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National Champions



The Rend Lake College Warriors are national champions! RLC beat Moraine Valley of Palos Hills 87-69 during the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) men's basketball national championship tournament game on March 23 in Danville. The Warriors' defeat of the Cyclones was the program's first national championship.

RLC offers Family Trivia Night

Rend Lake College Community and Corporate Education is offering a trivia night, where parents and children can team up and enjoy an evening of family fun.

Me & My Buddy Trivia Night will be held from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., Saturday, April 6, at the RLC Historic Schoolhouse on the main campus in Ina. The event will be full of kid-friendly trivia questions. This friendly competition will include trivia categories about music, animals, candy, and much more. Teams of two (one child and one adult) will compete for bragging rights. Dinner, snacks, beverages, and small prizes are included in the registration fee. The registration fee is \$20 per team.

For more information, or to register, call RLC Community and Corporate Education at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1267 or 1714 or toll-free at (800) 369-5321, Ext. 1267 or 1714. Make contact by e-mail at CommCorpEd@rlc.edu.

Scholarship Spotlight: John C. Riley IV Memorial Scholarship

The John C. Riley IV Scholarship for Rend Lake College students is an endowment established with the RLC Foundation in 2000 and first awarded in 2004. The scholarship provides \$1,000 for a student each year. To date, \$10,540 has been awarded to 10 students through this endowment. All applicants are considered and preference is given to graduates of Rome Grade School in Dix. The most recent recipient was nursing student Heather Zuber of Mt. Vernon. Zuber is married, has a son, Owen, and is a 2003 graduate of Mt. Vernon Township High School. The scholarship memorializes John C. Riley IV, a Rome student who died from injuries suffered in a four-wheeler accident at his home in 1994. He was 10 years old. The young organ donor's kidneys went to a St. Louis woman, his liver to a toddler in Kansas City, and his heart to a teenage girl in Ohio. It is a kind heart. One year around Christmas, his school held its annual tradition of providing small presents students could buy to give to others. Young John managed to get \$20 from his father and \$20 from his mother. Neither knew the other had given him money, nor did they know how he planned to use it. A call from his teacher the next day explained everything. "Do you know what your son did today?" his teacher asked. "He made sure every kid there had enough money to buy something for their family members." John C. Riley IV was survived at the time by his parents, John III and Betty; and older sisters, Melissa and Jennifer. "We wanted to do something else to keep his name going," said his father.

Applying for a scholarship to RLC is simple. Start by going online to www.rlc.edu/foundation and click on the link to apply. Every applicant is considered for all scholarships housed by the Foundation. Students are sorted based on the scholarship criteria and selected from their respective peers.

Honor your business or loved one with a scholarship at Rend Lake College. Call the Foundation office at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1214.



John Riley III, Heather Zuber and Betty Riley



Get your partner and head out to RLC's family Trivia Night on Saturday, April 6. Register by calling 618-437-5321, Ext. 1267.

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Career Day at Rend Lake College



Rend Lake College President Terry Wilkerson welcomed more than 400 area high school students to the Ina campus on March 20 in Waugh Gymnasium. The students were introduced to a wide range of career and technical programs the college offers as they get closer to choosing a career path.

FOLLOW THE LEAD
HEADLINES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

In US News

Hillary Clinton announces support for same-sex marriage
Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, considered a top Democratic contender for the 2016 presidential race, formally announced her support for same-sex marriage in a statement today, a move that was widely anticipated after she stepped down from the Obama administration. (CBS News) March 18, 2013

Jury recommends death penalty in Ohio Craigslist case
A jury on Wednesday recommended the death penalty for a self-styled street preacher convicted of killing three down-and-out men lured by bogus Craigslist job offers. (USA Today)

In World News
China cites risk of new tension as U.S. bolsters missile defenses
China said Monday that the United States' decision to strengthen antimissile defenses in response to threats from North Korea risked deepening regional tensions, underscoring Beijing's caution on further pressuring the North despite its third nuclear test. (New York Times) March 18, 2013

Inmates who made 'exceptional' escape by helicopter fired on police
Two inmates who made a brazen daytime helicopter escape from a Canadian jail could face attempted murder charges for firing on officers after a car chase, Quebec police said today. (ABC News) March 19, 2013

In Entertainment
Lindsay Lohan arrives late for court appearance
Lindsay Lohan was tardy Monday for a court appearance in Los Angeles. The actress, 26, was scheduled to return to court for a hearing to determine whether she should be jailed on charges that she lied to police about a crash on Pacific Coast Highway in June that sent her to the hospital. She was due in court at 8:30 a.m. PT. (USA Today) March 18, 2013

Miley Cyrus' engagement ring 'being fixed'
The 20-year-old singer and fiancé Liam Hemsworth, 23, have been the subject of speculation about the state of their relationship following reports he cheated on

her with January Jones, before fleeing home to Australia and while Miley has been spotted without her ring, she claims it is simply being fixed. (Channel 24) March 19, 2013

In Science

Genes, not light, make roosters crow at dawn
Roosters are genetically programmed to crow with the dawn, finds a new study that could also help to explain why dogs bark and cats meow. (Discovery News) March 18, 2013

Mega volcanoes responsible for mass extinctions on Earth?
Massive volcanic eruptions may have led to the extermination of half of Earth's species some 200 million years ago, a new study suggests. (Fox News) March 22, 2013

In Technology

SimCity players offered free EA game
The free games, available as digital downloads, include recent releases Mass Effect 3, Plants vs Zombies and Bejeweled 3. The move follows connection problems and glitches caused by EA's decision to make SimCity an online-only game. (BBC News) March 18, 2013

Google Street View climbs world's highest mountains
Always wanted to climb Mount Kilimanjaro, but don't have the time, strength, stamina, or determination? Google Maps will help you cross the expedition off of your bucket list, while still in your pajamas. (PC Magazine) March 19, 2013

In Health

Grandparents 'may relay autism risk to grandchildren'
The risk of developing autism may be passed on through — and not just to — future generations, researchers say. The international study suggests older fathers are more likely to have grandchildren with autism than their younger counterparts. (BBC News) March 20, 2013

Car exhaust hurts children as much as second-hand smoke
Having your children live near a busy highway is kind of like keeping them penned in the smoking area of a Greyhound bus station, according to a new study. (The Atlantic Cities) March 22, 2013



Jeannie Mitchell



Jaimee Bond



Lucas Wells



Ward McDaniel

RLC Campus Connection

The Chronicle's own Fernando Jacinto set out on campus to find out ...

March 15 is known as the Ides of March. What is that?
Jeannie Mitchell, Carterville, Psychology Professor
A. About a buck 50.

Jaimee Bond, 19, Memphis, Tenn., Major: Social Work
A. What do you mean? ... I don't understand.

Lucas Wells, 21, Mt. Vernon, Major: Undecided
A. I have no idea.

Ward McDaniel, Chicago, RLC Basketball Coach
A. What? I have no idea.

Tracey Webb, Ewing, RLC Theatre Director
A. The Ides of March were first mentioned in Julius Caesar written by William Shakespeare. The Ides of March are a warning, which is "Beware of the Ides of March," which is March 15th. But that's the day Julius Caesar will meet his untimely death and gets assassinated (lots of stab wounds).

The real answer: March 15 corresponds with a date on the Roman calendar where a festival for Anna Perenna was held in ancient Rome. Later, in 44 B.C., Julius Caesar was assassinated on the Ides of March. This is the more well known Ides of March occurrence because it was a key scene in Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar," which made famous the line, "Beware the Ides of March." Now you know!



Tracey Webb

Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Hot tub
- 4 Physicist's deg.
- 7 Cut in two
- 12 Chop
- 13 Scrooge's cry
- 14 Crosswise, nautically
- 15 Historic time
- 16 Four-line verses
- 18 Atmosphere
- 19 Seafood entree
- 20 Dog bane?
- 22 Very long time
- 23 Former frosh
- 27 Needlefish
- 29 There
- 31 Perfect
- 34 Perspectives
- 35 With 48-Across, "Family Feud" material
- 37 Bankroll
- 38 Oliver Twist's request
- 39 Clean Air Act org.
- 41 Send forth
- 45 Pilfered
- 47 Inseparable
- 48 See 35-Across
- 52 "Monty Python"

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- 9 Island
- 10 Forefront
- 11 Typog-raphy units
- 17 Broadway prize
- 21 Tequila source
- 23 Insinuating
- 24 "— on a Grecian Urn"
- 25 Church seat
- 26 Storefront sign abbr.
- 28 Hearty brew
- 30 Eggs
- 31 Doctrine
- 32 Pair with
- Daba
- Honeymoon"
- garland
- 9
- 33 Mess up
- 36 Abominable Snowman
- 37 Reddish brown
- 40 Tires (out)
- 42 Wettish
- 43 Bury
- 44 Irascible
- 45 Dance lesson
- 46 Catch sight of
- 48 Brady and Brees, for e.
- 49 ast (Abbr.)
- 50 istener
- 51 Tackle moguls

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Crossword solution is printed on page 4.



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Scenes from the NJCAA men's basketball championship game



Corey Ayala takes his turn cutting the net down at the Mary Miller Center.



BENCH PLAY — Dawson Verhines, Noel Allen, Trice Whaley and Cortez Macklin joke around on the bench in the last few minutes of the game. (Photo by Nathan Wheeler/RLC Sports Information)



Dawson Verhines received the Fred Pohlman Sportsmanship Award. (Photo by Nathan Wheeler/RLC Sports Information)



Bronson Verhines was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. (Photo by Nathan Wheeler/RLC Sports Information)



Montez Buford hits a three to put the Warriors up 77-48 with just over six minutes left to play.



Dawson Verhines lays it in with Noel Allen and Cortez Macklin looking on.

Congratulations RLC Men's Basketball!

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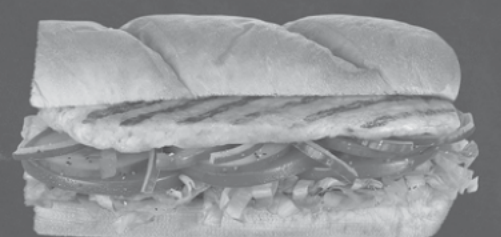
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RLC Fitness Center



Rend Lake College student Tim Corn, of Benton, gets some time in on an exercise bike in the campus fitness center. The facility was recently recarpeted and machines were rearranged to utilize the space more efficiently. (Photo by Nathan Wheeler/RLC Public Information)

Rend Lake Board of Trustees March meeting ...

Long-time CFO Carlock to retire June 30, will be succeeded by veteran Controller Kistner

The board accepted with regret the retirement resignation of Bob Carlock, Vice President of Finance and Administration, effective June 30. This will mark the second time Carlock has retired from this position, having initially left in 2008. He returned to work in May 2010.

In a related action, the board appointed Angie Kistner to replace Carlock as the Vice President of Finance and Administration effective March 1. Kistner has worked full-time at RLC since 1999. She served as Financial Affairs Coordinator in the college's business office from then until 2003, when she was named the college's Controller.

"I wish to thank the college's Board of Trustees, administration, faculty and staff for their assistance in providing me with a professional career that was beyond my expectations," Carlock wrote in his retirement letter. "We have all heard many times that Rend Lake College is a great place to work, but one cannot truly appreciate that until he or she draws closer to retirement. Once again, I wish to thank everyone at RLC for allowing me to be a part of the finest community college in the world."

In addition to assisting in the development of the college's master plan, Carlock's duties through the remainder of his time at RLC will include assisting in the transition of his successor.

Haden Smith elected new student trustee

Learned that Haden Smith (Wayne City) was elected as the student member of the Board of Trustees for the 2013-2014 academic year.

He is a sophomore majoring in Agricultural Production and Management, and he will be seated at the April board

meeting. Smith replaces outgoing student trustee Kelsey Allen (Bonnie).

Wendy Smith becomes college's controller

Transferred Wendy Smith from the position of Business Office Accountant to the position of Controller effective March 1. She has been with the college full-time since January 1999 and replaces Kistner as controller.

McBride joins Mining Tech faculty

Ratified the appointment of Donald McBride as Mining Technology Instructor, effective pending State of Illinois approval of the Revolving

Door Policy. McBride holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Northwestern University and most recently served as a Mine Safety Division Manager for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, having been with that organization from 1989 to the present. Prior to that, he was a repairman for Bushy Creek Coal Co.

Bids approved for two campus projects

The board accepted the bid of \$28,923 from Premium Mechanical and Automation of Jackson, Mo., for upgrades to HVAC controls at the RLC MarketPlace. One bid was received in response to the advertisement for bids. This equipment will be funded by PHS Levy funds.

The board also accepted the low bid of \$16,566 from Vaughn's Roofing Inc. of Marion, Ill., for the reroofing of the RLC Foundation Children's Center.

In other business, the board ...

Approved revisions to board policy concerning the tenured / tenure-track faculty and staff seniority list (second reading).

'Into the Woods' make-up performance

Due to inclement weather, the final performance of the Rend Lake College Performing Arts Department's production of "Into the Woods" will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 30, in the RLC Theatre.

For those who purchased a ticket for Sunday's canceled performance and would like to attend the make-up date, please bring the original ticket to the Saturday performance.

Those seeking a refund of their ticket price should contact the RLC Box Office at 437-5321, Ext. 1467.

Solution to crossword puzzle from page 2.

Solution time: 27 mins.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Student Art Show, March 28-May 3, RLC Theatre and Lobby; reception 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 28.

RLC Orchestra Spring Concert, 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, RLC Theatre.

HLC Substantive Change Request Visit, Monday-Tuesday, April 15-16.

RLC Student Recital, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 18, RLC Theatre.

RLC Spring Concert featuring Concert Band and Concert Choir, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 25, RLC Theatre.

Faculty/Staff Recognition, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, Rend Lake Resort.

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