

Redbird Basketball

GAME NOTES

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Illinois State Schedule

 Date
 Opponent (TV)
 Time/Result

 11/10
 EA SPORTS (Ex.)
 L, 71-78

 11/16
 GLOBAL SPORTS (Ex.)
 W, 81-75

 11/23
 FLORIDA A&M
 W, 87-70

 11/26
 @ Northern Illinois
 Tonight

Bird Bit: This will be the 113th meeting between the Redbirds and Huskies, but only the second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than dead to be a second in the left than the left than dead to be a second in the left t

8:05 p.m.

12/2	BELLARMINE	7:05 p.m.
12/6	EASTERN MICHIGAN	7:05 p.m.
12/13	@ Illinois-Chicago (FSN-Chicago)	5:05 p.m.
12/16	WESTERN KENTUCKY	7:05 p.m.
12/20	NORTHERN IOWA* (FSN)	12:05 p.m.
12/28	@ Southern Illinois*	2:05 p.m.
1/3	@ Illinois	2:05 p.m.

1//	CREIGHTON*	/:05 p.m.
1/10	@ Indiana State* (WMBD)	6:05 p.m.
1/14	@ Drake*	7:05 p.m.
1/18	SMS* (FSN)	1:05 p.m.
1/21	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	7:05 p.m.
1/24	@ Creighton* (WMBD)	7:05 p.m.
1/28	@ Northern Iowa*	7:05 p.m.
1/31	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	4:05 p.m.

1/20	W NOTHICH IOWA	7.00 p.iii.
1/31	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	4:05 p.m.
2/4	WICHITA STATE*	7:05 p.m.
2/7	@ SMS* (WMBD)	7:05 p.m.
2/11	@ Evansville*	7:05 p.m.
2/14	INDIANA STATE* (WMBD)	2:05 p.m.
2/18	@ Bradley* (WEEK)	7:35 p.m.
2/21	BRACKET BUSTER II (ESPN)	TBA
2/25	EVANSVILLE*	7:05 p.m.
2/28	@ Wichita State*	7:05 p.m.

3/1	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.
3/5-8	@ Missouri Valley Conferenc	e Tournament

All times listed are CST Home games in CAPS *=Missouri Valley Conference game

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ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (1-0) AT NORTHERN ILLINOIS HUSKIES (1-1) Wednesday November 26, 2003 a 7.05 n m, CST

Vednesday, November 26, 2003 • 7:05 p.m. CST Convocation Center (9,100) • DeKalb, III.

7	The Game Facts								
Th	The Probable Starters: ppg rpg apg								
ILL	.INOI	S STATE REDBIRDS (1	-0)						
F	21	Marcus Arnold	6-8	225	So1L	Chicago, III.	21.0	8.0	1.0*
F	50	Greg Dilligard	6-8	215	FrHS	Labelle, Mo.	7.0	0.0	3.0*
G	2	Gregg Alexander	6-4	195	Jr2L	Lincoln, III.	6.0	3.0	3.0
G	11	Vince Greene	5-9	160	Sr2L	Chicago, III.	5.0	1.0	1.0
G	25	Neil Plank	6-5	200	SoTR	Mt. Zion, III.	17.0	10.0	6.0
NC	NORTHERN ILLINOIS HUSKIES (1-1)								
F	2	Marcus Smallwood	6-6	215	Sr.	Elgin, III.	19.0	17.5	3.0*
F	5	Rome Sanders	6-8	225	So.	Chicago, III.	2.0	4.0	1.0
G	3	Anthony Maestranzi	5-10	165	So.	Bartlett, III.	12.5	0.5	3.5
G	21	P.J. Smith	6-4	200	Sr.	Maywood, III.	19.0	4.0	0.5
G	32	Todd Peterson	6-7	225	So.	Pekin, III.	3.5	4.5	1.5
NO	NOTE – (*) indicates blocks per game.								

About The Game: Tonight's game marks the first time the Redbirds have played in DeKalb since November 30, 1982. The 'Birds own a 27-27 mark against the Huskies in DeKalb with tonight being ISU's first ever appearance in the Convocation Center.

Series History: This is the 113th meeting between the two schools with Illinois State leading the series 71-41, but the Huskies have claimed five of the last six outings, including a 72-65 win last season at Redbird Arena. **Last Time Out:** Trey Guidry had four three-pointers in the second half and finished with a game-high 19 points, but Illinois State could not overcome a 17-point second half deficit and fell to Northern Illinois, 72-65, at Redbird Arena. Vince Greene was the only other Redbird to score in double figures with 16 points. The Birds committed 18 turnovers and were outrebounded by the Huskies, 38-30. Todd Peterson had a then career-high 18 points on six three-pointers for Northern Illinois. Former Redbird P.J. Smith scored 16 for the Huskies, including three from beyond the arc. Jay Bates also scored in double figures for NIU with 17 points.

On the Radio Dial: Dick Luedke, play-by-play; Mike Matthews, color; Bruce Evans, sideline (home only) and Tim Fisher, studio host. Affiliates: WJBC (AM 1230/Bloomington), flagship; WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight), WDID (AM 1510/Highland), WZOE (AM 1490/Princeton); WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield). All Redbird broadcasts can be heard via the Internet at either sports.yahoo.com or wjbc.com. WJBC also carries Porter Moser's weekly call-in show, which generally airs each Thursday from 6:07-7 pm, depending on the schedule.
On the Tube: None.

The Coaches

Porter Moser (Creighton '90) owns a 55-34 (.618) career mark in his first season at Illinois State, including a 1-0 (1.000) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock in his first head coaching position. Moser is assisted by Brian Barone, Steve Forbes and Daniyal Robinson.

Rob Judson (Illinois '80) leads Northern Illinois in his third season. With the Huskies, Judson owns a 30-31 (.492) record. Prior to becoming the head coach, Judson served as an assistant at Northern Illinois under former Bradley head coach Jim Molinari. He is assisted by Mike Shepherd, Donald Whiteside and Carl Armato.



TALE OF THE TAPE





	**	
W-L Record	1-0	1-1
ESPN/USA Today	NR	NR
AP Poll	NR	NR
Points Scored	87.0	74.0
Points Allowed	70.0	75.0
Scoring Margin	+17.0	-1.0
FG Percentage	48.9	40.8
Def. FG Percentage	39.1	35.8
3-pt. Percentage	35.7	40.5
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	17.4	25.0
FT Percentage	79.2	62.0
Offensive Rebounds	7.0	17.5
Total Rebounds	35.0	45.0
Rebounding Margin	+1.0	+2.5
Assists	15.0	13.0
Turnover Average	20.0	15.5
Turnover Margin	-3.0	-6.5
Steal Average	11.0	4.5
Block Average	4.0	7.5
Fouls	19.0	22.0

WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

All start at 3 p.m. and are located at the Redbird Arena press room off of the southwest loading dock.

- Monday, December 1
- Wednesday, December 10
- Thursday, December 18
- Friday, January 2
- Monday, January 5
- Monday, January 12Tuesday, January 20
- Monday, January 26
- Monday, February 2
- Monday, February 9
- · Monday, February 16
- · Monday, February 23
- Wednesday, March 3

WHAT'S BACK

Here's a look at what ISU returns heading into the 2003-04 season by percentage in key statistical categories ...

Scoring	77.7%
Three-Point Field Goals	98.4%
Rebounding	64.5%
Assists	
Steals	72.1%
Blocks	51.4%
Minutes	72.4%

VALLEY TELECONFERENCE

Teleconferences with the Valley men's basketball head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, with the men's briefings beginning on a weekly basis in December. To participate in either conference briefing, call 913/981-5509. The first men's teleconference begins at 10 a.m. CST on Tuesday, December 2. Head coach Porter Moser will be available at 10:25 a.m. during the teleconference.

About the Northern Illinois Huskies

- Northern Illinois, located in DeKalb, Ill., was founded in 1895 and has an enrollment of 24,948.
- The Huskies have been tabbed to win the Mid-American West Division in the preseason media poll and were also selected as the predicted tournament winner.
- NIU opened the 2003-04 campaign with a 83-76 win over Eastern Illinois in DeKalb. On Monday night, the Huskies dropped a 74-65 decision at No. 20 Notre Dame.
- Marcus Smallwood, a first team All-MAC forward in 2002-03, was tabbed as the league player of the year by both The Sporting News and Athlon Sports. He was also named to the preseason All-MAC team.
- The Huskies cruised through a pair of exhibition games with a 101-71 win over North Central College and an 89-47 win over the Spotlite Jammers.
- Former Redbird P.J. Smith received honorable mention honors last season. Smith has 1,000 points for his career with 264 coming in a Redbird uniform. He needs 186 points this season to post 1,000 career points in a Huskie uniform. Smith also claimed preseason All-MAC honors.
- Smith was also named to the preseason all-league team by Street & Smith's and The Sporting News.
- NIU received three votes in the preseason Associated Press top 25 poll for the first time in the history of the program this season. The Huskies rank No. 48 nationally according to the AP.
- Smallwood is also approaching the 1,000-point plateau.
 He has 929 tallies in his three-plus seasons with the Huskies.
- NIU is currently ranked as the No. 5 mid-major team according to ESPN.

Northern	<i>Illinois Sci</i>	<i>hedule</i>
Date	Opponent	Time/Result

Date		Opponent	i iiiic/ixcouit
11/22		EASTERN ILLINOIS	W, 83-76
11/24	@	Notre Dame	L, 65-74
11/26		ILLINOIS STATE	Tonight
12/5	VS.	Illinois-Chicago [^]	5:45 p.m.
12/6	VS.	lowa/E. Washington^	TBA
12/13	@	Marshall*	6 p.m.
12/15		CORNELL COLLEGE	7:05 p.m.
12/19	VS.	San Jose State#	6 p.m.
12/20	@	BYU-Hawai'i#	8:30 p.m.
12/22	VS.	Baylor#	2:30 p.m.
12/30		ST. FRANCIS (IN)	7:05 p.m.
1/3		OHIO*	2:05 p.m.
1/7	@	Akron*	6 p.m.
1/10	@	Bowling Green*	12 p.m.
1/14		EASTERN MICHIGAN	7:05 p.m.
1/17	@	Ohio*	TBA
1/20	@	Ball State*	6 p.m.
1/25		BUFFALO*	2:05 p.m.
1/31		TOLEDO*	2:05 p.m.
2/4		KENT STATE*	7:05 p.m.
2/9	@	Central Michigan*	6 p.m.
2/11	@	Toledo*	6 p.m.
2/14		BALL STATE*	2:05 p.m.
2/18		BOWLING GREEN*	7:05 p.m.
2/21	@	Bracket Buster II	TBA
2/25		MIAMI*	7:05 p.m.
2/28	@	Eastern Michigan*	7 p.m.
3/1		CENTRAL MICHIGAN	7:05 p.m.
3/6	@	Western Michigan*	2 p.m.
3/8-13	@	Mid-American Tournam	ent

All times listed are CST

^ Gazette-Hawkeve Classic

* Mid-American Conference game

Hawai'i Surf N' Slam

Big MAC Attack

Playing a league member of the Mid-American Conference is nothing new for Illinois State, especially with the Redbirds playing at least two MAC opponents this season. Tonight's game will mark the 250th contest against a current affiliate of the MAC. The 'Birds have had their share of success against the MAC with a 152-97 record (.610). The only current member of the 13-team conference that the Redbirds have never faced is Toledo.

Double-Double Debut

It didn't take **Neil Plank** long to make an impact with the Redbirds – one game. In his debut, Plank posted his first career double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds. He also added six assists and five steals. Plank became the first Redbird since Baboucarr Bojang to record a double-double in his first Illinois State game. Bojang did it on November 16, 2001 when he had 14 points and 10 rebounds against Weber State.

Previously Worn PJ's

He didn't call any of the current Redbirds teammates, but Northern Illinois' P.J. Smith did at one time wear an Illinois State uniform. Smith lettered for the Redbirds during the 1999-2000 season scoring 264 points and was named to the Valley All-Freshmen Team. Last season against his old mates, Smith scored 16 points in his return to Redbird Arena.

Marvelous Marcus

Sophomore **Marcus Arnold** started his second season where his first left off. Arnold tossed in a career-high 21 points, on 6-for-11 shooting, and added a career-best eight boards. He also sank all nine of his free throw attempts. Last season, Arnold became the fifth Redbird to be selected to the Valley All-Freshman Team. He averaged 8.4 points and 3.4 boards per game in his debut and also shot 50.3 percent from the floor.

114 Games With a Trey on the Board

Illinois State enters tonight's game with at least one made 3-pointer in 114 straight games. The last time the 'Birds didn't sink a single trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.



Louisiana Lightning

The reigning Valley Player of the Week, **Trey Guidry** continues to stay true to his name as he poured in 24 points in the season opener powered by four threes. Guidry was 4-for-6 on treys and recorded the sixth 20-point game of his career, all with ISU. He also tied an Illinois State Redbird Arena record by sinking 12 of his 14 free throw attempts against Florida A&M. Guidry's 12 charity makes tied Rico Hill's effort in 1997.

Dilly Delight

Freshman **Greg Dilligard** has made an early impact with the Redbirds. Dilligard started in both exhibition games and made his first collegiate start against Florida A&M. Dilligard played 18 minutes and collected three blocked shots. He also scored seven points and added a steal and an assist.

It is the Time for Giving

The 'Birds got a healthy taste of charity against Florida A&M, as ISU went to the free throw line 48 times in the 87-70 win. The trips to the charity stripe and the 38 makes were both Redbird Arena records, while the made free throws were the second-highest total all-time and the attempts ranked No. 3 in school history.

Gregg's Grand

By raising his scoring average by just a couple of points, junior **Gregg Alexander** could potentially add his name to the 1,000-point club this season. Alexander has 639 career points entering the campaign and would need 361 to reach the milestone. He scored 310 as a freshman and 323 last season. Alexander would be the 36th Redbird to join the 1,000-point club at Illinois State.

Perfect Porter

With the win over Florida A&M, head coach **Porter Moser** landed a win in his Illinois State debut. Moser became the fourth ISU coach to win his first game, joining Will Robinson, Gene Smithson and Tom Richardson. Smithson owns the best start by a Redbird coach, claiming his first six games before a loss.

Literally the Home of Champions

Illinois State has long been known as the "Home of Champions" with its 114 Missouri Valley Conference titles, but the 2003-04 men's basketball schedule also looks like the home of champions – as far as preseason media polls are concerned. Florida A&M, Northern Illinois, Illinois-Chicago and Western Kentucky were all picked to win their respective leagues, while Illinois and Utah State were tabbed for second.

National Champs

Despite a 8-21 record, the 'Birds brought home a national championship last season in 3-point shooting. The 'Birds buried treys at a 44 percent clip, which was the highest success rate from behind the arc in the nation.

The Road to Aberration

Finishing with a sub-500 winning percentage is a rarity at Illinois State. In fact, last year was only the fourth losing season in the Redbirds' 33 years of basketball at the Division I level.

Six Straight?

The Redbirds have gone five straight seasons shooting 70 percent or better from the free throw line. Thus far this season, the Redbirds are shooting 79.2 percent from the line. The five-seasons streak ties Illinois State's longest string (1975-79) since joining the Division I level.

Letting the Tiger Loose

After the fall semester grades are recorded, Missouri transfer **Najeeb Echols** will take the court for the first time as a Redbird. Echols, who had to sit out a year to meet NCAA transfer rules, played in 10 games for the Tigers during the 2002-03 season, averaging 3.1 points and 2.8 rebounds per game. As a prep, Echols was ranked by most recruiting services among the nation's top 30 seniors.

Sudden Impact

Since joining the Division I ranks, on average, first-year Redbird coaches have won 16.7 games in their initial season, including Bob Bender's NCAA run during the 1989-90 season.

Early Signs

During the fall early signing period head coach **Porter Moser** and the Redbirds added some instant athleticism for the 2004-05 season with the signing of Nedu Onyeuku and Justin Dentmon. Ranked as the eighth best shooting guard in junior college this season by *The Sporting News*, Onyeuku (6-3 • 180 • Guard • Omaha, Neb.) averaged 13 points and shot 41 percent on three-pointers as a freshman at lowa Western. Dentmon (6-2 • 185 • Guard • Carbondale, Ill.) averaged 17.2 points, 7.8 assists and 4.0 rebounds as a junior at Carbondale High School, which posted a 24-6 mark last season and won the regional championship.

THE LAST TIME THEY MET

Redbirds Fall to Northern Illinois

NORMAL, III. – Trey Guidry had four three-pointers in the second half and finished with a game-high 19 points, but Illinois State could not overcome a 17-point second half deficit and fell to Northern Illinois, 72-65, in non-conference basketball action at Redbird Arena.

Vince Greene was the only other Redbird to score in double figures with 16 points. Freshman Marcus Arnold finished with nine points and six rebounds, but the Birds committed 18 turnovers and were outrebounded by the Huskies, 38-30.

Freshman Todd Peterson had a career-high 18 points on six threepointers for Northern Illinois. Former Redbird P.J. Smith scored 16 for the Huskies, including three from beyond the arc. Jay Bates also scored in double figures for NIU with 17 points.

ISU jumped out to an early 7-2 lead sparked by a three-pointer by Greene. However, turnovers hampered the 'Birds in the first half and the Huskies were able to pull ahead 14-12 on a three-point basket by Anthony Maestranzi with 11:41 remaining before halftime.

The two teams battled back-and-forth for the lead over the game's next seven minutes, but with just over four minutes remaining Todd Peterson hit a three-pointer to spark a 13-4 Huskie run to end the half and give NIU a 31-24 advantage heading into the break. Greene led the Redbirds into the lockerroom with nine first-half points on perfect 3-for-3 shooting from the field, including 2-for-2 from the line.

The Huskies came out firing in the second half outscoring the 'Birds 13-4 in the first five minutes and keeping Illinois State without a field goal. Peterson hit two three-pointers to pace the NIU run. Greene hit a jumper from the left baseline to give the Redbirds their first field goal and bring ISU to within 14 points, 44-30, with 14:34 remaining in the game.

Northern Illinois 72, ILLINOIS STATE 65

December 21, 2002 • Redbird Arena

Northern Illinois	s Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Smallwood, f	34	2-11	1-4	6-12	2	3	5
Staten, f	6	0-3	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Morrison, c	9	1-3	1-2	0-0	0	2	3
Bates, g	29	3-5	10-12	1-3	1	3	17
Smith, g	37	5-11	3-4	1-3	2	3	16
Thompson	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Maestranzi	11	1-2	0-0	1-2	2	1	3
McElroy	22	1-1	1-3	2-7	3	2	3
Sanders	15	2-5	3-6	3-4	0	4	7
Sewasciuk	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Peterson	34	6-10	0-0	0-4	1	2	18
Totals	200	21-51	19-31	16-38	11	20	72

Team Pct.: FG - .412; FT - .613

3-Pt.: 11-20, .550 (Bates 1-1, Smith 3-7, Maestranzi 1-2, Peterson 6-10)

Blocks: 1 (Smallwood1)

Turnovers: 17 (Smallwood 3, Staten 1, Bates 3, Smith 3, Maestranzi 2, McElroy 1, Sanders 1, Sewasciuk 1, Peterson 1, Team 1)

Steals: 8 (Smallwood 3, Staten 1, Bates 1, Smith 1, McElroy 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Alexander, f	35	1-10	2-2	0-0	2	5	4
Bojang, f	14	0-0	2-4	2-5	0	5	2
Strandmark, c	29	1-2	3-4	1-6	0	4	5
Ford, g	13	2-4	0-0	2-2	0	1	4
Greene, g	34	5-9	4-4	0-1	1	3	16
Burras	15	1-1	0-0	3-6	0	3	2
Troc	13	1-5	1-2	0-0	1	1	4
Arnold	22	4-7	1-3	3-5	1	3	9
Guidry	25	7-15	0-0	0-2	1	2	19
Gillan	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-53	13-19	13-30	6	27	65

Team Pct.: FG - .415; FT - .684

3-Pt.: 8-22, .364 (Alexander 0-6, Greene 2-6, Troc 1-1, Guidry 5-9)

Blocks: 5 (Alexander 1, Bojang 1, Strandmark 1, Arnold, Guidry 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Alexander 1, Bojang 3, Strandmark 2, Ford 2, Greene 3, Troc 3, Arnold 2, Guidry 1, Gillan 1)

Steals: 10 (Strandmark 3, Ford 1, Greene 4, Burras 2)

Officials: J.D. Collins, Frank Spencer, Greg Webb

Attendance: 4,641

Halftime Score: Northern Illinois 31, ILLINOIS STATE 24



CHART CLIMBERS

Career Scoring Leaders	
1. Doug Collins (1970-73)	2,240
35. Joe Galvin (1976-80)	1,022
- Gregg Alexander (2001-)	
Career 3-Point FG Leaders	
1. Tarise Bryson (1999-02)	214
7. Rickey Jackson (1986-90)	
8. Maurice Trotter (1994-96)	
9. Gregg Alexander (2001-)	
- Vince Greene (2001-)	
- Trey Guidry (2002-)	
Career 3-Point FG Percentage	
Matt Taphorn (1986-88)	
2. Jeff Harris (1986-88)	46.6
3. Vince Greene (2001-)	43.7
Rico Hill (1995-98)	43.7
5. Shawn Jeppson (1998-01)	
6. Trey Guidry (2002-)	42.7
7. Gregg Alexander (2001-)	41.8
Career Minutes Averaged Leaders	
1. Tarise Bryson (1998-02)	34.1

		Illinois	St.
No.	Player	GP	GS
2	Gregg Alexander	61	58
11	Vince Greene	61	30
21	Marcus Arnold	30	21
24	Trey Guidry	30	14
3	Dana Ford	30	8
1	Chris Burras	29	2
10	Kevin Troc	26	1
50	Greg Dilligard	1	1
25	Neil Plank	1	1
34	Kenneth Hill	9	0
15	Matt Miller	1	0
45	Michael Sams	1	0
51	Ronnie Carlwell	0	0
33	Najeeb Echols	0	0
5	Kyle Flowers	0	0

2003-04 VALLEY PRESEASON POLL

Wichita State (24)	290
Creighton (4)	254
Bradley	
SMS (1)	210
Southern Illinois	200
UNI (1)	135
Illinois State	99
Evansville	96
Drake	87
. Indiana State	55
	Creighton (4)

2003-04 VALLEY STANDINGS

		VALLEY			0'	ALL	
		W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
1.	Bradley	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
	SMS	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
	Wichita State	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
4.	Creighton	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
	Drake	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
	Illinois State	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
	Indiana State	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
	Northern Iowa	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
	Southern Illinois	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
10.	. Evansville	0	0	.000	0	1	.000

*Through games of Nov. 23

2003-04 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

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##	<u>Player</u>	GP	<u>GS</u>	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	<u>FGA</u>	Pct	FT	<u>FTA</u>	<u>Pct</u>	Off	<u>Def</u>	Tot	Avg	PF	<u>F0</u>	$\underline{\textbf{A}}$	<u>TO</u>	Blk	Stl	<u>Pts</u>	Avg
24	Guidry, Trey	1	0	27	27.0	4	7	.571	4	6	.667	12	14	.857	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	0	1	0	1	24	24.0
21	Arnold, Marcus	1	1	27	27.0	6	11	.545	0	0	.000	9	91	.000	2	6	8	8.0	3	0	1	5	1	0	21	21.0
25	Plank, Neil	1	1	33	33.0	5	10	.500	1	3	.333	6	10	.600	3	7	10	10.0	2	0	6	4	0	5	17	17.0
50	Dilligard, Greg	1	1	18	18.0	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	3	4	.750	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	1	0	3	1	7	7.0
02	Alexander, Gregg	1	1	29	29.0	2	6	.333	0	3	.000	2	3	.667	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	3	1	0	2	6	6.0
11	Greene, Vince	1	1	22	22.0	1	3	.333	0	1	.000	3	4	.750	0	1	1	1.0	4	0	1	2	0	0	5	5.0
10	Troc, Kevin	1	0	5	5.0	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	1	2	0	0	3	3.0
15	Miller, Matt	1	0	12	12.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	21	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	1	2	2.0
01	Burras, Chris	1	0	24	24.0	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	3	4	4.0	5	1	2	3	0	1	2	2.0
34	Hill, Kenneth	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
45	Sams, Michael	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
03	Ford, Dana	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TM	TEAM														1	4	5	5.0	0			0				
	Total	1				22	45	.489	5	14	.357	38	48	.792	7	28	35	35.0	19	1	15	20	4	11	87	87.0
	Opponents	1				25	64	.391	4	23	.174	16	20	.800	12	22	34	34.0	32	-	11	17	1	9	70	70.0

 SCORE BY PERIODS:
 1st 2nd Total

 Illinois State
 42 45 87

 Opponents
 32 38 70

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-23-03	2:05 pm CST	FLORIDA A&M	W 87-70	6689	(24)Guidry, Trey	(10)Plank, Neil
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* - Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMAR	Y GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	1	6689	6689
AWAY	0	0	0
NEUTRAL	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	6689	6689



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Total ...

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. Tarise Bryson (38) at Purdue, 3-15-01 Opponent Jermaine Boyette (31), Weber St., 11-16-01

A player grabbed 20 rebounds ...

ILLINOIS ST. Ron deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74 Opponent Anthony Bonner (21), St. Louis, 2-6-90

A player grabbed 15 rebounds ...

ILLINOIS ST. Baboucarr Bojang (15) vs. UNI, 1-30-02 Opponent Marvin Black (18) at Marshall, 2-22-03

A player had a double-double ...

ILLINOIS ST. Neil Plank (17p, 10r) vs. Florida A&M, 11-23-03 Opponent Marvin Black (12p, 18r) at Marshall, 2-22-03

A player made five 3-pointers ...

ILLINOIS ST. Trey Guidry (5-6) at Drake, 2-26-03 Opponent Phillip Gilbert (5-8) at Bradley, 2-12-03

A player made 10 free throws ...

ILLINOIS ST. Trey Guidry (12-14) vs. Florida A&M, 11-23-03 Opponent Terrance McGee (11-15) at SMS, 1-15-03

A player had 15 free throw attempts ...

ILLINOIS ST. Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01 Opponent Terrance McGee (11-15) at SMS, 1-15-03

A player had 10 assists ...

ILLINOIS ST. Vince Greene (11) vs. Jacksonville, 12-18-02 Opponent Patrick Sparks (10) at Western Kentucky, 12-15-02

A player had five steals ..

ILLINOIS ST. Neil Plank (5) vs. Florida A&M, 11-23-03

A player blocked five shots ..

ILLINOIS ST. LeRoy Watkins (5) vs. Alcorn State, 12-2-98 Caleb Halcomb (5) at Western Kentucky, 12-15-02

TEAM

A team scored 100 points ...

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

A team made 35 field goals ...

ILLINOIS ST. at Southern Illinois (35-53), 2-28-98 Opponentvs. 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 vs. Akron (27-80), 11-20-98

A team shot 50 percent from the field ...

ILLINOIS ST. at Indiana State (.537, 29-54), 3-1-03 Opponent Drake (.512, 21-41), 2-15-03

A team made 10 3-point field goals ...

ILLINOIS ST. at Indiana State (11-20), 3-1-03 Opponent vs. Bradley (13-22), 2-1-03

A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts ... ILLINOIS ST. at Drake (8-27), 1-10-02

Opponent vs. Northern Iowa (10-26), 1-29-03

A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers ...

ILLINOIS ST. at Indiana State (.550, 11-20), 3-1-03 Opponent at Drake (.500, 8-16), 2-26-03

A team made 30 free throws ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03

Opponent at Drake (37-52), 1-17-01

A team had 25 assists ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01 Opponentna

A team had 15 steals ... ILLINOIS ST.vs. Weber State (15), 11-16-01

Opponent at Creighton (18), 12-12-99

A team had blocked 10 shots ...

ILLINOIS ST. 10 vs. Evansville, 1-17-79

Opponent na

ILLINOIS STATE'S 2003-04 RECORD WHEN

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

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

BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)

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Florida A&M	31-29
at Northern Illinois	
at Utah State	
Bellarmine	
Eastern Michigan	
at Illinois-Chicago	
Western Kentucky	
Northern Iowa*	
at Southern Illinois*	
at Illinois*	
Creighton*	
at Indiana State*	
at Drake*	
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Southern Illinois*	
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at Northern Iowa*	
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Wichita State*	
at SMS*	
at Evansville*	
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at Bradley*	
Bracket Buster II	
Evansville*	
at Wichita State*	

2003-04 VALLEY RANKINGS

*As of November 23

	AS OF NOVEMBER 23	
TEAM		
Scoring Offense	1st	87.0
Scoring Defense	t7th	70.0
Scoring Margin	3rd	+17.0
Free Throw Pct	2nd	79.2
Field Goal Pct	1st	48.9
FG Pct. Defense	5th	39.1
3-Point FG Pct	3rd	35.7
3-Point FG Pct. Def	1st	17.4
Rebounding Offense	8th	35.0
Rebounding Defense	7th	34.0
Rebounding Margin	8th	+1.0
Blocked Shots	t4th	4.00
Assists	3rd	15.00
Steals	3rd	11.00
Turnover Margin	8th	3.00
Assist/Turnover Ratio	8th	0.75
Offensive Rebounds	10th	7.00
Defensive Rebounds	3rd	28.00
3-Point Field Goals Mad	e t6th	5.00
INDIVIDUAL		
	SCORING	
Troy Cuidry	10+	24.0

Trey Guidry	1st	24.0
Marcus Arnold	2nd	21.0
Neil Plank	8th	17.0
	REBOUNDING	
Neil Plank	3rd	10.0
Marcus Arnold	t9th	8.0
	ASSISTS	
Neil Plank	3rd	6.00
	FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	
Marcus Arnold	t1st	1.000
	STEALS	
Neil Plank	t1st	5.00
	3-POINT FG MADE	
Trey Guidry	1st	4.00
	BLOCKED SHOTS	
Greg Dilligard	1st	3.00
	DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS	
Neil Plank	t3rd	7.00
Marcus Arnold	t5th	6.00



Superlatives

STARTING LINEUPS - F, F, G, G, G:

Arnold, Dilligard, Alexander, Greene, Plank

FIRST POINTS:

Arnold 1

DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (3):

Arnold 1, Guidry 1, Plank 1

DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING:

Plank 1

LEADING SCORER:

LEADING REBOUNDER:

Plank 1

DOUBLE-DOUBLES (1):

Plank 1

DUNKS:

None

FIRST SUBSTITUTION:

Burras 1

CHARGES DRAWN (3):

Guidry 2, Arnold 1

MOST MINUTES:

33, Neil Plank vs. Florida A&M, 11-23-03

VALLEY PLAYER OF WEEK

Nov. 24 Trey Guidry

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

Dilligard Opponent Alexander Arnold Burras Carlwell **Echols Flowers** DNP 6-3-3* 21-8-1* DNP 7-0-1* DNP Florida A&M 2-4-2 at N. Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan

at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at S. Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake*

SMS* Southern Illinois*

at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley*

Wichita State* at SMS*

at Evansville* Indiana State*

at Bradley* Bracket Buster II

Evansville*

at Wichita State*

Drake*

Ford Greene Guidry Hill Miller Plank Sams Troc 0-0-0 24-3-0 0-0-0 2-0-0 17-10-6* 0-0-0 3-0-1 5-1-1*

Opponent Florida A&M at N. Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at S. Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State* Drake*



2003-04 GA	ME-BY-G	AME												
Florida A&M @ Illinois State	Final 70 87	FG 25-64 22-45	FG% .391 .489	3FG 4-23 5-14	3% .174 .357	FT 16-20 38-48	FT% .800 .792	O-D-T Reb. 12-22-34 7-28-35	Fouls 32 19	Assists 11 15	Turnovers 17 20	Blocks 1 4	Steals 9 11	Halftime 32 42
Illinois State @ Northern Illinois														
Illinois State @ Utah State														
Bellarmine @ Illinois State														
Eastern Michigan @ Illinois State														
Ilinois State @ Illinois-Chicago														
Western Kentucky @ Illinois State														
Northern Iowa @ Illinois State														
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Creighton @ Illinois State														
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Ilinois State @ SMS														
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ndiana State @ Illinois State														
Ilinois State @ Bradley														
TBA @ Illinois State														
Evansville D Illinois State														
linois State ① Wichita State														
Prake D Illinois State														



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Gregg Alexande

G/F • 6-4 • 195 • Jr.-2L • Lincoln, III. (Lincoln)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 24 vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01/6 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 **Rebounds –** 10 vs. Bradley, 2-1-03/3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Assists - 4, five times/3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots - 1, five times/None **Steals –** 5 at Drake, 2-26-03/2 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Minutes - 42 vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01/29 vs. FAMU, 11-23-

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UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Scored six points in the opener against Florida A&M, but held last season's national most prolific three-point shooter, Terrance Woods, to a 3-for-12 effort from behind the arc.
- Tossed in 15 points against Global Sports with five rebounds.
- Against EA Sports, posted 11 points and three boards.
- · Swiped seven steals in the two exhibition games.
- Shot 6-for-15 on treys in the preseason matchups.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	R	PF	Α	
Florida A&M	29	2-6	0-3	2-3	3	0	3	
at Northern Illinois								
at Utah State								
Bellarmine								
Eastern Michigan								
at Illinois-Chicago								
Western Kentucky								
Northern Iowa*								
at Southern Illinois*								
at Illinois*								
Creighton*								
at Indiana State*								
at Drake*								
SMS*								
Southern Illinois*								
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Bradley*								
Wichita State*								
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at Evansville*								
Indiana State*								
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Bracket Buster II								
Evansville*								
at Wichita State*								
Drake*								
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Marcus Arnold F • 6-8 • 225 • So.-1L • Chicago, III. (Morgan Park)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 21 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/21 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds - 8 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/8 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 **Assists –** 3, twice/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots - 4 vs. UIC, 11-30-02/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-

Steals - 3 vs. SIU, 3-8-03/None

Minutes - 36 at SIU, 1-4-03/27 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Posted a career high 21 points and a career-best eight boards against Florida A&M. Also added a 9-for-9 effort from the free throw
- Rebounded from a 6-for-21 effort against EA Sports with a gamehigh 24 points on 11-for-13 shooting against Global Sports.
- Finished the game against EA Sports with 16 points and six rebounds.
- Averaged 20 points and 5.5 rebounds in the two exhibition games.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M		3FG-A	
Florida A&M	27	6-11	0-0	9-9
at Northern Illinois				
at Utah State				
Bellarmine				
Eastern Michigan				
at Illinois-Chicago				
Western Kentucky				
Northern Iowa*				
at Southern Illinois*				
at Illinois*				
Creighton*				
at Indiana State*				
at Drake*				
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Southern Illinois*				
at Creighton*				
at Northern Iowa*				
Bradley*				
Wichita State*				
at SMS*				
at Evansville*				
Indiana State*				
at Bradley*				
Bracket Buster II				
Evansville*				
at Wichita State*				
Drake*				
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Chris Burras

F • 6-5 • 210 • So.-1L • Chicago, III. (Leo)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points – 10 vs. Indiana St., 2-8-03/2 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds – 9 vs. SIU, 3-8-03/4 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Assists – 2, three times/2 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots – 1, three times/None Steals – 2, twice/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Minutes – 25 vs. SIU, 3-8-03/24 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

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UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Logged 24 minutes off the bench in the season opener with two points and four rebounds.
- Pulled down a combined 13 rebounds in the two exhibition games with 10 coming off the offensive glass.
- Scored eight points against EA Sports in 20 minutes of action.
- Dropped in 14 points and added three steals in 29 minutes of play against Global Sports.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A		R	PF
Florida A&M	24	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-4	5
at Northern Illinois						
at Utah State						
Bellarmine						
Eastern Michigan						
at Illinois-Chicago						
Western Kentucky						
Northern Iowa*						
at Southern Illinois*						
at Illinois*						
Creighton*						
at Indiana State*						
at Drake* SMS*						
Southern Illinois*						
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Bradley*						
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at Evansville*						
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Bracket Buster II						
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Ronnie Carlwell

C • 6-10 • 250 • Fr.-HS • Maywood, III. (Proviso East)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Points} - \ 0/0 \\ \textbf{Rebounds} - \ 0/0 \\ \textbf{Assists} - \ 0/0 \\ \textbf{Blocked Shots} - 0/0 \\ \textbf{Steals} - 0/0 \\ \textbf{Minutes} - 0/0 \end{array}$

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Did not see action against Florida A&M.
- · Played a combined six minutes in both exhibitions.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A A TO BLK S Florida A&M Did not play at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State*

at Wichita State* Drake* BOLD indicates games started

at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville*

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Greg Dilligard F • 6-8 • 215 • Fr.-HS • Labelle, Mo. (Highland)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points – 7 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/7 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 **Rebounds** – 0/0

Assists – 1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots – 3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

Steals – 7 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/7 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Minutes – 18 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/18 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Made his first career start against Florida A&M. Finished with seven points and three blocked shots.
- Started both exhibition games his first collegiate action.

M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A

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- Saw 21 minutes against EA Sports with four points and two boards.
- Played 26 minutes vs. Global Sports and contributed four points, six rebounds and five assists.

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2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M
Florida A&M	18
at Northern Illinois	
at Utah State	
Bellarmine	
Eastern Michigan	
at Illinois-Chicago	
Western Kentucky	
Northern Iowa*	
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at Illinois*	
Creighton*	
at Indiana State*	
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Najeeb Echols F• 6-7 • 230 • Jr.-TR • Chicago, III. (Morgan Park/Missouri)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points – 9 vs. Southern, 12-6-01/None Rebounds – 7, twice/None Assists – 2, six times/None Blocked Shots – 1, four times/None Steals – 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02/None Minutes – 25, twice/None

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

BOLD indicates games started * Missouri Valley Conference game

 Transfer from Missouri that will be eligible at the completion of the fall semester when all grades are posted.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A R PF A TO BLK S TP Florida A&M Sat out due to NCAA transfer rules at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradlev* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State* Drake*





Kyle Flowers

F • 6-8 • 210 • Jr.-TR • Alexis, III. (Alexis/Southeastern CC)

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CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 0/0 Rebounds - 0/0 Assists - 0/0 Blocked Shots - 0/0 **Steals** - 0/0 Minutes - 0/0

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

· Did not dress in the season opener due to a back injury.

M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A R PF

Did not play

· Did not see action in either exhibition.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent Florida A&M at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradlev* Wichita State³ at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradlev* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State* Drake*

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Dana Ford

G • 6-4 • 185 • So.-1L • Tamms, III. (Egyptian)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 9 at UNI. 1-7-03/None Rebounds - 8 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03/None

Assists - 3, three times/None Blocked Shots - 2, twice/None

Steals - 3 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03/None Minutes - 31, twice/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

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UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

· Saw a minute of action in the season opener.

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 Played a combined seven minutes in the exhibition games with no points and a rebound.

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2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A Florida A&M at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois' at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State*

BOLD indicates games started

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Vince Greene

G • 5-9 • 160 • Sr.-2L • Chicago, III. (Brother Rice)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 29 at Bradley, 2-12-03/5 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds - 7 at SMS, 1-15-03/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Assists - 11 vs. Jacksonville, 12-18-03/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

Blocked Shots - 1 at SMS, 2-2-02/None Steals - 7 at Evansville, 1-25-03/None Minutes - 40 vs. Wichita State, 1-18-03/22 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Missed practice on Monday, due to ankle injury he suffered against Florida A&M.
- · Logged 22 minutes against Florida A&M, after missing the second half of the first period with a left ankle injury.
- · Combined in the two exhibition games, posted a 10-to-4 assist-toturnover ratio.
- · Tossed in seven points against EA Sports.
- · Against Global Sports was 1-for-10 from the field, but 6-of-6 from the free throw line and finished with nine points.
- The 2003-04 Will Robinson Endowed Scholarship recipient.

BOLD indicates games started * Missouri Valley Conference game

<i>2003-04 GAM</i>	E-BY-C	AME	STAT	ISTIC	S							
Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP	
Florida A&M	22	1-3	0-1	3-4	1	4	1	2	0	0	5	
at Northern Illinois												
at Utah State												
Bellarmine												
Eastern Michigan												
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Trey Guidry

G • 6-2 • 185 • Jr.-1L • Baton Rouge, La. (Central/NC State)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 27 at Evansville, 1-25-03/24 vs. FAMU, 11-23-

Rebounds – 6 vs. UNI, 1-29-03/3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Assists - 11 at Kent State, 12-7-02/None Blocked Shots - 1, three times/None **Steals –** 2, four times/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Minutes - 38, twice/27 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Named the Valley Player of the Week on 11/24.
- Scored a game-high 24 points off the bench against Florida A&M.
- Made 12-of-14 free throws against the Rattlers to tie the Illinois State record for most made free throws in Redbird Arena.
- Poured in 15 points against Global Sports powered by a 5-for-6 shooting effort behind the arc, that included four straight treys in the

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 Tossed in nine points against EA Sports on a 3-for-10 effort, but collected five rebounds.

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Opponent	1VI 27			12-14
Florida A&M	21	4-7	4-0	12-14
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at Utah State				
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Kenneth Hill

F • 6-6 • 190 • So.-1L • Naperville, III. (Central)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 9 at Indiana State, 3-1-03/0 Rebounds - 1, four times/0

Assists - 0/0

Blocked Shots - 1, twice/0

Steals - 0/0

Minutes - 5 vs. Southern Illinois, 3-3-03/0

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UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Played in the final minute against Florida A&M.
- · Did not see action in either exhibition game.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 0/0 Rebounds - 0/0 Assists - 0/0 Blocked Shots - 0/0 **Steals** - 0/0 Minutes - 0/0

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Walk-on that joined the team in October.
- · Did not see action in either exhibition game.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A R PF A TO BLK S TP Did not play Florida A&M at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradley* Bracket Buster II

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at Wichita State*





Matt Miller

G • 5-10 • 175 • Jr.-TR • Aurora, III. (Waubonsie Valley/Rend Lake CC)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 2 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/2 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds - 0/0

Assists - 0/0 Blocked Shots - 0/0

Steals - 1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

Minutes - 12 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/12 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Played 12 minutes against Florida A&M after Vince Greene went down with an ankle injury. Scored two points.
- · Spotted Vince Greene at the point in both exhibition games. Played nine minutes against EA Sports and five vs. Global Sports.

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 Did not score in either game, but combined for two assists, two steals and a turnover.

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Neil Plank

G/F • 6-5 • 200 • So.-TR • Mt. Zion (Mt. Zion/Wisconsin)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 17 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/17 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds - 10 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/10 vs. FAMU, 11-

Assists – 6 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/6 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots - 0/0

Steals - 5 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/5 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Minutes - 33 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/33 vs. FAMU, 11-23-

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

 Posted first career double-double with 17 points and 10 boards against Florida A&M. Also added six assists and five steals.

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· Game's leading scorer against EA Sports with 18 tallies. Also added six rebounds.

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- Was 0-for-4 from the floor against Global Sports
- · Shot 1-for-8 on treys in the two exhibition games

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A Florida A&M 33 5-10 at Northern Illinois at Utah State **Bellarmine** Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois' at Illinois* Creighton' at Indiana State* at Drake¹ SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradlev* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State*

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Michael Sams F • 6-7 • 203 • Fr.-HS • Decatur, III. (Mt. Zion)

CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 0/0Rebounds - 0/0 Assists - 0/0 Blocked Shots - 0/0

Minutes - 1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Played in the final minute against Florida A&M.
- Saw a minute of action against the EA Sports All-Stars only recording a personal foul.
- Didn't see action in the second exhibition against Global Sports.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A R PF TO BLK S TP Florida A&M 0-0 0-0 0 at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville Indiana State at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State* Drake* **BOLD** indicates games started * Missouri Valley Conference game



Kevin Troc

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CAREER/SEASON BESTS:

Points - 10 vs. UNI, 1-29-03/3 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Rebounds - 5 vs. Bradley, 2-1-03/None Assists - 5 vs. Utah St., 11-23-02/1 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03 Blocked Shots - 1, twice/None Steals - 2 at Wichita State, 2-4-03/None Minutes - 30 vs. Bradley, 2-1-03/5 vs. FAMU, 11-23-03

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UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Saw his first action of the season with five minutes against Florida A&M. Tossed in three points with one assist.
- Missed the two exhibition games with fluid in his right knee.
- The 2003-04 Milt Weisbecker Endowed Scholarship recipient.

2003-04 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent M FG-A 3FG-A FT-A TO BLK S Florida A&M 1-1 0-0 1-2 at Northern Illinois at Utah State Bellarmine Eastern Michigan at Illinois-Chicago Western Kentucky Northern Iowa* at Southern Illinois* at Illinois* Creighton* at Indiana State* at Drake* SMS* Southern Illinois* at Creighton* at Northern Iowa* Bradley* Wichita State* at SMS* at Evansville* Indiana State* at Bradley* Bracket Buster II Evansville* at Wichita State*

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EXHIBITION 1

Second-Half Lapse Sinks 'Birds in First Exhibition

NORMAL, III. – Sophomore Neil Plank tossed in a game-high 18 points for Illinois State, but it wasn't enough as the Redbirds fell 78-71 to the EA Sports All-Stars Monday night at Redbird Arena in exhibition basketball.

The Redbirds overcame a one-point halftime deficit in the first minute of the second frame to take a four-point lead, 33-29, their largest of the game. Gregg Alexander tossed in a three-pointer at the 18:51 mark to put the 'Birds up by two. After an Alexander steal, Marcus Arnold dropped in a layup for the lead.

The Redbirds held their four-point edge on another trey by Alexander at the 16:44 mark, but a 14-4 run by the EA Sports All-Stars gave the visitors a 51-42 advantage and a lead they would never relinquish. The Redbirds closed the gap to 61-57 after a Plank layup at the 5:48 mark, but again the All-Stars responded with a 9-0 run to put the game away.

With 10:07 left in the first half, an Arnold basket gave the Redbirds their only lead of the frame at 15-13. The 'Birds managed to stay close in the first 20 minutes, despite only shooting 2-for-10 on treys, overcoming their largest deficit of six points to close within one, 29-28, at the half. The Redbird defense was largely responsible by forcing EA Sports into 18 first-half turnovers.

Arnold finished with 16 points and six boards, but was 6-for-21 from the field. Alexander chipped in 11. EA Sports was led by Robert O'Kelley's 16 tallies off the bench, while Clay Tucker and Cory Largent tossed in 11 and 10 points respectively.

EA Sports 78, ILLINOIS STATE 71

November 10, 2003 • Redbird Arena

EA Sports	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Johnson, f	29	3-6	2-3	2-5	4	4	9
Brownlee, f	23	2-5	1-3	1-6	3	1	7
Gibbs, f	18	3-3	1-6	5-12	1	2	7
Largent, g	28	4-10	0-0	1-3	1	2	10
Tucker, g	30	4-13	1-2	1-7	2	3	11
O'Kelley	20	2-5	10-10	0-3	0	3	16
Fountain	21	2-4	5-8	0-1	0	2	9
Rodgers	11	1-2	3-6	0-4	0	5	5
Evans	20	2-2	0-0	2-7	0	1	4
Totals	200	23-50	23-38	12-48	11	23	78

Team Pct.: FG - .460; FT - .605

3-Pt.: 9-23, .391 (Johnson 1-2, Brownlee 2-5, Largent 2-6,

Tucker 2-5, O'Kelley 2-4, Rodgers 0-1) **Blocks:** 4 (Johnson 2, Rodgers 1, Evans 1)

Turnovers: 26 (Johnson 4, Brownlee 6, Gibbs 2, Largent 1,

Tucker 4, O'Kelley 4, Fountain 1, Rodgers 1, Evans 3)

Steals: 13 (Johnson 3, Brownlee 3, Gibbs 1, Tucker 2, Fountain 3, Rodgers 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Arnold, f	29	6-21	4-8	1-6	0	5	16
Dilligard, f	21	1-1	0-0	1-2	1	4	2
Alexander, g	28	4-8	0-2	0-3	1	1	11
Greene, g	31	2-6	2-2	0-0	5	5	7
Plank, g	30	7-14	3-4	3-6	4	0	18
Burras	20	4-7	0-0	4-6	1	5	8
Ford	4	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Miller	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Guidry	25	3-10	2-2	0-5	2	4	9
Sams	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Carlwell	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	27-69	11-18	10-32	16	26	71

Team Pct.: FG - .391; FT - .611

3-Pt.: 6-21, .286 (Alexander 3-7, Greene 1-3, Plank 1-5, Ford 0-1,

Guidry 1-5)

Blocks: 2 (Arnold 1, Burras 1)

Turnovers: 15 (Arnold 3, Dilligard 2, Alexander 3, Greene 1,

Plank 2, Burras 2, Miller 1, Guidry 1)

Steals: 11 (Alexander 5, Greene 1, Burras 2, Miller 2, Guidry 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Jerry Seibert, Mark Mayhood

Attendance: 4,772

Halftime Score: EA Sports 29, ILLINOIS STATE 28

EXHIBITION 2

Arnold Leads Birds Past Global Sports

NORMAL, III. – Marcus Arnold scored 24 points to lead four Redbirds in double figures as Illinois State defeated Global Sports 81-75 Sunday night at Redbird Arena.

The Redbirds shot well all night, as they hit 52 percent from the field and 41 percent from behind the 3-point arc. Not to be outdone, Global Sports shot 57 percent from the field and 41 percent from three point range.

In the first half, Mark Green opened the game with a three for Global Sports, however the 'Birds came out on fire, following Green's three up with a 12-0 Redbird run. Arnold was a force early for Illinois State, as he scored all 12 of his first half points in the first seven minutes.

As Global Sports drew within one at 18-17, the Redbird sharpshooters took center stage, as a Gregg Alexander's field goal was followed up by four straight Trey Guidry three's.

The Redbirds and the All-Stars would go toe-to-toe for the rest of the half, as Global Sports would get its second lead of the game with just over a minute left. However, Chris Burras was able to convert two straight three-point plays, including an acrobatic shot with under one second to go, giving the "Birds the lead heading into the locker room at 44-41.

In the second half, Illinois State used a 7-0 run midway through to get a little breathing room, as they extended their lead to seven at 68-61. Much like the first half, Global Sports kept it close, as they would tie the Redbirds at 58 and 61, but the 'Birds never trailed in the second half.

Other Redbirds in double figures included Alexander (15), Guidry (15), and Burras (14). Burras was relentless all night on the glass, leading the way with seven rebounds, including six on the offensive end

ILLINOIS STATE 81, Global Sports 75

November 16, 2003 • Redbird Arena

Global Sports	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Davis, f	34	5-8	4-5	1-5	2	4	15
Warner, f	23	5-7	1-1	1-1	0	1	11
Coleman, c	29	5-6	1-2	2-7	1	4	11
Garner, g	27	5-12	2-3	0-2	2	4	15
Green, g	20	3-7	0-0	1-2	0	0	7
Patterson	13	2-2	0-0	0-1	3	1	5
Nash	20	2-4	0-0	0-1	1	0	5
Bennett	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ross	27	0-1	6-6	0-1	3	3	6
Totals	200	27-47	14-17	6-22	12	17	75

Team Pct.: FG - .574; FT - .824

3-Pt.: 7-17, .412 (Davis 1-1, Garner 3-8, Green 1-4, Patterson 1-

1, Nash 1-3)

Blocks: 3 (Warner 1, Coleman 2)

Turnovers: 17 (Davis 5, Warner 3, Coleman 3, Green 1,

Patterson 1, Nash 4)

Steals: 10 (Davis 1, Warner 1, Garner 2, Green 2, Patterson 2,

Nash 1, Ross 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Arnold, f	21	11-13	2-4	1-5	2	3	24
Dilligard, f	26	2-4	0-0	3-6	5	2	4
Alexander, g	32	5-10	2-2	1-5	2	3	15
Greene, g	32	1-10	6-6	1-2	5	2	9
Plank, g	21	0-4	0-0	1-1	2	1	0
Burras	29	6-8	2-2	6-7	0	2	14
Ford	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
Miller	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Guidry	27	5-8	0-0	0-2	2	1	15
Carlwell	4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	2	0
Totals	200	30-58	12-14	14-30	19	17	81

Team Pct.: FG – .517; FT – .857

3-Pt.: 9-22, .409 (Alexander 3-8, Greene 1-5, Plank 0-3, Guidry 5-6)

Blocks: 1 (Dilligard)

Turnovers: 15 (Arnold 2, Dilligard 1, Alexander 3, Greene 3, Plank 2, Burras 1, Ford 1, Guidry 1, Carlwell 1)
Steals: 7 (Alexander 2, Greene 1, Plank 1, Burras 3)

Officials: Sam Banks, David Warfel, Scott Savage

Attendance: 3,958

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 44, Global Sports 41

GAME 1

Arnold Leads Birds Past Global Sports

NORMAL, III. – Trey Guidry led the way with 24 points as Illinois State set three Redbird Arena free throw records in an 87-70 win over Florida A&M, giving first year head coach Porter Moser his first win as the Redbird boss.

In the first half, the 'Birds came out full of energy, as they used a 9-0 run over the first 3:30 to gain control. Florida A&M would chip away at the lead, and eventually take their first lead of the ballgame at 7:00 following a 9-0 Rattler run. The 'Birds would quickly regain the lead and rebuild a 9-point cushion following a 10-0 run, fueled by two Guidry threes and a pair of Neil Plank buckets.

Kevin Troc saw his first action of the season the last two minutes of the first half, and would score ISU's final three points, giving the Redbirds a 42-32 lead at the half, their biggest advantage of the half. Guidry lead the way in the first half with 15, while Plank added 12. Terrance Woods led the Rattlers with 13 in the first half.

Rattler head coach Mike Gillespie was ejected at the 14:05 mark, and within a minute, ISU would hold their biggest lead of the game at 64-41. Marcus Arnold had an outstanding second half, as he would score 17 in the second frame, and 22 for the game, setting a new career high.

Plank showed the Redbird Arena crowd his versatility, as he had 17 points, 10 rebounds and 6 assists for his first career double-double.

Woods led the Rattlers with 22, however the Redbird defense harassed him all game, forcing one of the top three-point shooters in the nation to a 3-12 performance from behind the arc.

ILLINOIS STATE 87, Florida A&M 70

November 23, 2003 • Redbird Arena

Florida A&M	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Zamore, f	10	0-2	0-0	2-3	0	1	0
Russell, f	19	2-4	3-4	1-2	0	4	7
White, g	22	3-6	1-2	0-2	4	5	7
Wilkins, g	29	2-8	1-2	2-4	2	5	5
Woods, g	28	8-19	3-3	0-3	2	4	22
Tate	24	2-7	6-6	0-2	1	2	11
Henderson	1	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	1	0
Kelly	15	3-4	2-2	1-2	0	1	8
Sams	6	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Ayodele	16	1-2	0-0	0-2	1	4	2
Harper	20	4-8	0-0	0-2	0	1	8
Sumter	10	0-2	0-1	0-3	1	4	0
Totals	200	25-64	16-20	12-34	11	32	70

Team Pct.: FG - .391; FT - .800

3-Pt.: 4-23, .174 (Russell 0-1, White 0-1, Wilkins 0-2, Woods 3-

12, Tate 1-4, Ayodele 0-1, Harper 0-2)

Blocks: 1 (Zamore 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Zamore 1, White 6, Wilkins 2, Woods 1, Tate 3,

Kelly 1, Ayodele 2, Harper 1)

Steals: 9 (Wilkins 6, Woods 1, Kelly 1, Sams 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Arnold, f	27	6-11	9-9	2-8	1	3	21
Dilligard, f	18	2-3	3-4	0-0	1	2	7
Alexander, g	29	2-6	2-3	0-3	3	0	6
Greene, g	22	1-3	3-4	0-1	1	4	5
Plank, g	33	5-10	6-10	3-10	6	2	17
Burras	24	1-3	0-0	1-4	2	5	2
Ford	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Troc	5	1-1	1-2	0-0	1	2	3
Miller	12	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Guidry	27	4-7	12-14	0-3	0	0	24
Hill	1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Sams	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-45	38-48	7-35	15	19	87

Team Pct.: FG - .489; FT - .792

3-Pt.: 5-14, .357 (Alexander 0-3, Greene 0-1, Plank 1-3, Guidry

4-6, Hill 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Arnold 1, Dilligard 3)

Turnovers: 20 (Arnold 5, Alexander 1, Greene 2, Plank 4, Burras

3, Troc 2, Miller 2, Guidry 1)

Steals: 11 (Dilligard 1, Alexander 2, Plank 5, Burras 1, Miller 1, Guidry 1)

Officials: Mark McMullen, Jerry Seibert, Brad Gaston

Attendance: 6,689

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 42, Florida A&M 32