 yr old:
1st Place - Brooke Martines
2nd Place - Megan Hood
Blue Ribbon Winners: Brandon Young, Casey Sturgill, Kathy Mattingly, Lauren Graham, Brittany Calhoun, John Lambert, Rachel Woodall, and Brandon Russell.
11 yr old:
1st Place - Carri Hunt
2nd Place - Bethany French
Blue Ribbon Winners: Brooke Kirby, Morgan Thacker, Lewis Mink, April Johnson, Andrew Laswell, Devin Hasty, Cody Kirby,

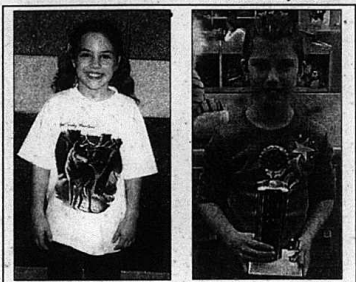
Rae Cowan, Michael Nicely, and Kayla Collins.

12 yr old:
1st Place - Drew Davidson
2nd Place - Morgan Kincer
Blue Ribbon Winners: Josh Nation, Josh Blair, Steven Renner, Erica McKinney, Westley Miller, Matt Martin, Christy Napier, Jay Cobb, and Dustin Poynter.

13 and 14 yr old:
1st Place - Clinton Walker and also
1st Place - Anthony Cook.
Congratulations to each young person who participated in this year's event and thank you for being a part of 4-H.



Rockcastle County Middle School participants in the 4-H Speech Contest are, front row from left: Steven Renner, Devin Hasty, Bethany French, Morgan Thacker and Kayla Collins. Second row from left: Dustin Poynter, Jay Cobb, Morgan Kincer, Brook Kirby, Clinton Walker, Josh Blair, April Johnson and Michael Nicely. Back row from left: Andrew Laswell, Erica McKinney, Christy Napier, Drew Davidson, Josh Nation, Anthony Cook, Westley Miller, Lewis Mink and Matt Martin.



Ashley Miller and Carri Hunt of Broadhead Elementary School were participants in the 4-H Speech Contest.



Winners of the 4-H Speech Contest are pictured above, front row from left: Megan Hood, Bethany French, Carri Hunt, Amber Whitaker, Devin Davidson and Brook Martines. Back row from left: Clinton Walker, Anthony Cook, Drew Davidson and Morgan Kincer. All winners will go to the Wilderness Trail Area Communications Day on Saturday, April 30, 2002 in Knox County.



Mt. Vernon Elementary School 4-H Speech participants are, front row from left: Brandon Russell, Megan Hood, Lauren Graham, Brittany Calhoun and Cody Kirby. Second row from left: John Lambert, Rae Cowan, Brook Martines, Megan Perkins, and Carly McClure. Third row from left: Amber Whitaker, Casey Sturgill, Rachel Woodall, Devin Davidson and Adrienne Childress. Fourth row from left: Taylor McGuire, Katy Mattingly, Bethany Clontz and Brandon Young.

Merry Christmas



Pictured, front row from left: Sam Ford, David Henderson and Danny Ford. Back row from left: Dusty Mullins, Danetta Allen, Clarissa Hodge and Roy Adams. Not pictured were Jeff Burdette, Jeff Cromer and Judy Ford.

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