IN CHAMPAIGN–URBANA

RECENT MEASLES OUTBREAK

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College, “Right now, in the Urbana area. According to the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, “The recent outbreak is being closely monitored.”

The National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a statement on February 8th, stating, “This is the fifth case of measles reported in Illinois so far this year. The first four cases were reported in January, and the fifth case was confirmed on February 7th.”

The statement went on to explain that the measles outbreak is not currently spreading rapidly, but it is still concerning. The statement ended with a reminder to get vaccinated to prevent the spread of measles.

Dr. Joseph Anderson, the Chief Medical Officer at the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, said, “We are carefully monitoring this situation and are working with local health care providers to ensure that people are up to date on their vaccinations.”

The statement also encouraged people to get vaccinated to protect themselves and their communities.

The story then goes on to discuss the recent measles outbreak in the Urbana area, mentioning the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District’s recommendations for vaccination.

The article then goes on to discuss the importance of vaccination in preventing the spread of measles, and the consequences of not getting vaccinated.

The article ends with a call to action, encouraging people to get vaccinated to prevent the spread of measles.

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Meet the CobraVenture Student Entrepreneurs

**PART 2**

Gayle McDonald | PS31: Productions

Gayle McDonald is a Communications and Media Production major at Parkland who plans to start a business of Windsor Media Productions. Watford Media Productions is an all-inclusive event planning and conference production company started by Gayle McDonald. It incorporates multimedia and live performance in original ways that ensure participant engagement and enjoyment. Originally from Los Angeles, Gayle honed her conference planning skills early by coordinating over 150 academic and social conferences over a single summer. She hired a system during those early years that ensured conference participants would enjoy a worry-free event. However, she never felt that was enough.

After spending many years in education learning new ways to engage students of all ages, she decided to expand those skills into her conferences. When she moved to central Illinois, she quickly added the media production skills she learned at Parkland College to the mix. The result of the combination of these skills will be events that are beyond imagination. Engaging, entertaining, and motivating will be the hallmark of events produced by Windsor Media Productions. Gayle’s multimedia and event management skills, combined with her research in education and engagement, will surely lead to an extraordinary experience for all participants.

McDonald can be contacted through her business email address at WindsorMediaProductions@gmail.com.

Dylan Tyler | Good Game & Food

**“Hi, my name is Dylan Taylor. I’m majoring in Computer Science. My business idea is a gaming Cafe format games, mobile games, board games, and card games. I wanted a way to share the joy of retro gaming with people, and realized that retro gaming can cost hundreds just to get started. I’m excited about this opportunity with CobraVenture because it allows me to meet people who share my passion through the process, and it allows me to have mentors in this field.”**

**Gayle McDonald**

**Dylan Tyler**
Come blow your horn at Second Stage

The comedy show, created by famous playwright Neil Simon, is directed by Melissa Goldman and produced by Parkland College’s Student Production, Come Blow Your Horn. The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. The show will be followed by a student-lead talkback to answer any questions that audience members may have.

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“It is about how Alan and Buddy Baker to life. Goldman, one of the student director, says that Parkland gives for student produced doesn’t mean that they can’t be high quality.”

“Every aspect of the show is the most attractive features of Come Blow Your Horn is that the show is produced by Parkland students, alone. "We get a budget and we all put it together within the time that we have," Goldman said. The cast and crew have spent a lot of time together working on this show, and Goldman hopes that students and community members will be able to see that. "Getting to work with the cast and seeing them gel along with each other has been a really nice breath of fresh air." Goldman said. “I hope that the audience takes away the opportunities for every aspect of the show is student done, like student costume design, lighting design, and sound design.” — Melissa Goldman

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Tapscott, Williams Jr. Named Parkland Athletes of the Month

By Chad Baylor

Basketball duo led Cobras to victory

CHAMPAIGN, IL. – Parkland Athletic Director Brendan McHale honored a pair of Cobras basketball players on Friday, February 2, naming sophomore guard Micah Tapscott and freshman Bruno Williams Jr., its Parkland Athletes of the Month. Tapscott led the women’s squad with 13.8 points and 5.3 rebounds per game, while Williams Jr. led the men’s team with 15.8 points and 6.5 rebounds per game.

Starting with her final game of December, Tapscott has had seven double-digit scoring performances, highlighted by a double-double in her most recent game on January 28 against Danville Area. Averaging 9.3 points per game in November and 10.1 in December, Tapscott has been a consistent leader on the court in the first month of 2019 with 10.8 points per game. Along the offensive front, Tapscott has maintained her year-long presence on the glass with 6.5 rebounds per game, while also averaging a block per game. Highlighting the Cobras to a 5-0 home victory, Tapscott tied her career high with 27 points, hitting 75 percent of her field goal attempts, and grabbed seven rebounds.

“After having an outstanding freshman year, Tapscott has been finding other ways to contribute, specifically on the defensive end,” said women’s head coach Mike Lindemann. “But lately, she has really settled back into playing her game and, as a result, her production has picked up and been very strong. While she’s still finding her rhythm, always a scoring threat, a big key to her success has been finding other ways to contribute, specifically on the boards.”

Leading the men’s squad in January–currently ranked No. 7 in NJCAA Division II

Bruno Williams Jr. earns the honor after his best month of the season. Averaging 11.4 points per game in November and 13.2 per game in December, the first-year Cobra increased his output to 13.2 points per game. Leading the higher-percentage average was an improved shooting efficiency; 51.7 percent from the floor while taking a high-traffic 5.2 shots per game. On the defensive end, Williams Jr. again raised his game with nearly six rebounds per game to go along with 1.3 steals per contest. Williams Jr.’s biggest output of the month came on January 14 at Rend Lake when the Cobra big man knocked down 10 of 11 shot attempts, and went 6 of 7 from three-point attempts, for a season-high 24 points while also bringing down eight rebounds.

“Bruno has been a consistent performer for us all season long,” said men’s head coach Anthony Figueroa. “He continues to make improvements on both ends of the floor and hopefully will be playing his best basketball as we enter the region tournament.”

Both Parkland basketball programs are back in action tomorrow, February 2, as they host John Wood at 1 p.m. and 6. The Cobras will then have a quick, two-day prep for Lincoln Land on Monday, February 4, to conclude the three-game home stand.

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