



# GAME 21

## Illinois State Redbirds (11-9, 3-6)

at

## Bradley Braves (14-7, 5-4)

January 24, 2007 • 7:35 p.m. CT  
Carver Arena (11,164) • Peoria, Ill.

### ILLINOIS STATE BASKETBALL

N12 vs. SMU*	L	55-57
N13 at Florida State*	L	59-73
N14 vs. McNeese State*	W	67-50
N20 CAL STATE NORTHBRIDGE	W	66-44
N25 at St. John's	W	78-65
N29 SACRAMENTO STATE	W	86-69
D2 UT-ARLINGTON	W	86-61
D5 MIAMI (OHIO)	W	64-40
D9 at Evansville*	L	41-69
D16 at Western Michigan	L	57-65
D19 LEWIS	W	85-66
D23 at Illinois-Chicago	W	77-69
D29 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	L	49-68
J1 at Creighton*	L	71-79
J6 INDIANA STATE* (Valley-TV)	L	50-54
J9 NORTHERN IOWA*	W	67-64 (ot)
J13 at Drake* (Mediacom)	L	66-70
J15 MISSOURI STATE* (Mediacom)	L	66-75
J18 WICHITA STATE* (NOW 22)	W	83-75
J21 DRAKE*	W	80-65
<b>J24 at Bradley* (WEEK-TV)</b>		<b>7:35 pm</b>
J27 at Southern Illinois*		2:05 pm
J30 EVANSVILLE*		7:05 pm
F3 BRADLEY* (WMBD-TV)		7:05 pm
F6 at Missouri State* (ESPN)		8:05 pm
F11 at Wichita State*		2:05 pm
F14 at Indiana State* (WTWO-TV)		7:05 pm
F17 ESPN BRACKETBUSTERS		TBA
F20 CREIGHTON*		7:05 pm
F24 at Northern Iowa*		TBA
M1-4 at State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament (St. Louis, Mo.)		

\* Colonial Classic (Tallahassee, Fla.)

\* Missouri Valley Conference game

Home games in CAPS; Times listed as Central

### RADIO COVERAGE

Redbird Radio Network

- ▶ Dick Luedke, play-by-play
- ▶ Mike Matthews, color analyst
- ▶ Bruce Evans, sideline
- ▶ L.A. Decker, studio host

Flagship: WJBC(1230 AM, Bloomington)

Affiliates: WBIG (AM 1280/Aurora), WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight), and WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield)

### TV COVERAGE

WEEK-TV (NBC-25)

- ▶ Lee Hall, play-by-play
- ▶ Joe Dalfonso, color analyst

### THE STARTERS

Illinois State Redbirds ▶ ▶ ▶



**0**  
**Osiris Eldridge**  
▶ Guard  
Fr.-HS • 6-3 • 190  
Chicago, Ill.  
PPG RPG APG  
8.7 4.1 1.0



**5**  
**Boo Richardson**  
▶ Guard  
Jr.-TR • 5-8 • 160  
Kansas City, Kan.  
PPG RPG APG  
10.9 2.8 5.7



**10**  
**Dom Johnson**  
▶ Guard  
Jr.-TR • 6-0 • 185  
Bell City, Mo.  
PPG RPG APG  
9.6 2.3 3.4



**32**  
**Levi Dyer**  
▶ Center  
Jr.-2L • 6-11 • 220  
Eaton, Colo.  
PPG RPG BPG  
10.2 3.6 0.6



**50**  
**Greg Dilligard**  
▶ Forward  
Sr.-3L • 6-8 • 230  
Labelle, Mo.  
PPG RPG BPG  
8.7 5.5 1.4

Bradley Braves ▶ ▶ ▶

						ppg	rpg	apg	
F	22	Matt Salley	6.7	220	Jr.-TR	Charlotte, N.C.	8.2	4.9	0.7*
C	21	Zach Andrews	6-8	228	Sr.-1L	Rancho Cordova, Calif.	10.9	7.4	0.9*
G	4	Will Franklin	6-0	185	Sr.-1L	Houston, Texas	15.4	3.0	4.0
G	10	J.J. Tauai	6-3	221	Sr.-3L	Verona, Mo.	6.8	3.8	2.1
G	20	Daniel Ruffin	5-10	160	Jr.-2L	Peoria, Ill.	13.8	1.8	5.2

*blocked shots per game*

### STORYLINES

- ▶ Illinois State and Bradley renew the Interstate-74 rivalry tonight with the 103rd meeting in the series. This is the first of two regular-season meetings and the two schools have met each year on the hardwood since the 1974-75 season.
- ▶ Both the Redbirds and the Braves enter the second half of the Missouri Valley Conference season tonight. Bradley is the final league team ISU has not seen this season after playing Drake twice in the first nine league games.
- ▶ On paper, the majority of shots taken tonight will occur beyond the arc. Bradley leads the conference with 10.38 made three-pointers per game, while Illinois State is second with 7.85 treys per contest.
- ▶ Bradley ranks No. 2 nationally in three-point field goal percentage (44.0) and No. 4 in made threes per game (10.4).
- ▶ The Redbirds are still looking for their first Missouri Valley Conference road victory. ISU has not won a league game on the road since a 59-58 victory at Drake on Feb. 1, 2005.

### SERIES HISTORY

- ▶ Series Record – Bradley leads the series 57-45.
- ▶ First Meeting – Illinois State won the first meeting with a 39-13 victory during the 1904-05 season.
- ▶ Last Meeting – The Braves downed the Redbirds 71-59 in Redbird Arena on Feb. 11, 2006.
- ▶ Current Streak – Bradley has won the last three meetings in the series and six of the last eight.


### THE COACHES

- ▶ Porter Moser (Creighton '90) is in his seventh season as a college coach and his fourth season at Illinois State. He owns a 101-94 (.518) career mark, including a 47-60 (.439) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding ISU, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock. Moser is assisted by Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson and Brian Barone.
- ▶ Jim Les (Bradley '86) is in his fifth season coaching at his alma mater, his only head coaching position. He owns a 76-67 (.531) record with the Braves and is assisted by Eric Buescher, Lennox Forrester and Chuck Buescher.

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**THE TALE OF THE TAPE**

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W-L Record	11-9	14-7
Points Scored	67.7	76.9
Points Allowed	63.9	70.6
Scoring Margin	+3.8	+6.3
FG Percentage	44.1	46.9
Def. FG Percentage	43.9	46.1
Average FG Attempts/Game	54.7	57.6
3-pt. Percentage	35.0	44.0
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	35.8	35.8
Avg. 3FG Attempts/Game	22.5	23.6
Percentage of shots from three	41.0	41.0
FT Percentage	65.9	67.9
Average FT Attempts/Game	17.6	18.2
Offensive Rebounds	11.4	9.3
Total Rebounds	33.0	29.9
Rebounding Margin	+0.0	-6.4
Assists	15.3	15.4
Turnover Average	15.5	12.0
Turnover Margin	+2.5	+4.4
Steal Average	7.5	8.8
Block Average	3.5	2.8
Fouls	18.1	18.8

**WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE**

The weekly media conference starts at 1 p.m. and is located in the Redbird Arena media room, which is just off the Southwest loading dock.

- ▶ Tuesday, January 23
- ▶ Wednesday, January 31
- ▶ Thursday, February 8
- ▶ Thursday, February 15
- ▶ Wednesday, February 21
- ▶ Monday, February 26

**VALLEY TELECONFERENCE**

Teleconferences with The Valley head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, beginning on Dec. 12 and continuing through Feb. 27. The conferences begin at 10 a.m., CT. To participate in the conference calls, call 913.981.5509.

- ▶ 10:05 Jim Les, Bradley
- ▶ 10:10 Dana Altman, Creighton
- ▶ 10:15 Tom Davis, Drake
- ▶ 10:20 Steve Merfeld, Evansville
- ▶ 10:25 Porter Moser, Illinois State
- ▶ 10:30 Royce Waltman, Indiana State
- ▶ 10:35 Barry Hinson, Missouri State
- ▶ 10:40 Ben Jacobson, Northern Iowa
- ▶ 10:45 Chris Lowery, Southern Illinois
- ▶ 10:50 Mark Turgeon, Wichita State

**ABOUT THE BRADLEY BRAVES**

- ▶ Bradley is located in Peoria, Ill., and has an enrollment of 6,154. The Braves are members of the Missouri Valley Conference.
- ▶ The Braves return nine lettermen, including two starters, from a team which advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament with a 22-11 overall record and 11-7 mark in the Valley, which tied for fifth in the league.
- ▶ Jeremy Crouch leads the Braves in scoring with 16.4 points per game, but Crouch has not played in the last seven games due to a right knee sprain.
- ▶ The Braves lead the Valley in scoring offense with 76.9 points per game. Bradley is also tops in the league in three-point field goal percentage (.440), steals (8.81), turnover margin (+4.38) and three-point field goals made (10.38).
- ▶ Senior guard Will Franklin leads the Braves in scoring during league play. Franklin is averaging 16.4 points per game in conference games and 15.4 points per contest on the season.

**BRADLEY NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Saihou Jassey	F	6-6	205	Fr.	Banjul, Gambia
4	Will Franklin	G	6-0	185	Sr.	Houston, Texas
5	Ryan Phillips	G	6-3	198	Fr.	Peoria, Ill.
10	J.J. Tauai	G	6-3	221	Sr.	Verona, Mo.
14	Jeremy Crouch	G	6-5	211	Jr.	Pekin, Ill.
20	Daniel Ruffin	G	5-10	160	Jr.	Peoria, Ill.
21	Zach Andrews	C	6-8	228	Sr.	Rancho Cordova, Calif.
22	Matt Salley	F	6-7	220	Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.
24	Andrew Warren	G	6-5	194	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind.
32	Danny Adams	G	6-4	218	Sr.	Metamora, Ill.
50	Brian Lavin	G	6-0	168	So.	Peoria, Ill.
54	Sam Singh	C	6-9	266	So.	Ozark, Mo.

Head Coach: Jim Les  
Assistant Coach: Eric Buescher, Lennox Forrester, Chuck Buescher

**TOEING THE LINE**

In the first seven Missouri Valley Conference games, the Redbirds were shooting a league-low 59.6 percent from the free throw line. However, that all changed last week, as ISU shot a combined 77.2 percent from the charity stripe in the home victories over Wichita State and Drake. The Redbirds are now shooting foul shots at 66.2 percent in league play.

**AN OFFENSIVE PEAK IN THE VALLEY**

Illinois State's 83-75 win over Wichita State marked the highest offensive output by the Redbirds in a Missouri Valley Conference game during the Porter Moser era. The 83 points were the most points by ISU in a conference game since downing Bradley, 89-74, on February 1, 2003. Adding in Sunday's 80-65 victory over Drake, it marked the first pair of back-to-back 80-point games in Valley play for the Redbirds since the 1997-98 season.

**MAXIMIZING POTENTIAL**

Not only did the Redbirds post back-to-back wins last week in which they scored 80-plus points, they did it with a pair of the fewest field goal attempts posted in a game this season. The Redbirds shot a season-low 48 field goals against Wichita State, but posted the fourth-best point total on the year (83). Against Drake, the 'Birds only had 49 tries at the basket and again registered 80 points in an 80-65 win. In the two games combined, ISU shot 51-for-97, or 52.6 percent.

**20/20 VISION**

With the Redbirds averaging a league-low 63.7 points per game in conference games, the chances of seeing an ISU player score 20-plus points in back-to-back-to-back games seemed unlikely. That is, until Levi Dyer tossed in 20-plus points in each of the Redbirds' last three games. Dyer tossed in 20 tallies against Wichita State and a career-high 27 points against Drake, after scoring 23 points against Missouri State. Dyer became the first Redbird since Lorenzo Gordon to score 20 or more points in three successive games. Gordon had three straight 20-point games in the 2004-05 season.

**WITH AGE COMES EXPERIENCE ...**

Heading into the 2006-07 season, junior center Levi Dyer had amassed 138 total points in his collegiate career. After Dyer's 27-point performance against Drake, he currently totals 203 points on the season. Averaging a personal-best 10.2 points per game this season, Dyer is on pace to finish the season with 316 points, doubling his career total heading into the season.

**2006-07 SCHEDULE**

Date	Opponent	Score/Time
N11	DePAUL	W, 75-58
N15	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE	W, 74-58
N19	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO <sup>^</sup>	W, 81-72
N21	FLORIDA A&M <sup>^</sup>	W, 107-75
N24	vs. Rutgers <sup>^</sup> &	W, 101-72
N25	vs. Illinois <sup>^</sup> &	L, 71-75
N29	at Tennessee Tech	L, 84-86
D3	at Michigan State	L, 53-82
D5	WRIGHT STATE	W, 88-49
D16	vs. Iowa State <sup>%</sup>	W, 76-66
D19	LOYOLA-CHICAGO	W, 82-73
D23	SOUTHERN MISS	W, 83-73
D27	at Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	L, 65-76
D30	EVANSVILLE <sup>*</sup>	W, 85-78
J2	MISSOURI STATE <sup>*</sup>	L, 78-86
J4	at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	L, 63-84
J6	at Drake <sup>*</sup>	W, 89-86
J10	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS <sup>*</sup>	W, 48-46
J13	at Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	W, 76-59
J18	at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	L, 54-65
J20	WICHITA STATE <sup>*</sup>	W, 78-63
J24	ILLINOIS STATE <sup>*</sup>	Tonight
J27	at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	7:05 p.m.
F31	CREIGHTON <sup>*</sup>	7:35 p.m.
F3	at Illinois State <sup>*</sup>	7:05 p.m.
F7	at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	7:35 p.m.
F10	DRAKE <sup>*</sup>	2:05 p.m.
F14	at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	7:05 p.m.
F17	at ESPN BracketBusters	TBA
F20	NORTHERN IOWA <sup>*</sup>	7:05 p.m.
F24	INDIANA STATE <sup>*</sup>	7:05 p.m.
M1-4	at State Farm MVC Tournament	

<sup>^</sup> - Chicago Challenge Invitational  
<sup>&</sup> - Sears Centre (Hoffman Estates, Ill.)  
<sup>%</sup> - Des Moines, Iowa  
<sup>\*</sup> - Missouri Valley Conference game  
 HOME GAMES IN CAPS. All times CENTRAL.

## LAST TIME THEY MET

Bradley 71, ILLINOIS STATE 59  
February 11, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Bradley	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Sommerville, f	28	5-10	5-5	2-11	1	3	18
O'Bryant, c	34	7-15	9-10	8-13	0	2	23
Bennett, g	36	2-7	0-0	1-6	2	2	4
Tauai, g	27	1-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	2
Ruffin, g	30	3-8	9-10	0-3	5	0	16
Franklin	18	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	1	3
Crouch	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Wright	21	2-8	1-2	2-5	0	1	5
Adams	3	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-54</b>	<b>24-27</b>	<b>14-44</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>71</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .389; FT – .889

3-Pt.: 5-11, .455 (Sommerville 3-4, Ruffin 1-2, Bennett 0-1, Franklin 1-2, Wright 0-1, Adams 0-1)

Blocks: 8 (Sommerville 1, O'Bryant 4, Tauai 2, Wright 1)

Turnovers: 14 (Sommerville 3, Ruffin 1, O'Bryant 3, Bennett 4, Tauai 1, Franklin 1, Adams 1)

Steals: 10 (Ruffin 5, Bennett 1, Tauai 2, Franklin 1, Wright 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	30	6-12	2-3	0-4	1	4	14
Dyer, c	29	5-9	1-2	1-4	0	2	16
K. Ford, g	30	1-7	0-0	1-3	3	2	2
Plank, g	34	4-9	3-3	1-3	4	2	13
D. Ford, g	24	0-3	1-2	0-3	1	2	1
Fortes	24	4-9	1-1	0-2	0	3	11
Onyeuku	9	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	0	3
Vandello	14	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Carlwell	6	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-53</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>4-26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>59</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .396; FT – .727

3-Pt.: 9-20, .450 (Plank 2-3, Dyer 5-8, K. Ford 0-3, D. Ford 0-1, Fortes 2-5)

Blocks: 7 (Dilligard 3, Dyer 1, D. Ford 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 15 (Dilligard 2, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 3, Fortes 4, Onyeuku 2, Vandello 1)

Steals: 5 (Plank 2, Dilligard 1, D. Ford 2)

Officials: Mike Sanzere, John Moore, Terry Anderson  
Attendance: 8,388

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, Bradley 33

## USS ELDRIDGE

It's not the Philadelphia Experiment, but at 6-foot-3, freshman Osiris Eldridge must be teleporting himself into rebounding position during Illinois State's league games. In fact, Eldridge leads the Redbirds with 5.9 caroms per game during ISU's nine conference match-ups. He also leads the team with 20 offensive caroms in league play.

## CAUGHT RED-HANDED

While most people might feel that stealing is wrong, the Illinois State men's basketball team has been effective at it on the court this season. The Redbirds boast a 7.50 steals per game average, which is fourth-best in the Valley and would put the 2006-07 Redbirds into the record books with the fourth-best in Redbird history.

## DYERMAKER

Since entering the starting lineup nine games ago, junior Levi Dyer has been making the most of his opportunities. During the nine-game span, Dyer has posted double-figure scoring in each outing, including four 20-point games, one of which was a career-best 27-point effort against Drake on Sunday. During that time, Dyer's averaging a team-best 16.4 points and is shooting 52.3 percent from three-point range.

## LETHAL WEAPON 3

After Boo Richardson fired in six three-pointers at Drake, it gave the Redbirds three separate players who have made six or more three-pointers in a single game this season. Osiris Eldridge dumped in eight at Creighton, while Dom Johnson poured in seven against Florida State earlier in the season. In addition, Roberto Fortes did it twice last season with seven treys at Miami (Ohio) and six at Redbird Arena against Drake.

## DILLY FOR THE BLOCK

Senior Greg Dilligard became Illinois State's career leader in blocked shots this season and he enters tonight's game with 151 career swats. Dilligard is only the fifth player in Redbird history to post 100 or more blocked shots in a career. He currently has 27 blocks on the season.

## FRESHMAN PHENOM

Not only did freshman Osiris Eldridge tie the school record at Creighton for made three pointers with eight, but he also poured in a career-high 28 points in the process. His 28 tallies marked the third highest single-game point total by a Redbird freshman in school history. By doing so, he joined a pretty elite group of ISU scorers – Bubbles Hawkins (30 points at Jacksonville, 2-16-73), Roger Powell (30 points vs. Morehead State, 1-8-73), Billy Lewis (28 points at West Virginia, 3-1-75) and Tarise Bryson (28 points vs. Southern Mississippi, 11-28-98 and vs. Wisconsin, 12-5-98).

## CHAIRMAN OF THE OFFENSIVE BOARDS

Offensive rebounds have only been an official stat for a little more than 15 years, but during that time no one at Illinois State has been better at hitting the offensive glass than Greg Dilligard. During his career, Dilligard has registered 229 offensive caroms and is only the fourth player at ISU to collect 200 or more offensive boards. Dilligard is joined by Rico Hill (211), Dan Muller (205) and LeRoy Watkins (205).

## DYER FOR TWO?

Junior center Levi Dyer has been working hard on his post play and it shows. Entering this season, Dyer had made 14 two-point baskets in his Redbird career. Already this season, Dyer has made 42 baskets inside the arc. He has also continued to shoot from three and ranks tied for second on the team with 30 made three-pointers.

## KEPT OFFLINE

The Redbirds have the fewest free throw attempts in the Valley this season. ISU has only attempted 352 free throws on the year and is averaging 17.6 charity tosses per game.

## 220 GAMES WITH A TREY

ISU enters tonight's game at Bradley with at least one made three in 220 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

## DYER JOINS DOUBLE-DOUBLE CLUB

With a career-high 13 rebounds and 14 points at Drake, junior Levi Dyer netted his first career double-double. Dyer's performance marked the seventh double-double by the Redbirds this season. Greg Dilligard leads the way with three, Anthony Slack has recorded two and Boo Richardson posted one this season.

## 2006-07 VALLEY PRESEASON POLL

1. Creighton (29)	386
2. Southern Illinois (9)	354
3. Wichita State (2)	325
4. Missouri State	289
5. Northern Iowa	223
6. Evansville	163
7. Drake	150
8. Bradley	136
9. Illinois State	125
10. Indiana State	48



**2006-07 VALLEY RANKINGS**
*Through January 22 (All Games)*

<b>TEAM</b>		
Scoring Offense.....	8th.....	67.7
Scoring Defense.....	4th.....	63.9
Scoring Margin.....	7th.....	+3.8
Free Throw Pct.....	10th.....	65.9
Field Goal Pct.....	9th.....	44.1
FG Pct. Defense.....	8th.....	43.9
3-Point FG Pct.....	8th.....	35.0
3-Point FG Pct. Def.....	8th.....	35.8
Rebounding Offense.....	7th.....	33.0
Rebounding Defense.....	7th.....	33.0
Rebounding Margin.....	7th.....	+0.0
Blocked Shots.....	2nd.....	3.50
Assists.....	5th.....	15.25
Steals.....	4th.....	7.50
Turnover Margin.....	3rd.....	+2.45
Assist/Turnover Ratio.....	8th.....	0.99
Offensive Rebounds.....	2nd.....	11.35
Defensive Rebounds.....	8th.....	21.60
3-Point Field Goals Made.....	2nd.....	7.85
<b>REBOUNDING</b>		
Anthony Slack.....	8th.....	6.2
<b>FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE</b>		
Anthony Slack.....	3rd.....	61.7
Greg Dilligard.....	4th.....	61.6
<b>ASSISTS</b>		
Boo Richardson.....	2nd.....	5.65
<b>STEALS</b>		
Anthony Slack.....	10th.....	1.35
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE</b>		
Levi Dyer.....	7th.....	45.5
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOAL MADE</b>		
Dom Johnson.....	8th.....	2.20
<b>BLOCKED SHOTS</b>		
Greg Dilligard.....	8th.....	1.35
Anthony Slack.....	10th.....	1.10
<b>OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS</b>		
Greg Dilligard.....	4th.....	2.50
Anthony Slack.....	8th.....	2.05
<b>DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS</b>		
Anthony Slack.....	18th.....	4.10
<b>MINUTES PLAYED</b>		
Boo Richardson.....	3rd.....	34.10
Dom Johnson.....	5th.....	33.80

**THREE-BALLIN'**

Through 20 games, 41.0 percent of ISU's field goal attempts have come from beyond the 3-point arc. The 'Birds are averaging 22.5 three-point tries per game. Against Texas-Arlington on Dec. 2, the Redbirds set a Redbird Arena record with 14 made treys, which was also the second most in ISU history. The Redbirds are on pace to shoot 698 threes on the season, which would top the school record of 615 set in 1995-96. ISU is also on pace to finish the season with 245 made treys, which would claim the school standard and top the current mark of 220 set during the 1997-98 season.

**DISHING THE ROCK**

Junior point guard Boo Richardson enters tonight's game averaging 5.7 assists per game this season, which is the highest average by a Redbird since Jamar Smiley dropped 6.4 assists per game during the 1997-98 season. Richardson has 113 assists on the season and is on pace to finish the regular season with 175, which would be No. 9 all-time.

**THIRTY SOMETHING**

Junior guard Dom Johnson became the first Redbird to score 30 or more points in a game since Trey Guidry tossed in 30 at Creighton on Jan. 22, 2005. Johnson torched Florida State for 32 points on 12-for-23 shooting. It was the most points by a Redbird since Tarise Bryson scored 38 in the 2001 National Invitational Tournament game at Purdue.

**TAKING THE 'NORM' OUT OF NORMAL**

After finishing the 2005-06 season with a 9-19 record, the 'Birds were in the midst of an aberration. The campaign marked only the sixth losing season in ISU's 35 years of being a Division I program.

**GONE IN 60 POINTS**

The 60-point plateau continues to be a viable measuring stick for the Redbirds' success. Under head coach Porter Moser, the Redbirds own a 41-18 (.695) record when they score 60 points or more. When ISU scores less than 60, the Redbirds' record falls to 6-41 (.128).

**MATCHBOX 20**

If the Illinois State box scores from the 2005-06 season were compared to the box scores from this season – one thing in particular jumps out. In 28 games last season, the Redbirds had a 20-point scorer three times. Greg Dilligard did it once and Roberto Fortes reached 20 points twice. This season, the Redbirds have had players score 20 or more points in a game 12 times. Levi Dyer has scored 20-plus four times, Boo Richardson three times, Anthony Slack twice, while Dilligard, Dom Johnson and Osiris Eldridge have all accomplished it once.

**POINT-N-SHOOT**

It's not just the points either; shooting percentage is also a key factor for ISU in terms of wins and losses. When ISU shoots better than its opponent, the 'Birds are 42-12 (.778) over the last four seasons. When the Redbirds shoot worse, ISU is 5-47 (.096).

**JUCO ALL-AMERICA U.**

Dominatrix Johnson and Keith "Boo" Richardson became the second and third junior college all-Americans respectively, to sign with ISU since Porter Moser's arrival. Richardson claimed first-team honors, while Johnson was a third team selection. The duo joins Lorenzo Gordon, who went on to earn Valley Newcomer of the Year honors in 2005.

**SEAD ADDED**

Sead Odzic (SEE-add ODD-zik) transferred to Illinois State from Southern California following the fall semester. Odzic, a 6-foot-3, 192-pound guard, is a native of Skokie, Ill., and played prep basketball at Niles West. He will have to serve a year of residency and will not be eligible to compete in a game for the Redbirds until the completion of the Fall 2007 semester. At USC last season, Odzic averaged 3.2 points and 1.2 rebounds per game. Prior to USC, Ozdic averaged 20 points, five rebounds and four assists during his senior season at Niles West.

**RUBIN SIGNS**

During the early signing period, head coach Porter Moser added his first to the 2007-08 recruiting class. Point guard Alex Rubin from Armstrong High School in Plymouth, Minn., signed his national letter of intent to continue his education and basketball career at ISU. At 6-foot-1, 185-pounds, Rubin led the Falcons to a 19-10 overall record, before falling in the sectional finals. A two-time all-Classic Lake Conference selection, Rubin averaged 14.5 points and 4.8 assists per game as a junior. In 2006, he was named to the all-metro defensive second team and was an honorable mention all-state selection. This season, Rubin is averaging 21 points per contest, while Armstrong owns an 11-4 record.



### CHART CLIMBERS

#### Career Blocked Shots Leaders

1. Greg Dilligard - 2003-06 .....151
2. LeRoy Watkins - 1995-99 .....143

#### Career Blocked Shots Average

1. Greg Dilligard (107 games) - 2003-06 .....1.41
2. Jeff Wilkins (81 games) - 1974-77 .....1.27
3. Joe Galvin (107 games) - 1976-80 .....1.23
4. Mike VandeGarde (112 games) - 1990-94 .....1.20
5. LeRoy Watkins (120 games) - 1995-99 .....1.19

#### Career Games Started

1. Dan Muller - 1994-98 .....128
2. Michael McKenny - 1981-85 .....114
3. Gregg Alexander - 2001-05 .....112
4. Hank Cornley - 1980-84 .....110
5. Richard Thomas - 1989-93 .....109
6. LeRoy Watkins - 1995-99 .....107
7. Greg Dilligard - 2003-06 .....98

### CAREER GAMES/STARTS

No.	Player	GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	107	98
10	Dom Johnson	20	20
5	Boo Richardson	20	20
32	Levi Dyer	56	17
1	Roberto Fortes	42	16
4	Anthony Slack	20	13
31	Michael Vandello	45	9
42	Dinma Odiakosa	18	9
45	Brandon Holtz	38	7
0	Osiris Eldridge	20	7
51	Ronnie Carlwell	75	2
24	Bobby Hill	15	0
22	Julius Moor	10	0

### 2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	11-9	8-3	2-5	1-1
CONFERENCE	3-6	3-3	0-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	8-3	5-0	2-2	1-1

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-12-06	5:00 pm	vs SMU	55-57 L	6807	(15)Johnson, Dominatrix	(12)Slack, Anthony
11-13-06	7:30 pm	at Florida State	59-73 L	6897	(32)Johnson, Dominatrix	(5)Slack, Anthony
11-14-06	5:00 pm	vs McNeese State	W 67-50	6780	(23)Richardson, Boo	(8)Slack, Anthony
11-20-06	7:05 pm	CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE	W 66-44	4699	(16)Johnson, Dominatrix	(7)Slack, Anthony
11-25-06	7:30 pm	at St. John's	W 78-65	4038	(18)Richardson, Boo	(11)Dilligard, Greg
11-29-06	7:05 pm	SACRAMENTO STATE	W 86-69	5417	(21)Slack, Anthony	(10)Slack, Anthony
12-02-06	7:05 pm	TEXAS ARLINGTON	W 86-61	5941	(17)Dyer, Levi	(4)Dyer, Levi
12-05-06	7:05 pm	MIAMI (OHIO)	W 64-40	5735	(15)Slack, Anthony	(10)Slack, Anthony
12-09-06	2:05 p.m.	* at Evansville	41-69 L	5806	(11)Johnson, Dominatrix	(9)Dilligard, Greg
12-16-06	2 p.m.	at Western Michigan	57-65 L	3091	(15)Fortes, Roberto	(7)Dilligard, Greg
12-19-06	7:05 p.m.	LEWIS	W 85-66	3691	(22)Slack, Anthony	(5)Vandello, Mike
12-23-06	2:00 PM	at UIC Flames	W 77-69	4827	(19)ELDRIDGE, Osiris	(8)SLACK, Anthony
12-29-06	6:05 p.m.	* SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	49-68 L	6429	(11)Johnson, Dominatrix	(10)Slack, Anthony
01-01-07	3:05 pm	* at Creighton	71-79 L	14869	(28)Eldridge, Osiris	(3)Slack, Anthony
01-06-07	7:07 p.m.	* INDIANA STATE	50-54 L	4543	(11)Dyer, Levi	(3)Eldridge, Osiris
01-09-07	7:05 p.m.	* NORTHERN IOWA	WOT 67-64	3585	(20)Dyer, Levi	(10)Dilligard, Greg
01-13-07	3:05 p.m.	* at Drake	66-70 L	4735	(24)Richardson, Boo	(7)Dilligard, Greg
01-15-07	7:06 p.m.	* MISSOURI STATE	66-75 L	4191	(23)Dyer, Levi	(13)Dyer, Levi
01-18-07	7:07 p.m.	* WICHITA STATE	W 83-75	5422	(20)Dyer, Levi	(7)Eldridge, Osiris
01-21-07	12:05 p.m.	* DRAKE	W 80-65	3988	(27)Dyer, Levi	(6)Eldridge, Osiris
						(7)Eldridge, Osiris

\* = Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	11	53641	4876
AWAY	7	44263	6323
NEUTRAL	2	13587	6794
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>111491</b>	<b>5575</b>

### 2006-07 VALLEY STANDINGS

	VALLEY			OVERALL		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
1. Northern Iowa	6	2	.770	15	4	.789
2. Southern Illinois	6	3	.667	15	5	.750
Creighton	6	3	.667	12	7	.632
4. Missouri State	5	4	.556	14	6	.700
Bradley	5	4	.556	14	7	.667
6. Indiana State	4	4	.500	11	7	.611
7. Evansville	4	5	.444	11	9	.550
8. Wichita State	3	6	.333	12	8	.600
Illinois State	3	6	.333	11	9	.550
10. Drake	2	7	.222	11	9	.550

\*Through January 22

### PRONOUNCIATIONS

Greg Dilligard	DILL-a-guard
Levi Dyer	LEE-vye
Osiris Eldridge	oh-SY-ris
Roberto Fortes	FORE-tez
Dominatrix Johnson	dom-me-NEE-trix
Porter Moser	MO-zur
Dinma Odiakosa	DEEN-muh oh-DEE-oh-kosa
Mike Vandello	van-DUH-low

### 2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Ex.	Hometown (previous schools)
0	Osiris Eldridge	G	6-3	190	Fr.-HS	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips Academy)
1	Roberto Fortes	G	6-4	195	Sr.-1L	Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side/Daytona Beach CC)
4	Anthony Slack	F	6-7	210	Jr.-TR	New Orleans, La. (John F. Kennedy/Coffeyville CC)
5	Keith "Boo" Richardson	G	5-8	160	Jr.-TR	Kansas City, Kan. (Wyandotte/Coffeyville CC)
10	Dominatrix Johnson	G	6-0	185	Jr.-TR	Bell City, Mo. (Bell City/Three Rivers CC)
22	Julius Moor	G	6-3	185	Jr.-TR	Kieler, Wis. (Cuba City/Kirkwood CC)
24	Bobby Hill	F	6-6	210	Fr.-HS	St. Louis, Mo. (Vashon)
31	Mike Vandello	F	6-7	220	So.-1L	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
32	Levi Dyer	C	6-11	220	Jr.-2L	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)
42	Dinma Odiakosa	F	6-8	240	So.-1L	Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)
45	Brandon Holtz	G	6-4	185	So.-1L	Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)
50	Greg Dilligard	F	6-8	230	Sr.-3L	Labelle, Mo. (Highland)
51	Ronnie Carlwell	C	6-11	258	Sr.-2L	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)

Head Coach: Porter Moser  
 Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone  
 Director of Basketball Operations: John Marczak

**2006-07 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
05	Richardson,Boo	20	20	682	34.1	69	184	.375	26	78	.333	53	74	.716	12	44	56	2.8	49	2	113	73	0	23	217	10.9
	Conference-Only...	9	9	312	34.7	24	87	.276	10	35	.286	14	19	.737	6	17	23	2.6	25	2	43	26	0	13	72	8.0
04	Slack,Anthony	20	13	463	23.2	79	128	.617	2	9	.222	47	74	.635	41	82	123	6.2	57	4	14	38	22	27	207	10.4
	Conference-Only...	9	3	181	20.1	30	48	.625	1	2	.500	20	31	.645	19	28	47	5.2	26	2	4	12	5	5	81	9.0
32	Dyer,Levi	20	9	388	19.4	72	142	.507	30	66	.455	29	38	.763	15	56	71	3.6	45	1	14	26	11	12	203	10.2
	Conference-Only...	9	8	245	27.2	49	89	.551	21	39	.538	21	29	.724	11	36	47	5.2	24	1	8	14	6	4	140	15.6
10	Johnson,Dominatrix	20	20	676	33.8	66	178	.371	44	127	.346	16	20	.800	9	36	45	2.3	29	0	67	45	5	24	192	9.6
	Conference-Only...	9	9	309	34.3	22	65	.338	12	44	.273	3	6	.500	5	17	22	2.4	15	0	37	24	1	5	59	6.6
50	Dilligard,Greg	20	18	487	24.4	77	125	.616	0	0	.000	20	50	.400	50	60	110	5.5	70	0	31	29	27	11	174	8.7
	Conference-Only...	9	7	200	22.2	25	44	.568	0	0	.000	10	23	.435	16	28	44	4.9	33	0	6	12	13	3	60	6.7
00	Eldridge,Osiris	20	7	440	22.0	59	155	.381	30	82	.366	25	34	.735	29	52	81	4.1	25	0	20	26	1	23	173	8.7
	Conference-Only...	9	7	258	28.7	37	92	.402	19	49	.388	15	19	.789	20	33	53	5.9	14	0	9	11	1	14	108	12.0
01	Fortes,Roberto	19	13	396	20.8	29	85	.341	16	56	.286	20	28	.714	8	31	39	2.1	34	0	31	30	0	12	94	4.9
	Conference-Only...	8	2	104	13.0	2	12	.167	2	10	.200	6	10	.600	3	7	10	1.3	13	0	7	7	0	0	12	1.5
45	Holtz,Brandon	12	0	105	8.8	11	34	.324	8	28	.286	1	3	.333	1	7	8	0.7	9	0	3	7	1	6	31	2.6
	Conference-Only...	6	0	53	8.8	4	17	.235	3	13	.231	0	0	.000	0	3	3	0.5	5	0	1	6	1	5	11	1.8
31	Vandello,Mike	17	0	195	11.5	11	31	.355	1	3	.333	10	13	.769	19	24	43	2.5	25	0	8	20	0	6	33	1.9
	Conference-Only...	8	0	61	7.6	4	9	.444	1	2	.500	6	8	.750	6	9	15	1.9	8	0	1	7	0	1	15	1.9
24	Hill,Bobby	15	0	81	5.4	7	19	.368	0	0	.000	8	8	1.000	6	3	9	0.6	6	0	2	3	1	4	22	1.5
	Conference-Only...	9	0	62	6.9	5	11	.455	0	0	.000	4	4	1.000	1	2	3	0.3	4	0	1	2	1	4	14	1.6
51	Carlwell,Ronnie	16	0	79	4.9	2	10	.200	0	0	.000	1	6	.167	3	13	16	1.0	11	0	2	4	2	0	5	0.3
	Conference-Only...	5	0	27	5.4	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	4	0.8	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0.0
22	Moor,Julius	10	0	33	3.3	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	2	4	.500	0	2	2	0.2	1	0	0	5	0	2	2	0.2
	Conference-Only...	3	0	13	4.3	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0.3
TM	TEAM.....														34	22	56	2.8				3				
	Conference-Only...														12	14	26	2.9				3				
	<i>Total.....</i>	<i>20</i>				<i>482</i>	<i>1094</i>	<i>.441</i>	<i>157</i>	<i>449</i>	<i>.350</i>	<i>232</i>	<i>352</i>	<i>.659</i>	<i>227</i>	<i>432</i>	<i>659</i>	<i>33.0</i>	<i>361</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>305</i>	<i>309</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>1353</i>	<i>67.7</i>
	<i>Conference-Only...</i>	<i>9</i>				<i>202</i>	<i>478</i>	<i>.423</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>194</i>	<i>.356</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>.662</i>	<i>101</i>	<i>197</i>	<i>298</i>	<i>33.1</i>	<i>168</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>118</i>	<i>127</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>573</i>	<i>63.7</i>
	<i>Opponents.....</i>	<i>20</i>				<i>453</i>	<i>1033</i>	<i>.439</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>318</i>	<i>.358</i>	<i>258</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>.697</i>	<i>201</i>	<i>458</i>	<i>659</i>	<i>33.0</i>	<i>361</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>268</i>	<i>358</i>	<i>66</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>1278</i>	<i>63.9</i>
	<i>Conference-Only...</i>	<i>9</i>				<i>213</i>	<i>458</i>	<i>.465</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>158</i>	<i>.380</i>	<i>133</i>	<i>192</i>	<i>.693</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>208</i>	<i>292</i>	<i>32.4</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>619</i>	<i>68.8</i>

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois State	614	731	8	1353
Opponents	567	706	5	1278

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:	OFF	DEF	TOTAL
Illinois State	40	6	46
Opponents	53	7	60



**BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)**

vs. SMU	11-8
at Florida State	2-19
vs. McNeese State	7-2
Cal State Northridge	15-24
at St. John's	13-27
Sacramento State	23-10
UT-Arlington	37-29
Miami (Ohio)	14-4
at Evansville*	15-23
at Western Michigan	13-24
Lewis	16-13
at Illinois-Chicago	22-30
Southern Illinois*	22-6
at Creighton*	5-15
Indiana State*	13-18
Northern Iowa*	14-21
at Drake*	18-15
Missouri State*	6-26
Wichita State*	26-14
Drake*	25-33
at Bradley*	
at Southern Illinois*	
Evansville*	
Bradley*	
at Missouri State*	
at Wichita State*	
at Indiana State*	
BracketBusters	
Creighton*	
at Northern Iowa*	
<b>Total</b>	<b>317-361</b>

**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. ....Dom Johnson (32) at Florida State, 11-13-06  
 Opponent .....Jermaine Boyette (31), Weber State, 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 .....Randal Falke (17), Southern Illinois, 12-29-06

A player had a double-double ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Levi Dyer (14p, 13r) at Drake, 1-13-07  
 Opponent .....Ajay Calvin (15p, 10r), Drake, 1-21-07

A player made five 3-pointers ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Levi Dyer (5-7) vs. Drake, 1-21-07  
 Opponent .....Kyle Wilson (5-6), Wichita State, 1-18-07

A player made 10 free throws ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Lorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04  
 Opponent .....Brandon Dagens (11-11), Lewis, 12-19-06

A player had 15 free throw attempts ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01  
 Opponent .....Ike Ofoegbu (12-17), SMU, 11-12-06

A player had 10 assists ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Boo Richardson (11) vs. Lewis, 12-19-06  
 Opponent .....Martell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03

A player had five steals ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Anthony Slack (5) vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06  
 Opponent .....Haron Hargrave (8), Sacramento State, 11-29-06

A player blocked five shots ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....Greg Dilligard (5) at Wichita State, 2-25-06  
 Opponent .....Aliou Keita (5), Drake, 1-21-07

**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. Drake (.510, 25-49), 1-21-07  
 Opponent .....Missouri State (.658, 25-38), 1-15-07

A team made 10 3-point field goals ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....at Creighton (12-26), 1-1-07  
 Opponent .....Wichita State (12-33), 1-18-07

A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....at Creighton (12-26), 1-1-07  
 Opponent .....Wichita State (12-33), 1-18-07

A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Drake (.529, 9-17), 1-21-07  
 Opponent .....Missouri State (.667, 8-12), 1-15-07

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. UT-Arlington (25), 12-2-06  
 Opponent .....Evansville (26), 2-11-04

A team had 15 steals ...  
 ILLINOIS ST. ....vs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03  
 Opponent .....Sacramento State (15), 11-29-06

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

**ILLINOIS STATE'S 2006-07 RECORD WHEN**

	2006-07	Under Moser
Overall	11-9	47-60
Missouri Valley Conference	3-6	19-44
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams	0-0	0-3
Leading at the Half	9-0	37-9
Trailing at the Half	1-9	9-46
Tied at the Half	1-0	1-5
Leading with 5:00 to Play	10-0	40-2
Trailing with 5:00 to Play	0-8	5-56
Tied with 5:00 to Play	1-1	2-2
In Overtime	1-0	4-2
ISU out-rebounds opponent	8-3	30-16
Opponents out-rebound ISU	2-6	14-39
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers	4-5	27-35
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opponents	7-7	24-17
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better	5-0	18-9
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better	11-4	43-27
Opponents shoot less than 40%	3-2	20-7
Opponents shoot 40% or Better	6-7	25-53
ISU shoots better than Opponent	10-2	42-12
Opponent shoots better than ISU	1-7	5-47
ISU has more FG Attempts	6-7	14-34
Opponent has more FG Attempts	5-1	32-17
ISU Shoots better than 35% on 3's	6-2	32-20
ISU Attempts more 3's	7-9	23-42
Opponents Attempt more 3's	4-0	22-11
ISU has more FT Attempts	8-0	36-8
Opponent has more FT Attempts	2-9	8-50
ISU Scores 100 or More	0-0	0-0
ISU Scores 90 or More	0-0	0-0
ISU Scores 80 or More	5-0	12-1
ISU Scores 70 or More	6-1	26-5

	2006-07	Under Moser
ISU Scores 60 or More	9-3	39-18
ISU Scores less than 60	0-6	6-41
Opponent Scores 100 or More	0-0	0-0
Opponent Scores 90 or More	0-0	0-0
Opponent Scores 80 or More	0-0	0-3
Opponent Scores 70 or More	1-4	5-24
Opponent Scores 60 or More	8-4	26-43
Opponent Scores less than 60	3-2	21-13
In Games Decided by 5 or less	1-3	11-14
In Games Decided by 6-10 Points	2-3	11-16
In Games Decided by 11-20 Points	5-2	16-26
In Games Decided by 21+ Points	3-1	9-4
Day Games	2-4	15-16
Night Games	9-5	32-44
Home Court	8-3	34-20
Away Games	2-5	8-36
Neutral Games	1-1	4-4
When ISU Scores First	5-2	22-14
When ISU Wins Tip	3-3	20-17
In November	4-2	12-7
In December	4-3	15-10
In January	3-4	12-21
In February	0-0	6-19
In March	0-0	2-3
On Sunday	1-1	4-5
On Monday	1-3	4-7
On Tuesday	4-0	13-3
On Wednesday	1-0	4-13
On Thursday	1-0	3-5
On Friday	0-1	1-1
On Saturday	3-4	18-25

**2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM HIGHS & LOWS**

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	86 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	41 at Evansville (12-9-06)
	86 vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	
FIELD GOALS MADE	34 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	14 at Evansville (12-9-06)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	60 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	48 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)
	60 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.607 (34-56) vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	.269 (14-52) at Evansville (12-9-06)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	14 vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	4 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	28 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)	14 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)
	28 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.571 (8-14) vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	.167 (4-24) vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
FREE THROWS MADE	23 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	3 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	33 at St. John's (11-25-06)	7 at Florida State (11-13-06)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.813 vs. Northern Iowa (1-9-07)	.333 (3-9) vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)
REBOUNDS	40 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	20 at Creighton (1-1-07)
	40 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)	
ASSISTS	26 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	9 at Evansville (12-9-06)
STEALS	14 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	2 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)
BLOCKED SHOTS	8 vs. Drake (1-21-07)	1 three times
TURNOVERS	26 at Florida State (11-13-06)	9 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)
FOULS	21 five times	12 vs. Miami (12-5-06)

**2006-07 OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS**

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	79 at Creighton (1-1-07)	40 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
FIELD GOALS MADE	29 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	14 vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	65 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	38 vs. Missouri State (1-15-07)
	65 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.658 (25-38) vs. Missouri State (1-15-07)	.259 (14-54) vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	12 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	1 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	33 vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	10 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
		10 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.667 (8-12) at Evansville (12-9-06)	.100 (1-10) vs. SMU (11-12-06)
	.667 (8-12) vs. Missouri State (1-15-07)	
FREE THROWS MADE	21 at Creighton (1-1-07)	2 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	28 vs. Missouri State (1-15-07)	8 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
		8 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.875 (14-16) vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	.250 (2-8) vs. Miami (12-5-06)
REBOUNDS	42 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)	27 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)
		27 vs. Drake (1-21-07)
ASSISTS	21 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	7 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
STEALS	15 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	3 at St. John's (11-25-06)
		3 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)	0 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
	7 vs. Drake (1-21-07)	
TURNOVERS	28 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	7 vs. Drake (1-21-07)
FOULS	25 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	11 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)

**2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES**

	ILLINOIS STATE	OPPONENT
POINTS	32 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	27 Kyle Wilson, Wichita State (1-18-07)
FIELD GOALS MADE	12 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	11 Anthony Tolliver, Creighton (1-1-07)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	23 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	18 Loren Leat, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
FG PCT (min. 5 made)	.900 (9-10) Anthony Slack vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	1.000 (11-11) Anthony Tolliver, Creighton (1-1-07)
3 PT FG MADE	8 Osiris Eldridge at Creighton (1-1-07)	5 Kyle Wilson, Wichita State (1-18-07)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	15 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	8 Loren Leath, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
3-PT FG PCT (min. 3 made)	1.000 (4-4) Levi Dyer vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	.833 (5-6) Kyle Wilson, Wichita State (1-18-07)
FREE THROWS MADE	8 Boo Richardson at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	12 Ike Ofoegbu, SMU (11-12-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	11 Boo Richardson at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	12 Anthony Vereen, UT-Arlington (12-2-06)
FT PCT (min. 6 att.)	.857 (6-7) Boo Richardson vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	17 Ike Ofoegbu, SMU (11-12-06)
	.857 (6-7) Anthony Slack vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	1.000 (11-11) Brandon Dagens, Lewis (12-19-06)
	.857 (6-7) Anthony Slack vs. Wichita State (1-18-07)	
REBOUNDS	13 Levi Dyer at Drake (1-13-07)	18 Joe Reitz, Western Michigan (12-16-06)
ASSISTS	11 Boo Richardson vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	7 Spencer Stewart, Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
STEALS	5 Anthony Slack vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	8 Haron Hargrave, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
BLOCKED SHOTS	4 Anthony Slack vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	5 Aliou Keita, Drake (1-21-07)
	4 Greg Dilligard vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	
	4 Greg Dilligard vs. Drake (1-21-07)	



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

Opponent	Carlwell	Dilligard	Dyer	Eldridge	Fortes	Hill	Holtz
vs. SMU*	2-0-0	4-6-2	5-2-0	0-0-3	6-5-0	DNP	DNP
at Florida State*	0-0-0	8-2-0	0-0-1	2-3-1	5-2-2	DNP	DNP
vs. McNeese St.*	0-0-0	20-5-3	2-3-0	3-5-0	7-3-2	0-1-0	0-0-0
CS-Northridge	0-0-0	6-4-3	0-4-0	1-4-0	2-4-1	0-1-0	9-1-0
at St. John's	0-1-0	17-11-4	5-0-0	8-2-2	13-7-1	DNP	DNP
Sacramento St.	0-0-0	11-10-4	2-0-1	3-1-0	11-0-3	0-0-0	10-3-1
UT-Arlington	1-2-1	6-3-3	17-4-1	14-2-2	13-3-4	4-2-1	1-1-1
Miami (Ohio)	0-2-0	11-10-0	9-4-1	5-2-1	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Evansville*	0-0-0	6-9-2	2-2-0	9-7-0	3-2-2	0-0-0	0-2-1
at W. Michigan	2-1-0	9-7-3	7-2-0	4-2-1	15-4-1	DNP	DNP
Lewis	0-3-0	13-1-1	6-2-1	6-1-1	3-0-3	4-2-0	0-0-0
at Illinois-Chicago	0-3-0	9-7-2	10-3-1	19-6-0	5-1-5	DNP	DNP
Southern Illinois*	0-0-0	6-5-0	10-9-1	10-4-0	0-2-1	0-1-1	3-0-0
at Creighton*	0-2-0	5-2-0	13-3-1	28-3-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Indiana State*	DNP	9-10-1	11-5-0	9-8-1	0-0-0	4-0-0	DNP
Northern Iowa*	0-2-1	4-7-1	20-5-0	18-4-3	DNP	6-1-0	3-1-0
at Drake*	0-0-0	2-0-0	14-13-1	4-7-1	1-0-0	0-0-0	5-0-0
Missouri State*	DNP	13-2-0	23-4-1	7-7-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Wichita State*	DNP	10-4-1	20-4-2	16-6-1	0-1-1	4-1-0	DNP
Drake*	DNP	5-5-1	27-2-2	7-7-2	8-3-1	0-0-0	DNP
at Bradley*							
at S. Illinois*							
Evansville*							
Bradley*							
at Missouri St.*							
at Wichita State*							
at Indiana State*							
BracketBusters							
Creighton*							
at Northern Iowa*							

Opponent	Johnson	Moor	Odiakosa	Richardson	Slack	Vandello
vs. SMU*	15-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	10-2-4	9-12-0	4-2-0
at Florida State*	32-1-4	DNP	DNP	4-2-4	8-5-2	0-3-0
vs. McNeese St.*	3-3-2	0-1-0	DNP	23-3-7	7-8-0	2-4-1
CS-Northridge	16-5-1	1-0-0	DNP	15-2-8	12-7-1	4-3-0
at St. John's	7-0-2	DNP	DNP	18-3-4	10-7-1	0-1-2
Sacramento St.	8-2-4	0-0-0	DNP	12-3-8	21-10-1	8-8-4
UT-Arlington	13-3-3	0-0-0	DNP	7-1-7	10-3-2	0-0-0
Miami (Ohio)	9-2-3	0-0-0	DNP	13-4-4	15-10-2	DNP
at Evansville*	11-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	2-1-2	4-6-0	4-3-1
at W. Michigan	5-2-3	DNP	DNP	6-2-6	9-2-0	0-2-0
Lewis	11-2-5	0-0-0	DNP	20-4-11	22-4-1	0-5-0
at Illinois-Chicago	14-2-2	DNP	DNP	17-7-7	3-8-0	DNP
Southern Illinois*	11-2-3	DNP	DNP	0-0-3	9-10-1	0-0-0
at Creighton*	6-0-6	DNP	DNP	7-3-9	12-3-0	0-0-0
Indiana State*	10-2-2	DNP	DNP	1-5-6	6-8-0	0-0-0
Northern Iowa*	7-3-4	DNP	DNP	4-4-4	4-1-0	1-3-0
at Drake*	4-2-5	DNP	DNP	24-2-3	12-7-1	0-0-0
Missouri State*	8-2-8	DNP	DNP	9-2-5	6-3-1	DNP
Wichita State*	2-5-2	1-1-0	DNP	9-3-5	14-4-1	7-5-0
Drake*	0-5-6	0-0-0	DNP	16-3-6	14-5-0	3-4-0
at Bradley*						
at S. Illinois*						
Evansville*						
Bradley*						
at Missouri St.*						
at Wichita State*						
at Indiana State*						
BracketBusters						
Creighton*						
at Northern Iowa*						

\* Colonial Classic (Tallahassee, Fla.)  
\* Missouri Valley Conference game

**SUPERLATIVES**

- STARTING LINEUPS – F, F, G, G, G (4):**  
 • Slack, Dilligard, Fortes, Richardson, Johnson (7-4)  
 W – McNeese State, Cal State Northridge, at St. John's, Sacramento State, UT-Arlington, Miami (Ohio), Lewis  
 L – SMU, at Florida State, at Evansville, at Western Michigan
- Dilligard, Dyer, Fortes, Richardson, Johnson (1-1)  
 W – at Illinois-Chicago  
 L – Southern Illinois
- Slack, Dyer, Eldridge, Richardson, Johnson (0-2)  
 L – at Creighton, Indiana State
- Dilligard, Dyer, Eldridge, Richardson, Johnson (3-2)  
 W – Northern Iowa, Wichita State, Drake  
 L – at Drake, Missouri State
- FIRST POINTS:**  
 Slack 5, Richardson 5, Eldridge 3, Johnson 2, Fortes 2, Dilligard 2, Dyer 1
- DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (55):**  
 Richardson 10, Slack 10, Dyer 10, Johnson 9, Dilligard 7, Eldridge 6, Fortes 4, Holtz 1
- DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (9):**  
 Slack 4, Dilligard 4, Dyer 1
- LEADING SCORER:**  
 Dyer 6, Johnson 5, Slack 3, Richardson 3, Eldridge 2, Fortes 1
- LEADING REBOUNDER:**  
 Slack 9, Dilligard 7, Eldridge 4, Dyer 3, Vandello 1, Richardson 1
- DOUBLE-DOUBLES (7):**  
 Dilligard 3, Slack 2, Richardson 1, Dyer 1
- DUNKS (20):**  
 Slack 11, Dilligard 5, Carlwell 1, Hill 1, Eldridge 1, Johnson 1
- FIRST SUBSTITUTION:**  
 Slack 6, Dyer 5, Vandello 4, Eldridge 4, Holtz 4, Dilligard 1, Hill 1
- CHARGES DRAWN (24):**  
 Slack 7, Richardson 4, Dilligard 4, Fortes 3, Dyer 3, Johnson 1, Vandello 1, Moor 1

- MOST MINUTES:**  
 39, Richardson at Western Michigan, 12-16-06  
 39, Richardson at Drake, 1-13-07  
 38, Johnson vs. Missouri State, 1-15-07  
 38, Richardson vs. SMU, 11-12-06  
 38, Johnson at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06  
 38, Johnson vs. Southern Illinois, 12-29-06  
 38, Richardson at Creighton, 1-1-07  
 38, Johnson vs. Indiana State, 1-6-07  
 38, Richardson vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07  
 37, Johnson at Florida State, 11-13-06  
 37, Johnson at St. John's, 11-25-06  
 37, Richardson at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06  
 37, Johnson at Creighton, 1-1-07

**VALLEY WEEKLY HONORS**

- PLAYER OF THE WEEK:**  
 Jan. 22 – Levi Dyer (23.5 ppg., 9-for-11 3FG Pct., 2 games)
- NEWCOMER OF THE WEEK:**  
 Nov. 13 – Dom Johnson (15 pts., 5 3FGs, 1 game)  
 Nov. 27 – Boo Richardson (16.5 ppg., 6 apg., 2 games)  
 Dec. 26 – Boo Richardson (18.5 ppg., 9 apg., 2 games)  
 Jan. 15 – Boo Richardson (14.0 ppg., 7 apg., 2 games)  
 Jan. 22 – Anthony Slack (14.0 ppg., 4.5 rpg., 2 games)

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME**

	Final	FG	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT	FT%	O-D-T Reb.	Fouls	Assists	Turnovers	Blocks	Steals	Halftime
Illinois State vs. SMU	55 57	20-57 19-48	35.1 39.6	8-26 1-10	30.8 10.0	7-9 18-25	77.8 72.0	12-20-32 11-25-36	21 18	10 7	20 22	5 5	7 8	23 29
Illinois State at Florida State	59 73	23-53 28-53	43.4 52.8	8-23 5-13	34.8 38.5	5-7 12-16	71.4 75.0	6-16-22 11-24-35	20 13	14 12	26 27	3 4	9 8	24 31
McNeese State vs. Illinois State	50 67	18-48 26-60	37.5 43.3	2-10 6-22	20.0 27.3	12-19 9-12	63.2 75.0	9-18-27 18-22-40	13 17	9 15	17 16	6 4	9 6	20 36
Cal State Northridge at Illinois State	44 66	14-54 21-51	25.9 41.2	2-14 8-24	14.3 33.3	14-21 16-24	66.7 66.7	14-24-38 10-27-37	24 20	8 14	23 18	1 7	9 12	16 36
Illinois State at St. John's	78 63	24-56 26-52	42.9 50.0	8-25 2-8	32.0 25.0	22-33 11-16	66.7 68.8	16-19-35 8-21-29	19 22	16 10	17 22	2 5	8 3	41 31
Sacramento State at Illinois State	69 86	29-65 34-56	44.6 60.7	6-16 7-15	37.5 46.7	5-9 11-19	55.6 57.9	13-16-29 12-25-37	21 15	12 26	18 20	1 6	15 7	28 39
UT-Arlington at Illinois State	61 86	20-52 30-57	38.5 52.6	7-22 14-27	31.8 51.9	14-16 12-16	87.5 75.0	13-21-34 8-20-28	20 14	11 25	27 16	2 5	7 11	29 36
Miami (Ohio) at Illinois State	40 64	18-47 22-49	38.3 44.9	2-13 6-18	15.4 33.3	2-8 14-22	25.0 63.6	5-26-31 8-27-35	19 12	11 13	23 15	3 2	19 10	27 25
Illinois State at Evansville	41 69	14-52 26-49	26.9 53.1	7-26 8-12	26.9 66.7	6-11 9-16	54.5 56.3	15-21-36 6-26-32	18 13	9 16	17 11	2 4	6 4	27 28
Illinois State at Western Michigan	57 65	23-59 21-51	39.0 41.2	5-28 5-14	17.9 35.7	6-9 18-25	66.7 72.0	11-16-27 16-26-42	21 16	14 12	9 14	3 3	3 3	24 27
Lewis at Illinois State	66 85	21-42 31-58	50.0 53.4	11-18 7-19	61.1 36.8	13-15 16-29	86.7 55.2	5-23-28 13-17-30	25 20	18 23	28 12	2 1	7 14	36 47
Illinois State at Illinois-Chicago	77 69	26-60 26-63	43.3 41.3	11-28 11-22	39.3 50.0	14-21 6-8	66.7 75.0	12-26-38 12-26-38	14 18	17 21	13 18	3 5	8 5	36 32
Southern Illinois at Illinois State	68 49	24-48 19-59	50.0 32.2	8-20 8-27	40.0 29.6	12-22 3-9	54.5 33.3	9-32-41 11-23-34	11 18	17 10	13 11	7 1	7 5	27 20
Illinois State at Creighton	71 79	27-58 27-42	46.6 64.3	12-26 4-11	46.2 36.4	5-9 21-26	55.6 80.8	11-9-20 8-23-31	21 14	17 12	13 18	3 1	8 8	30 38
Indiana State at Illinois State	54 50	15-47 18-55	31.9 32.7	6-21 4-24	28.6 16.7	18-22 10-15	81.8 66.7	11-24-35 16-24-40	16 19	10 10	14 12	0 1	6 7	25 20
Northern Iowa at Illinois State	64 67	22-54 24-55	40.7 43.6	6-20 6-19	30.0 31.6	14-19 13-16	73.7 81.3	5-27-32 6-30-36	18 17	15 13	15 16	4 2	8 7	25 25
Illinois State at Drake	66 70	25-53 25-55	47.2 45.5	10-22 3-11	45.5 27.3	6-12 17-24	50.0 70.8	15-20-35 15-18-33	21 17	11 13	17 13	5 2	8 6	28 33
Missouri State at Illinois State	75 66	25-38 24-49	65.8 49.0	8-12 5-19	66.7 26.3	17-28 13-22	60.7 59.1	5-25-30 7-15-22	20 21	18 17	17 12	1 2	5 9	32 29
Wichita State at Illinois State	75 83	23-65 26-48	35.4 54.2	12-33 8-14	36.4 57.1	17-23 23-29	73.9 79.3	17-14-31 10-27-37	22 19	17 13	11 18	3 5	7 2	29 34
Drake at Illinois State	65 80	26-60 25-49	43.3 51.0	5-18 9-17	27.8 52.9	8-12 21-28	66.7 75.0	8-19-27 10-28-38	21 14	19 18	7 11	7 8	4 3	24 34



## Ronnie Carlwell • 51

C • 6-11 • 258 • Sr.-2L • 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 – 2, twice  
 Rebounds – 3, twice  
 Assists – 1, twice  
 Blocked Shots – 1, twice  
 Steals – 0  
 Minutes – 10 at Evansville, 12-9-06

Last Time Out:  
 Did not play.

### 2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Scored his first points of the season with a dunk against SMU (11/12) • 2006 Will Robinson Endowed Scholarship recipient.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
at St. John's	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Sacramento State	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2-2	2	1	1	0	0	0	6
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	1	0	10
at Western Michigan	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	3	2	0	1	0	0	9
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-2	1-2-3	1	0	0	1	1	0	9
at Illinois-Chicago	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-3-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Southern Illinois*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Creighton*	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa*	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	1	0	1	1	0	0	9
at Drake*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Missouri State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Drake*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*											

<sup>A</sup> Games started  
<sup>\*</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Greg Dilligard • 50

F • 6-8 • 230 • Sr.-3L • Labelle, Mo. (Highland)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Rebounds – 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05  
 Assists – 4, three times  
 Blocked Shots – 7 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04  
 Steals – 3, five times  
 Minutes – 37 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 20 vs. McNeese State, 11-14-06  
 Rebounds – 11 at St. John's, 11-25-06  
 Assists – 4, twice  
 Blocked Shots – 4, twice  
 Steals – 2, twice  
 Minutes – 33 at St. John's, 11-25-06

Last Time Out:  
 Collected four blocked shots, five points and five rebounds in 23 minutes.

### 2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Illinois State's all-time career blocked shot leader with 151 in his Redbird career • Had his 79 straight games with a start streak come to an end at Creighton (1/1) • Has been slowed with a sprained left foot • Against Miami (Ohio) (12/5) collected a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds • Notched his second double-double of the campaign with 11 points and 10 boards against Sacramento State (11/29) • Posted his first double-double of the season at St. John's (11/25) with 17 points and 11 rebounds • Collected a season-high four blocked shots against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • Registered his second career 20-point scoring game with an even 20 against McNeese State (11/14) • 2006 Doug Collins Endowed Scholarship recipient.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	2-2	0-0	0-0	2-4-6	4	4	2	2	2	0	27
• at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	4-6	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	4	8	0	1	2	1	20
• vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	9-14	0-0	2-3	5-0-5	4	20	3	1	1	1	32
• CS-Northridge	3-4	0-0	0-2	0-4-4	4	6	3	0	4	0	24
• at St. John's	8-15	0-0	1-5	7-4-11	4	17	4	3	1	2	33
• Sacramento St.	5-6	0-0	1-5	5-5-10	4	11	4	1	1	0	24
• UT-Arlington	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-2-3	2	6	3	2	1	1	26
• Miami (Ohio)	5-7	0-0	1-3	5-5-10	1	11	0	3	0	1	31
• at Evansville*	3-5	0-0	0-2	4-5-9	4	6	2	6	1	0	21
• at Western Michigan	4-7	0-0	1-1	5-2-7	4	9	3	1	0	0	21
• Lewis	5-8	0-0	3-6	0-1-1	4	13	1	2	0	2	22
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-8	0-0	1-2	3-4-7	2	9	2	1	2	0	27
• Southern Illinois*	3-10	0-0	0-0	1-4-5	2	6	0	0	0	1	27
at Creighton*	2-4	0-0	1-3	2-0-2	3	5	0	2	0	1	16
Indiana State*	4-5	0-0	1-4	2-8-10	4	9	1	0	1	0	30
• Northern Iowa*	2-4	0-0	0-0	3-4-7	4	4	1	2	1	0	28
• at Drake*	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	4	2	0	1	1	0	12
• Missouri State*	4-7	0-0	5-10	0-2-2	4	13	0	1	2	1	25
• Wichita State*	4-4	0-0	2-2	2-2-4	4	10	1	0	3	0	18
• Drake*	2-2	0-0	1-2	2-3-5	4	5	1	0	4	0	23
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											



## Levi Dyer • 32

C • 6-11 • 220 • Jr.-2L • Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 27 vs. Drake, 1-21-07  
Rebounds – 13 at Drake, 1-13-07  
Assists – 4 vs. Drake, 2-14-06  
Blocked Shots – 2, three times  
Steals – 3, twice  
Minutes – 35 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 27 vs. Drake, 1-21-07  
Rebounds – 13 at Drake, 1-13-07  
Assists – 2, twice  
Blocked Shots – 2, twice  
Steals – 3 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06  
Minutes – 34 at Drake, 1-13-07

### Last Time Out:

Poured in a career-high 27 points on 10-for-14 shooting in 30 minutes of play.

### 2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has scored 20-plus points in four of the last five games • Recorded a career-high 27 points on 10-for-14 shooting and 5-for-7 shooting on threes against Drake (1/21) • Collected 20 points against Wichita State (1/18), thanks to a perfect 4-for-4 shooting night on threes • Notched 23 points against Missouri State (1/15) • Recorded the first double-double of his career at Drake (1/13) with a career-best 13 rebounds paired with 14 points • Poured in 20 points, thanks to a 4-for-5 effort on threes, to lead the Redbirds in an overtime win over Northern Iowa (1/9) • Scored in double figures in nine straight games • Grabbed nine rebounds and added 10 points against Southern Illinois (12/29) • Tossed in 17 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) on 6-for-7 shooting • Matched his career-high with a pair of blocked shots against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • 2006 Milt Weisbecker Endowed Scholarship recipient.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	1-5	1-3	2-2	1-1-2	3	5	0	2	0	0	13
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	1	0	0	1	12
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-2-3	1	2	0	3	0	0	5
CS-Northridge	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-4-4	3	0	0	1	2	1	16
at St. John's	1-2	1-2	2-2	0-0-0	2	5	0	0	0	0	6
Sacramento St.	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	2	1	1	1	0	5
UT-Arlington	6-7	3-4	2-2	0-4-4	2	17	1	0	1	2	16
Miami (Ohio)	4-6	1-1	0-0	1-3-4	0	9	1	0	0	0	15
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-1	2-4	2-0-2	0	2	0	0	0	0	17
at Western Michigan	3-9	1-5	0-1	0-2-2	2	7	0	1	1	1	16
Lewis	2-7	0-3	2-2	0-2-2	3	6	1	2	0	3	18
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-9	2-6	0-0	1-2-3	4	10	1	2	0	0	21
• Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	4-13	2-6	0-3	3-6-9	1	10	1	0	1	0	24
• at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	6-8	1-3	0-0	0-3-3	5	13	1	3	1	1	23
• Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	3-9	1-5	4-4	2-3-5	4	11	0	1	0	2	26
• Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	6-13	4-5	4-5	0-5-5	3	20	0	1	1	0	27
• at Drake <sup>*</sup>	6-8	2-3	0-1	3-10-13	2	14	1	2	0	1	34
• Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	8-13	2-5	5-6	0-4-4	4	23	1	1	0	0	32
• Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	6-10	4-4	4-4	0-4-4	2	20	2	3	1	0	32
• Drake <sup>*</sup>	10-14	5-7	2-2	1-1-2	3	27	2	3	2	0	30

at Bradley <sup>*</sup>
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>
Evansville <sup>*</sup>
Bradley <sup>*</sup>
at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>
at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>
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at Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>

<sup>A</sup> Games started  
<sup>\*</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Osiris Eldridge • 0

G • 6-3 • 190 • Fr.-HS • Chicago, Ill. (Phillips Academy)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 28 at Creighton, 1-1-07  
Rebounds – 8 vs. Indiana State, 1-6-07  
Assists – 3, twice  
Blocked Shots – 0  
Steals – 3, twice  
Minutes – 33 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07

### Last Time Out:

Led the team in rebounding with seven boards and added seven points.

### 2006-07/FRESHMAN AT ILLINOIS STATE:

His steal in the final seconds of overtime secured the 67-64 win over Northern Iowa (1/9) • His career-high 28 points at Creighton (1/1) tied the third highest single-game scoring total by a freshman in Illinois State history • He also tied the school record with eight made three-pointers in the game at Creighton (1/1) • In his hometown, tossed in 19 points at Illinois-Chicago (12/23) • Scored 14 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) • Began his college career by shooting 1-for-22 (.045) from the floor in his first four games • Made his first career basket with a three-point shot against McNeese State (11/14) • Scored his first points of his career with a pair of free throws at Florida State (11/13) • Four of his team-high 13 points in the exhibition win over UMSL came on fast break dunks.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	0-7	0-3	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	3	2	0	3	15
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	0-4	0-3	2-2	0-3-3	2	2	1	4	0	0	17
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-4-5	1	3	0	1	0	0	20
CS-Northridge	0-5	0-3	1-2	1-3-4	0	1	0	1	0	0	19
at St. John's	2-5	2-3	2-2	1-1-2	1	8	2	2	0	1	17
Sacramento St.	1-3	0-0	1-2	1-0-1	1	3	0	1	0	0	6
UT-Arlington	5-9	4-7	0-0	0-2-2	0	14	2	0	0	0	12
Miami (Ohio)	2-5	1-3	0-0	0-2-2	2	5	1	1	0	1	21
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	3-8	3-6	0-0	2-5-7	2	9	0	0	0	1	21
at Western Michigan	2-5	0-2	0-0	1-1-2	0	4	1	1	0	0	18
Lewis	3-4	0-1	0-3	0-1-1	1	6	1	1	0	2	17
at Illinois-Chicago	6-10	3-4	4-4	4-2-6	2	19	0	1	0	2	20
Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	4-11	2-6	0-0	2-2-4	1	10	0	1	0	2	26
• at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	10-17	8-11	0-0	1-2-3	4	28	0	1	1	2	29
• Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	4-13	1-6	0-0	6-2-8	2	9	1	4	0	2	32
• Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	6-11	1-4	5-6	0-4-4	0	18	3	1	0	3	33
• at Drake <sup>*</sup>	1-8	0-2	2-3	23-4-7	0	4	1	2	0	1	31
• Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	3-9	0-6	1-2	2-5-7	1	7	1	0	0	2	31
• Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	5-11	3-5	3-4	3-3-6	4	16	1	2	0	0	30
• Drake <sup>*</sup>	1-4	1-3	4-4	1-6-7	0	7	2	0	0	1	25

at Bradley <sup>*</sup>
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>
Evansville <sup>*</sup>
Bradley <sup>*</sup>
at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>
at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>
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<sup>A</sup> Games started  
<sup>\*</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game





## Roberto Fortes • 1

G • 6-4 • 195 • Sr.-1L • Fort Wayne, Ind. (Daytona Beach CC)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 23 at Miami (Ohio), 2-18-06  
 Rebounds – 7 at St. John's, 11-25-06  
 Assists – 5 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06  
 Blocked Shots – 0  
 Steals – 3, twice  
 Minutes – 37 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

**SEASON BESTS:**

Points – 15 at Western Michigan, 12-19-06  
 Rebounds – 7 at St. John's, 11-25-06  
 Assists – 5 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06  
 Blocked Shots – 0  
 Steals – 3 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06  
 Minutes – 32 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

**Last Time Out:**  
 Tossed in eight points, thanks to a 5-for-8 effort from the foul line, in 14 minutes.

**2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:**

Has four field goal attempts in the last seven games • Poured in a season-best 15 points at Western Michigan (12/16) • Tossed in 13 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) • Posted his first double-digit scoring game of the season with 13 points at St. John's (11/25) • Added a career-best seven rebounds against the Red Storm.

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:**

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	2-5	1-3	1-1	1-4-5	3	6	0	2	0	0	24
• at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	2-7	1-3	0-1	0-2-2	2	5	2	5	0	2	31
• vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	2-6	1-4	2-2	0-3-3	1	7	2	1	0	1	24
• CS-Northridge	0-3	0-1	2-2	1-3-4	2	2	1	2	0	3	25
• at St. John's	3-10	1-6	6-8	2-5-7	3	13	1	1	0	0	27
• Sacramento St.	4-8	3-6	0-0	0-0-0	0	11	3	4	0	2	32
• UT-Arlington	5-10	3-6	0-0	1-2-3	1	13	4	1	0	2	28
• Miami (Ohio)	0-3	0-3	2-2	0-0-0	3	2	2	2	0	0	23
• at Evansville*	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-1-2	4	3	2	1	0	0	21
• at Western Michigan	6-11	2-7	1-1	0-4-4	3	15	1	3	0	0	29
• Lewis	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-0-0	2	3	3	2	0	1	24
• at Illinois-Chicago	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-1-1	1	5	5	0	0	1	25
• Southern Illinois*	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2-2	3	0	1	2	0	0	20
at Creighton*	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-0-1	2	0	1	0	0	0	15
Indiana State*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake*	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Missouri State*	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-0-1	2	0	1	1	0	0	14
Wichita State*	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1-1	1	0	1	3	0	0	16
Drake*	1-1	1-1	5-8	0-3-3	1	8	1	0	0	0	14
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*											

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 \* Colonial Classic game  
 \* Missouri Valley Conference game



## Bobby Hill • 24

F • 6-6 • 210 • Fr.-HS • St. Louis, Mo. (Vashon)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 6 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07  
 Rebounds – 2, twice  
 Assists – 1 vs. UT-Arlington, 12-2-06  
 Blocked Shots – 1 at Drake, 1-13-07  
 Steals – 2 at Drake, 1-13-07  
 Minutes – 14, twice

**Last Time Out:**  
 Logged nine minutes and missed both field goal attempts, otherwise did not record a stat.

**2006-07/FRESHMAN AT ILLINOIS STATE:**

Has played 46 minutes in the last five games after playing in a total of 26 minutes in the first 14 games of the season • Tossed in a career-high six points against Northern Iowa (1/9) • Scored his first collegiate points against UT-Arlington (12/2) and finished with four in the game.

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:**

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	1-3	0-0	2-2	1-1-2	0	4	1	1	0	0	5
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	1-4	0-0	2-2	2-0-2	0	4	0	0	0	0	7
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois*	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
at Creighton*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Indiana State*	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-0-0	0	4	0	1	0	1	14
Northern Iowa*	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	6	0	0	0	0	14
at Drake*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	1	2	6
Missouri State*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Wichita State*	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-1-1	2	4	0	0	0	0	10
Drake*	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*											

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 \* Missouri Valley Conference game



## Brandon Holtz • 45

G • 6-4 • 185 • So.-1L • Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 12 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-28-06  
 Rebounds – 5, twice  
 Assists – 3 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06  
 Blocked Shots – 1, twice  
 Steals – 2, four times  
 Minutes – 25 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-28-06

### SEASON BESTS:

Points – 10 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Rebounds – 3 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Assists – 1, three times  
 Blocked Shots – 1 at Drake, 1-13-07  
 Steals – 2, twice  
 Minutes – 19 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

Last Time Out:  
 Did not play.

### 2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Tossed in a season-best 10 points on 4-for-7 shooting against Sacramento State (11/29) • Scored nine points, all from treys, against Cal State Northridge (11/20).

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	3-6	3-6	0-0	0-1-1	1	9	0	0	0	0	9
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	4-7	2-5	0-1	1-2-3	2	10	1	1	0	1	19
UT-Arlington	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-1-1	1	1	1	0	0	0	14
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-2-2	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	7
at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	0	1	6
Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-1-1	1	3	0	4	0	2	18
at Drake <sup>*</sup>	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-0-0	2	5	0	1	1	2	13
Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Drake <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Evansville <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
BracketBusters	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Creighton <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										

<sup>\*</sup> Games started  
<sup>^</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Dom Johnson • 10

G • 6-0 • 185 • Jr.-TR • Bell City, Mo. (Three Rivers CC)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 32 vs. Florida State, 11-13-06  
 Rebounds – 5, three times  
 Assists – 8 vs. Missouri State, 1-1-5-07  
 Blocked Shots – 1, five times  
 Steals – 3, three times  
 Minutes – 38, three times

Last Time Out:  
 Held scoreless for the first time this season on 0-for-4 shooting in 32 minutes of play.

### 2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Recorded a career-best 32 points on 12-for-23 shooting at Florida State (11/13), including a 7-for-13 effort on threes • Poured in a game-high 15 points against SMU (11/12), powered by five 3-pointers • Named the Valley Newcomer of the Week (11/13) after his performance against SMU in the Colonial Classic.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	5-12	5-11	0-0	1-0-1	1	15	1	1	1	0	35
• at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	12-23	7-15	1-1	0-1-1	1	32	4	3	1	3	37
• vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	1-11	1-8	0-0	2-1-3	1	3	2	3	0	2	35
• CS-Northridge	5-9	4-7	2-2	1-4-5	2	16	1	4	0	2	27
• at St. John's	2-7	1-5	2-3	0-0-0	2	7	2	3	0	3	37
• Sacramento St.	2-5	0-2	4-4	0-2-2	1	8	4	3	1	2	34
• UT-Arlington	4-8	3-6	2-2	0-3-3	0	13	3	0	0	0	24
• Miami (Ohio)	3-9	3-8	0-0	0-2-2	3	9	3	1	0	3	34
• at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	4-10	3-7	0-0	0-1-1	1	11	1	0	0	1	32
• at Western Michigan	2-11	1-7	0-0	0-2-2	1	5	3	1	0	1	35
• Lewis	3-5	3-5	2-2	0-2-2	1	11	5	2	0	2	31
• at Illinois-Chicago	5-13	4-9	0-0	0-2-2	1	14	2	0	1	1	38
• Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	4-10	2-7	1-2	0-2-2	3	11	3	2	0	0	38
• at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	2-10	2-6	0-0	0-0-0	2	6	6	4	1	1	37
• Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	4-11	2-9	0-0	0-2-2	1	10	2	0	0	1	38
• Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	3-6	0-3	1-1	0-3-3	2	7	4	3	0	0	33
• at Drake <sup>*</sup>	1-6	1-5	1-2	2-0-2	3	4	5	3	0	0	32
• Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	3-4	2-3	0-1	1-1-2	2	8	8	5	0	1	38
• Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	1-4	0-2	0-0	1-4-5	0	2	2	5	0	0	29
• Drake <sup>*</sup>	0-4	0-2	0-0	1-4-5	1	0	6	2	0	1	32

at Bradley<sup>\*</sup>  
 at Southern Illinois<sup>\*</sup>  
 Evansville<sup>\*</sup>  
 Bradley<sup>\*</sup>  
 at Missouri State<sup>\*</sup>  
 at Wichita State<sup>\*</sup>  
 at Indiana State<sup>\*</sup>  
 BracketBusters  
 Creighton<sup>\*</sup>  
 at Northern Iowa<sup>\*</sup>  
<sup>\*</sup> Games started  
<sup>^</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Julius Moor • 22

G • 6-3 • 185 • Jr.-TR • Kieler, Wis. (Kirkwood CC)

**CAREER BESTS:**

- Points – 1, twice
- Rebounds – 1, twice
- Assists – 0
- Blocked Shots – 0
- Steals – 1, twice
- Minutes – 7 vs. Wichita State, 1-18-07

**Last Time Out:**  
 Played four minutes and missed his only field goal attempt.

**2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:**

Saw his first game action in eight games against Wichita State (1/18) and scored his second point of the season, while logging a season-best seven minutes • Scored his first career point with a made free throw against Cal State Northridge (11/20).

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:**

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
CS-Northridge	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	2	0	1	6
Miami (Ohio)	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-0	1-2	0-1-1	0	1	0	1	0	1	7
Drake <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
at Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Evansville <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
BracketBusters	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Creighton <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										

<sup>\*</sup> Games started  
<sup>A</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Dinma Odiakosa • 42

F • 6-8 • 240 • So.-1L • Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's)

**CAREER BESTS:**

- Points – 6 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06
- Rebounds – 10 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06
- Assists – 1, five times
- Blocked Shots – 2 at Bradley, 2-1-06
- Steals – 1, three times
- Minutes – 20, twice

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

**SEASON BESTS:**

- Points – 0
- Rebounds – 0
- Assists – 0
- Blocked Shots – 0
- Steals – 0
- Minutes – 0

**2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:**

Expected to redshirt this season • Recorded a pair of blocked shots and added four rebounds and two points in the exhibition game.

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:**

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
CS-Northridge	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
UT-Arlington	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Miami (Ohio)	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Drake <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Evansville <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Bradley <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
BracketBusters	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Creighton <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										

<sup>\*</sup> Games started  
<sup>A</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Boo Richardson • 5

G • 5-8 • 160 • Jr.-TR • Kansas City, Kan. (Coffeyville CC)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 24 at Drake, 1-13-07  
 Rebounds – 7 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06  
 Assists – 11 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06  
 Blocked Shots – 0  
 Steals – 2, five times  
 Minutes – 39, twice

### Last Time Out:

Registered 16 points, six assists and only one turnover in 36 minutes of play.

### 2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Poured in a career-high 24 points on 8-for-13 shooting, including 6-of-9 on treys, at Drake (1/13) • Notched his first career double-double with 20 points and 11 assists against Lewis (12/19) • Named the Valley Newcomer of the Week on Nov. 27, Dec. 26 and Jan. 15 • Has 10 double-figure scoring games on the season • Scored 23 points in the win over McNeese State (11/14), while also adding seven assists.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU <sup>^</sup>	4-13	0-4	2-2	1-1-2	3	10	4	6	0	1	38
• at Florida State <sup>^</sup>	1-6	0-0	2-2	1-1-2	4	4	4	6	0	0	34
• vs. McNeese State <sup>^</sup>	8-12	3-5	4-5	1-2-3	1	23	7	2	0	1	36
• CS-Northridge	4-7	1-3	6-7	1-1-2	2	15	8	5	0	0	30
• at St. John's	5-10	3-8	5-6	1-2-3	3	18	4	5	0	1	31
• Sacramento St.	4-8	2-2	2-3	0-3-3	3	12	8	5	0	1	27
• UT-Arlington	2-3	1-2	2-4	0-1-1	1	7	7	5	0	2	31
• Miami (Ohio)	4-9	1-2	4-7	0-4-4	1	13	4	5	0	1	35
at Evansville*	0-11	0-5	2-3	0-1-1	1	2	2	5	0	2	35
• at Western Michigan	1-9	1-7	3-4	1-1-2	2	6	6	1	0	1	39
• Lewis	8-11	3-5	1-4	0-4-4	1	20	11	2	0	1	32
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-9	1-5	8-11	0-7-7	3	17	7	5	0	1	37
• Southern Illinois*	0-5	0-2	0-0	0-0-0	5	0	3	6	0	2	27
• at Creighton*	2-9	1-3	2-2	1-2-3	1	7	9	1	0	1	38
• Indiana State*	0-10	0-4	1-2	2-3-5	3	1	6	3	0	1	35
• Northern Iowa*	2-8	0-4	0-0	0-4-4	2	4	4	1	0	2	38
• at Drake*	8-13	6-9	2-2	0-2-2	5	24	3	4	0	1	39
• Missouri State*	4-12	1-3	0-0	1-1-2	2	9	5	3	0	2	36
• Wichita State*	3-7	1-2	2-4	1-2-3	4	9	5	2	0	1	28
• Drake*	5-12	1-3	5-6	1-2-3	2	16	6	1	0	1	36

- at Bradley\*
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- Bradley\*
- at Missouri State\*
- at Wichita State\*
- at Indiana State\*
- BracketBusters
- Creighton\*
- at Northern Iowa\*

\* Games started  
<sup>^</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game



## Anthony Slack • 4

F • 6-7 • 210 • Jr.-TR • New Orleans, La. (Coffeyville CC)

### CAREER BESTS:

Points – 22 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06  
 Rebounds – 12 vs. SMU, 11-12-06  
 Assists – 2, three times  
 Blocked Shots – 3, three times  
 Steals – 5 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06  
 Minutes – 33 vs. Miami (Ohio), 12-5-06

### Last Time Out:

Scored his second straight 14-point game off the bench in 21 minutes of action.

### 2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has been slowed with a back injury • Scored in double figures 10 times this season • Tossed in a career-best 22 points against Lewis (12/19) in only 17 minutes • Collected his second double-double of the season with 15 points and 10 boards against Miami (Ohio) (12/5) • Posted his first career double-double with 21 points and 10 rebounds against Sacramento State (11/29) • Notched his first career double-digit scoring game in his home debut with 12 points against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • Also added five steals versus CSUN • Swatted a career-high four blocked shots vs. McNeese State (11/24) • Collected a game-high 12 rebounds against SMU.

### 2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU <sup>^</sup>	4-7	1-2	0-2	3-9-12	4	9	0	3	2	2	25
• at Florida State <sup>^</sup>	4-5	0-1	0-0	0-5-5	2	8	2	5	0	1	26
• vs. McNeese State <sup>^</sup>	3-5	0-1	1-2	4-4-8	4	7	0	1	3	1	23
• CS-Northridge	5-11	0-1	2-5	2-5-7	1	12	1	3	1	5	28
• at St. John's	3-7	0-1	4-7	1-6-7	2	10	1	1	1	0	29
• Sacramento St.	9-10	0-0	3-4	2-8-10	3	21	1	3	3	1	27
• UT-Arlington	4-8	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	10	2	3	3	3	26
• Miami (Ohio)	4-9	0-1	7-10	2-8-10	2	15	2	3	2	4	33
• at Evansville*	2-7	0-0	0-0	2-4-6	4	4	0	2	0	1	18
• at Western Michigan	4-5	0-0	1-2	1-1-2	5	9	0	0	2	0	22
• Lewis	8-9	0-0	6-7	2-2-4	5	22	1	0	0	2	17
at Illinois-Chicago	1-4	0-0	1-2	3-5-8	1	3	0	4	0	3	26
Southern Illinois*	3-5	1-1	2-4	3-7-10	2	9	1	0	0	0	23
• at Creighton*	5-7	0-1	2-4	3-0-3	2	12	0	1	0	1	27
• Indiana State*	2-5	0-0	2-3	2-6-8	5	6	0	2	0	0	20
Northern Iowa*	1-3	0-0	2-2	0-1-1	0	4	0	2	0	0	10
at Drake*	6-7	0-0	0-2	5-2-7	4	12	1	0	2	1	23
Missouri State*	2-2	0-0	2-3	1-2-3	5	6	1	1	0	2	21
Wichita State*	4-6	0-0	6-7	1-3-4	2	14	1	2	1	0	18
Drake*	5-6	0-0	4-6	2-3-5	2	14	0	2	2	0	21

- at Bradley\*
- at Southern Illinois\*
- Evansville\*
- Bradley\*
- at Missouri State\*
- at Wichita State\*
- at Indiana State\*
- BracketBusters
- Creighton\*

\* Games started  
<sup>^</sup> Colonial Classic game  
<sup>\*</sup> Missouri Valley Conference game





# Mike Vandello • 31

F • 6-7 • 220 • So.-1L • Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)

**CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 11 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06  
 Rebounds – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Assists – 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05  
 Blocked Shots – 1, four times  
 Steals – 3 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06  
 Minutes – 31 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

**SEASON BESTS:**

Points – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Rebounds – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Assists – 4 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06  
 Blocked Shots – 0  
 Steals – 1, five times  
 Minutes – 23 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

**Last Time Out:**  
 Three points and four rebounds in six minutes of play.

**2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:**

After scoring a combined one point in the previous nine games, busted out for seven points on 2-for-2 shooting against Wichita State (1/18) • Did not play against Miami (Ohio) due to a shoulder injury • Collected a career best eight rebounds against Sacramento State (11/29), also added eight points and four assists • Shot 2-for-9 (.222) in the Colonial Classic in Tallahassee, Fla.

**2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:**

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU <sup>A</sup>	1-5	0-0	2-2	2-0-2	0	4	0	2	0	1	18
at Florida State <sup>A</sup>	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-3-3	4	0	0	2	0	1	19
vs. McNeese State <sup>A</sup>	1-3	0-0	0-0	2-2-4	4	2	1	2	0	0	19
CS-Northridge	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	4	0	2	0	1	12
at St. John's	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	1	0	2	2	0	1	13
Sacramento St.	4-7	0-0	0-0	3-5-8	1	8	4	1	0	0	23
UT-Arlington	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	2	0	0	2	0	0	6
Miami (Ohio)	Did not play – Injury										
at Evansville <sup>*</sup>	1-1	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	4	1	2	0	1	12
at Western Michigan	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-0	3-2-5	2	0	0	0	0	1	13
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
at Creighton <sup>*</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Indiana State <sup>*</sup>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Northern Iowa <sup>*</sup>	0-2	0-1	1-2	1-2-3	4	1	0	1	0	0	15
at Drake <sup>*</sup>	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6
Missouri State <sup>*</sup>	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State <sup>*</sup>	2-2	0-0	3-4	2-3-5	0	7	0	0	0	0	12
Drake <sup>*</sup>	1-3	1-1	0-0	1-3-4	1	3	0	2	0	0	6
at Bradley <sup>*</sup>											
at Southern Illinois <sup>*</sup>											
Evansville <sup>*</sup>											
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**EXHIBITION 1**
**Redbirds Win Lone Exhibition, 60-49**

NORMAL, Ill. – The newcomers made quite an opening impression for the Illinois State men's basketball team, as freshman guard Osiris Eldridge led the team with 13 points, on 3-for-4 shooting from beyond the arc, and junior-transfer Anthony Slack recorded a double-double with 10 points and a team-leading 11 rebounds in ISU's 83-58 victory over Division II Missouri-St. Louis in exhibition action Wednesday night at Redbird Arena.

Eldridge and Slack were two of four Redbirds to score in double figures as junior center Levi Dyer and senior forward Greg Dilligard each chipped in 10 points a piece.

The 'Birds also had a fantastic shooting night, connecting on 57 percent of their shots, including 9-of-22 from long distance. The Redbird defense proved to be equally up to the challenge, holding the Rivermen to 33 percent from the floor and scoring 16 points off UMSL turnovers.

Illinois State opened the second half on a 17-4 run and never looked back. Junior Dominatrix Johnson poured in five points for the 'Birds during the run that put the game out of reach. The Redbirds' hot shooting touch carried over from the first half as ISU built its lead to as many as 28 points.

ILLINOIS STATE 83, Missouri-St. Louis 58  
November 1, 2006 • Redbird Arena

UMSL	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Ledbetter, f	29	5-9	4-6	4-4	2-5	1	1	18
Slaten, f	27	3-12	2-7	4-4	1-3	1	1	12
Ward, c	27	3-7	0-0	0-0	2-5	2	2	6
Boateng, g	18	2-6	1-3	0-2	3-4	0	1	5
Hawkins, g	20	2-10	0-0	0-1	2-4	2	2	4
DeChellis	19	2-3	0-0	0-0	0-3	0	2	4
Kliethermes	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	2	2
Jackson	16	1-3	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	0	2
Whittaker	22	2-7	1-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	5
Adams	14	0-5	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	2	0
Totals	200	21-63	8-19	8-11	14-35	9	13	58

Team Pct.: FG – .333; FT – .727

Blocks: 1 (Jackson 1)

Turnovers: 14 (Ledbetter 1, Slaten 3, Ward 1, Boateng 2, Hawkins 3,

Kliethermes 1, Jackson 1, Whittaker 2)

Steals: 4 (Ledbetter 1, Slaten 1, Hawkins 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	20	5-9	0-1	0-1	3-11	0	3	10
Vandello, f	16	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-4	1	1	4
Dilligard, f	18	5-7	0-0	0-2	1-3	0	2	10
Richardson, g	24	4-7	0-3	1-2	0-0	7	1	9
Johnson, g	20	2-4	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	5
Eldridge	21	5-8	3-4	0-0	1-4	2	1	13
Fortes	19	2-7	2-4	1-2	0-2	4	1	7
Moor	10	3-4	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	7
Hill	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Dyer	18	4-7	1-3	1-2	0-3	2	0	10
Odiakosa	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	3	2
Holtz	11	2-4	1-3	0-0	0-1	2	1	5
Carlwell	7	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	1	1
Totals	200	34-60	9-22	6-13	9-39	21	15	83

Team Pct.: FG – .567; FT – .462

Blocks: 5 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Odiakosa 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Vandello 2, Dilligard 1, Richardson 2, Eldridge 2, Moor 1, Hill 1, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 2)

Steals: 9 (Dilligard 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Eldridge 3, Holtz 2)

Officials: Dan Dorian, Bill Oostdyk, Tom O'Neill Jr.

Attendance: 3,295

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 38, UMSL 30

**GAME 1**
**SMU Tip-in Spoils Redbird Comeback**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – SMU's Devon Pearson tipped in a missed lay-up by Derrick Roberts in the game's final second to spoil Illinois State's rally from 11 points down in the season opener at the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center on Sunday night.

Trailing 44-33 with 9:54 left in the game, the Redbirds (0-1) used a 19-5 run, including 10 points by Boo Richardson, to take a 52-49 lead with 3:43 on the clock. However, Ike Ofoegbu scored 11 of the Mustangs' final 13 points to give SMU (1-0) a 55-52 with 1:50 remaining. Dominatrix Johnson buried a deep three-pointer, his fifth of the game, to tie the score at 55-55 with 27 seconds on the clock.

Holding for the last possession, Roberts drove along the left side of the lane and his lay-up bounced off the rim, but Pearson flashed in from the right side with the tip-in.

The three-ball was working early for the Redbirds, as ISU shot its way to an early 16-7 lead with 12:13 left in the first half. Trailing 7-6, the Redbirds used a 10-0 run, with treys from post players Anthony Slack and Levi Dyer. However, ISU suffered through a pair of four-minute scoring droughts in the final 12 minutes and SMU responded with an 18-5 spurt to take a 25-21 lead. Thanks to a Bamba Fall's jumper at the buzzer, the Mustangs took a 29-23 lead at the intermission.

Johnson led the way for the Redbirds with 15 points, with all five baskets coming from beyond the arc. Richardson added 10 points, while Slack finished with nine points and a game-high 12 rebounds. SMU was led by Ofoegbu, who finished with 21 points, and Bamba Fall, who tossed in 11.

The Redbirds shot 35 percent from the field, including 31 percent in the first half. ISU also finished with nine free throw attempts, while SMU recorded 25.

SMU 57, ILLINOIS STATE 55  
November 12, 2006 • Donald L. Tucker Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	25	4-7	1-2	0-2	3-12	0	4	9
Dilligard, f	27	2-2	0-0	0-0	2-6	2	4	4
Fortes, g	24	2-5	1-3	1-1	1-5	0	3	6
Richardson, g	38	4-13	0-4	2-2	1-2	4	3	10
Johnson, g	35	5-12	5-11	0-0	1-1	1	1	15
Eldridge	15	0-7	0-3	0-0	0-0	3	1	0
Moor	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	18	1-5	0-0	2-2	2-2	0	0	4
Dyer	13	1-5	1-3	2-2	1-2	0	3	5
Carlwell	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	2
Totals	200	20-57	8-26	7-9	12-32	10	21	55

Team Pct.: FG – .351; FT – .778

Blocks: 5 (Slack 2, Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Slack 3, Dilligard 2, Fortes 2, Richardson 6, Johnson 1, Eldridge 2, Vandello 2, Dyer 2)

Steals: 7 (Slack 2, Richardson 1, Eldridge 3, Vandello 1)

SMU	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Pearson, f	33	3-12	0-4	1-1	3-10	1	2	7
Ofoegbu, f	28	4-8	1-2	12-17	2-5	1	4	21
Fall, c	29	5-9	0-0	1-2	2-5	1	4	11
Killen, g	38	1-5	0-1	2-2	0-2	3	1	4
Roberts, g	28	3-6	0-1	0-1	1-3	0	1	6
Ritter	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Willingham	18	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Rackauskas	21	3-7	0-1	2-2	2-8	0	5	8
Spencer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	19-48	1-10	18-25	11-36	7	18	57

Team Pct.: FG – .396; FT – .720

Blocks: 5 (Fall 3, Rackauskas 2)

Turnovers: 22 (Pearson 2, Ofoegbu 4, Fall 3, Killen 5, Roberts 2, Rackauskas 6)

Steals: 8 (Ofoegbu 1, Killen 4, Roberts 2, Willingham 1)

Officials: Mike Sanzere, Gerry Pollard, Don Daily

Attendance: 6,807

Halftime Score: SMU 29, ILLINOIS STATE 23

**GAME 2**
**Johnson's Hot Hand Can't Sink Seminoles**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Junior guard Dominatrix Johnson single-handedly kept Illinois State in the game, but in the end his career-high 32 points weren't enough as the Redbirds fell to Florida State 73-59, in the second day of the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center, Monday night.

The Redbirds (0-2) were never able to overcome a seven-point halftime deficit as Florida State (2-0) led by as many as 17 points in the second half. However, Johnson continued his torrid shooting with his fifth 3-point basket of the second half and dwindled the lead to 66-57 with 2:55 left. Florida State's Al Thornton tried to match Johnson point for point in the second half and finished with 20 points, including 18 in the final frame.

For the second night in a row, Illinois State stormed out of the gate early. The Redbirds jumped on the Seminoles and took an 11-1 lead at the 16:31 mark. It was a total team effort as all five starters scored a basket in the game's first four minutes with Roberto Fortes hitting the game's first three-pointer.

The teams traded baskets to make the score 13-3 with 14:54 left on the clock, but much like the SMU game, the Redbirds were slowed by a couple of four minute scoring droughts in the final 12 minutes of the half. FSU took advantage of the first drought and closed the score to 13-12.

ISU recovered from Florida State's first run and continued to lead thanks the hot shooting of Johnson, who finished with 11 points in the first half. But with the Redbirds leading 19-17 and 8:56 on the clock, ISU suffered its second four-minute scoreless rut of the half. Again the Seminoles capitalized with a 14-5 run to end the half and as a result took a seven-point lead into the locker room at 31-24.

Johnson's 30-point scoring night was the first by a Redbird since Trey Guidry fired in 30 at Creighton on Jan. 22, 2005 and the most since Tarise Bryson scored 38 points in the 2001 National Invitational Tournament game at Purdue.

Florida State 73, ILLINOIS STATE 59  
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ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	26	4-5	0-1	0-0	0-5	2	2	8
Dilligard, f	20	4-6	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	4	8
Fortes, g	31	2-7	1-3	0-1	0-2	2	2	5
Richardson, g	34	1-6	0-0	2-2	1-2	4	4	4
Johnson, g	37	12-23	7-15	1-1	0-1	4	1	32
Eldridge	17	0-4	0-3	2-2	0-3	1	2	2
Vandello	19	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-3	0	4	0
Dyer	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
Carlwell	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	23-53	8-23	5-7	6-22	14	20	59

Team Pct.: FG – .434; FT – .714

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 26 (Slack 5, Dilligard 1, Fortes 5, Richardson 6, Johnson 3, Eldridge 4, Vandello 2)

Steals: 9 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 2, Johnson 3, Vandello 1, Dyer 1)

Florida State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Thornton, f	27	8-12	1-2	3-3	1-5	1	2	20
Echefe, f	16	1-3	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	2	2
Swann, g	24	5-9	2-3	2-3	2-4	0	2	14
Douglas, g	30	3-9	0-1	1-2	0-5	5	1	7
Rich, g	32	5-9	0-2	1-1	1-6	1	3	11
Mims	17	2-3	1-2	2-2	2-3	1	0	7
Allen	26	2-2	1-1	1-2	0-4	2	1	6
Breedon	11	0-4	0-2	2-2	0-1	1	0	2
Reid	17	2-2	0-0	0-0	3-3	1	2	4
Totals	200	28-53	5-13	12-16	11-35	12	13	73

Team Pct.: FG – .528; FT – .750

Blocks: 4 (Echefe 1, Rich 1, Allen 2)

Turnovers: 27 (Thornton 5, Echefe 3, Swann 5, Douglas 4, Rich 3, Mims 4, Allen 1, Breedon 1, Reid 1)

Steals: 8 (Thornton 4, Rich 2, Allen 1, Reid 1)

Officials: Mike Sanzere, Gerry Pollard, Don Daily

Attendance: 6,897

Halftime Score: Florida State 31, ILLINOIS STATE 24

**GAME 3**

**Dilligard, Richardson Lead Birds to Victory**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The inside and outside combination of Illinois State's Greg Dilligard and Boo Richardson was too much for McNeese State as the Redbirds notched their first win of the season with a 67-50 win over the Cowboys in the third and final day of the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center.

Richardson paced the Redbirds (1-2) with a game-high 23 points, while Dilligard collected 20 points. The victory was the first for ISU away from Redbird Arena in its last 18 tries. The last Redbird victory away from Normal occurred on Feb. 19, 2005, when ISU topped Wisconsin-Green Bay 79-69 in ESPN BracketBusters.

Illinois State took the lead 9-7 at the 15:20 mark on an Anthony Slack lay up and never relinquished the lead. Over the next seven minutes, ISU went on a 14-3 run, which included six points by Dilligard, to give the Birds a 23-10 with 8:30 left in the first half. The Redbirds increased their lead to 16 points and took a 36-20 advantage into the locker room led by Dilligard's 11 first-half points.

In the second half, the Redbirds could never fully put McNeese State (0-3) away, but the Cowboys were unable to get any closer than 10 points. Both times McNeese State closed the gap to 10 points, the Redbirds responded including a 9-0 run in the game's final three minutes.

ILLINOIS STATE 67, McNeese State 50  
November 14, 2006 • Donald L. Tucker Center

McNeese St.	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Wardell, f	28	3-9	0-0	4-4	1-5	1	3	10
Bradley, g	38	6-10	0-0	3-8	2-3	0	3	15
Aaron, g	37	5-12	1-4	1-2	1-5	3	1	12
Ford, g	34	2-11	1-4	4-4	1-7	2	1	9
Pichon, g	24	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-3	2	2	2
Lawrence	26	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Penn	8	0-2	0-0	0-1	1-2	0	0	0
Barnhill	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	2	0
Totals	200	18-48	2-10	12-19	9-27	9	13	50

Team Pct.: FG – .375; FT – .632  
Blocks: 6 (Bradley 2, Lawrence 1, Penn 3)  
Turnovers: 17 (Wardell 4, Bradley 2, Aaron 3, Ford 4, Pichon 4)  
Steals: 9 (Wardell 1, Bradley 4, Aaron 1, Ford 1, Pichon 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	23	3-5	0-1	1-2	4-8	0	4	7
Dilligard, f	32	9-14	0-0	2-3	5-5	3	4	20
Fortes, g	24	2-6	1-4	2-2	0-3	2	1	7
Richardson, g	36	8-12	3-5	4-5	1-3	7	1	23
Johnson, g	35	1-11	1-8	0-0	2-3	2	1	3
Eldridge	20	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-5	0	1	3
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Vandello	19	1-3	0-0	0-0	2-4	1	4	2
Dyer	5	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-3	0	1	2
Holtz	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-60	6-22	9-12	18-40	15	17	67

Team Pct.: FG – .433; FT – .750  
Blocks: 4 (Slack 4)  
Turnovers: 16 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 1, Richardson 2, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Moor 2, Vandello 2, Dyer 3)  
Steals: 6 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 2)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Dan Stryfeler, Don Daily  
Attendance: 6,780  
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, McNeese State 20

**GAME 4**

**Redbirds Convincing in Home Opener**

NORMAL, Ill. – Illinois State's Dom Johnson led three Redbirds in double figures with 16 points, but it was the ISU defense that got the best of Cal State Northridge in a 66-44 nonconference win at Redbird Arena.

The Matador offense was stifled as the Redbirds held CSUN to a Redbird Arena low 25.9 percent from the field. CSUN also converted 14 field goals, tying the facility low.

The Matadors jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead when Calvin Chitwood threw down a fast-break dunk on the game's opening play. However, the Redbirds quickly answered on a Boo Richardson three-pointer that opened up a 10-0 run to put the Birds up 10-2. Thomas Shewmake then converted on a three-point play for CSUN and ended the ISU run, cutting the lead to 10-5 with 16:03 left in the first half.

ISU continued to score at will, going on a 21-7 run that spanned nearly nine minutes to widen the lead to 31-12. Johnson scored 10 points in the second run, including two baskets from beyond the arc. Jayme Miller's jumper stopped the run for the Matadors and cut the lead to 31-14 and a free throw by Jason Hill then made the score 31-15 at the 2:52 mark.

ILLINOIS STATE 66, Cal State Northridge 44  
November 20, 2006 • Redbird Arena

CS Northridge	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Heard, f	20	0-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0
Chitwood, f	28	6-14	2-5	0-0	2-3	0	1	14
Shewmake, c	15	1-7	0-1	1-1	2-8	0	2	3
Haynes, g	15	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Hill, g	16	1-2	0-1	1-2	0-1	3	4	3
Peters	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0
Noblitt	14	0-6	0-4	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Miller	17	3-5	0-0	4-7	2-2	0	5	10
Tyson	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Colston	16	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Jones	21	1-5	0-1	4-6	3-6	0	2	6
McCrary	11	1-2	0-1	3-3	0-3	0	0	5
Powers	10	1-4	0-0	0-	3-5	0	1	2
Everage	4	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	1	1
Waggenger	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-54	2-14	14-21	14-38	8	24	44

Team Pct.: FG – .259; FT – .667  
Blocks: 1 (Jones 1)  
Turnovers: 23 (Heard 1, Chitwood 2, Shewmake 3, Hill 3, Peters 4, Noblitt 2, Miller 3, Colston 3, Jones 1, McCrary 1)  
Steals: 9 (Heard 1, Chitwood 1, Haynes 1, Hill 2, Noblitt 1, Miller 1, Colston 1, Powers 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	28	5-11	0-1	2-5	2-7	1	1	12
Dilligard, f	24	3-4	0-0	0-2	0-4	3	4	6
Fortes, g	25	0-3	0-1	2-2	1-4	1	2	2
Richardson, g	30	4-7	1-3	6-7	1-2	8	2	15
Johnson, g	27	5-9	4-7	2-2	1-5	1	2	16
Eldridge	19	0-5	0-3	1-2	1-4	0	0	1
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Hill	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	2	0
Vandello	12	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-3	0	2	4
Dyer	16	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-4	0	3	0
Holtz	9	3-6	3-6	0-0	0-1	0	1	9
Carlwell	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	21-51	8-24	16-24	10-37	14	20	66

Team Pct.: FG – .412; FT – .667  
Blocks: 7 (Slack 1, Dilligard 4, Dyer 2)  
Turnovers: 18 (Slack 3, Fortes 2, Richardson 5, Johnson 4, Eldridge 1, Vandello 2, Dyer 1)  
Steals: 12 (Slack 5, Fortes 3, Johnson 2, Vandello 1, Dyer 1)

Officials: John Higgins, David Warfel, Mark Mayhood  
Attendance: 4,699  
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, CS Northridge 16

**GAME 5**

**Birds Add to Valley's Big Weekend; Win at St. John's**

QUEENS, N.Y. – The offensive play of point guard Boo Richardson and the defensive effort of Roberto Fortes paved the way as the Illinois State men's basketball team earned a precious road victory, the Redbirds' first in 16 games, with a 78-65 victory over St. John's at Carnesecca Arena.

The road win was the first by ISU since posting a 79-69 win at Wisconsin-Green Bay as part of BracketBusters Saturday.

St. John's took its only lead of the game at 2-0, but the Redbirds claimed a 9-4 lead after single baskets by four of the five starters. With ISU up 16-13 at the 13:45 mark, the Redbirds went on a 15-3 run, which included a pair of three-pointers by Osiris Eldridge, and took a 31-16 lead with 7:57 on the clock. St. John's responded with a 9-2 spurt and closed the gap to 33-25 with 4:48 left. The two teams traded baskets the rest of the half and the Redbirds took a 41-31 lead into the locker room.

The Redbirds increased their lead to 15 points at 50-35, thanks to a pair of baskets by Richardson. With Illinois State leading 61-49 and 9:42 left in the game, the Red Storm made their final run. St. John's used a 9-1 run over the next three minutes to close the gap to 62-58. But, Dom Johnson hit two of three free throws after being fouled on a 3-point try and Richardson added a basket to put the lead back to 66-58.

After a pair of free throws by Daryll Hill, Fortes sank a big three-pointer and Greg Dilligard added five straight points as the Redbirds regained control with a 74-61 advantage. ISU hit 4-of-8 free throws down the stretch to secure the win.

ILLINOIS STATE 78, St. John's 65  
November 25, 2006 • Carnesecca Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	29	3-7	0-1	4-7	1-7	1	2	10
Dilligard, f	33	8-15	0-0	1-5	7-11	4	4	17
Fortes, g	27	3-10	1-6	6-8	2-7	1	3	13
Richardson, g	31	5-10	3-8	5-6	1-3	4	3	18
Johnson, g	37	2-7	1-5	2-3	0-0	2	2	7
Eldridge	17	2-5	2-3	2-2	1-2	2	1	8
Vandello	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	1	0
Dyer	6	1-2	1-2	2-2	0-0	0	2	5
Carlwell	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Totals	200	24-56	8-25	22-33	16-35	16	19	78

Team Pct.: FG – .429; FT – .667  
Blocks: 2 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1)  
Turnovers: 17 (Slack 1, Dilligard 3, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Johnson 3, Eldridge 2, Vandello 2)  
Steals: 8 (Dilligard 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1)

St. John's	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Mason, f	32	5-10	0-1	2-2	1-3	1	3	12
Hamilton, f	29	5-13	1-2	0-0	1-9	2	4	11
Spears, c	10	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	3	2
Lawrence, g	23	2-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	3	3	5
Patterson, g	30	3-8	0-3	2-2	0-3	1	4	8
Calhoun	21	2-3	0-1	2-3	0-3	0	2	6
Hill	25	4-8	0-0	4-8	1-1	3	2	12
Wright	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Jasiulionis	19	3-3	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	1	6
Torres	4	1-2	0-0	1-1	0-0	0	0	3
Totals	200	26-52	2-8	11-16	8-29	10	22	65

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .688  
Blocks: 5 (Hamilton 2, Calhoun 1, Jasiulionis 2)  
Turnovers: 22 (Mason 2, Hamilton 4, Spears 4, Lawrence 4, Patterson 2, Calhoun 2, Hill 3, Jasiulionis 1)  
Steals: 3 (Patterson 1, Hill 2)

Officials: John Higgins, Steve Skiles, Tom Clark  
Attendance: 4,038  
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 41, St. John's 31

**GAME 6**
**Slack, Dilligard Lead 'Birds Past Sacramento St., 86-69**

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team was dominate on the interior as junior-transfer Anthony Slack recorded his first career double-double with a career-high 21 points and 10 rebounds and senior Greg Dilligard recorded his second-consecutive double-double (11 points, 10 rebounds) for the first time in his career as Illinois State defeated Sacramento State 86-69 Wednesday night at Redbird Arena.

Slack and Dilligard were just two of five Redbirds to score in double figures as the team shot a season-high 61 percent from the field, including 7-of-15 from the three-point stripe. Senior Roberto Fortes was steady, scoring 11 points, while sophomore Brandon Holtz came off the bench to contribute 10 points. Boo Richardson reached double figures in scoring for the fifth time this season with 12 points and tied his career-high with eight assists.

The Hornets proved to be no match for the 'Birds on the inside, as ISU scored 50 points in the paint. The Redbirds also out-rebounded CSUS, 37-29, and notched six blocked shots, three coming from Slack.

The Hornets jumped out to an early 11-5 with 15:20 left in the half thanks in large part to six early turnovers by the Redbirds. The 'Birds regained their composure and went on a 15-4 run, capped by a three pointer by Fortes that gave the 'Redbirds a 20-15 lead at the 9:22 mark.

In the second half, Slack and Richardson proved to be too much for CSUS to overcome, as the two Redbird newcomers combined to score 27 of the team's 47 points in the second half. Slack was a force inside scoring 17 points, including a high-rising dunk from sophomore Mike Vandello that brought the crowd to its feet with 14: 52 left in the game.

ILLINOIS STATE 86, Sacramento State 69  
November 29, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Sacramento St.	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Bausley, f	24	5-9	3-4	0-2	1-1	1	5	13
Alamo, c	26	7-8	0-0	2-2	3-6	0	4	16
Hargrave, g	36	4-12	1-4	0-0	0-2	5	2	9
Adams, g	24	4-6	0-0	1-3	0-4	2	3	9
Leath, g	32	4-18	2-8	2-2	2-2	1	1	12
Harrison	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Thomas	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Young	13	0-3	0-0	0-0	0-1	3	0	0
Williams	13	3-6	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	3	6
Davis	10	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	2	2
Roberts	16	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	1	2
Totals	200	29-65	6-16	5-9	13-29	12	21	69

Team Pct.: FG – .446; FT – .556

Blocks: 1 (Young 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Bausley 3, Alamo 3, Hargrave 6, Adams 3, Young 1, Williams 1, Davis 1)

Steals: 15 (Bausley 2, Alamo 1, Hargrave 8, Adams 1, Leath 1, Young 1, Davis 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	27	9-10	0-0	3-4	2-10	1	3	21
Dilligard, f	24	5-6	0-0	1-5	5-10	4	4	11
Fortes, g	32	4-8	3-6	0-0	0-0	3	0	11
Richardson, g	27	4-8	2-2	2-3	0-3	8	3	12
Johnson, g	34	2-5	0-2	4-4	0-2	4	1	8
Eldridge	6	1-3	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	1	3
Moor	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	23	4-7	0-0	0-0	3-8	4	1	8
Dyer	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2
Holtz	19	4-7	2-5	0-1	1-3	1	2	10
Carlwell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	34-56	7-15	11-19	12-37	26	15	86

Team Pct.: FG – .607; FT – .579

Blocks: 6 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Johnson 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Fortes 4, Richardson 5, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1, Dyer 1, Holtz 1)

Steals: 7 (Slack 1, Fortes 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 2, Holtz 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Terry Oglesby, Dan Dorian

Attendance: 5,417

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 39, Sacramento State 28

**GAME 7**
**Record Three-Point Shooting Leads 'Birds Past UTA**

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team was on fire from the perimeter hitting a Redbird Arena record with 14 three-pointers, led by freshman Osiris Eldridge's four as part of his career-high 14 points off the bench in the Redbirds' 86-61 victory over UT-Arlington Saturday night. Eldridge wasn't the only story off the bench as junior Levi Dyer, also in reserve, tied his career-high with 17 points on 6-of-7 shooting, including 3-of-4 from beyond the arc.

Eldridge and Dyer led a group of five Redbirds who scored in double figures as the team shot 53 percent from the field, including 14-of-27 from the three-point stripe. Senior Roberto Fortes and junior Dom Johnson both scored 13 points with three treys each, while junior-transfer Anthony Slack chipped in 10 points along with three rebounds and three blocks.

Along with the record-setting three-point shooting, the Redbird defense also came through with a tremendous effort, forcing 27 turnovers which resulted in 32 points.

The victory improved the 'Birds' record to 5-2 on the season. The win was the team's fifth straight, the longest streak in the Porter Moser era. The loss dropped the Mavericks to 3-3, despite the efforts of sophomore Anthony Vereen, who scored 17 points and grabbed four rebounds.

ILLINOIS STATE 86, UT-Arlington 61  
December 2, 2006 • Redbird Arena

UT-Arlington	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Griffin, f	22	3-3	0-0	0-0	2-4	1	2	6
Vereen, f	26	2-6	1-3	12-14	3-4	2	3	17
Posey, f	22	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-6	0	2	2
Guignard, g	28	1-7	1-5	0-0	0-1	2	0	3
Epps, g	28	2-8	0-3	0-0	0-1	2	3	4
Henry	14	1-3	1-3	0-0	2-4	0	1	3
Hunter	10	1-6	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	3	2
Read	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-4	0	3	2
Long	23	6-11	3-6	2-2	1-2	2	2	17
Moffitt	14	2-5	1-2	0-0	1-4	1	1	5
Dewalt	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	20-52	7-22	14-16	13-34	11	20	61

Team Pct.: FG – .385; FT – .875

Blocks: 2 (Griffin 1, Posey 1)

Turnovers: 27 (Griffin 6, Vereen 2, Posey 2, Guignard 6, Epps 6, Henry 1, Hunter 2, Long 2)

Steals: 7 (Griffin 1, Guignard 2, Epps 2, Henry 1, Long 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	26	4-8	0-0	2-2	2-3	2	2	10
Dilligard, f	26	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	2	6
Fortes, g	28	5-10	3-6	0-0	1-3	4	1	13
Richardson, g	31	2-3	1-2	2-4	0-1	7	1	7
Johnson, g	24	4-8	3-6	2-2	0-3	3	0	13
Eldridge	12	5-9	4-7	0-0	0-2	2	0	14
Moor	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Hill	5	1-3	0-0	2-2	1-2	1	0	4
Vandello	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Dyer	16	6-7	3-4	2-2	0-4	1	2	17
Holtz	14	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-1	1	1	1
Carlwell	6	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	1	2	1
Totals	200	30-57	14-27	12-16	8-28	25	14	86

Team Pct.: FG – .526; FT – .750

Blocks: 5 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Slack 3, Dilligard 2, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Moor 2, Hill 1, Vandello 2)

Steals: 11 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Fortes 2, Richardson 2, Moor 1, Dyer 2)

Officials: Mike Litzelfelner, Kerry Campbell, Robert Burris

Attendance: 5,941

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, UT-Arlington 29

**GAME 8**
**Redbirds Win Sixth Straight, Drop Miami 64-40**

NORMAL, Ill. – Allowing just 13 second-half points, a new Redbird Arena low, the fast-paced, second-half offensive effort by the duo of Greg Dilligard and Anthony Slack lifted the Illinois State men's basketball team over Miami (Ohio), 64-40, Tuesday night at Redbird Arena. Dilligard finished with 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Slack added 15 points and 10 boards for the 'Birds.

With the game knotted at 30, just over two minutes into the second half, Illinois State used a 34-10 run to close out the game. The story of the second half unfolded in the first eight minutes of the final period, as the Redbirds erupted for a 10 unanswered points, taking a 40-30 lead at the 12:42 mark. Sparked by a blocked shot by Slack, the 'Birds ran the length of the floor where Boo Richardson threw up an alley-oop that Slack slammed home on the fast break. A foul was called on the play and Slack drained his shot from the charity stripe, finishing the traditional three-point play. Dilligard tossed in a layup and Osiris Eldridge put down a dunk of his own, adding to the excitement in the stretch.

Miami broke the streak with 12:21 left in the game, with Monty St. Clair connecting on a layup. But the Redbirds answered with back-to-back three pointers from Richardson and Eldridge, extending their lead to 46-32. Richardson ended the game with 13 points and four assists.

The 'Birds used a 18-8 run in the game's final nine minutes to secure the win, while holding the RedHawks to just 13 second-half points.

ILLINOIS STATE 64, Miami (Ohio) 40  
December 5, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Miami (Ohio)	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Peavy, f	34	4-9	1-2	1-5	0-6	1	5	10
T. Pollitz, f	28	8-17	0-0	1-2	1-3	0	2	17
St. Clair, c	15	1-2	0-1	0-1	1-5	1	1	2
Moosmann, g	27	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Bramos, g	34	3-9	1-4	0-0	2-6	1	1	7
Penno	17	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Dierkers	22	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-5	3	4	2
Richburg	8	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
E. Pollitz	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ballard	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Fletcher	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	2
Totals	200	18-47	2-13	2-8	5-31	11	19	40

Team Pct.: FG – .383; FT – .250

Blocks: 3 (T. Pollitz 1, Dierkers 1, Fletcher 1)

Turnovers: 23 (Peavy 4, T. Pollitz 3, St. Clair 1, Moosmann 4, Bramos 4, Dierkers 1, Richburg 2, E. Pollitz 4)

Steals: 10 (Peavy 1, T. Pollitz 2, St. Clair 2, Bramos 1, Dierkers 3, E. Pollitz 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	33	4-9	0-1	7-10	2-10	2	2	15
Dilligard, f	31	5-7	0-0	1-3	5-10	0	1	11
Fortes, g	23	0-3	0-3	2-2	0-0	2	3	2
Richardson, g	35	4-9	1-2	4-7	0-4	4	1	13
Johnson, g	34	3-9	3-8	0-0	0-2	3	3	9
Eldridge	21	2-5	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	2	5
Moor	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	15	4-6	1-1	0-0	1-4	1	0	9
Holtz	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-49	6-18	14-22	8-35	13	12	64

Team Pct.: FG – .449; FT – .636

Blocks: 2 (Slack 2)

Turnovers: 15 (Slack 3, Dilligard 3, Fortes 2, Richardson 5, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1)

Steals: 10 (Slack 4, Dilligard 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1)

Officials: Steve Skiles, Terry Anderson, Todd Williams

Attendance: 5,735

Halftime Score: Miami (Ohio) 27, ILLINOIS STATE 25





**GAME 9**

**Second Half Snowballs for Redbirds in Loss**

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – For the eighth straight season, Illinois State failed to win its Missouri Valley Conference opener as the Redbirds fell 69-41, at Evansville on Saturday at Roberts Stadium.

Evansville opened the second half with a 19-2 run, which included an Illinois State seven-minute scoring drought. The Redbirds were outscored 41-14 in the second half.

ISU opened the game with a 15-8 run which included eight points by Dom Johnson. The Aces responded with a 14-0 run to take a 22-15 advantage with 10 minutes left in the first frame. During the spurt, the Redbirds were held scoreless for five minutes.

However, the Redbirds were able to close the gap before the intermission as Evansville was scoreless from the floor for over six minutes and the Aces held a 28-27 lead at the half.

Evansville 69, ILLINOIS STATE 41  
December 9, 2006 • Roberts Stadium

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	18	2-7	0-0	0-0	2-6	0	4	4
Dilligard, f	21	3-5	0-0	0-2	4-9	2	4	6
Fortes, g	21	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-2	2	4	3
Richardson, g	35	0-11	0-5	2-3	0-1	2	1	2
Johnson, g	32	4-10	3-7	0-0	0-1	1	1	11
Eldridge	21	3-8	3-6	0-0	2-7	0	2	9
Moor	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	12	1-1	0-0	2-2	2-3	1	2	4
Dyer	17	0-1	0-1	2-4	2-2	0	0	2
Holtz	8	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
Carlwell	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-52	7-26	6-11	15-36	9	18	41

Team Pct.: FG – .269; FT – .545

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Slack 2, Dilligard 6, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Vandello 2, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 6 (Slack 1, Richardson 2, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1)

Evansville	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Cousnard, f	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
Webster, f	30	8-15	1-2	4-6	0-3	3	2	21
Strickland, c	29	4-9	0-0	4-6	1-5	0	2	12
Anslinger, g	35	3-4	2-3	0-0	0-3	3	1	8
Holsinger, g	26	2-4	1-2	0-0	1-6	5	3	5
Stalbergs	18	2-3	2-2	0-0	1-7	2	3	6
Ely	24	5-6	0-0	0-2	0-1	2	1	10
Morrow	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Gomez	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Wargel	1	0-1	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Gregory	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Granger	19	2-4	2-2	0-0	0-3	0	1	6
Petty	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-49	8-12	9-16	6-32	16	13	69

Team Pct.: FG – .531; FT – .563

Blocks: 4 (Strickland 2, Holsinger 1, Granger 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Cousnard 1, Webster 3, Strickland 2, Anslinger 4, Ely 1)

Steals: 4 (Strickland 2, Anslinger 1, Wargel 1)

Officials: Frank Spencer, Kipp Kissinger, Terry Oglesby

Attendance: 5,806

Halftime Score: Evansville 28, ILLINOIS STATE 27

**GAME 10**

**Redbird Rally Falls Short at Shots Don't Fall**

KALAMAZOO, Mich. – Illinois State had an opportunity to tie Saturday's non-conference game at Western Michigan three times in the game's final minute and a half, but Boo Richardson, Dom Johnson and Roberto Fortes each missed three-point attempts as the Redbirds fell 65-57 at University Arena.

The Broncos took the lead at the 2:10 mark in the first half and never looked back. WMU led by as many as 11 points, with a 52-41 advantage at the 7:37 mark, but a 10-2 Redbird run, including five points by Greg Dilligard, closed the gap to 54-51 with 5:44 on the clock.

WMU stretched the lead back to seven points at 58-51, however, again, the Redbirds got to within three points after a Fortes' trey at the 2:46 mark to make the score 60-57. With 1:32 left in the contest, Richardson shot the potential tying three, but it bounced off the front of the iron and Dilligard hauled in the offensive rebound. Dilligard kicked the ball out to Johnson, who also missed from three, but again Dilligard grabbed the carom. Fortes took ISU's third-straight shot from three, but it also was off the mark.

The first half was close throughout with four lead changes and neither team owning a bigger lead than six points. Richardson sank all three free throws after being fouled a three-point attempt and tied the score at 15-15. The game was tied for the fifth time at 24-24, but WMU scored the final three points of the half to take a 27-24 lead at the intermission.

Western Michigan 65, ILLINOIS STATE 57  
December 16, 2006 • University Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	22	4-5	0-0	1-2	1-2	0	5	9
Dilligard, f	21	4-7	0-0	1-1	5-7	3	4	9
Fortes, g	29	6-11	2-7	1-1	0-4	1	3	15
Richardson, g	39	1-9	1-7	3-4	1-2	6	2	6
Johnson, g	35	2-11	1-7	0-0	0-2	3	1	5
Eldridge	18	2-5	0-2	0-0	1-2	1	0	4
Vandello	11	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	0
Dyer	16	3-9	1-5	0-1	0-2	0	2	7
Carlwell	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	3	2
Totals	200	23-59	5-28	6-9	11-27	14	21	57

Team Pct.: FG – .390; FT – .667

Blocks: 3 (Slack 2, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 9 (Dilligard 1, Fortes 3, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1, Dyer 1, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 3 (Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Dyer 1)

W. Michigan	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Hershberger, f	30	3-7	0-2	2-3	4-7	2	4	8
Reitz, f	33	6-11	0-0	5-8	7-18	0	1	17
Redell, g	16	1-3	0-2	2-2	0-0	2	4	4
Kool, g	17	1-6	1-4	4-4	0-2	2	0	7
Gary, g	31	2-7	1-2	0-0	0-4	3	3	5
Fracalossi	19	2-3	0-0	3-6	1-1	1	1	7
Drews	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Ricks	29	4-9	1-2	0-0	0-2	2	1	9
Lawson	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Cloutier	10	2-2	2-2	2-2	0-2	0	2	8
Totals	200	21-51	5-14	18-25	16-42	12	16	65

Team Pct.: FG – .412; FT – .720

Blocks: 3 (Gary 2, Lawson 1)

Turnovers: 14 (Hershberger 4, Reitz 2, Redell 3, Gary 2, Fractalossi 1, Drews 1, Ricks 1)

Steals: 3 (Reitz 1, Fractalossi 2)

Officials: Tim Hutchinson, Rob Kruger, Dave Cronin

Attendance: 3,091

Halftime Score: Western Michigan 27, ILLINOIS STATE 24

**GAME 11**

**Redbirds Get Back on Track, Defeat Lewis 85-66**

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Boo Richardson recorded his first career double-double with 20 points and 11 assists and junior Anthony Slack posted a double-digit scoring effort for the sixth time this season with a career-high 22 points on an 8-for-9 shooting effort, as the pair led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 85-66 win over Lewis Tuesday night at Redbird Arena.

The first half began with both teams not encountering any problems scoring on the offensive end, as the Redbirds and Flyers traded baskets until ISU was able to pull ahead on a 22-7 run capped off by a dunk from Richardson to Slack, who slammed it down. Slack led the 'Birds during the stretch that lasted 7:46, as he scored eight points during the run that put the Redbirds ahead 28-13 with 11:46 remaining.

The 'Birds led by as many as 19 when Richardson drove to the basket, spun around a Flyer defender and made a quick pass to Dilligard who converted an uncontested layup to make the score 44-25 with 3:26 left to play in the half. But Lewis was able to cut into the lead with a 11-3 scoring run to close out the half, with Illinois State leading Lewis 47-36 at intermission.

ILLINOIS STATE 85, Lewis 66  
December 19, 2006 • Redbird Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Lewis	26	3-4	0-0	2-2	1-5	0	4	8
Bolt, f	31	3-5	1-2	0-0	0-3	2	3	7
Warfield, f	28	4-7	2-2	0-0	0-2	4	3	10
Marino, g	19	1-4	1-4	0-0	0-2	4	1	3
Hunter, g	34	5-15	4-7	11-11	2-5	2	1	25
Dagans, g	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0
Bogue	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	2	2	0
Murdock	9	2-2	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	6
Sharp	16	1-2	1-1	0-2	0-4	2	4	3
Donald	15	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	4	4
Alexander	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	1	0
Jones	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Lewis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Sellers	200	21-42	11-18	13-15	5-28	18	25	66

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .867

Blocks: 2 (Warfield 1, Hunter 1)

Turnovers: 28 (Bolt 5, Warfield 6, Marino 6, Hunter 1, Dagans 2, Bogue 1, Sharp 1, Donald 3, Alexander 2, Jones 1)

Steals: 7 (Warfield 1, Dagans 2, Sharp 2, Donald 1, Alexander 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	17	8-9	0-0	6-7	2-4	1	5	22
Dilligard, f	22	5-8	0-0	3-6	0-1	1	4	13
Fortes, g	24	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-0	3	2	3
Richardson, g	32	8-11	3-5	1-4	0-4	11	1	20
Johnson, g	31	3-5	3-5	2-2	0-2	5	1	11
Eldridge	17	3-4	0-1	0-3	0-1	1	1	6
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	7	1-4	0-0	2-2	2-2	0	0	4
Vandello	13	0-2	0-0	0-0	3-5	0	2	0
Dyer	18	2-7	0-3	2-2	0-2	1	3	6
Holtz	7	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	9	0-2	0-0	0-2	1-3	0	1	0
Totals	200	31-58	7-19	16-29	13-30	23	20	85

Team Pct.: FG – .534; FT – .552

Blocks: 1 (Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 2, Fortes 2, Richardson 2, Johnson 2, Eldridge 1, Dyer 2, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 14 (Slack 2, Dilligard 2, Fortes 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 2, Eldridge 2, Vandello 1, Dyer 3)

Officials: Mark Mayhood, Cory Burkle, Roland Simmons

Attendance: 3,691

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 47, Lewis 36

**GAME 12**
**Eldridge, Redbirds Top UIC, 77-69**

CHICAGO – Freshman Osiris Eldridge returned to his hometown of Chicago and led Illinois State to a 77-69 non-conference victory over Illinois-Chicago at the UIC Pavilion on Saturday afternoon. Eldridge tossed in a career-high 19 points and added six rebounds in the victory.

ISU opened up the second half by sinking its first four treys, including a pair by Levi Dyer as the Redbirds built a 48-38 lead with 16:50 left in the contest. UIC responded with a 7-0 spurt, but then ISU's Eldridge went on a run of his own. With the Redbirds leading 48-45, Eldridge rattled off eight straight points and added a pair of rebounds to give ISU a 56-45 lead with 11:36 left.

Again the Flames bounced back with a 13-3 run to cut the ISU lead to 60-58 with 7:02 left. UIC took its first lead since the 16:04 mark of the first half when Karl White made a three-pointer with 4:52 on the clock at 63-62. The lead was short-lived as Dom Johnson and Anthony Slack added a pair of field goals to give the 'Birds a 66-63 lead.

UIC's Othys Jeffers and Daniel Zoric each added a pair of buckets to give the Flames a 67-66 lead, but the Redbirds closed the game with a 11-2 run thanks to six points by Eldridge and five tallies from Boo Richardson.

ILLINOIS STATE 77, Illinois-Chicago 69  
December 23, 2006 • UIC Pavilion

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	27	4-8	0-0	1-2	3-7	2	2	9
Dyer, c	21	4-9	2-6	0-0	1-3	1	4	10
Fortes, g	25	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-1	5	1	5
Johnson, g	38	5-13	4-9	0-0	0-2	2	1	14
Richardson, g	37	4-9	1-5	8-11	0-7	7	3	17
Eldridge	20	6-10	3-4	4-4	4-6	0	2	19
Slack	26	1-4	0-0	1-2	3-8	0	1	3
Carlwell	6	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-3	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>14-52</b>	<b>7-26</b>	<b>6-11</b>	<b>15-36</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>41</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .433; FT – .667

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 2, Richardson 5, Eldridge 1, Slack 4)

Steals: 8 (Fortes 1, Johnson 1, Richardson 1, Eldridge 2, Slack 3)

Illinois-Chicago	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Jeffers, f	33	4-9	0-0	2-2	3-10	3	4	10
Stefanov, f	31	4-11	2-5	2-2	1-5	2	4	12
VanderMeer, c	18	2-6	0-0	0-0	2-5	2	1	4
Mayo, g	17	3-4	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	7
Stewart, g	27	2-5	2-4	0-0	0-3	7	1	6
Gray	23	4-8	4-6	2-2	1-2	3	4	14
Bush	8	1-5	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	2
White	18	2-5	2-4	0-0	0-0	3	0	6
Zoric	22	4-9	0-0	0-2	1-6	0	3	8
Dailey	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-63</b>	<b>11-22</b>	<b>6-8</b>	<b>12-38</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>69</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .413; FT – .750

Blocks: 5 (VanderMeer 4, Zoric 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Jeffers 4, Stefanov 2, VanderMeer 1, Mayo 1, Stewart 5, Gray 2, White 2, Zoric 1)

Steals: 5 (Jeffers 1, Stefanov 2, VanderMeer 1, Gray 1)

Officials: Eugene Crawford, Frank Spencer, Bert Smith  
Attendance: 4,827

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, Illinois-Chicago 22

**GAME 13**
**Redbirds Fall to In-State Rival Southern Illinois**

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team had three players reach double figures in scoring, but it wasn't enough as the Redbirds fell to Southern Illinois, 68-49, in a Missouri Valley Conference game Friday night at Redbird Arena.

The first half began with both Illinois State and Southern Illinois trading early baskets, as Osiris Eldridge hit consecutive three pointers to give the Redbirds an early 8-5 lead with 16:27 remaining. However, the Salukis were able to pull ahead with a 14-2 scoring run, led by Jamaal Tatum's five points, to give SIU the advantage at 19-10 with 8:33 left in the half. The Redbirds trailed the Salukis 27-20 at the break, with Matt Shaw leading all scorers with 10 points.

Southern Illinois opened up the game in the early minutes of the second half by going on a 18-6 run, giving the Salukis their largest lead of the game at 45-26 with 12:14 left. The run was backed by senior Tony Young, who had seven points during the run. The Salukis proved to be too much for the Redbirds to handle, as SIU was able to hold on its lead for the remainder of the second half, courtesy of a 14-7 run to close out the game.

Southern Illinois 68, ILLINOIS STATE 49  
December 29, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Southern Illinois	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Falker, f	35	4-8	0-0	2-6	3-17	3	2	10
Shaw, f	27	7-12	2-4	0-0	2-6	2	4	16
Tatum, g	35	4-8	2-4	6-7	0-4	5	1	16
Mullins, g	33	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-1	4	0	8
Young, g	33	5-10	2-6	0-1	0-1	2	2	12
Armstrong	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Green	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Clemons	14	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-4	1	0	1
Boyle	17	2-3	0-0	1-2	2-2	0	2	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>24-48</b>	<b>8-20</b>	<b>12-22</b>	<b>9-41</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>68</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .545

Blocks: 7 (Falker 4, Boyle 3)

Turnovers: 13 (Falker 4, Shaw 3, Tatum 1, Mullins 1, Young 4)

Steals: 7 (Falker 2, Tatum 2, Young 2, Clemons 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	27	3-10	0-0	0-0	1-5	0	2	6
Dyer, c	24	4-13	2-6	0-3	3-9	1	1	10
Fortes, g	20	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	3	0
Richardson, g	27	0-5	0-2	0-0	0-0	3	5	0
Johnson, g	38	4-10	2-7	1-2	0-2	3	3	11
Eldridge	26	4-11	2-6	0-0	2-4	0	1	10
Slack	23	3-5	1-1	2-4	3-10	1	2	9
Hill	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	1	0
Vandello	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	7	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Carlwell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>19-59</b>	<b>8-27</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>11-34</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>49</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .322; FT – .333

Blocks: 1 (Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Fortes 2, Richardson 6, Johnson 2, Eldridge 1)

Steals: 5 (Dilligard 1, Richardson 2, Eldridge 2)

Officials: Steve Welmer, J.D. Collins, John Higgins  
Attendance: 6,429

Halftime Score: Southern Illinois 27, ILLINOIS STATE 20

**GAME 14**
**Creighton Shoots Past Redbirds, 79-71**

OMAHA, Neb. – Freshman Osiris Eldridge scored a career-high 28 points, thanks to a school-record tying eight three-pointers, but it wasn't enough as Illinois State dropped its third straight Missouri Valley Conference game Monday afternoon against Creighton 79-71, at the Qwest Center OMAHA™. The Jays shot 64.3 percent from the field for the game.

Creighton extended its second-half lead with a 14-5 run to take a 58-44 lead with 10 minutes remaining. The Jays remained in control for the rest of the contest, as the Redbirds weren't able to get any closer than seven points.

Both teams opened the game with the hot-hand offensively. At the first media time out, at the 15:56 mark, the Bluejays held a slim edge at 12-11, with six of ISU's points coming from Eldridge. The game remained tight with six lead changes, but with Creighton leading 20-18 with 8:42 left in the half, the Jays were able to pull away as the Redbirds were held scoreless for four minutes. The Jays fired off 10 straight points, including six by Nick Porter, to take a 30-18 lead with 4:45 on the clock.

Two more Eldridge three-pointers and six straight points by Anthony Slack enabled the Redbirds to close the deficit to 38-30, by the intermission.

Creighton 79, ILLINOIS STATE 71  
January 1, 2007 • Qwest Center OMAHA™

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	27	5-7	0-1	2-4	3-3	0	2	12
Dyer, c	23	6-8	1-3	0-0	0-3	1	5	13
Eldridge, g	29	10-17	8-11	0-0	1-3	0	4	28
Richardson, g	38	2-9	1-3	2-2	1-3	9	1	7
Johnson, g	37	2-10	2-6	0-0	0-0	6	2	6
Fortes	15	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	2	0
Hill	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Holtz	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Dilligard	16	2-4	0-0	1-3	2-2	0	3	5
Carlwell	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>27-58</b>	<b>12-26</b>	<b>5-9</b>	<b>11-20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>71</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .466; FT – .556

Blocks: 3 (Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Slack 1, Dyer 3, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 4, Holtz 1, Dilligard 2)

Steals: 8 (Slack 1, Dyer 1, Eldridge 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Holtz 1, Dilligard 1)

Creighton	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Watts, f	29	2-4	0-1	1-2	1-4	1	3	5
Tolliver, c	32	11-11	0-0	1-2	4-9	1	2	23
Miles, g	17	1-4	0-2	2-2	0-2	1	0	4
Porter, g	27	3-6	0-1	7-8	2-8	4	3	13
Funk, g	34	6-10	2-2	5-5	0-2	2	1	19
Hibma	12	0-0	0-0	2-2	1-3	0	0	2
Gakou	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
Nengsu	19	3-4	2-3	1-1	0-2	0	3	9
Bahe	22	0-2	0-2	2-4	0-0	3	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>27-42</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>21-26</b>	<b>8-31</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>79</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .643; FT – .808

Blocks: 1 (Watts 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Watts 2, Tolliver 1, Miles 2, Porter 3, Funk 2, Hibma 2, Gakou 1, Nengsu 1, Bahe 3, Team 1)

Steals: 8 (Watts 2, Tolliver 2, Miles 3, Funk 1)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Curtis Shaw, Tom O'Neill  
Attendance: 14,869

Halftime Score: Creighton 38, ILLINOIS STATE 30

**GAME 15**

**'Birds Remain Winless in Valley; Fall to Indiana State**

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team came into Saturday night's game against Indiana State looking for its first win in Missouri Valley Conference play. However, the Redbirds could only connect on 32.7 percent of their shots and fell to the Sycamores, 54-50, in front of 4,543 fans at Redbird Arena.

Both teams struggled from the field in the first half, with Illinois State shooting just 25 percent from the floor and Indiana State shooting 25.9 percent. The Sycamores held a 5-0 lead until Anthony Slack connected on two free throws with 14:16 left in the half to cut the lead to 5-2. After a three-pointer from Levi Dyer tied the score at 7-7, Greg Dilligard's free throw gave ISU its first lead of the game at 8-7 with 11:25 left in the first half.

From there the teams traded baskets for the rest of the half and the lead changed hands seven times before Indiana State went on an 8-2 run to finish the half and take a 25-20 lead into the locker room at halftime. The 20 points scored by the Redbirds tied a season-low at halftime and the 25 points by the Sycamores were also a season-low for a Redbird opponent.

The Sycamores kept their lead until the 12:10 mark in the second half when Dom Johnson's three-pointer put the 'Birds up 31-30, capping off a 7-0 Illinois State run. Seven lead changes then followed, with Indiana State eventually pulling out to a four-point lead at 44-40. However, Johnson would score five unanswered points to put the Redbirds up 45-44 with just under five minutes to play in the game.

With the score tied at 49-49, a Matt Arnold jumper gave the Sycamores a 51-49 lead with 1:38 left and Indiana State would never relinquish the advantage. Jay Tunnel led the way for the Sycamores with a game-high 13 points while Arnold added nine points and eight rebounds in the win. Dyer and Johnson were both in double figures for the Redbirds, scoring 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Indiana State 54, ILLINOIS STATE 50  
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Indiana State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Wurtz, f	22	1-3	0-1	1-1	2-7	0	2	3
Tunnell, c	28	3-9	1-2	6-7	2-4	3	2	13
Moore, g	40	1-4	0-1	4-4	2-3	6	2	6
Holmstrom, g	28	2-8	2-5	0-0	0-3	0	3	6
Stinson, g	33	2-11	2-9	2-2	1-4	1	1	8
Arnold	22	4-6	0-0	1-4	2-8	0	3	9
Marshall	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
McCoy	12	1-3	1-1	4-4	2-2	0	2	7
Yelovich	7	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>15-47</b>	<b>6-21</b>	<b>18-22</b>	<b>11-35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>54</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .319; FT – .818

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 14 (Wurtz 3, Tunnell 2, Moore 3, Holmstrom 3, Stinson 3)

Steals: 6 (Moore 4, Stinson 1, Arnold 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	20	2-5	0-0	2-3	2-8	0	5	6
Dyer, c	26	3-9	1-5	4-4	2-5	0	4	11
Eldridge, g	32	4-13	1-6	0-0	6-8	1	2	9
Richardson, g	35	0-10	0-4	1-2	2-5	6	3	1
Johnson, g	38	4-11	2-9	0-0	0-2	2	1	10
Fortes	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	14	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	4
Vandello	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dilligard	30	4-5	0-0	1-4	2-10	1	4	9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>18-55</b>	<b>4-24</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>16-40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>50</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .327; FT – .667

Blocks: 1 (Dilligard 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Slack 2, Dyer 1, Eldridge 4, Richardson 3, Hill 1,

Vandello 1)

Steals: 7 (Dyer 2, Eldridge 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Hill 1)

Officials: Brad Gaston, Dave Draucker, Terry Oglesby

Attendance: 4,543

Halftime Score: Indiana State 25, ILLINOIS STATE 20

**GAME 16**

**Dyer, Eldridge Stun UNI; Birds Pick Up First Valley Win**

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Levi Dyer poured in a career-high 20 points, and freshman Osiris Eldridge tossed in an additional 18, as the pair led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 67-64 overtime win over Northern Iowa Tuesday night at Redbird Arena. The Missouri Valley Conference victory was the first of the season for the 'Birds, as they downed UNI, who was previously undefeated in Valley play.

Northern Iowa took a 29-25 lead just over two minutes into the second half, scoring on consecutive offensive possessions. But the Redbirds responded with a Greg Dilligard lay up, on a quick pass from Boo Richardson and a fast-break Eldridge lay up to tie the game with 17:07 to play.

Dyer then scored the next eight points for Illinois State, burying two shots from the charity stripe and a pair of three-pointers. The 'Birds led by as many as five in the stretch, 40-35, as the second media time out of the half was called. The Panthers' Coleman tied the game at 43 on a put-back. But Dyer ran the length of the floor and drained his fourth trey of the game from the top of the key to give the Redbirds a 46-43 advantage.

The teams traded buckets for the almost six minutes before Dilligard blocked a lay up on a Northern Iowa fast break at the 1:04 mark as Richardson drove the basket for an open lay up on the ensuing out-of-bounds play to put Illinois State up by one, 57-56. After being fouled with just seconds remaining, Dyer connected on a pair of free throws to give ISU a three-point, 59-56 lead. But a McKowen, running three-pointer at the buzzer sent the game into overtime.

In the extra five-minute period, ISU's Johnson was fouled on a driving lay up that fell with 3:41 left to play. Johnson hit the ensuing free throw, putting the 'Birds up 62-59. Eldridge took over from there, scoring five of the Redbirds' eight points in the overtime to secure the ISU win, 67-64.

ILLINOIS STATE 67, Northern Iowa 64  
January 9, 2007 • Redbird Arena

Northern Iowa	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Stout, f	30	3-10	0-2	2-2	1-8	3	4	8
Coleman, c	35	4-8	0-0	4-7	3-7	5	4	12
Josten, g	37	3-7	1-2	2-2	0-0	1	3	9
Brown, g	20	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
McKowen, g	39	4-8	2-4	2-2	1-9	4	2	12
Jones	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ahelegbe	13	0-3	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
Viet	24	3-7	3-7	0-0	0-0	1	2	9
Koch	18	2-5	0-2	3-4	0-1	0	1	7
Eglseder	7	2-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	1	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22-54</b>	<b>6-20</b>	<b>14-19</b>	<b>5-32</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>64</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .407; FT – .737

Blocks: 4 (Stout 1, Coleman 3)

Turnovers: 15 (Stout 3, Coleman 4, Josten 1, Brown 1, McKowen 4, Koch 2)

Steals: 8 (Stout 1, Coleman 3, McKowen 2, Viet 1, Koch 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	28	2-4	0-0	0-0	3-7	1	4	4
Dyer, c	27	6-13	4-5	4-5	0-5	0	3	20
Eldridge, g	33	6-11	1-4	5-6	0-4	3	0	18
Richardson, g	38	2-8	0-4	0-0	0-4	4	2	4
Johnson, g	33	3-6	0-3	11	0-3	4	2	7
Slack	10	1-3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	0	4
Hill	14	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	6
Vandello	15	0-2	0-1	1-2	1-3	0	4	1
Holtz	18	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	3
Carlwell	9	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>24-55</b>	<b>6-19</b>	<b>13-16</b>	<b>6-36</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>67</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .436; FT – .813

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Slack 2, Vandello 1, Holtz 4, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 7 (Eldridge 3, Richardson 2, Holtz 2)

Officials: Tom Eades, Eddie Jackson, Ronnie Jones

Attendance: 3,585

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 25, Northern Iowa 25

**GAME 17**

**Comeback Falls Short for Redbirds, Richardson**

DES MOINES, Iowa – Boo Richardson entered Saturday's game with 14 points combined in Missouri Valley Conference action, but Illinois State's junior point guard poured in a career-high 24 points against Drake in the Redbirds' 70-64 loss at the Knapp Center. ISU overcame a 13-point, first-half deficit, but a pair of late turnovers proved costly in the defeat.

The Bulldogs held their five-point lead through the first five minutes of the second half. ISU's Johnson had the opportunity to tie the game at the 12:27 mark with a pair of free throws, but the Redbird junior hit only one as ISU trailed 40-39. Drake used an 8-2 run with five points coming from Grant to take a 48-41 lead at the 10:36 mark.

Again the Redbirds responded with a 9-2 run, thanks to five more points from Richardson, to tie the game at 50-50 with 8:23 left in the game. Dyer gave the Redbirds their first lead of the second half with a basket at the 6:48 mark, but back-to-back lay ups by Aliou Keita and Al Stewart gave the Bulldogs a 57-54 edge with 5:44 on the clock.

Richardson drained his sixth three-pointer of the game at the 5:22 mark to force the fourth tie of the contest at 57-57. Drake's Stewart sank a pair of foul shots and Dyer countered with a basket as the two teams remained tied 59-59 with 3:34 left on the clock. Following a pair of ISU turnovers, Drake took a 63-59 lead on a pair of Ajay Calvin chip shots with 2:14 remaining.

ISU continued to battle down the stretch, but a missed free throw by Anthony Slack, an intentional foul called on Richardson and rushed three-pointer by Osiris Eldridge with 10 seconds remaining were too much to overcome.

Drake 70, ILLINOIS STATE 66  
January 13, 2007 • Knapp Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	12	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	4	2
Dyer, c	34	6-8	2-3	0-1	3-13	1	2	14
Eldridge, g	31	1-8	0-2	2-3	2-7	1	0	4
Richardson, g	39	8-13	6-9	2-2	0-2	3	5	24
Johnson, g	32	1-6	1-5	1-2	2-2	5	3	4
Fortes	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Slack	23	6-7	0-0	0-2	5-7	1	4	12
Hill	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Vandello	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	13	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	5
Carlwell	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-53</b>	<b>10-22</b>	<b>6-12</b>	<b>15-35</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>66</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .472; FT – .500

Blocks: 5 (Dilligard 1, Slack 2, Holtz 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Dyer 2, Dilligard 1, Eldridge 2, Richardson 4, Johnson 3, Hill 1, Vandello 1, Holtz 1, Team 2)

Steals: 8 (Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Slack 1, Hill 2, Holtz 2)

Drake	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Korver, f	17	2-6	1-3	0-1	1-1	0	1	5
Calvin, f	37	6-13	0-1	7-9	2-9	1	2	19
Cox, c	21	3-3	1-1	2-3	1-3	0	2	9
Stewart, g	28	2-5	0-0	3-4	3-7	4	2	7
Grant, g	28	5-13	0-0	5-7	5-6	0	3	15
Baryenbruch	14	0-3	0-3	0-0	1-1	1	1	0
Emmenecker	13	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0
Young	24	3-6	1-3	0-0	0-2	6	2	7
Keita	18	4-5	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-55</b>	<b>3-11</b>	<b>17-24</b>	<b>15-33</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>70</b>

Team Pct.: FG – .455; FT – .708

Blocks: 2 (Cox 2)

Turnovers: 13 (Korver 2, Calvin 1, Cox 2, Stewart 3, Grant 3, Baryenbruch 1, Emmenecker 1)

Steals: 6 (Cox 1, Stewart 1, Grant 2, Emmenecker 1, Young 1)

Officials: David Warfel, Darron George, Brad Gaston

Attendance: 4,735

Halftime Score: Drake 33, ILLINOIS STATE 28

**GAME 18**
**Dyer Scores Career-High; MSU Defeats 'Birds, 75-66**

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Levi Dyer set a career high with 23 points and senior Greg Dilligard tallied 13 points and became the school's all-time leading shot blocker, but a late Illinois State men's basketball team rally wasn't enough as Missouri State held on to down the Redbirds 75-66, Monday at Redbird Arena.

After trailing throughout the second half, Illinois State cut the lead to 65-63 with 1:41 left in the game after back-to-back baskets by Dilligard, but the Bears answered with a Nathan Bilyeu jumper from the left side and a lay up by Deven Mitchell off a Dom Johnson turnover to build their lead back up 69-64.

Illinois State stayed close all night despite only having two players in double digits, thanks to forcing 17 turnovers that led to 23 points. However, while the 'Birds held the Bears to only 38 shots, MSU took full advantage of those shots nailing 66 percent from the floor, including 8-of-12 from distance.

Missouri State had four players in double figures, led by senior Blake Ahearn with 17 points.

Missouri State 75, ILLINOIS STATE 66  
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Missouri State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Bilyeu, f	32	2-6	0-0	7-10	2-6	4	3	11
Richards, c	11	1-1	0-0	0-2	0-2	1	4	2
Chaney, g	28	5-8	1-3	0-0	1-4	3	2	11
Sp. Laurie, g	26	2-3	2-2	2-2	0-3	4	1	8
Ahearn, g	30	6-9	3-5	2-2	0-0	2	1	17
Fuehrmeyer	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Lamberth	16	2-3	1-1	1-1	0-2	0	3	6
Mitchell	22	4-4	1-1	5-9	0-4	1	3	14
Sh. Laurie	16	1-1	0-0	0-2	0-4	0	1	2
Rausch	12	2-3	0-0	0-0	1-4	1	1	4
Totals	200	25-38	8-12	17-28	5-30	18	20	75

Team Pct.: FG – .658; FT – .607

Blocks: 1 (Rausch 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Bilyeu 2, Richardson 1, Chaney 1, Sp. Laurie 3, Ahearn 2, Fuehrmeyer 1, Lamberth 1, Mitchell 5, Rausch 1)

Steals: 5 (Bilyeu 1, Sp. Laurie 1, Fuehrmeyer 1, Mitchell 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	25	4-7	0-0	5-10	0-2	0	4	13
Dyer, c	32	8-13	2-5	5-6	0-4	1	4	23
Eldridge, g	31	3-9	0-6	1-2	2-7	1	1	7
Richardson, g	36	4-12	1-3	0-0	1-2	5	2	9
Johnson, g	38	3-4	2-3	0-1	1-2	8	2	8
Fortes	14	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	2	0
Slack	21	2-2	0-0	2-3	1-3	1	5	6
Hill	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	24-49	5-19	13-22	7-22	17	21	66

Team Pct.: FG – .490; FT – .591

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 2)

Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 1, Richardson 3, Johnson 5, Fortes 1, Slack 1)

Steals: 9 (Dilligard 1, Eldridge 2, Richardson 2, Johnson 1, Slack 2, Hill 1)

Officials: Ed Hightower, Randy McCall, Steven Skiles

Attendance: 4,191

Halftime Score: Missouri State 32, ILLINOIS STATE 29

**GAME 19**
**Dyer, Redbirds Snap Losing Streak; Beat Wichita State**

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Levi Dyer scored 20 points, including a perfect 4-for-4 from three-point land, as the Illinois State men's basketball team defeated Wichita State 83-75 in a Missouri Valley Conference game Thursday night at Redbird Arena.

Head coach Porter Moser secured his 100th career coaching victory, leading the Redbirds to its first win over the Shockers since January, 2002.

The first half began with both teams trading baskets until Wichita State was able to take an early lead at 10-5, courtesy of a layup from Ryan Martin at the 12:45 mark. The 'Birds knotted the score at 10 when Dom Johnson hit a leaping jumper at 11:52; however, ISU and WSU traded baskets again until a layup in traffic from Slack gave the Redbirds a 19-17 advantage with 8:01 remaining.

The Redbirds were able to pull ahead, 30-22, when they went on a 13-5 scoring run that spanned just under five minutes. The run was sparked by sophomore Mike Vandello, who had five points. However, the Shockers went on a 7-4 spurt to close the gap at the half, 34-29.

The second half began similar to the opening frame, as both the Redbirds and Shockers traded early buckets. It wasn't until a 10-3 run by the 'Birds that ISU was able to take a 54-45 advantage on a three pointer from Eldridge with 9:34 remaining, forcing a Shocker timeout. Wichita State was able to re-group and cut into the 'Birds' lead on a 7-2 run, paced by three points from guard Matt Braeuer, with the Redbirds clinging to a 54-52 lead with 8:16 left.

The 'Birds took their largest lead of the game after Slack hit two free throws and Illinois State built a 10-point lead at 67-57 at the 4:22 mark. They matched the 10-point lead at 70-60 after Slack hit a layup and was fouled by the Shockers' Wilson, nailing the subsequent free throw. Wilson committed his fifth foul during the play and fouled out with 27 points.

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Wichita State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Martin, f	27	6-9	0-0	2-4	3-6	0	2	14
Cousinard, f	31	5-11	3-5	2-2	5-5	5	3	15
Wilson, f	33	7-12	5-6	8-10	4-6	2	5	27
Braeuer, g	27	1-7	1-5	1-1	0-1	5	2	4
Ogirri, g	25	0-8	0-7	1-2	1-6	0	2	1
Mekel	12	0-7	0-4	2-2	1-1	2	3	2
Preadom	6	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Bradley	24	3-6	3-5	0-0	0-0	2	1	9
Thomasson	15	1-3	0-0	1-2	0-2	1	4	3
Totals	200	23-65	12-33	17-23	17-31	17	22	75

Team Pct.: FG – .354; FT – .739

Blocks: 3 (Cousinard 2, Wilson 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Martin 1, Cousinard 3, Wilson 1, Ogirri 1, Mekel 1, Preadom 1, Bradley 1, Thomasson 2)

Steals: 7 (Cousinard 3, Wilson 1, Braeuer 1, Mekel, Thomasson 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	18	4-4	0-0	2-2	2-4	1	4	10
Dyer, c	32	6-10	4-4	4-4	0-4	2	2	20
Eldridge, g	30	5-11	3-5	3-4	3-6	1	4	16
Richardson, g	28	3-7	1-2	2-4	1-3	5	4	9
Johnson, g	29	1-4	0-2	0-0	1-5	2	0	2
Fortes	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Slack	18	4-6	0-0	6-7	1-4	1	2	14
Moor	7	0-1	0-0	1-2	0-1	0	0	1
Hill	10	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	2	4
Vandello	12	2-2	0-0	3-4	2-5	0	0	7
Totals	200	26-48	8-14	23-29	10-37	13	19	83

Team Pct.: FG – .542; FT – .793

Blocks: 5 (Dilligard 3, Dyer 1, Slack 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Dyer 3, Eldridge 2, Richardson 2, Johnson 5, Fortes 3, Slack 2, Moor 1)

Steals: 2 (Richardson 1, Moor 1)

Officials: Don Daily, Kipp Kissinger, Dave Draucker

Attendance: 5,422

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 34, Wichita State 29

**GAME 20**
**Redbirds Win Second Straight, Beat Drake 80-65**

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Levi Dyer tallied 20-plus points for the third consecutive game, scoring a career-high 27 points on 10-for-14 shooting, including a career-high 5-for-7 from three point land, as the Illinois State men's basketball team defeated Drake 80-65 in a Missouri Valley Conference game Sunday afternoon at Redbird Arena. The Redbirds also scored 80-plus points for the second consecutive game, a feat the team has not achieved since November of 2004.

The Redbirds were able to pull out of the gates to an early 14-4 lead in the first half after Dyer hit his first four shots, all but one from beyond the arc, with the last three pointer causing Drake to call an early timeout with 16:22 remaining. Drake cut the lead to 20-18 with 9:26 courtesy of a 12-2 run, as Calvin led the Bulldogs with nine points. However, the 'Birds were able to regain a 10 point lead after Richardson drove and converted a reverse layup, capping off a 9-2 run to close out the half with the Redbirds in front, 34-24.

Drake started the second half on an 8-2 run, closing the gap to 36-32 at the 17:37 mark on a three pointer from Cox, forcing Illinois State to call its second timeout. After Dyer hit another three from the left corner to put the Redbirds up 55-47 with 8:03 remaining, the Redbirds went on a 9-3 run to give ISU a 64-55 advantage, capped with a layup from Slack with 3:39 left in the period. The 'Birds never looked back, closing out the game with an 8-3 run to secure the 80-65 victory.

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Drake	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Calvin, f	35	7-12	1-2	0-0	2-10	0	3	15
Keita, c	16	0-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	0	1	0
Stewart, g	26	2-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	4	1	4
Grant, g	26	2-7	0-1	3-4	0-0	1	2	7
Young, g	17	2-7	0-1	2-2	0-0	2	0	6
Traore Dit Nignan	1	0-0	0-0	0-2	1-1	0	2	0
Houston	9	2-4	1-3	1-1	0-1	2	3	6
Baryenbruch	25	1-4	1-4	0-0	0-1	4	1	3
Emmenecker	12	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-2	3	0	2
Eaddy	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Korver	10	3-5	1-3	1-2	0-1	1	2	8
Cox	22	6-10	1-3	1-1	2-5	2	5	14
Totals	200	26-60	5-18	8-12	8-27	19	21	65

Team Pct.: FG – .433; FT – .667

Blocks: 7 (Keita 5, Cox 2)

Turnovers: 7 (Calvin 1, Keita 1, Grant 2, Baryenbruch 1, Emmenecker 1, Cox 1)

Steals: 4 (Keita 1, Stewart 2, Cox 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	23	2-2	0-0	1-2	2-5	1	4	5
Dyer, c	30	10-14	5-7	2-2	1-2	2	3	27
Eldridge, g	25	1-4	1-3	4-4	1-7	2	0	7
Richardson, g	36	5-12	1-3	5-6	1-3	6	2	16
Johnson, g	32	0-4	0-2	0-0	1-5	6	1	0
Fortes	14	1-1	1-1	5-8	0-3	1	1	8
Slack	21	5-6	0-0	4-6	2-5	0	2	14
Moor	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	9	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	6	1-3	1-1	0-0	1-4	0	1	3
Totals	200	25-49	9-17	21-28	10-38	18	14	80

Team Pct.: FG – .510; FT – .750

Blocks: 8 (Dilligard 4, Dyer 2, Slack 2)

Turnovers: 11 (Dyer 3, Richardson 1, Johnson 2, Slack 2, Vandello 2, Team 1)

Steals: 3 (Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 1)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Ted Hillary, Gerry Pollard

Attendance: 3,988

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 34, Drake 24