



## Something in the water

This group of ladies was recognized Wednesday, January 14, for 15 years of pool patronage at the Rend Lake College Aquatics Center. They make up about a third of the Tuesday/Thursday aquatic aerobics class with retired nurse and educator Debbie Bennis. Each one says the Aquatics Center has added to their quality and quantity of life, and the class is as much about seeing friends as it is about fitness. Margot McAfoos of Benton, FAR LEFT, is the oldest of the group. She is 91. Pictured are, FROM LEFT, McAfoos, Nina Duckworth (Benton), Frances Wheat (Benton), Ida Lowery (Belle Rive), Judy Rose (Benton) and Sue Casey (Benton). (Nathan Wheeler / Clocktower Chronicle)

## Auditions for "Les Misérables" Spring Musical set

BY REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Rend Lake College is headed back to the 19th century this semester to bring to life the French novel "Les Misérables" for the annual Spring Musical. Auditions are scheduled for Jan. 20 – 22 in the Theatre, and the musical will unfold on the RLC stage April 9 – 12.

Students interested in performing should attend one of two audition dates at 6 p.m. Jan. 20

or Jan. 21. Performers are asked to dress business casual and women should wear dresses or skirts.

During this first round of auditions, actors will be asked to perform 32 bars of a musical theatre song. The 32 bars will need to be memorized. Rebecca Newburn will be the accompanist and, if possible, she would like the sheet music to be emailed to her in advance at newburnr@rlc.edu. Sheet music should also be brought to the audition. No

karaoke or a cappella singing will be allowed.

Callbacks are scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, also in the RLC Theatre. Those who receive a callback will be asked to wear dance-appropriate clothing, bring dance shoes if available for a possible dance performance, and be prepared to sing music from the show.

"I'm expecting to see them show emotion and their acting abilities while they are singing," said Spring Musical Director

Sara Alstat. "Also, I suggest they prepare for the audition by reading about the show and its characters. Listening to music from the show or seeing an adaptation is a great way to get an idea of the plot and what is happening in France during that time. There are many great roles in this show, so I'm hoping for a large turnout for the auditions. Everyone is welcome."

"Les Misérables" is a French historical novel by Victor Hugo, first published in 1862. The plot

begins in 1815 following the struggles of ex-convict Jean Valjean and closes in the 1832 June Rebellion in Paris. The novel follows the lives and interactions of several other characters, including Javert, Fontine, Cosette, Marius Pontmercy, and Éponine.

The novel has been adapted many times in film, television and radio as a musical, including the award-winning film of the same

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## Applications accepted for RLC, SICCM programs through March 1

BY REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Students still have time to apply to four health care programs at Rend Lake College through SICCM (Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market). Applications for the Medical Laboratory Technician, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Surgical Technology, and Veterinary Technician programs are due March 1, with classes starting the Fall 2015 semester.

Students interested in the programs are required to complete the Psychological Service Bureau (PSB) Health Occupations Aptitude test and ASSET test before applying. Testing is done by appointment at RLC's testing center, located in the Academic Advisement Center in the Administration Building. For questions or to schedule a testing appointment, call (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1268.

For additional information about these programs, contact the RLC Allied Health Division at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1251 or visit [www.rlc.edu/allied-health](http://www.rlc.edu/allied-health).

**Medical Laboratory Technician** — Five students from RLC are selected every year for the Medical Laboratory Technician

(MLT) program. All general education courses for the two-year Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree are held on the RLC campuses, and the MLT courses are held at the SICCM facility in Herrin.

MLTs are typically employed in the clinical laboratories of hospitals, clinics, physician's offices, and other health care facilities. They perform testing on blood and bodily fluids under the supervision of a medical technologist or pathologist in a number of areas, such as hematology, chemistry, blood bank, urinalysis, serology, coagulation, and microbiology. MLTs also do maintenance on equipment and instruments, apply basic scientific principles to laboratory techniques and procedures, and recognize factors that affect procedures and related laboratory findings to common disease processes.

In addition to classwork, students in the MLT program also complete clinical rotations during the second year of study. Clinicals are held in area hospital laboratories and clinics. After completing the MLT pro-

**SICCM** ..... continues on page 4



Aaron Karch of Dahlgren got a close look at a couple of parasites during the veterinary science portion of RLC's 2014 Discovery Camp. This year's camp is June 15-16. Applications are being accepted now. (Nathan Wheeler / RLC Public Information)

## RLC's Discovery Camp returns June 15-16, applications available now

BY REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

The chance for young students to explore many different careers in health care is coming back to Rend Lake College this summer in the form of Discovery Camp. This two-day experience will be held on the RLC campus June 15 and at a local hospital June 16.

During the two-day camp, students will learn about health career opportunities through presentations and hands-on activities by local health care professionals and RLC instructors. Campers will also tour a hospital and have an opportunity to see health care professionals

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## RLC Foundation scholarship application deadline is February 27

BY REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Little more than a month remains for prospective Rend Lake College students to submit an application for numerous RLC Foundation scholarships. The application is due by Friday, February 27 for the Fall 2015 semester.

Interested students can find the application at [www.rlc.edu/rlcf](http://www.rlc.edu/rlcf). It takes only minutes to complete the form, and students must submit their most recent transcript and one letter of recommendation to complete the application process. Students are also required to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To complete the FAFSA, visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or contact the RLC Financial Aid Office at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1385.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on the criteria set forth by each scholarship. High school students will be informed of their awards at their high school honors nights, with letters being sent out after May 1, 2015. Applications will be accepted after Feb. 27; however, preference will be given to students who meet the due date.

Last year, more than 500 scholarships and tuition waivers worth approximately \$350,000 were awarded to RLC students through the Foundation. More information on how to apply can be found at [www.rlc.edu/foundation](http://www.rlc.edu/foundation) or by contacting the Foundation at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1214. For additional scholarship opportunities visit the Other Scholarship Opportunities website at [www.rlc.edu/otherscholarships](http://www.rlc.edu/otherscholarships).

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# RLC Board January meeting highlights

## Stipend positions approved

**BY CHAD COPPLE**  
RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

The board approved the creation and job descriptions for three stipends Tuesday: Certified Nurse Assistant Coordinator, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, and Academic Advisement Center Director. With the retirement of

CNA Associate Professor Aurelia Hudgens, additional duties of policy implementation, record keeping, reporting and correspondence with the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation will be absorbed into current staffing, necessitating the stipend position. Due to the anticipated retirement of Randall Shively, Physical Plant Director, the transition of duties and additional training is needed for the functionality of the department. The Assistant Director of the Physical

Plant will serve as a facilitator between the department and the administration. The position of Director of the Academic Counseling Center has been inactive for five years. The position is being brought back as a stipend position with a change in nomenclature. **In other business, the board ...**

- Approved revisions to board procedure concerning stipends.
- Created board policy and procedure concerning grant reporting (second

- reading).
- Granted permission to destroy closed session tapes and to release closed session minutes.
- Granted permission to modify the job description for Director of the Physical Plant.
- Approved revisions to board policy and procedure concerning criteria for awarding credit (first reading).
- Approved a five-year extension of the contractual agreement for the providing of audit services with

Clifton Larson Allen LLP for fiscal years 2015 through 2019 at a total cost of \$264,475.

**Mark your calendars ...**

- Thespian Comedy Improv, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, RLC Theatre.
- RLC Homecoming, Wednesday, Feb. 11, Waugh Gymnasium; women's basketball game at 5:30 p.m., men's basketball game at 7:30 p.m.
- Faculty / Staff In-Service, Tuesday, Feb. 17, RLC Theatre.
- Student / Faculty

- Recital, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 5, RLC Theatre.
- RLC Board of Trustees Mini Retreat, noon March 10, 2015, location to be determined.
- Spring Musical: Les Misérables, RLC Theatre. Performances at 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 9-11, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 12.
- Job Fair, 3-6 p.m. Thursday, April 23, Mt. Vernon Holiday Inn.
- Commencement, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, May 16, Waugh Gymnasium.

## MSHA instructor training coming to RLC Feb. 24-26

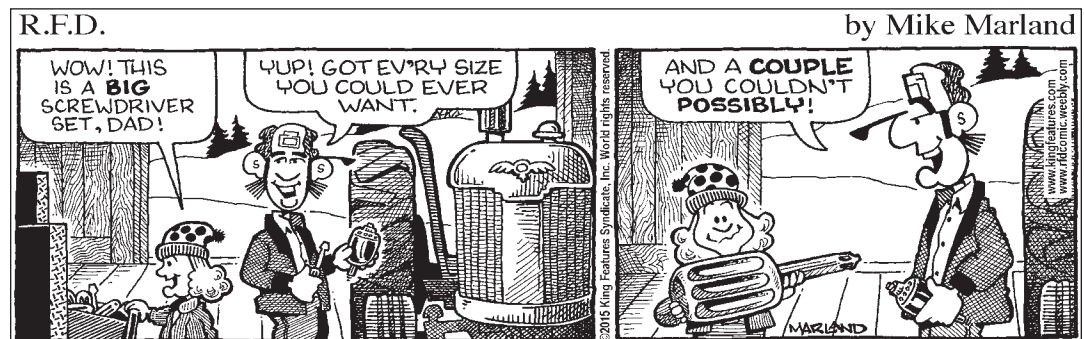
**BY REANNE PALMER**  
RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and Rend Lake College are offering a chance for miners to get above ground and into a classroom with a new Train the Trainer course on Feb. 24-26.

For the Part 48 Instructor Underground Qualification, Train the Trainer course attendees must have five years underground experience. For

the Instructor Surface Qualification, participants must have three years surface experience. To complete the three-day training, attendees must also give a 15-minute presentation on a subject selected by the instructor. The MSHA instructor training is one aspect of RLC's Mine Emergency, Prevention and Preparedness Project and is funded in part by a Brookwood-Sago Mine Safety Grant of \$92,247 RLC received in 2014. The project is

designed to restructure and expand on current mine training curriculum including lecture in a classroom as well as realistic, hands-on practice. The class lasts from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. each day in the RLC Coal Mine Training Center and costs \$200. Those interested must complete pre-screening and an application before registering. Applications are available by contacting Kacie Hunter at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 2373, or hunterk@rlc.edu.



## Sudoku

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**Across**

- "Want a lift?"
- Cherry's center
- Different
- Miss Scarlett's surname
- Yoko \_\_\_\_
- Portland's state
- Healthy restaurant item
- South American mountain range
- iPod choice
- Month after Mar.
- Ambulance worker, for short
- Once in a long while
- Peeper
- Forks over the cash
- Part of the 27-Across
- Wise bird
- Use a doorknob
- Zeus or Poseidon
- Sad sound
- Gold, silver or bronze
- Find a place for
- Writing utensil
- Mischief maker
- \_\_\_\_-cone
- Sauce made with pine nuts
- Greek wraps
- Driving force
- Head toppers
- Flightless bird
- Irish person, e.g.
- Fashion's Christian \_\_\_\_
- Place
- Slithering creatures
- Paintings and such
- Butter amount
- "The Heat \_\_\_\_"
- \_\_\_\_ Carta
- Region of Virginia
- The same
- New Year's \_\_\_\_

**Down**

- Syllables from santa
- "\_\_\_\_ believe in yesterday"
- Tablet
- Cara and Dunne
- \_\_\_\_ passages
- Game on horseback
- Celeb chef \_\_\_\_ Garten
- Tomorrow's yesterday
- Actor Sharif
- One-named English pop star
- Does some crooning
- Actor Stephen
- Pulls (on)
- Lay out at the beach
- Kids' game
- Foe
- Takes a breather
- Whoever
- Animal in the house
- Put together, as a contraption
- Came up
- Take the seat next to the driver
- Christmas worker
- Not post-
- Piece of chicken
- Baseball game callers
- Catch sight of
- Like some handshakes
- Viewpoint
- Plunders
- Chocolate dessert
- \_\_\_\_ and feather
- Up to now
- Hotel amenity, often
- It's north of the U.S.
- Members of the nobility
- Person from Baghdad
- Complete and total
- "That's impossible!"
- Buddies
- Thought
- Old horse
- "\_\_\_\_ got it!"
- Perfect score
- Antlered animal
- Hi-\_\_\_\_ screen

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## Megamaze

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**RLC teaming up with Missouri Baptist University to offer two bachelor's degrees**

BY REANNE PALMER  
RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Rend Lake College students interested in the behavioral sciences can now take advantage of two new bachelor's degrees offered by Missouri Baptist University (MBU) on the Ina campus.

The Bachelor of Science (BS) and Bachelor of Arts (BA) degrees in Behavioral Science have three different focus points: psychology, sociology, and social work. Students will complete the RLC associate degree program in their field of interest before taking the remaining credit hours from MBU on the RLC campus.

The Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work degrees at RLC require 64 to 66 credit hours to complete. After any necessary prerequisites, the program takes four semesters for a student attending full-time, and part-time students can

extend that time over several semesters. Specifically, the programs prepare students for continued education at a four-year institution like MBU.

RLC Psychology Professor Dr. Jeannie Mitchell said this new opportunity for students is not one that should be taken lightly.

"The attainment of a degree drastically increases the marketability one has in today's job market," said Mitchell. "The Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work programs all require continued education beyond an associate degree, and this prospect Missouri Baptist is bringing to our front door is just that opportunity for our students and community."

Both baccalaureate degrees have been approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education and are enrolling now for the Spring 2015 semester. Students looking to complete

the BS degree are required to take additional math and science classes, whereas the BA degree requires enrollment in Spanish.

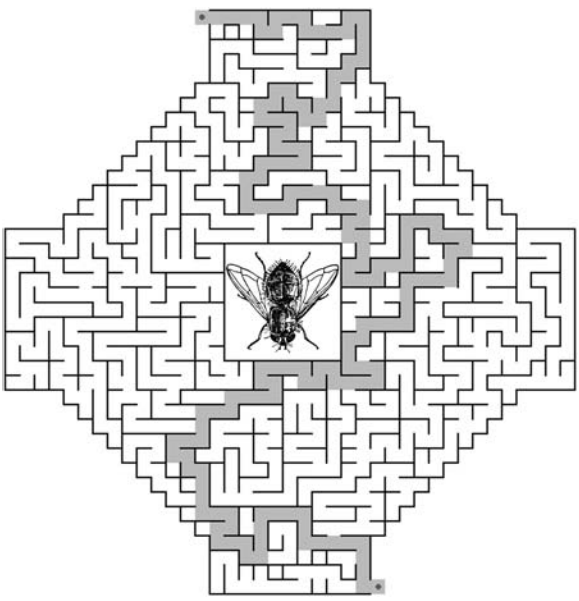
Currently, MBU offers a BS and BA degree in Criminal Justice at RLC. Several other degree programs are in the works, including a Bachelor's Degree in Management, a Master's Degree in Business Administration, and a Master's Degree in Counseling. MBU has higher education accreditation.

For more information about the MBU programs or to register, contact Dr. Julie Schroeder, MBU Dean of the Southern Illinois Regional Learning Centers, at (618) 925-4425 or schroederj@mopab.edu. RLC has ongoing open registration for the Spring 2015 semester through Jan. 9. To register at RLC, contact the Academic Advisement Center at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1266.

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Sudoku puzzle.

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**Strange BUT TRUE**

BY SAMANTHA WEAVER  
KING FEATURES

• Those who traveled by air over the recent holiday season may sympathize with political satirist Mark Russell, who made the following sage observation: "The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage."

• If you're planning a visit to rural Texas anytime soon, you might want to keep in mind that in that state, it's against the law to milk a cow that belongs to someone else.

• The elephant shrew is more closely related to the elephant than to the shrew.

• You may have heard of bridezilla, but what about momzilla? In a survey by David's Bridal, 22 percent of respondents claimed that it was the mother of the bride who caused the most conflict when planning the event, while another 22 percent said that it was the mother of

the groom. You might want to take these results with a grain of salt, though, considering the fact that the survey respondents were actually brides themselves.

• Even an honest person might have some sympathy for the deceit attempted by a man named Corey Taylor in 2007. He was so desperate to get out of his cell-phone contract without paying the high fee that he attempted to fake his own death. Unfortunately for him, it didn't work.

• You may be surprised to learn that condoms date back to at least the 1600s.

• If you're afraid that peanut butter will stick to the roof of your mouth, you suffer from arachibutyphobia.

**Thought for the Day:** "My therapist told me the way to achieve true inner peace is to finish what I start. So far I've finished two bags of M&Ms and a chocolate cake. I feel better already." — Dave Barry



**Dr. Allen Y. Baker/Stella M. Baker Scholarship**

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## SENSE &



more, since you are friends with this woman, hopefully this is the first of many times that you will connect with her over the years. Make the decision to celebrate the new couple on their first anniversary by sending them a lovely gift or inviting them to visit with you. You can come up with creative ways to continue the celebration of love over time. Don't fret about what you were able to offer today.

(Lifestylist and author Harriette Cole is president and creative director of Harriette Cole Media. You can send questions to askharriette@harriettecole.com or c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.)

**DEAR SHORT ON CASH:** I totally understand why you feel the way you do, and I want to suggest that you let it go. You and your husband made a big effort to witness and celebrate your friend's wedding. That counts for a lot. What's

## Auditions

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 title in 2012. Sheet music can be found online at [www.musicnotes.com](http://www.musicnotes.com) or [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com). For more information, con-

tact Alstat at (618) 201-2044 or [alstats@rlc.edu](mailto:alstats@rlc.edu). Rehearsals for the musical will be 6 – 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays starting Jan. 26.

Tickets to the musical cost \$12 and will be available in March by calling the

RLC Box Office at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1467. Performance dates are scheduled for 7 p.m., Thursday, April 9, through Saturday, April 11, and 2 p.m., Sunday, April 12, all in the RLC Theatre.

"Les Misérables" is presented through special

arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019, phone: (212) 541-4684, fax: (212) 397-4684, [www.MTIShows.com](http://www.MTIShows.com).



## Camp

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 in a working environment, as well as receive career planning advice. Discovery Camp is designed for students entering seventh through 12th grades who show an interest in the health care industry. Some of the highlighted careers will include

Emergency Medical Services, Radiology, Nursing, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Veterinary Science, Dental, Pharmacy, Health Information Technology, Massage Therapy, Air Evacuation, and many others.

The camp is free, thanks to a partnership between RLC and the South Cen-

tral Illinois Area Health Education Center (SCIAHEC) Network. There will also be lunch provided both days as well as a camp T-shirt. Parents or guardians are welcome to attend with their student. Transportation to and from camp on both days will be provided by establishing a few pick-up and drop-off points throughout the

area. Applications and more information are available by contacting Kelli Stover at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1280 or [stoverk@rlc.edu](mailto:stoverk@rlc.edu). The applications are due to Stover on or before April 15. They can be emailed to her, or mailed to her at Rend Lake College, 468 N. Ken Gray Parkway, Ina, IL 62846.

## SICCM

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 gram, students can sit for a national examination offered by several national agencies.

Within the next seven years, there will be 70,600 jobs added to the MLT industry across the country, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). This faster-than-average growth is due to an aging population that will lead to a greater need to diagnose medical conditions in a laboratory.

**Occupational Therapy Assistant** — Much like the MLT program, the Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) program selects five students from RLC to participate in the AAS degree. Graduates from the program can sit for the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy national certification examination.

The OTA program includes lecture and hands-

on laboratory components, as well as some web-based classes, to help students develop entry-level competencies necessary to provide services to clients of all ages who have functional loss due to physical, neurological, social, emotional, cognitive, or developmental disabilities. The two-year program tailors rehabilitation for each individual client through evaluation and treatment to restore or improve function.

Under the supervision of an occupational therapist, OTAs will work directly with clients to achieve a maximum level of independent living by developing the capacities that remain after disease, accident, or other disability. They serve a diverse population in a variety of settings, including hospitals, clinics, facilities for rehabilitation, extended and long-term care, schools, camps, private homes, physicians' offices, community programs, and private practices.

The BLS states new OTA jobs will grow by 41 percent between now and 2022, adding 15,900 jobs, as occupational therapy continues to be an important part of treatment for clients with various illnesses and disabilities.

**Surgical Technology** — RLC and SICCM also offer

a Surgical Technology occupational certificate to be completed in one year. After successful completion, students can sit for the National Certifying examination given annually by appointment.

Surgical technicians assist surgeons and other medical professionals in hospital operating rooms and other environments. They prepare patients, rooms, and equipment for upcoming surgical procedures, as well as assist during those procedures as part of a team of operating room professionals.

By 2022, there will be 127,800 jobs for surgical technicians across the country, according to the BLS, as the field continues to grow at a faster-than-average rate due to safer surgery technology and more operations being done to treat a variety of illnesses and injuries.

**Veterinary Technician** — Students interested in the animal side of the health care industry can choose to apply for the Veterinary Technician AAS degree. This two-year program prepares students to sit for the annual national accreditation examination.

The Veterinary Technician program readies students with both administrative and technical skills neces-

sary to assist a veterinarian in all phases of medical and surgery for small, large, exotic, and lab animals. Technicians typically conduct clinical work in a private practice, under the supervision of a veterinarian, and often perform various medical tests — urinalysis, blood counts, and tissue samples — along with treating and diagnosing medical conditions and diseases in animals. The veterinary technician also plays an important role in client education, grief counseling, and public relations.

This RLC and SICCM program curriculum covers small and large animal breeds, nutrition and husbandry, veterinary terminology, legal issues and office management, parasitology, surgical nursing, veterinary pharmacology, anesthesiology, emergency care, and clinical pathology. Students benefit from theoretical-based classroom learning, as well as extensive hands-on experience through practicums at a variety of veterinary facilities.

The BLS states there will be an additional 25,000 jobs available to veterinary technicians by 2022. Graduates work in a number of settings, including animal shelters, zoos, medical research laboratories, and in the private industry.

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## W S E C T I O N

### RLC overcomes Wabash in GRAC match-up

**M**T. CARMEL, Ill. — It was the clash of the Warriors Jan. 7 in Mt. Carmel as the Rend Lake College Warriors took on the Wabash Valley College Warriors. RLC came out with a 82-72 win, giving them their second Great Rivers Athletic Conference (GRAC) win of the season and putting them at 6-7 overall.



**Eric Williams (Memphis, Tenn.) led all scorers with 19 points in the Warriors' 10-point win over Wabash Valley.**

With nearly every player on the team docking points during the game, four RLC athletes put up double-digits. Leading overall was Eric Williams (Memphis, Tenn.) with 19, in addition to eight rebounds, two assists, and one block. Other top scorers include Detric Byrd (Champaign) with 17, Armani Towns (Columbus, Ohio) with 12, and Perry Fairrow (Evansville, Ind.) with 10. Byrd added another nine rebounds and three assists to the game. The remaining scorers were Ryan Otis (Houston, Texas) with eight; Robert Sawyer (Louisville, Ky.), Kourtlandt Martin (Evansville, Ind.), and Shakari Hawkins (Mt. Vernon) with four each; and Clint

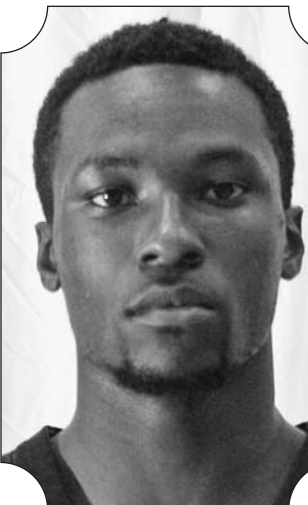
Johannes (Ashley) and Derek McKeithen (Columbus, Ohio) with two each. Wabash's lead scorer was Jaquan Lynch with 14 points, followed by Brandon Wolfe and Mike Donaldson with 13 each. RLC will start a six-game home streak with a game against John A. Logan College at 3 p.m. Saturday, followed by Lincoln Land at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For all things athletic at The Lake, visit [www.rlc.edu/warriors](http://www.rlc.edu/warriors).



**Texas golfer Ali Christian signs with RLC Women's team**  
Ali Christian, CENTER, of Lewisville, Texas, became the newest member of the Rend Lake College Women's Golf team on Friday, January 9 when she signed a national letter of intent to play in the Spring semester. Christian is a 2012 graduate of Flower Mound High School. Also pictured is, FRONT FROM LEFT, her mother, Pam Christian of Dallas, Texas; Ali; and her uncle, Rick Hayes of Mt. Vernon; BACK, Cindy Corn, RLC Women's Golf Coach; and Tim Wills, RLC Athletic Director. (ReAnne Palmer / RLC Sports Information)

### Warriors take loss against John A. Logan at home

**BY REANNE PALMER**  
RLC SPORTS INFORMATION  
NA, Ill. (Jan. 12, 2015) — The Rend Lake College Warriors basketball team lost 80-76 Saturday against John A. Logan College. With the loss, the Warriors fell to 6-8 for the regular season and 2-4 in the Great Rivers Athletic Conference.



**Armani Towns (Columbus, Ohio) led RLC with 15 points in the team's 80-76 loss against the Vols.**

Top scorers for the Warriors included Armani Towns (Columbus, Ohio) with 15, Greg McLain (Chicago) and Detric Byrd (Champaign) with 13 each, Eric Williams (Memphis, Tenn.) and Ryan Otis (Houston, Texas) with 10 each, Derek McKeithen (Columbus, Ohio) with eight, and Robert Sawyer (Louisville, Ky.) with seven. RLC will begin a four-game home stand Jan. 17. Opponents are John Wood,

Lincoln, Lake Land, and Lincoln Trail. For all things athletic at The Lake, visit [www.rlc.edu/warriors](http://www.rlc.edu/warriors).

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