

Summer Reading Program underway

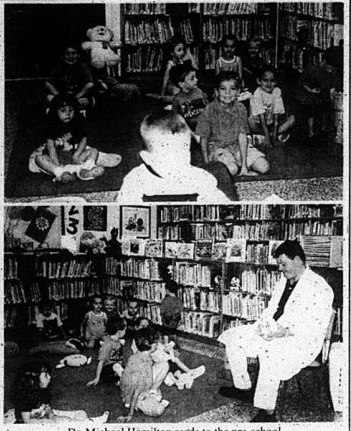
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Our 2002 Summer Reading Program is underway here at the library! Several preschool children, elementary students, middle school students, high school students and some adults have signed up for the program. The participants are already bringing their book logs in to receive coupons from

Wendy's and Pizza Hut. Remember, read five books and get a coupon for a free Jr. Frosty from Wendy's. For every ten books you read you will receive a coupon for a free Personal Pan Pizza from Pizza Hut. We are so appreciative of all of the businesses that have assisted us in this good program to promote literacy. An exhaus-

tive list of businesses will be acknowledged at the end of Summer Reading. The kickoff programs for the preschool and elementary students on Tuesday were a big success. We appreciate Dr. Michael Hamilton for taking the time out of his busy schedule to come and talk to the children, read and interact with them. The attendance for the program was outstanding. Also the craft time at 3:30 p.m. for the elementary students was a hit! It is becoming one of the most popular programs for Summer Reading.

The crafts are going to take at least two weeks to make each time, so we will be looking for you to come and join in the fun! Next Monday we are having a very special program at 4:00 p.m. The National History Educational Co. will be presenting a live Reptile Show June 24th at 4:00 p.m. here at the library. There is no admission fee for this program. Make plans to bring your children for an exciting afternoon of fun at the Rockcastle County Public Library! Make the connection @ your library.



Dr. Michael Hamilton reads to the preschool



Kathy McKibben having craft time with elementary students



On May 10th, Drive Smart Kentucky conducted a Child Passenger Safety Check-up Event in conjunction with the Rockcastle Health Department. Eighteen seats were inspected. Ten seats were found to be in need of replacement and new seats were issued to the families. McDonalds assisted in this event by providing drinks to the participants. A big thanks goes to Pizza Hut who provided lunch for the technicians who worked the event.

Rockcastle County Safety Campaign

The Rockcastle County Health Department has concluded a 3-month Child Safety Campaign. This is the second year of the program. Cumberland Valley District Health Department is implementing safety programs because motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of death for all children ages 5-15, as well as for older teens and young adults. In Rockcastle County, the 1998 KY County Health Profiles showed unintentional injuries as the third leading cause of death. Child safety seats can reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71% for infants and by 54% for toddlers. Lap and shoulder belts, when used, reduce the risk of fatal injury to front seat passenger car occupants by 45% and the risk of moderate-to-critical injury by 50%.

319 students, 42% were properly restrained. This was an 18% improvement from last year. A follow-up survey (see chart) was conducted on May 31st. Our survey shows that Rockcastle County residents need to make a commitment to Buckle Up!

A free Child Passenger Safety Check was conducted on May 10th by certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. The event was sponsored by the health department, state police, Drive Smart, KY Vehicle Enforcement and KY Safe Kids Coalition. Safety Seat Technicians inspected car seats and instructed parents how to properly install car seats. Car seats that were found defective were replaced. Any participant that needed a car seat was provided one.

The Rockcastle County Health Department recently received 240 booster seats, 10 convertible seats and 20 infant seats. We will begin offering free car seats. Parents will be required to attend an instructional training on how to properly install a car seat. Please contact the health department, 256-2242, if you need a car seat.

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