

One student to vie for board member

By Gina Mitchell

Each year an election for one non-voting RLC student board member is conducted by the Board of Trustees. This year's election will be held on Thurs., May 7.

According to Bob Spuhler, dean of student services, Randy Herrin is the only student who has applied for the position.

The first day to file petitions was April 20. Petitions could be returned until April 30 at 4 p.m.

The non-voting student board member represents the student body by attending the monthly Board of Trustees meetings. The student has the privilege of speaking on issues that come before the Board.

"The biggest advantage is the great opportunity for the student to learn more

about how the college operates," said Spuhler. "The student also has the opportunity to have input, make suggestions and give insight to the Board."

There are qualifications for those running for the position: the student must be a full time student at RLC for the 1981-82 academic year and must reside in the RLC District No. 521.

"We (the administration and Board) would really like to have a student on the Board because the board members represent the communities, the staff is well represented and the student's purpose is to represent the student body," said Spuhler.

"I was a student in the fall of 1980 at RLC and then I transferred to SIU-C," said

Herrin, a freshman from Benton. "I have decided to return to RLC next year because I feel that I can be more involved at RLC than at SIU."

All RLC students will be able to vote on Thurs., May 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the Administration Building. Absentee voting will be held on Tues., May 5, and Wed., May 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Business office in the Administration Building.

"I feel that since my father (Rich Herrin) has been a board member for three years I can relate to the issues at hand," said Herrin.

Sophomore Brad Rainwater of Wayne City has served as the student board member for the past academic year.

Graduation to be May 17

Approximately 395 RLC students will graduate at the 14th annual RLC commencement on Sun., May 17. The program will be held in the RLC gymnasium at 3 p.m.

Three RLC sophomores will give addresses at the commencement. Maria Francavitch of Mt. Vernon, Anthony Chavez of Mt. Vernon and Kay Eubanks of Pinckneyville will be the featured speakers.

Two awards will be presented during the ceremony by the RLC foundation. The Foundation Scholarship will be awarded to a freshman planning to continue his/her education at RLC. Francavitch was last year's scholarship winner. The other award, for Outstanding Community Support of RLC, will also be presented at this time. Old Ben Coal Company was last year's winner of this award. RLC Foundation president Harold W. Hannah will make both presentations.

Prelude music will be provided by the RLC Civic Symphony. The Civic Symphony is supported in part this year by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council. The Symphony will also play the National Anthem as well as the processional and recessional entitled, "Sylvia" by Leo Delibes. RLC music instructor Larry D. Phifer is the conductor.

The RLC Collegiate Choir will perform two selections under the direction of Phifer.

The invocation and benediction will be given by the Reverend Max Borah of the First United Methodist Church in Sesser.

RLC president Harry J. Braun will present the graduates while Joseph A. McClure Jr., chairman of the Board of Trustees, assisted by student senate president Brad O. Rainwater of Wayne City, confer the degrees.

A reception will be held in the Student Center immediately following the ceremony.

The 10th Rend Water Festival to hold new/old festivities

By Gina Mitchell

The 10th Annual Rend Lake Water Festival will feature a beauty pageant with over 50 contestants, a ball in honor of the new queen, the First Annual Antique car Show, a 10,000 meter run, a carnival and a parade marshalled by former Illinois governor Dan Walker.



Sue Upchurch

The 10th Annual Miss Rend Lake Beauty Pageant will be held on Tues., May 12, and Thurs., May 14, at the Benton Consolidated High School East Gym. The pageant is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. both nights.

RLC registrar Sue Upchurch has been chosen as one of the judges for the pageant. She will be joined at the judges table by Billy G. Dixon of Benton, Tom Ferris of Marion, Betty Wilkerson of Centralia and Marjorie Stotlar of Herrin.

Twenty-five girls will vie for the title of Miss Rend Lake 1981 and a \$1,000 cash award. Seven of the girls are current or past students of RLC. Beece Bennett, 17, of Benton, Emma Mayhue, 19, of Christopher, Teresa Melvin, 17, of Benton, Susan Miller, 20, of McLeansboro, and Elizabeth Wilkinson, 20, of Sesser are all currently enrolled in RLC classes. Pennie Camden, 20, of McLeansboro and Dana Hart, 21, of Sesser are former students of the college.

In the Little Mr. and Miss Rend Lake

contest 11 boys and 19 girls will compete for the titles.

Tuesday evening will feature swim wear and costume competition for the Miss Rend Lake entries and play wear for the Little Mr. and Miss contest. Thursday the Miss Rend Lake contestants will wear formal wear while the Little Mr. and Miss entrants will wear dress wear.

According to Linda Melcher, co-chairman of the pageant, all 27 past winners of the pageant have been invited to help celebrate the 10th anniversary of the pageant.

Tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students under 12. Tickets will be available at the door each night.

A carnival will be set up on the Benton Parking Lot on West Main Street from Mon., May 11, until Sat., May 16. Various rides and games will be featured at the carnival.

On Sat., May 16, at 10:02 a.m. the 10th Annual Rend Lake Water Festival Parade will begin at the Benton High School. The parade will travel down East Main Street, around the Public Square, and down North Main five blocks, to Joplin Street. The parade marshal will be former governor Walker while the parade host will be Benton Mayor Leland Brown. Over 90 units are expected to be in the parade.

At 9 a.m. on May 16 the Taylor Motor Company of Benton will sponsor the TMC 10,000 Meter Classic Run. The run will start at the Benton Community Park. Over 200 persons are expected to enter the race.

At approximately 1:30 that day, the First Annual Rend Lake Water Festival Antique Car Show is set to begin on the practice football field at the high school.

The festivities will come to an end with the Annual Rend Lake Ball on Saturday evening at 8 p.m. The Ball will be in honor of the new Miss Rend Lake and her court. A buffet and entertainment by "Pyramid", a St. Louis area band, will be included in the \$35 per couple fee. Persons interested in attending the ball are urged to purchase tickets in advance.

For further information about any of the events persons should phone the Benton Area Chamber of Commerce at 438-2121.

Lady Warriors third in state

RLC's finest hour, athletically speaking, produced a third-place finish in the Region IV (state) women's softball tournament over the weekend as the Lady Warriors battled back from a 15-inning marathon loss to eventual state champion Lincoln College.

Lincoln went undefeated in the double-elimination affair, turning back top-seeded Illinois Central 3-0 in Sunday's finale, but had to come from behind Friday afternoon to upend a gutty RLC outfit which traded zeroes with the champs for 13 innings behind the pitching of all-tourney selection Debbie Anselment.

Coach Shlonda Horton's Section VIII survivors won their 15th game in the last 16 outings with a 3-2 opening-game triumph over Lincoln Trail to earn the right to meet Lincoln. The Lady Warriors then returned Saturday to post two more victories, 3-1 over Triton and 11-6 in a repeat verdict over Lincoln Trail, before dropping an 11-1 Sunday morning decision to runner-up Illinois Central.

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RLC Lady Warriors marched through the Section VIII Tournament in Mt. Carmel undefeated to become the first women's softball team in Warrior history to advance to the Region IV (state) playoffs where they placed third. Members of the championship RLC women's softball squad are: front row (left to right), Cindy Plumlee (Thompsonville), Paula Keele (Mt. Vernon), Nancy McKinzie (Woodlawn), Debbie Anselment (McLeansboro), Diane Fann (Zeigler) and Kelly Herron (West Frankfort); back row, manager Angie Meadows (Woodlawn), Lisa Cullins (Wayne City), Dalelisa Crocker (Wayne City), Madonna Dolan (Enfield), Missy Learned (Benton), Tammy Spencer (Benton), Sabrina Eastham (Waltonville), Shelly Melvin (Benton) and Coach Shlonda Horton.

First summer art camp set

Summer is a good time to try something new, and the Arts and Communications Department of Rend Lake College is providing something new this summer for students who will be in grades five through eight next fall.

A Summer Arts Camp will bring together qualified teachers for enrichment activities in art, creative writing, drama and music.

The Summer Arts Camp will be held from June 15-25, Monday through Thursday each week. The morning session from 8:30-11:30 is for students who will be in the fifth and sixth grades in the fall. The afternoon session, from 12:30-3:30 is for seventh and eighth grade students.

The staff is made up primarily of RLC faculty, with one addition from outside. All the staff will focus on the students' enjoyment of the art chosen, with a variety of creative approaches being used.

In art, Tim Murphy will be the leader. Murphy, an art teacher at West Frankfort Community High School, is experienced in painting, drawing and commercial art. He has directed similar summer enrichment programs in the past.

The creative writing sessions will be taught by Barbara Beyer and Evelyn Claxton. Beyer, a visiting associate professor in English at SIU-C and a part-time creative writing instructor at RLC, was a highly acclaimed creative writing teacher in the Pennsylvania public schools before moving to Southern Illinois. Her articles on teaching creative writing in the schools have been published in *Youth Magazine*. She has also published short fiction and poetry. Beyer will teach the morning session.

Claxton, chairman of the Arts and Communications Department, has taught creative writing for years, both in college and in the YWCA adult education program in Kansas City. She taught a creative writing workshop in February for the gifted program. Claxton also has published short fiction, poetry, and non-fiction articles. She will teach the afternoon session.

The drama workshop will be led by Joe Rust, RLC speech and theatre instructor, assisted by Georgine Hawley, RLC English instructor. Many of the ideas that Rust will use this summer were acquired in England as part of his master's program. Rust has experience with children's theatre ranging from work with a puppet company to the Cheyenne Little Theatre's *Young Peoples' melodrama*. Hawley served as props and costume mistress for the last two RLC productions.

A three person staff will be in charge of the music workshops. The husband-wife team of Bob and Norma Jean Luckey will have the morning session. Both are experienced high school and college music instructors. They are proficient in the Kodaly method of music instruction, which is particularly valuable in working with young musicians. Larry Phifer will have the afternoon music session. An experienced musician, teacher and choral and orchestra director, Phifer plans to incorporate music composition into the creative activities of his session.

Registration fee for the eight sessions is \$45. Participants will be limited and those who register first will be assured a place in the workshop of first choice.



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Campus Briefs

On Mon., May 11, at 8 a.m. classes will have final exams from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All noon classes will have exams from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

On Tues., May 12, all 9 a.m. classes will have exams from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All 1 p.m. classes will have exams from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

All art critiques, music juries and music methods (voice and woodwind) are scheduled by the Arts and Communications department.

On Wed., May 13, all 10 a.m. classes will have exams from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All 2 p.m. classes will have exams from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Jim Waugh's health classes will have exams in SCI 110 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Thurs., May 14.

Wayne Arnold's health classes will have exams in the Theatre from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Thurs., May 14.

Judy Skelton's health class will meet in SCI 109 for exams from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on May 14.

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on May 14 all 11 a.m. classes will have exams.

All block schedule classes of more than one hour and parallel classes will give their final exams the last day of regularly scheduled classes.

Evening classes will be given exams at the regular class time the week of May 11.

The Civic Symphony will hold a concert at the West Frankfort High School on Sunday, at 3 p.m.

Alex Chu will be in the RLC Theatre Friday at noon. He is from Hong Kong and is a teaching assistant at SIU-C in the classical guitar program.

Freshman Leigh Barnfield of Benton and Dalelisa Crocker of Wayne City were recently chosen SIU-C cheerleaders for next year. Both Barnfield and Crocker were RLC cheerleaders this year. They were chosen from over 30 contestants at the try-outs held at Carbondale.

Engineering equipment used to make blueprints around Southern Illinois during the early to middle part of the century by a civil and mining engineer have been donated to the RLC Foundation. Suzanne Pfeiffer of Mattoon and her brother, Guy Pfeiffer, recently gave the college a large drawing protractor, two wooden blueprint developing frames, a large metal tray in which the blueprints were washed, three antique wooden reels and several blueprints of area mining sites.

The collection of engineering antiques will be placed on display periodically in the college's LRC.

Larry M. Richmond has been appointed chairperson of the science, math, physical education and health department. Richmond who taught at Benton Consolidated High School for several years will come to RLC on June 15.

Shirley McHaney has been appointed as the chairperson of the Allied Health Department effective July 1.

At the April 14 Board of Trustees meeting resignations were accepted from Myron Foley, Pam Luttmers and Janet Alred. Foley is an instructor and chairperson for the business and social science department. Luttmers is a counselor while Alred is an interior design instructor.

The Mining technology department chairperson, Gary Wade, has been reassigned to an instructor in that department at his request.

RLC welding instructor Frank Fenton recently had an article published in the Spring edition of a SIU-C publication, *Journal of Studies in Technical Careers*.

The article, entitled, "Education on the Job: A Role for Vocational Education" suggests that neither teachers nor employers are doing a sufficient job of training employees in how to communicate with supervisors, how to advance on the job and how their specific department is organized. It also offers several possible programs to alleviate this problem.

Fenton is currently working on another article concerned with the possibilities and failure of career education.

There will be a dinner for the board members, staff and faculty in the Student Center on May 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

A few weeks ago, while lying in a hospital bed recovering from a gunshot wound, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation declaring the week of April 20-26, 1981 "National Victims Rights Week".

A few days before that, we all had seen once again the horror of a criminal assault on a President of this nation and members of his staff.

Apart from the prominence of the victims involved, what we saw on television screens in simple fact was the type of violent assault which makes crime victims of millions of Americans each year.

Unfortunately, crime resulting in physical injuries to the victims increased by 13 percent in 1980 over the previous year, according to a Department of Justice national survey. It is also now estimated that 6 percent of all the households in the nation are touched by a violent crime.

With violent crime at such a high level and even increasing at an alarming rate, much of our attention is justifiably drawn to efforts to improve the swift law enforcement procedures of the Criminal Justice system. Other efforts and much attention is aimed at dealing with whatever sociological problems there are that may contribute to the rising tide of criminality.

As necessary and laudable as those efforts are, unfortunately they draw attention and support away from what should be one of the highest concerns of a civilized society, assistance and emotional support for the innocent, injured victims of crime. Efforts to highlight this concern are not new. In fact, an historical quote credited to Solon, in the years 635-558 B.C., states:

"There can be no justice until those of us who are unaffected by crime become as indignant as those who are".

Since I have become Attorney General of Illinois, I have made every effort to direct some of our indignation about crime to concern for the injured victims. I will continue those efforts. Fortunately, in the State of Illinois, our General Assembly enacted a Crime Victims Compensation Act in 1973 and improved it in 1979. Therefore we have the tools to work with and the stated public policy of our intent to assist victims. My duty, as I see it, is to make every effort to let each citizen of Illinois know about the Crime Victims Compensation program, which is administered by my office, and to see to it that justified claims are handled as warmly, fairly and speedily as possible.

In the meantime, to crime victims and their families, I can say that the President of the United States and and Governor of Illinois through their proclamations of this week as "Victims Rights Week" are letting you know you're not forgotten. And, as Attorney General of Illinois, I say on behalf of your fellow citizens:

"Your victimization is our victimization, your injuries are our injuries, and we will help."

Ty Fahner
Attorney General
State of Illinois

Schedules for the fall semester at Eastern Illinois University (EIU) are available for transfer students in the Counseling Center in the South Oasis.

It is not too early to apply for housing at EIU. Applications are currently being accepted for the 1982 fall semester. Applications are available in the Counseling Center.



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Water Slides open May 23

By Gina Mitchell

A bit of summer entertainment is in store for area residents. The Rend Lake Water Slides are scheduled to open on Sat., May 23, at 9 a.m. until 10 p.m.

The Water Slides are owned by four Benton men: Robin LaBuwi, Norman Carlile, John F. Burlison and Bernie Hunt.

According to LaBuwi, the construction began on March 10. A concession stand is already completed.

The two slides are made of fiberglass and are both 325 feet long. Persons will go down the slides on mats and land in a three-foot deep pool of water.

"There will also be a shaded picnic area for observers," said LaBuwi. "Parents can also sit there to watch their children while going down the slides."

Persons will not have to wait for specific sessions each hour although the fee will be based on an hourly basis. LaBuwi said the first hour will cost \$3.50 while the second hour will go down to \$2.50.

The new Rend Lake Water Slides are located south of Benton on Route 37 north, next to the Safari Campground.

Free motorcycle classes

The enthusiastic reponse by area residents to similar classes which were held for the first time last fall has convinced officials at RLC to let the good times roll again this spring.

Three sections of Basic Motorcycle Riding Techniques, offered by the Safety Center of SIU-C, will be conducted on the RLC campus this month.

The classes are intended for the person who may be a little curious about motorcycles and would like to discover what they are all about as well as for the individual who wants to learn how to ride. They should benefit anyone who has never ridden or the novice with 10,000 miles or fewer to his or her credit.

Enrollment is limited for each of the sections, which will consist of 20 total hours in classroom instruction and riding time.

A Friday-Saturday section starting May 8 and continuing through May 16 is the next section offered. The first section began on April 24.

Section three is scheduled on consecutive weeknights May 19-21 from 5:30-9:30 and the following Sat., May 23, from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

That same format will be followed for the fourth section as well. It will

meet Tuesday through Thursday, May 26-28, and all day May 30.

All sections will meet the first day in Room 109 of the Academic Building.

Classes will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. To sign up for any of the three sections, prospective students should contact the RLC Community Services office in the Administration Building.

Anyone 15 years of age or older is eligible, although participants under 18 must show written parental consent. Those completing the course will be issued a certificate of completion from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

Cycles, helmets and insurance will be provided for the courses, which are made available through a highway safety grant by the Illinois Department of Transportation to SIU's Safety Center. Area motorcycle dealers also are cooperating in the program.

Purpose of the riding techniques classes is to teach the student how to ride, while at the same time developing the decision-making process a rider must master to be a safe cyclist.

Participants must bring gloves, street shoes (no sandals or tennis shoes), long-sleeved jacket and long pants and either protective eyewear or sunglasses.

Two former CETA Workers are now full-time workers

By Lori Hart

Even though RLC print shop CETA workers Jerry Spelbing and Janice Hudson have lost their CETA assistance as of April 30 they have recently been notified that they will remain employed by the college.

RLC president Harry J. Braun informed Hudson and Spelbing that they will be employed full-time until the end of the fiscal year, which is June 30. Spelbing and Hudson started working as full-time RLC employees on May 1.

"This takes a lot of worrying off my mind—not to have to worry about where I would get a job," said Spelbing. "It's scary to think that one day you are secure about your job and the next day you could lose it."

"I would like to thank my boss, John Wooters and Dr. Braun for prolonging my job," Hudson said.

The RLC tennis team coached by A.W. Speake has advanced to state playoffs after defeating John A. Logan College last Friday. By defeating Logan, the team placed first in the conference. It had also placed second in the sectional. The state playoffs are set to begin this Friday in Springfield.

Chorus concert May 8

A program featuring the RLC Community Chorus and the premier performance of the RLC Ringers will perform for area audiences Fri., May 8, in the RLC Theatre at 8 p.m.

The RLC Ringers, under the direction of Norma Jean Luckey, consists of seven members. The group will make its first appearance using the Jay DeWitt Memorial Handbells, donated in honor of the former RLC student by his parents, psychology instructor Judson and Mary DeWitt.

The first half of the music performed by the RLC Community Chorus, 24 members strong under Luckey's direction, will highlight songs from almost every period. Included will be numbers by Bach, Beethoven, Leonard Bernstein, Paul Desmond and Renaissance composer Josquin DesPres.

A 16-member pop-singing group will take the stage for the second half of the performance and will sing two long contemporary selections.

Tickets will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Morels found in hunt

By Mary Beth Lechner

A mushroom hunt was held on Sat., April 18, for mushroom lovers or for those who just wanted a fun Saturday afternoon.

Media-Graphics Technician Bob Buffington served as a guide for the day's activities, which included an hour presentation of the differences of the Morel mushrooms, sometimes called sponge mushrooms, and poisonous look-alikes. After the presentation six hunters, including Buffington, searched four miles at Devils Kitchen for Sponge mushrooms, Yellow mushrooms, Smokies, Snow mushrooms, and Black Morels.

"Everyone found at least 25 Morels and had an enjoyable time finding them," said Buffington. "We also found total white flocks of spring wild flowers, which is uncommon."

Buffington is an experienced guide and the co-author of an article entitled "The Good Earth Harvest," which is a series on edible plants published in *Outdoor Illinois* magazine.

Business Club goes to state conference

By Mary Beth Lechner

On April 24, 25, and 26, four members and one sponsor of Phi Beta Lambda, the college business organization, attended the annual Phi Beta Lambda State Conference in Springfield.

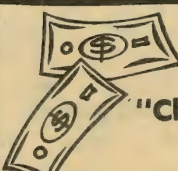
Robert E. Witsman of Dahlgren, received first place in extemporaneous speaking and third place in "Mr. Business Executive." Also receiving an award was Mike Beal, who received third place in economics. Those who received first place in their events are qualified to attend the National Conference held in Chicago.

Other members attending the conference were Jennifer Swartz of Mt. Vernon, Rhonda Reece of Whittington and Bill Younghusband, advisor.

Friday evening's activities consisted of an alumni reception for former members and a dance and swimming party for those attending the conference. The individual and group contests were held Saturday morning through mid-afternoon. Campaign speeches for state officers were heard at the formal dinner banquet Saturday evening. Sunday consisted of an election of state officers and an awards banquet.



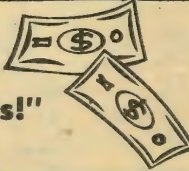
It didn't take Mike McClure long as a member of the college coaching ranks to win 300 games. Less than 10 years, to be exact. McClure (left), in his 10th season as baseball coach at Rend Lake College, reached the coaching milestone with a 2-1 victory over rival Southeastern Illinois on April 11. It was McClure's 300th win against 169 losses. Former Warrior player and current assistant coach Kelly Mumbower (right) presented McClure with a plaque in recognition of the achievement. The Warrior mentor, 36-year-old graduate of Mt. Vernon Township High School and SIU-C, has made winning a tradition on the Ina campus since his arrival for the 1971-72 campaign. After finishing one game under .500 that season, he has produced a winning record each year since. Included were Southern Illinois College Conference championships in 1973 and 1974 and a co-title in 1979. RLC was ranked No. 2 in the state and 20th nationally during the spring of 1973. Insiders believe his coaching job this spring may be his best yet. The team's season ended Saturday with an 11-4 loss to Wabash Valley in Section VIII tournament play. The team's record was 29-20.



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The 3-2 showing in Peoria raised the RLC record to 26-6 overall and produced two all-tournament picks among 10 players chosen. Anselment, a workhorse from McLeansboro who was on the mound for every inning of the tournament, was joined by freshman rightfielder Tammy Spencer of Benton.

The Lady Warriors made their debut at state a success by scoring three times in the second inning of their 3-2 win over Lincoln Trail. A run-producing single by West Frankfort freshman Kelly Herron and a two-run double from Missy Learned (Benton) followed three straight bases on balls to open the frame.

Herron's home run down the right field line appeared to put her team in the driver's seat, too, in the tilt with No. 2 seed Lincoln. It broke the ice of a tense struggle after Sabrina Eastham, the coach's sister, had led off the top of the 14th with a single. The homer was Herron's second.

After Anselment retired the first two batters in the bottom of the inning, three straight Lincoln singles tied the score. A lead-off single, an error one out later and a wild pitch proved fatal in the next inning.

Spencer's bases-loaded single brought in two runs and helped the winners jump out to a 3-0 lead after one inning against Triton. All three runs were unearned, but they were more than enough as Anselment stopped the visiting team on two hits. Spencer had two of three RLC hits.

Six Lincoln Trail errors and five walks helped the Lady Warriors eliminate their southern-most rivals in the afternoon Saturday.

The winners scored five times in the first thanks to those hits and added five more in the third with the benefit of four Lincoln Trail errors and hits by Paula Keele and Spencer, who finished with four RBIs. Anselment allowed all of the losers' runs in the last three innings after RLC led, 10-0.

Dreams of a rematch with Lincoln ended abruptly Sunday morning against Illinois Central.

RLC, which got hits from Eastham and Diane Fann, saw Illinois Central score four runs in the first, two in the second and third and wrap up the contest on the 10-run rule in the sixth on a three-run homer by Susan Mochring.

Members of the third-place squad included all-state candidate Anselment, a freshman, Spencer, second baseman Learned, first baseman Herron, third baseman Fann (Zeigler), centerfielder Eastham (Waltonville), shortstop Keele (Mt. Vernon), leftfielder Nancy McKinzie (Woodlawn), catcher Lisa Cullins (Wayne City) and reserves Dalelisa Crocker (Wayne City), Madonna Dolan (Enfield), Shelly Melvin (Benton) and Cindy Plumlee (Thompsonville).

Future bright for Waugh's ladies

Coach Jim Waugh is wasting no time in his new position as women's basketball and softball coach at RLC. Waugh has already landed three area girls to play next year for the Lady Warriors.

Kelley Deichman of Mt. Vernon, Brenda Gesell of Benton and Brenda Likens of Woodlawn have assured Waugh of their playing on next year's teams.

Deichman, a 5-11 basketball standout and a four-year hitting star of the Lady Rams softball team will play both basketball and softball for RLC next year.

She entered her final season at Mt. Vernon with a three-year batting average of .521 (85-163), including nine home runs and 23 extra-base hits during a junior campaign in which she hit .597 (40-67). On the basketball court she averaged 7.5 points and the same number of rebounds in a 63-game career interrupted the past season by injuries.

Her career stats for basketball were compiled on a total of 472 points in 63 games and 473 rebounds, including 221 offensive rebounds.

A starter at forward for the 1980 Benton Rangerettes that captured the Class A

AD reassigned; aid approved

By Mary Beth Lechner

Jim Waugh, the only men's basketball coach and athletic director known to RLC in its 14 year existence, has been reassigned to women's activities at his request. However, he will remain as coach of the college golf team.

When asked why he wanted to be reassigned Waugh said, "I believe this is the best thing for me to do. I'm excited, it is like a new adventure. I am looking forward to keeping the women's sports strong. They have to have someone to help them develop their skills." He continued, "I haven't given anything up. I've just changed from men to women's sports. After being in coaching for 15 years, I don't think I can give it up."

Waugh, a native of Terre Haute, Ind., and former star at Indiana State University in his hometown, came to this area in 1966 as basketball and baseball coach at Mt. Vernon Community College. The following year the college officially became RLC.

Under Waugh's direction, the Warriors posted an overall record of 196-199 during 15 seasons. That record is somewhat deceiving, since his first RLC quintet was 1-23.

His teams are 165-139 since moving into their permanent gymnasium facilities on the Ina campus in 1970. Waugh's 1972-73 team was 20-6 overall and captured the Southern Illinois College Conference (SICC) championship outright. The Warriors shared an SICC title in 1976-77 and have won at least 18 games each of the last three seasons. In 1979-80 the Warriors posted 21-12 mark while setting eight team and nine individual records.

Several former Warriors who played under Waugh are among the local coaching ranks, including area high school head coaches John Kretz (Christopher), Jack Smith (Trico), Ron Smith (Coulterville) and Don Smith (Anna-Jonesboro).

The RLC Board of Trustees approved Waugh's request to coordinate women's basketball and softball shortly after voting 6-1 Tues., April 14, to offer athletic scholarships for the first time during the 1982-83 school year.

Under the tentative proposal approved, the athletic department would have 20 tuition waivers and \$13,500 in scholarships for 1982-83. For the next year the department would have 36 tuition waivers and \$20,000. How the program is to be divided among the college's seven sports has not been determined.

Illinois state basketball championship, Gesell averaged 12.5 points and 9.6 rebounds per game her senior year while moving to center position.

Gesell, who stands at 6-0, was a member of the 24-player All-Southern Illinoisan All-Star team chosen by area coaches. Her individual performance landed her a berth on the Harrisburg Invitational all-tourney team also.

Gesell has been coached for three years by Sally Niemeyer who was chosen by the Illinois High School Association as the "Coach of the Year" in 1980.

Likens will play both basketball and softball for RLC. The 5-8 guard-forward in the winter and infielder in the spring, "will be a very fine addition to our women's sports program," according to Waugh.

She has played four years at Woodlawn and averaged 13 points per game as a senior. Likens also averaged 6.5 assists per game this past winter for Coach Delbert Bushong's team.

she batted .375 in softball during her junior campaign and is currently playing the sport for her fourth year.

About half of the support for the scholarships would come from institutional funds while the other half would be provided through private contributions from the community.

Coaches Wayne Arnold, Waugh, and Mike McClure were asked their opinions of the newly proposed athletic scholarships.

"We are not in a town which has housing which presents a problem," said Arnold. "I hope whoever is hired to replace coach Waugh will emphasize character as well as athletic ability, like coach Waugh has done in the past."

"What is the player's background? Is he a trouble maker? He has to function in the community," says Arnold. "I hope that all activities are treated equally, that the basketball teams do not get all the money because the other teams should be included."

"I disagree with the process used to initiate the program. I would think if a major decision was made the athletic director should be in a committee to help make the decision," commented Arnold. "Head coaches, McClure, Shlonda Hortin, and A.W. Speake, had very little input with this scholarship program. I hope to maintain the program they include the athletic director too."

Waugh looks at the program this way: "It is a terrific start for an athletic department. Other college programs are not that good. I'm not sure a community college needs a high scholarship program anyway. But, . . . on the other hand, if a certain sport goes to state then aid is good.

Some of the funds will be provided by the college which is taxpayer's money."

"However, it will be interesting to see in about five years how the program is continuing. I did not expect us to have a scholarship this soon. Now it is important that RLC hires the right person for athletic director to keep this program running," said Waugh.

McClure, head baseball coach comments, "No one knows how the money is to be divided among the sports, but four tuition waivers will not help us much in baseball. I think we should have 12 tuition waivers to make a difference."

"More colleges are planning scholarship programs which makes it hard to recruit. In fact, I think the coaches weren't informed very well about the program," added McClure.

RLC is seeking an individual to take Waugh's place as athletic director and head basketball coach. The position of athletic director is considered a part-time load, with a half-time teaching position. Many individuals have already applied for the job. The head coach at Cook County, Texas, who has taken his team to the national championship, has applied. Other coaches outside the state have also applied, such as coaches in Mich., Va. and Neb. Many high school and college coaches (head and assistant) within Illinois have also applied. Contrary to many rumors, Benton High School's basketball coach, Rich Herrin, has not applied for Waugh's position.



Fred Settle (second from left), sophomore center from Mooresville, Ind., was voted the Warriors' Most Valuable Player upon completion of an 18-15 basketball season at RLC. Settle also received a trophy as the team's leading rebounder and was honored for his selection to the All-Southern Illinois College Conference squad elected by league coaches. Other RLC award winners at a recent banquet in their honor were sophomore Brad Rainwater of Wayne City (third from left), freshman Steve Shurtz of Benton (second from right) and Carl Shurtz of Benton (right). Rainwater captured the trophy for highest free throw percentage; his 87 percent accuracy from the stripe (77-89) ranked him seventh nationally among community and junior college foul shooters. Steve Shurtz was the Warriors' leading assist man, while brother Carl Shurtz was voted the sportsmanship award by his teammates. Making the presentations is Jim Waugh (left), 15-year coach of the RLC cagers who recently asked for and received reassignment to coach women's basketball and softball next season. Waugh's last two teams won a total of 39 games with key contributions both years from 6-foot-4 Settle and Rainwater.

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