

Library News

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This past week the Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club purchased two rocking chairs for the Children's Library. This very special purchase was made in honor and memory of Mr. Donald Coyle, previous Kiwanis President. We wish to thank the Kiwanis Club for all of the many contributions that is makes to the public library.

This year Kiwanis helped us get a book grant, helped us purchase supplies for the Children's Library and purchased the chairs. Our hat is off to all of the Kiwanis members.

Also we would like to thank Mr. Jack Chaliff for hauling the chairs in the back of his truck. Thanks Mr. Jack! Our children's area now has a matching adult and child's rocker. We are confident that these new additions to the area will benefit the parents that bring their children to the library, especially those with little ones.

Our story hour was a hit with Santa (John Holbrook) surprising the children! Thanks Santa! We had 25 children and ten adults for our little holiday party here at the library. We have some grandmothers that bring little ones to the story hours and mamas that bring three and four children to participate. Some of the children from PJ's Daycare are

brought to the library a couple of times a month. The library staff and director really appreciate the good attendance from time to time, and the way the children that come regularly are so very well behaved during the program, and they pick up the toys after playing with them. I would like to say a special thank you to the adults who helped me with the crafts, snacks and clean up. What a joy to work with good people in our community trying to make a difference in these children's lives.

For the last few months we have had a very special young man working here at the library along with the regular staff. Brady Philbeck has done a wonderful job helping out wherever he is needed. At the end of the month Brady will be moving on to continue his education at Berea College next semester. Brady's willingness to work and pleasant attitude has certainly been an asset. We wish Brady every good fortune in the future.

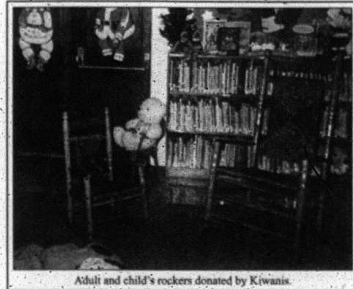
Our library staff would like to wish everyone in the community a very Happy Holiday and New Year. We hope the holidays will be filled with love of family and friends. May 2003 be a year filled with wonderful new challenges. Don't forget to make the connection. Connect @ your Library!



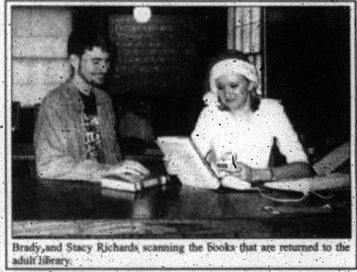
Brady Philbeck - We wish you well!



The children sing and enjoy Santa.



Adele and child's rockers donated by Kiwanis.



Brady and Stacy Richards scanning the books that are returned to the adult library.



The children visiting with Santa.

No Paper Next Week

Due to the Christmas holiday, the *Mt. Vernon Signal* will not publish next week.

Our next issue will be January 2, 2003. The *Signal* office will be closed December 23-27, 2002 and will reopen December 30th.



Ms. Kathy counts and sings with the children before Santa arrives.

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May you and your loved ones enjoy all the splendor of this very special time of year. It's been a pleasure serving you.

From Danny and Gaylen Settles and all the employees at

From left: Josh Wallin, Jamey Fleming, Jackie Valerio, Janet Day, Denise Parsons and Gaylen Settles

KFC will close at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve and be closed Christmas Day. Reopening day after Christmas at regular time.