



# Redbird Basketball

GAME NOTES

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## ILLINOIS STATE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent (TV)	Time/Result
11/9	AUGUSTANA [S.D.] (EX)	W, 60-49
11/19	INDIANAPOLIS	W, 54-50
11/22	@ Cincinnati (WXIX)	L, 59-76
11/26	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 64-47
11/29	GRAMBLING STATE	W, 62-50
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12/3	UW-GREEN BAY	W, 59-51
12/6	IPFW	W, 65-36
12/10	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	L, 61-64
12/17	@ Cal. St.-Northridge	L, 69-73
12/22	@ Indiana State* (Valley-TV)	L, 59-69 (ot)
12/31	CREIGHTON*	W, 53-50

1/2	@ Northern Iowa*	L, 47-60
1/5	@ Creighton* (KMTV)	L, 52-71

1/8 WICHITA STATE\* (Cox-TV) 2:05 p.m.

**Bird Bit:** Illinois State owns a 13-4 record against Wichita State when playing in Redbird Arena.

1/11	@ Missouri State*	7:05 p.m.
1/14	NORTHERN IOWA*	4:05 p.m.
1/16	EVANSVILLE* (Valley-TV)	7:05 p.m.
1/22	@ Southern Illinois*	2:05 p.m.
1/25	INDIANA STATE*	7:05 p.m.
1/28	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS* (WSIU)	4:05 p.m.

2/1	@ Bradley* (WEEK)	7:35 p.m.
2/4	@ Evansville*	7:05 p.m.
2/7	@ Drake*	7:05 p.m.
2/11	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	4:05 p.m.
2/14	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.
2/18	@ ESPN Bracket Buster%	TBA
2/22	MISSOURI STATE*	TBA
2/25	@ Wichita State*	TBA

3/2-5 @ State Farm MVC Tournament# TBA

All times listed are CST

Home games in CAPS

\*Missouri Valley Conference game

%ESPN's Bracket Buster Series

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## ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (6-6, 1-3)

VS.



# 13 GAME

## WICHITA STATE SHOCKERS (11-4, 2-2)

Sunday, January 8, 2006 • 2:05 p.m. CST

Redbird Arena (10,200) • Normal, Ill.

### THE GAME FACTS

#### The Probable Starters:

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS ▶ ▶ ▶



**Nedu Onyeuku**

▶ Guard  
 Sr.-1L • 6-3 • 185  
 Omaha, Neb.

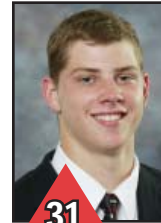
PPG RPG APG  
 8.3 2.6 1.3



**Neil Plank**

▶ Guard  
 Sr.-2L • 6-5 • 208  
 Mt. Zion, Ill.

PPG RPG APG  
 10.1 4.4 4.0



**Michael Vandello**

▶ Forward  
 Fr.-HS • 6-7 • 220  
 Bettendorf, Iowa

PPG RPG APG  
 4.9 3.5 1.8



**Dana Ford**

▶ Guard  
 Sr.-3L • 6-4 • 195  
 Tamms, Ill.

PPG RPG SPG  
 7.9 4.4 2.0



**Greg Dilligard**

▶ Forward  
 Jr.-2L • 6-8 • 230  
 Labelle, Mo.

PPG RPG BPG  
 11.3 5.4 2.0

WICHITA STATE SHOCKERS ▶ ▶ ▶

	F	C	G	G			ppg	rpg	apg
2	PJ Cousinard	6-4	213	So.	Houston, Texas		11.1	5.7	2.6
32	Kyle Wilson	6-8	238	Jr.	Plano, Texas		11.2	5.3	1.7
45	Paul Miller	6-10	250	Sr.	Jefferson City, Mo.		14.0	7.5	1.5
10	Karon Bradley	5-11	190	Jr.	Houston, Texas		7.4	2.1	1.7
33	Sean Ogirri	6-2	183	So.	Denver, Colo.		10.9	2.7	3.2

**About The Game:** Illinois State and Wichita State each enter today's games with hopes of seeing an end to a two-game losing skid. The Redbirds dropped a pair of road league games at UNI and Creighton, but return to Redbird Arena where they own a 6-1 record. The Shockers fell at Southern Illinois and lost at home to UNI on Thursday.

**Series History:** Tonight's game marks the 55<sup>th</sup> meeting in the series. The Redbirds carry a 31-23 advantage in the series, but Wichita State has won the last seven meetings, including the last three at Redbird Arena.

**Radio:** Dick Luedke, play-by-play; Mike Matthews, color; Bruce Evans, sideline (home only) and Jim Williams, studio host. Affiliates: WJBC (AM 1230/Bloomington), flagship; WBIG (AM 1280/Aurora), WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight), WZOE (AM 1490/Princeton) and WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield). All Redbird broadcasts, including Porter Moser's weekly call-in show, which generally airs each Thursday from 6:07-7 pm, depending on the schedule, can be heard via the Internet at GoRedbirds.com.

**Television:** The game is available in Wichita, Kan., on KWCH-TV. Bruce Haertl (play-by-play) and Craig Steven (analyst) will call the action. It is also available at GoRedbirds.com as part of Redbird All-Access.

### THE COACHES

Porter Moser (Creighton '90) owns an 87-72 (.547) career mark in his third season at Illinois State, including a 33-38 (.465) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock in his first head coaching position. Moser is assisted by Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson and Brian Barone.

Mark Turgeon (Kansas '87) is in his sixth season at Wichita State. He owns a 96-71 (.575) record with the Shockers and carries a 121-100 (.548) record in his eight seasons as a head coach. He is assisted by Tad Boyle, former Illinois State assistant Alvin "Pooh" Williamson and Mike Rohn.



**TALE OF THE TAPE**



W-L Record	6-6	11-4
Points Scored	58.7	69.1
Points Allowed	58.1	61.1
Scoring Margin	+0.6	+8.1
FG Percentage	43.0	45.0
Def. FG Percentage	39.1	40.9
3-pt. Percentage	32.9	33.2
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	36.0	35.6
FT Percentage	63.6	68.6
Offensive Rebounds	9.7	13.1
Total Rebounds	32.2	38.3
Rebounding Margin	-0.6	+7.0
Assists	14.4	16.9
Turnover Average	16.8	13.4
Turnover Margin	-0.1	+0.8
Steal Average	6.9	5.2
Block Average	4.5	1.5
Fouls	17.8	15.1

**WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE**

All start at 2:30 p.m. and are located in the Redbird Arena media room off the Southwest Loading Dock.

- Monday, January 9
- Wednesday, January 18
- Monday, January 23
- Tuesday, January 31
- Thursday, February 9
- Thursday, February 16
- Tuesday, February 21
- Monday, February 27

**WHAT'S BACK**

Here is a look at what is returning to the Illinois State roster in 2005-06:

Scoring	30.1%
Three-point Field Goals	22.4%
Free Throws	34.3%
Rebounding	45.7%
Assists	30.9%
Blocks	83.5%
Steals	46.2%
Minutes	41.1%

**VALLEY TELECONFERENCE**

Teleconferences with The Valley men's basketball head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, with the men's briefings beginning on a weekly basis in December at 10 a.m. To participate in either conference briefing, call 913/981-5509. The first men's teleconference begins at 10 a.m. CST on **Tuesday, December 6**. Head coach **Porter Moser** will be available at 10:25 a.m. during the teleconference.

**ABOUT THE WICHITA STATE SHOCKERS**

- Wichita State, located in Wichita, Kan., was founded in 1895 and has an enrollment of 15,100.
- The Shockers return eight letterwinners, including one starter, from a team that finished 22-10 overall and finished second in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 12-6 mark.
- WSU has four players averaging double-digit points and all four are starters. Senior Paul Miller leads the team with 14 points per game, which also ranks No. 8 in the league.
- The Shockers lead the conference in rebounding margin with a +7.0 margin. WSU is also last in the league in blocked shots with only 1.47 blocks per game.
- Wichita State owns a 2-1 record on the road this season with a loss at Southern Illinois and victories at San Francisco and UMKC.

**WICHITA STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Nick Rogers	G	6-2	202	Sr.	Houston, Texas
2	P.J. Cousinard	G/F	6-4	213	So.	Houston, Texas
3	Cameron Ledford	G	6-0	175	Sr.	Wichita, Kan.
4	Ryan Martin	G	6-5	229	Jr.	Kansas City, Mo.
5	Wendell Preadom	G	6-1	193	Fr.	Houston, Texas
10	Karon Bradley	G	5-11	190	Jr.	Houston, Texas
20	Gabe Barnes	G	6-1	170	So.	El Dorado, Kan.
21	Ryan Bradley	C/F	6-10	258	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla.
22	Matt Braeuer	G	5-11	160	So.	Belton, Texas
31	Jared Young	G	6-6	185	Jr.	Kansas City, Mo.
32	Kyle Wilson	F	6-8	238	Jr.	Plano, Texas
33	Sean Ogirri	G	6-2	183	So.	Denver, Colo.
44	David King	C/F	6-10	243	Fr.	Maize, Kan.
45	Paul Miller	C	6-10	250	Sr.	Jefferson City, Mo.

Head Coach: Mark Turgeon

Assistant Coach: Tad Boyle, Alvin "Pooh" Williamson, Mike Rohn

**WICHITA STATE SCHEDULE**

**11-4 Overall, 2-2 Valley**

Date	Opponent	Score/Time	W/L
Nov 18	PANHANDLE STATE	83-55	W
Nov 20	TEXAS SOUTHERN*	86-54	W
Nov 22	UT-PAN AMERICAN*	97-66	W
Nov 25	vs. Illinois*	54-55	L
Nov 26	vs. Delaware State*	62-44	W
Nov 30	PROVIDENCE	82-74	W
Dec 3	NORTHWESTERN ST.	57-55	W
Dec 6	at San Francisco	75-67	W
Dec 10	at Michigan State	64-83	L
Dec 17	at UMKC	77-55	W
Dec 20	MIAMI (OH)	55-46	W
Dec 28	INDIANA STATE*	66-62	W
Dec 30	BRADLEY*	69-67 (ot)	W
Jan 2	at Southern Illinois*	49-58	L
Jan 5	NORTHERN IOWA*	61-75	L
Jan 8	at Illinois State*	Today	
Jan 11	at Bradley*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 14	MISSOURI STATE*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 19	at Evansville*	7:35 p.m.	
Jan 22	at Missouri State*	2:05 p.m.	
Jan 25	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 28	at Creighton*	6:05 p.m.	
Feb 1	EVANSVILLE*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 4	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	11:05 a.m.	
Feb 7	at Northern Iowa*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 11	at Indiana State*	3:05 p.m.	
Feb 14	CREIGHTON*	8:05 p.m.	
Feb 18	BRACKET BUSTER	TBA	
Feb 22	at Drake*	TBA	
Feb 25	ILLINOIS STATE*	TBA	
Mar 2-4	at State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament		

\* - Missouri Valley Conference game.

^ - Padre Island Tournament

HOME GAMES IN CAPS.

**RIGHT ON KU**

As a senior making his final trip to Omaha, Neb., **Nedu Onyeuku** made his final collegiate game in front of his hometown a memorable one. Onyeuku finished with a career and team high 17 points, highlighted by a pair of acrobatic dunks. It marked the fourth double-digit scoring game for Onyeuku this season and the first since being inserted in the starting line-up at Indiana State. Onyeuku is now third on the team in scoring with 8.3 points per game and is still shooting an impressive 52.8 percent from the field.

**BLOCK PARTY**

The Redbirds are averaging 4.5 blocked shots per game as a team, led by **Greg Dilligard's** 24 swats. With 54 blocked shots in 12 games, ISU leads the Missouri Valley Conference in blocked shots, while Dilligard ranks second with 2.0 blocks per game. At this pace, the Redbirds would have the second best shot blocking average in school history, trailing only the 1976-77 team which averaged 4.9 blocks per game.

**THIRTY SOMETHING**

That's what Illinois State opponents are shooting in Redbird victories - 33.9 percent to be exact. In fact, in the win over UW-Green Bay, the 'Birds put a clamp on the Phoenix by limiting them to 29 percent shooting from the field. The effort was the Redbirds' best since holding Tennessee-Martin to 28.8 percent shooting last season. But, even including the six losses, Illinois State opponents are only shooting 39.1 percent from the field on the season, which is the best defensive effort in the Missouri Valley Conference.

**SO YOU WANT TO GO TO THE LEAGUE**

Every collegiate player dreams of playing in the league, and the recent Illinois State schedule is giving the Redbirds a taste of the NBA life. The 'Birds are facing Wichita State in the fourth of seven games in 17 days, which sure is a change of pace from the two games in 20 days surrounding finals week and the holidays.

**HOME SWEET HOME**

Illinois State enters today's game with a 6-1 home record this season at Redbird Arena. ISU only needs two more home wins to guarantee a winning record for the 16th time in the 18-year history of the facility.

**DILLY DOUBLES DOWN**

Junior **Greg Dilligard** registered his second career double-double on a career night at Indiana State. Dilligard finished with a career best 22 points and a career high 12 rebounds. He also added three assists and three blocked shots, while shooting 11-for-18 from the field.



GONE IN 60 POINTS

It's not the sequel to Nicholas Cage's car thief film, but it has proven to be the recipe for success, or lack there of, for the Redbirds this season. The formula is simple. Opponents score less than 60 points, the Redbirds are 6-0. ISU foes score 60 or more, the 'Birds are 0-6. It's that simple.

184 GAMES WITH A TREY ON THE BOARD

ISU enters the game against Wichita State with at least one made three in 184 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

SOME HOLIDAY STEALS

Sure it's January, but senior Dana Ford has continued his post-holiday shopping and he's finding a number of steals. After 12 games, Ford leads the Redbirds in thefts with 24 and is on pace to finish the season with 60, which would rank second in the Redbirds' top 10 all-time.

PLANK'S CONSTANT

Quantum physics aren't needed to see that senior Neil Plank is asserting himself as the Redbirds' offensive leader. Plank has led the Redbirds in scoring in five games and has scored in double digits in eight contests. The senior ranks second with 10.1 points per game and is first in assists with 48 on the season.

D-FENCE, D-FENCE

Since Porter Moser's arrival at Illinois State he has emphasized team defense and it's starting to show. In the last two complete seasons, opponents have averaged fewer than 66 points per game. This season, Redbird opponents are averaging 58.7 points per contest. If the Redbirds can maintain this effort, it would mark the first time this feat has occurred three straight seasons since the 1985-86, 1984-85 and 1983-84 campaigns. The 58.7 points per game by Illinois State foes would also rank as the lowest in school history.

DILLY GETS DEFENSIVE

When it is all said and done Greg Dilligard will go down in history as one of the best defensive players to suit up for the Redbirds. In his third season, Dilligard ranks No. 6 in career blocked shots with 86. He is also on pace to crack the top 10 in career steals as the team's returning leader with 66 career steals.

SO THIS IS WHAT A FULL ROSTER LOOKS LIKE?

For the first time in Porter Moser's tenure, the Redbirds will field a team with all 13 scholarships occupied. After signing Osiris Eldridge and Bobby Hill during the early signing period, the Redbirds have one scholarship available for next season.

WE HAVE ANOTHER WINNER

With 17 wins during the 2004-05 season, the Redbirds enjoyed their 30th winning season in 35 years of being a Division I program. The 17 victories was the most by ISU since the 2001-02 season.

OUT OF AFRICA ...

And into Redbird Arena for four Redbirds this season. Freshmen Dinma Odiakosa and Eric Vianney are from the continent, with Odiakosa coming from Nigeria and Vianney being from Cameroon. In addition, senior Nedu Onyeuku and junior Roberto Fortes were each born in Africa before their families moved to the United States. Onyeuku was born in Nigeria, while Fortes was born in Angola.

PRIZED PUPIL PLANK

Neil Plank was named to the 2005 ESPN the Magazine Academic All-America® University Division Men's Basketball Second Team and was honored as the 2005 Prairie Farms/Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year. The two-time All-District V Academic selection was also a 2005 Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete First Team selection. He carried a 4.0 grade point average as an undergraduate finance major and is currently pursuing his master's in business administration.

THIS DATE IN REDBIRD HISTORY

Jan. 8, 1988 - Illinois State used the three-ball to defeat Tulsa, as 18 of the Redbirds' first 24 points were a result of a trey. Illinois State downed the Golden Hurricane in Horton Field House 75-67, thanks to Jeff Harris' 23 points. Even though he only played 19 minutes, Matt Taphorn added 21 points for the 'Birds. Illinois State owns an 8-4 record on this date during the Division I era.

THE LAST TIME THEY MET

Birds Fall to League-Leading Shockers
NORMAL, Ill. - Despite a fighting effort, the Illinois State men's basketball team fell to Wichita State 76-62 in a Thursday evening Missouri Valley Conference contest at Redbird Arena.

Wichita State 76, ILLINOIS STATE 62
February 10, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Table with 8 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Wichita State players (Howard, Kampman, Miller, Burns, Liberty, Cousinard, Ogirri, Braeuer, Wilson) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .520; FT - .737
3-Pt.: 10-20, .500 (Howard 0-1, Kampman 2-3, Miller 0-1, Burns 3-5, Ogirri 3-7, Wilson 2-3)
Blocks: 2 (Howard 1, Wilson 1)
Turnovers: 14 (Howard 4, Miller 1, Liberty 1, Ogirri 2, Braeuer 1, Wilson 4, Team 1)
Steals: 4 (Howard 1, Burns 1, Cousinard 1, Wilson 1)

Table with 8 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include ILLINOIS ST. players (Gordon, Dilligard, Alexander, Greene, Guidry, K. Ford, Plank, D. Ford, Carlwell) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .480; FT - .688
3-Pt.: 3-14, .214 (Alexander 3-5, Greene 0-4, Guidry 0-4, Plank 0-1)
Blocks: 0
Turnovers: 11 (Gordon 4, Greene 1, Guidry 2, Plank 1, Carlwell 2, Team 1)
Steals: 7 (Dilligard 1, Alexander 1, Greene 1, Guidry 1, Plank 3)

Officials: Bob Staffen, Randy Heimerman, Greg Renneegarbe
Attendance: 7,115
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, Wichita State 25



**CHART CLIMBERS**

Career Blocked Shots Leaders

1. LeRoy Watkins (1996-99).....	143
2. Mike VandeGarde (1990-94).....	134
3. Joe Galvin (1976-80).....	132
4. Jeff Wilkins (1974-77).....	103
5. Bill Braksick (1983-86).....	88
6. Greg Dilligard (2004-).....	86

**CAREER STARTS/GAMES**

No.	Player	Illinois St.	
		GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	71	64
25	Neil Plank	69	28
43	Dana Ford	89	24
5	Khalif Ford	32	8
31	Michael Vandello	12	8
3	Nedu Onyeuku	36	5
42	Dinma Odiakosa	8	2
51	Ronnie Carlwell	45	1
32	Levi Dyer	20	1
14	Travis Wallace	15	0
45	Brandon Holtz	12	0
21	Eric Vianney	7	0
1	Roberto Fortes	7	0
23	Mark Kruse	5	0

**2005-06 VALLEY STANDINGS**

	VALLEY			OVERALL		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
1. Southern Illinois	3	0	1.000	10	3	.769
2. Northern Iowa	3	1	.750	13	2	.867
Missouri State	3	1	.750	10	2	.833
4. Wichita State	2	2	.500	11	4	.733
Bradley	2	2	.500	8	4	.667
Creighton	2	2	.333	8	4	.667
Drake	2	2	.333	9	6	.600
6. Indiana State	1	3	.250	8	4	.667
<b>Illinois State</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.500</b>
10. Evansville	0	3	.000	4	7	.364

\*Through Jan. 6 games

**PRONOUNCIATIONS**

Levi Dyer .....	LEE-vye
Khalif Ford .....	cah-LEEF
Mark Kruse .....	CREWS
Porter Moser .....	MO-zur
Dinma Odiakosa .....	DEEN-muh oh-DEE-oh-kosa
Nedu Onyeuku .....	NEY-do oh-NEW-coo
Michael Vandello .....	van-DUH-low
Eric Vianney .....	VEE-uh-nee

**2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS**

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	6-6	6-1	0-5	0-0
CONFERENCE	1-3	1-0	0-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	5-3	5-1	0-2	0-0

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-19-05	2:05 pm CST	INDIANAPOLIS	W 54-50	3747	(12)PLANK,Neil	(5)FORD,Dana (5)FORD,Khalif
11-22-05	8 pm EST	at Cincinnati	59-76 L	8802	(16)DILLIGARD,Greg	(6)FORD,Dana
11-26-05	2:05 pm CST	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 64-47	3980	(16)PLANK,Neil	(7)VANDELLO,Michael
11-29-05	7:05 pm CST	GRAMBLING STATE	W 62-50	5149	(18)DILLIGARD,Greg	(9)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-03-05	4:05 pm CST	UW-GREEN BAY	W 59-51	5871	(13)PLANK,Neil	(7)DILLIGARD,Greg
					(13)DILLIGARD,Greg	
12-06-05	7:05 pm CST	IPFW	W 65-36	5181	(10)PLANK,Neil	(7)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-10-05	7:05 pm CST	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	61-64 L	6762	(14)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(7)PLANK,Neil
12-17-05	7:05 pm PST	at Cal State Northridge	69-73 L	1013	(15)FORD,Dana	(7)PLANK,Neil
12-22-05	7:07 pm EST	* at Indiana State	59-69 LOT	5072	(22)DILLIGARD,Greg	(12)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-31-05	2:05 pm CST	* CREIGHTON	W 53-50	5970	(17)PLANK,Neil	(6)PLANK,Neil
01-02-06	7:05 pm	*at Northern Iowa	47-60 L	4014	(12)DILLIGARD,Greg	(5)PLANK,Neil
01-05-06	7:07 pm	* at Creighton	52-71 L	12882	(17)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(5)DILLIGARD,Greg

\* - Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	7	36660	5238
AWAY	5	31783	6357
NEUTRAL	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>68443</b>	<b>5704</b>

**2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Ex.	Hometown (Previous schools)
1	Roberto Fortes	G	6-4	195	Jr.-TR	Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side/Daytona Beach CC)
3	Nedu Onyeuku	G	6-3	185	Sr.-1L	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep/Iowa Western CC)
5	Khalif Ford	G	6-1	181	So.-1L	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar/Bridgton Academy)
14	Travis Wallace	G	6-0	175	Sr.-1L	St. Louis, Mo. (Jennings/Meramec JC)
21	Eric Vianney	G	6-2	210	Fr.-HS	Yaounde, Cameroon (Picayune [Miss.])
23	Mark Kruse	G/F	6-7	205	Jr.-TR	St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo/North Dakota State College of Science)
25	Neil Plank	G/F	6-5	208	Sr.-2L	Mt. Zion, Ill. (Mt. Zion/Wisconsin)
31	Michael Vandello	F	6-7	220	Fr.-HS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
32	Levi Dyer	C	6-11	220	So.-1L	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)
42	Dinma Odiakosa	F	6-8	240	Fr.-HS	Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)
43	Dana Ford	G	6-4	195	Sr.-3L	Tamms, Ill. (Egyptian)
45	Brandon Holtz	G	6-4	185	Fr.-HS	Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)
50	Greg Dilligard	F	6-8	230	Jr.-2L	Labelle, Mo. (Highland)
51	Ronnie Carlwell	C	6-11	258	So.-1L	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)

Head Coach: Porter Moser

Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone





2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	TOTAL			3-PTS			REBOUNDS				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg			
						FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off									Def	Tot	Avg
50	DILLIGARD,Greg	12	12	357	29.8	63	102	.618	0	0	.000	10	24	.417	26	39	65	5.4	33	2	17	19	24	10	136	11.3
	Conference-Only...	4	4	136	34.0	27	46	.587	0	0	.000	2	5	.400	9	14	23	5.8	12	1	10	8	7	3	56	14.0
25	PLANK,Neil	12	12	378	31.5	40	102	.392	14	46	.304	27	41	.659	10	43	53	4.4	15	0	48	32	2	12	121	10.1
	Conference-Only...	4	4	126	31.5	12	33	.364	3	15	.200	2	7	.286	3	13	16	4.0	5	0	12	15	0	6	29	7.3
03	ONYEUKU,Nedu	12	4	269	22.4	38	72	.528	8	23	.348	15	27	.556	7	24	31	2.6	23	1	16	30	3	11	99	8.3
	Conference-Only...	4	4	96	24.0	13	28	.464	3	9	.333	5	8	.625	2	7	9	2.3	9	1	7	11	1	5	34	8.5
43	FORD,Dana	12	12	324	27.0	38	99	.384	13	43	.302	6	9	.667	6	47	53	4.4	26	1	23	21	7	24	95	7.9
	Conference-Only...	4	4	112	28.0	10	28	.357	3	13	.231	0	0	.000	1	14	15	3.8	5	0	5	7	3	8	23	5.8
31	VANDELLO,Michael	12	8	273	22.8	22	60	.367	4	14	.286	11	14	.786	15	27	42	3.5	30	0	21	23	3	7	59	4.9
	Conference-Only...	4	1	87	21.8	8	20	.400	2	6	.333	4	6	.667	2	11	13	3.3	13	0	6	12	1	1	22	5.5
05	FORD,Khalif	12	8	284	23.7	17	51	.333	6	17	.353	17	24	.708	5	18	23	1.9	34	2	33	37	2	6	57	4.8
	Conference-Only...	4	0	69	17.3	3	10	.300	1	3	.333	2	2	1.000	2	3	5	1.3	11	1	8	4	0	0	9	2.3
45	HOLTZ,Brandon	12	0	143	11.9	18	40	.450	8	24	.333	2	4	.500	4	15	19	1.6	7	0	3	7	1	6	46	3.8
	Conference-Only...	4	0	65	16.3	7	14	.500	4	8	.500	0	0	.000	1	7	8	2.0	2	0	1	1	1	2	18	4.5
32	DYER,Levi	11	1	97	8.8	8	27	.296	7	18	.389	12	12	1.000	3	8	11	1.0	12	0	2	3	1	1	35	3.2
	Conference-Only...	3	0	21	7.0	2	6	.333	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	2	1	3	1.0	2	0	0	1	0	1	5	1.7
23	KRUSE,Mark	5	0	27	5.4	5	18	.278	2	10	.200	0	0	.000	2	3	5	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	2.4
	Conference-Only...	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21	VIANNEY,Eric	7	0	26	3.7	4	6	.667	3	4	.750	2	3	.667	0	4	4	0.6	7	0	1	4	0	1	13	1.9
	Conference-Only...	3	0	7	2.3	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	0.7
01	FORTES,Roberto	7	0	45	6.4	4	11	.364	3	8	.375	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.3	5	0	3	3	0	1	11	1.6
	Conference-Only...	3	0	24	8.0	3	7	.429	2	5	.400	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	1	0	0	1	0	1	8	2.7
51	CARLWELL,Ronnie	12	1	126	10.5	3	10	.300	0	0	.000	5	8	.625	10	16	26	2.2	11	0	3	10	10	2	11	0.9
	Conference-Only...	4	1	39	9.8	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	3	3	6	1.5	2	0	0	5	2	0	2	0.5
42	ODIAKOSA,Dinma	8	2	55	6.9	2	11	.182	0	0	.000	3	8	.375	4	5	9	1.1	9	0	1	4	1	2	7	0.9
	Conference-Only...	2	2	28	14.0	1	4	.250	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	1	3	4	2.0	6	0	1	1	1	1	3	1.5
14	WALLACE,Travis	7	0	21	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	0.1	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	0.3
	Conference-Only...	3	0	14	4.7	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
	<b>TM TEAM.....</b>														<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>6</b>				
	Conference-Only...														<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>1</b>				
	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>12</b>				<b>262</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>.430</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>.329</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>.636</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>32.2</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>58.7</b>
	Conference-Only...	<b>4</b>				<b>88</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>.436</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>.302</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>52.8</b>
	<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>12</b>				<b>236</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>.391</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>.360</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>.712</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>58.1</b>
	Conference-Only...	<b>4</b>				<b>85</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>.475</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>.423</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>.690</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>62.5</b>

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois State	316	379	9	704
Opponents	306	372	19	697

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:	OFF	DEF	TOTAL
Illinois State	25	1	26
Opponents	32	6	38



**2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM HIGHS & LOWS**

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	69 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	46 at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
FIELD GOALS MADE	27 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	18 vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	65 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	42 twice
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.500 (24-48) vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)	.386 (22-57) vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
	.500 (21-42) vs. Creighton (12-31-05)	
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	12 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	2 vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	27 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	11 twice
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.571 (8-14) vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	.143 (2-14) vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	20 vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	1 twice
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	28 vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	2 twice
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.773 (17-22) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	.400 (4-10) vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
REBOUNDS	37 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	25 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
	37 vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)	
ASSISTS	19 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	8 at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
	19 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	
STEALS	11 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	1 at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	2 twice
TURNOVERS	26 at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	12 vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
		12 vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)
FOULS	31 at Indiana State (12-22-05)	10 vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)

**2005-06 OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS**

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	76 at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	36 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	26 at Creighton (01-05-06)	14 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	62 vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	42 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.605 (26-43) at Creighton (01-05-06)	.290 (18-62) vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	9 at Creighton (01-05-06)	2 at Indiana State (12-22-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	20 at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	9 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.643 (9-14) at Creighton (01-05-06)	.167 (2-12) at Indiana State (12-22-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	33 at Indiana State (12-22-05)	2 twice
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	43 at Indiana State (12-22-05)	7 vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	1.000 (12-12) vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)	.222 (2-9) vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
REBOUNDS	42 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	24 at Creighton (01-05-06)
ASSISTS	19 at Creighton (01-05-06)	8 vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
STEALS	13 at Creighton (01-05-06)	4 vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
		4 vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	0 twice
TURNOVERS	27 at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	9 at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
FOULS	24 vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	8 at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
		8 at Creighton (01-05-06)

**2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES**

	ILLINOIS STATE	OPPONENT
POINTS	22 DILLIGARD,Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	27 EFEVBERHA,Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	11 DILLIGARD,Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	8 NESBITT,Elton vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	18 DILLIGARD,Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	18 RUSH,Brion vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
FG PCT (min. 5 made)	.727 (8-11) DILLIGARD,Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	.700 (7-10) TOLLIVER,Anthony vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
	.727 (8-11) DILLIGARD,Greg at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	.700 (7-10) STOUT,Grant at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
3 PT FG MADE	3 VIANNEY,Eric vs IPFW (12-06-05)	3 Six times, last by FUNK,Nate vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	8 PLANK,Neil vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	8 TILLEMA,Ryan vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
		8 RATLIFF,Andre vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
3-PT FG PCT (min. 3 made)	1.000 (3-3) VIANNEY,Eric vs IPFW (12-06-05)	1.000 (3-3) ALLEN,Ronald at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	7 PLANK,Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	11 EFEVBERHA,Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
		11 MOSS,David at Indiana State (12-22-05)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	11 PLANK,Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	15 EFEVBERHA,Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
FT PCT (min. 6 att.)	.833 (5-6) FORD,Khalif vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	1.000 (10-10) MOORE,Gabriel at Indiana State (12-22-05)
REBOUNDS	12 DILLIGARD,Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	12 SHEWMAKE,Thomas at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
ASSISTS	7 PLANK,Neil vs IPFW (12-06-05)	7 SMITH,Tim vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
	7 PLANK,Neil at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)	7 MOSS,David at Indiana State (12-22-05)
STEALS	5 PLANK,Neil at Creighton (01-05-06)	4 six times
BLOCKED SHOTS	3 DILLIGARD,Greg vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	3 HICKS,Eric at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
	3 DILLIGARD,Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	3 SHEWMAKE,Thomas at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
	3 CARLWELL,Ronnie vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	3 TOLLIVER,Anthony vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
	3 DILLIGARD,Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	



**INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME (PTS-REB-ASTS)**

Opponent	Carlwell	Dilligard	Dyer	D. Ford	K. Ford	Fortes	Holtz
Indianapolis	0-3-0	4-4-1*	6-2-2*	7-5-2*	4-5-5*	0-0-0	6-1-0
at Cincinnati	0-0-0	16-5-1*	9-1-0	12-6-3*	3-1-2*	3-0-0	0-1-0
Western Michigan	2-4-0	7-5-1*	5-3-0	6-4-3*	11-4-3*	DNP	2-2-0
Grambling St.	0-1-0	18-9-2*	4-1-0	16-7-2*	4-2-5*	0-0-1	2-3-0
UW-Green Bay	2-3-0	13-7-1*	2-0-0	2-5-2*	5-1-3*	DNP	2-1-0
IPFW	3-2-2	8-7-0*	0-0-0	4-3-3*	8-2-3*	0-0-2	2-1-0
Ga. Southern	2-5-1	6-3-0*	2-0-0	10-4-0*	5-1-1*	DNP	3-0-0
at Cal St.-Northridge	0-2-0	8-2-1*	2-1-0	15-4-3*	8-2-3*	DNP	11-2-2
at Indiana State*	0-2-0	22-12-3*	0-0-0	2-6-1*	4-2-4	DNP	9-1-0
Creighton*	0-1-0	11-3-3*	DNP	14-2-2*	0-0-1	0-0-0	3-3-1
at Northern Iowa*	0-2-0*	12-3-3*	5-3-0	7-4-1*	3-0-1	3-0-0	6-4-0
at Creighton*	2-1-0	11-5-1*	0-0-0	0-3-1*	2-3-2	5-2-0	0-0-0
Wichita State*							
at Missouri State*							
Northern Iowa*							
Evansville*							
at S. Illinois*							
Indiana State*							
S. Illinois*							
at Bradley*							
at Evansville*							
at Drake*							
Bradley*							
Drake*							
at Bracket Buster							
Missouri State*							
at Wichita State*							

Opponent	Kruse	Odiakosa	Onyeuku	Plank	Vandello	Vianney	Wallace
Indianapolis	DNP	DNP	9-2-1	12-2-3*	6-4-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Cincinnati	2-2-0	1-2-0	0-4-1	8-2-6*	3-1-2*	2-1-1	DNP
Western Michigan	DNP	0-0-0	6-1-3	16-5-1*	9-7-0*	DNP	DNP
Grambling St.	DNP	0-0-0	7-5-1	11-4-4*	0-3-1*	DNP	0-0-1
UW-Green Bay	5-0-0	DNP	11-3-0	13-5-4*	4-4-5*	DNP	DNP
IPFW	5-2-0	2-1-0	4-5-0	10-5-7*	8-3-2*	9-3-0	2-0-0
Ga. Southern	0-1-0	0-1-0	14-2-1	12-7-4*	7-4-3*	0-0-0	DNP
at Cal St.-Northridge	DNP	1-1-0	14-0-2	10-7-7*	0-3-1*	DNP	0-0-0
at Indiana State*	DNP	3-2-1*	8-4-3*	2-1-2*	9-2-0	0-0-0	0-1-1
Creighton*	DNP	0-2-0*	6-0-1*	17-6-3*	2-5-3	DNP	0-0-0
at Northern Iowa*	0-0-0	DNP	3-1-2*	2-5-1*	4-4-0	2-0-0	0-0-0
at Creighton*	DNP	DNP	17-4-1*	8-4-6*	7-2-3*	0-0-0	DNP
Wichita State*							
at Missouri State*							
Northern Iowa*							
Evansville*							
at S. Illinois*							
Indiana State*							
S. Illinois*							
at Bradley*							
at Evansville*							
at Drake*							
Bradley*							
Drake*							
at Bracket Buster							
Missouri State*							
at Wichita State*							

**SUPERLATIVES**

- STARTING LINEUPS – F, F, C, G, G (5):**
- Plank, Dilligard, Dyer, K. Ford, D. Ford (1-0)  
W – Indianapolis
  - Plank, Dilligard, Vandello, K. Ford, D. Ford (4-3)  
W – Western Michigan, Grambling State, UW-Green Bay, IPFW  
L – at Cincinnati, Georgia Southern, at Cal State-Northridge
  - Odiakosa, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (1-1)  
W – Creighton  
L – at Indiana State
  - Dilligard, Carlwell, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-1)  
L – at Northern Iowa
  - Vandello, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-1)  
L – at Creighton
- FIRST POINTS:**  
Dilligard 6, Onyeuku 2, Plank 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1
- DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (26):**  
Plank 8, Dilligard 7, D. Ford 5, Onyeuku 4, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1
- DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (1):**  
Dilligard 1
- LEADING SCORER:**  
Plank 5, Dilligard 5, Onyeuku 2, D. Ford 1
- LEADING REBOUNDER:**  
Dilligard 5, Plank 4, D. Ford 2, K. Ford 1, Vandello 1
- DOUBLE-DOUBLES (1):**  
Dilligard 1
- DUNKS (16):**  
Dilligard 11, Onyeuku 4, Fortes 1
- FIRST SUBSTITUTION:**  
Carlwell 7, Onyeuku 2, Holtz 2, Vandello 1
- CHARGES DRAWN (7):**  
Dilligard 3, Carlwell 1, Holtz 1, Plank 1, Odiakosa 1
- MOST MINUTES:**  
38, Plank vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
37, Plank at Creighton, 1-5-06  
37, D. Ford vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05  
36, Dilligard vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
36, Dilligard at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
36, Dilligard vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05  
36, Plank vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

**2005-06 Honors and Awards**

**Prairie Farms Scholar-Athlete of the Week**  
Dec. 7 ..... Neil Plank



**BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)**

Indianapolis .....	21-11
at Cincinnati .....	17-36
Western Michigan .....	15-7
Grambling St. ....	13-10
UW-Green Bay .....	22-5
IPFW .....	27-9
Ga. Southern .....	21-15
at Cal St.-Northridge .....	28-36
at Indiana State* .....	22-2
Creighton* .....	5-18
at Northern Iowa* .....	23-5
at Creighton* .....	9-13
Wichita State*	
at Missouri State*	
Northern Iowa*	
Evansville*	
at S. Illinois*	
Indiana State*	
S. Illinois*	
at Bradley*	
at Evansville*	
at Drake*	
Bradley*	
Drake*	
at Brackett Buster	
Missouri State*	
at Wichita State*	
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>223-167</b>

**2005-06 VALLEY RANKINGS**

Through Jan. 6 (All Games)

<b>TEAM</b>		
Scoring Offense .....	10th .....	58.7
Scoring Defense .....	3rd .....	58.1
Scoring Margin .....	9th .....	+0.6
Free Throw Pct .....	10th .....	63.6
Field Goal Pct .....	7th .....	43.0
FG Pct. Defense .....	1st .....	39.1
3-Point FG Pct. ....	7th .....	32.9
3-Point FG Pct. Def .....	8th .....	36.0
Rebounding Offense .....	10th .....	32.2
Rebounding Defense .....	5th .....	32.8
Rebounding Margin .....	7th .....	-0.6
Blocked Shots .....	1st .....	4.50
Assists .....	17th .....	14.42
Steals .....	6th .....	6.92
Turnover Margin .....	9th .....	-0.08
Assist/Turnover Ratio .....	8th .....	0.86
Offensive Rebounds .....	8th .....	9.67
Defensive Rebounds .....	8th .....	22.58
3-Point Field Goals Made .....	7th .....	5.67

**FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE**

Greg Dilligard .....	2nd .....	61.8
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**ASSISTS**

Neil Plank .....	5th .....	4.00
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**STEALS**

Dana Ford .....	15th .....	2.00
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**BLOCKED SHOTS**

Greg Dilligard .....	2nd .....	2.00
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Ronnie Carlwell .....	110th .....	0.83
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**OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS**

Greg Dilligard .....	110th .....	2.17
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**MINUTES PLAYED**

Neil Plank .....	10th .....	31.50
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**THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED**

**INDIVIDUAL**

A player scored 40 points ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Tarise Bryson (41) at C. Michigan, 12-3-00  
Opponent .....Anthony Roberts (48), Oral Roberts, 1-6-75

A player scored 30 points ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Trey Guidry (30) at Creighton, 1-22-05  
Opponent .....Jermaine Boyette (31), Weber St., 11-16-01

A player grabbed 20 rebounds ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Ron deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74  
Opponent .....Anthony Bonner (21), Saint Louis, 2-6-90

A player grabbed 15 rebounds ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Baboucar Bojang (15) vs. UNI, 1-30-02  
Opponent .....Grant Stout (15), UNI, 1-3-05

A player had a double-double ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Greg Dilligard (22p, 12r) at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
Opponent .....Gabriel Moore (18p, 10r), Indiana State, 12-22-05

A player made five 3-pointers ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Gregg Alexander (5-6) at UW-Green Bay, 2-19-05  
Opponent .....Eric Gray (6-8), Indiana State, 1-19-05

A player made 10 free throws ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Lorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04  
Opponent .....Gabriel Moore (10-10), Indiana State, 12-22-05  
David Moss (11-13), Indiana State, 12-22-05

A player had 15 free throw attempts ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01  
Opponent .....Mike Efevberha (11-15), CS-Northridge, 12-7-05

A player had 10 assists ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Vince Greene (10) at Indiana State, 1-19-05  
Opponent .....Martell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03

A player had five steals ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Neil Plank (5) at Creighton, 1-5-06  
Opponent .....Deven Mitchell (6), Missouri State 2-26-05

A player blocked five shots ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....Greg Dilligard (7) at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04  
Opponent .....Bradley Strickland (5), Evansville, 1-9-05

**TEAM**

A team scored 100 points ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Southern Illinois (105), 1-10-98  
Opponent .....Oklahoma (112), 12-28-90

A team made 35 field goals ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Bellarmine (35-71), 12-2-03  
Opponent .....UT-San Antonio (35-65), 12-17-00

A team had 75 field goal attempts ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Lewis (31-78), 12-2-92  
Opponent .....Akron (27-80), 11-20-98

A team shot 50 percent from the field ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Creighton (500, 21-42), 12-31-05  
Opponent .....Creighton (605, 26-43), 1-5-06

A team made 10 3-point field goals ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....at Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05  
Opponent .....Wichita State (10-20), 2-10-05

A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....at Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05  
Opponent .....Creighton (13-28), 1-22-05

A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. IPFW (.571, 8-14), 12-6-05  
Opponent .....Creighton (.643, 9-14), 1-5-06

A team made 30 free throws ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03  
Opponent .....Indiana State (33-43), 12-22-05

A team had 25 assists ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01  
Opponent .....Evansville (26), 2-11-04

A team had 15 steals ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03  
Opponent .....Creighton (18), 12-12-99

A team had 10 blocked shots ...  
ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Evansville (10), 1-17-79  
Opponent .....Northern Illinois (11), 11-26-03

**ILLINOIS STATE'S 2005-06 RECORD WHEN**

Overall .....	6-6
Missouri Valley Conference .....	1-3
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams .....	0-0
Leading at the Half .....	5-0
Trailing at the Half .....	1-5
Tied at the Half .....	0-1
Leading with 5:00 to Play .....	4-0
Trailing with 5:00 to Play .....	1-6
Tied with 5:00 to Play .....	1-0
In Overtime .....	0-0
ISU out-rebounds opponent .....	4-1
Opponents out-rebound ISU .....	2-3
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers .....	3-1
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opp .....	4-2
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better .....	2-0
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better .....	4-5
Opponents shoot less than 40 Percent .....	4-1
Opponents shoot 40 Percent or Better .....	2-5
ISU shoots better than Opponent .....	6-1
Opponent shoots better than ISU .....	0-5
ISU has more FG Attempts .....	2-4
Opponent has more FG Attempts .....	4-2
ISU Shoots better than 35 Percent on 3's .....	3-3
ISU Attempts more 3's .....	2-6
Opponents Attempt more 3's .....	4-0
ISU has more FT Attempts .....	5-1
Opponent has more FT Attempts .....	1-5
ISU Scores 100 or More .....	0-0
ISU Scores 90 or More .....	0-0
ISU Scores 80 or More .....	0-0
ISU Scores 70 or More .....	0-0

ISU Scores 60 or More .....	3-2
ISU Scores less than 60 .....	3-4
Opponent Scores 100 or More .....	0-0
Opponent Scores 90 or More .....	0-0
Opponent Scores 80 or More .....	0-0
Opponent Scores 70 or More .....	0-3
Opponent Scores 60 or More .....	0-6
Opponent Scores less than 60 .....	6-0
In Games Decided by 5 or less .....	2-2
In Games Decided by 6-10 Points .....	1-1
In Games Decided by 11-20 Points .....	2-3
In Games Decided by 21+ Points .....	1-0
Day Games .....	4-0
Night Games .....	2-6
Home Court .....	6-1
Away Games .....	0-5
Neutral Games .....	0-0
When ISU Scores First .....	3-0
When ISU Wins Tip .....	3-2
In November .....	3-1
In December .....	3-3
In January .....	0-2
In February .....	0-0
In March .....	0-0
On Sunday .....	0-0
On Monday .....	0-1
On Tuesday .....	2-1
On Wednesday .....	0-0
On Thursday .....	0-2
On Friday .....	0-0
On Saturday .....	4-2





2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME

Table with 15 columns: Team, Final, FG, FG%, 3FG, 3%, FT, FT%, O-D-T Reb., Fouls, Assists, Turnovers, Blocks, Steals, Halftime. Rows include games against Indianapolis, Western Michigan, Grambling State, UW-Green Bay, IPFW, Georgia Southern, Cal St.-Northridge, Indiana State\*, Creighton\*, Northern Iowa\*, Creighton\*, Wichita State\*, Missouri State\*, Northern Iowa\*, Evansville\*, Southern Illinois\*, Indiana State\*, Southern Illinois\*, Bradley\*, Evansville\*, Drake\*, Bradley\*, Drake\*, Bracket Buster, Missouri State\*, and Wichita State\*.



## Ronnie Carlwell 1

C • 6-11 • 258 • So.-1L • Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 8 vs. Bradley, 2-5-05  
 Rebounds – 6 at Marquette, 11-15-04  
 Assists – 2, twice  
 Blocked Shots – 3, twice  
 Steals – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
 Minutes – 24 at Marquette, 11-15-04

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
 Rebounds – 5 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05  
 Assists – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
 Blocked Shots – 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05  
 Steals – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
 Minutes – 17 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

### Last Time Out:

Scored his first points in five games on a tip-in off an offensive rebound.

### UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Matched his career best with three blocked shots against Western Michigan.
- Both of his baskets in the 60-49 exhibition win over Augustana (S.D.) were dunks.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	12	0-3	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	0	0	1	0	0
at Cincinnati	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Western Michigan	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2-4	2	0	0	3	0	2
Grambling State	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	3	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	1	0	0	1	0	2
IPFW	10	0-0	0-0	3-4	1-2	3	2	0	1	2	3
Georgia Southern	15	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-5	0	1	1	2	0	2
at Cal St.-Northridge	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	0	0	0
at Indiana State*	11	0-1	0-0	0-2	1-2	1	0	2	1	0	0
Creighton*	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	1	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	1	0	1	0	0	0
at Creighton*	5	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
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## Greg Dilligard 50

F • 6-8 • 230 • Jr.-2L • Labette, Mo. (Highland)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Rebounds – 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Assists – 4 vs. Missouri State, 12-30-04  
 Blocked Shots – 7 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04  
 Steals – 3, five times  
 Minutes – 36, twice

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Rebounds – 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Assists – 3, twice  
 Blocked Shots – 3, three times  
 Steals – 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05  
 Minutes – 36, twice

### Last Time Out:

Posted his fourth straight double digit scoring game with 11 points on 5-for-7 shooting.

### UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Notched his second career double-double, while posting his first career 20-point game when he recorded career bests with 22 points and 12 rebounds at Indiana State.
- Stands in sixth place in the Redbirds all-time career blocked shot standings with 86.
- Has made 7 of his last 12 free throw attempts (.583), after making 6 of his previous 35 tries (.171).
- Owns 13 double digit scoring games in his career, including four straight.
- One of the top defensive players in the Missouri Valley Conference.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	25	2-3	0-0	0-3	0-4	0	1	1	2	0	4
at Cincinnati	30	8-11	0-0	0-1	2-5	3	1	2	1	0	16
Western Michigan	23	3-4	0-0	1-2	2-5	3	1	0	2	3	7
Grambling State	34	8-11	0-0	2-6	3-9	3	2	2	3	0	18
UW-Green Bay	36	5-9	0-0	3-4	4-7	2	1	1	3	2	13
IPFW	30	3-8	0-0	2-3	3-7	2	0	4	2	2	8
Georgia Southern	27	3-5	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	0	0	2	0	6
at Cal St.-Northridge	16	4-5	0-0	0-0	2-2	5	1	1	2	0	8
at Indiana State*	36	11-18	0-0	0-1	3-12	5	3	3	3	0	22
Creighton*	36	5-10	0-0	1-2	1-3	3	3	1	1	1	11
at Northern Iowa*	31	6-11	0-0	0-0	2-3	3	3	2	1	2	12
at Creighton*	33	5-7	0-0	1-2	3-5	1	1	2	2	0	11
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Levi Dyer 32  
C • 6-10 • 220 • So.-1L • Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05  
Rebounds – 3, twice  
Assists – 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05  
Blocked Shots – 1 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05  
Steals – 2, twice  
Minutes – 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05  
Rebounds – 3, twice  
Assists – 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05  
Blocked Shots – 1 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05  
Steals – 1 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
Minutes – 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Last Time Out:

Logged four minutes and missed his only field goal attempt.

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Increased his vertical jump by five inches during the off-season.
- A strong outside shooter, but has been a detriment defensively.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	20	2-10	2-5	0-0	0-2	2	2	0	1	0	6
at Cincinnati	15	3-5	3-5	0-0	0-1	2	0	1	0	0	9
Western Michigan	14	1-3	1-2	2-2	1-3	3	0	0	0	0	5
Grambling State	7	0-1	0-1	4-4	0-1	1	0	1	0	0	4
UW-Green Bay	4	0-1	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
IPFW	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	2
at Cal St.-Northridge	9	0-1	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Indiana State*	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*	13	2-4	1-2	0-0	2-3	1	0	0	0	0	5
at Creighton*	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0
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Dana Ford 43  
G • 6-4 • 195 • Sr.-3L • Tamms, Ill. (Egyptian)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 16 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05  
Rebounds – 8 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03  
Assists – 3, eight times  
Blocked Shots – 2, four times  
Steals – 4, twice  
Minutes – 37 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 16 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05  
Rebounds – 7 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05  
Assists – 3, four times  
Blocked Shots – 2, twice  
Steals – 4, twice  
Minutes – 37 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05

Last Time Out:

Held scoreless for the first time this season. Shot 0-for-3 from the field and had three turnovers.

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Sank a 40-footer at the buzzer to give the Redbirds a 53-50 win at home over Creighton on Dec. 31.
- The longest tenured Redbird on the roster.
- After going 76 career games without breaking double digits in points, has posted six double-figure scoring games in his last 13.
- Entered the season shooting 16.7 percent from the foul line (4-for-24), but has turned that around by shooting 66.7 percent this season (6-for-9)

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	24	3-10	1-4	0-1	2-5	1	2	0	1	3	7
at Cincinnati	30	3-8	2-3	4-4	1-6	1	3	2	0	1	12
Western Michigan	30	3-11	0-3	0-0	1-4	5	3	1	0	4	6
Grambling State	37	7-13	2-4	0-0	0-7	1	2	2	0	2	16
UW-Green Bay	20	1-4	0-3	0-0	0-5	3	2	2	2	1	2
IPFW	23	1-3	1-2	1-2	0-3	3	3	1	0	2	4
Georgia Southern	19	4-9	1-4	1-2	0-4	3	0	3	0	0	10
at Cal St.-Northridge	28	6-13	3-7	0-0	1-4	4	3	3	1	3	15
at Indiana State*	32	1-7	0-4	0-0	1-6	3	1	2	1	2	2
Creighton*	32	6-9	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	2	2	2	4	14
at Northern Iowa*	27	3-9	1-4	0-0	0-4	1	1	0	0	1	7
at Creighton*	21	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-3	1	1	3	0	1	0
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**Khalif Ford** 5  
G • 6-1 • 181 • So.-1L • Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05  
Rebounds – 5, twice  
Assists – 6 vs. Indiana State, 1-6-05  
Blocked Shots – 1, twice  
Steals – 2, three times  
Minutes – 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

**SEASON BESTS:**

Points – 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05  
Rebounds – 5 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05  
Assists – 5, twice  
Blocked Shots – 1, twice  
Steals – 2 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05  
Minutes – 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

**Last Time Out:**  
Tossed in two points and grabbed three rebounds, but fouled out with 24 minutes played.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Posted his first career double-digit scoring game with 11 points against Western Michigan.
- During the exhibition season, showed some offensive potential with 15 points in the first half of the Red-White Scrimmage on 5-for-6 shooting. Also added 11 points against Augustana (S.D.) in the exhibition game.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	34	2-6	0-2	0-0	1-5	2	5	2	0	1	4
at Cincinnati	27	1-5	1-3	0-0	1-1	4	2	6	1	0	3
Western Michigan	27	3-7	0-0	5-8	1-4	0	3	3	0	0	11
Grambling State	27	2-6	0-1	0-0	0-2	3	5	3	1	1	4
UW-Green Bay	32	1-4	0-1	3-4	0-1	3	3	5	0	1	5
IPFW	17	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-2	3	3	4	0	1	8
Georgia Southern	28	0-2	0-1	5-6	0-1	3	1	5	0	2	5
at Cal St.-Northridge	24	3-7	2-3	0-0	0-2	5	3	5	0	0	8
at Indiana State*	26	1-5	0-1	2-2	1-2	4	4	1	0	0	4
Creighton*	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	12	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	0	3
at Creighton*	24	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-3	5	2	1	0	0	2
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**Roberto Fortes** 1  
G • 6-4 • 195 • Jr.-TR • Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 5 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
Rebounds – 2 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
Assists – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
Blocked Shots – 0  
Steals – 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
Minutes – 12 at Creighton, 1-5-06

**Last Time Out:**  
Played a season best 12 minutes and finished with five points on 2-for-6 shooting.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Coming off his most extensive outing of the season. Played 12 minutes at Creighton and finished with a career best five points.
- One of Illinois State's four African born players. Born in Angola before moving to the United States as a youth.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	10	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	1	0	0	3
Western Michigan											
Grambling State	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay											
IPFW	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern											
at Cal St.-Northridge											
at Indiana State*											
Creighton*	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	1	0
at Northern Iowa*	7	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	3
at Creighton*	12	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	5
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**Brandon Holtz** 45  
*G • 6-4 • 185 • Fr.-HS • Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)*

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 11 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05  
 Rebounds – 4 at Northern Iowa, 1-2-06  
 Assists – 2 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05  
 Blocked Shots – 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
 Steals – 2 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05  
 Minutes – 23, twice

**Last Time Out:**

Logged five minutes and missed his only shot attempt, a three, and had a turnover.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Suffered a bone bruise on his right knee in practice the day before the game at Creighton, but it didn't keep him off the floor.
- After opening the season 0-for-8 from beyond the arc has made eight of his last 16 attempts (.500).
- Won the team's three-point shooting contest at the Redbird Hoopfest, which kicked off the 2005-06 season.
- Has lost 20 pounds since reporting to the team.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	8	3-5	0-2	0-2	0-1	0	0	0	0	1	6
at Cincinnati	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Western Michigan	14	1-5	0-4	0-0	1-2	0	0	2	0	0	2
Grambling State	12	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-3	0	0	1	0	1	2
UW-Green Bay	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	2
IPFW	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia Southern	7	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	3
at Cal St.-Northridge	23	4-10	3-7	0-0	1-2	4	2	1	0	2	11
at Indiana State*	20	4-6	1-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	0	0	0	9
Creighton*	17	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-3	0	1	0	1	1	3
at Northern Iowa*	23	2-4	2-3	0-0	1-4	0	0	0	0	1	6
at Creighton*	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0
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**Mark Kruse** 23  
*G/F • 6-7 • 205 • Jr.-TR • St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo)*

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 5, twice  
 Rebounds – 2, twice  
 Assists – 0  
 Blocked Shots – 0  
 Steals – 0  
 Minutes – 12 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

**Last Time Out:**

Did not play.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Held scoreless against Georgia Southern after scoring a combined 10 points in the previous two games.
- The leading scorer at the 2005 National Junior College Basketball Tournament.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis											
at Cincinnati	1	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Western Michigan											
Grambling State											
UW-Green Bay	12	2-7	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	5
IPFW	9	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Georgia Southern	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cal St.-Northridge											
at Indiana State*											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Creighton*											
Wichita State*											
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## Dinma Odiakosa

F • 6-8 • 240 • Fr.-HS • Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 3 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Rebounds – 2, twice  
 Assists – 1 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Blocked Shots – 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
 Steals – 1, twice  
 Minutes – 20 at Indiana State, 12-22-05

Last Time Out:  
 Did not play.

### UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Missed the game at Northern Iowa after spraining his right ankle in the Creighton game, two days earlier.
- Earned his first collegiate start at Indiana State.
- Spent the summer as a member of the Nigerian U21 National Team, which competed in the World Championships in Mar Del Plata, Argentina.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis											
at Cincinnati	5	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
Western Michigan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	2	0	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay											
IPFW	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	1	0	0	2
Georgia Southern	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cal St.-Northridge	12	0-3	0-0	1-2	1-1	1	0	0	0	1	1
at Indiana State*	20	1-4	0-0	1-2	1-2	3	1	1	0	1	3
Creighton*	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	3	0	0	1	0	0
at Northern Iowa*											
at Creighton*											
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## Nedu Onyeuku

G • 6-3 • 185 • Sr.-1L • Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
 Rebounds – 5, four times  
 Assists – 4 vs. St. John's, 12-4-04  
 Blocked Shots – 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 2-16-05  
 Steals – 2, five times  
 Minutes – 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

Last Time Out:  
 Capped off the game with a dunk at the end of regulation to give him a career-best 17 points.

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
 Rebounds – 5, twice  
 Assists – 3, twice  
 Blocked Shots – 1, three times  
 Steals – 2, three times  
 Minutes – 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

### UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Scored a career-high 17 points in front of his hometown crowd at Creighton on Jan. 5.
- Has started the last four games, after serving as a reserve for the first eight.
- Crowned the team's slam dunk champion at Redbird HoopFest, an event that kicked off the first day of practice.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	17	4-6	1-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	0	0	9
at Cincinnati	17	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-4	2	1	3	0	0	0
Western Michigan	19	2-3	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	3	1	0	0	6
Grambling State	23	3-5	0-0	1-2	3-5	3	1	3	0	1	7
UW-Green Bay	23	3-4	2-3	3-4	0-3	1	0	4	0	1	11
IPFW	25	2-4	0-1	0-0	1-5	1	0	2	1	1	4
Georgia Southern	26	5-9	0-2	4-7	0-2	3	1	3	1	2	14
at Cal St.-Northridge	23	6-12	2-5	0-2	0-0	2	2	1	0	1	14
at Indiana State*	25	3-8	1-3	1-2	0-4	5	3	1	0	2	8
Creighton*	19	1-3	1-2	3-4	0-0	2	1	3	0	1	6
at Northern Iowa*	18	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	2	3	1	0	3
at Creighton*	34	8-15	1-4	0-0	1-4	2	1	4	0	2	17
Wichita State*											
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Northern Iowa*											
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# Neil Plank 25

G/F • 6-5 • 208 • Sr.-2L • Mt. Zion, Ill. (Mt. Zion)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 21, twice  
Rebounds – 11 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-21-04  
Assists – 7, twice  
Blocked Shots – 1, seven times  
Steals – 5, twice  
Minutes – 41 vs. Western Kentucky, 12-16-03

**SEASON BESTS:**

Points – 17 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05  
Rebounds – 7, twice  
Assists – 7, twice  
Blocked Shots – 1, twice  
Steals – 5 at Creighton, 1-5-06  
Minutes – 38 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05

**Last Time Out:**

Tossed in eight points, dished out six assists and posted five steals, but had six turnovers.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- He has registered double figure points in eight games this season.
- Dished out a career high seven assists against IPFW and again at Cal State Northridge
- Continues to play four positions for the Redbirds, including spotting relief at the point guard position.
- One of two players on the Redbird roster this season to have a 20-point game at ISU. He did it once with 21 points at Utah State in 2003. His other 21-point game came while playing for Wisconsin, against Marshall.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	33	3-9	2-4	4-4	1-2	2	3	2	0	2	12
at Cincinnati	30	2-8	1-4	3-3	0-2	4	6	2	0	0	8
Western Michigan	36	6-12	3-8	1-2	0-5	0	1	2	1	0	16
Grambling State	30	3-8	2-3	3-4	1-4	1	4	3	0	1	11
UW-Green Bay	31	3-5	0-1	7-11	0-5	0	4	1	0	0	13
IPFW	30	3-6	1-1	3-3	1-5	1	7	3	0	1	10
Georgia Southern	34	4-10	0-4	4-7	1-7	0	4	2	1	1	12
at Cal St.-Northridge	28	4-11	2-6	0-0	3-7	2	7	2	0	1	10
at Indiana State*	23	1-4	0-3	0-2	0-1	3	2	2	0	0	2
Creighton*	38	7-10	1-2	2-5	0-6	0	3	3	0	0	17
at Northern Iowa*	28	1-9	0-4	0-0	1-5	1	1	4	0	1	2
at Creighton*	37	3-10	2-6	0-0	2-4	1	6	6	0	5	8
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# Michael Vandello 21

F • 6-7 • 220 • Fr.-HS • Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 9, twice  
Rebounds – 7 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05  
Assists – 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05  
Blocked Shots – 1, three times  
Steals – 2, twice  
Minutes – 31 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

**Last Time Out:**

Returned to the starting line-up and scored seven points, but had four turnovers in 24 minutes.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Returned to the starting line-up at Creighton, after coming off the bench in the previous three games.
- Dished out a career best five assists in the win over UW-Green Bay.
- Of the Redbirds' seven newcomers, has had the most immediate impact.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	18	3-4	0-1	0-0	2-4	1	1	3	1	2	6
at Cincinnati	22	1-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	4	2	2	0	0	3
Western Michigan	19	2-5	1-2	4-4	3-7	4	0	3	1	0	9
Grambling State	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	30	2-7	0-2	0-0	0-4	2	5	0	0	1	4
IPFW	30	4-8	0-0	0-0	2-3	1	2	0	0	2	8
Georgia Southern	31	2-9	0-1	3-4	3-4	2	3	0	0	0	7
at Cal St.-Northridge	27	0-2	0-0	0-0	2-3	2	1	2	0	1	0
at Indiana State*	18	2-4	1-2	4-6	0-2	3	0	2	0	0	9
Creighton*	25	1-5	0-1	0-0	1-5	4	3	2	0	0	2
at Northern Iowa*	20	2-4	0-1	0-0	0-4	3	0	4	0	0	4
at Creighton*	24	3-7	1-2	0-0	1-2	3	3	4	1	1	7
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**Eric Vianney** 21  
G • 6-2 • 210 • Fr.-HS • Yaoundé, Cameroon (Picayune)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 9 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
Rebounds – 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 5  
Assists – 1 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05  
Blocked Shots – 0  
Steals – 1 at Northern Iowa, 1-2-06  
Minutes – 8 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

**Last Time Out:**  
Played the game's final minute and missed his only field goal attempt from three-point range.

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Tossed in a career-best nine points in the win over IPFW, thanks to a 3-for-3 effort on treys.
- Despite a cut frame, has not had a lot of strength and conditioning in his career. Obviously, the coaching staff was surprised when he squatted 545 pounds on a weight machine.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	4	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	1	0	0	2
Western Michigan											
Grambling State											
UW-Green Bay											
IPFW	8	3-3	3-3	0-1	0-3	1	0	1	0	0	9
Georgia Southern	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	0	0	0
at Cal St.-Northridge											
at Indiana State*	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	0	1	2
at Creighton*	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wichita State*											
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**Travis Wallace** 14  
G • 6-0 • 175 • Sr.-1L • St. Louis, Mo. (Jennings)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 2, twice  
Rebounds – 2 at Marquette, 11-15-04  
Assists – 1, five times  
Blocked Shots – 0  
Steals – 3 at Marquette, 11-15-04  
Minutes – 11 at Marquette, 11-15-04

**Last Time Out:**  
Did not play.

**SEASON BESTS:**

Points – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05  
Rebounds – 1 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
Assists – 1, twice  
Blocked Shots – 0  
Steals – 0  
Minutes – 8 at Indiana State, 12-22-05

**UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- A walk-on who will see some time at the point guard position this season.

**2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	A	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0	0
at Cincinnati											
Western Michigan											
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay											
IPFW	2	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia Southern											
at Cal St.-Northridge	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Indiana State*	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Creighton*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0
at Creighton*											
Wichita State*											
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EXHIBITION 1

Redbirds Win Lone Exhibition, 60-49

NORMAL, Ill. - Senior Neil Plank tallied 15 points and nine rebounds as Illinois State defeated Augustana [S.D.] 60-49 in an exhibition game Wednesday night at Redbird Arena.

The Redbirds started the first half on a 12-6 scoring run on six baskets by six different players. Ford hit a jumper with 7:22 left to put the 'Birds up 18-9 and Michael Vandello's jumper with 45 seconds left gave the Redbirds their largest lead of the half at 11 points at 26-15.

The second half began with the Redbirds and Vikings trading baskets until the 'Birds went on a 10-0 scoring run paced by five points from Plank. The 'Birds led by as many as 19 points, but the Vikings went on a 24-8 run with nine points from Marques Blank to cut the lead to three points at 52-49 with 2:46 remaining. The Redbirds regained control with an 8-0 scoring run, all on free throws, to put the Vikings away.

ILLINOIS STATE 60, Augustana (S.D.) 49
November 9, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Table with columns: Augustana (S.D.) Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Olson, Krogman, VerDouw, Hardy, Thomas, Medema, Blank, Hartzell, Richardson, Klepatz, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .308; FT - .600
3-Pt.: 5-17, .294 (Olson 1-1, Hardy 0-1, Thomas 2-8, Medema 0-4, Blank 2-2, Hartzell 0-1)
Blocks: 3 (Olson 1, Klepatz 2)
Turnovers: 20 (VerDouw, Hardy 6, Thomas 4, Medema 2, Blank 3, Richardson 2, Klepatz 1)
Steals: 6 (Olson 2, Hardy 2, Thomas 1, Klepatz 1)

Table with columns: ILLINOIS ST. Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Plank, Dilligard, Dyer, K. Ford, D. Ford, Fortes, Onyeuku, Wallace, Vianney, Kruse, Vandello, Odiakosa, Holtz, Carlwell, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .400; FT - .576
3-Pt.: 1-11, .091 (Plank 1-2, Dyer 0-2, K. Ford 0-3, D. Ford 0-1, Vianney 0-1, Holtz 0-2)
Blocks: 7 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 2)
Turnovers: 14 (Plank 1, Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Fortes 2, Wallace 1, Vianney 1, Kruse 2, Vandello 1, Odiakosa 1)
Steals: 7 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vianney 1, Vandello 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Bill Oostdyk, Dave Cronin
Attendance: 4,484
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 28, Augustana (S.D.) 17

GAME 1

Redbirds Win Late in Season Opener Over Indy

NORMAL, Ill. - Late three-point field goals by seniors Neil Plank and Nedu Onyeuku helped the Illinois State Redbirds come from behind in the final two minutes to win its season and home opener against the Indianapolis Greyhounds at Redbird Arena.

Neither team shot well in the first half, with ISU shooting just 37 percent from the field and the Greyhounds shooting just 27 percent in the half.

The two squads then traded baskets until ISU went on a 16-4 run beginning at the 11:08 and ending at the 3:14 mark, giving ISU a 24-16 lead. The run was highlighted by two three-point baskets by 6-10 center Levi Dyer, with senior Dana Ford chipping in for five points. ISU continued to control the game for the rest of the half, going into the locker room at the break with a 30-21 lead.

The start of the second half was much like the start of the first, with both teams exchanging baskets and ISU leading by as many as 11. However, the Greyhounds put on a run worthy of their namesake, as the 'Hounds went on a 13-0 run that spanned five minutes, giving Indianapolis its first lead since the 7:26 mark in the first half.

Plank led all scores with 12 points and Onyeuku added nine to lead the Redbirds.

ILLINOIS STATE 54, Indianapolis 50
November 19, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Table with columns: Indianapolis Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Mills, LaBad, McClung, Cox, Strahm, Blank, Smith, Moore, Lulow, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .309; FT - 1.000
3-Pt.: 4-16, .250 (Mills 0-1, McClung 0-2, Cox 2-4, Strahm 1-5, Blank 1-2, Smith 0-2)
Blocks: 1 (Mills 1)
Turnovers: 15 (Mills 1, LaBad 1, McClung 4, Cox 2, Strahm 3, Blank 1, Smith 3)
Steals: 4 (Mills 1, McClung 1, Blank 1, Lulow 1)

Table with columns: ILLINOIS ST. Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Plank, Dilligard, Dyer, K. Ford, D. Ford, Fortes, Onyeuku, Wallace, Vianney, Vandello, Holtz, Carlwell, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .386; FT - .400
3-Pt.: 6-19, .316 (Dyer 2-5, K. Ford 0-2, Plank 2-4, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 1-1, Vandello 0-1, Holtz 0-2)
Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 1, Carlwell 1)
Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 2, Plank 2, Onyeuku 2, Wallace 2, Vandello 3)
Steals: 9 (K. Ford 1, Plank 2, D. Ford 3, Vandello 2, Holtz 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, John Moore, Kerry Campbell
Attendance: 3,747
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, Indianapolis 21

GAME 2

Redbirds Fall Short Against Bearcats, 76-59

CINCINNATI - Greg Dilligard's career-high 16 points, including 10 in the second half, weren't enough as Illinois State fell 76-59, to Cincinnati in non-conference action at the Fifth Third Arena Tuesday night.

The Redbirds jumped out of the gate early, thanks to a pair of baskets from Dilligard, and stormed out to a 12-5 lead with 16:09 left in the first half. The 'Birds and the Bearcats went toe-to-toe for the next seven minutes and Cincinnati held a 26-22 edge. But the ISU shooting went cold as the Redbirds were held scoreless for nearly five-and-a-half minutes, while Cincinnati put together a 12-0 run and took a commanding 38-22 lead with 4:10 left in the half.

However, the Redbirds showed some tenacity and responded with a 12-5 run of their own to end the half and cut into the Bearcat lead at 43-34 at the intermission. Dana Ford led the Redbirds offensively in the first half with 12 points, which set a new career high for the fourth-year senior.

Cincinnati 76, ILLINOIS STATE 59
November 22, 2005 • Fifth Third Arena

Table with columns: ILLINOIS STATE Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Plank, Vandello, Dilligard, K. Ford, D. Ford, Fortes, Onyeuku, Vianney, Kruse, Dyer, Odiakosa, Holtz, Carlwell, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .392; FT - .714
3-Pt.: 9-22, .409 (Plank 1-4, Vandello 1-1, K. Ford 1-3, D. Ford 2-3, Fortes 1-2, Onyeuku 0-1, Kruse 0-2, Dyer 3-5, Holtz 0-1)
Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 1)
Turnovers: 26 (Plank 2, Dilligard 2, Vandello 2, K. Ford 6, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 1, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Team 4)
Steals: 1 (D. Ford 1)

Table with columns: Cincinnati Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Hicks, McGowan, Kirkland, Muhammad, White, Tilford, Downey, Watt, Miller, Allen, Coleman, Murray, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .410; FT - .692
3-Pt.: 8-20, .400 (McGowan 0-1, Kirkland 0-3, Muhammad 0-2, White 3-6, Tilford 0-1, Downey 2-3, Allen 3-3, Coleman 0-1)
Blocks: 7 (Hicks 3, Kirkland 2, White 1, Allen 1)
Turnovers: 13 (Kirkland 5, Muhammad 3, White 1, Downey 3, Allen 1)
Steals: 12 (Hicks 2, McGowan 1, Kirkland 3, White 2, Downey 4)

Officials: Curtis Shaw, Steve Morris, Gerry Pollard
Attendance: 8,802
Halftime Score: Cincinnati 43, ILLINOIS STATE 34



**GAME 3**

**'Birds Out-Hustle Western Michigan, Win 64-47**

**NORMAL, III.** – Head coach Porter Moser was fired up on the sidelines all day, watching the Illinois State defense hustle for loose balls and force turnovers to frustrate the Western Michigan Broncos in a 64-47 non-conference win Saturday at Redbird Arena.

The Redbird defense corralled the Broncos' offense in the first half, limiting Western Michigan to just 20 points and forcing 12 turnovers in the half. However, the Redbird offense also came to play, leading the entire half and being ahead by as many as 15 points at one point, finishing the half up 34-20.

After trading baskets with Western Michigan for the first four minutes of the half, ISU jumped out to a 17-7 lead thanks to a 9-0 run that took four and a half minutes off the clock. Senior Neil Plank was the catalyst, scoring five points including one of his three 3-point baskets in the first half to put a cap on the run before Western Michigan's Joe Reitz put an end to the drought.

ISU continued its hot shooting after the early run, maintaining at least an eight point lead throughout the rest of the first half. ISU finished the half shooting .500 from the field, with seven 'Birds scoring points.

Khalif Ford finished the game with 11 points and Plank finished with 16 for the game after scoring 15 in the first half. Andrew Hershberger was the only Bronco in double figures with 11 points.

**ILLINOIS STATE 64, Western Michigan 47**

November 26, 2005 • Redbird Arena

W. Michigan	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Hershberger, f	27	5-11	0-2	4-8	1	4	11
Bufford, f	28	4-10	0-0	1-5	0	4	9
Reitz, c	27	2-6	5-7	4-9	0	1	9
Snider, g	34	1-7	5-8	2-4	6	3	7
Gary, g	11	1-2	2-2	0-2	0	5	4
Fracalossi	16	1-5	0-0	2-3	0	0	3
Drews	19	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
Ricks	11	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Kendrick	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hess	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
deVries	13	2-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	4
Cloutier	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>16-51</b>	<b>12-19</b>	<b>15-35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>47</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .314; FT – .632

3-Pt.: 3-13, .231 (Hershberger 1-1, Bufford 1-1, Snider 0-2, Gary 0-1, Fractalossi 1-4, Drews 0-1, Ricks 0-2, Kendrick 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Hershberger 2, Reitz 1, Snider 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Bufford 4, Reitz 2, Snider 5, Gary 1, Drews 3, Ricks 2)

Steals: 5 (Hershberger 2, Snider 1, Gary 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Plank, f	36	6-12	1-2	0-5	1	0	16
Vandello, f	19	2-5	4-4	3-7	0	4	9
Dilligard, f	23	3-4	1-2	2-5	1	3	7
K. Ford, g	27	3-7	5-8	1-4	3	0	11
D. Ford, g	30	3-11	0-0	1-4	3	5	6
Onyeuku	19	2-3	2-2	0-1	3	0	6
Dyer	14	1-3	2-2	1-3	0	3	5
Odiakosa	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	14	1-5	0-0	1-2	0	0	2
Carlwell	17	0-0	2-2	2-4	0	2	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-50</b>	<b>17-22</b>	<b>11-36</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>64</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .420; FT – .773

3-Pt.: 5-20, .250 (Plank 3-8, Vandello 1-2, D. Ford 0-3, Onyeuku 0-1, Dyer 1-2, Holtz 0-4)

Blocks: 7 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, Carlwell 3)

Turnovers: 12 (Plank 2, Vandello 3, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 2)

Steals: 7 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 4)

Officials: John Yorkovich, Greg Webb, Jeff Malham

Attendance: 3,980

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 34, Western Michigan 20

**GAME 4**

**Hot Second Half Shooting Propels ISU to 62-50 Win**

**NORMAL, III.** – At times tonight's basketball game between Illinois State and Grambling State seemed destined for a low-scoring and sloppy outcome for both teams. However, a second half scoring surge by the Redbirds (3-1) combined with 37 percent shooting from the field for the Tigers (2-2) led to an exciting finish as ISU defeated Grambling State 62-50 Tuesday night at Redbird Arena.

Defense was once again the story for Illinois State in the first half, as the Redbirds held Grambling to just 16 points and forced the Tigers to shoot 23.3 percent from the field in the opening half.

Grambling State came out inspired in the second half, going on an 8-2 run to start the half. Anthony Williams had five points to spark the Tiger run and get within two points of the 'Birds at 28-26 with 17:13 left in the game. However the Redbirds answered with a 16-2 run to take control once again. Dana Ford sparked the run with nine points, eventually leading to his career-high 16 points.

ISU led from that point on, leading by as many as 16 points at one point. Senior Neil Plank scored all of his 11 points in the second half and Dilligard finished one rebound short of a double-double with a game and career high 18 points and nine rebounds.

**ILLINOIS STATE 62, Grambling State 50**

November 29, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Grambling St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Williams, f	29	7-13	1-3	4-5	1	1	15
Stevens, f	17	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	3	0
Ratliff, g	35	5-11	0-0	0-1	3	3	13
Gordon, g	21	0-2	1-4	0-4	2	3	1
Rush, g	35	4-18	3-3	3-10	1	2	11
Kruel	5	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Thomas	19	2-7	0-2	0-2	0	2	4
Jefferson	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
McFadden	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Breaux	17	3-4	0-0	0-0	0	3	6
Dorsey	11	0-1	0-0	1-2	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-57</b>	<b>5-12</b>	<b>12-31</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>50</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .368; FT – .417

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Ratliff 3-8, Rush 0-5, Thomas 0-2)

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 19 (Williams 3, Ratliff 6, Gordon 3, Rush 5, Thomas 1, Breaux 1)

Steals: 11 (Williams 2, Stevens 1, Ratliff 3, Gordon 1, Rush 2, Thomas 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	3-8	3-4	1-4	4	1	11
Vandello, f	9	0-2	0-0	1-3	1	1	0
Dilligard, f	34	8-11	2-6	3-9	2	3	18
K. Ford, g	27	2-6	0-0	0-2	5	3	4
D. Ford, g	37	7-13	0-0	0-7	2	1	16
Fortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Onyeuku	23	3-5	1-2	3-5	1	3	7
Wallace	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Dyer	7	0-1	4-4	0-1	0	1	4
Odiakosa	3	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	2	0
Holtz	12	1-2	0-0	0-3	0	0	2
Carlwell	11	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>24-48</b>	<b>10-18</b>	<b>8-36</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>62</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .556

3-Pt.: 4-11, .364 (Plank 2-3, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 2-4, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 21 (Plank 3, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 3)

Steals: 6 (Plank 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Paul Kaster, Neil Armstrong

Attendance: 5,149

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, Grambling State 16

**GAME 5**

**'Birds Hold Off UW-Green Bay**

**NORMAL, III.** – Illinois State held off a late surge by Wisconsin-Green Bay to claim its third straight win, 59-51, in front of 5,871 fans on Neal Cotts Day at Redbird Arena.

Wisconsin-Green Bay (2-4) jumped out to a 5-0 lead to start the game with freshman Ryan Tillema recording all five points on a three-pointer and a pair of free throws. Meanwhile, the Redbirds turned the ball over on their first two possessions and lost defensive sparkplug Dana Ford at the 17:23 mark after he picked up two quick fouls.

But it was all Illinois State (4-1) after that when Greg Dilligard's jumper from the right side with 15:42 remaining in the half kicked off an 18-2 run. Nedu Onyeuku followed with a free throw to tie it up at 7-7 as the Redbirds took the lead for good. Six different players scored during the run, while the Phoenix suffered through a pair of five-minute scoring droughts during the decisive run.

The Phoenix cut into the Redbird lead with less than five minutes remaining in the half. Tillema once again led the way with a three-pointer, a layup and a pair of free throws, but the Redbirds still held onto a 26-20 lead at halftime.

Illinois State, which shot 61 percent from the field in the second half, had three players in double figures. Neil Plank and Dilligard led the 'Birds with 13 points apiece, while Onyeuku was also in double figures with 11. Wisconsin-Green Bay's Tillema led all scorers with 19, while Evans chipped in 11.

**ILLINOIS STATE 59, UW-Green Bay 51**

December 3, 2005 • Redbird Arena

UW-Green Bay	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Tillema, f	35	5-14	6-6	3-9	2	1	19
Lawrence, f	22	0-5	0-0	2-5	0	2	0
Schachtner, f	25	4-7	0-0	2-7	0	4	9
Evanochko, g	39	3-15	0-0	2-3	2	3	7
Evans, g	29	4-9	2-2	3-6	3	3	11
Farine	15	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Minatee	17	0-4	1-4	1-1	1	5	1
Barkley	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Morris	15	1-7	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>18-62</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>16-39</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>51</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .290; FT – .750

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Tillema 3-8, Lawrence 0-1, Schachtner 1-2, Evanochko 1-4, Evans 1-2)

Blocks: 2 (Lawrence 1, Morris 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Tillema 1, Lawrence 3, Evanochko 1, Evans 2, Farine 2, Minatee 1, Morris 1)

Steals: 4 (Tillema 1, Evans 2, Minatee 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Plank, f	31	3-5	7-11	0-5	4	0	13
Vandello, f	30	2-7	0-0	0-4	5	2	4
Dilligard, f	36	5-9	3-4	4-7	1	2	13
K. Ford, g	32	1-4	3-4	0-1	3	3	5
D. Ford, g	20	1-4	0-0	0-5	2	3	2
Onyeuku	23	3-4	3-4	0-3	0	1	11
Kruse	12	2-7	0-0	0-0	0	1	5
Dyer	4	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Holtz	3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	1	2
Carlwell	9	1-1	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>18-42</b>	<b>20-27</b>	<b>5-34</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>59</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .429; FT – .741

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Plank 0-1, Vandello 0-2, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 0-3, Onyeuku 2-3, Kruse 1-4, Dyer 0-1)

Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Plank 1, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 4)

Steals: 6 (Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 1)

Officials: Patrick Adams, Bo Boroski, Jeb Hartness

Attendance: 5,871

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, UW-Green Bay 20





GAME 6

ISU Sets New Arena Record; Defeats IPFW

NORMAL, Ill. - Senior forward Neil Plank, who finished with 10 points, led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 65-36 win over IPFW Tuesday night at Redbird Arena...

Greg Dilligard's opening dunk set the tone in the first half as Illinois State went on to rattle off seven answered points, not allowing an IPFW basket until the 15:33 mark.

Another Dilligard dunk with 11:45 left in the game extended the Illinois State lead to 43-29. Dilligard finished with eight points, seven rebounds and two blocks...

ILLINOIS STATE 65, IPFW 36
December 6, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for Scott, Hawkins, Best, Carouthers, Pompey, Johnson, Posley, Savelly, Essegghir, Ademi, Egeric, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .311; FT - .286
3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Scott 0-2, Hawkins 2-4, Best 0-1, Carouthers 1-2, Pompey 1-3, Johnson 0-1, Savelly 2-4)
Blocks: 2 (Scott 1, Best 1)
Turnovers: 20 (Scott 1, Hawkins 1, Best 3, Carouthers 4, Pompey 4, Posley 1, Savelly 4, Essighir 1, Team 1)
Steals: 6 (Best 1, Pompey 4, Posley 1)

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for Plank, Vandello, Dilligard, K. Ford, D. Ford, Fortes, Onyeuku, Wallace, Vianney, Kruse, Dyer, Odiakosa, Holtz, Carlwell, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .478; FT - .684
3-Pt.: 8-14, .571 (Plank 1-1, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 1-2, Fortes 0-1, Onyeuku 0-1, Vianney 3-3, Kruse 1-3)
Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 1)
Turnovers: 16 (Plank 3, Dilligard 4, K. Ford 4, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 2, Vianney 1, Odiakosa 1)
Steals: 11 (Plank 1, Vandello 2, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)

Officials: Terry Anderson, Dave Cronin, Dan Dorian
Attendance: 5,181
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 20, IPFW 13

GAME 7

Second Half Surge Not Enough for ISU

NORMAL, Ill. - The Illinois State Redbird men's basketball team mounted a tremendous comeback to take the lead in the second half after going into halftime down by 13 points.

Georgia Southern took the lead 13-12 after Sean Olivier sank two free throws as Greg Dilligard picked up his second foul of the half for ISU.

With the score tied at 44-44, Dilligard scored consecutive hoops giving ISU its first lead of the second half at 48-47. However, the Eagles would not go away, with Elton Nesbitt leading the way with 14 points in the half.

Georgia Southern 64, ILLINOIS STATE 61
December 10, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for Ga. Southern players and ISU players (Olivier, Graham, Gennie, Nesbitt, Tobias, Foreman, Dunn, Swain, Salazar, Ward) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .412; FT - .889
3-Pt.: 6-13, .462 (Gennie 2-2, Nesbitt 3-6, Tobias 0-1, Foreman 0-2, Salazar 1-2)
Blocks: 4 (Olivier 2, Graham 1, Dunn 1)
Turnovers: 19 (Olivier 3, Graham 2, Gennie 1, Nesbitt 2, Foreman 6, Dunn 1, Swain 1, Salazar 2, Ward 1)
Steals: 7 (Olivier 1, Gennie 2, Tobias 3, Foreman 1)

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for ISU players (Plank, Vandello, Dilligard, K. Ford, D. Ford, Onyeuku, Vianney, Kruse, Dyer, Odiakosa, Holtz, Carlwell) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .408; FT - .679
3-Pt.: 2-14, .143 (Plank 0-4, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 0-2, Holtz 1-1)
Blocks: 6 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)
Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 2, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1)
Steals: 5 (Plank 1, K. Ford 2, Onyeuku 2)

Officials: David Warfel, Mark Mayhood, Willie Beamon
Attendance: 6,762
Halftime Score: Georgia Southern 31, ILLINOIS STATE 20

GAME 8

Redbird Rally Falls Short; ISU Downed 73-69

NORTHBRIDGE, Calif. - Illinois State nailed six three-point field goals in the final 1:35 of the game to erase a 13-point deficit, but Dana Ford's final attempt at a game-winner bounced off the front of the rim and Cal State-Northridge walked away with a 73-69 nonconference win at the Matadome Saturday night.

CSUN's Jonathan Heard sank a pair of free throws to extend the lead to 65-57, but a Brandon Holtz three-pointer made the score 65-60. After Mike Efevberha missed one of his free throw attempts on back-to-back two-shot trips to the line, three-pointers by Medu Onyeuku and Neil Plank closed the gap to 67-66 with 26 seconds on the clock.

Efevberha was fouled again, but made both charity attempts, however Ford's three-pointer from atop the key forced a 69-69 tie with 20 seconds left in the game. On the ensuing play, Holtz put pressure on Efevberha in the corner of the court on a trap, but was whistled for the foul.

Cal State Northridge 73, ILLINOIS STATE 69
December 17, 2005 • The Matadome

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for ISU players (Plank, Vandello, Dilligard, K. Ford, D. Ford, Onyeuku, Wallace, Dyer, Odiakosa, Holtz, Carlwell) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .415; FT - .500
3-Pt.: 12-29, .414 (Plank 2-6, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 3-7, Onyeuku 2-5, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 3-7)
Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, D. Ford 1)
Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, Vandello 2, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1, Team 1)
Steals: 9 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 2)

Table with 10 columns: Player, Min, FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Lists stats for CS-Northridge players (Efevberha, Powers, Waggenger, Haynes, Altheimer, Locke, Heard, Miller, Hill, Jones, Shewmake, Everage) and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG - .452; FT - .795
3-Pt.: 4-9, .444 (Efevberha 2-5, Waggenger 0-1, Haynes 1-1, Heard 1-2)
Blocks: 5 (Efevberha 1, Altheimer 1, Shewmake 3)
Turnovers: 27 (Efevberha 3, Waggenger 1, Haynes 1, Altheimer 2, Locke 2, Heard 6, Miller 2, Hill 1, Jones 1, Shewmake 6, Everage 2)
Steals: 6 (Waggenger 1, Haynes 1, Locke 1, Heard 1, Shewmake 2)

Officials: Fred Carbone, Michael Irving, Martin Cota
Attendance: 1,013
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, CS-Northridge 30



**GAME 9**

**'Birds Battle to OT, but Fall 69-59**

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. – Indiana State's Gabriel Moore spoiled Greg Dilligard's second career double-double with nine of his 18 points in the overtime period to defeat Illinois State 69-59, in the Missouri Valley Conference opener for both teams at the Hulman Center Thursday night.

The Redbirds erased a five-point second half deficit at 49-44 with 3:58 left in regulation, thanks to a three-point basket by Nedu Onyeuku and a baseline jumper by Dilligard with 2:50 left on the clock. The Redbirds took a brief one-point lead when Onyeuku sank the front end of a one-and-one from the foul line. Indiana State's Trent Wurtz forced the fourth tie of the game at 50-50 with a 1-for-2 effort from the line with 27 seconds left.

The Redbirds held for the final shot, but the ball was forced out of bounds with 3.2 seconds remaining. Coming out of a time out, Illinois State's Neil Plank had an open look from three-point range, but opted to drive and lost control of the ball to force the extra period.

Indiana State stormed out to a 56-50 lead, just 26 seconds into overtime, as Moore scored six straight points. Moore was fouled by Khalif Ford on a three-point attempt and sank all three free throws, before stealing the inbound pass and scoring a traditional three-point play. In the extra period, free throws decided the game for the Sycamores as they made 13-of-14 from the line.

**Indiana State 69, ILLINOIS STATE 59 OT**  
December 22, 2005 • Hulman Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	20	1-4	1-2	1-2	1	3	3
Dilligard, f	36	11-18	0-1	3-12	3	5	22
Onyeuku, g	25	3-8	1-2	0-4	3	5	8
Plank, g	23	1-4	0-2	0-1	2	3	2
D. Ford, g	32	1-7	0-0	1-6	1	3	2
K. Ford	26	1-5	2-2	1-2	4	4	4
Wallace	8	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Vianney	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Vandello	18	2-4	4-6	0-2	0	3	9
Dyer	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Holtz	20	4-6	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Carlwell	11	0-1	0-2	1-2	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>24-58</b>	<b>8-17</b>	<b>9-36</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>59</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .414; FT – .471  
 3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Onyeuku 1-3, Plank 0-3, D. Ford 0-4, K. Ford 0-1, Vandello 1-2, Holtz 1-2)  
 Blocks: 5 (D. Ford 1, Dilligard 3, Carlwell 1)  
 Turnovers: 16 (Onyeuku 1, Plank 2, Odiakosa 1, D. Ford 2, Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1, Vandello 2, Dyer 1, Carlwell 2, Team 1)  
 Steals: 5 (Onyeuku 2, Odiakosa 1, D. Ford 2)

Indiana State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Wurtz, f	28	1-3	8-12	1-6	1	4	10
Tunnell, f	39	6-10	3-4	2-3	1	3	15
Moore, g	41	3-7	10-10	1-10	1	1	18
Schnitker, g	43	1-11	1-2	0-4	0	2	3
Moss, g	43	5-14	11-13	2-8	7	4	21
Evans	19	0-0	0-2	1-1	1	2	0
Booe	4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Trudeau	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Wise	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Yelovich	4	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	2	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>17-47</b>	<b>33-43</b>	<b>8-38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>69</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .362; FT – .767  
 3-Pt.: 2-12, .167 (Moore 2-3, Schnitker 0-5, Wurtz 0-1, Moss 0-1, Tunnell 0-2)  
 Blocks: 1 (Wurtz 1)  
 Turnovers: 13 (Moore 3, Schnitker 3, Moss 5, Tunnell 1, Yelovich 1)  
 Steals: 5 (Moore 1, Wurtz 1, Moss 2, Yelovich 1)

Officials: J.D. Collins, Steve Skiles, Dave Draucker  
 Attendance: 5,072  
 Halftime Score: Indiana State 28, ILLINOIS STATE 22

**GAME 10**

**Ford Hits Buzzer-Beater to Lift ISU over the Jays**

NORMAL, Ill. – With the score tied at 50 and just 3.1 seconds left on the clock, the ball was inbounded to Illinois State's Greg Dilligard at mid-court. Dilligard passed off to Dana Ford who took two dribbles and launched a forty-footer which fell through the net as the buzzer sounded to lift the Redbird men's basketball team to a win over the Creighton Bluejays, 53-50 on Saturday afternoon.

Bluejay center Anthony Tolliver hit a seven-foot jumper with a minute-and-a-half left to give the Jays the edge, 50-49. Illinois State's Neil Plank was fouled on the ensuing play and made the second of two free throws to tie the game at 50 with 28 seconds remaining. The Bluejays failed to convert on their next trip as they turned the ball over with 3.1 seconds left in regulation. Plank inbounded the ball to Dilligard who passed off to Ford for the final score. Ford's shot fell through the net as time ran out to secure the Redbird victory.

Ford finished the game with 14 points and four steals, while Plank led all scorers with 17 points and six rebounds. Creighton was led by Tolliver's 15-point effort and Nate Funk added 13 points for the Jays.

**ILLINOIS STATE 53, Creighton 50**  
December 31, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Creighton	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Watts, f	31	1-6	0-0	1-6	2	3	3
Tolliver, c	32	7-10	1-3	2-2	1	3	15
Porter, g	24	3-5	0-2	0-5	2	2	7
Mathies, g	26	2-5	1-1	1-3	1	4	7
Dotzler, g	32	0-4	0-0	0-1	4	1	0
Bishop	8	2-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	5
Funk	30	5-10	0-0	1-5	4	1	13
Day	17	0-1	0-2	0-1	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-43</b>	<b>2-9</b>	<b>5-25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>50</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .465; FT – .222  
 3-Pt.: 8-14, .571 (Watts 1-4, Porter 1-2, Mathies 2-2, Bishop 1-1, Funk 3-5)  
 Blocks: 3 (Tolliver 3)  
 Turnovers: 19 (Watts 3, Tolliver 2, Porter 1, Mathies 6, Dotzler 5, Funk 1, Day 1)  
 Steals: 11 (Watts 1, Tolliver 4, Mathies 1, Dotzler 4, Day 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	8	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	3	0
Dilligard, f	36	5-10	1-2	1-3	3	3	11
Onyeuku, g	19	1-3	3-4	0-0	1	2	6
Plank, g	38	7-10	2-5	0-6	3	0	17
D. Ford, g	32	6-9	0-0	0-2	2	0	14
Fortes	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
K. Ford	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Wallace	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	25	1-5	0-0	1-5	3	2	4
Holtz	17	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	0	3
Carlwell	12	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-42</b>	<b>6-11</b>	<b>4-26</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>53</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .545  
 3-Pt.: 5-11, .455 (Onyeuku 1-2, Plank 1-2, D. Ford 2-4, Vandello 0-1, Holtz 1-2)  
 Blocks: 6 (Odiakosa 1, Dilligard 1, D. Ford 2, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1)  
 Turnovers: 16 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 3, Plank 3, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, K. Ford 2, Vandello 2, Carlwell 2)  
 Steals: 8 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 4, Fortes 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Steve Olson, Curtis Shaw, Robert Staffen  
 Attendance: 5,970  
 Halftime Score: Creighton 28, ILLINOIS STATE 23

**GAME 11**

**Slow Start Sinks 'Birds**

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa – Northern Iowa opened Monday night's game with a 19-5 run and Illinois State was never able to catch up, as the 'Birds fell 60-47, in Missouri Valley Conference action at the UNI-Dome.

UNI's 19-5 start, over the game's first 10 minutes, was powered by 10 points from Eric Coleman. The Redbirds cut the first-half lead to under 10 twice, but UNI pulled away to claim a 29-16 halftime advantage. The Panthers sank six of their first 10 shots and finished shooting 46.2 percent for the half, while the 'Birds shot 33.3 percent from the floor, including 1-for-7 on threes.

ISU showed some more offense in the second half, and battled UNI to a 31-31 tie in the frame. The Redbirds' Greg Dilligard was ISU's only player in double figures with 12 points. UNI's Grant Stout led the way for the Panthers with 17 points, while Coleman finished with 16. Each added a game-high seven rebounds.

**Northern Iowa 60, ILLINOIS STATE 47**  
January 2, 2006 • UNI-Dome

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	31	6-11	0-0	2-3	3	3	12
Carlwell, c	11	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	0
Onyeuku, g	18	1-2	1-2	1-1	2	0	3
Plank, g	28	1-9	0-0	1-5	1	1	2
D. Ford, g	27	3-9	0-0	0-4	1	1	7
Fortes	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	3
K. Ford	12	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	3
Wallace	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vianney	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	2
Kruse	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	20	2-4	0-0	0-4	0	3	4
Dyer	13	2-4	0-0	2-3	0	1	5
Holtz	23	2-4	0-0	1-4	0	0	6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-48</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>8-27</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>47</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .417; FT – .500  
 3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Plank 0-4, D. Ford 1-4, Fortes 1-1, K. Ford 1-2, Vandello 0-1, Dyer 1-2, Holtz 2-3)  
 Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 1)  
 Turnovers: 15 (Dilligard 2, Carlwell 1, Onyeuku 3, Plank 4, Wallace 1, Vandello 4)  
 Steals: 6 (Dilligard 2, Plank 1, D. Ford 1, Vianney 1, Holtz 1)

Northern Iowa	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Stout, f	32	7-10	3-5	1-7	1	1	17
Coleman, c	18	7-11	2-2	3-7	1	1	16
Crawford, g	33	3-7	2-2	0-2	0	1	9
Jacobson, g	36	2-9	4-6	2-6	3	1	8
McKowen, g	33	2-5	0-0	0-0	5	1	5
Williams	2	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Little	29	1-4	0-0	1-2	1	2	3
Josten	8	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Brown	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Griffin	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Santos	3	0-0	1-2	0-1	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22-46</b>	<b>13-19</b>	<b>8-27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>60</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .478; FT – .684  
 3-Pt.: 3-12, .250 (Stout 0-1, Crawford 1-4, Jacobson 0-2, McKowen 1-2, Little 1-3)  
 Blocks: 2 (Jacobson 1, Santos 1)  
 Turnovers: 9 (Coleman 2, Crawford 2, Williams 1, Little 2, Josten 2)  
 Steals: 11 (Stout 4, Crawford 1, Jacobson 1, McKowen 3, Little 2)

Officials: John Higgins, Frank Spencer, Steve Gordon  
 Attendance: 4,014  
 Halftime Score: Northern Iowa 29, ILLINOIS STATE 16



GAME 12

Second-Half Run Downs Illinois State

OMAHA, Neb. – Senior Nedu Onyeuku returned to his hometown and led Illinois State with a career-high 17 points, but Creighton spoiled the homecoming with a 22-5 run in the second half to claim a 71-52 Missouri Valley Conference victory Thursday night at the Qwest Center OMAHA™.

A Roberto Fortes dunk gave ISU its first second half lead at 38-37 with 12:43 remaining, but the Jays took control of the game with a 22-5 run over the next six minutes, including seven points from Nick Porter. The Redbirds closed the gap to 11 points twice, but could never get any closer. Creighton finished the game shooting 60.5 percent from the floor, including 72.7 percent in the second half.

Creighton led by as many as seven points in the first half at 16-9 with 11:10 on the clock. The Jays used four three-pointers to build the advantage, as they had five different players hit treys in the initial frame. The Redbirds stayed close and cut the lead to 27-25 at the half when Michael Vandello put in a lay-up with five seconds remaining.

Creighton 71, ILLINOIS STATE 52
January 5, 2006 • Qwest Center OMAHA

Table with 8 columns: Player Name, Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Vandello, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford, Fortes, K. Ford, Vianney, Dyer, Holtz, Carlwell, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG – .426; FT – .500
3-Pt.: 5-20, .250 (Vandello 1-2, Onyeuku 1-4, Plank 2-6, D. Ford 0-1, Fortes 1-4, Vianney 0-1, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 0-1)
Blocks: 3 (Vandello 1, Dilligard 2)
Turnovers: 21 (Vandello 4, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 4, Plank 6, D. Ford 3, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1)
Steals: 10 (Vandello 1, Onyeuku 2, Plank 5, D. Ford 1, Dyer 1)

Table with 8 columns: Player Name, Min., FG-A, FT-A, O-REB, A, PF, TP. Rows include Watts, Tolliver, Porter, Mathies, Dotzler, Bishop, Sitzmann, Nengsu, Motz, Day, and Totals.

Team Pct.: FG – .605; FT – .769
3-Pt.: 9-14, .643 (Watts 2-2, Porter 1-3, Mathies 1-2, Dotzler 2-2, Bishop 1-1, Motz 2-4)
Blocks: 0
Turnovers: 19 (Tolliver 3, Porter 2, Mathies 4, Dotzler 3, Bishop 3, Nengsu 1, Motz 1, Day 2)
Steals: 13 (Watts 1, Tolliver 1, Porter 2, Mathies 4, Dotzler 3, Bishop 2)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Tim Hutchinson, David Warfel
Attendance: 12,882
Halftime Score: Creighton 27, ILLINOIS STATE 25