

# Pressing Times

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1975

## RLC Stage Band Performs

By Laura Mick

The RLC Stage Band is planning an exciting concert for 8:15 p. m., Dec. 11 in the Little Theater.

Music from the group "Chicago" to songs by Count Basie, show examples of the wide variety of numbers to be played that evening.

Besides always giving enjoyment to the audience, the Stage Band members also have fun producing the music. The band also plays at all basketball games. Keith Drayton will be directing the band.



Rend Lake College Photo.

Former RLC student Libby Spurlock. See story of her Dec. 6 RLC Recital on page 7.

## Exam Schedule

Examinations will be given in the room in which the course is normally taught unless indicated otherwise below.

### Monday, December 15

8:00 - 10:00 Art 115 (Drawing I) classes.  
10:10 - 12:10 Art 113 (Design I) classes.  
12:50 - 2:50 Art 117 (Painting I) classes.

Applied Music--Juries--Monday, Dec. 15.  
See Music Bulletin Board for Schedule.

Physical Education Classes  
All one-hour P.E. classes will meet on Monday, Dec. 15, at their regularly scheduled time.

### Tuesday, December 16

8:00 - 10:00 All eight o'clock classes except health.  
10:10 - 12:10 All ten o'clock classes except health.  
12:50 - 2:50 All twelve o'clock classes except health.

### Wednesday, December 17

8:00 - 10:00 All nine o'clock classes except health.  
10:10 - 12:10 All biology classes (Estes) in Science Room 110.  
12:50 - 2:50 All one o'clock classes except health.

### Thursday, December 18

8:00 - 10:00 All biology classes (Swayne) in Science Room 110.  
10:10 - 12:10 All eleven o'clock classes except health.  
12:50 - 2:50 All two o'clock classes.

### Friday, December 19

8:00 - 10:00 All health classes in Science Rooms--S110 and S106.  
10:10 - 12:10 First Aid class will meet in S110.

NOTE: Examinations for all evening classes will be given at the regularly scheduled meeting time during examination week.

## Annual Xmas Dance Dec. 12

By Margaret Skinner

Everybody's invited to the gala social event of the season. The annual RLC Christmas Dance will be held Friday, Dec. 12 in the Student Center.

The semi-formal dance, sponsored by the Student Senate, begins at 8 p.m. with Fool-Killer providing the music. All RLC students and their guests are welcome.

This dance follows on the heels of the Nov. dance featuring the Southern Illinois Audio Sound and Light Show.

Merry Christmas To All Good Souls



from Scotty Claus and all his elves.

# Activities

## RLC Calender of Events

December 11	Stage Band Concert, 7:30 Concert: Keith Drayton	Theatre
December 12	Student Senate Dance, 8:00 - 11:00 Contact: Dan Mitchell	Student Center
December 12	LPN Testing, 8:00 - 12:00 Contact: Mr. Kimmel	Theatre or S117
December 13	Home Basketball Game (Henderson, KY) 7:30 Contact: Mr. Waugh	Gymnasium
December 14	W.F. Comm. Chorus "Messiah" 2:00 - 4:30 Contact: Keith Drayton	Theatre
December 16	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:30 Contact: Dr. Martin	Student Center Private Dining Area
December 18	DWI Class, 4:00 - 5:30 Contact: Judge Williams	Theatre
December 18	PTK, 7:00 - 9:00 Contact: Pete Harris	North Oasis
January 5	Faculty In-Service, all day Contact: Dr. Ward	Student Center
January 7	Home Basketball Game (Southeastern) 7:30 Contact: Mr. Waugh	Gymnasium
January 12	Mining 223-02. Every Monday for Spring Semester. 9:00 - 11:00	LRC Seminar Room
January 13	Home Basketball Game (Shawnee) 7:30 p.m. Contact: Mr. Waugh	Gymnasium
January 19	Home Basketball Game (Lincoln Trail) 7:30 Contact: Mr. Waugh	Gymnasium
January 20	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:30 Contact: Dr. Martin	Student Center Private Dining Area
January 27	Home Basketball Game (Kaskaskia) 7:30 Contact: Mr. Waugh	Gymnasium

## RLC Offers New Course

RLC's science and mathematics department will offer short courses in the metric system beginning in Jan., Edward Kownacki, chairman of the department, has announced.

A one-credit-hour metric system course will be offered, probably in the evenings, Kownacki said. Tentative plans call for the course to be offered two hours a week for eight weeks, but Kownacki said definite plans will depend on public interest and needs.

Students can even take the metric system course without ever entering the classroom, he continued. Through a special program students can obtain workbooks and a set of tape recordings at the college library, and take the materials home or anywhere else to study them and complete the course for credit.

State law requires that the metric measurement system be taught in the public schools.

Kownacki said his department is prepared to offer courses or workshops to "any group in the area," for credit or for no credit. "This might be a good course for parents of grade school students who want to help their children, for teachers who need one hour of math credit, for industrial groups, or for just about anyone else," Kownacki remarked.

Anyone interested in a metric system course should contact Kownacki at RLC 437-5321, Ext. 25.

## ATTENTION

All students interested in gaining business experience in sales, record keeping and advertising contact Mark Dyel or Dr. Evelyn Claxton about a position on the Advertising Staff of the

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## PTK Schedules Fall Installation

By Barbara Bugal

Phi Theta Kappa, a national fraternity for community college students who attain a high grade point average, will hold its Fall Installation of new members at 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 18 in the North Oasis. Dr. Martin will be the guest speaker.

Students eligible for membership will receive a letter of invitation.

The National Organization charges a \$10 membership fee. This fee should be paid by Dec. 17 to Peter Harris, Barbara Buck, Hyla Farthing or Barbara Tomek.

You may still join PTK even if you cannot attend the installation.

Your parents, spouse and friends are also invited to attend.

One of the benefits of membership is that it will be impressive on your records since it is the equivalent of PTK at four-year schools.

## Bookstore Has Xmas Gift Ideas

By Karen Kittinger

Need a Christmas gift for a special someone? RLC's Bookstore has now added books to their list of Christmas ideas.

They have many paperback books and have now also added hard-backs. These range in price from \$1.49 to \$9.98, some of these were originally priced up to \$25.

There is a wide variety of subjects including dogs, horses, photography, children's stories, the lives of Lincoln and Lenny Bruce and many, many more.

The bookstore still also has a large selection of plants from the greenhouse. These range in price from \$ .25 to \$6.00. So don't forget to check out the bookstore for great Christmas buys.

## A & D Taco Shoppe

Taco's--3/1.00	Mex. Plate-1.39
Enchiladas-48¢	El Taco Plate -1.39
Burrito----48¢	Supermex Dinner-2.09
Sancho--- 48¢	Side Orders
Tostada--- 35¢	Frijoles ----- 35¢
Tamale---49¢	Cole Slaw ----- 35¢
w/Chile-- 68¢	French Fries ---- 35¢
Rst. Beef--85¢	Spanish Rice ---- 35¢
Italian Beef-89¢	Pickle----10¢
Reuben--1.45	
Hamb. -50¢	

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# Activities

## Xmas Queen Candidates



Laura Mick



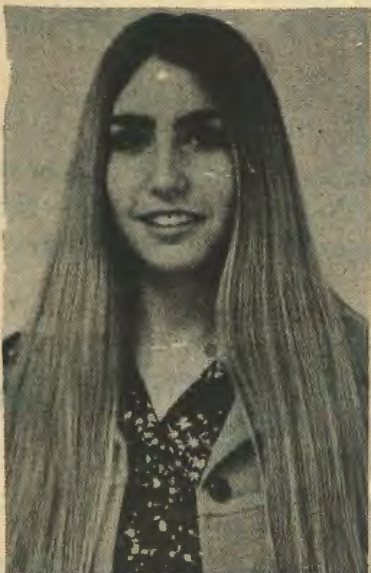
Margaret Skinner



Beverly Lampley



Hyla Farthing



Lyne Mabry



Kara Beth Neal



Sheri Hobbs



Lesa Rhodes

Photos By Larry Lewis  
Story By Laura Mick

Margaret Skinner is an RLC sophomore and a music major. She's active in all RLC bands, is a Pom Pon girl and treasurer for the Student Senate. She reports the Senate News in the PT.

Sheri Hobbs of Benton is a sophomore. Sheri had title role in "Bus Stop" and is a member of the Collegiate Choir. She also writes for the PT.

Lesa Rhodes is a sophomore from Zeigler. Lesa is in various fine arts activities, including band and choir. Lesa reports Art News for the school paper and is reporter for SEA.

Hyla Farthing is a sophomore music major from Mt. Vernon. She is a member of ISMEA, choir and band. Hyla was also on the cast of "Bus Stop."

Beverly Lampley, from Benton, is a sophomore. Bev was a Pom Pon girl last year.

Kara Beth Neal is a freshman from Mt. Vernon. She is a member of BASIC.

Lyne Mabry is a sophomore from

### **Mental Health Counselor Speaks To De Witt's Psychology Classes**

By Sandra Paisley

Mike Smith, a mental health counselor from Jefferson County (Jeff Co.) Comprehensive Services spoke to Mr. De Witt's psychology classes, Tuesday, Nov. 25.

Smith's talk focused on transactional analysis, a form of psychotherapy, and the services provided by Jeff Co.

Smith described Jeff Co. as being a privately owned corporation of five di-

Valier. Besides being co-editor of the Tarn, she writes for the PT and is a member of the RLC Concert and Stage band.

Laura Mick is a sophomore from Valier. She is an art major, band member and a Pom Pon girl. Laura is also publicity chairman for the Senate and writes for the PT.

visions.

1. Youth Services Bureau which deals with adolescents.

2. Mental Health Center encompassing children and adults 18-65 with problems ranging from social alienation to school phobia.

3. Rehabilitation Workshop for the retarded providing them an opportunity to learn job skills.

4. Sustaining Care Program for cronic alcoholics and patients being released from state mental hospitals.

5. Nutrition Program for senior citizens.

Jeff Co. Comprehensive Services Center is located at 811 Casey Avenue in Mt. Vernon. For further information contact 242-1510. These services are open to all.

# Editorials

## New RLC ID's ?

By Barbara Bugal

The present RLC I. D. card was made to fulfill an on-campus requirement. The I. D. card indicates that the person is a student at RLC "and is entitled to all the privileges pertaining thereto." The person's name and social security number are included on the I. D.

Today's student has more than an on-campus need for the I. D. Off-campus activities such as writing or cashing checks and getting discounts to concerts require two or more satisfactory I. D. cards.

I propose that the RLC I. D. should contain a picture plus characteristic data to aid in identifying the individual.

The portrait I. D. proves the person's identity in one glance. Because a picture cannot be "forged", the owner is the only one who can use this I. D. In addition, this card cannot be "loaned to friends". The picture will not permit a finder of a lost card to use this I. D.

Other on-campus advantages can also be named. Portrait cards speed registration. According to B. J. Witunski, RLC business manager, portrait cards would be used to keep unwanted visitors off campus.

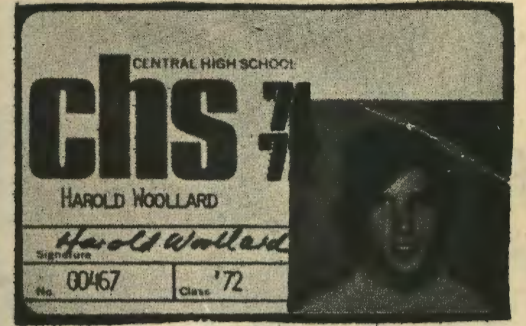
The picture I. D. at John A. Logan costs \$1. The card, enclosed in plastic, consists of the person's picture, name, social security number, birth date and signature.

John A. Logan uses the Polaroid ID-3 System to issue its I. D. cards. This economic system produces a full color I. D. in two minutes. The uncomplicated process of making cards can be taught after a few minutes of instruction.

Carl D. Cottingham, Associate Dean of the LCR at John A. Logan, stated, "We have been very happy with this system. It has never failed to operate except for burning out the aiming light."

Up-keep for the system to minimal. "The ID-3 System cost \$1,800 when we purchased it. There has been no cost for up-keep in three years except \$2.00 for lamps," Cottingham said.

Students and faculty, would you be willing to support the revised I. D. card at an extra fee of about \$1.00?



This is an example of how a new RLC I.D. card could look.

## Letters

Dear Editor:

NOTICE: The barbeque in library has been cancelled; instead, there will be a turkey roast. The turkey must be shot and plucked before being roasted. Identity of the turkey will not be disclosed at this time.

Skeet-shoot finals will be held later in the afternoon. Robbie "Fengers" is the returning champ.

Following the skeet-shoot will be a feature wrestling match between "Grappling" Greta and "Darling" Dan.

The final event of the day, which we all look excitedly forward to each year, is the hog-calling contest. Entered for this year are: Lori "Lungs", "High" Hyla, Glenda "Gliss", and John the "Voice".

Don't miss it, fun things are happening!

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The Family

## Lonely Jukebox Needs Repairs

By Becky Harvey

The only sounds heard in the Student Center these days are laughing, talking and the bells on the pinball machine.

The sound of music is no longer heard. Nickels, dimes and quarters are not being dropped into the corner jukebox. Why? Due to lack of interest and care, the jukebox sits silently in the corner.

According to Cecil Holland, Veterans Affairs Director, the jukebox had been taken care of by the Veterans Club. This year, a Veterans Club hasn't been formed so there is no one to care for the jukebox.

The jukebox was going to be disconnected but a few students asked to keep it in the Student Center. But that is all that has happened so far.

A new plug is needed and records need to be changed, but if enough interested students could devote their time to looking into these problems, the jukebox could be heard again.

As long as the records are not too loud and annoying to people studying, a few of us believe the jukebox should remain.

But until someone decides to look into the problems of the jukebox, the tunes will not be heard.

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# Features

## "Truth" About Lily Tomlin

By Deb Whittington

Lily Tomlin has been busy since Laugh-In, the show that gained her a solid following, went off the air. She has done TV specials, recorded a new record, "Modern Scream," portrayed a gospelsinger in the movie, "Nashville," and recently appeared in concert at the Ambassador Theater in St. Louis.

The night of the concert, the Ambassador doors didn't open until 7:30. When they flung open, a rush of people quizzically eyed a video camera focused on them. Not until people were seated and the house lights lowered was the mystery solved.

On stage, an 11' by 14' rear projection screen held shots of the crowd interspersed with a tape of Tomlin in a dressing room.

Lily pampered and prepared as the crowd caught an intimate look at the "glamorous" side of stardom. It was an ingenious introduction: Lily shaving her legs, rolling on deodorant, plucking brows---between sips of beer.

It definitely set the mood for a casual and relaxed night of Tomlin humor.

Video tape played a major role in Tomlin's performance. Flashes of her other characters appeared, among them an interviewer (Lily in disguise) from a movie magazine, seeking startling revelations and juicy gossip. The in-concert Lily and the taped one combined, with the interviewer ready to twist any spoken work into a sensation piece for her readers.

A video character that was a favorite with the audience was Mrs. Beasley, who does product testimonials on TV. She went through a car wash (without the car) to test the proven merits of a commercial hairspray. She was sprayed, scrubbed and even waxed but her hair remained perfect.

At other times the screen held a close-up of the performing Tomlin, not only a nice visual effect but almost a necessity for people in the upper balcony.

That night, the air was charged with proof that Tomlin is more than comedienne - she is an actress - transcending the pressure of getting laughs. Her humor is not aggressive or strained. Tomlin truisms shed a new perspective on subjects.

With her liquid movements and genius for voice and facial expressions, she is a chameleon championing the variant.

The character Edith Ann does indeed tell the "truth" to the chagrin of some adults. The precocious 5½ year old is



Photo By Deb Whittington

not one to balk at sharing her discoveries and insights (whether you want to hear them or not.) "Sometimes," Edith says, "I sit on the bathtub drain when I let the water out. I think it feels interesting!"

Lily Tomlin is a success because she holds a deep respect for the characters she portrays. They buck the system without even meaning to. Their sincerity is disarming enough to break down the walls the world has put around itself.

A new character Tomlin conceived, is likely to boost the morale of the Grey Panthers as well as a shot of Geritol. Sister Boogie, is an evangelist type who "preaches cheap thrills for the older people." Sister says, "Boogie is being 77 - with a pack on your back, your teeth in a jar, and those teeth are smiling!"

Sister also gives advice: "A loyal follower writes from a nursing home saying she wants to get it on with her boy-

friend but they aren't allowed to shut their doors." Sister's advice: "Do it with the door open!"

Tomlin talked about her characters in a recent interview. "I always want them to be strong. I never like to do anybody who's defeated. That's the thing that's beautiful about people anyway, is that spirit; you see it in people who think well of themselves.

"The person I love most of all is somebody who can conventionally look out of place and who thinks she's wonderful. There's nobody more beautiful than that, somebody who's just a real character. They give you a lift."

After the concert, a limosine was spotted, shining out of the mouth of a dark alley. Waiting in the garbage lined alley paid off. Tomlin appeared among shouts of "Hey, Lily!" and "You were great!" The conditions were not ideal by any means. There was only time for a quick picture and then she was gone.

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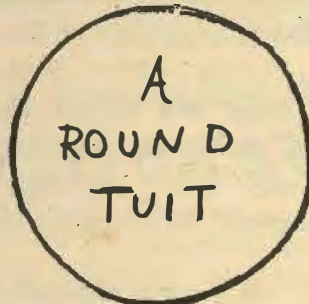
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## Art Exhibit Displayed

A sculpture exhibit and a display of outstanding photography will be featured on the RLC campus during Dec., art instructor Susan Kolojeski said.

Kolojeski said 10 sculptures by Alex Yarema will be shown in the RLC library from Dec. 1 through Dec. 19. During the same period the photographic work of Michael Harker will be shown in the lobby of the Fine Arts Building.

Yarema is the Illinois Art Council's artist-in-residence for the Mt. Vernon city school system. His works were seen recently at the Mitchell Museum in Mt. Vernon.

Harker, a graduate of the cinema and photography department of SIU, will be teaching an evening photography class at RLC next semester. "Anyone who is interested in the photography course can study the work of the instructor," Kolojeski suggested.

For more information interested persons should call Mrs. Kolojeski at 437-5321, Ext. 64.



From left to right; Lon Ceci, Cindy Hirsch, and Gary West are pictured during the movie "Tarzan".

Photo By Tom Winston

## TARZAN

By Mark Dyel

A zany comedy capitalizing on slapstick humor is what Tom Winston's latest production "Tarzan" is.

An Edgar Rice Burrough's fan would be shocked at the movie version of the classic novel. The plot involves romance, adventure and an element of big time crime.

The story revolves around Prof. P. J. Pottypan (David Sneed) and his quest for the capture and refining of Tarzan (Jim Batts). Sneed is accompanied by an African tour guide, Fritz (Tom Winston), his mother (Cheryl Carter), and his secretary Jane, who else? (played by Cindy Hirsch).

The plot thickens as Pottypan borrows the money for his expedition from the syndicate and is unable to repay. This results in one of the funnier scenes of the movie when No. 1 hit man (Gary

West) tries to put Tarzan out of action.

The rest of the film includes a kidnapping, a big fight scene, a little romance and a hilarious chase scene around the public square in Benton. A happy ending is also in store for viewers.

Winston has done a great job of editing the film especially the scenes from "Deepest Darkest Africa." The overall photography of the film was good, but not as good as a previous Winston film "Wild Weekend."

The Benton High School common area did not do justice to Winston's film distorting the sound and losing several good lines.

Overall the film must be rated good and it will have those who watched the debut waiting for the release of another Winston masterpiece.

## Publisher Visits Journalism Class

By Barbara Bugal

Cliff Caldwell, publisher and general manager of the Christopher Progress, visited Dr. Evelyn Claxton's journalism class, Thursday, Nov. 20.

Along with the Christopher Progress, Caldwell publishes three other weekly newspapers - the Herrin Spokesman, the Carterville Herald and the Johnston City Progress.

The step-by-step process of composing a "hot type" process weekly newspaper was explained by Caldwell. He described his staff's duties and his work week which averaged around 90 hours.

Because few people are employed on a weekly newspaper staff, each person must be a jack-of-all-trades. For this reason, working for a weekly provides a sound foundation of skills in journalism, Caldwell explained.

Caldwell received a B. A. in journalism with a major in the news curriculum from the Oklahoma school of Journalism. Before coming to southern Illinois, he worked on several newspapers in Florida, Texas and Massachusetts.

Caldwell is the third speaker of a series of professional journalists scheduled to speak to the journalism class.

## Administrative Educational Workshop Held

By Carol Wilkerson

The Franklin-Jefferson County Educational Workshop for school administrators was held Dec. 4 at RLC. Approximately 25 attended, representing a num-

ber of schools from a 27 county region in southern Illinois.

This workshop was designed to help administrators, "keep up with what's happening in our state in dealing with coordinators for REMISC (Regional Educational Media and Information Service.)



# Music

Since you always get burned listening to a music critic, let's criticize the critics for once. There are basically three types of music critics.

The classical music critic is not really a critic as much as he is a reviewer. He never says anything bad about the music or the performance at all. If he does, he's quickly switched to the rock music department to review "Yes" records to make use of his verbosity. He writes the most boring reviews because he's always praising and never criticizing.

The country western critic also "heaps" the praise on like "gravy on taters." He usually reviews the story in the song which contains a sobstory about divorce, the girl back home, or the boys drinkin' beer in the local "Spit 'n' Chew

Bar." The country western critic (notice that I left music out) lives in Brooklyn on the 11th floor of an apartment building and has never even seen the country.

Finally, we have the rock music critic. A rock music critic will have long thinning hair, with a receding hairline



which he tries to draw attention from by wearing wire rim glasses that keep slipping off his nose. He knocks the music stars with the most money because he has

none and is jealous because he's bombed out of more rock bands than he has at parties.

But, we must remember that the music critic eats, drinks, sleeps, and walks as normal people and is susceptible to mistakes, mistakes, mistakes, . . .

And . . .

Concerts--

Dec. 18 - Kinks (Ambassador)

Dec. 19 - Barry Manilow (Ambassador)

Dec. 28 - R. E. O., Bob Seager, Styx (Keil)

Dec. 31 - Mama's Pride (Ambassador)

Jan. 13 - George Carlin (Ambassador)

## Tull's "Gallery" Has a Serious Sound

By Lyne Mabry

The medieval definition of a minstrel was one who sang or recited to the accompaniment of instruments. Jethro Tull: Minstrel in the Gallery, plays with the accompaniment of the mind. The selections are written and produced by Mr. Tull himself, Ian Anderson, all of which possess a theme that delves into the fantasy of the unreal. We hear from the gallery minstrel who tells of the smiling faces in the hall below, only to realize that their hypocrisies are his own; next is the warrior traveling through the Cold Wind to Valhalla, (the hall of immortality where the souls of heroes

slain in battle go for rest). Most of the intros are done with acoustic guitar and flute.

Side two is seemingly dedicated to Baker Street, the imaginary street of Sherlock Holmes' residence. Baker Street Muse; including three selections with various phases of the street life. Pig-Me And the Whore, a necessity to the true "street life" be it real or fantasy. Crash-Barrier Waltzer, the story of a street beggar "that we must teach to be still more independent." Mother England Reverie another proclamation of the Baker Street Muse. Wanting no better life than being a street poet and being able to drift into unreality.

The orchestration arrangements are written, as usual, by David Palmer.

He's also responsible for the orchestra on War Child. True to the "Jethro Tull" form are the vocals of Ian Anderson. Although back-up vocals are heard from the other personel, Anderson sings his own songs. What better way to get the desired product than write, sing, and produce your album.

Minstrel in the Gallery is a worthy product of Jethro Tull. However it's not a footstomping, dancing album. Greater appreciation for the effort can be obtained by taking the time to listen. It has a more serious mood about it than Thick as Brick, or War Child. A mood that doesn't immediately materialize but needs thought and depth. As previously said, it's a minstrel's tale told with the accompaniment of the mind . . .

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# Activities

## SARP Coordinator Named

Betty Ann Ward, counselor at RLC, has been named campus coordinator for the 1975-76 Student Achievement Recognition Program at RLC.

As campus coordinator, Mrs. Ward will supervise the soliciting and gathering of entries, judging, and publicity for the student competition, being sponsored for the seventh successive year by Continental Bank, Chicago.

Two RLC students, one man and one woman, will be chosen next February by locally-selected judges as winners of the campus competition. The two winners will be those individuals who have best advanced toward their career goals and who have shown leadership qualities on campus and in the community.

The winners will receive \$100 cash awards and certificates of merit. Their selection will also qualify them to compete in district and final state competition.

Last year, Flo Dudley of Bonnie and David Fletcher of Mt. Vernon were selected as the two outstanding RLC students.

Award winners from RLC will participate in district competition next March. Two finalists will be chosen from each district, one man and one woman, and each will receive a \$250 cash award.

The 12 Illinois district winners are then invited to Chicago where two state winners will be selected, again one man and one woman. The two state winners will be honored at an awards banquet in April and will receive \$1,000 cash awards.

Entry applications are now available at Mrs. Ward's office in the North Oasis building at RLC. Applications may be submitted by student candidates, members of the community, or faculty and administration sponsors before Jan. 26. They should be submitted to Mrs. Ward.

To be eligible, students must be in good academic standing and have completed nine semester hours. They must also be enrolled by the time of final judging next April.

Continental Bank is sponsoring and administering the program and is pro-

viding \$14,600 in award money.

The purpose of the program is to focus public attention on Illinois community colleges by highlighting individual student accomplishments. It is not a scholarship awards competition, but rather a program designed to give community and state recognition to two-year college students for outstanding individual achievement.

## Sign Language Course Offered At Mt. Vernon

An introductory course in deaf sign language will be offered through Rend Lake College at Mt. Vernon High beginning Jan. 8.

Mark Kern, dean of community services at Rend Lake College, said the course is designed for individuals who can hear but have the need or desire to communicate with deaf persons. Those who complete the course will be able both to use and to understand sign language, he remarked.

The course will meet each Monday and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Room 118-G at the high school, beginning Jan. 8 and continuing 16 weeks. Tuition will be \$13.50, and there will be a \$5.00 registration charge. Senior citizens are exempt from both fees.

Interested persons may register at the first class meeting or contact Kern at 437-5321 for more information.

## Enrollment Increases

Paced by a 69 per cent increase in its occupational programs, Rend Lake College recorded a 19 per cent enrollment increase this fall, Admissions Director James Yates has reported.

The 19 per cent increase came in total semester hours, on which the school's state aid is primarily based. Last fall students enrolled at Rend Lake took 14,174 hours; this year they are taking 16,844.

In actual "head count" the enrollment increase was even greater. This fall 1,923 students are taking at least one course at Rend Lake, compared to 1,499 a year ago. The average number of semester hours taken by each student has dropped from 9.5 to 8.8 within the past year.

The college's fast-growing occupational program grew from 4,421 hours last fall to 7,473 this year, a 69 per cent increase. The occupational program now accounts for almost as many hours as the baccalaureate program, which produced 7,974 hours last year and 7,737 this year.

RLC is undertaking a major expan-

sion of its evening program in conjunction with 18 newly appointed "community coordinators."

The community coordinators will cooperate with the college in developing new course offerings and recruiting students for evening classes. Classes will be started in each of the communities within the college district.

"We selected educators and people who are active in their communities for these positions," explained Mark Kern, dean of community services at RL.

Kern said community coordinators will be arranging course offerings for the next several weeks in anticipation of the second semester, which will begin Jan. 7. However, he pointed out, there will be variety in the starting dates, meeting times, and lengths of the classes.

Courses to be offered will fall into three general categories: college transfer, vocational, and general studies. Credits from all transfer courses and some vocational courses will transfer to a four-year college, while the general studies courses are strictly for self-improvement and lead to no degree.



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# Warriors Split Four Games

By Ronnie Stanart

The RLC Basketball Warriors, through four games, are sporting a 2-2 record for the season.

On Dec. 5, the Generals from Jackson, Tennessee, took a 102-91 decision from the Warriors in a game played at the Ina campus.

Jackson jumped to an early 11-0 lead and were never headed. RL pulled to within four once, only to trail 49-40 at the half.

At one time the lead reached 22 points, but the Warriors, applying full court pressure were able to cut that to four at 90-86. However, the Generals then moved out to their final 11 point advantage.

Doug Hardacre and Jack Smith shared scoring honors for RL with 18. Right behind them was Mike Bolton and Jeff Wilson with 17 and 16 markers respectively. George Starks added 10, Tom Mings 7, Terry Trusty 3, and John Schwartz 2.

The RL Warriors and John A. Logan Volunteers locked heels Dec. 4 in their young but intensifying rivalry.

John A. defeated RL in a real barn-burner, 91-88 in two overtimes. The contest was held at RL.

The Warriors clearly had the edge in the opening half enroute to a 34-28 lead at intermission. That advantage reached 11 points at its peak until a hot hand by the Vols Wendell Cooper brought John A. back into contention.

Doug Hardacre hit a 15 ft. jumper at the end of regulation to send the game into overtime.

Facing a seven point deficit the Warriors fought back to force a second five minute session. George Starks basket, again at the horn, tied it at 82.

Hardacre led the Warrior's offensive attack with 23. Other double figure performers were Jeff Wilson 17, Mike Bolton, 15, Starks 13, and Tom Mings 11. Jack Smith chipped in with 8 and Terry Trusty tallied 1.

Logan's Cooper led all scorers with 25. Wilson tied the RLC rebounding record of 25 caroms set by Terry Sledge in 1970-71 vs. Parkland.

Tuesday, Nov. 25 RLC belted Madisonville, Kentucky 108-57.

The outcome of the game was never really in doubt as RL burst to an early lead it never relinquished. Score at the half was 49-30.

Individual efforts were as follows: Bolton 18, Trusty 18, Hardacre 14, Kevin Waldman 12, John Schwartz 11, Mings 9, Starks, Wilson, and Roger Smith 6, Jack Smith and Ron Stanart 4.

Ramsey led the losers with 19.

On Thurs., Nov. 20 the Warriors opened the season in a relatively similar manner with a 101-73 shellacking of Oakland City, Indiana.

RL raced to a 20-4 advantage and were never threatened. After 20 minutes of play the Warriors were sitting on top of a 55-34 score.

Six double digit men were led by Mt. Vernon grads Starks and Wilson with 15 and 14 respectively. Bolton and Hardacre both registered 12 while Trusty and Schwartz racked up 10 apiece.

Darrell Cockrum and Mings had six each. Jack Smith, Stanart, Waldman and David Bigham all garnered 4.

For the game the Warriors hit 49% from the field and made 25 of 34 free throws.



## SIDELINE VIEWS



By John Fleri

At press time the results of the RL-Kaskaskia bout were unavailable and the Warriors were carrying a 2-2 overall record. Also at deadline time, Doug Hardacre (Bridgeport) was averaging about 17 points an outing; Mike Bolton (Sesser) 15.5; Jeff Wilson (Mt. Vernon) 13, and George Starks (Mt. Vernon) 11 points.

The Warriors will head north Thurs., Dec 11, to do battle with Parkland. Last season's bout with Parkland ended in a 91-79 decision in favor of Parkland.

There are five other teams in the SICC besides RLC.

Wabash Valley in Mt. Carmel is the favorite in the conference. Wabash has a lot of height this year.

Southeastern, the defending conference champ, is located in Harrisburg. They have two starters from last year's Ridgeway high school team.

John A. Logan, Cartersville, has two transfers from Murphysboro that got all-state honors. They are Dan Sullivan and Jerry Kellum.

Shawnee, in Ullin, recruits most of it's players from Metropolis, Vienna, Meridian and Cairo.

Kaskaskia, in Centralia, has one returning letterman and they recruit most of their players from Centralia.

## RL in Lincoln Trail Tourney

The RLC Warriors travel to Robinson this Christmas season to participate in the annual Lincoln Trail Holiday Tournament.

Dates for this year's affair are Dec. 21, 22, and 23.

First round pairings find the Warriors taking on Muskegon, Michigan. At 3:30 p.m., Dec. 21 if victorious, RL will face the winner of the Lincoln Trail (no. 1 seed), Aquinas, Tennessee game Dec. 22 in an 8:30 p.m. contest.

Win or lose we wish the Warriors the best of luck in this double elimination event.

Photo By John Fleri

Jeff Wilson squares up for two of his 17 points during a home contest against John A. Logan.