

LLCC recruits judges

Livestock program draws student judges from long distances

By Olivia Hoots
Lamp staff

Pay attention LLCC students! There are nationally-recognized students walking the hallways with you. These students are members of the school's Livestock Judging Team coached by Agriculture Professor Craig Beckmier.

Clayton Schowe, a sophomore, chose Lincoln Land, which is 370 miles from his hometown of Cassville, Missouri. The team attracts team members from throughout Illinois and other states, including Mississippi and Colorado.

Schowe's family runs a seedstock operation. He was encouraged to start judging in 4-H by

his cousins when he was younger. Schowe was not sure that he wanted to judge in college until late in his college career.

"Once I decided to judge after my visit at LLCC, Coach Beckmier was easily the reason I committed to come here," Schowe said.

One of the tenants of livestock judging is that team members have to explain their decision of how they ordered their animals to judges.

Livestock judging ranks cattle, sheep, swine and other animals "based on skeletal composition, based on their quality of look and balance while defending your placings through oral reasons," said sophomore team member Thomas Crome.

Crome grew up in Marshall, Illinois, about 130 miles from Lincoln Land's campus. Beckmier asked Crome to come and visit Lincoln Land and consider being on the team.

Crome first became interested in livestock judging through 4-H. He has always been very competitive and judging was his way of putting his grit to use.

The team holds great significance at Lincoln Land because of its success but is often overlooked by other students who may not understand what the team is or why it is important to the school.

Team members are committed to livestock judging and are "recruited from out of state

and out of district," said Dalton Lemenager, a sophomore.

Lemenager grew up almost 150 miles from Lincoln Land's campus in Clifton, Illinois. Lemenager grew up on a farm with an Angus cow and calf operation that also grows corn and soybeans. He first became interested in judging because his older siblings were involved in the sport. He decided to get involved through a 4-H program. He then contacted Beckmier to tell him that he was interested in joining the Lincoln Land team.

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Students shoot basketballs in the commons during spirit week.

Regina Ivy/The Lamp

Civil War music

Lincoln historian lectures on songs

By Karl Densmore
Lamp staff

Some aspects of the Civil War are hard to grasp through textbook passages and staged black and white photos. Music is one of these aspects.

On Feb. 12, Music in the Civil War was the topic of the 11th annual Lincoln Lecture, which was held at 9 a.m. in the R.H. Stephen's Room in celebration of Lincoln's birthday. The lecture was hosted by Lincoln historian Christian McWhirter, along with musicology students Benjamin Holbrook and Hannah Jellen, playing the banjo and fiddle respectively.

"A lot of the work I do is exploring how music is used as a cultural tool," Dr. McWhirter said.

The lecture detailed Lincoln's views on music, largely through eyewitness accounts from Lincoln's close friends and associates. McWhirter discussed how Lincoln's broad and somewhat vulgar musical tastes seemed to transition after he became president as a result of the ongoing war.

"Lincoln saw music as something that could give him a pure sense of joy. He would sample everything from opera to folk," McWhirter went on to say that Lincoln did not distinguish between high and low class music, to the mockery of some of his colleagues. His song choices were often sarcastic or humorous in nature. One such song was called "Nobody Loves Like an Irish Man."

Lincoln also listened to less rowdy songs that were popular at the time. These were known as sentimental ballads, which are nostalgic songs often based around love.

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Mad about plaid

Students get into spirit of Homecoming Week

By Lamp staff

Student life created a spirit-filled week which started Feb. 4 to excite students for the college's Homecoming games on Saturday, Feb. 9.

The last event in Homecoming Week was a pep rally in the A.Lincoln Commons. Students were encouraged to wear plaid on Friday, Feb. 8, to show off their Logger pride.

Students had the chance to engage in some friendly competition by playing an inflatable basketball game or giant games of Jenga and Connect Four. There was even an Angry Birds game from the Lincoln Land Foundation promoting the scholarship that they give out each year.

Student life made sure that the A.Lincoln Commons was full of

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life every day this week. Door prizes and free swag are just some of the things that were available. On Tuesday, Feb. 5, there was also a free screening of the movie "Coach Carter," a biopic about a basketball team from Richmond, California. The showing also offered popcorn and drinks.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, Loggers showed off their talent at the school's talent showcase. Meanwhile, students were asked to vote for their homecoming king and queen. King Dimitrije Antonijevic and Queen

Tiffany Fenner were crowned at the men's basketball game.

One of the things that helped kick off Homecoming Week was the Lumberjack breakfast on Feb. 7. Most Lincoln Land students have met Dan Herbst, who often provides food and treats for students in the Commons. This time he made breakfast waffles on a stick with syrup and toppings. Many students enjoyed this treat.

Leroy Jackson got his with strawberries and apples and topped it off with whipped cream. He said of the

waffle on a stick, "Not too bad (and pretty good.)" This was Jackson's first time at an event like this.

Justin Hughes and Hunter Evans also thought the waffle breakfast was good. Their waffles featured syrup and chocolate chips with whipped cream.

"It's always a good day when Dan comes to town," Hughes said.

Lincoln Land students expressed excitement for the student life events.

"The free food here always beats having to pay for lunch," said student Isaiah Thomas.

"It means a lot that everyone is having fun and meeting new people, as well as spending time with friends," Jonohn Stainback added.

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Vet shares story

By Eric Shapiro
Lamp staff

Getting out of the military can be difficult. Most see the checking out process to be tedious and confusing. But most veterans will look back at that as the easiest step down a long road of difficulties facing veterans.

All the changes you must make in your day-to-day behavior notwithstanding, a great deal of veterans will find navigating the painfully slow, bureaucratic and seemingly designed-to-fail-you Veterans Affairs utterly disheartening.

About 18 months after leaving the Marines, I fell into a deep depression. I was recently divorced and shut myself out from everyone. With my depression and its wonderful partner alcoholism, I stopped caring about myself. I neglected medications and appointments and stopped being proactive. Naturally, the VA let me go; it was one less patient.

Today, I would like all the veterans, friends or family of veterans or prospective veterans to take heart in what is the trick to navigating the system:

Be proactive.

That's it, really. If you need something from the VA, don't just call and leave a message and expect a call back. Call every day, and leave countless messages on multiple voicemails. Badger them to notice you and your needs.

My declining health eventually led to several months in a hospital bed, an emergency surgery and many more months of physical therapy. Yet I see now the silver-lining. I learned that being

proactive with the VA and taking your care into your hands is the most crucial bit to getting things done in the system.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there were an estimated 13,506 veterans in Sangamon County alone in 2017. That's a lot of us, and that leaves a lot of cracks to fall through. So, you call, you go into the VA's Community-Based Outpatient Clinic and make your face and story known. Don't let them sweep you under the rug and hope you won't come back because with how overworked and undermanned the VA is. If you do that, they will let you go.

Take your life into your own hands and get done what you need. Look, odds are that when you were on active duty, your life was micromanaged. You'd stand in formation, get your name called, and you go to your annual check-ups when ordered to and then put it out of your mind the rest of the year. Now, you make your own appointments, you set what time and date works for you and when you go into those appointments it is of the utmost importance you do not hold back on what is wrong with you. Make follow-ups, meet with specialists, give mental health and therapy a shot. You've got nothing to lose and if your pride seems to get in the way know that it is better to be alive and getting help than a proud dead fool.

If you're like me, you hated how the military often treated you like an incompetent child. Well, now we're real adults really on our own, and we need to act accordingly.

Make your own appointments (you have free coverage for your first five years regardless of disability rating), get checked from head to toe and make follow-up appointments for anything amiss. It is our responsibility now to care of ourselves.

For me, I learned I didn't have to go it alone. I had a friend that was willing to bend over backwards to help me and ultimately got me to the hospital in time for my life to be saved. And I have a father that dropped everything on a dime and took a same-day flight from Connecticut to North Dakota because I needed him.

If you're struggling with your adaptation to being out in the world and can't seem to land a job or stick with school, then reach out for help. Forget the stigma because it doesn't exist for you anymore.

So I beg you all, drop the tough veteran façade, because it won't be what you need for the rest of your life. Friends, family, kind strangers – these will get you through more than any combat boots, cargo pants and a “don't come near me” demeanor.

Reach out and find that there are so many resources to help you if you only first help yourself. Reach out to your brothers and sisters because so many of us are feeling or have felt the same and we'll get you through. Reach out and break that last barrier to success: Your own reservations.

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Healthy choices at LLCC

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Proper nutrition plays a vital role in our brains and is necessary for us to function through everyday life.

There has always been a stigma behind school lunches. People tend to view them as the easiest and least expensive choice versus the most nutritious option.

Studies have shown that 1 in 3 high school students consume less than 1 serving of vegetables per day, and students who eat a school lunch are most likely to have two or fewer servings of fruit per day. This is happening because even “tomato paste” can count as a serving of vegetables at schools, even if such a food offers little to no nutritional value.

Many people skip lunch altogether because they are trying to find healthier options. It actually does more damage to your body to skip a meal rather than trying to make the healthiest option possible.

At LLCC, we pretty much have four options for choices of food which include Quiznos, vending machines, the bistro or leaving campus for a nearby restaurant, which is pretty inconvenient. Let's examine our options and see what seems to have the most nutritious food.

QUIZNOS: One option at Quiznos could include half of a sandwich with a lot of vegetables so that you feel sustained for a longer amount of time. This could also be paired with an apple for some fiber, or really any salad without dressing,

cheese or add ins.

Though those two Quiznos options may not sound as appealing as their higher calorie competitors, your body will thank you for choosing them and they will help you to feel satisfied for a longer period of time. You can also make an exception for a cookie or bag of chips once in a while because balance is important.

BISTRO: The bistro is located in the Workforce Careers Center, and serves salads, soups and more. The Lamp story that is linked here: <https://thelamponline.com/6711/showcase/bistro-adds-grab-go-service/> provides more information about bistro menu options and hours of operation.

VENDING MACHINES: The

vending machine options are pretty limited, but some healthier choices of food would be granola bars or veggie straws; even snacks like organic or gluten free chips are healthier than regular chips.

I find the most difficult habit to develop for a healthier diet is to avoid soda all together. If I want some caffeine I will usually go for tea, but flavored water and regular water are good options as well.

Nutrition is so vital to not only your physical health, but also your mental health. Taking every step possible to be the best you can be is important, and should be a higher priority in today's living.

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Judges

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“The camaraderie [of] being on a livestock judging team is second to none,” Schowe said. “Throughout middle school and high school, I was on my fair share of sports teams, but there is something special about a van full of kids who are all very opinionated and passionate for the Ag industry.”

Agriculture students at LLCC are advocating for the Ag industry daily, both on the judging team and in Ag club, as well as throughout the Ag program. The agricultural programs at Lincoln Land are continuing to grow and produce successful students.

The team's commitment is shown in their accomplishments throughout the year. The Bluegrass Classic Stock-show resulted in a honor for overall judging for the team last spring. This year has given the team several Top 10 finishes including third place in swine judging in Louisville and winning the reasons category at the Bluegrass Classic.

Crome received reserve individual in swine and other members received top ten finishes in both the fall and spring of this year.

Lemenager said they will be attending the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in March.

Crome said they will be hosting their own contest for high school students in April.

Lemenager has learned “how to

make a decision and stand by it,” and Crome agreed, saying is grateful for learning how to defend any decisions he makes.

Crome said he will reap lifelong benefits from the network of people he has met through judging.

All three members are thankful for the experiences that they have had because of their time on the Lincoln Land Livestock Judging Team.

Judging taught him to “keep an eye open for opportunities, be willing to take them and see that they are there,” Lemenager said.

Schowe is thankful for the advice he has been given.

“Many officials at contests have talked about where, in a job hunt scenario, those applicants that

have been a member of a livestock judging team easily sort towards the top before an interview.

Between connections and future employment, I have a lot to be thankful for because of judging,” Schowe said.

Crome wants other students to be aware of the team's national recognition and “for people to be more open to Agriculture and how it affects everyone's daily lives.” He also wants fellow, and future, students to know of the greater number of opportunities coming to the entire LLCC agricultural program because of new expansions that are on the way.

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Monologues move off-campus

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A long-time Lincoln Land tradition of performing the Vagina Monologues will be moving to a larger, community venue downtown this year.

The hope is that more people will be able to attend and community participation will rise from the move, said Brenda Protz, a Lincoln Land speech professor.

The play is “probably the most important piece of political theater of the last decade,” according to The New York Times.

One in three women will experience physical or sexual assault in her lifetime. The Vagina Monologues,

coming to the Hoogland Center for the Arts on Feb. 22 and 23, was written in hopes to help decrease those numbers.

Playwright and women’s activist, Eve Ensler wrote the monologues in 1994 after interviewing more than 200 women globally. She has tailored the play yearly to reflect the issues women face, including the struggles of being a transgender woman.

The highly praised play first came to LLCC campus in 2005, when English professor Deborah Brothers oversaw a student production. Brothers continued to direct or oversee the direction of the Vagina Monologues annually through 2018.

For her, and many others, Brothers said the play was “almost therapeutic.” It provided an outlet for survivors, a means to express their own experiences while advocating for women whose voices went unheard for too long.

Several community members have agreed to share their own experiences in the upcoming production. Along with the addition of all new monologues, the audience will hear personal monologues from women around the world, voiced by local talent. Many of the cast members are present or former LLCC students, including Amanda Ensley, who admits to having been a little shocked when she first encountered the book

version.

Ensley worked the ticket table at the Trutter Center production in 2008, where she was able to hear the play in its entirety. Since then, she has been a cast member in six productions.

“Every single word spoke directly to my heart. It brought me joy, laughter, tears, and above all respect for other women,” said Ensley.

Protz first heard of the play in 2007 while heading the journalism department here at LLCC and knew right away that she wanted to participate. She became a cast member in 2011 and has been enthralled ever since. Protz hopes to bring the play to a larger audience “by taking it out of

the college and into the community.”

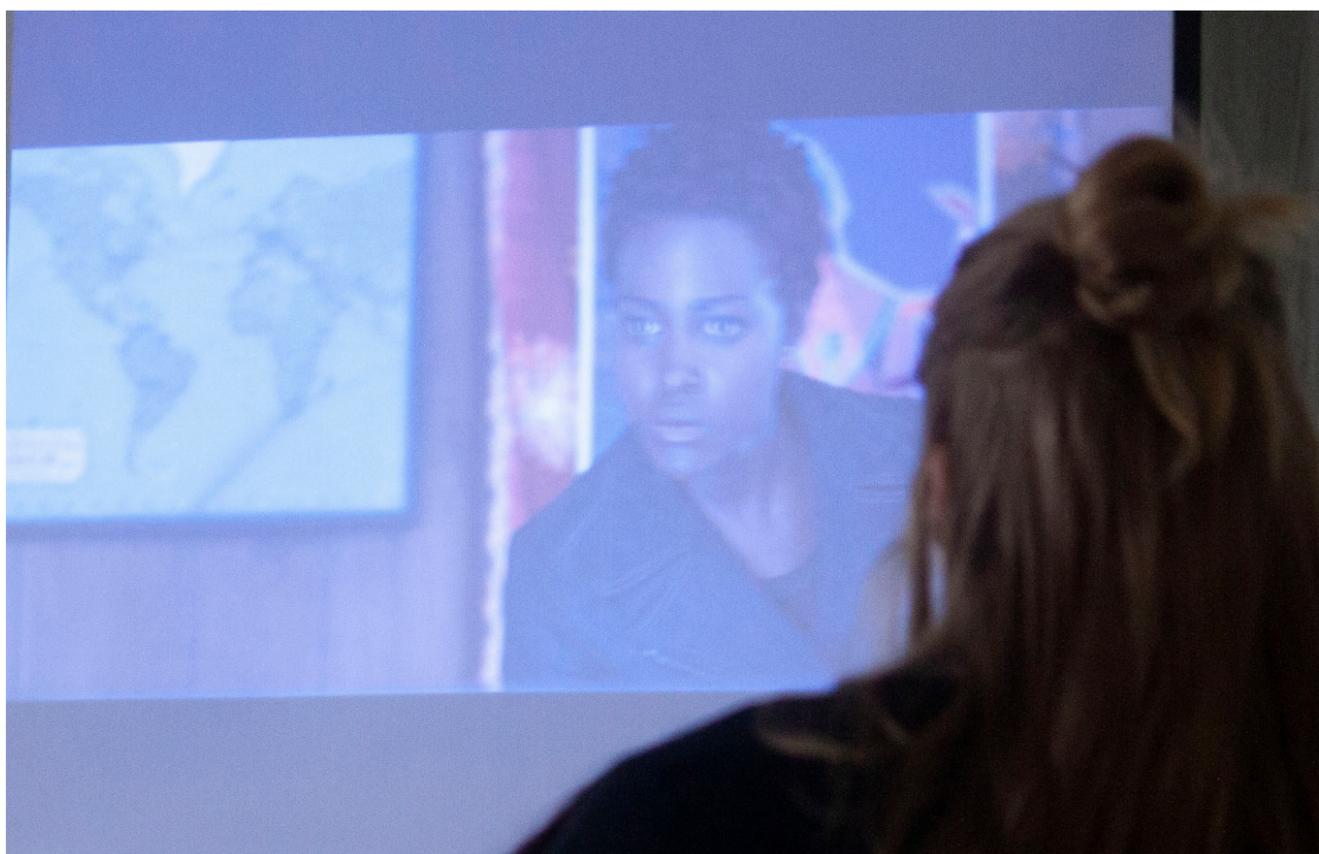
The decision will allow more people to attend and become part of the movement and more funds will be raised.

The Prairie Center Against Sexual Assault will receive 90 percent of the proceeds to aid men and women as well as children in crisis.

LLCC students are encouraged to attend.

Tickets are available now for \$10. Day-of tickets will be \$15. Doors open at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 22 and Saturday, Feb. 23. Preshow entertainment begins at 7:15 p.m. with the play starting at 8 p.m.

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A Lincoln Land student watches ‘Black Panther’ in the R.H. Stephens Room on Feb. 13.

Showing ‘Black Panther’

‘Black Panther’ seen as significant movie

By Regina Ivy
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Lincoln Land Community College continued with its Black History Month celebration on Feb. 13 with an open screening of Marvel Entertainment’s hit movie “Black Panther.”

Even though the comic book story isn’t

about any actual event in black history, it has broken many records and is considered to have made history by many people.

The movie follows the journey of T’Challa, king of the wealthy country of Wakanda. Wakanda has lived in harmonious peace for several generations, but that peace is threatened when the cold-blooded killer Killmonger overthrows the rightful king and enforces his extremist views on the land of Wakanda.

It’s up to T’Challa and his team of close friends to take Killmonger down and make

Wakanda better than it ever was before.

Most of the people who showed up to the film screening have seen the movie before. For most, it’s fun to rewatch it and catch plot points, or “Easter Eggs” that they didn’t notice before.

“Easter Eggs” are hidden features in a movie or other form of media that may not be noticed at first.

For others, it’s just something during a break between classes.

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Hoffman supports preparing students

Active-shooter training offered during her class

By Annie Staley
Lamp staff

Beth Hoffman thinks it’s important to take a day out of class each semester to prepare students for the worst possible situation.

The speech communication professor has all of her classes participate in the college’s active-shooter training program.

Considering all the gun violence that’s happened in churches, theaters and schools, everyone should be prepared for the worst.

“If I have 24 students who come to three classes this semester, then we have 72 students who know what to do,” Hoffman said.

Hoffman said she has learned many valuable lessons from participating in the training.

“The first thing I do to ensure my students safety is lock the door,” she said. “Locked doors save lives.”

While everyone hopes this is training that they never need to use, learning these skills can alleviate stress about school safety.

“I feel like if there was an active shooter, I would know what to do,” said Hannah Travis, a student who experienced the training in Hoffman’s class. “I would be calmer and able to help somebody else.”

Since 2014, Lincoln Land police have trained 792 people in the active-shooter program.

“It is very beneficial to know these things,” said LLCC Police Sgt. Michael Hanson.

Hanson said those interested in the training can contact him through the LLCC department website, police.llcc.edu. There is also an active-shooter training video can be found on the LLCC website.

The video and training highlight that one should “run, hide and fight.” They also teach how to appropriately use each of these techniques to remain safe, and if absolutely necessary, how to disarm an attacker.

Hanson encouraged students to say something if they see something.

“Even if it seems harmless, or they say it as a joke, it’s better to contact one of the police officers at LLCC,” he said. “There are always officers on campus and driving around in the parking lots.”

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BSU honors music history

By Madison Mings
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LLCC went back in time with music for throwback Thursday, Feb. 14, in the A.Lincoln Commons.

The Evolution of Music/Throwback Thursday was an event co-sponsored by the African-American History Month Committee and LLCC’s Black Student Union. The event was part of LLCC’s African-American History month series titled “Still: We Rise as the Journey Continues”.

There was a large variety of music being played, and voter registration tables were also set up for students.

“We are here to help and get people registered to vote provided by

the BSU.” academic adviser Laurie Clemons said.

While music was playing, students got to enjoy food and drinks including pizza, cupcakes and water. DJ Jamel Broomfield was playing all genres.

Students also received goodies for Valentine’s Day as well as fruit cups and whipped cream. There were also materials available to make valentines.

Business Professor and BSU adviser Paul Hudson said the event helped “to bring awareness in terms of music and to bring the students (together) to socialize and celebrate African history.”

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Student Life's Jacob Deters sings 'Uptown Funk' in the A.Lincoln Commons during Homecoming Week's Logger Talent Showcase.

Homecoming Week

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Students dance the Macarena during the Logger Talent Showcase.



Darius Greer competes against fellow LLCC classmate in a inflatable basketball game.



An LLCC student enjoys homecoming festivities.



Black Student Union members dedicate a song to one another.



Jonohn Stainback, Fred Hunter and Hunter Beard play an intense game of Jenga.



Natalie Baker points at the homecoming king and queen nominees, which were displayed all week.



DJ Yinka plays music for the Logger pep rally.



A student sings her heart out at the Logger Talent Showcase.



Dan Herbst of Herbkoe Fun Food in northern Indiana travels to Springfield to make pizza waffles for Lincoln Land students.

Loggers continue to improve

Basketball plagued by early-season injuries

By Ryan Scott
Lamp staff

Injuries have plagued Lincoln Land's men's basketball team this year. The 4-21 season has also seen a new coach take over the team from Chad Jones, who is now the head coach of the women's team.

Head Coach Chuck Shanklin previously coached at Lanphier and Southeast high schools in Springfield. Shanklin said moving to coaching in college has given him a greater challenge with bigger players and no easy wins.

Shanklin said the team is better than their record reflects, but the injuries have held them back. The team has recorded the four wins in the second half of the season.

Many of the injuries came early in the season, said Benji Eaker, a freshman forward.

Some of the losses have also been close games that the Loggers could have won, Shanklin said.

The coach said the team's best game of the year was against MacMurray College's junior varsity team, a game which the Loggers won 81-46 on Jan. 17.

They were able to shoot and re-

bound consistently, Shanklin said.

"Shooting and rebounding have been big problems for them this year," Shanklin said. He also said he wants to see improved defense over the rest of the season.

"We need to stay together and compete for all 40 minutes of the game and continue to get better," said freshman guard Jordan Brooks.

The recent win on Feb. 9 against Illinois Central College was a strong

game, players said. Illinois Central was ranked No. 17. The Loggers won 75-70, and Brooks and Eaker both said it was good to have a victory after four losses.

The team closed out the game well going on a 7-2 run at the end, Brooks and Eaker said. Hopefully, the team can close out more games during the rest of the season.

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Team doesn't give up

Loggers fall in nail-biter

By Dylan Surprenant
Lamp staff

Coming into the Feb. 14 game against the South Suburban College men's basketball team, the Loggers had won 4 of their last 9 games after a dismal 0-14 start to the season. The team was hoping to rally off another win.

The Loggers went into the half up 39-25; going 5 out of 11 from 3-point range. It seemed as though they might be able to run away with the game. However, the Bulldogs went on a 23-7 run to grab the lead with 16 minutes left to go.

The Loggers trailed by as many as 11 points late in the game, and the Bulldogs kept control. However, even after being 8 points down with 1:18 left on the clock, the Loggers did not give up.

The Loggers trailed by 3 with 2 seconds on the clock and had possession of the ball. Logan Clayton, a sophomore guard for the Loggers, was fouled before being able to attempt the

game tying shot. Instead, he went to the line to shoot two free throws.

After making the first one, he intentionally missed the second one to give his team a chance to rebound and put up a last second shot to tie it up at 93 a piece. Despite grabbing the rebound, the Loggers were unable to put in the final shot and lost a heartbreaker; 93-91.

Despite the frustrating loss, Coach Chuck Shanklin had a lot of praise for his team. "These guys could've thrown in the towel a long time ago but they didn't. They kept fighting and continued to show up to practice with the same energy they had when we started the season."

There were six players who finished with double digits, with Jake Pennell leading the team with a 20-point performance.

Shanklin had a lot of praise for the sophomore out of Williamsville: "He's our leader out there on the court. He's one of our more consistent players on the court as well as in practice. A great team player."

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Music

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Benjamin Holbrook and Hannah Jellen played one such song called "30 Years Ago," which reminisced over places the songwriter was fond.

McWhirter went on to tell two stories regarding Lincoln's relationship with a family of musicians called the Hutchinsons, who sang songs on the road promoting Lincoln's campaign. The first story was how the Hutchinsons created a controversy in 1862 after they promoted abolition in one of their songs that they performed for the New Jersey regiment, "We Weep Beneath the Furnace Blast."

Abolition was not yet Union policy, and some in the Union forces felt strongly against it. As a result, the Hutchinsons were banned from performing for the Army. However, Lincoln's cabinet reversed the decision upon receiving copies of the lyrics.

McWhirter said: "By the time he is president, he realizes how music can be used as a tool. You can get on board a political

message easier in a song than a speech."

The second story provides further evidence of this idea.

According to McWhirter, Lincoln, being a man of his time, had an unfortunate fondness for minstrel shows. Perhaps the most popular song to come out of this scene was "Dixie," which would become the unofficial Confederate anthem. McWhirter said the Hutchinson family rewrote the song to be pro-Lincoln and performed it throughout the country. Holbrook and Jellen went on to play this version of the song. Lincoln enjoyed the song "Dixie" so much that following Southern surrender, he allowed the song to be played as a means to quickly incorporate the South back into the Union.

The last song McWhirter discussed was "Battle Hymn of the Republic," which was popularized by Lincoln's enthusiasm for the song. Despite not being the most well-known song during the war, it is perhaps the most commonly thought of among people today, and demonstrates a refinement in Lincoln's tastes, along with his motivation towards the war effort.

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LLCC announces student honors

SPRINGFIELD — Lincoln Land Community College has announced its full-time and part-time President's and Vice President's Lists for the fall 2018 semester.

Full-time students are those enrolled in 12 or more credit hours. Part-time students must be enrolled in six to 11 credit hours.

Students named to the President's List (noted with an asterisk) earned a GPA of 4.0. Those on the Vice President's List earned a GPA of 3.50-3.99. The students so honored in hometown order are:

Full-time honors

Arenzville — Abigail C. Link*
Ashland — Elizabeth A. Bauser, Cheyenne C. Kesselring*
Athens — Hannah Capranica, Scott A. Grieve, Steven D. Kehoe*, Katie J. Schimm, Ian J. Shaw*
Auburn — Hannah G. Barker*, Katryel O. Clark, Summer S. Cook, Elizabeth G. Davis*, Stacey D. Garoutte,
 Savannah M. Norris, Nathan D. Tringham
Beardstown — Desiree L. Coil, Lupita S. Garcia*, Isabel Garcia, Nataly C. Garcia, Dara C. Morris, Leah N. Reither*, Eduardo Rios Martinez*, Priscila Rodriguez*, Hayden M. Sloan
Bend — William G. Gill
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Cantrall — Drayton K. Davis, Nicholas K. Hines*
Carlville — Adam J. Emery, Nathan R. Thompson
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Chandlerville — Alexis Carlock*
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The new assistant professor of computer technology and networking has a lot to say about what he feels the learning experience should involve for students and how his department can get there -- one jump forward at a time.

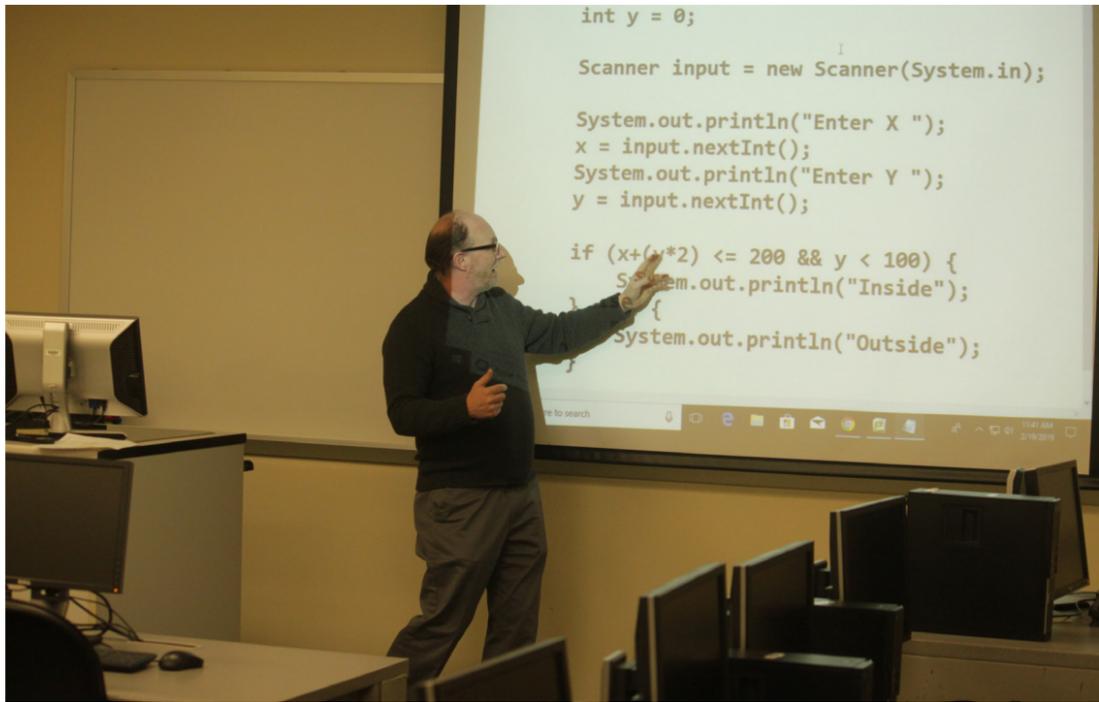
Sidener didn't always plan to be a professor. When he started his education at Sangamon State University, (now University of Illinois Springfield), he wanted to be in law enforcement. As a criminal justice major, he found the subject interesting until he did an internship at the Decatur Police Department -- and that was the end of that.

The final nail in the coffin of changing his career path was one of his own professors, Keith Miller, who was teaching computer science at the time.

"He was the best teacher I had ever had and made me want to be a teacher myself," Sidener said. "If you've ever had a teacher that really changed your life, that was him for me."

Sidener carried his old professor's passion for teaching into his own career, and that's why he moved from UIS to LLCC this past fall.

"It's more personal," he states, com-



Tom Sidener poses with class material.

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menting on the way LLCC is more focused on their students' education.

Lincoln Land gives students every opportunity to succeed, he said. The college has small class sizes and staff more readily available to students.

"As a past LLCC student, he remembers the struggles students face and works with them to achieve success," said Carmen Allen, interim dean of business and computer technology. "To motivate students, his classes are interactive, interesting and

fun."

Sidener said having taught at UIS, he saw the skills LLCC transfer students lacked. That knowledge has given him the chance to develop the program to better prepare students for transfer.

"Mr. Sidener has given me a second chance in school," said computer science student Maggie Becker. "As a hairdresser coming back 12 years after a previous failed attempt at college, having him as an instructor

has never made it easier, especially in such an intimidating field like computer science."

Becker had initially only taken an introduction course with Sidener when starting back up at school, but his passion for making the classroom a comfortable environment to not only learn, but make mistakes and be able to gain experience from them, made her future look less intimidating.

"He gives us real-world expecta-

tions and shares with us the challenging programming problems we may face in the professional world, sharing insight on his own experience working as a computer science student and in the career force with a tech job," Becker said.

But it's not all fun and games for Sidener -- well, metaphorically speaking. His want to make the classroom as interactive and engaging to prospective students as possible ties in to a hobby of his one may not expect: board games.

For the last five years, Sidener has attended GenCon, a convention where board game lovers alike join together to discuss, sell, shop and play games together. This year, Sidener has been invited as a teacher for their teacher-exclusive conference day to learn teaching techniques. He hopes to enhance his classroom with games that not only ease learning but make it more applicable and immersive.

Sidener also hosts board games and events at LLCC on occasion.

Sidener would like to see more customized education for students, and he'd like to add 13 Lego robots for students to work on.

A robotics class would be a great addition to Lincoln Land's computer science program, Sidener said. He thinks that if LLCC offered robotics courses they would attract more students.

Carmen Allen said, "He is a wonderful addition to our faculty."

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Prof overcomes

By Sarah Black
Lamp staff

Colin Suchland says he's proof that second chances exist.

He's a sociology professor at Lincoln Land now, but he previously dropped out of college after stealing a football goalpost.

The Hannibal, Missouri-native recalled storming the field with his friends after his Missouri school won a home victory. They dodged the security and raced to the southern goalpost, he said.

When Suchland reached the goalpost, he turned around to see what he called a "human wave" of college students pouring out of the stands down onto the field. The excited college students tore down the goalpost and dragged it across the Missouri town to a bar where it was chopped into pieces.

Suchland still has his piece.

Suchland said he was asked to leave his college because he preferred to play video games over doing his homework and studying.

Suchland eventually returned to higher education, earning an undergraduate degree in journalism. He then worked as a journalist for a few years.

"One of the benefits of journalism photography is getting into concerts for free," Suchland said.

Later, he went to graduate school



LLCC photo

in sociology, or as he puts it, he went back to college for "science."

The father of 9 and 10-year-old boys joined the Lincoln Land faculty six years ago. He lives in St. Louis and commutes to Springfield. He also has a fat cat named Oberon who lives with his parents in Hannibal.

Suchland remains interested in video gaming and computers. His interest in computers began as a child when he wanted to go into computer programming. Suchland said he would like to publish some work on how the introduction of technology has changed teaching.

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Grad application deadlines

Graduation application deadlines are approaching.

Even if not participating in commencement, graduates must submit an application to the Student Records Office by the following deadlines.

March 1: Deadline for graduation application for spring and summer graduates to be considered for awards, such as departmental honors or outstanding graduate.

April 15: To be included in the commencement program and to pre-order regalia.

May 1: Deadline to be considered a spring graduate

July 15: Deadline to be considered a summer graduate

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