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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



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IU senior guard Kim Roberson, right, puts her head in her hands after fouling out of the WNIT quarterfinal game against Illinois State on Sunday in Normal, Ill. Roberson finished her IU career-ending game with 14 points and three rebounds after IU lost 66-55.

Hoosiers end season against Illinois State

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NORMAL, Ill. – As the final seconds ticked off the clock, senior Kim Roberson found herself in an unfamiliar spot.

Roberson and her three fellow seniors all sat on the bench, ending their season and IU careers in defeat.

The highly contentious game saw six ties and 12 lead changes before the Hoosiers (21-11) finally fell 66-55 to Illinois State (27-7) on Sunday in the quarterfinals of the WNIT.

Roberson led the Hoosiers back from a 10-point first-half deficit to a 29-26 halftime lead with 11 points.

She left the game for good when she fouled out with 3:10 to go.

IU coach Felisha Legette-Jack said Roberson's absence hurt the team.

"Kim is a kid that you need on the court at the end of the game," she said. "I think we all know that. To replace that is very difficult, but we certainly tried to makeshift that a little bit."

Fatigue might have played a part in IU's loss. After playing Bowling Green on Thursday night, the Hoosiers did not have much time to rest before going on the road again and enduring a time change.

Legette-Jack said she did not understand why IU had to make such an abrupt transition from Bowling Green, Ohio, to Normal, Ill.

"We didn't have any legs to move left and right today," Legette-Jack said. "Is that an excuse? Usually, I don't give excuses, but if you spare me this one. I really believe our kids were icing up and trying to get ready, but we ran out of gas against a really great team."

Junior point guard Jamie Braun, who led the Hoosiers with 15 points, said her team shouldn't have needed any extra incentive for the biggest game of its season.

"For me, I personally was a little fatigued in the second half," she said. "It really shouldn't matter. We should be able to dig deep. It's the tournament. It's March. We are playing. We shouldn't have to worry about if we are tired or not."

They lacked the energy needed to fight for rebounds, trailing in that category 48-35 and shooting just 30.6 percent from the field.

Illinois State had 23 points from their bench, but the only



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points from the pine for IU came when freshman Lindsay Enterline hit a 15-foot jump shot at the final buzzer.

The sound marked the end of a season full of inconsistencies.

The Hoosiers had a nine-game winning streak early in the year and started conference play winning seven of their first eight.

Then IU went on a four-game losing streak near the season's end.

A disappointing end to the Big Ten Tournament followed, as IU lost 68-64 to Purdue, leaving it to speculate whether it would partake in the NCAA tournament.

Next year the Hoosiers will be without senior Whitney Thomas, only the second in school history to collect more than 1,000 points and 1,000 rebounds.

They will also be without Roberson, the IU record book's all-time steals leader.

Senior Amber Jackson realized her career at IU was coming to an end as she sat on the bench in the closing seconds of the game.

"As the clock was going down to its last seconds, I was sad that I knew – as a senior – that is it for me and this is my last game," she said.

Legette-Jack had her most successful year at the helm of the Hoosiers, carrying IU to 21 wins for the first time since the 1997-98 season.

She said it will be hard to replace such a talented and hard-working senior class.

"They just stayed focused," she said. "Normal people can't do that. These kids are abnormal in a great way. I don't know if we're going to find those special kind of kids in such a group like that again."

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Dean search shrinks to 4

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As March Madness dwindles to the Final Four, so does the search for the next vice provost for student affairs and dean of students.

The search committee has narrowed the field to four candidates, one of whom will replace current Dean of Students Dick McK-

aig, who will retire at the end of the year. Each candidate will visit campus during the next two weeks to meet with students, faculty and other members of the IU community.

Hutton Honors College Dean Matthew Auer is the chairman of the search committee. He said the candidates have many meetings planned in each of their 36-

hour visits.

"There are so many different constituents this dean will want to meet," Auer said.

In addition to talking to administrators and student leaders, four open forums will give the candidates the chance to introduce themselves to and answer questions from students.

The forums will be discussion-

based, Auer said, and a reception will follow each one.

Auer said students have been the focus of the search. He said they will have more opportunities than faculty members to meet the applicants and that the search committee has five student representatives.

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THE LITTLE 500



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LEFT Sophomore Dan Carson of Delta Upsilon throws his hands up in celebration Saturday at Bill Armstrong Stadium. Delta Upsilon qualified with a starting position of 23rd and a time of 2:29.69. MIDDLE Senior Kate Rogoski prepares to receive the bicycle from senior Jenna Breckner during qualifications for the women's Little 500 on Saturday at Bill Armstrong Stadium. This is the 21st running of the women's Little 500. RIGHT Sigma Chi fans cheer for their team during Little 500 Qualifications on Saturday at Bill Armstrong Stadium. The team will begin in the starting grid from the ninth position on race day.

Track masters

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Phi Delta Theta cycling team captain Matt Kain wasn't very optimistic after his team climbed to the top of the qualifications leaderboard Saturday at Bill Armstrong Stadium.

"Talk to Cutters when they take the pole," he said.

But Cutters never took the pole. And on Saturday afternoon, Phi Delta Theta carried the pole after finishing fourth in qualifications last year and 15th in the 2008 Little 500.

Along with a record-setting performance on the women's side by Teter, which finished second last year and claimed its third consecutive pole, riders said this year's qualifications showed the competition for the upcoming Little 500 will be fiercer than ever.

The weather was wet and cold, but the track was hot, with members of the men's and women's teams making times that outperformed last year's results, sometimes by a matter of full seconds.

LITTLE 500 COVERAGE

For more on the race, teams, entertainment and quals, check out the Little 500 Center at www.idsnews.com/news/little500.

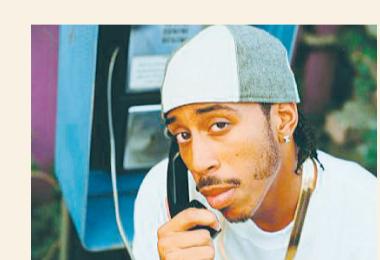
Compared to last year's pole time of 2:23.20 and last qualifying time of 2:40.74, the men's field this year is tighter and faster, with a pole time of 2:22.69 and a last qualifying time of 2:35.40.

In the women's field, Teter bested its pole time from last year by about four seconds. Clocking in at 2:35.54, the team claimed a spot in the IU Student Foundation's record books, beating the old qualifying time record of 2:36.14 set by Kappa Kappa Gamma in 2005.

The women's race pack is not as tight as last year, with the last qualifying time for the women being 3:50.53, compared to last year's 3:42.46.

Teter captain Jackie Moeller said

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Ludacris to perform for Little 500

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Soulja Boy already has Bloomington on his calendar, and Ludacris has now joined him.

Ludacris will give a concert at 8:30 p.m. April 23 behind Alpha Tau Omega and Acacia fraternities during Little 500

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Proposal fails for IUSA minority representation

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A proposal to better represent international, domestic minority and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered students failed to pass at an IU Student Association Congress meeting last week.

The measure, which would have incorporated three delegate seats to members of the under-represented campus groups, fell two votes short of passing.

The amendment was proposed in an effort to directly and more successfully represent IU's diverse community, said the amendment's proponents.

Many disagreements arose during the meeting.

In the initial proposal, the minority leaders would have been chosen by the Commission on Multicultural Understanding, but members of Congress argued that the IU student body needed to vote on these three delegates.

Many supporters and creators

of the amendment believed this rationale was insufficient.

Junior Alexandra Chitchrina, international student and co-writer of the VOICE Report, said many Congress members are appointed, not elected, to represent the students. She said because of this, the amendment was not that different from what IUSA is currently doing.

According to the second article of the IUSA constitution, members of congress are elected annually to serve a one-year

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term. The members must also be members of IUSA and live in the district they will represent. IUSA Vice President for Congress Andrew Hahn said because some seats are vacated during the year, congressional

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