

Through the double doors

BY MELISSA PAQUETTE

The RCHS library is giving students a new reason to play with their mouse. This summer the expansion of the card catalog took place. It is now on the computers in the center of the room.

"It has been a long time coming but it is wonderful having it on the computer now," Mrs. Janet Wells, the school librarian, replied when asked about the new appliances added to the library.

The Media Center catalog is now in schools all over the state.

Along with the computerized card catalog, the Kentucky Virtual Library has been added.

According to Ms. Wells, the Virtual Library has many things to help students and teachers, such as NovelList, a site to help students gather information on authors, books, health, and medical research. Many varieties of databases can be found also.

Many of the students are amazed by the new elements to help make learning easy and fun.

"It's great to be able to find books quicker," says Brandon Reynolds, one of the many seniors who dealt with the card flipping.

Another positive aspect was discovered by senior Wesley Falin.

"You know when the books are checked in or not."

If you haven't gotten the chance to check out the new equipment added to the library, now is the time to. Go ahead and double click your mouse.



photo by Susan Norton
Mr. John Hale, Josh Hale, Jennifer Carmack, and Cheyenne Carmack wash cars Saturday, September 16 at Hardee's. The money will be used to fund a trip to Paris next summer.

New policy effects student drivers

BY TASHA SANDLIN

A new policy "affects all students who drive to school, possibly putting some back on the bus.

According to the new student handbook, "Any student that is tardy to school three (3) times in a nine week grading period will lose their driving privileges for the remainder of the nine (9) weeks."

If a student loses his/ her privilege then the parking spot can be sold to another student.

"Maybe this, will lessen the tardies, and will cut down on the

tardies to prepare the students for the future," said Principal Ruth Allen.

Although there is no actual record of last year's tardies, Ms. Becky Perkins, attendance secretary, said "There was a lot."

The policy change is meeting with mixed results from students.

"If the school is too lenient, then people will always come in late," said senior Bryant Reams.

Misty Spoonamore, also a senior, believes the policy is unfair.

"Being a mother of a four year old is tough, and living out of the county makes it harder to be on time."

Other students say there are traffic problems or they get behind slower cars. They say it cannot be helped.

Ms. Allen concedes students will sometimes be late, but they are given three chances. The policy will continue. If successful, it will continue next year.

What do you think about the new tardy policy? Or is another issue concerning you? Write to us and let us know what you think. Email us at norton28@highwired.com or deliver your letter to the editor to Ms. Susan Norton in Room 116.

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Students bound for Paris

BY JOANIE MINK KING

Members of the RCHS French Club are Paris-bound and busy holding a variety of fundraisers.

"More money may make the prices go down and the students won't have to pay as much," explained Mrs. Angie Hendrickson, French Club adviser.

Some of the fundraisers are candy sales, and Argus poster sales. They also held a yard sale September 9 and a car wash September 16.

A chili supper will be held at RCMS before the Homecoming game September 29. Plans are also in the works for a Rocketopoloy game.

"The Rocketopoloy game will be very similar to Monopoly but will focus on Rockcastle County business and RCHS," said Mrs.

Hendrickson.

The students will spend nine days in France. Some of the things planned are visits to major attractions in Paris including the Eiffel Tower, Louvre, and the Arc de Triomphe. The students will then take a ride under the English Channel for a two day stay in England.

Mrs. Henderickson, Mrs. Nancy Bussell, and Ms. Susan Norton will be the chaperones. Mrs. Hendrickson added that they have opened enrollment for adults or students who would like to go.

For more information see Mrs. Angie Hendrickson in room 021. Her planning time is from 9:40 - 11:15. The prices are \$1800 for students, and \$2035 for adults.

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