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New Senators represent student body

By Amy Roffman

On September 19, 1979, the student body elected seven new members to the Student Senate.

Those members included Barbara Doherty, and Amy Roffmann from Mt. Vernon, Brad Rainwater, (Wayne City) and Dan Settle (Ina) for freshman representatives; and Crystal Miller (Enfield), David Fairchild (Benton) and Susie Wolf (McLeansboro) as representatives-at-large.

The sophomore members of the Student Senate include: Ron Brookins (Whittington), Kaye South (Enfield), Dawn Webb (Ewing) and Barry Moore (Murphysboro).

The first meeting of the entire 1979-80 Student Senate was held on Monday, September 24, and business included the election of officers and the election of two representatives to the Academic Council.

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The officers are as follows: Ron Brookins, president; Kaye South, secretary; Dawn Webb, treasurer; Susie Wolf, social chairman; and Amy Roffmann, chairman of public relations.

The two representatives elected to the Academic Council were David Fairchild and Dan Settle.

Doug Dunbar (Benton) serves as the nonvoting student representative on the District 521 Board of Trustees.



STUDENT SENATE - Presently serving the student body are (Sitting) Susie Wolf, Brad Rainwater, Amy Roffmann; (standing) Barbara Doherty, Ron Brookins, Kaye South, Dawn Webb, Dan Settle, Crystal Miller; (absent) David Fairchilds and Barry Moore.

Student body increases With 14% more enrolled

Preliminary figures show that Rend Lake College is increasing its student body. Currently RLC has increased by 14 percent from 1978. Credit hours have gone from 52,581 in the 1979-1980 school year. These figures break down into this:

	Fall 1978	Fall 1979	Increase
Head Count	1.994	2,236	17
Full Time	935	1,060	13
Part Time	1.059	1,266	19
Total Credit Hours	18.275	20,844	14

Included in those figures are students enrolled in classes through the Community Services Office.

Also Rend Lake College has shown a 90 percent increase in minority enrollment from 1978 to 1979.

Some of these increases can be contributed to Counselor Robert Brown of Mt. Vernon High School. By spending several evening meetings with prospective students, he helped boost the enrollment rate.

Workshop teaches parents How to help children read

By Barbara Hamilton

A Workshop in Children's Literature is scheduled for Oct. 15, 22, and 29 with an optional meeting on Nov. 5. The two hour sessions, beginning at 7 p.m., will be held in the Learning Resource Center. Cost is \$7.50 per participant.

The workshop sessions are planned for parents, grandparents, teachers, librarians, and anyone who is interested in this area. The sessions will center on individual interests

"Essence" to Seek staff

Fiction, photography, drawings, poetry, and musical compositions make up "Essence," Rend Lake College's creative arts magazine.
"Essence," which is a collection of

students' original work, is getting an early start this year, says Dr. Evelyn Claxton, advisor. A staff organization meeting will be held Wednesday, October 10, at 3 p.m. in Room 145, North Oasis.

Dr. Claxton invites any student interested in working on the magazine's staff to come to the meeting.

and problems as the participants present them. Consultants will give aid on individual matters as needed.

The first hour will be general information and structure discussions on how to help children read and how to help choose books for children.

The second hour will be a question and discussion period with free time for people to look at books.

Working with Dr. Barbara Luchsinger, of the Rend Lake College Communications Department, on the workshop is Ann Garret who is a library board member. Garret is highly specialized in her area of concentration, special education. She has done advanced graduate work in all areas of reading, including children's literature.

Dr. Luchsinger stressed that there is an excellent collection of books in the Rend Lake College Library. She said Imogene Book is largely responsible for this and that she has put in considerable time to meet a community need in this area. Since the earliest days of the library, elementary children and teachers have toured the library and have become familiar with the library services.

Dr. Luchsinger said, "The world of childrens books is a wonderful world with it's own identity, but at the same time it affords the entrance into books for older children and to the adult book world. Children who read are probably more likely to be widely read adults than children who don't read. Of course, there are exceptions."

Trustees approve Wade, Learn of money saved

By Leonard East

The Rend Lake College Board of Trustees approved Gary Wade as Mining department chairperson at their regular meeting on Sept.

18. Wade had formerly been the acting chairperson of that department.

They also heard the results of the Honeywell energy saving service for its first six months of operation. The Honeywell system was installed in Jan., 1979 to regulate the school's heating and cooling equipment in order to reduce the amount of money spent on fuel oil, natural gas and electricity.

According to Honeywell official, Richard

According to Honeywell official, Richard Wolbert, the total savings of the various energy sources for January through June was over \$24,000 as a result of the use of the system.

The largest savings of the energy sources was in fuel oil, with approximately \$21,000

saved. However, natural gas consumption increased which offset some of the fuel oil savings. These savings amounts were determined by comparing current heating and cooling costs with those of the same period in 1978 before the system was installed.

The Honeywell system controls temperature in the various parts of the campus from its headquarters. Temperature information is relayed to this headquarters from sensors located in areas throughout the campus.

There a computer collects this information and uses it to regulate the amount of heating or cooling each area of the campus will receive. The system can also stop service to an area which is not being used and automatically restore it before the area is used again

Students should plan early For most college transfers

By Gayla Mattox

Students who plan to transfer to another college need to enroll early, according to Tom Burke, counselor. This applies especially to those entering general, technical, health or professional programs. Some schools require students to enroll one year before classes

To help students wanting to transfer to Eastern Illinois University, Art Snider from EIU will be at Rend Lake College on Oct. 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to talk to students. Some changes are coming up concerning the courses that are transferable to EIU. Therefore, students who are planning on transferring there need to start planning their schedules early.

Students transferring to Southern Illinois University are also encouraged to arrange schedules as soon as possible. This especially includes those interested in business courses at EIU and educational courses at both EIU and SIII

Burke recently visited the EIU campus to update his information concerning courses that will transfer to EIU from Rend Lake.

Before registering for the spring semester all students planning on transferring should check in the middle of October with Burke or Betty Ward, another RLC counselor, whose offices are in the North Oasis. They can assist students in class schedules.

Technical programs at SIU for the fall of 1979 which have already classes include physical therapist assistant, commercial graphical design, dental hygiene, aviation technology, dental laboratory technology, electronics technology, agriculture technology, construction technology, photographic and audio-visual.

Editorial

Suicides plague colleges

Suicides among young college students ve become widespread. Authorities suspect tinsecurity of family life to be one factor. Suicides rank third behind accidents and micide as a killer of young Americans: test government statistics show that icides among Americans aged 15-24 more an doubled in a little more than a decade, m 1,876 in 1965 to 4,747 in 1976.

A seventeen-year-old freshman at the viversity of Missouri at Rolla killed himself lying on the tracks in front of a moving in. He complained about difficulty in-

One freshman hung himself in his dorm: For every young person who dies by suicide are are many others who try to kill themres. Suicide attempts outnumber actual icides 50 to 1.

Nearly all suicides point to the stresses and frustrations of the youth. Students feel confused and frightened about the future.

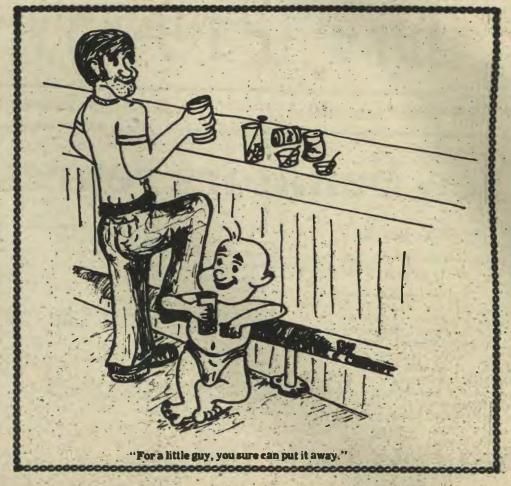
Schools offer sex education courses. They should also offer courses in life education.

How do we develop meaningful relationships and a commitment to survival? As Prof. Edwin S. Shnerdman of the University of California stated: "Until the moment the bullet or barbituate finally snuffs out life's last breath, the suicidal person wants desperately to live! He is begging to be

To cope with suicides there are bundreds of crisis centers with telephone hot lines.

Suicide Hot Line tall free number is 549-3351. Please call if you need help!

Linda Summers



Columnist at large:

Drinking age lowered, some students disagree

By Jim Walters

New Year's Eve will not only sound the end of 1979 but also the end of legal drinking for hose under 21 in Illinois.

In a flurry of activity (and possibly with an eye on headlines) Senator Gene Johns, the drinking bill's originator and chief sponsor, gave a fervent speech for the passage of the bill with the resulting vote of 35-20.

Senator Johns justifies his actions by saying he was acting on a mother's plea to raise the drinking age and save "countless thousands.

Bravo! Bravo! We've found a champion for justice and truth. But did we?

Was it right to give drinking to use when Vietnam was raging, as a "We who are about to die:.." privilege? It took 17 years worth of mother's pleas to call a halt to America's involvement in Vietnam.

Must we be at war to enjoy this privilege? Are we at 18 not charged with responsibility of choosing our leaders for a nation that is a major world power?

If we commit a crime, do we not go to jail to be tried as an adult?

Are we only allowed the responsibilities but not the privileges of being considered adults?

The state of Illinois has put itself in a bad position, believing as it does that anyone under 21 is a child, too young to drink alcohol responsibly.

Sorry guys but in my opinion these 'children' realize they have a vote, which you'll find come re-election.

Statistics show that fatal accidents in Illinois are down by 15.2 percent for the last eight months, even with the drinking age at 19. But these are facts that our intrepid congressmen forget. Yet supporters of the bill say we are losing our drinking right. Because of teenage auto accidents involving drinking.

Included in this bill is a clause which prevents home rule, home rule being where certain cities make their own municipal laws regarding legal drinking age.

Is this a good law? Will it make a difference in teenage liquor consumption? Or will it merely force teenagers to buy liquor illegally and to drink it in their cars?

Here are some of the views expressed by Rend Lake students and faculty to the question of: What do you think about the legal drinking age being raised to 21?

Dawn Webb — "I don't think it'll work

because if 19 year old kids want drinks they'll get 'em. But I think its a good.

Julle Whaley — "I don't think it'll do any good because it didn't do any good at 19."

Photography

Club to begin

Amateur photographers have a new source

Braun North America, a division of the Gillette Company, has launched the Paterson

A member receives a kit of useful information including a layout for a darkroom, a quarterly publication written by professional photographers, and a "how-to"

Other useful items are a darkroom

doorknob sign to advise if one can enter the

room or should wait and identification labels

for chemicals and trays. But one of the more

valuable items is a membership card which

provides a 10 percent rebate on darkroom

If you are interested, write to Paterson

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merchandise bought at a photo store.

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book on the darkroom.

York, N.Y. 10017.

Tempt campus With Capers

By Rosie Gibson

Tryouts for "Blackouts Five" will be held Thursday, Oct. 18, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the

8:15 p.m. on Nov. 17.

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Blackouts to

William Younghusband - "Its difficult

to legislate whether a person is ready to

drink or not at that age, but in general I'd say 18 seems to be the right age for most

people. So I don't think the drinking age

Le Ann Voyles — "I don't think it'll stop any one drinking. If they raise the age, they'll (those underage) just get it illegally."

should be raised to 21."

The fifth annual variety show, "Blackout Five", will be presented Nov. 16 and 17 in the Rend Lake College Theatre.

All students, faculty, and former faculty with musical, acting or other talent are in-

vited to try out.

Blackouts are sponsored by the Illinois Student Music Educators Association. The purpose of the show is to raise money for two \$200 scholarships.

The show times are 12 noon on Nov. 16 and

Admission will be \$.50 for students and \$1.50 for non-students.

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Foley writes quiz questions

Instructor Myron Foley's test-writing skills re so advanced he was invited to write test pestions for statewide real estate exams. Foley, who coordinates real estate classes a campus from his position as department aairman, wrote 25 questions for the Illinois al estate broker's and salesman amination test bank earlier this year.

These questions tested so well that Foley as asked to submit 25 more questions this summer. Although most contributors do not have every one of their questions accepted, all 25 of his are now in the test bank, Foley

explained.

RLC real estate classes fulfill the educational requirement for the Illinois salesman exam. All four classes are required before an individual can take the Illinois broker's examination.



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Actiman, Barbara Hamilton.

Individual courses can be finished by midterm

By Susan Bargess

Completing courses by midterm or by Thanksgiving vacation is common in the secretarial lab these days.

Skill classes, including typing, shorthand and business machines, are individualized. This means a student takes only as long as necessary to complete requirements for a course.

Class hours are flexible, too. After an initial two-week orientation session at the beginning of each semester, students can come into the secretarial lab for practice any weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Yes, "individualization" is the key in learning to be a secretary or sharpening office skills at RLC.

For instance, learning to type used to involve a teacher with a stopwatch and innumerable timed typings. Now the teacher is a caramate and the stopwatch is relaxing music. Caramates are audio-visual slide projectors. The slide carrousel fits on top of a small TV-type set, and lessons are projected on the screen below. Earphorus transport instructions to the student and play music-to-type-by during speed tests.

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Janet Miller, instructor in the secretarial science department, explains that the lessons can be played as often as necessary for each student. Slower students are spared the frustrations of trying to keep up with the annoying quick-paced rhythm of expert typists in the same classrooms.

Although required to spend a minimum of four hours in the typing lab per week, a faster

student can finish all the lessons as soon as possible. The average student finished by the end of the semester. The quick students can complete the course by midterm.

The same holds true for the business machines course. Students learn proficiency on the 10-key adding machine, full-keyboard adding machine, electronic display calculator and the electronic printing calculator.

However, six hours of practice per week are minimum here because math skills are necessary for this course. According to Miller, math skills of students have been so low in the past that a math pretest was instituted. Those who do poorly must take a supplementary math unit before advancing to actual machine usage.

actual machine usage.

First year shorthand takes place in the traditional classroom setting, but by the second year students are ready for individualized instruction on tape. The four hours per week spent in this lab involve taking shorthand dictation from tape recorders.

A machine transcription course utilizes magnetic belts with recordings of letters and reports. Again the student transcribes these at her own pace. Medical transcription reciting medical histories, operation details and general medical and dental correspondence pour through earphones and come out as typed words from students' typewriters. Miller feels the individualied instruction

Miller feels the individualied instruction and flexible lab times are working positively for the students. Part-time workers like Toni LeVault, who works two and a half days at the Bank of Sesser, can squeeze the minimum lab

hours required into their remaining free days each week.

Night schedules may be best for students like Edith Estes, who works full time for Western Union. She completes her lab hours on any night she wishes.

Three mini-courses lasting only six weeks for one hour credit are also offered. These include filing, duplication using spirit-duplicator and mimeograph machine, and job application interview.

application interview.

Job application interview can benefit every student, says Imogene Ansorge, instructor. Offered in the spring, the course is a practical guide to what actually needs to occur for anyone to find a job. Useable resume's and

applications are composed. Self-inventory exercises point out areas each student needs to work on, such as clothes, personality, etc.

Then a mock interview with a college administrator, like Dr. Harry Braun, is conducted with the student and is videotaped. Later the student can review the videotape and see areas that can be improved before he faces the real prospective employer.

faces the real prospective employer.
With all these helpful courses, finding a job
for students when school is finished is not
much of a problem. "We get calls almost
daily for students to come to work," states
Gela Goin, another instructor in secretarial
science. "By the end of school nearly
everyone who wants a job has one."



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT - Leota Graves, Spring Garden, improves her typing skills with the caramate's help.

Win a \$100 prize With your poetry You can win \$100!

That's the first prize in National College Poetry Contest sponsored by the American Collegiate Poets Anthology. Second place prize money totals \$50; third place, \$25; fourth place, \$15; and fifth place, \$10.

In additionall accepted poetry is printed free in the copyrighted anthology, "American Collegiate Poets."

The deadline for this contest, which is open to all college and university students, is October 31.

Contest rules and restrictions are as follows.

1. Any student is eligible to submit his verse.

2. All entries must be original and unpublished.

3. All entries must be typed, double-spaced, on one side of the page only. Each poem must be on a separate sheet and must bear, in the upper left-hand corner, the name and address of the student as well as the college attended. Put name and address on envelope also.

4. There are no restrictions on form or theme. Length of poems can be up to 14 lines. Each poem must have a separate title. (Avoid "Untitled"!) Small black and white illustrations are welcome.

5. The judges' decision will be final.
6. Entrants should keep a copy of all entries as they cannot be returned. Prize winners and all authors awarded free publication will be notified immediately after deadline. I. P. will retain first publication rights for accepted poems.

7. There is an initial one dollar registration fee for the first entry and a fee of 50 cents for each additional poem. Submit no more than ten poems per entrant

Foreign language poems are welcome.

8. All entries must be postmarked not later than the above deadline and fees be paid, cash, check or money order to International Publications, P. O. Box 44927, Los Angeles, CA. 90044.

Doherty: Boston, New York Whirl with color, excitement

New York and Boston are sociological and historical kaleidoscopes, whirling with varied racial hues, Dr. Richard Doherty discovered this summer.

While participating in an eight-week study seminar, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, Dr. Doherty found some of the most exciting learning experiences occured outside the classrooms of Columbia University.

Columbia, which is the nation's oldest university, is located on Manhattan Island, New York. Originally named King's College, such notables in American history as Alexander Hamilton and John Jay attended its classes. Former president Dwight Eisenhower was Columbia's president from 1948-1952.

This rich historical setting was the base from which Dr. Doherty gained valuable new ideas for use in his Sociology and American History classes at RLC. As a project for the summer seminar, Doherty shot 900 pictures of nearby landmarks.

History classes will be able to see slides of Teddy Roosevelts' home, Hyde Park which was Franklin Roosevelts' home, Lexington,



WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP - Sylvia Greenfield was in the Art Department giving a watercolor demonstration and workshop on Sept. 20. Greenfield is professor of arts at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

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Concord, Bunker Hill, Ironsides, and West Point where Dr. Doherty's brother teaches. Dr. Doherty also visited Old Granary

Cemetery near Boston where Ben Franklin and Mary "Mother" Goose share nearby plots.

"The Statue of Liberty was the only disappointment I had," sighed Doherty. The large crowds on the stairs up and the quick glimpse from the top after the long climb prevented him from enjoying this American landmark.

But historical scenes were not all Doherty gained for his classroom use at RLC. Much of the regular classroom work during the seminar included sociological topics. Although a number of outside readings were required, Doherty says he didn't bog down until he had to read 2,1 00 pages of "The Polish Peasant."

"I have learned a lot to apply and use in the classroom." explains Dr. Doherty. Sociology is the study of human social structures and relationships," actual living experiences in the vast metropolis of New York added new insight into this subject. Although he expected to have a constant fear of being mugged, Doherty insists he actually felt safety to be no problem after his first day in New York.

He took standing in line for a taxi for 1½ hours in his stride even though the number of people waiting for the same taxi probably more than equalled the entire population of Ina.

A tour of a school in Astoria, Queens, one of New York's boroughs, further illustrated the population differences between the Big Apple and Southern Illinois. A Greek school teacher told the group that the school district included students who spoke 51 different languages.

Chosen as one of 12 college teachers, Doherty had all expenses paid by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Endowment for the Humanities.

Doherty's daughters Barbara, A RLC freshman, and Kathleen, high school junior, also accompanied Doherty on the summer excusion.

The penalty for placing injury-causing substances in Halloween candy has been increased to the level for aggravated battery in Hispair

Author first Studies her Art at RLC

Cathy Coats, a former Rend Lake student from Woodlawn, will have a short story appearing in the next issue of the Iowa Review, a literary journal published by the University of Iowa.

Cathy graduated from S.I.U., Carbondale with a degree in creative writing. She is currently in the graduate writing program at the University of Iowa. She had her first creative writing course at Rend Lake.

Bloodmobile to be On campus Oct. 10

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will make the first of two yearly visits to the Rend Lake College campus Wednesday, October 10.

Those wishing to donate a pint of blood to the Red Cross may do so that day between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the gymnasium, according to Wilanna Patton, Rend Lake College Health Services nurse.

Refreshments will be served by Red Cross volunteers to all donors.

The Bloodmobile is scheduled to return in early March.

Music club meets

The Illinois Student Music Educators Association Club elected new officers at its Sept. 17 meeting.

ISMEA meets every other Monday at 11 a.m. in the Learning Resource Center, Room 107.

Club officers are President Julie Stanford,

Vice-President Shawn McCauley, Secretary Jessica Booker, and Treasurer Ron Harper. Upcoming events for the ISMEA include "Blackouts Five," the variety talent show.



Sports by Cindy Caldwell, Sports Editor

Women's volleyball team Wins 3 games in a row

The women's volleyball team boosted their record to three wins against one loss. After they lost to last year's Conference Champs Kaskaskia, the Warriors won three in a row against Wabash Valley, Olney and Southeastern Colleges.

The most recent game was against Southeastern, which the Warriors won in three games 16-14 15-2 and 15-9

three games, 16-14, 15-2, and 15-9. Coach John Kretz said, "SIC wasn't as easy as the scores indicated."

This was very true. At one time the Warriors were behind 13-7 and came back to win 16-14. Kretz commented, "The women started to play well after a few minutes. We had good team effort."

had good team effort."

Kretz also said, "They (SIC) lost a lot of drive"

Darlene Heil, McLeansboro, was the highest scorer with 13 points. Martha Abbott and Susie Wolf, both of McLeansboro, scored nine and eight points, respectively.

nine and eight points, respectively.

Today the Women's team will go to Shawnee for a Conference game. Coach Kretz commented, "This game (Shawnee) is important to win because we have already lost one Conference game and we can't afford another loss."

The Lady Warriors will be having some home games coming up. They will play non-Conference Olney on Thursday, Oct. 4 and Conference Logan on Tuesday, Oct. 9. Both games start at 7 p.m.



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Any student welcome at RLC gym

By Cindy Caldwell

Feel like losing weight, maybe by running? How about developing your muscles? Maybe on your spare time from studying and classes, you would like to do something? Well, does the gym have a solution for you!

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Our gym is equipped with a lot of things.

It's got a weight room with a variable resistance apparatus. This machine is designed to afford a relatively constant degree of resistance throughout the entire

range of motion of a joint.

You could even play some basketball. Half
the court, sometimes the whole court, is
available, and basketballs can be found
anywhere in the gym.

The school even has four tennis courts located south of the gym.

You could just run to lose weight. Oh, a matter of fact, one mile is 16 times around the top of the gym.

Coach Jim Waugh, athletic director, said students could come in the gym and use the facilities. He explained, "Anybody at anytime, except when there is a class, can use the gym from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m."

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Of course after 3 p.m., the gym is closed because this time has been designated for the women's volleyball team's practice.

In the middle of October, the time will be changed to 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. After 2 p.m., the women's and men's basketball teams will have practices

Coach Waugh commented, "I want to emphasize that everybody is welcome to use the gym provided there are no classes." Come on out and get some exercise. The gym is right at your fingertips.

Correction

CORRECTIONS -- Even when we try our best, we still make mistakes. But we, "The Pressing Times" staff, apologize for all errors in our last issue and for two particularly.

ticularly.

Dan Settle's name and campaign statement were inadvertently omitted from our front page. We congratulate him on winning without our help.

Secondly, the RLC Warriors did not beat

Secondly, the RLC Warriors did not beat Southeastern in baseball as we reported. We're sorry that even with our help they

Golfers make "Venezuelan Connection" at RLC

Jim Waugh finds himself on the road frequently as the basketball and golf coach for the Rend Lake College Warriors.

However, he probably has gained more attention in recent weeks for a recruiting trip he never made.

That would be the one in which he landed his "Venezuelan Connection."

Due to the presence of Warrior golfers Juan Dominquez and Jose Oropeza, "The other coaches are always wanting to knwo how I got a recruiting budget big enough to go to Venezuela.

"I just go along with it and say it's not that difficult," smiles Waughn, who doubles as the college's athletic director.

Dominquez, a sophomore from Caracas, and freshman Oropeza were longtime golfing buddies in their native country before one day

dropping the sport to become surfers. "I used to be an eight handicap and Juan was a 10," Oropeza explains, "but one day we both played so bad we quit."

The two friends and their golfing game have been reunited this year in Ina.

Dominquez was the first to arrive. Juan and brother Alvaro were at Southern Illinois University - Carbondale studying English for one year when an acquaintance who was attending Rend Lake College recommended they join him.

Once here, "Juan saw my beginning golf class hitting balls out behind the gym one day," Waugh remembered. "He wanted in the class, but when I found out he already played some, I told him he might as well try out for the team."

The rest is history. Dominquez played last

fall for Waugh and has been joined this year by Oropeza, who attended a prep school in New Hampshire last year before returning to Veezuela. While there Oropeza was talked into joining Dominquez back in the United States

Neither can match the golfing talents of fellow Benton resident Doug Dunbar, the Warriors' No. 1 player and one of the top five players in the Southern Illinois College Conference. Despite the presence of Dunbar, the "Venezuelan Connection" and teammates Darren Perrachione and Scott MacDonald, RLC remains winless midway through the season.

"They're enjoying themselves, though, "Waugh says of Dominquez and Oropeza.

"I'm not sure what they're getting out of intercollegiate athletics isn't what you're supposed to be getting, too. They're seeing a new area, making new acquaintances."

Dominquez kids about liking the girls at Rend Lake College best of all. Oropeza mentioned the small-college atmosphere and the importance of "teachers caring about you as individuals." And the girls.

Both indicate they will transfer following the fall semester to the warmed climate offered by Louisiana State University, Dominquez to major in architecture and Oropeza in engineering.

"I never expected to play on a golf team,"

admitted Dominquez.

Nor did Waugh ever expect his recruiting to

extend as far.

"I really like 'em," noted the coach.

"They're just nice guys and a lot of fun to be

Waugh commented, "Doug Dunbar is right now our lowest shooter."

The golf team have five more matches and the state playoff.

Logan	All-Conference	match	Oct.	2
Rend Lake	All-Conference	match	Oct.	9
Parkland	Sectional		Oct.	16
Kaskaskia	All-Conference	match	Oct.	18
Shawnee	All-Conference	match	Oct.	23
Parkland	State Playoffs	Oct.	26 &	27

Golf course In Percy now Under AGA

Southwestern Lake in Percy (30 miles NW of Carbondale) has affiliated with the Amateur Golfers' Association (AGA), course on an unlimited basis all year. Course Manager Tom Kopshever and AGA officials made the joint announcement from AGA's headquarters in Hollywood, FL.

The AGA is a national organization providing group benefits to the 18.9 million golfers who play for the fun of the game. Interested golfers can call AGA headquarters, toll-free, 1-800-327-9787 for membership information.

RLC pitching "really tough"

The Rend Lake Baseball team improved their record to six wins and four losses.

On Tuesday, Sept. 25, the Warriors impressively beat Southeastern College in both games of a double hitter, 6-1 and 3-0.

Mike Mayer, a sophomore from Steelville, and Mark Schwitz, a sophomore Evansville, IN., were the winning pitchers. Coach McClure commented, "Mayer and Schwitz pitched really tough."

Offensively, Scott Wagner, a sophomore catcher from Mt. Vernon, and Gary Denbo, a freshmen from Princeton, IN., rattled their

bats to an impressive four out of five and 3 out of five respectively.

The Warriors only have two more games at home, Logan tomorrow at 1 p.m. and Shawnee Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 1 p.m. Both these games are conference games.

The last away game is scheduled with Kaskaskia Saturday, Oct. 6, a noon. McClure said, "When we play Kaskaskia, this game will decide Conference."

There won't be many games left; so be sure you go out and watch the Warriors. The field they play on at home is located south of the Rend Lake Gym.