



SPRING SEMESTER 2016 Exam Schedule

NORMAL CLASS TIME	EXAM DATE	EXAM TIME
Mon/Wed/Fri 8 - 9 am	Monday, May 9	8 am - 10 am
Mon/Wed/Fri 9 - 10 am	Monday, May 9	10 am - Noon
Mon/Wed/Fri Noon - 1 pm	Monday, May 9	1 pm - 3 pm
Mon/Wed/Fri 3 pm - 4 pm	Monday, May 9	3 pm - 5 pm
Tues/Thur		
8 - 9:30 am	Tuesday, May 10	8 am - 10 am
9:30 - 11 am	Tuesday, May 10	10 am - Noon
2 pm - 3:30 pm	Tuesday, May 10	1 pm - 3 pm
Wed/Fri		
10 am - 11 am	Wednesday, May 11	8 am - 10 am
11 am - Noon	Wednesday, May 11	10 am - Noon
1 pm - 2 pm	Wednesday, May 11	1 pm - 3 pm
2 pm - 3 pm	Wednesday, May 11	3 pm - 5 pm
Thurs		
11 am - 12:30 pm	Thursday, May 12	8 am - 10 am
12:30 pm - 2 pm	Thursday, May 12	10 am - Noon
3:30 pm - 5 pm	Thursday, May 12	1 pm - 3 pm
FRIDAY ONLY CLASSES Friday, May 6, 2016 <i>Normally Scheduled Class Time</i>		
EVENING CLASSES		
Monday Evening	Monday, May 9	
Tuesday Evening	Tuesday, May 10	
Wednesday Evening	Wednesday, May 11	
Thursday Evening	Thursday, May 12	
SATURDAY CLASSES Saturday, May 7		
ART CRITIQUES All Art Critiques are scheduled by the Liberal Arts Department.		
MUSIC JURIES Friday, May 13, beginning at 9:00 a.m.		

If you have a class that doesn't fit into this format, you need to set a time with the class and notify your Dean and Vice President.



FINALS — Students are preparing for finals next week. Get tips from Justin Womack in today's Clocktower Chronicle.

How to crush final exams

JUSTIN WOMACK

CLOCKTOWER CHRONICLE STAFFWRITER

The Finals are coming! The Finals are coming! For many students, it isn't an exaggeration to compare Paul Revere's ride or the Revolutionary War to finals week at RLC. It's a brain at the last minute. Finals begin next Monday. However, there are ways to prepare for that end-of-the-semester test.

One of the most important things students can do to prepare is to get organized. Know when the tests are and determine how much study time needs to be devoted to each one. The full final exam schedule can be found on the college's website at rlc.edu. It would be for the best to take a look at it as soon as possible, not the day before.

In addition to knowing when and where your test is, a helpful bit of information would be what material will be covered on your particular exam. The easiest way to find out is to simply ask your instructor. A lot of classes will do some sort of review for the final exam beforehand. Taking good notes and keeping a hold of any packets or other study guides is a sure way to be ready when test day approaches.

The next thing that can help prepare you for finals week is take advantage of the Learning Enhancement Center. For those who don't know, the LEC is a place dedicated to helping students with things like homework and papers, and provides a quiet environment for a good study session. The LEC also encompasses a Writing Center and Math Lab. These facilities are free to all RLC students. They hold workshops and can provide

tutors in core subject areas.

The Writing Center can be very helpful with any papers throughout the year or if you need to prepare for anything that will be written on the final. The Math Lab is similar but for any type of mathematics centered course. If you are looking to get help in the writing center or the math lab calling to make an appointment in advance is helpful. Although making an appointment isn't required, it will ensure there is an instructor present. Call (618) 437-5321 and dial ext. 1312 for the Writing Center or ext. 1346 for the Math Lab.

Need help with other subjects? Contact Sue Cunningham, the learning specialist and tutoring coordinator. Her phone extension is 1204 and her office is also located in the LEC. Taking advantage of this kind of academic support is very important in

preparing for the final exams.

On the day of the test, there can be quite a bit of stress. US News put together a list of things that can help students during the big tests.

1. Always bring your notes with you. Some instructors may allow you to use notes that you took in class. If you are granted that kind of advantage it is better to be prepared.

2. Read through the instructions carefully and understand how each portion is graded. If you know that an extended answer question on the back is worth a third of the entire exam, you might

want to spend some extra time on that portion. On essay questions, be sure to take some time to develop and explain the answer instead of just focusing on being correct.

3. Pace yourself, and don't panic. If you are having trouble with a question, either continue to move on and come back, or take a minute to collect your thoughts and try again. If there are questions with multiple parts, take each section individually then put them together. Most tests will

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Changes coming to student refund process

WILLIAM MCPHERSON

CLOCKTOWER CHRONICLE STAFFWRITER

Some substantial changes are coming to how Rend Lake College students will receive refunds.

Customers Bank bought the One Account from Higher One – a student checking and refund management disbursement service. Customers Bank announced it intends to combine Higher One with its BankMobile division – launched in January 2015, creating what it says is the first no-fee digital bank in the United States.

"We believe it is important to provide middle class Americans and the underbanked and unbanked consumers a very attractive digital banking option," stated Jay S. Sidhu, chairman & CEO of Customers and BankMobile. "We are very enthusiastic about combining the Disbursements business with our BankMobile Technologies platform. By providing a superior product that is easier to use and is more afford-

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EXPECT CHANGE – The ATM is being removed from the Student Center this week. It's just one change coming as the result of the Customer's Bankacquisition of Higher One. Read about it today in William McPherson's coverage in the Clocktower Chronicle.

The Clocktower Chronicle wants YOU!

WILLIAM MCPHERSON

CLOCKTOWER CHRONICLE STAFFWRITER

"A good newspaper, I suppose, is a nation talking to itself," said Arthur Miller.

If that is the case, then a good college newspaper is a campus having that same vital conversation. The Clocktower Chronicle is looking for students for the fall semester to take part in shaping that discussion.

"The ability to convey a message through the written word is something that is being lost. That is a skill that transcends disciplines," said RLC Marketing Specialist Nathan Wheeler on why it is important to keep good college journalism alive.

Wheeler has been the editor of this paper since its inception in 2012. He attended Eastern Illinois University, where he studied journalism and marketing. For years he was a journalist at the Mt. Vernon Sentinel before working as the col-

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lege's public information specialist for 8 years. He was a recipient of the Outstanding Staff Award in 2015.

According to Wheeler, working at the Clocktower Chronicle provides students a chance to experience journalism in a variety of ways - from photography and news reporting, to graphic design and feature writing. The college currently has incentives in place for students who work on the newspaper staff. These include tuition waivers and scholarships.

Wheeler describes the school newspaper as, "a learning period for people who are interested in journalism," as well as, "a relaxed and good way to get some experience with journalism in more of a loose setting."

You may not have aspirations for a career in professional journalism, but there are still plenty of other reasons to consider joining the Clocktower Chronicle. Wheeler

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Operation Graduation

JUSTIN WOMACK

CLOCKTOWER CHRONICLE STAFFWRITER

It is nearing the end of another wonderful spring semester. Graduation is fast approaching, and students and staff are already getting ready for this year's 49th commencement ceremony.

There will be two ceremonies held in Waugh Gymnasium on Saturday, May 14. The first one at 10 a.m. is for Associate in Applied science and Occupational Certificate graduates. The second will be held at 1 p.m. and is for Associate in Art, Science, Engineering and Fine Art's graduates. Approximately 300 total students

are expected to graduate this year, according to Registrar Kelly Downes. Graduates meet in the South Oasis to line up 30 minutes prior to the start of each ceremony. There will be signs posted and faculty members nearby to help. After lining up alphabetically the students will enter the gymnasium led by Vice President of Student Services Lisa Price. Photography that day will be provided by Life Touch and photos will be taken of the students as they are lining up and while they are receiving their diplomas on stage,

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Rogers 'Recs the Scale' at RLC

Kim Rogers of Mt. Vernon lost nearly 40 pounds on her way to becoming The Recreational Center's first champion of the "Rec the Scale Challenge" at Rend Lake College. On Friday, she was presented her \$400 prize by Director of The Rec Tyler O'Daniel. Rec the Scale was a big hit on campus with about 25 participants. The competition used percentages rather than total pounds lost to determine the winner. But it didn't matter. Rogers took out the competition in both categories. Coming in second was Abby Etnier and third was Natalie Brown.

Innovative three-week speech class accepting students

REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Seats are still open for a new three-week speech class this summer at Rend Lake College. This alternative option will give students the chance to complete a required class in a shorter time frame before the regularly scheduled semester begins Monday, June 6.

Principles of Effective Speaking (COMM 1101) will meet from 8 a.m. - noon Monday through Thursday beginning Monday, May 16 in the Academic Building, Room 209, on the Ina campus. The last day of class will be Friday, June 3; only days before the regularly scheduled summer semester begins.


Elizabeth Bailey-Smith, Speech Associate Professor, will be

teaching the course. She said the course offers a number of benefits for students who want to knock off the requirement for a number of programs.


"This course is especially good for those students who don't want to take the regular semester 16-week course, or the summer eight-week course. They can catch up on or get ahead of their graduation requirements with this extra course because it does not interfere with the regular summer semester," said Bailey-Smith, who added, "Did I mention it's only three weeks?"

To register for the course, contact RLC's Academic Advisement Center at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1266 or email advising@rlc.edu.


Campus Connection




Emily Browder



Jennifer Rich



Jordyn Weiland



Logan Barrett

The Clocktower's Justin Womack set out on campus to find out ...
"What do you think about RLC's new website?"

Emily Browder, 19, Woodlawn
"It's different. I really like that it is a lighter color. It feels more like spring time."

Jennifer Rich, 20, West Frankfort
"After I found the MyRLC button in the corner I figured it out. I think that they should have more pictures from the college displayed on the front page."

Jordyn Weiland, 19, Pinckneyville
"It looks confusing at first. But, I'm not very tech savvy."

Logan Barrett, 19, Mt. Vernon
"It's about time. It looks a lot more professional now."



CNA advisory Board

Members of the Rend Lake College Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) program's Advisory Board are pictured. **FRONT, FROM LEFT**, Christy Simpson of Mt. Vernon Healthcare and Rehab; Ian Zane Perkins of Stonebridge Senior Living; Kim Wilkerson, RLC Dean of Allied Health; and Bria Robinson, RLC Clinical Coordinator of Radiologic Technology; **BACK, FROM LEFT**, Mariah Minor of Mt. Vernon Healthcare and Rehab; Linda Mueller of Coulterville Rehab and Healthcare; Ashley Marthaler, RLC CNA Associate Professor; Betty Musgrave, RLC Program of Study Coordinator; and Lillian Bogan, RLC part-time CNA Instructor. (ReAnne Palmer / RLC Public Information)

Truck Driver Training dates open through October

REANNE PALMER

RLC PUBLIC INFORMATION

Locals interested in Rend Lake College's Truck Driver Training program have no excuse to miss enrollment this year as classes will begin every eight weeks through October.

The program, having undergone changes this year, has been broken down into two parts. The first Permit Class (TRUK 1201) will meet for three days before students take part in the Driving Class portion of the program. TRUK 1201 is designed for enrollees to pass the written CDL examination.

Students can register now for one of four permit classes scheduled this year: May 12-17, June 30-July 5, August 17-19, or October 5-7. The driving portion (TRUK 1202 & 1203) will follow for three weeks and students will be enrolled in order of their registration into the program.

For the May class, students will drive June 8-29. Students in the June and July course will drive either July 6-26 or July 27-August 16. Those in the August permit class will drive August 22-September 13

or September 14-October 4. The October permit class will drive either October 11-31 or November 1-22.

The total program cost for all three classes is \$4,205. At the conclusion of the four-week training, students will be tested by the Secretary of State to receive a Class A CDL license.

Students enrolled in the Truck Driver Training certificate program receive hands-on practice from experienced instructors. Graduates of the certificate program can also work toward occupational certificates in Heavy Equipment Transportation. This certificate goes more in-depth to teach students about the maintenance, repair and operation of semi-tractor trailer units. It takes two semesters of classes to complete.

To find out more about the program, contact the RLC Truck Driver Training Center at 1 (877) 477-4408. To enroll, contact RLC's Community and Corporate Education Division at (618) 437-5321, Ext. 1202 or 1367.

A GED or high school diploma is not required for admittance into the program. Interstate students must be 21 years of

age and intrastate students must be 18 years of age to enroll. Students must also be able to meet the Federal DOT physical requirement and have a valid driver's license at the time of registration. A physical and drug screening with a DOT-certified physician designated by the college is required of all enrollees. At the time of registration, students must provide their Motor Vehicle Record documentation from a local Secretary of State facility.



[MOVIES]

Now on DVD

April 26, 2016

Curveball; The Hoarders; The Forest; The Revenant; Fifty Shades of Black; Ride Along 2; Krampus; Son of Saul

Clank (PG, animation); Papa Hemingway in Cuba (R, Biography); A Beautiful Planet (G, Educational); The Wait (NR, Drama); Viva (R, Drama); The Man Who Knew Infinity (PG-13, Biography)

ner, (7) "Work From Home" - Fifth Harmony Featuring Ty Dolla \$ign, (8) "Love Yourself" - Justin Bieber, (9) "Coke By The Ocean" - DNCE, (10) "Lukas Graham" - Lukas Graham.

Now In theaters

April 26, 2016

The Jungle Book (PG, animated); The Huntsman: Winter's War (PG-13, Adventure); Barbershop: The Next Cut (PG-13, Comedy); Zootopia (PG, animated); The Boss (R, Comedy); Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice (PG-13, Action); Criminal (R, Crime); My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (PG-13, Romance); Compadres (R, Comedy); Eye in the Sky (R, Drama)

[MUSIC]

Top 10 Songs

(1) "Work" - Rihanna featuring Drake, (2) "Panda" - Designer, (3) "7 Years" - Lukas Graham, (4) "No" - Magan Trainor, (5) "ANTI" - Rihanna, (6) "Purpose" - Justin Bieber, (7) "Blurryface" - twenty one pilots, (8) "Mind Of Mine" - Zayn, (9) "25" - Adele, (10) "Me, Myself & I" - G-Eazy x Bebe Rexha.

Top 10 Albums

(1) "Cleopatra" - The Lumineers, (2) "Gore" - Deftones, (3) "Traveller" - Chris Stapleton, (4) "The Life Of Pablo" - Kanye West, (5) "Pillowtalk" - Zayn, (6) "I Took A Pill In Ibiza" - Mike Pos-

In theatres this weekend

April 29, 2016

Keanu (R, Comedy); Mother's Day (PG-13, Drama/Comedy); Ratchet &

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mentioned marketing or, "anything that has to do with copy writing, or web design" as potential careers in which a background in journalism would be beneficial.

To those on the fence about journalism, Wheeler says that it is important to, "try everything."

Wheeler added that - other than the Mass Media in Modern Society course in the fall - his is the only way to dip your toes into journalism at RLC.

"There are a lot of different ways to get involved," said Wheeler. "You don't have to write. We're looking for photographers, graphic designers, and people who are interested into beat writing - like entertainment, culinary or sports, for example," added Wheeler.

Taylor Blankenship is a local artist,

photographer, and student at Southern Illinois University who spent a semester at the Chronicle. She plans to enter into marketing and graphic design as a career, and credits her time at the school newspaper with helping her fine-tune some very useful skills.

"The paper actually did teach me a lot," Blankenship said. "Nathan taught me what to look for while taking certain photos, as well as how they would look printed, which has been super helpful here at SIU in some of my classes."

She added, "I also gained quite a bit of knowledge about camera settings which led me to learning the ins and outs of manual. Overall I would recommend being on the paper to anyone. It's a fun way to get involved that isn't too time consuming. There's lots to be learned, and you get a credit for it, so it's a win win."

For this writer personally, writing for the school newspaper has been an

invaluable way to get to know many people on campus. Over the last few semesters, I have interviewed and gotten to know many of the professors, students, and faculty here in a way that has really put the college experience in a new and interesting light.

I've been able to interview the Governor of Illinois, and had opportunities presented to me that would have been unthinkable just a few years ago. Thanks to the exposure I received through the school newspaper, I was offered opportunities to write for the Benton Evening News and the West Frankfort Gazette, which is how I currently earn my living. None of that would have been possible without the invaluable help and saintly patience of a good teacher, editor, and mentor.

To sign up for the Clocktower Chronicle, contact Wheeler at 437-5321, Ext. 1234 or email wheelern@rlc.edu.

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although the students won't receive their actual diploma that day - only the diploma cover. Their diplomas will be mailed out once all requirements for graduation are finished, including all financial obligations.

Anyone is welcome to attend the ceremony and, for those unable to make it to the event, there will be a live stream of both ceremonies on the Rend Lake College website at www.rlc.edu/graduation.

Adam Nagreski, a former student at RLC, will be a guest speaker. He was a student trustee during his time at Rend Lake and now has his own law practice in Benton.

Graduation announcements are available for purchase from the RLC Bookstore and a more detailed itinerary for students is posted on the RLC website at www.rlc.edu/graduation.

For those planning to graduate in the summer or fall semesters, it's time for this semester's graduates to complete, if they haven't done so already, their graduation applications. The due date for applications is this Friday. The application process is fairly simple. After turning in an application, students will have to pass an academic audit. If they are continuing students they will be able to follow the degree requirements of the catalog at the time of their enrollment, otherwise students may use the catalog at the time of their graduation. In order to not be considered a

continuing student either five years will have to pass without fulfilling a degree or the student does not complete credit classes for two consecutive semesters, not including summer semesters. After filling out an application and passing the academic audit students then will be able to consider walking at the commencement ceremony if they are within six credit hours of fulfilling their graduation requirement. However these credits will need to be taken during the following summer semester.

All students who are eligible are encouraged to walk at the Commencement Ceremony. It is a special honor to be able to earn the academic achievement of students. Congratulations to all the students graduating this year.

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have ups and downs, hard questions and easy questions. Don't get discouraged.

4. Use the time you are given. If you finish early, take time to review your answers, make sure everything is answered correctly and

there are no mistakes. Many students make the mistake of not checking their work after they finish. If you have the extra time, use it.

Finals week doesn't have to be life or death. With the right preparation and help, it can be a breeze. So remember to be organized, seek help, stay calm, and you will survive.



Bluford students to attend RLC

Seniors at Webber Township High School gathered April 14 to sign with Rend Lake College. It was one of RLC's 11 scheduled College Signing Days taking place this spring at district high schools. According to WTHS Guidance Counselor Bob Herzing, the 25 seniors who signed Thursday make up nearly 80% of Webber's Class of 2016. Next up for college advisors is Norris City-Omaha-Enfield High School on April 19. For a complete list of College Signing Day events, visit www.rlc.edu. PICTURED ABOVE are: **FRONT ROW, FROM LEFT**; Alexis Johnson, Tori Belmont, Samantha Scrivner and Maddie Balakhani. **MIDDLE ROW, FROM LEFT**; Megan Kluck, Kaylea Potter, Austin Koch, Bradley Manning, Brittany Shadowens, Hayley Hutchinson, Mikayla Stewart and Chelsea Neal. **BACK ROW, FROM LEFT**; Ryan Johnson, Dalton Jones, Alec Long, Garrett Jones, Corey Hammer, Dylan Burrell, Shyllie Donoho, Emily Lusby, Dakota Garner, Hannah McConaughay and Caleb Shafer. **NOT PICTURED**: Jadelyn Wheeler and Nathan Anderson.



ATHLETICS

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REGIONAL CHAMPS – The RLC Women's Golf team is, FROM LEFT, Lexi Hammerton, Taylor Aldridge, Morgan Wilson, Addie Gray, and Shelby Johnson. (Submitted Photo)

Women's Golf: Region XXIV Champions!

REANNE PALMER

RLC SPORTS INFORMATION

NORMAL, Ill. (April 25, 2016) – The Rend Lake College Women's Golf team is headed to Nationals after a 25-stroke improvement over yesterday's round one at Weibring Golf Course in Normal, Ill. RLC took the lead over John A. Logan College (JALC) to place first at the Region 24 Championship with a two-day score of 713 (369-344). Leading for RLC in second place overall was Shelby Johnson (Greenwood, Ind.) who

improved by eight strokes to finish the tournament 172 (90-82). She was followed in third place by Alexis Hammerton (Peoria) with 173 (89-84). Morgan Wilson (Effingham) placed sixth with a score of 183 (96-87), followed by Taylor Aldridge (Eldorado) and Addie Gray (Metropolis) tying in 11th with 194 (94-100) and (103-91) respectively. Head Coach Cindy Corn said after a rough start yesterday, the Lady Warriors took the time to work on their game and make a comeback in round two.

"We had an hour and a half of practice yesterday after the first round and it paid off today. We improved by 25 shots," said Corn. "We had a really tough time adjusting to the speed of the green and we had to adjust our short game. They really worked hard as a team and we counted on everyone and their score. We will represent Region 24 at Nationals."

In addition to their top spots, Johnson also made second on the All-Region team and Hammerton placed third. JALC finished the day in second with

a score of 720 (362-358) with Adrian Brown medalling at 171 (90-81), followed by Kaskaskia College in third place at 807 (408-399). For complete results of the tournament, visit www.isugolf.com.

The National Junior College Athletic Association National Championship will be held at LGPA International Golf Course at Daytona Beach, Fla. on Monday, May 16 through Thursday, May 19.

For all things athletic at The Lake, visit RLC online at www.rlc.edu/athletics.

Coming up . . .

Softball, baseball and golf are making their final push on the last leg of the 2016 spring seasons. Here are the events coming up.

Softball played in the Region 24 opening round on Friday. If the Lady Warriors advanced they will play in the Region 24 Final Four, May 6 in Centralia for a chance to advance to the championship game the following day

in Centralia. Women's golf is the 2016 Region XXIV Champion and will head to nationals May 16-19 in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Baseball will play in its final regular season game at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 at McKendree University in Lebanon.

Men's golf is in the Region XXIV Tournament, May 1-2, at Weibring Golf Course in Bloomington.

Eighteen honored at 2016 Sports Hall of Fame Banquet

INA, Ill. (April 26, 2016) – Five new plaques featuring four standout athletes and a star-studded baseball team now shine from the rows of the Rend Lake College Sports Hall of Fame in the Aquatics Center lobby. After the 17th Annual induction ceremony, held last Saturday in James "Hummer" Waugh Gymnasium, the inductees join the ranks of 41 individual athletes and 13 teams at RLC.

The inductees this year included Larry Tutt of the 1968-69 Basketball team, Amanda (Willoughby) McClure of the 1993-95 Basketball team, Leroy David Griffin of the 2007-09 Golf team, Stephen Sambu of the 2008-10 Cross Country and Track and Field teams, and the 1973-74 Baseball team.

LARRY TUTT

First to be inducted was Tutt, a product of Johnston City who played under legendary Coach Waugh when RLC was known as Mt. Vernon Community College. Waugh told a story about how he was interested in Tutt, but thought he was too good to play in junior college.

"It's my pleasure to be here and take part in this. If you look around this room, it's full of people who support Rend Lake College, and we're really proud of that," said Waugh. "It's an honor for me to present Larry Tutt as an inductee. I looked at him and watched him in Johnston City, and I thought he was too good for us. He came to campus for a tour . . . and he liked the school and what he saw. I didn't know then how good Larry was."

In one game against Danville, Tutt logged 54 of his team's 91 points, a standard many Warriors have reached for, but not gotten close to passing. Though he is now an associate professor at Henderson Community College in Kentucky, Tutt said he always felt like RLC was where he was meant to be.

"Thank you to Coach Waugh for this honor and for accepting me into Rend Lake's history. Thank you for the honor you bestowed on me tonight; I'll never forget it," said Tutt. "I always look at Rend Lake as my home school, and this means so much to me."

AMANDA (WILLOUGHBY) MCCLURE

Later in his career, in his last year as coach, Waugh also worked closely with the second inductee (Willoughby) McClure. McClure of Mt. Vernon is one of four Lady Warriors to make it to the 1,000-point-club.

"Amanda is one of the really great Lady Warriors of Rend Lake. She was a good basketball player and a great student," said Waugh. "Her time at Rend Lake really stands out to me, because she had a career 1,100 points and the team won my 500th win in my last year. It's my honor to present her here tonight."

At the podium, McClure shed light on Coach Waugh's other talent – matchmaking. During her time on the basketball team, Waugh introduced her to her now-husband Quinn, and for that, she's even more thankful for her time at RLC.

"I want to thank my family and Coach Waugh. He (Waugh) had the perfect guy for me and I want to thank Quinn for being that guy," said McClure. "Thank you all so much for this great honor. You've made mom a superstar tonight, and I can't thank you enough for that!"

LEROY DAVID GRIFFIN

Next to be inducted was national champion golfer Griffin, now a resident of Louisiana, by Coach Dave Smith. Smith noted on Griffin's prowess on the course with the National Championship

sudden-death playoff to medal in 2009 to his proficiency in the classroom as a distinguished Academic All-American with a 3.96 grade point average.

"He was a great player who I didn't have to worry about. He always had good grades and he was a very, very strong player," said Smith.

Griffin, who made the nine-hour drive to Ina with family and friends in tow the day before, said coming back to campus was an honor he wouldn't soon forget.

"My plan was always to go to a junior college – I grew up in small towns – so thank you coach for finding me. I have to thank the school as well for all the things they did for us. They gave us every opportunity to succeed here," said Griffin. "Thank you for this honor. It's definitely something I'll never forget."

STEPHEN SAMBU

The last individual inductee, Kenyan Stephen Sambu, is the most decorated RLC student athlete in the college's history, toting an impressive 13 National Champion titles in Cross Country and both Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field. Then-Coach Brent McLain highlighted many of Stephen's recent records, as well as his time at RLC.

"Rend Lake College is blessed to have Stephen and the diversity he brought here. It changes the college and the community, and it's great to have him back here with us," said McLain. "Stephen is the current world-record holder in the 8K, and that's saying something. When he was at Rend Lake, Stephen was our team leader and captain. He was the captain of what was probably the best team we've had at Rend Lake. While he was here, he made the most of his education and is now a very successful athlete. I've happy to introduce him for induction tonight."

Sambu spoke to the audience about coming to RLC and the transition from leaving Africa and arriving in North America. In his words of thanks to friends, faculty, and staff, Sambu said, "Thank you so much for coming tonight. It means a lot to me."

1973-1974 BASEBALL TEAM

Finally, the 1973-74 team was introduced individually by their former Coach Mike McClure. The team ended their season 32-6 (an .842 winning percentage) to reach the No. 2 state ranking and No. 20 national ranking. Though not all 21 members of the team could attend, 14 did make appearances with their family and friends. Inductees in attendance were Bob Blackburn, Don Girten, Mike Guthrie, Greg Hale, Steve Hanner, Randy LeMay, Greg Lipe, Steve Mentel, Tim Norman, John Kretz, Bruce Rheinecker, Alan Valentine, Butch Williams, and Jan Zedalis.

McClure said of the team, "What we did in the spring of 1974 was outstanding. When you only lose six games, that's a great success."

RLC President Terry Wilkerson and Jason Swann, dean of admission and enrollment management, were also on hand at the ceremony to thank the inductees for attending the dinner to acknowledge their accomplishments as Warriors. The ceremony was emceed by Bob Kelley, retired RLC Sports Information Director.

The RLC Sports Hall of Fame is located in the Aquatics Center lobby and is open to the public. For more information on Tutt, McClure, Griffin, Sambu, the 1973-74 Baseball team, the 2016 Sports Hall of Fame Induction, and all things athletic at The Lake, visit www.rlc.edu/athletics.



THREE SEED – RLC Warriors softball is the No. 3 seed in this year's Region XXIV Tournament.

No. 3 seed softball team sees postseason play

REANNE PALMER

RLC SPORTS INFORMATION

NORMAL, Ill. (April 28, 2016) – The Rend Lake College Softball team, the No. 3 seed, kicked off their postseason play in the Region XXIV Tournament with two games Friday against No. 6 seed Southeastern Illinois College (SIC).

The Lady Warriors hosted SIC to try to take two of the three-game series and advance to the Region XXIV Final Four, scheduled for 10 a.m. and noon Friday, May 6 at Kaskaskia College in Centralia.

The championship game will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 7, also at Kaskaskia. The winner of the

Region title will move on to the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I Championship May 18-21 in St. George, Utah.

RLC ended their season 35-15-1 and 21-11-1 in the Great Rivers Athletic Conference. A couple Lady Warriors are headed into the postseason nationally ranked – pitcher Jordan Lodge (Campbell Hill) who sits in third place for home runs at 22 and ninth place for RBIs at 78; and outfielder Breyia Cooper (McLeansboro) who is 18th in batting average at .494 and 19th in slugging percentage at .919.

For results and all things athletic at The Lake, visit www.rlc.edu/athletics.



RANKED HITTERS – Two RLC players are nationally ranked. Jordan Lodge (LEFT) is third with 22 home runs and ninth with 78 RBIs, and Breyia Cooper is 18th in batting average at .494 and and 19th in slugging percentage at .919.

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RLC students receive a Higher One debit card in the mail, along with instructions on choosing a preferred method of receiving refunds. According to RLC Controller Wendy Smith, future Rend Lake students will receive a re-vamped refund selection kit that will come in a bright green envelope. These kits will include a personal code to validate the student's identity. To activate the new account, students will need to visit www.refundselection.com, enter their unique personal code, and select the method with which they would prefer to receive their refunds.

That's the biggest change. What hasn't changed, Smith said, is that students can opt for a paper check, direct deposit into an existing account, or into their new Higher One account. The inactive debit cards that were previously handed out to stu-

dents will no longer be included in the package, although students with previously activated debit cards should experience no disruption of service.

"There were some new Department of Education regulations that came out, and due to those regulations there were some changes to the way [Higher One] makes disbursements," added Smith. "The new regulations were created to protect the students and ensure that they have convenient access to their refunds. One of the good things that Higher One is doing for the students is expanding their ATM access. Starting May 4, Higher One customers will have access to Allpoint, the largest surcharge-free ATM network. Allpoint ATMs are available at more than 55,000 locations worldwide."

Smith noted there would no longer be an on-campus ATM machine, but that there will be an increase in the number of Allpoint ATMs in the area, as well as a corresponding mobile application.

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RLC students can expect the, "same leading disbursement service delivered by the same team of experts, revitalized by a new name and a new student account called BankMobile Vibe."

Customers committed to hire approximately 225 current Higher One employees. For students with Higher One accounts, this means continued access to the same customer service representatives that were in place prior to the acquisition.

"BankMobile currently offers no fee banking, lines of credit to qualified customers, and access to 55,000 ATMs across America for free, charges no overdraft fees and pays a higher than average interest rate for savings," stated Sidhu. "We hope to bring all or most of these banking services to students across America in a favorable and supportive manner with absolute compliance with banking regulations and Department of Education rules regarding banking services for students."

Customers Bank has been a Higher One partner bank since August 2013.

Higher One currently supports more than 1,500 campuses, including RLC, and more than nine million students across the U.S. Approximately two million students have deposit accounts with Higher One's partner banks, and over 500,000 new student accounts are opened with partner banks annually, according to information at www.higherone.com.

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The company describes itself as a "community-based, full-service bank," and claims to provide a range of banking services. Additional information can be found at www.customersbank.com.

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