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Bruce Weber: Through My Eyes An Inside Look At The Man, The Coach And The Greatest Season In Illini History.



Synopsis

The 2004-2005 college basketball season provided University of Illinois fans with some of the greatest moments in program history. In Head Coach Bruce Weber's words and with his insights, *Bruce Weber: Through My Eyes* provides the Illini Nation with a behind-the-scenes look at one of the most amazing seasons in college basketball history, including a 29-0 start, 15 weeks atop the national rankings, an NCAA record-tying 37 victories and a compelling style of play that captivated the country. *Through My Eyes* also offers a revealing look at the man who orchestrated such an unforgettable season. Find out how Weber learned the game from a father who coached, the adjustments he needed to make to get the team to buy into his style when he first arrived at Illinois, how he kept his squad focused on St. Louis and the Final Four in the midst of a media circus, how he dealt with the pressure of being ranked #1, and how he was able to continue on as a coach and son despite the loss of his mother during the Big Ten tournament. Coach Weber shares his thoughts on the early-season win over Wake Forest that vaulted the Illini to the #1 ranking in the country. He comments on tough road wins over Wisconsin and Michigan State and the road trip to Purdue, where he squared off against his mentor, Gene Keady. Weber talks about the NCAA regional game against his alma mater, UW-Milwaukee, the amazing comeback against Arizona, the craziness of the Final Four, and Illinois' battle against North Carolina in the national championship game. *Bruce Weber: Through My Eyes* takes you into the locker room and onto the court to learn firsthand the strategies and stories that made this an unforgettable Illinois season.

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Customer Reviews

This is very quick, easy and light reading, but it's a wonderful walk of remembrance through the 2004-2005 basketball season. It's sprinkled along the way with revelations about Bruce Weber, the man. I truly recommend the book to any Illini fan who would enjoy "reliving" that dream season. Some tidbits: * When Weber entered the Ohio State arena (before that fateful first loss), an Ohio State fan yelled, "You're going down, Coach!" Weber replied, "Thank you." * Weber's voice is the way it is because of a surgery he had when he was 8 or 9 years old. He had polyps in his throat and they were lasered/burned off. His remembrances of the Arizona game, the championship game, and the beginnings of his professional relationship with Gene Keady are a treat to read and too special to be entirely revealed here. No, it's not bestseller material (like *Three Nights in August*), but for rabid Illini fans such as myself, it's well worth the read.

Did the book discuss reaching unparalleled heights with another coaches' players only to drive the program into the ground? Wait, I think this describes what he did at KSU too. Bruce Weber probably did more damage to the Illinois program than Bruce Pearl.

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