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# Warriors, That's Incredible!

#### Waugh's Tribe **Winningest Ever** With 21 Wins

#### by Mitch Fulford **Executive Editor**

In pre-season they were small and had little chance for success. Most sports writers in the area doubted their chances of ending up with a .500 season. But those little guys from Rend Lake came to play, and 33 games later they were the winningest team in Rend Lake College history.

They will be remembered as the team that re-wrote Rend Lake's record book, breaking eighteen records-some which had stood since

Rend Lake's season was more exciting than any other in recent memory. They averaged a record 87.98 points per game, more than any previous Warrior tribe. Their opponents averaged 81.8.

For some players the season's end will mean the end of a basketball career. For them it was a proud ending. For others, it is just a temporary rest.

Rend Lake's most valuable warrior, Doug Creel of Mt. Vernon, has been chosen by Section 8 coaches to represent the Section in the Region IV (State of Illinois) All-Star Game, Saturday in Danville. The game will be played as a preliminary to Region IV tournament action. Creel is expected to be highly sought after by NAIA or Division 2 colleges and universities in the nation. Schools in Iowa and Alabama, among others, have indicated an interest in RLC's fairhaired wonder.

Creel set record marks in six categories and was Rend Lake's most potent offensive weapon, averaging 23 points per game. Benton lettermen Mark Craddock and Ron

Brookins sparked the Warriors at the starting guard positions with their lightning speed and basketball savvy. Floor general Craddock set three record in Rend Lake's most successful season having set the marks for most assists in a game, a season, and a career

Brookins averaged over 10 points a game. shot nearly 50 percent from the field, while averaging almost five assists per game. Brook started in 32 games.

Benton's Doug Dunbar added impressive statistics as Rend Lake's other forward, with about 18 per game in the total point category. and leading the Warriors in rebounding with an average of 7.4 per game. Mark "The Dr." Schwitz, who became the

starting center for Rend Lake about half way through the season, was a strong Warrior force with 7.2 rebounds per game, scoring 14.6 points per game and shooting 56 percent from the field. He surpassed an old record of 29 consecutive free throws in a season by 4, with 33 consecutive free throws - and counting. As a starter Schwitz averaged almost 20 points a game

Fred Settle, Brad Rainwater, Bart Draper, Glen Ramsey, Wendell Wheeler, Phil Kramer and Steve Brown all added something to the

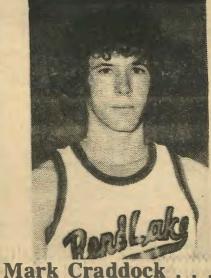
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### **Dynamic Duo Pace Assaults On Records**

Rend Lake's one-two punch was better described as a ten-fourteen punch--as sophomores Mark Craddock (No. 10) and Doug Creel (No. 14) left RLC's previous records in shambles, combinging for nine of the eighteen records broken this season and leading the Warriors through their most successful campaign ever.

Creel, termed the 'slender splendor,' sent more good shots to the basket than any other Warrior in history, connecting on 287 field goals, and surpassing the 264 mark set by (Continued on page 7)



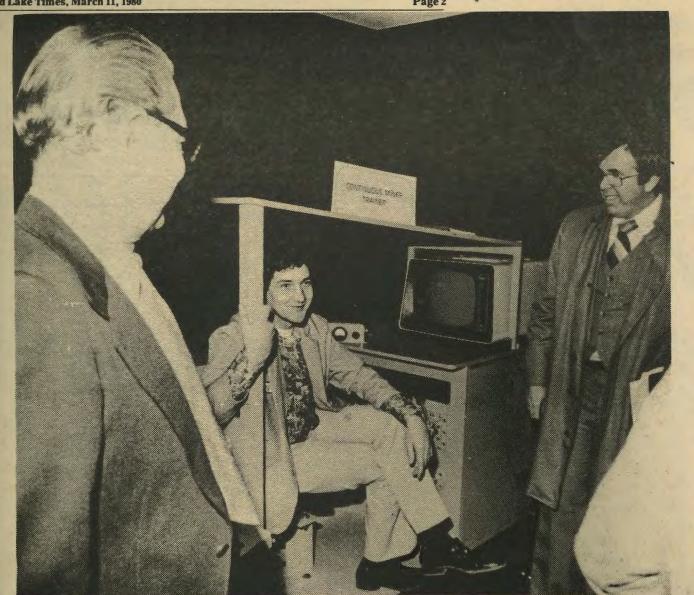


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STRUCTORS (1 to r) Dwight Dame, D. J. pinson and RLC President Dr. Harry Braun pictured with the new McDonnel-Douglas tinuous miner simulator, which has been

moved to the RLC campus for testing. The prototype is the only one of it's kind in the nation, and is similar to devices used to train pilots in the airline industry. But, this ap-

paratus trains men and women to mine coal, by simulating actual events in a coal mine. (RLC Photo)

## **R.L.C.** Testing Nation's First **Computerized Continuous Miner**

It takes something special to impress hypere who has been involved with the imag department at Rend Lake College, intering the tremendous growth ex-minenced by that program from eight ments and one part-time instructor sixes are than 3.500 students annually and movies almost one-third of the college's tire faculty. But Rend Lake's newest addition, a part-

st continuous miner, is just that. It's mething special, to say the least.

The one-of-a-kind teaching device was eveloped by the well-known McDonnell ouglas Corporation in cooperation with the S. Department of Interior, Bureau of lines, which funded the project.

It consists of a simulated continuous miner ontrol panel and digital computer hook-up, nabling the student-operator to follow his ine. Realistic front and rear pictures taken an actual underground setting are rojected on two large screens, complete with e sounds which accompany any such

Peration down below. "Personally, I think this is one of the reatest things ever to happen to the mining epartment at Rend Lake College," inructor Dwight Dame commented.

"Now we'll be able to share with the tudents many of the things they will be exosed to underground. To my knowledge, this the only such training device of its kind to e made and computerized.'

Rend Lake College was selected as the aining site for the computerized continuous niner thanks to a concerted effort made by br. Harry J. Braun, college president, and the school officials.

Technical advice for the content of the ourse to be taught during testing was plicited from members of the Rend Lake ining department faculty, along with the aining staffs of the Inland Steel Coal Company in Sesser and the Old Ben Coal Company in Benton. The two coal companies made their facilities available for the collection of task analysis data relative to continuous miner operations, while Rend Lake provided the students and facilities required for formative evaluation of the preliminary course materials as they were being developed.

"We'll have the continuous miner at Rend Lake College for the validation process . . . about a six-month period," explained Dame. "Hopefully, we'll be able to keep it longer."

Exactly what is a continuous miner? It is a coal-digging machine, according to Dame, which was introduced for the first

time in Illinois around 1948. By itself, it is able to mine the coal out of the vein and load it, thus eliminating the drilling and breaking of the coal with compressed air. An actual continuous miner costs in the neighborhood of \$350,000.

Because of the prohibitive cost of a wholetask continuous miner and the frequency of on-the-job accidents, the Bureau of Mines supported the idea of a part-task trainer. At least 20 percent of the course will be devoted to mine safety, in general, and to safe operating procedures specific to the continuous miner as a result.

"After taking this course, a person should be able to go below and perform the functions required of an underground miner more efficiently and safely," Dame said.

Rend Lake College initially brought in three miners who weren't continuous miner operators. As the first step in the validation process, McDonnell Douglas engineer Bill Morris and researcher Gus Conklin were interested in seeing just how far these three experienced miners could be brought in a 40hour experimental evaluation course.

Next, the plan calls for two established continuous miner operators to take the course, in order to give Rend Lake instructors Dame, Carl Jones and D. J. Johnson a basis

on which to grade students. Sixteen students will then begin the validation process starting Tuesday, January 29. They will be exposed to 12 different lessons, the first nine of which basically will consist of audio-visuals in the classroom and the last three where students will be involved extensively with the part-task trainer. Throughout the course, a great amount of emphasis will be placed on safety in operation.

Rend Lake instructors Dame and Jones are both former continuous miner operators and have taught classes in machine operations. "But we've never had anything like this, before, nothing really practical to provide a hands-on situation except for homemade machines," Dame said.

The configuration of the trainer's control panel is identical to that of the Joy 12 CM model in use at Inland Steel and is very similar to two other models used commonly, Lee-Norse and Jeffrey.

### Foundation Reactivated

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The Rend Lake College Foundation, at a recent board of directors meeting, established two types of scholarships which will recognize student excellence, made plans to formally honor faculty and communitywide achievements and announced intentions to erect a sign along Interstate 57 em-phasizing the institution's presence. Foundation officers also acknowledged contributions from two donors.

The projects are the first for the Rend Lake College Foundation, which was chartered in 1967 byt not activated until the past winter. The not-for-profit organization was established to promote and maintain educational, scientific and cultural endeavors on behalf of Rend Lake College. Its intent is to appeal to the benevolence of all persons in-terested in the betterment and advancement of the college.

Two graduating seniors from each of the 14 high schools within Rend Lake College District No. 521 will be offered "President's Scholarships" this spring thanks to the Foundation's action. This will be the equivalent of 28 tuition scholarships, to be paid either out of Foundation funds or through the granting of tuition waivers.

These scholarships will be determined by personnel of the 14 high schools and presented at the various Honors Day assemblies.

Foundation President Harold (Hank) Hannah, Mt. Vernon, also announced a similar "Foundation Scholarship." to be awarded to a freshman student at Rend Lake College based on an outstanding grade-point average and participation in college ac-tivities. The award would pay the student's tuition for the sophomore year at Rend Lake College.

Each of the five department chairpersons will nominate a candidate. with the final decision resting with a committee consisting of the Dean of Instruction, Dean of Student Services, Registrar and student representative. Hannah will present the scholarship at graduation

Recognition of faculty experience and community effort is planned, also. The Foundation will present a plaque to the

outstanding faculty member, selected through peer nominations and an awards committee.

An individual, firm or corporation likewise will be honored at graduation for support given the college. Input from faculty. staff, administration and the Foundation board will serve as the means for making the final determination, although nominations from district residents would be welcomed.

Memorial scholarships from members of the community could be funded through the Foundation as well, Hannah indicated.

A monetary contribution from John Weimer of Mt. Vernon and a set of hand bells from Mr. and Mrs. Judson DeWitt, Mt. Vernon. represent the first gifts received through the Foundation. The Jay DeWitt Memorial Hand Bells were donated in memory of a former Rend Lake College student.

Once additional funding becomes available, Hannah, Vice-President Howard Payne (Benton) and Secretary Marian Farlow (McLeansboro) hope to have a sign designed which would attract attention to the college from the highway.

### **Poll Tells Student TV Habits**

twenty-year-old Rend Lake student spends ten to fifteen hours a week watching television.

The survey, which was conducted at random on the RLC campus, indicates the importance of television on our society and the great effect ty has on our opinions and our lives

Of those surveyed, 87 percent said they watched television news - 36 percent preferred CBS news, 30 percent ABC, and 20 percent NBC. Fourteen percent of those surveyed had no network preference. When asked if they got conflicting stories from each media, which would they be more likely to believe, 48 percent said they would believe

According to a recent poll, the average the report on television, 25 percent said the one in the newspaper, 7 percent indicated radio, 7 percent magazines and 16 percent did not respond. This follows the national statistics of 47 percent tv, 23 percent papers, and 9 percent for both radio and magazines. Respondents found television the most believable of the medias, and magazines the least believable. Television was found to be most authoritative and most influential as well, with radio the least authoritative and magazines the least influential with those answering the poll. Among their favorite tv programs, those

questioned noted various sporting events, Saturday Night, WKRP, MASH, Dallas and the Stooges.

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# **Candidate Kennedy Sees Demonstrators In Illinois Swing**

#### by Scott Mabry

Senator Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, made West Frankfort one of three stops on his Illinois presidential campaign swing February 29, in preparation for the important presidential preference primary to be held in this state on March 18.

#### Analysis

The candidate's tour of Illinois began in the morning with a fund raising breakfast in Chicago hosted by Chicago Mayor Jane Byrne.Kennedy was roundly booed by the city's striking firemen, several hundred in number, who met Kennedy when he arrived from the airport. Inside the Mayor, who jumped the Carter bandwagon in favor of Kennedy several months ago, greeted Kennedy and apologized for the unscheduled outdoor reception. The senator summarized the welcome when he told supporters, "The reception here inside is a lot warmer than the one outside."

Kennedy's second stop was in West Frankfort, about twenty miles to the south of the Rend Lake campus. He arrived more than an hour late due to a heavy Chicago snowfall. The Massachusetts Democrat got ovations from the crowd which gathered at the local Elk's Club downtown. The crowd cheered when his chief political supporter in Southern Illinois, Rep. Paul Simon, D-Carbondale, said, "I stood up for a Kennedy (Jack) in 1962 and I'm standing up for one now."

Protestors stood on a corner near the hall where the meeting between the candidate and voters took place and expressed their views with posters and signs.

The group, which called itself, "Citizens Against Kennedy," cited Kennedy's "Shaky Character" and his stand on gun control as reasons people should vote to defeat him. Kennedy has supported legislation which would impose gun control in the United States. He is especially concerned with the control of hand guns which he calls 'Saturday night specials.'

Kennedy left West Frankfort and flew to Champaign-Urbana for a meeting with the intellectual community at the University of Illinois. Addressing students at the university, Kennedy got cheers from the crowd when he spoke against the draft, but as one reporter on the scene noted, "They applauded wildly (the students) for at least a half-adozen paper airplanes that were sailed from the balcony."

# **RLC Voters to Pick Two College Trustees**

Residents of the Rend Lake College district will have the chance to cast their vote for the candidate of their choice in the upcoming board election to be held April 12.

According to board designated election official, B. J. (Skip) Witunski, to qualify to vote, a person must be a registered voter and must have lived in thah precinct for at least 30 days prior to the election.

#### Update

The candidate is guaranteed a position on the ballot when he or she has met three conditions:

1) A petition has been filed with at least 50 signatures;

2) A statement of candidacy has been signed and notarized;

3) A receipt has been furnished showing that a statement of economic interest has been filed with the county in which the candidate lives.

The first day for filing for membership on the board is February 27 and the last day for filing is March 21. To have a position on the ballot, the candidate must have a petition filed either by a voter of the district or by the candidate in person, or by mail.

In the event there are simulataneous filings, lots will be drawn to determine positions on the ballot, This will be done on the last day for withdrawals.

Witunski said all petitions will be timepunched and dated whenever they are received. Petitions received through the mail will be marked at 11 a.m., which is the normal time of delivery each day. They will be accepted only if they arrive during the time period of February 27 to March 21 and will be returned if received either before or after those dates.

Seats to be filled in the April 12 election are presently held by Richard Simpson of Benton, the board chairman, and secretary Everett Thompson of Sesser. Both have refiled for election. Only one other person had filed for a position as of March 4, that being former Dean of Student Services Robert L. Graham. Other incumbents who are not up for election at this time are Joe McClure of Mt. Vernon, vice chairman, Allan Patton of Zeigler, Rich Herrin of Benton, Marvin Scott of Belle Rive, Joe Scrivner of Mt. Vernon, and the non-voting student trustee, Doug Dunbar of Benton.

#### Pageant Officials Seek Entrants

Plans are being made for the 9th annual Miss Rend Lake Pageant to be held May 20, 21, 22.

Sponsor fee for contestants is \$75.00 and 25.00 for little Mr. and Miss contestants. Entry deadline is April 8, 1980. Any interested parties should contact Linda Melcher, Benton, or Robin Fraley, Benton.

#### **Kennedy Long-shot**

Even as Senator Edward M. Kennedy took his bid to win the Democratic nomination for president to Southern Illinois, his top Southern Illinois backer, Rep. Paul Simon, D-Carbondale, said Kennedy's chance for the nomination is "getting to be a long shot."



SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY, D-Massachusetts, democratic presidential hopeful, presses the flesh with voters and supporters in West Frankfort, Illinois. Kennedy told several hundred people in attendance that he favored control of 'Saturday night special' handguns and also favored wage and price controls as a measure to control skyrocketing inflation.



**DEMONSTRATORS** stood on a nearby corner to let the candidate know where they stood on the issues. These two Herrin residents made the issues clear. The man on the left said he was concerned about Kennedy's questionable

character and added that it would probably hurt him in Southern Illinois. The man on the right's poster referes to legislation favoring gun control which Kennedy supports. (Fred M. Brown Photos)

### Thirty-plus Firms To Exhibit, Discuss Jobs With Students

Representatives from various industry, business, government and universities will be present at Rend Lake College, March 12 for the annual Career Day, hosted by the Cooperative Education, and Placement Office. This event will give students the opportunity to meet with leaders from the working world. Some 35 to 40 firms will attend the event, which will be held in the college gymnasium between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Career Day will provide an educational opportunity for students to visit the various employers and organizations, and ask questins concerning job opportunities, training required, career trends and how to apply for employment.

In addition to helping students gain a better programs and the educational preparation of those students enrolled in the program.

Areas of interest to all college students should be represented, according to Ardell Kimmel, director of the job placement service at Rend Lake College. Various governunderstanding of employers' needs, Career Day also provides a means for employers to become acquainted with the various college mental agencies, health care facilities manufacturing, coal industry, recreation, tourism and many local businesses will be

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# imon Seeks Coal-to-Gas Plant for Perry County site

Twenty-five of Illinois' twenty-six members of Congress have urged Secretary of Energy Charles Duncan to choose a Southern Illinois site for developing a multimillion dollar synthetic fuels project.

In a letter to Duncan Thursday, the congressmen said federal funding of a proposed coal gasification project near Cutler in Perry County would increase the nations supply of alternative energy, provide more natural gas for the state and help revitalize the economy of Southern Illinois.

Duncan is expected to decide in March

#### **Dollar Gains On Currency Markets**

After two years of being bad-mouthed and badly treated on world currency markets, the U.S. dollar is finally gaining respect again.

The latest surge in dollar strength came Friday when its value rose sharply against other major currencies after big U.S. banks hiked their prime lending rates to 163, percent.

A stable dollar is important to us as consumers because it may help to prevent another big increase in world oil prices. Officials of oil-exporting nations have said the

whether to fund the Illinois project or a similar one in Nobl County, Ohio.

The letter was distributed by Rep. Paul Simon, D-Carbondale, whose district includes Perry County. It was signed by Sens. Charles Percy and Adlai Stevenson III and every member of the congressional delegation except one.

Rep. Sidney Yates, D-Chicago, did not sign because he is chairman of an appropriations subcommittee that has jurisdiction over synthetic fuels. Yates has indicated support for the project, however.

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The congressmen told Duncan that Illinois' "has repeatedly been passed over as a site for federally funded conversion projects. We believe the situation must change.

The Perry County project has been proposed by a consortium of five utilities that provide 85 percent of the natural gas used in the state.

Last week, under questioning by Simon at a House Budget Committee hearing, Duncan hinted that alternative funds may be available for whichever of the two projects is not selected. Duncan said money could come from the brand new Energy Security Corporation, which is now in a House-Senate conference



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**Carter Seeks To Balance Budget Now** President Carter is trying to come up with at least \$20 billion worth of spending cuts that would allow him, if he chooses, to balance the

policy changes that might include some form

of credit controls but not wage and price

controls, officials said, would provide a dramatic gesture that the administration is

serious about curbing inflation.

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announce policy changes by the end of week, but one said today, "I strongly d we will be able to do it.

spending are sure "to raise all the hor around town (Washington)," he said. Ead the spending programs has a constitue and each group will try to use their ac leverage in an election year to head

#### **Prime Rate Soars To 17 Percent**

The upward trend of interest rates continued as major banks raised their prime lending rates to a record 17 percent  $-1^{3}_{4}$ percentage points above the level prevailing two weeks ago.

The increase, begun by New York's Citibank on Friday and quickly matched by most other banks, was the latest result of the Federal Reserve's efforts to fight inflation by raising interest rates and tightening credit. The prime rate applies to loans by banks to most credit-worthy their corporate

dustrial loans carrying rates above prime.

The rise in interest rates was set off by Board's decision two weeks ago to raise duscount rate -- the rate it charges on loan banks - from 12 percent to 13. That helpe push up the cost of funds to banks and taken as a signal that the governmen tended to continue fighting inflation - lar through a tight monetary policy.

### **Grace May Build Coal-To-Gasoline Plant**

W. R. Grace & Co. has been authorized by the US Department of Energy to handle the initial design phase of a coal liquefacation facility to produce 50,000 barrels per day of high-octane, unleaded gasoline from 29,000 tons per day of high-sulfur coal. Following an analysis of the design work, a decision will be made by Grace regarding construction of a commercial-scale plant at Baskettt, Ky.

The plant, which could cost in excess billion, would be the largest chemical pro ever to be undertaken in one location private enterprise, according to a release from Grace.

Grace is an international chemical pany with related natural resources activ and selected consumer services

### **State Expects 4.8 Million Tax Forms**

Illinois Department of Revenue Director James B. Zagel reported about 4.8 million state income tax returns are expected to be filed this year. According to 1978 figures, more taxpayers fall into the \$15,0001-\$25,000 adjusted gross income bracket than into any other category. There were 175 in the over \$1 million bracket. More of them are married hough the single household categories are gaining. And the majority claim only one or two exemptions. rigures over the past tour years show tramatic shifts in incomes and filing status. The number of taxpayers showing adjusted gross incomes over \$25,000 has more than doubled from the 463,000 filing in those brackets in 1975. The number of filers in the \$15,000 and below categories have declined during that time by nearly 300,000. Single taxpayers have increased by over 250,000, while married taxpayers have decrease 42,500.

- The Illinois Dangerous TASC Commission has received an \$839,494 administered by the Illinois Law Enforce Commission to expand a successful County program to eight service statewide. Services offered by the Treat Alternatives to Street expected to increase the likelihood of rehabilitation and decrease criminal ac associated with drug abuse. TASC, not a treatment program itself, makes availa range of treatments as options to carceration for addicts and criminal add Services include provisions for identification evaluation and placement of drug abu and supervision of released offenders. plementation of service area centers i pected to be accomplished by December

One reason is that the new slashes Balancing the budget, along with othec

reductions in their programs.

### Officials have been hoping to be able to

borrowers, with other commercial and



THE HUMMER. RLC head Coach Jim Waugh, is captured in a moment of intensity in the Section Eight tournament hosted by John A. Logan College. Waugh was chosen to coach the south squad in the annual Region IV

Junior College North-South All-Star game in Danville Saturday. He and Warrior assistant coach John Kretz directed this year's tribe to their most successful season, 21-12. (Rend Lake Times Photo by Caesar Maragni)

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# **Doug Creel Makes His Mark On R.L. Athletics**

Two years ago when Doug Creel graduated from Mt. Vernon Township High School he was overlooked by all but a few small fouryear schools-and according to Creel that bothered him.

"When I was a sophomore in high school I did really well," Creel explained. "I thought I could get a scholarship from a big-time university and I wasn't thinking about going anywhere else, but I didn't do well my junior

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and senior years and the offers didn't come. So when I decided to come to Rend Lake I felt like I had something to prove."

Now that his final year in a Warrior uniform has ended, the 6-I forward has managed to erase the disappointments of his high school days and prove to himself, his cage cohorts, and his opponents that he's a formidable basketball player.

Creel has shattered most of Rend Lake's scoring records. And, although records for field goal shooting percentages aren't kept at Rend Lake, it is believed Creel's 63 percent is

An emotional player, Creel admits to a special routine prior to a ballgame.

"I get very nervous before a game," Creek confided. "I like to listen to music before I play. Usually I listen to something loud and rowdy to help me get up for the game. A lot of guys on the team do the same thing. We're

always ready for a game." Despite his commitment to "proving something," Creel has abandoned his plan of something, Creel has abandoned ins plan of going to a large school. "I'd prefer to go to a small four-year school," Creel said. "I think I might like to go to a division II school. I haven't thought about it much, yet." Schools reportedly interested in Creel in-

clude Kentucky Wesleyan, Webber State, Boise State, the University of South Dakota,

Colgate, and Armstrong State among others. "Doug is definitely going to go somewhere," Rend Lake Coach Jim Waugh said. "He's going to make someone a good player, too."

Creel's success at Rend Lake may have had something to do with his shifting of priorities.

"Considering I wasn't even planning to come here, things have turned out much better than I had hoped. The competition is much stiffer than I anticipated and the program here is far. better than I thought it would be.

"I'm not really sure what coach Waugh had in mind for me when he recruited me, but I'm not sure he realized I had as much potential as I did.'

Part of Creel's success on the Juco circuit

can be attributed to a change of position. "I was a point guard in high school," Creel noted. "I had to run the offense and be the play maker. Scoring wasn't something expected of me. Now that I've gotten away from handling the ball I feel I'm better off for it. Of

handling the ball free! I'm better off for it. Of course, everybody enjoys scoring points." As a prep player, Creel scored 10 points a game his junior and senior years. On the junior college level he poured in points at the rate of 23 points per game.

Earlier in the season, Creel was ranked the number one scorer in the state with a 26.5 scoring average. A dual threat (capable of scoring from the

inside and outside), the forward tumbled from the top ten scorers in Illinois after sustaining a slight ankle injury and discovering his ranking made him a marked

man. "After the scoring statistics came out, Doug found himself double teamed most of the time," Waugh said. "We tried keeping his statistics to ourselves as long as we could, but "times" long before the word got around."

it wasn't long before the word got around." After drawing so much attention Creel got a lot of assistance from other members of the Warriors - most noteably Benton's Doug Dunbar. It's a situation Creel enjoys, but it also offers stark contrast to his high school

"I didn't get along with the Benton players at all when I was in high school," Creel recalls. "You couldn't classify us the best of friends. We had this big rivalry going."

Since joining forces with his ex-opponents, the former Mt. Vernon prepster has refor-

mulated his views on his past antagonists. "What impresses me abovt this team is how hard everyone works," Creel commented. "We have a bunch of winners on this team. We're not very big, but we're capable of playing with anyone."

Creel sites his father as the most influential person in his basketball career. "I've learned something from every coach

I've had and I like them all, so I'd rather not point to one coach as a major influence," he noted.

Basketball isn't the only sport Creel can play. He is also a standout player for Rend Lake's baseball program. During the fall '79 season he hit .283 while doing a creditable job at shortstop.

'I'd like to be able to play both sports at my next school, but if it came down to making a choice between basketball and baseball I'd choose basketball." No matter whah Creel does in the future,

the young man who came to Rend Lake with "something to prove", will have nothing more to prove when he leaved.

### **Need A Job?** See Placement

Students who need help in either obtaining full or part time employment may obtain various information answering their employment questions, this is possible through the Job Placement and Cooperative Education department here at RLC. According to Ardell Kimmel, director of the

program, and Roberta Bennett, assistant director, some of the services available to students without cost are; to help students develop a set of credentials for use in ap-plying for employment, to refer students to employers for either part or full time em-ployment, to prepare the student for a job interview, and also provide information and literature concerning various requirements for employment with different companies and organizations.

organizations. There are many ways in which this in-formation can help the student; it gets him ready to apply for the job, the interview, the interview follow up, and many other aspects of getting employment.

It is to the students advantage to register with the placement office, regardless of whether or not they are in the job market at this time, the files are kept on record so they may be used at a later date.

### Waugh Leads All-Star Squad at Region IV Tourney

A fine basketball season comes to a fitting conclusion Saturday afternoon for Rend Lake College Coach Jim Waugh and his star pupil, Doug Creel, both of whom will be participants in the annual Region IV Junior College North-South All-Star Game in Danville.

Waught's 14th campaign at the Ina School proved to be a record-smashing success, thanks in large measure to Mt. Vernon sophomore Creel, who etched his name on the majority of single-season and career scoring records

Besides the best-ever 21-12 record, Waugh was rewarded by being named the Section VIII All-Star nominee in a vote of his

coaching peers. His name was then drawn from among the four sectional nominations to head the South squad in Saturday's traditional skirmish with its North counterpart. Creel earlier was tabbed as the third-best

played in Section VIII, behind C. C. Fullove of Wabash Valley and Eddie Lane of John A. Logan. Only the top two players from each section are tabbed for all-star duty, but the 6quintet reached the eight-team state finals, making Lane ineligible for the honor team.

The noon contest serves as a showcase of Illinois Juco talent for college recruiters. Waught was permitted to pick two additional players to complete his 10-man squad and the South All-Stars were scheduled to practice Friday.

"I'm proud to be a part of the all-star game, particularly since one of our players will be in Waugh said.

Four of his last nine Rend Lake Warrior teams have won 18 or more games, giving Waugh a composite of 178-184. This year's outfit broke 17 school records and tied another

Six of the 10 individual standards established were by Creel, including 737 points in one season and 1,173 for a career.

Creel becomes the fifth Warrior representative to play in the North-South All-Star Game, following in the footsteps of Frank Sanders, Ron Henderson, Randy Lemay and Steve Stewart.

The South squad is comprised of players from schools in downstate Illinois up to Peoria

Third-place and state championship contests will follow the all-star production.

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# **Can Warriors Nab Elusive Section 8?**

Here's hoping history continues the habit of repeating itself as far as the Rend Lake College baseball Warriors are concerned.

"We've always improved in the spring," claims mentor Mike McClure. If so once more, Warrior fans may be in for a real treat. That's because the Rend Lakers are fresh from a fall campaign which produced a season-ending 10-game win streak, the best record (16-6) since the college went to a fall schedule, a share of the Southern Illinois College Conference championship and Mc-Clure's 250th triumph in 81/2 seasons.

#### **Sports Summary**

The Warrior's previous best was 15-7 during the fall of '74, a few months after the college had attained a No. 2 ranking statewide and was rated 20th nationally. The SICC crown was the third for McClure, following those of 1973 and 1974.

McClure will bring a 250-136 overall mark (.648) into the spring portion of his ninth season.

Why does Rend Lake traditionally improve each spring?

The Warriors refuse to quit. For two weeks after their fall slate comes to a close, Rend Lake is pitted against Rend Lake in daily intersquad games. Visits to the weight room follow that, until the players return to the frozen outdoors in mid-January.

And for all the hopeful optimism which springs eternal, things could have been even better in the fall.

A 1-4 conference getaway meant an uphill battle to the SICC co-title. Rend Lake started off in the basement after dropping 6-4 and 5-4 decisions to defending champion Southern Illinois imits debut.

The Warriors fell 4-3 to John A. Logan in their next league outing and a few days later stumbled against Kaskaskia, 5-3, in another

doubleheader opener. Or in other words, four SICC losses by a total of six runs. McClure's men eventually whipped Kaskaskia, the co-owner of the crown, in their final three meetings. They did not lose during the month of October.

"We just weren't getting the key hit early," noted the Warriors pitching coach, Norm Miller. "But they had a never-say-die attitude. It was a total team effort."

McClure conceded, "We've got a good ball club, but it was more a matter of getting hot at the right time. We were unsettled on a lineup early, but once we got squared away, we were all right."

Getting squared away, as much as anything, was a matter of placing five players who were recruited as shortstops into the lineup at the same time.

Sophomore Doug Creel retained his position, wile Gary Denbo moved to third base and the outfield positions were filled by Joe Hauersperger in left, Bill Leadendecker

in center and Randy Puetz in right. All Denbo did was end up hitting .394 with 22 stolen bases in 24 tries and 17 runs scored. Puetz hit .302 and did not rejoin the team after Christmas break, Hauersperger .300 and Creel .283.

If Florida Southern College freshman transfer John Carpenter continues to make a good impression in spring training, he figures

### **Mike McClure Named Chairman**

Rend Lake College's Mike McClure, whose teams have compiled an overall record of 250-136 in 8½ seasons, has been named a comcnairman for 1980 Coaches Association, an affiliate of the National Junior College Athletic Association.

McClure was named chairman of the baseball committee by President Gene Hanson of College of Lake County. As such, McClure and fellow committee member Howard Roey of Florida College will be responsible for updating the association's official brochure and will be expected to present a report next January in Miami at the annual NJCAA convention.

to be a probable starter, possibly at third base, which would send Denbo to the outfield. Sophomore Scott Wagner again led the team in most offensive categories, as he did last spring while hitting .373 en route to All-State first team status. Wagner boasted the highest average ever for a fall campaign --.450 -- and drove in 24 home runs. His 27 hits included three home runs and five doubles.

Veteran first baseman Steve Brown added two homers along with a .269 average, and Tim Raney checked in at .429 in a reserve roll

Overall, Warrior batters hit .275 in support of their 1-2 mound punch of Mike Mayer and Mark Schwitz, plus reliables Charles Spicuzza and Rodney Lucas.

Mayer was the workhorse with his 4-2 record in 31-2-3 innings. He struck out 29 and walked just six compiling a 2.84 ERA. Schwitz won his last three decisions to finish 3-1 with a 3.24 ERA in 25 innings. Lucas (3-0 and Spicuzza (2-0) posted 1.83 and 1.80, respectively

The Warriors host Parkland in the spring opener Monday, March 17 in a 1 p.m. doubleheader.

By J. L. Schmidt

of the Associated Press

Those white balls whizzing through the air on the campus of Rend Lake College are baseballs, not snowballs.

Baseballs in February and March mean Rend Lake baseball coach Mike McClure has

started "spring" training for his tough Warriors. In eight seasons at the Jefferson

County community college, McClure's teams

have been Southern Illinois College Con-

ference contenders three times. Last year

they shared the crown with Kaskaskia

difference. "One year we lost a double header

to a team from Lake County, and I realized

Getting the team outdoors early makes the

College of Centralia.

Associated Press covers early camp

those Chicago kids were used to the cold weather," McClure said. The next season it was outdoors the first day of second semester, in late January, for the Warriors. "It's no real problem with sweat clothes and a lot of moving around," he added. Finding a dry spot can be a problem, but the main campus access road fills the bill because it's usually cleared of snow and dried

by heavy traffic. 'The people who drive through are always careful and really courteous," he said. "They like baseball about as much as we do.'

Besides, it's all worth it. McClure and the Warriors head to Florida for a six-day road trip this month, "along with other snowbirdto get the final toning needed for the 52game season.

"We play teams from Ohio and other Northern states as well as a few Florida teams in a loosely organized schedule that's been arranged by a Florida coach friend of mine. It's something the team looks forward to, and it gives us an edge," he said.

bounds. Rend Lake's season gets under way

soon, and the team heads for spring training in Jacksonville, Florida on March 22. (RLC

. so they can spot them out-of-

McClure was "probably one of 100 guys who played one year of college baseball before realizing we weren't good enough to play but could still coach," he said. When he went to Rend Lake nine years ago, he took over the baseball chores.

"It's a different situation (than high school) at a junior college because you lose half of your team every year, but that adds to the challenge of the game," he said.

Not unlike batting baseballs in the snow.



baseballs .

Photo)

McCLURES DIAMONDMEN brave the subarctic climate to prepare for this year's spring schedule. The south access road to the RLC campus provides the practice land-scape, accented by 3-5 inches of snow on either side of the pavement. Now we know

### **RLC's Lady Warriors ready for softball** Even though snow is still flying, the Lady

Softball Warriors have begun spring training here at Rend Lake. And the general con-sensus is that RLC will be a strong competitive unit in the Southern Illinois College Conference.

But before the lady Warriors can count on success they'll have to come up with some good answers to some big questions. For one, who will replace graduated power-hitter Kelly Stewart? If the spring is any indication, RLC will be looking to freshman Teresa Murry to fill Stewart's shoes, probably as the DH (designated hitter).

The ladies are looking for improvement in bunting and base running, two areas where last year's team needed help. But, they have two strong points -- they're strong defensively and they have depth - twenty girls showed up for the opening of spring training in late February.

**Returnees Toni Martin and Tonya Loker** will share pitching chores for Rend Lake. Martin's previous season netted a 4-4 record with an ERA of 8.56. Loker turned in an im-pressive 6-1 season and a 5.02 ERA -- not bad by softball standards.

Three players are vying for the starting position: Sabrina Easton, Madonna Dolan and Sharon Wade

Infielders will be picked from the field of players Diane Fann, Missy Leonard, Laura

Weber, Peggy Wilson and Kaye South. Martin and Loker may alternate between the mound and third, with 1978-79 All-Conference player Cindy Caldwell drawing the probably starting position at second base.

The outfield is not set now, with Mary Collins, Darlene Heil, Crystal Miller, Ronda Irvin, Nancy McKenzie, Martha Abbott, Cathy Browning and Kris Schirmer in con-

A softball field, on which construction began a few years ago, has still not been completed -- but will hopefully be ready to use next year. Meanwhile, the home games will be played in Bonnie, Whittington, Lake Benton and Mt. Vernon.

### Forty-eight colleges vie for championship

A record-field of 48 teams began the run for the NCAA basketball championship but eventually, only four will survive the preliminaries and wind up in the semifinals March 22 at Indianapolis.

Opening-round games in each of the four regionals were held Thursday and Friday. Here are the records of the participants, regional seedings and opening round pairings.

EAST REGIONAL: At Greensboro, N.C. Iowa (19-8) vs. Virginia Commonwealth (18-11); Tennessee (17-10) vs. Furman (23-6); at Providence, R.I. - Villanova (22-7) vs. Marquette (18-8); Iona (28-4) vs. Holy Cross (29-9). Seeded teams - 1. Syracuse (25-3); 2. Maryland (23-6); 3. Georgetown (24-5); 4. North Carolina State (20-7).

MIDEAST REGIONAL: At Lafayette, Ind.

Washington State (22-5) vs. Penn (16-11); Purdue (18-9) vs. LaSalle (21-8); at Bowling Green, KY. - Florida State (21-7) vs. Toledo (23-5); Virginia Tech (19-7) vs. Western



Kentucky (21-7). Seeded teams - 1. Kentucky (28-5) 2. Indiana (20-7); 3. St. John's (24-4); 4. Duke (22-8).

MIDWEST REGIONAL: At Lincoln, Neb. Missouri (23-5) vs. San Jose State (17-11); Kansas State (21-8) vs. Arkansas (21-7); at Denton, Tex. - Alcorn State (27-1) vs. South Alabama (23-5); Texas A&M (24-7) vs. Bradley (23-9).. Seeded teams - 1. Louisiana State (24-5); 2. Louisville (28-3); 3. North Carolina (21-7); 4. Notre Dame (22-5).

WEST REGIONAL: At Ogden, Utah -Clemson (20-8) vs. Utah State (19-7); Weber State (26-2) vs. Lamar (20-10); at Tempe, Ariz. - UCLA (17-9) vs. Old Dominion (25-4); Arizona State (21-6) vs. Loyola, Calif. (14-13). Seeded Teams - 1. DePaul (26-1); 2. Oregon State (26-3); 3. Brigham Young (24-4); 4. Ohio State (20-7).

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Rend Lake Times, March 11, 1980



**BEST IN SECTION EIGHT** is what Rend Lake's cheerleading squad has been named, according to officials of the league. The 1979-80 cheerleading squad also took top honors at the Lincoln Land Invitational Tourney in December. In addition to leading cheers at the game, the girls help organize and instruct other cheerleaders at the college's annual summer cheerleading camp. Pictured are Crystal Miller, Enfield (foregroun); Sharon Wade, West Frankfort; Dawn Webb, Ewing; Loree Helm, Chadwick; Kaye South, Enfield; and Teresa Murry, Sesser. (RLC Photo)

### **RLC Spring Baseball Schedule**

**1980 SPRING** 

BASEBALL SCHEDULE March 17 — Mon. Parkland (DH) 1 p.m I
March 18 — Tues. Shawnee (DH) 1 p.m.
March 20 — Thurs. Southeastern (DH) 1
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March 21 - Fri. Lakeland (DH) 1 p.m.
March 24 — Mon. at Jacksonville, Fla.
March 25 — Tues. at Jacksonville, Fla.
March 26 — Weds. at Jacksonville, Fla.
March 27 — Thurs. at Jacksonville, Fla.
March 28 — Fri. at Jacksonville, Fla.
March 31 — Mon. U. of Illinois J.V. (DH)
p.m
April 1 – Tues. SIU-C J.V. (DH) 2 p.m
April 3 – Thurs. Logan (DH) 1 p.m.
April 4 - Fri. Kishwaukee (DH) Noon

#### Warrior's, That's Incredible!

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winning effort. Their statistics are noted elsewhere in this edition.

One of the highlights of the season was RLC's Championship win in the Land of Lincoln Holiday Classic, held at Lincoln Land College in late December.

Facing teams from all over the state, Rend Lake showed character and poise and came away with the lucrative title, two players on the all-tourney team, the best little man in the tournament - with an award for the best

cheerleading squad. But probably the best junior college game Rend Lake has ever played was the Southeastern Illinois game that ended regular season play. The Warriors were 19-11 going into that contest. They had beaten SIC in Harrisburg on the Falcon's home court. Could they repeat that victory?

The gym erupted as Rend Lake took the win, in overtime, and climaxed with their goal of winning 20 games. It was a night that all in attendance will not soon forget. It was typical of the excellent basketball that those who watched the Warriors and followed throughout the season their play, witnessed night after exciting night.

A word can also be said about the Rend Lake schedule. The Warriors met six teams that were rated in the top ten in the state. Not an easy campaign.

Creel spent the better part of the season in the state's number one scoring spot, while the warriors as a team were rated in the state's top ten for two consecutive weeks

The way they stuck together and fought as a team is something I'll never forget. As one pla yer said, "I wanted a chance to play. I've ten it and I'm happy. We've accomplished to of things here. Not just in basketball, but n friendships. I've met a lot of people who will be lifetime friends." As the year's progress, many things will be said about The Warriors that began the

Eighties - that they were record setters, sportsimen, competitors, agressors . . . one hing's for sure -- those little guys from Rend Lake came to play. They've got class.

They're winners.

March 5 - Sat. Lincoln Trail (DH) Noon....T April 8 — Tues. Jefferson College (DH) 1 p.m. April 10 — Thurs. SIU-C J.V. (DH) 2 p.m.

April 12 - Sat. Olney Central (DH) Noon ... H April 13 — Sun. Parkland (DH) 1 p.m. . **T** April 15 — Tues. Logan (DH) 1 p.m. .... April 17 — Thurs. Wabash Valley (DH) 1 .**T** 

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#### **Basketball Records**

**REND LAKE COLLEGE BASKETBALL RECORDS** TEAM RECORDS (ONE GAME): Most Points: 136 (vs Madisonville, Ky) 1975-76 Most Points, Two Teams: 237

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Best Def. Game: 42 Pts. (Wabash Valley) 1972-73 Most Rebounds: 75 (vs Lockyear, Ind.) 1972.73 +Most Assists: 39 (vs. Scott AFB) 1979-80 TEAM RECORDS (SEASON): Best Season Winning Pct, : 769 (Won 20-Lost 6) 1972-73 + Most Games Won: 21 1979-80 + Most Points: 2903 (33 games) 1979-80 + Highest Point Avg Per Game: 87.97 1979-80 Most Consecutive Wins: 8 1972-73

+Most FT Made: 561 1979-80 Most FT ATMP: 779 1971-72

+ Best FT Pct.: 772 (561 of 777) 1979-80 + Most FG Made: 1171 1979-80

Most FG ATMP: 2382 1975-76

Best Dev. Avg: 72.23 1972-73 Most Rebounds: 1285 1971-72

+ Most Assists: 834 1979-80 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS (ONE GAME):

Most Points: 54 (Larry Tutt, vs Danville) 1968-69 Most FG Made: 21 (Lee Yearwood, vs Cantnn) 1961-62 Most FT Made: 20 (Larry Tutt, vs Danville) 1968-69 Most FT ATMP: 21 (Larry Burkett, vs. St. I. Bapt.) 1961-62

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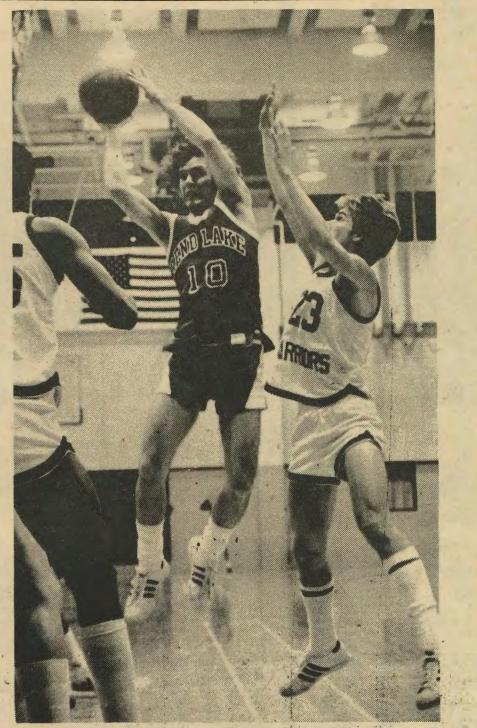
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Most FT ATMP: 230 Merle McRaven 1963-64 Highest FT Pct: .902 Jack Smith 1975-76 +Most Consecutive FT Made: 33+ Mark Schwitz 1979-80 Highest Point Avg: 26 Lee Yearwood 1961-62 Most Rebounds: 367 Ron Henderson 1971-72 Most Assists: 279 Mark Craddock 1979-80 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS (CAREER): Most Points: 1173 Doug Creel 1978-80

+ Most FG Made: 466 Doug Creel 1978-80 + Most FT Made: 241 Doug Creel 1978-80 Most FT ATMP: 317 Dean Jackson 1965-67 Highest FT AVG Pct.: .867 (91 of 105) Chris Benetti 1976-78

Highest Pt. Avg.: 26.25 Lee Yearwood 1960-62 Most Rebounds: 604 Ron Henderson 1971-73 + Most Assists: 426 Mark Craddock 1978-80



MIKE CRADDOCK takes to the sky for a fast pass to Mark Schwitz for the bucket, giving Craddock his record 279th season assist. He also holds the record for most assists in a single game and most assists in a two-year career as a Rend Lake Warrior. The Benton

native never missed the starting line-up in his two years here, and was considered to be the driving force behind the teams winning ways. (Rend Lake Times Photo by Caesar Maragni).

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### **Dynamic Duo Rewrite RLC Records**

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Mike Bolton in the 1975-76 season. Creel also topped Lee Yearwood's record for most field goals made in a two year career by 16, making 466 in seasons 1978-80. Yearwood's 450 mark had stood since the 1960-62 seasons.

Creel scored more points than any Rend Lake player ever, with 737 points this season. Bolton held the old 600 mark (1975-76). Creel set the career mark for point scored, too, with 1173. Yearwood held the old 1050 which he had held since the 1960-62 efforts.

In addition, Rend Lake's blond bucketeer scored on 241 free throws in his two years in a Warrior uniform, cancelling 1965-67 Warrior Dean Jackson's 228 mark. Creel tied Merle McRaven (1963-64) in the column for most free throws made in a season with 163

Adding to the assa ult on the record was Mark Craddock, the man who has been called Rend Lake's 'coach on the floor,' who tumbled three records in the assist column. Craddock handed over the ball in 17 suc-

cessful plays against opponents from Scott Air Base and felled a record 14 assists set by 1975-76 Warrior and now Trico High Kchool head coach Jack Smith.

His 279 season assists gave Craddock the record previously held by Smith in that 1975-76 season with 214. Craddock laos tossed Smith out of the book by netting 426 career assists -- beating Smith's previous 417 mark (1975-77)

Mark Schwitz, who fans call 'The Doctor,' set the only other individual record on the season. It may be the most difficult to achieve. Schwitz went to the free throw line and was successful 33 consecutive times. As a matter of fact, he ended the season on the streak - so he's still counting. Dennis Nehrkorn (1973-74) held the old mark of 29 consecutive free throws. Nehrkorn, who is attending RLC again this term, was the coach of the 1979-80 Illinois Junior High School Class S State Champion Pinckneyville junior High School boys basketball team, which nabbed the crown in Rend Lake's gym last month.

Rend Lake's Warriors as a team set record marks in eight categories, including most assists in a game, with 39 against Scott Air Base. They also claimed the record for most assists in a season with 834.

warriors won 21 games, compared to the old mark of 20 (1972-73). They scored more points than any team before them, 2903. The old record was 2509 (1975-76). They have a higher per game point average, 87.97, than the 1964-65 edition of Rend Lake's tribe when the average was 87.55.

The 1979-80 version shot down the 1971-72 team's record for most free throws made and best free throw percentage. They made 561, besting the old 552 mark, and making the 561 of 777 attempts for a .722 average better than the old .710 percentage on 553 of 779.

A complete record book can be found on page seven. Special recognition goes to Wayne Arnold who compiles the stats and keeps these records current.

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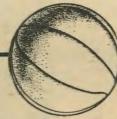
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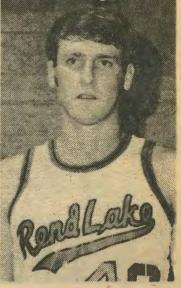




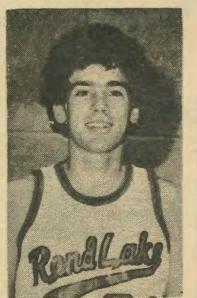
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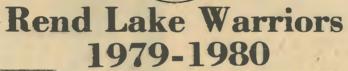


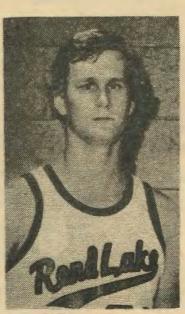
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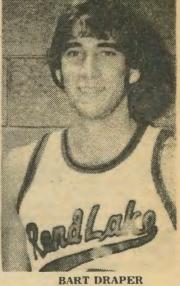
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