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TOURS, INFORMATION ABOUND AT OPEN HOUSE

Mary Williams, LEFT, a senior at Pinckeyville Community High School, tours the Culinary Arts kitchens Thursday night with Culinary Arts Instructor Brad Stout during the CTE Open House at Rend Lake College. Williams, along with many other students and parents, found helpful information regarding different programs, financial aid and scholarships at the event. Click on the image for a larger view. (ReAnne Palmer / RLC Public Information)

Dates set for first Concealed Carry certification classes at RLC

REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Gun owners in Southern Illinois and throughout the state will soon have the option to choose Rend Lake College as a training center to earn a concealed carry license.

On Monday, the Illinois State Police released a list of approved concealed carry firearm training curricula and training centers, including RLC, in connection with

the Firearm Concealed Carry Act, which was passed on July 9, 2013. Three classes have been set in a two-day format to offer the certification.

The classes will be held in a two-day format. Two classes will be held from 8-4:30 p.m. at the RLC MarketPlace in Mt. Vernon: Saturday, Nov. 9 and Sunday, Nov. 10; and Saturday, Dec. 7 and Sunday, Dec. 8.

Additionally, one class scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 23 and

Sunday, Nov. 24 will last from 8-6 p.m. at the RLC MarketPlace for training in concealed carry laws in both Illinois and Utah.

The first day of the course will include classroom work and instruction by a RLC certified instructor, including a minimum of 8 hours of work and a half-hour lunch break. No firearms should be brought into the classroom or onto the RLC MarketPlace campus.

Day two instruction will begin at

the RLC MarketPlace and the class will travel to the Mt. Vernon Firing Range to complete certification. Instruction will be provided on the first day of the class regarding firearms for the Firing Range.

RLC is offering the classes at \$200 for each two-day session. Once the participant enrolls in the training class, they must also be fingerprinted at an additional cost of approximately \$75 and fill out an application for a state license, which costs \$150. Fingerprinting

applications before January 5, 2014; however, the training class can be completed beforehand.

To register for the class, contact the RLC Community and Corporate Education Division at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1267. Registration and payment must be completed by the day before the class, and will be accepted until the class is full.

More information will be provided online at www.rlc.edu/firearm-training.

Illinois SBDC at RLC MarketPlace surpasses development goals

Small businesses in our area are taking advantage of more than \$7.5 million in financing secured through the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Rend Lake College.

The SBDC, located at the RLC MarketPlace in Mt. Vernon, announced last week that it had surpassed its economic development goals for the 2013 calendar year by securing that financing for 11 clients. The continued efforts of the SBDC helped create 105 jobs and retained over 134 jobs in local communities.

The SBDC does more than financing, business plans and projects. This

year, the Center also provided more than 1,257 counseling hours to many of its 715 clients, including those in the manufacturing, retail and service industries. The Center also hosted free monthly seminars and training on various business-related topics, and co-sponsored an annual regional job fair.

"Planning is the key to success in business," said Curt Mowrer, director of the Rend Lake College SBDC. "If you have an idea and wish to test its feasibility, the ILSBDC at Rend Lake College is a prudent first step."

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Rend Lake College Board of Trustees meeting highlights

NEW CERTIFICATES, COURSES APPROVED

The board approved two new certificates, several new courses and other changes to curriculum and authorized their submission to the Illinois Community College Board for action.

The two new certificates approved were:

Cyber Forensics Specialist — This certificate will prepare students to work in the criminal justice field dealing with cyber crime.

The certificate will include four new courses: Cyber Crime and Law, Computer Forensics I and II; and Cyber Crime and Investigation. Six existing courses also will be included in the certificate.

Health Care Coach

The certificate will prepare students to work in the medical field as a health coach. Students will work under the close mentorship of a group of multidisciplinary health professionals.

Four new courses — Introduction to Health Care, Health Care Psychology, Health Care Terminology and Community Health Care — plus the existing Introduction to Nutrition course will make up this certificate.

Other new courses approved Tuesday were

Concealed Carry Law and Qualification, Firearm Safety and Marksmanship, Computerized Accounting with QuickBooks, and Instructional Methods in Practice. The Concealed Carry and Firearm Safety classes are related to RLC's offering of concealed carry training, the first session of which will be the weekend of Nov. 9 and 10 at the RLC MarketPlace.

Computerized Accounting with QuickBooks is a course being added to three programs in the Office Systems Technology area: the Associate in Applied Science degrees in Administrative Assistant and Health Information Assistant, and the occupational certificate in Office Assistant.

2013 TAX LEVY ADOPTED

The board adopted the 2013 tax levy (payable 2014). The levy represents a slight decrease — 0.04 percent — over last year. The Corporate and Special Purpose levy went from \$3,143,098 last year to \$3,003,038 this year, a decrease of 4.46 percent. The Debt Service levy rose from \$1,682,679 last year to \$1,820,902 this year, an increase of 8.21 percent.

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RLC hosting "Pink Out" day Oct. 22 for Breast Cancer Awareness Month

In an effort to honor breast cancer survivors and victims, and to raise money for Women With Hope, Rend Lake College faculty, staff and students will be hosting a Pink Out day on Tuesday, Oct. 22.

Pink Out T-shirts will be available for purchase from the RLC Bookstore with a portion of the proceeds from the sales returning to Women With Hope. The

Pink Out design is attached below.

Women With Hope is a support group based out of Southern Illinois Healthcare's Memorial Hospital in Carbondale. The group discusses treatments, financial barriers and many other issues facing women with breast cancer. Join us Tuesday, Oct. 22 in supporting this organization.

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ATHLETICS

W S E C T I O N

Volleyball brings home winning streak with third victory

REANNE PALMER
RLC SPORTS INFORMATION

After two wins Saturday at the Kankakee Community College Tournament, the Lady Warriors volleyball team continued to dominate with a 3-2 win at home over Greenville College's junior varsity team Monday night at home.

Initially down in the first sets at 19-25 and 24-27, the team came back to win the two sets and tie-breaker at 25-22, 26-24 and 15-13. Freshmen Sydney Crews (Mt. Vernon) and Cassidy Melliere (Prairie Du Rocher) reigned at the net for the team. Crews logged 19 kills, five digs, two blocks and two aces throughout the game. Melliere added 18 digs, three aces and one assist.

Sophomore Setter Lind-

sey Winter of Pinckneyville further helped the team's offense with 46 assists through the five sets, in addition to three blocks, two kills and two aces. Benton freshman Rowdee Sanders put up an additional four blocks, leading in that category.

Coach Sara Crews said she is very proud of the recent wins for her team, and hopes the winning streak continues in upcoming games. The team is now 6-21 for the season.

The Lady Warriors hope to continue their winning streak 6:30 p.m. Wednesday against Kaskaskia College in Centralia before traveling to Park Hills, Mo. for the Mineral Area College Tournament Friday and Saturday. For all things athletic at The Lake, visit RLC online at www.rlc.edu/warriors.



JUMPING TO KILL — Outside Hitter freshman Madison Grammer (Benton, Ky.) lines up a kill during the fourth set of the Lady Warrior's volleyball game Monday night at home. The team would win both the set at 26-24 and the game at 3-2 over Greenville College junior varsity. (ReAnne Palmer / RLC Public Information)

Lady Warriors lose to Kaskaskia

The Rend Lake College volleyball team lost in three to Kaskaskia College (KC) Wednesday night in Centralia.

The Lady Warriors, now 6-22 for the season, scored 24 in the first set against KC's 26, 23 in the second set and 15 in the third.

Mt. Vernon native Sydney Crews led the team with nine kills, four digs, one block and

one ace in the game. Fellow freshman Cassidy Melliere (Prairie Du Rocher) came through with 16 digs and one ace. Sophomore setter Lindsey Winter (Pinckneyville) also recorded 27 assists, one ace and one block.

RLC will play in the Mineral Area College Tournament in Park Hills, Mo., this Oct. 18 and 19. For all things athletic at The Lake, visit RLC online at www.rlc.edu/warriors.

Men's Golf finishes second at Danville Tournament

Bad weather took over this past weekend for the Rend Lake College men's golf team. The Warriors carded a 438 and a one-stroke runner-up spot to Parkland College at the 45th Annual Danville Area Community College Fall Invitational held at Turtle Run Golf Club.

A storm swept through the area and shortened the first day of the tournament to nine holes, leaving the Warriors four strokes behind Parkland. Rend Lake shot a 292 the second day, gaining three strokes on the Cobras. They fell one stroke short of a victory after day two. The team finished the tournament at 438 (146-292) to Parkland's 437 (142-295).

Golfer Matt Greenfield (Hassocks, England) led the Warriors with a second-place finish at 106 (34-72). Blake Swofford, a freshman from Vandalia, tied for third at 107 (36-71).

Matt Williams, a freshman from Mt. Vernon, finished in a three-way tie for seventh place at 112 (38-74), and was followed closely by sophomore Travis Waninger (Chrisney, Ind.) at 113 (38-75) in eighth place. Freshman Dalton Korte (Metropolis) finished in 10th at 115 (38-77) and fellow freshman



Matt Greenfield

Jesse Sanders (Benton) played as an individual, ending the tournament with 120 (40-80).

Behind RLC in the tournament was Vincennes University at 447 (151-296), Lewis and Clark Community College at 449 (148-301), Kaskaskia College at 454 (150-304), Lincoln College at 469 (115-314) and the host, Danville Area Community College, at 471 (158-313).

The Warriors will travel this weekend to compete in the NJCAA Fall Preview at Swan Lakes Golf Club and Resort in Plymouth, Ind., before finishing their fall season at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Hilton Garden Inn Invitational at Windance Country Club in Gulfport, Miss. For all things athletic at The Lake, visit RLC online at www.rlc.edu/warriors.

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The total of the two levies dropped slightly, from \$4,825,777 last year to \$4,823,940, a decrease of 0.04 percent.

Because the total of the proposed Corporate and Special Purpose and Debt Service levies was not greater than 105 percent of last year's levy, no Truth in Taxation hearing was required.

RAD TECH'S ROBINSON EARNS TENURE

The board granted tenure to Bria Robinson, Radiologic Technology Instructor, effective Jan. 3, after which she will have the title of Associate Professor. Her supervisor, Dean of Allied Health Kim Robert, said Robinson is a knowledgeable professional who continues to keep herself up-to-date with changes in the healthcare field.

"Bria genuinely cares for her students and inspires them to seek new learning opportunities. She maintains good rapport with students and with colleagues," Robert wrote in her recommendation letter. Robert said Robinson continues to assume additional responsibilities across the Allied Health Division and works to advance the Radiologic Technology program.

THREE NEW EMPLOYEES HIRED
The board approved the appointment of three new employees:

Abbi Carman, Records Specialist, effective Oct. 21. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from McKendree University as well as Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees from Rend Lake College. She most recently worked as a physician office assistant for St. Mary's Good Samaritan Medical Group.

Joy Fitts, Administrative Assistant for the Applied Science and Technology Division, effective Oct. 21. She earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Southern Illinois University Carbondale and most recently was a surgery scheduler for Asbery and Associates.

Charlotte Loquasto, Records Specialist, effective Oct. 9. She holds an Associate in Applied Science Degree as an IT Systems Specialist from Rend Lake College. She most recently was an office manager for Quast Construction.

Schlag transfers to academic advisement, Bowlin moves to part time

The board approved the transfer of Leah Schlag from Records Specialist to Academic Advisor effective Oct. 16. Schlag had been fulfilling the

duties of Academic Advisor Nicki Bowlin, who had been out on leave. In a separate action Tuesday, Bowlin's resignation was accepted with regret effective Oct. 15. She plans to remain with the department in a part-time capacity.

TEMPORARY FULL-TIME MUSIC INSTRUCTOR APPOINTED

Employed Amber Williamson as temporary full-time Music Instructor effective Oct. 4 through Dec. 17. She has been a part-time music instructor since 2009.

In other business, the board ...

Approved creation of board policy and procedure concerning employee background checks (second reading).

Approved the 2014-2015 Academic Calendar.

Approved revisions to board procedure concerning collection of student fees and debts, stipends, fees and job descriptions.

Mark your calendars ...

Career Technical Education Open House, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, begins at Student Center.

RLC Foundation Scholarship Dinner, 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, Rend Lake Resort.

Career Technical Education Career Days, 9:15 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, Oct. 15 and 17, RLC Theatre.

Rend Lake College CNA Conference, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, RLC Theatre.

Rend Lake College Car Show, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, RLC Campus. Halloween Concert and Party, Tuesday, Oct. 29; 6 p.m. concert in the Theatre, 7 p.m. party in the Student Center.

Criminal Justice Roundup for Scholarships, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, Rend Lake Resort

ICCTA Southeast Region Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, John A. Logan College.

Fall Play: Treasure Island, 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 7-9; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, RLC Theatre.

RLC Art Auction, Thursday, Nov. 14, Rend Lake Resort Great Room, 4 p.m. preview, 5 p.m. auction.

RLC Men's Basketball Alumni Dinner, Saturday, Nov. 16, Rend Lake Resort, time to be determined.

RLC Men's Basketball Alumni Game, 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, Waugh Gymnasium.

Orchestra Concert, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, RLC Theatre.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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OPTICALLY THIS WEEK

- ★ Moderate
- ★★ Challenging
- ★★★ HOO BOY!
- ☛ 2013 Fall Festival by RLC

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Across the nation SBDCs are instrumental in driving small business growth. This leads to \$100,000 in sales every 3.8 minutes, a new job every 7 minutes and a new business started every 36 minutes. More than 1 million small business owners and entrepreneurs are assisted each year by America's SBDC network, including many in Southern Illinois.

Those interested in learning more about the SBDC should contact Curt Mowrer or Nicholas LeMay, Assistant Director, at (618) 242-5813 or by emailing sbdc@rlc.edu. For more information, visit www.rlc.edu/sbdc or connect with us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RLCSBDC.

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Sudoku solution

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This year's popular Halloween costumes

Many Halloween costumes have stood the test of time. Trick-or-treaters and adults alike are bound to come up against fellow ghosts, vampires and zombies each Halloween, while popular movies also set trends in new Halloween costumes.

If you are among the throngs of people ready to transform into a mythical, heroic or mysterious creature for Halloween, consider these costumes that figure to be popular this season.

- **Iron Man:** Robert

Downey Jr. has starred in yet another installment of this popular film. This robotic suit that turns an ordinary person into an evil-fighting maven will once again be popular this Halloween.

- **Superman:** Speaking of superheroes, few have been as prolific as Superman, and he figures to be just as popular this Halloween thanks to the success of the summer blockbuster "Man of Steel."
- **The Lone Ranger:** Despite flopping at the box office, this Johnny Depp film may still have people dressing up in eye masks, western hats or Native-Ameri-

can-inspired face paint to pay homage to its classic characters.

- **Minion:** Thanks to the release of "Despicable Me 2," yellow bean-shaped minions figure to be popular this Halloween.
- **Birds and Pigs:** Each new version of the "Angry Birds" franchise provides opportunities for fans to dress up as projectile feathered friends and their porcine foes.
- **Mike Wazowski:** The central character from "Monsters University" figures to be popular among young Halloween enthusiasts this year.

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