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Hunger Games leave readers starving for a new series

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Are the fantasy relationships with werewolves, vampires, and angels in recent novels leaving you empty? Do you desire a read that is new, unusual, and full of action? The Hunger Games trilogy may satisfy your craving.

Although the first novel has been released as a movie with much due success, most people do not realize that there are two more books to the series (and obviously two more

movies in the future). While you wait for the anticipated screenplay, you could eagerly read what all the hype is about.

Catching Fire and Mockingjay continue where The Hunger Games left off: The Capitol and President Snow struggle against Katniss and the districts, but with more creative torment, rebellious revenge, and gripping action. As more games are made, rebellion in the districts increases. Death becomes a common occurrence. Futuristic warfare ensues, the government manipulates, and citizens rise to the cause.

The dystopian world she lives in and the controlling government, all while keeping her composure and maintaining the star-crossed, fake relationship with Peeta for show. She is the only hope and the symbol of freedom — the Mockingjay.

The two novels kept me glued to the pages at any break or pause between classes. There are twists that you do not see coming, deaths that you cannot avoid, and suspense that keeps you turning the pages. The books are truly dystopian, inviting readers of all ages and interests into their pages.

If you are a fantasy lover, action seeker, avid reader — or just really bored — go pick up these novels!



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our annual Fun Fest event is just around the corner, and the Chronicle of Higher Education recently identified RLC as having the fifth-best graduation rate among public community colleges in the

nation. Our goal is to do even better — constantly improving by staying consistent in the quality of student service and classroom experience you expect. You have a part in this — a big part. I challenge you to take responsibility for your educa-

tion. You're in college now. With hard work and good choices, you can get to your goal, whatever it may be.

It's been years since we've had a newspaper on campus. When the Mt. Vernon Sentinel approached us this past summer about starting it up in a new format, we jumped at the opportunity. It's a great connector for campus: something that inspires community spirit in the student body and unifies anyone with a stake in this institution. I applaud the students who have stepped forward to offer their time, energy and talent to put this product together. I understand that students can still step into a newspaper staff role. I encourage you to take that step, if you are considering becoming a part of the team.

I invite you to come by my office in the administration building if you need anything. I welcome feedback, good or bad. We are centered on our students here at Rend Lake College, and that starts with me as president. When you achieve, we succeed.

Mason Garner

Elizabeth Bailey-Smith

Joe Erwin

Kaitlin Stanart

RLC Campus Connection

Our own Fernando Jacinto set out on campus to find out ...

Q: Where do you get your news?

- **Mason Garner**, 18, Mt. Vernon, General Education/Undecided
A. Personally I get my news from the Internet. Mostly Twitter, which is kind of irrelevant for real news, but with my friends' news. ... I actually sit down and read a newspaper at work because well, they're available there and it kind of kills a little time I have left over when all my work's finished.
- **Elizabeth Bailey-Smith**, 44, Marion, RLC Speech Associate Professor
A. It depends. I try to read newspapers. I also go online. I also watch the news.
- **Joe Erwin**, 35, Plymouth, Mich., RLC English Associate Professor/Professional Man of Leisure
A. I get my news from [National Public Radio] because I listen to it on my way to school.
- **Kaitlin Stanart**, 19, Mt. Vernon, Psychology
A. I get my news from Facebook and the news from TV (CNN). [CNN] is what is available during work.

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'The Words' keeps audience members interested

BY BRECCA MULLINAX
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It's interesting that a movie titled "The Words" hardly uses any words from the English language — or any language for that matter. That was certainly Director Brian Klugman's ironic point or purpose for the film: To set the scene and let the audience interpret and take away what they will of it — more like a painting than an actual movie.

The plot itself is more than captivating enough. It centers on a young man named Rory Jansen,

played by Bradley Cooper. Rory is an aspiring author, struggling to get his work of fiction published. Unfortunately his failures lead him to a breaking point. He plagiarizes another man's literary work to gain the prestige, honor, life and feeling for which he has longed. The life he believes is his — the one he has made for himself dishonestly — becomes unraveled by

an old man, played by Jeremy Irons, who is the true author of Rory's published novel, as well as the man who lived the story behind it.

I think it would be interesting to determine the average number of words used in a film today and size that up with the word count in "The Words." I believe it would be much less.

The performances of the actors were superb. Not only were Jeremy Irons and Bradley Cooper great, but the supporting characters Dennis Quaid, Zoey Saldana and Olivia Wilde portrayed added a lot to the film. The pace of the film was rather slow and placid at times, however the director still did a wonderful job of making the audience curious as to what will happen next.

Klugman's blurring of the line between what we believe to be the real life story of the film and what is actually fiction makes the viewer think hard about what he or she just watched. I found myself thinking a lot about the movie after I watched it. I enjoyed that.

Overall, I give the movie 3.5 tickets out of 5 for originality and good looks. Everyone in the movie was quite beautiful! With some suggestive scenes, I give it 3 buckets of popcorn out of 5 for family-friendliness.

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Warrior Cafe opens on campus

BY MELISSA GIBBS
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Before now, students outside culinary arts have only been able to enjoy the aroma of what's cooking in the program. With the recent introduction of the Warrior Cafe to the Student Center, the campus now has the opportunity to sink its teeth into food prepared by CA students.

The Warrior Cafe is going at full speed from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Since opening, the

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State workforce investment leaders meet at RLC



SPECIAL BOARD MEETING — The Illinois Workforce Investment Board (IWIB) welcomed Illinois Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon as its guest during the board's meeting held recently at Rend Lake College in Ina. Members in attendance include, FROM LEFT, IWIB Co-Chairman John Rico, Lt. Gov. Simon and Centralia Mayor Tom Ashby, co-chairman of the IWIB. (Rend Lake College Photo)

BY NATHAN WHEELER
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The Illinois Workforce Investment Board meeting last week at Rend Lake College featured more than 30 leaders in the public and private sectors talking about the state's economy and workforce initiatives, as well as goals to network businesses, employer associations, education partners, and other stakeholders.

Board members welcomed Illinois Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon as a guest. RLC President Terry Wilkerson thanked the board for coming and invited those in attendance to tour the campus after the meeting. "We really value the rela-

tionships we have with area employers," said Wilkerson. "The college is privileged to be the setting where so many representatives from the public and private sector come together to learn about the status of Illinois' workforce and economy, and plan measures for growth. Rend Lake College is eager and well-positioned to do its part to help them reach those goals."

Centralia Mayor Tom Ashby is the current chairman of the IWIB and has been a member for more than a decade. He helped put the meeting together at RLC. According to Ashby, it was one of the best turnouts for an IWIB meeting since he joined.

"This was the first Southern Illinois meeting in quite a few years for the board," Ashby said. "I thank the college, its board and President Terry Wilkerson for the opportunity to hold it at Rend Lake College, and I commend them for addressing emerging training needs in southern Illinois."

The IWIB is made up of representatives from universities, colleges, high schools, government agencies, private companies and more. Some of the employers represented during the meeting at the college included UPS, John Deere, Caterpillar and Kraft Foods. State agencies represented included the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic

Opportunity, with Director David Vaught and his staff at the table, and the Illinois Department of Labor, with Director Joe Costigan and his staff participating.

"We are a board that develops training programs to strengthen the state of Illinois' workforce system and economic development," Ashby explained. "We have many different partnerships in the public and private sectors."

One IWIB program Ashby mentioned is the Illinois Critical Skill Shortage Initiative designed to align region workforce strategies with economic development to provide qualified workers for critical skill shortage occupations. Key sectors being targeted are healthcare, manufacturing, and transportation/warehousing/logistics. Ashby said agriculture is also being added to the initiative.

He said the program strives to identify good-paying occupations that suffer skill shortages, look into the causes that lead to these shortages, and redirect existing resources to address those issues.

"One thing we've been working on is reintroducing vocational aspects into the regular curriculum at grade schools, high schools and community colleges," Ashby said. "... We don't have a shortage of jobs in Illinois.

We have a shortage of skilled workers. ... We want to use the data we have to place training in the right areas — where it's needed. ... Community colleges make sure workers learn the proper skills required by business and industry. Continental Tire and Rend Lake College

are a perfect example of that." Ashby said plans for more efficient use of funding to make training initiatives more cost-effective are encouraging. "We feel the cornerstone is the public-private partnership," he said.

SUBWAY
Athlete
of the Week
Taylor Thomas
Softball/RH Pitcher
Arcola, IL

Taylor Pitched 15 innings in fall scrimmages vs. Wabash Valley, John A Logan, and Morthland College. She struck out 12, walked 2, gave up 8 hits, and allowed only 1 run for an ERA of .0666.

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'Lake' makes a splash with launch party

BY AHEANNA GRIZZELL
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Editor's Note: The RLC Newspaper will feature samples from "Lake" in upcoming issues.

The appreciation of art and writing can sometimes be difficult to feel, especially when the work is that of strangers. It becomes so much more realistic and fantastic when people near you have published their beautiful pieces in a journal for everyone to see, the whole campus to see.

Rend Lake College is proud to present the first issue of "Lake" — the journal full of students' work in painting, drawing, photography, ceramics, fiction, poetry, and more. English Literature Associate Professor Peggy Davis said "Lake" was born because faculty and staff saw a need for students to have a creative outlet and showcase their talents.

On Sept. 7, the Lake Launch Party was held at Pheasant Hollow Winery to release RLC's new publication. The event included a slideshow of all the pieces with refreshments and companionship among fellow appreciative observers, artists, family members, and professors.

Several in attendance spoke at the event, including students Shawn Campbell, Nik Jennings and Rob Whisenhunt, who showed his short film.

"It went really well," Davis said. "We had probably 25 to 30 people there, including several of those who were chosen to be in the issue. I think they all had a good time. I think it was really encouraging for them to see how appreciative others are of their work. They autographed copies of the publication. It was a lot of fun."

From participating in meetings to volunteering to read and judge, and producing and printing to folding and promoting; Davis said there are so many individuals who had a hand in launching "Lake" that she was afraid she might forget someone if she tried to name them all.

"Administration has been very supportive," she said. "And of course Buster [Leeck] has been very helpful. It was, literally, a campus-wide effort."

For the fall issue, the submission deadline is Oct. 1. The plan is to judge that week and go to print, according to Davis. For



The "Lake" Launch Party was held Sept. 7 at Pheasant Hollow Winery. (Rend Lake College Photo)

those who would like to submit, but can't make that deadline, another chance will come along in the

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Culinary Arts Club kicks off 2012-13 campaigns

RLC Culinary Arts students take on international cuisine

BY MELISSA GIBBS
REND LAKE COLLEGE CULINARY ARTS CLUB

The Culinary Arts Club is already in high gear and ready to roll. The club's first big activity will, of course, be Fun Fest. Stop by the booth to see the pie eating contest, or test the palate at our booth to win cool prizes.

One does not need to be part of the culinary program to join the club. It's open to all students across the campus and the club is still seeking new members. Join for a post-Fun Fest meeting at 2 p.m. Sept. 20 in STC 110.

The Culinary Arts Club is currently planning to open up the kitchens for additional educational activities, field trips to St. Louis to explore the culinary scene and taste five-star food, as well as a few fairly-cool fundraisers to help fund a trip to the National Restaurant Association show in Chicago again.

The club is much more than just activities. It's about sharing ideas and forging friendships that will last through your professional careers.

Sophomore Culinary Arts students are wasting no time in learning the various tastes from other countries.

It's only mid-September and they have already researched and experienced the cuisine of Mexico, South America, the Caribbean, Japan, China and Southeast Asia. It's hard to walk through the Student Center and not be drawn towards the exotic smells drifting from the learning kitchen.

The recipes are traditional to the native countries, rather than Americanized versions that many are used to. With multiple groups making the same recipe each week, it's shocking how many different interpretations of the same item are produced in a given class period. It doesn't matter how simple or complicated the recipe, it's never the same from group to group. Simple items, such as fried rice, become an unspoken competition across the groups with everyone struggling to put individual spins on the dishes so they can come out on top. There is no real winner, only bragging rights. But that's enough!

In the coming weeks students will explore Spain, Africa, the Middle East, Russia, Italy and Greece and more.



Recipe OF THE Month

By HEATHER KJELLESVIK
Culinary Arts Club

Ensalada de Aguacate y Pina (Avocado and Pineapple Salad)

Serves 4

- 1/4 cup Olive Oil
- 1/4 cup Cider Vinegar
- 1/4 cup Fresh Orange Juice
- 1/4 cup Granulated Sugar
- To Taste: Salt and Pepper
- 4 cups Iceberg or Boston lettuce, shredded
- 1 cup Fresh Pineapple (1/2 inch cubes)
- 1 cup Red Onions, thinly sliced
- 1 Avocado, peeled and sliced 1/4 inch
- 4 Fresh Lime Wedges

DIRECTIONS

1. Combine olive oil, vinegar, orange juice and sugar in a blender until smooth. Season with salt and pepper.
2. Lightly toss together the lettuce, pineapple and red onions. Dress with oil and vinegar mixture; adjust the amount used to taste.
3. Garnish individual salads with several avocado slices lightly seasoned with salt and pepper and a squeeze of lime juice. Serve with lime wedges.



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Warrior Cafe menu has included delicious treats from the culinary and baking classes, like cookies, muffins, pies, fresh fruit and bread. These are all provided by the Rend Lake culinary students. The prices are reasonable and the quality will only grow as the students improve their skills in the kitchen.

Unlike in other semesters, where the students have done small quantity production, the students are now producing more in an effort to help them better experience what the workforce will feel like once they leave the safe confines of the classroom. This experience is invaluable and nothing validates their success like empty trays of food when the Warrior Cafe closes for the day. The cafe accepts cash only and everything is boxed to go. Menus for the week typically come out on Monday. Be looking for them on the bulletin boards.

AREA EVENTS

- **Carbondale Community Friday Night Fair.** Enjoy fresh food and live entertainment. Meet local farmers and growers. 6-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21 at Carbondale Town Square Pavilion, corner of 51N and 13W. Free.
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- **Marion Main Street Hub Fest.** All-day event featuring a car show, food vendors, and live entertain-

- ment, plus a lot of activities for kids, including bounce houses, face painting and games. Starts at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, on Main St. in Marion.
- **Trampled Underfoot:** "A Salute to Led Zeppelin" Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Granada Theater in Mount Vernon. \$5 cover.
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"He had a passion for it. I could tell that," said Fletcher. "I saw him at graduation and he told me he finally had some focus on where he wanted to go and what he wanted to do, and that was welding."

Pete Wilce, an instructor in RLC's welding technology program, said Grove has a gift.

"He is advancing so fast in our program," said Wilce. "He really has talent. Kaylan's already doing things we are teaching the students in the class ahead of him."

"I just took to it," said Grove. "My grandpa was a welder, so I was kind of intrigued to find out what it was like. After high school, I just wanted to pursue a career in it. I believe it will be a good career choice for me. I am so thankful for the scholarship. It is going to help a lot."

He doesn't have much money. Kaylan and his fiancé are raising their newborn baby, 3-week-old Isabel. He works part-time on flooring jobs with his soon-to-be father-in-law. Carrie was supporting both of them on a limited income. But what Kaylan lacks in resources, he makes up for in passion for his chosen profession.

His drive to weld even led him to trade his only mode of transportation — a 1987 Honda Nighthawk motorcycle — for a welder from his future father-in-law.

"It's just a little stick welder," Kaylan said. "But I needed it to practice. I've probably got about a year's practice on it. I paid about \$900 for [the Honda] and ended up trading it for a \$600 welder because I wanted to practice." He grins. "I love to weld. There's just something about it."

Kaylan's driving his

fiancé's car or picking up rides with classmates to get to school. He said his goal is to graduate from RLC with an associate degree in welding and get started on his career. Czerwinski met with RLC Foundation CEO Shawna Hall to set up the scholarship criteria. The student must have a GPA of 2.0 or better and priority is given to a full-time student majoring in welding technology.

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Kaylan Grove

life for themselves and their loved ones."

"I think it's wonderful," Carrie Grove said of her son receiving the scholarship. "I'm so proud of him. He is a great kid who would do anything for anybody. He is bettering himself and I'm very proud."

For more about this story or other scholarship giving at RLC, contact the Foundation at 618-437-5321, Ext. 1324 or send an email to foundation@rlc.edu.

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SPORTS SECTION

Men's golf starts season with third at own invitational

BY MARK HOPKINS
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

Rend Lake College's all-freshmen men's golf team got off to a good start in their fall season by finishing third in their invitational Aug. 24 at Franklin County Country Club in West Frankfort.

Parkland Community College finished with the top honors at the invitational after shooting 298-289 for a score of 587 overall. That was one stroke below the John A Logan College Volunteers, who finished a close second after shooting 298-290 for a total score of 586.

The Warriors finished at 591 overall. It shot 294 in the first round and added three strokes with a 297 in the second. RLC was led by Sam Penrice, a product of Hastings, New Zealand, who finished third in the tournament.

Lewis and Clark Community College finished fourth at 594. Other teams that participated include Morthland College, Kaskaskia College, Vincennes Univer-



MEN'S GOLF TEAM — RLC's Sam Penrice tees off on the 14th hole at the men's golf team's invitational, Aug. 24, at Franklin County Country Club in West Frankfort. Penrice took third place, leading RLC to a third-place finish in the tournament. The team will continue fall play Sept. 23 and 24 at the John A. Logan Invitational in Marion. (Rend Lake College Photo)

sity, Lincoln College and Mineral Area College.

Aaron Bravick (Lincoln College) finished first in individuals, shooting 141 (69-72). Penrice finished in

a tie for fourth after shooting 144 (70-74). He drove the ball well early and stayed in the running for the top spot.

"My short game's keeping me in it," Penrice said before teeing off on the 14th. He added that his putting was another one of his strong points on the day.

RLC's Dayton Jones (Hopkinsville, Ky.) finished behind Penrice in the standings, shooting 145 (74-71) in the invitational, followed by Travis Waninger (Chrisney, Ind.) at 147 (72-75) to tie for 11th. Patrick Heller (Campbell Hill) tied for 29th at 157, Cody Drone (Altamont) finished 31st at 158 and Seth Bullard (Mount Vernon) tied for 37th at 164.

The men's golf team will be back in action on Sept. 23 and 24, at the John A. Logan College Invitational held at Kokopelli Golf Course in Marion.



LADY WARRIORS VOLLEYBALL TEAM — The Lady Warriors volleyball team huddles up before its home opener with Southwestern Illinois College. Off to a disappointing 4-13 start, Coach Sara Crews and her club are working to turn things around. RLC will host Lake Land College at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Waugh Gymnasium. (Rend Lake College Photo)

Lady Warriors volleyball challenged early in season

BY JOSH MYERS
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

One month in, Rend Lake College Volleyball Head Coach Sara Crews and the players are 4-13 and looking to get better in all areas.

"There's room for improvement," said Crews. The Lady Warriors are coming off a disappointing stretch where they lost three consecutive matches with no set victories.

Crews commented, "One thing we're struggling on is trying to get the team to play consistently all the time and get them to play the way I know they can play all the time."

The players believe they need to work on communicating during matches. Sophomore Jennifer Moeller from Nashville said, "We really need to work on our talking. Our communication needs to

improve and we need to be an up-tempo team."

They feel better communication will lead to better defense, an area the Lady Warriors know they need to work on.

Crews stated, "Defense is one of the areas where we lack. In our previous matches in

Kansas, there was quite a bit of improvement on defense."

In the team's most recent home victory against Greenville, the improvements on defense were in full swing. RLC players combined for eight blocks including three by Moeller. Freshmen Abigail Bennett (Ewing) and Emily Tate (Benton) combined for 18 digs in the same game.

The team may be struggling in a few areas, but it's against big competition.

"We've played Lincoln Land [College], who [is] ranked in the top-20 in the country," said Crews.

"We've also played two division one schools in Lake Land College and Iowa Lake [College]. Those two programs are both receiving votes in national polls."

The difficult schedule can help the team long-term, according to Crews.

"We have a really tough schedule this year and I did that intentionally. When I was making the schedule, I didn't want to put a bunch of fluff teams in there. When we get a win, I want it to be one that we deserve," Crews commented.

A number of tough games remain on the schedule. The team feels it will be ready.

"I feel like our team is really coming together so I'm excited for the rest of the season," Moeller commented.

Crews stated, "We know what we need to work on and we are working on it."



LADY WARRIORS — Rend Lake College doubles partners Ally Adcock, LEFT, and Alyssa Williams quickly celebrate a point in their win over Kaskaskia College. (Rend Lake College Photo)

RLC tennis making do on abbreviated roster

BY JOSH MYERS
REND LAKE NEWS STAFF WRITER

With only three active players, the Lady Warriors tennis team is doing the best with what personnel it has.

Despite winning most of what matches it has played, the Lady Warriors are winless in two meets against Kaskaskia College on the fall season due to a shortage of players.

They only have three active players; Alyssa Williams (Benton), Ally Adcock (Mt. Vernon), and Alli Reed (Mt. Vernon) and an injured player, Alyssa Burge (Mt. Vernon).

At each meet, the team that wins five of nine matches wins the meet. The Warriors are limited to only winning up to four matches because of the limited number of players.

That doesn't mean they aren't playing to win.

Reed commented, "We only have three girls. We're all just trying to play the best we can to make up for the two spots that we don't have."

Reed moved up to the number three spot from the number four last year and is playing well. She is 1-1 in singles matches including going 6-3, 6-3 in her victory against Kaskaskia.

With no chance to win any meets, Head Coach Dave Junkins is treating the fall season as a measuring stick for the spring.

"We use the fall to see what kind of players we have," Junkins stated. "We're bringing in players from different schools who don't know each other so we're trying to find the dif-

ferent combinations we want to use."

Coach Junkins and teammates are delighted that Williams and Adcock are having solid seasons thus far.

Williams is 2-0 in singles matches winning all sets 6-1, 6-0, 6-4 and 6-2.

Adcock is 1-1 in singles matches. She won her first match with scores of 7-5, 6-2 and lost her second match with scores of 5-7, 6-0 and 6-7.

The duo is 2-0 in doubles matches, winning 10-3 and 10-4.

"I'm pretty happy with what I'm seeing. Alyssa Williams is playing outstanding," Junkins added.

Reed stated, "Alyssa [Williams] goes after the ball. She grinds. Ally [Adcock] went to state [in high school]."

The team is looking forward to the spring season and contending for another Region XXIV Championship for a ticket to the national championship tournament.

"I'm really happy with the team. If we can recruit another player or two, we'll be a tough team in the spring," Junkins added.

The team needs a few players if they want to compete during the spring. Coach Junkins has a message for anyone interested.

"If you've ever played tennis in the past and you want to get back into the sport, we have scholarships available. Plus, tennis is a great sport. It's a sport the adults haven't messed up," Junkins commented.

If Coach Junkins can get the number of players he needs, he's confident for the spring season.

He added, "We'll be a real good team."

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Hunger Games leave readers starving for a new series

BY RHEANNA GRIZZELL
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

Are the fantasy relationships with werewolves, vampires, and angels in recent novels leaving you empty? Do you desire a read that is new, unusual, and full of action? The Hunger Games trilogy may satisfy your craving.

Although the first novel has been released as a movie with much due success, most people do not realize that there are two more books to the series (and obviously two more

movies in the future). While you wait for the anticipated screenplay, you could eagerly read what all the hype is about. Catching Fire and Mockingjay continue where The Hunger Games left off: The Capitol and President Snow struggle against Katniss and the districts, but with more creative torment, rebellious revenge, and gripping action. As more games are made, rebellion in the districts increases. Death becomes a common occurrence. Futuristic warfare ensues, the government manipulates, and citizens rise to the cause.

The two novels kept me glued to the pages at any break or pause between classes. There are twists that you do not see coming, deaths that you cannot avoid, and suspense that keeps you turning the pages. The books are truly dystopian, inviting readers of all ages and interests into their pages. If you are a fantasy lover, action seeker, avid reader — or just really bored — go pick up these novels!



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our annual Fun Fest event is just around the corner, and the Chronicle of Higher Education recently identified RLC as having the fifth-best graduation rate among public community colleges in the

nation. Our goal is to do even better — constantly improving by staying consistent in the quality of student service and classroom experience you expect. You have a part in this — a big part. I challenge you to take responsibility for your educa-

tion. You're in college now. With hard work and good choices, you can get to your goal, whatever it may be. It's been years since we've had a newspaper on campus. When the Mt. Vernon Sentinel approached us this past summer about starting it up in a new format, we jumped at the opportunity. It's a great connector for campus: something that inspires community spirit in the student body and unifies anyone with a stake in this institution. I applaud the students who have stepped forward to offer their time, energy and talent to put this product together. I understand that students can still step into a newspaper staff role. I encourage you to take that step, if you are considering becoming a part of the team. I invite you to come by my office in the administration building if you need anything. I welcome feedback, good or bad. We are centered on our students here at Rend Lake College, and that starts with me as president. When you achieve, we succeed.

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RLC Campus Connection

Our own Fernando Jacinto set out on campus to find out ...

Q: Where do you get your news?

- **Mason Garner**, 18, Mt. Vernon, General Education/Undecided
A. Personally I get my news from the Internet. Mostly Twitter, which is kind of irrelevant for real news, but with my friends' news. ... I actually sit down and read a newspaper at work because well, they're available there and it kind of kills a little time I have left over when all my work's finished.
- **Elizabeth Bailey-Smith**, 44, Marion, RLC Speech Associate Professor
A. It depends. I try to read newspapers. I also go online. I also watch the news.
- **Joe Ervin**, 35, Plymouth, Mich., RLC English Associate Professor/Professional Man of Leisure
A. I get my news from [National Public Radio] because I listen to it on my way to school.
- **Kaitlin Stanart**, 19, Mt. Vernon, Psychology
A. I get my news from Facebook and the news from TV (CNN). [CNN] is what is available during work.

'The Words' keeps audience members interested

BY BRECCA MULLINAX
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWSSTAFF WRITER

It's interesting that a movie titled "The Words" hardly uses any words from the English language — or any language for that matter. That was certainly Director Brian Klugman's ironic point or purpose for the film: To set the scene and the let the audience interpret and take away what they will of it — more like a painting than an actual movie. The plot itself is more than captivating enough. It centers on a young man named Rory Jansen,



played by Bradley Cooper. Rory is an aspiring author, struggling to get his work of fiction published. Unfortunately his failures lead him to a breaking point. He plagiarizes another man's literary work to gain the prestige, honor, life and feeling for which he has longed. The life he believes is his — the one he has made for himself dishonestly — becomes unraveled by

an old man, played by Jeremy Irons, who is the true author of Rory's published novel, as well as the man who lived the story behind it. I think it would be interesting to determine the average number of words used in a film today and size that up with the word count in "The Words." I believe it would be much less.

The performances of the actors were superb. Not only were Jeremy Irons and Bradley Cooper great, but the supporting characters Dennis Quaid, Zoey Saldana and Olivia Wilde portrayed added a lot to the film. The pace of the film was rather slow and placid at times, however the director still did a wonderful job of making the audience curious as to what will happen next. Klugman's blurring of the line between what we believe to be the real life story of the film and what is actually fiction makes the viewer think hard about what he or she just watched. I found myself thinking a lot about the movie after I watched it. I enjoyed that.

Overall, I give the movie 3.5 tickets out of 5 for originality and good looks. Everyone in the movie was quite beautiful! With some suggestive scenes, I give it 3 buckets of popcorn out of 5 for family-friendliness.

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Warrior Cafe opens on campus

BY MELISSA GIBBS
REND LAKE COLLEGE CULINARY ARTS CLUB

Before now, students outside culinary arts have only been able to enjoy the aroma of what's cooking in the program. With the recent introduction of the Warrior Cafe to the Student Center, the campus now has the opportunity to sink its teeth into food prepared by CA students.

The Warrior Cafe is going at full speed from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Since opening, the

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State workforce investment leaders meet at RLC



SPECIAL BOARD MEETING — The Illinois Workforce Investment Board (IWIB) welcomed Illinois Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon as its guest during the board's meeting held recently at Rend Lake College in Ina. Members in attendance include, FROM LEFT, IWIB Co-Chairman John Rico, Lt. Gov. Simon and Centralia Mayor Tom Ashby, co-chairman of the IWIB. (Rend Lake College Photo)

BY NATHAN WHEELER
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS EDITOR

The Illinois Workforce Investment Board meeting last week at Rend Lake College featured more than 30 leaders in the public and private sectors talking about the state's economy and workforce initiatives, as well as goals to network businesses, employer associations, education partners, and other stakeholders.

Board members welcomed Illinois Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon as a guest. RLC President Terry Wilkerson thanked the board for coming and invited those in attendance to tour the campus after the meeting. "We really value the rela-

tionships we have with area employers," said Wilkerson. "The college is privileged to be the setting where so many representatives from the public and private sector come together to learn about the status of Illinois' workforce and economy, and plan measures for growth. Rend Lake College is eager and well-positioned to do its part to help them reach those goals."

Centralia Mayor Tom Ashby is the current chairman of the IWIB and has been a member for more than a decade. He helped put the meeting together at RLC. According to Ashby, it was one of the best turnouts for an IWIB meeting since he joined.

"This was the first Southern Illinois meeting in quite a few years for the board," Ashby said. "I thank the college, its board and President Terry Wilkerson for the opportunity to hold it at Rend Lake College, and I commend them for addressing emerging training needs in southern Illinois."

The IWIB is made up of representatives from universities, colleges, high schools, government agencies, private companies and more. Some of the employers represented during the meeting at the college included UPS, John Deere, Caterpillar and Kraft Foods. State agencies represented included the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic

Opportunity, with Director David Vaught and his staff at the table, and the Illinois Department of Labor, with Director Joe Costigan and his staff participating.

"We are a board that develops training programs to strengthen the state of Illinois' workforce system and economic development," Ashby explained. "We have many different partnerships in the public and private sectors."

One IWIB program Ashby mentioned is the Illinois Critical Skill Shortage Initiative designed to align region workforce strategies with economic development to provide qualified workers for critical skill shortage occupations. Key sectors being targeted are healthcare, manufacturing, and transportation/warehousing/logistics. Ashby said agriculture is also being added to the initiative.

He said the program strives to identify good-paying occupations that suffer skill shortages, look into the causes that lead to these shortages, and redirect existing resources to address those issues.

"One thing we've been working on is reintroducing vocational aspects into the regular curriculum at grade schools, high schools and community colleges," Ashby said. "... We don't have a shortage of jobs in Illinois.

We have a shortage of skilled workers. ... We want to use the data we have to place training in the right areas — where it's needed. ... Community colleges make sure workers learn the proper skills required by business and industry. Continental Tire and Rend Lake College

are a perfect example of that." Ashby said plans for more efficient use of funding to make training initiatives more cost-effective are encouraging. "We feel the cornerstone is the public-private partnership," he said.

SUBWAY
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Taylor Pitched 15 innings in fall scrimmages vs. Wabash Valley, John A Logan, and Morthland College. She struck out 12, walked 2, gave up 8 hits, and allowed only 1 run for an ERA of .0666.

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'Lake' makes a splash with launch party

BY AHEANNA GRIZZELL
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

Editor's Note: The RLC Newspaper will feature samples from "Lake" in upcoming issues.

The appreciation of art and writing can sometimes be difficult to feel, especially when the work is that of strangers. It becomes so much more realistic and fantastic when people near you have published their beautiful pieces in a journal for everyone to see, the whole campus to see.

Rend Lake College is proud to present the first issue of "Lake" — the journal full of students' work in painting, drawing, photography, ceramics, fiction, poetry, and more. English Literature Associate Professor Peggy Davis said "Lake" was born because faculty and staff saw a need for students to have a creative outlet and showcase their talents.

On Sept. 7, the Lake Launch Party was held at Pheasant Hollow Winery to release RLC's new publication. The event included a slideshow of all the pieces with refreshments and companionship among fellow appreciative observers, artists, family members, and professors.

Several in attendance spoke at the event, including students Shawn Campbell, Nik Jennings and Rob Whisenhunt, who showed his short film.

"It went really well," Davis said. "We had probably 25 to 30 people there, including several of those who were chosen to be in the issue. I think they all had a good time. I think it was really encouraging for them to see how appreciative others are of their work. They autographed copies of the publication. It was a lot of fun."

From participating in meetings to volunteering to read and judge, and producing and printing to folding and promoting; Davis said there are so many individuals who had a hand in launching "Lake" that she was afraid she might forget someone if she tried to name them all.

"Administration has been very supportive," she said. "And of course Buster [Leeck] has been very helpful. It was, literally, a campus-wide effort."

For the fall issue, the submission deadline is Oct. 1. The plan is to judge that week and go to print, according to Davis. For



The "Lake" Launch Party was held Sept. 7 at Pheasant Hollow Winery. (Rend Lake College Photo)

those who would like to submit, but can't make that deadline, another chance will come along in the

spring. The guidelines and other information is posted on the Liberal Arts page on the RLC website.

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Culinary Arts Club kicks off 2012-13 campaigns

RLC Culinary Arts students take on international cuisine

BY MELISSA GIBBS
REND LAKE COLLEGE CULINARY ARTS CLUB

The Culinary Arts Club is already in high gear and ready to roll. The club's first big activity will, of course, be Fun Fest. Stop by the booth to see the pie eating contest, or test the palate at our booth to win cool prizes.

One does not need to be part of the culinary program to join the club. It's open to all students across the campus and the club is still seeking new members. Join for a post-Fun Fest meeting at 2 p.m. Sept. 20 in STC 110.

The Culinary Arts Club is currently planning to open up the kitchens for additional educational activities, field trips to St. Louis to explore the culinary scene and taste five-star food, as well as a few fairly-cool fundraisers to help fund a trip to the National Restaurant Association show in Chicago again.

The club is much more than just activities. It's about sharing ideas and forging friendships that will last through your professional careers.

Sophomore Culinary Arts students are wasting no time in learning the various tastes from other countries.

It's only mid-September and they have already researched and experienced the cuisine of Mexico, South America, the Caribbean, Japan, China and Southeast Asia. It's hard to walk through the Student Center and not be drawn towards the exotic smells drifting from the learning kitchen.

The recipes are traditional to the native countries, rather than Americanized versions that many are used to. With multiple groups making the same recipe each week, it's shocking how many different interpretations of the same item are produced in a given class period. It doesn't matter how simple or complicated the recipe, it's never the same from group to group. Simple items, such as fried rice, become an unspoken competition across the groups with everyone struggling to put individual spins on the dishes so they can come out on top. There is no real winner, only bragging rights. But that's enough!

In the coming weeks students will explore Spain, Africa, the Middle East, Russia, Italy and Greece and more.



OF THE **Month**
By HEATHER KJELLESVIK
Culinary Arts Club

Ensalada de Aguacate y Pina (Avocado and Pineapple Salad)

Serves 4



- 1/4 cup Olive Oil
- 1/4 cup Cider Vinegar
- 1/4 cup Fresh Orange Juice
- 1/4 cup Granulated Sugar
- To Taste: Salt and Pepper
- 4 cups Iceberg or Boston lettuce, shredded
- 1 cup Fresh Pineapple (1/2 inch cubes)
- 1 cup Red Onions, thinly sliced
- 1 Avocado, peeled and sliced 1/4 inch
- 4 Fresh Lime Wedges

DIRECTIONS

1. Combine olive oil, vinegar, orange juice and sugar in a blender until smooth. Season with salt and pepper.
2. Lightly toss together the lettuce, pineapple and red onions. Dress with oil and vinegar mixture; adjust the amount used to taste.
3. Garnish individual salads with several avocado slices lightly seasoned with salt and pepper and a squeeze of lime juice. Serve with lime wedges.

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Warrior Cafe menu has included delicious treats from the culinary and baking classes, like cookies, muffins, pies, fresh fruit and bread. These are all provided by the Rend Lake culinary students. The prices are reasonable and the quality will only grow as the students improve their skills in the kitchen.

Unlike in other semesters, where the students have done small quantity production, the students are now producing more in an effort to help them better experience what the workforce will feel like once they leave the safe confines of the classroom. This experience is invaluable and nothing validates their success like empty trays of food when the Warrior Cafe closes for the day. The cafe accepts cash only and everything is boxed to go. Menus for the week typically come out on Monday. Be looking for them on the bulletin boards.

AREA EVENTS

- **Carbondale Community Friday Night Fair.** Enjoy fresh food and live entertainment. Meet local farmers and growers. 6-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21 at Carbondale Town Square Pavilion, corner of 51N and 13W. Free.
- **West Frankfort Fall Festival.** Come enjoy a day of family fun at the West Frankfort City Park. All day, Saturday, Sept. 22 at West Frankfort City Park, 1004 East Cleveland St. Free.
- **Out of the Darkness**

- **Jefferson Co. Community Walk.** Nationwide fund-raiser for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). 9-11 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 21. Donations.
- **Pheasant Hollow Winery live music and complementary snacks.** 7-10 p.m. Third Friday of every month. Highway 37 in Whittington. Free.
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- **Ironclad Art: The Motorcycle at Cedarhurst Center for the Arts.** Motorcycles as art and trophies for top-20 unique bikes. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 22. (618) 242-1236. www.cedarhurst.org
- **Hunting and Fishing Days.** Sept. 22 and 23 at 700 Logan College Road in Carterville. Free. (618) 985-9741.
- **Marion Main Street Hub Fest.** All-day event featuring a car show, food vendors, and live entertain-

ment, plus a lot of activities for kids, including bounce houses, face painting and games. Starts at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, on Main St. in Marion.

- **Trampled Underfoot:** "A Salute to Led Zeppelin" Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Granada Theater in Mount Vernon. \$5 cover.
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"He had a passion for it. I could tell that," said Fletcher. "I saw him at graduation and he told me he finally had some focus on where he wanted to go and what he wanted to do, and that was welding."

Pete Wilce, an instructor in RLC's welding technology program, said Grove has a gift.

"He is advancing so fast in our program," said Wilce. "He really has talent. Kaylan's already doing things we are teaching the students in the class ahead of him."

"I just took to it," said Grove. "My grandpa was a welder, so I was kind of intrigued to find out what it was like. After high school, I just wanted to pursue a career in it. I believe it will be a good career choice for me. I am so thankful for the scholarship. It is going to help a lot."

He doesn't have much money. Kaylan and his fiancé are raising their newborn baby, 3-week-old Isabel. He works part-time on flooring jobs with his soon-to-be father-in-law. Carrie was supporting both of them on a limited income. But what Kaylan lacks in resources, he makes up for in passion for his chosen profession.

His drive to weld even led him to trade his only mode of transportation — a 1987 Honda Nighthawk motorcycle — for a welder from his future father-in-law.

"It's just a little stick welder," Kaylan said. "But I needed it to practice. I've probably got about a year's practice on it. I paid about \$900 for [the Honda] and ended up trading it for a \$600 welder because I wanted to practice." He grins. "I love to weld. There's just something about it."

Kaylan's driving his

fiancé's car or picking up rides with classmates to get to school. He said his goal is to graduate from RLC with an associate degree in welding and get started on his career. Czerwinski met with RLC Foundation CEO Shawna Hall to set up the scholarship criteria. The student must have a GPA of 2.0 or better and priority is given to a full-time student majoring in welding technology.

"We are so thankful for individuals and businesses in our communities who see the importance of continued education. They recognize the financial need that so often is paired with going to college and they step forward to meet that need," said Hall. "Without the generosity of scholarship supporters like Magnum Steel Works, many students — students like Kaylan Grove — may not realize their dream of going to college and learning skills that can improve quality of



Kaylan Grove

life for themselves and their loved ones."

"I think it's wonderful," Carrie Grove said of her son receiving the scholarship. "I'm so proud of him. He is a great kid who would do anything for anybody. He is bettering himself and I'm very proud."

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SPORTS SECTION

Men's golf starts season with third at own invitational

BY MARK HOPKINS
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

Rend Lake College's all-freshmen men's golf team got off to a good start in their fall season by finishing third in their invitational Aug. 24 at Franklin County Country Club in West Frankfort. Parkland Community College finished with the top honors at the invitational after shooting 298-289 for a score of 587 overall. That was one stroke below the John A Logan College Volunteers, who finished a close second after shooting 298-290 for a total score of 586.

The Warriors finished at 591 overall. It shot 294 in the first round and added three strokes with a 297 in the second. RLC was led by Sam Penrice, a product of Hastings, New Zealand, who finished third in the tournament.

Lewis and Clark Community College finished fourth at 594. Other teams that participated include Morthland College, Kaskaskia College, Vincennes Univer-



MEN'S GOLF TEAM — RLC's Sam Penrice tees off on the 14th hole at the men's golf team's invitational, Aug. 24, at Franklin County Country Club in West Frankfort. Penrice took third place, leading RLC to a third-place finish in the tournament. The team will continue fall play Sept. 23 and 24 at the John A. Logan Invitational in Marion. (Rend Lake College Photo)

sity, Lincoln College and Mineral Area College. Aaron Bravick (Lincoln College) finished first in individuals, shooting 141 (69-72). Penrice finished in

a tie for fourth after shooting 144 (70-74). He drove the ball well early and stayed in the running for the top spot.

"My short game's keeping me in it," Penrice said before teeing off on the 14th. He added that his putting was another one of his strong points on the day.

RLC's Dayton Jones (Hopkinsville, Ky.) finished behind Penrice in the standings, shooting 145 (74-71) in the invitational, followed by Travis Waninger (Chrisney, Ind.) at 147 (72-75) to tie for 11th. Patrick Heller (Campbell Hill) tied for 29th at 157, Cody Drone (Altamont) finished 31st at 158 and Seth Bullard (Mount Vernon) tied for 37th at 164.

The men's golf team will be back in action on Sept. 23 and 24, at the John A. Logan College Invitational held at Kokopelli Golf Course in Marion.



LADY WARRIORS VOLLEYBALL TEAM — The Lady Warriors volleyball team huddles up before its home opener with Southwestern Illinois College. Off to a disappointing 4-13 start, Coach Sara Crews and her club are working to turn things around. RLC will host Lake Land College at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Waugh Gymnasium. (Rend Lake College Photo)

Lady Warriors volleyball challenged early in season

BY JOSH MYERS
REND LAKE COLLEGE NEWS STAFF WRITER

One month in, Rend Lake College Volleyball Head Coach Sara Crews and the players are 4-13 and looking to get better in all areas.

"There's room for improvement," said Crews. The Lady Warriors are coming off a disappointing stretch where they lost three consecutive matches no set victories.

Crews commented, "One thing we're struggling on is trying to get the team to play consistently all the time and get them to play the way I know they can play all the time."

The players believe they need to work on communicating during matches.

Sophomore Jennifer Moeller from Nashville said, "We really need to work on our talking. Our communication needs to

improve and we need to be an up-tempo team."

They feel better communication will lead to better defense, an area the Lady Warriors know they need to work on.

Crews stated, "Defense is one of the areas where we lack. In our previous matches in Kansas, there was quite a bit of improvement on defense."

In the team's most recent home victory against Greenville, the improvements on defense were in full swing. RLC players combined for eight blocks including three by Moeller. Freshmen Abigail Bennett (Ewing) and Emily Tate (Benton) combined for 18 digs in the same game.

The team may be struggling in a few areas, but it's against big competition.

"We've played Lincoln Land [College], who [is] ranked in the top-20 in the country," said Crews.

"We've also played two division one schools in Lake Land College and Iowa Lake [College]. Those two programs are both receiving votes in national polls."

The difficult schedule can help the team long-term, according to Crews.

"We have a really tough schedule this year and I did that intentionally. When I was making the schedule, I didn't want to put a bunch of fluff teams in there. When we get a win, I want it to be one that we deserve," Crews commented.

A number of tough games remain on the schedule. The team feels it will be ready.

"I feel like our team is really coming together so I'm excited for the rest of the season," Moeller commented.

Crews stated, "We know what we need to work on and we are working on it."



LADY WARRIORS — Rend Lake College doubles partners Ally Adcock, LEFT, and Alyssa Williams quickly celebrate a point in their win over Kaskaskia College. (Rend Lake College Photo)

RLC tennis making do on abbreviated roster

BY JOSH MYERS
REND LAKE NEWS STAFF WRITER

With only three active players, the Lady Warriors tennis team is doing the best with what personnel it has.

Despite winning most of what matches it has played, the Lady Warriors are winless in two meets against Kaskaskia College on the fall season due to a shortage of players.

They only have three active players; Alyssa Williams (Benton), Ally Adcock (Mt. Vernon), and Alli Reed (Mt. Vernon) and an injured player, Alyssa Burge (Mt. Vernon).

At each meet, the team that wins five of nine matches wins the meet. The Warriors are limited to only winning up to four matches because of the limited number of players.

That doesn't mean they aren't playing to win.

Reed commented, "We only have three girls. We're all just trying to play the best we can to make up for the two spots that we don't have."

Reed moved up to the number three spot from the number four last year and is playing well. She is 1-1 in singles matches including going 6-3, 6-3 in her victory against Kaskaskia.

With no chance to win any meets, Head Coach Dave Junkins is treating the fall season as a measuring stick for the spring.

"We use the fall to see what kind of players we have," Junkins stated. "We're bringing in players from different schools who don't know each other so we're trying to find the dif-

ferent combinations we want to use."

Coach Junkins and teammates are delighted that Williams and Adcock are having solid seasons thus far.

Williams is 2-0 in singles matches winning all sets 6-1, 6-0, 6-4 and 6-2.

Adcock is 1-1 in singles matches. She won her first match with scores of 7-5, 6-2 and lost her second match with scores of 5-7, 6-0 and 6-7.

The duo is 2-0 in doubles matches, winning 10-3 and 10-4.

"I'm pretty happy with what I'm seeing. Alyssa Williams is playing outstanding," Junkins added.

Reed stated, "Alyssa [Williams] goes after the ball. She grinds. Ally [Adcock] went to state [in high school]."

The team is looking forward to the spring season and contending for another Region XXIV Championship for a ticket to the national championship tournament.

"I'm really happy with the team. If we can recruit another player or two, we'll be a tough team in the spring," Junkins added.

The team needs a few players if they want to compete during the spring. Coach Junkins has a message for anyone interested.

"If you've ever played tennis in the past and you want to get back into the sport, we have scholarships available. Plus, tennis is a great sport. It's a sport the adults haven't messed up," Junkins commented.

If Coach Junkins can get the number of players he needs, he's confident for the spring season.

He added, "We'll be a real good team."

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