

## LLCC hosts homecoming activities

### King, queen to be announced at basketball game

Madison Mings  
Editor

SPRINGFIELD – This month, LLCC is hosting a homecoming through the week of Feb. 22 and Feb. 24. This year's homecoming is set to be a fun time, complete with homecoming week events, such as

free food, games and cool prizes.

I asked Student Engagement Coordinator Marie Watson some questions regarding more information about this year's homecoming.

The Lamp: What is the theme of this homecoming?

Marie Watson: The theme this year is Logger Pride. We decided to have more of a focus on the actual purpose of homecoming which is to develop a sense of pride and connection to Lincoln Land and our athletics. We are the Lincoln Loggers and so we want to be able to emphasize

that in our Homecoming Festivities.

TL: What will be at the homecoming that students can look forward to?

MW: For the week of Homecoming student will look forward to free food, games and swag on both February 22 and 23. We are having walking tacos on Monday along with a basketball shoot game and green screen photo booth. Tuesday will consist of fudge puppies, photo booth, and Airbrush Tattoos!

To end Homecoming, we will have the men and women's basketball game on the evening of Wednesday

February 24, we will be presenting the homecoming court at the women's halftime game and crowning the king and queen at the men's halftime game.

We will also be giving the opportunity to a lucky Lincoln Land student the chance to win an iPad Mini in a basketball shootout contest. We will have 3 contestants compete for the prize.

TL: Are you expecting a higher attendance this year?

MW: We are definitely hoping for a high attendance to the basketball games on Wednesday. We have made

an effort to really put emphasis on encouraging students to attend the games and show their logger pride.

TL: Is there an admission price?

MW: There is no admissions price for Lincoln Land Community College faculty, staff, and students.

I went to last year's homecoming and I had so much fun, the dance was nice, the food tasted delicious and the photo booth was fun, so I know this year's homecoming activities will be fun to enjoy as well.

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## Obama returns to Springfield



Teresa Brummett/The Lamp

Air Force One taxis across the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Airport in Springfield on Feb. 10. Barack Obama visited town to address his former colleagues.

### Former Illinois senator returns to his old stomping grounds for address

By Madison Mings  
Editor

SPRINGFIELD – Another historical visit was made by President Barack Obama Feb. 10. President Obama stopped by in Springfield, IL again to address the Illinois General Assembly about issues with the state budget crisis.

The last time we had a visit from the President was nine years ago in 2007. President Obama came to the Old State Capitol to announce that he was running for President.

At 10:05 a.m. Air Force One left Washington/The White House. Then at 11:13 a.m. Air Force One arrived at the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

President Obama then went downtown to grab something to eat at his favorite spot when he was a senator, The Feed Store. He said hello and shook hands with customers. The employees of the Feed Store had 30 minutes notice that the President would be stopping by for lunch.

At 1:25 President Obama began to address his 1 hour speech to the Illinois General Assembly at the Illinois State Capitol.

The lame duck President summarized that Democrats and Republicans need to come together about issues and not be so polarized and try to end gridlock.

President Obama thought back to the good times as a state senator in Springfield when he worked with Republicans.

"Where I've got opportunity to find some common ground that doesn't make me a sellout, it means to get stuff done. The same applies to Republicans. When I hear voices in either party boast up their refusal to compromise listeners in or itself. I'm not impressed." He said.

President Obama called it a "myth" that the political environment today is unique or hopeless and that politicians today aren't more beholden than they have been in the past.

"We've gone through periods when we thought democracy was struck." Obama said. "We have to find a new way to do business. We're in one of those moments."

President Obama has 11 months left in office and he listed four solutions he said would help

accomplish his goal of a better politics. They include reducing "Some of the corrosive influence of money in our politics."

"I don't believe that money is speech of that political spending should have no limits or shouldn't be disclosed," Obama said.

Obama called for changes in the way congressional districts are drawn after the decennial census. He said both partners are guilty of gerrymandering districts to achieve a political advantage.

"Nobody has clean hands on this thing." Said Obama. "In America, Politicians should not pick their voters, voters should pick their politicians."

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## Health program grows while others struggle

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SPRINGFIELD – Lincoln Land Community College offers literally hundreds of programs for students to enroll in. From weather and climate, to math and history, there is always something for every student. However, the health professions offered by LLCC are by far one of the most heavily enrolled courses on campus.

One reason for the high enrollment rate is how open it is to the community. Students out of high school,

or already in college can apply to the course. Admission is rather difficult, however. Depending on which program a student is applying for, there are certain criteria that must be met in order to be considered. For example, if someone wants to enroll on the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, transcripts and ACT scores must be acceptable, as well as enrollment in certain math and English classes at LLCC.

The Associate Degree Nursing program has different requirements. Instead of a checklist, a point system

is used, instead. Depending on what the student's ACT score and GPA is determines how many points they will receive. Prerequisite courses also give the student points. The applications are then sorted by point count and are evaluated.

Despite the drop in overall enrollment at LLCC, the health professions program has seen a dramatic increase in applications since 2013. While many courses see a drop of 3 to 10 percent, the health professions program saw a 65 percent increase since 2013. When asked about the

reason for why the enrollment rate was increasing, Cynthia Maskey, the dean of the Health Professions Department, gave her opinion.

She said, "The Health Professions programs overall have high completion and graduation rates. The numbers in health programs remain high because graduates from these programs continue to be in demand in the community and beyond and continue to get good jobs."

The acceptance process is very unique to the department. When asked if the process would ever

change in the future, Maskey stated that "The admission and acceptance processes are always being evaluated and changed as needed by the faculty and staff in each program. However, a selective process is used to ensure the students admitted to the program will be successful in that program. The college is responsive to the demand for health programs and works to accommodate student interest as much as possible."

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(Above) A Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*) begs for food at Tom Madonia Park.

# Nature enthusiast captures migration

Story and pictures  
by Jared Gorrell

SPRINGFIELD - Welcome to the new nature column of the Lamp. I, Jared Gorrell, will be giving you all updates on what's happening in nature around us.

Most Illinoisans I know think of this state as a gigantic cornfield. We lack mountains and oceans. In fact, Illinois is the third flattest state in the United States after Florida and Louisiana. Many interstates take advantage of this fact and run through Illinois as people travel to other places, merely passing through, stopping to get a bite to eat or fill up on gas here and there. This state is a stopover for travelers. Illinois serves the same function in the natural world, too.

While Illinois lacks spectacular landforms, this state has one particular feature that makes it incredibly important. On the east, west, and south, Illinois is bounded by water in the form of three rivers and a lake, all natural interstates for migrating birds. Birds flying to and from Canada, the upper Midwest, and the Great Lakes migrate through Illinois along a route known as the Mississippi Flyway. This natural interstate for birds, particularly waterfowl, is one of the greatest natural highways in the world. The Mississippi Flyway makes Illinois a key sight to see massive migrations every spring and fall.

What many people do not realize is that migration is not a simple process. Most of us think of it in terms of north-to-south travel, or, at this time of year, south-to-north travel. Yet, this is far too simple. The same flock of snow geese (*Chen caerulescens*), one of the most common winter migrants in this area,

may fly back and forth between the Illinois River, the Mississippi River, and Lake Springfield several times in the course of a week. This has to do with ice. In late winter, the temperature rises and falls dramatically, with temperatures slipping above and below freezing every week. When lakes and rivers are frozen over, the waterfowl must travel south, or else starve because their underwater food supply is cut off. Thus, as the ice thaws, birds tend to show up, and as the ice refreezes, the birds leave. As a result, trying to find birds in migration can be a wild goose chase in the most literal sense.

Of course, waterbirds are not the only birds that migrate. Birds of prey (hawks, eagles, vultures, and owls) migrate as well, and some, such as the Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*) are migrating at this time of year. Turkey Vultures migrate and roost in flocks, and the local ones do so in a grove of pine trees where Toronto Road bends, near the Crow's Mill Pub. At times, up to fifty vultures can be seen only a few hundred feet from Lincoln Land Community College. This is but one of many areas, particularly Center Park and Marina Point, where migrating birds can be seen near Lincoln Land Community College.

We may live in a giant cornfield, but even here in Illinois, we have our own spectacular displays of nature. After all, we live along one of the greatest natural interstates in the world. All we have to do is look.

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(Above) Lesser Scaups (*Aythya affinis*) rest at sundown on Lake Springfield. (Below) Snow Geese (*Chen caerulescens*) fly over Center Park in Springfield on the way west to the Illinois River.



(Above) Various species of Pochards (*Aythya spp.*) fly across Lake Springfield at sunset. (Below) Canada Geese (*Branta canadensis*) swim in Lake Springfield near Marina Point.



(Above) Greater White-fronted Geese (*Anser albifrons*) in flight. (Below) American Coot (*Fulica americana*) and a female Bufflehead (*Bucephala albeola*) swim along Lake Springfield.



(Above) An immature Ring-Billed Gull (*Larus delawarensis*) flies over Marina Point. (Below) Adult Ring-Billed Gulls (*Larus delawarensis*) walk around on Marina Point.



(Above) A female Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*) takes off from the water at Center Park on Lake Springfield.

# Superbowl showdown recap

By Madison Mings  
Editor

SPRINGFIELD – Super Bowl 50 2016 was held on Sunday Feb. 7 on CBS. The teams that went head to head on the field were the Carolina Panthers and Denver Broncos. This year’s Super Bowl was held in Santa Clara, CA.

The Super Bowl started off with singer/songwriter Lady Gaga singing the Star-Spangled Banner. She did an amazing job. After her performance the U.S. Navy Blue Angels flew over the stadium. Now for the game to begin.

Both teams came onto the field for the coin toss. The Panthers won the coin toss and they deferred to give the Broncos the ball first. In the first quarter the score was 0 - 3 Broncos. Broncos Brandon McManus made a 34 yard field goal. Broncos got another touchdown by Malik Jackson. The Carolina Panthers coach Ron Rivera threw the challenge flag for the ruling on the field of an incomplete pass for the Panthers by Jericho Cotchery which they lost.

In the second quarter Panthers running back Jonathan Stewart made a touchdown, making the score 6 - 10 Broncos with the

time being 11:25. At the time 6:58 Broncos McManus made a 23 yard field goal. Making the score 7 - 13 Broncos.

The halftime show was up next having Coldplay being the headlining act, with special guest Beyoncé and Bruno Mars. Coldplay’s lead singer Chris Martin started signing on the field with fans running up to football lookalike stage. The band opened up with “Yellow”, and “Viva La Vida”, with very colorful stage and attire. Martin got really close with the crowd and kept things up beat. They then sang “Paradise” with fireworks going off and they also performed their new hit “Adventure of a Lifetime”.

Next up on stage was Bruno Mars singing “Uptown Funk” with DJ Mark Ronson. After that the camera transitioned on the field with Beyoncé singing “Formation”. Beyoncé and Bruno Mars had a dance battle with their dancers and a sing-off with “Uptown Funk” and “Crazy in Love” and then the pair both joined Chris Martin. Coldplay sang “Clocks” and Martin sang U2’s “Beautiful day” at the piano while the stage showed a montage of Super Bowl performances from the past. While Coldplay, Beyoncé, and Bruno Mars sang together it ended with the whole audience holding colorful place cards spelling out

love.

In the third quarter with the time at 8:18 Brandon McManus made another field goal. The Panthers didn’t score.

In the fourth quarter at 10:41 Panthers kicked a field goal by Gano at the 39 yard line. At the time of 3:08 Broncos made a touchdown and went for the 2 point conversion.

Making the score 10 - 24 Broncos as the final score with the time 00:11. Broncos won the Super Bowl. Peyton Manning being the quarterback for the Broncos said “I’m going to kiss my wife, and kids, and I’m going to drink a lot of Budweiser tonight.”

Panthers quarterback Cam Newton was very upset when he was interviewed. The interviewer asked what’s your message to panther’s fans. And Newton said “We’ll be back.” The interviewer also asked Newton to put into words the disappointment you feel right now? And Newton said “We lost.” Then asking how he was feeling right now with losing the Super Bowl 50 Newton said “I’m done.” Newton got sacked 6 times in the game with Von Miller given the MVP for Super Bowl 50.

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# Hockey lingo for beginners

By Anne King  
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SPRINGFIELD — Many say that hockey players are a whole different breed of people. The more time that I spend engulfed in the culture that surrounds hockey players and their fans, the more I believe that to be true. Players are known for their grit, their toughness that is both mental and physical and their uncanny ability to “wheel,” or attract women.

Not only are hockey players a different type than the rest of us, they have their own lingo that would confuse those who aren’t fans of this wonderful game. For example, while the average person would use the word celebrate, hockey players usually shorten it to celly, to describe their reactions to scoring a goal. Geno and Apple are the words used for goals and assists, and barn refers to the rink they’re playing in. Even when they score, they could confuse a new fan. Many players, when talking about their goals, use terms like “bar down,” “top shelf,” and “five hole.” To go “bar down” means that the puck hits the crossbar of the goal posts and reflects down into the net. Top shelf and



five hole are areas where the goalies’ body usually isn’t. Top shelf is the area above the left and right shoulders on either side of the head, while five hole is the space between a

goalies legs.

In the U.S., there is a tier system for ranking the hockey leagues, each one more competitive than the last. Starting at tier 3 Junior A

hockey is the league called the NA3. NAHL, which is tier 2 Junior A hockey, stands for North American Hockey League. Above the NAHL is the USHL, or the United States Hockey League, which is the league that number one draft pick Connor McDavid played in before joining the Edmonton Oilers in the NHL.

Hockey players travel from all over the United States to play for a team that wants them, moving away from home as young as sixteen to live with a host family. Other times, they travel from European countries, and become the imports for these junior teams. Hockey players are constantly under pressure to do well, or else they can get cut or traded from their teams. In addition to that, many juniors players are looking to commit to colleges to advance their playing careers.

Despite the pressure, scouts and people throwing their bodies, sticks and fists around, hockey players manage to be some of the most well mannered, gentle, and hard working people one could meet.

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## Drunk driving a deadly idea

By Anne King  
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As spring break and prom season come upon us again, I believe that we all need to be reminded that we are not invincible. Although we try to be weightless and carefree as we celebrate getting out of school, or getting ready for the dance, we all have to remember that good decisions matter. What I mean by that is, don’t drink and drive.

Everyone laughs at the keychains they hand out with prom tickets at Springfield High. They repeatedly say “Please return on Monday.” While we all like to joke about returning the prom favor, the serious matter behind it all is nothing to be made light of. Despite it being illegal to drink underage, countless high schoolers (and young college attendees) decide to drink anyhow. Everyone knows it happens, and it won’t change, whether we like it or not. However, just because one might make the decision to consume alcohol, we all need to be aware of the dangers that surround getting behind the wheel of a car afterwards.

According to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, nearly 16,000 people die per year due to driving under the influence. One out of every three Americans will be affected by drunk driving in their lifetime. Nationwide, the percentage of fatal car crashes due to driving under the influence are lowering, due to many campaigns to raise awareness of the issue.

DARE wants teens to know what happens to their bodies when alcohol is introduced. Your vision can be changed drastically, impairing your ability to perceive depth, it may become blurred, and become sensitive to light. Your brain loses its ability to control your muscles, leading to issues in coordination and movement, as well as slowing your reaction time.

While drinking with your friends might be fun, your life is not worth it. So please make the smart decision to not drive, or ride with someone who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol. See you on Monday.

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# Oscar time

The Lamp invites you to select the winners of this year’s Academy Awards. Submit your picks to The Lamp office (Menard 2275) or email to lamp@llcc.edu by 5 p.m.

on Thursday, Feb. 25. After the Academy’s choices have been revealed on Sunday, Feb. 28, we’ll figure out who did the best job. The person with the

most correct Oscar picks will win a \$25 gift card to a movie theater. In the case of a tie, a random drawing will select the winner. We thought it would be interest-

ing to include every category, even if that means you have to guess in a few categories. Only Lincoln Land students are eligible to enter.

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# Coloring contest winner

The Lamp was excited by the entries in its first ever adult coloring contest. By far, the editors favorite was Connor Benbrook's rendition of Lincoln chopping the wood. He does make a perfect joker. We will be sending him a coloring book for his winning work.

We had more than a dozen entries. We thought we'd share a few of the others, including Editor Madison Mings' attempt.

Thanks to everyone who entered. Keep coloring.



**Connor Benbrook**



**Above left: Elizabeth Bogan added detail.**



**Above right: Gina Gerger's entry was the only one to view the entire scene as pasture.**



**At right, top: Extra grass added by Julie Miller**



**At right, bottom: Editor Madison Mings gave the contest a try.**