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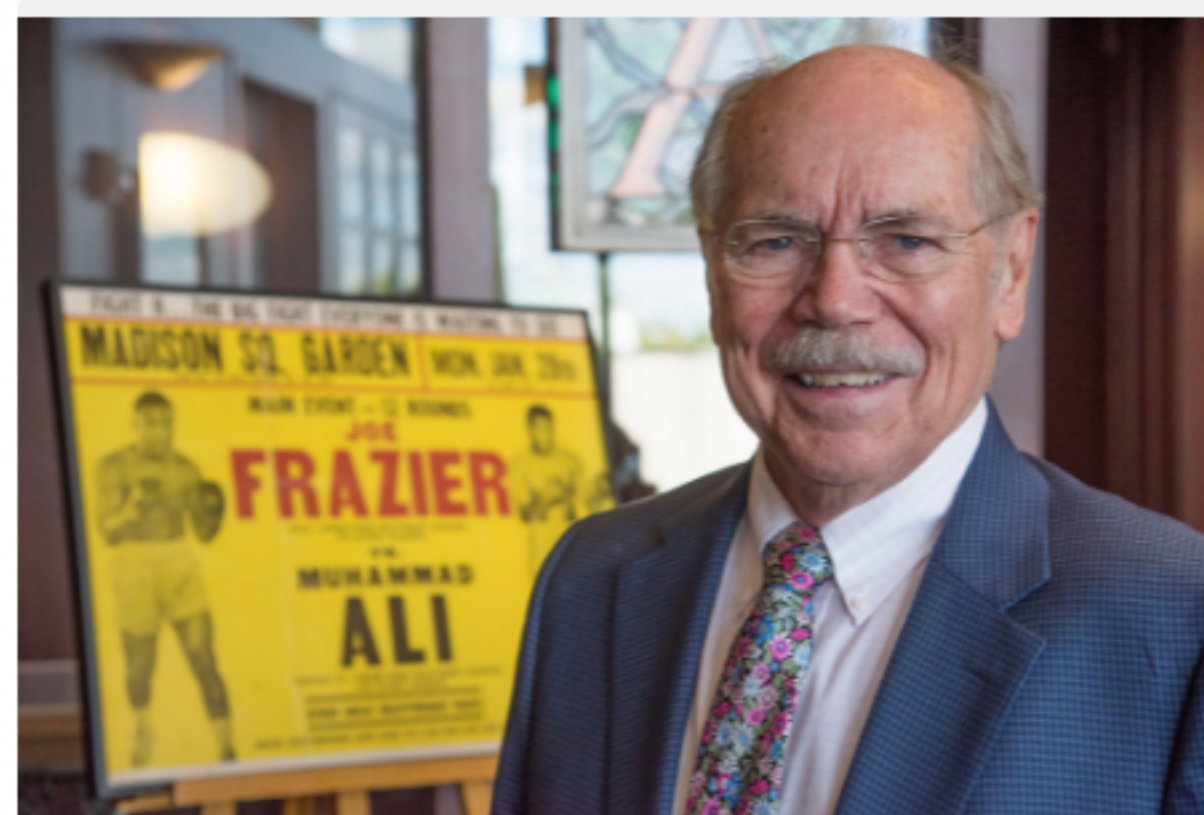
BLOOMINGTON, Ill. — Hall of Fame sports writer and Illinois Wesleyan University alumnus Dave Kindred '63 is the subject of a [60 Minutes](#) story that aired Sunday, March 28 on CBS.

- Watch: "Dave Kindred goes back on the beat to cover high school girls basketball"

Sports Illustrated executive editor and *60 Minutes* contributing correspondent Jon Wertheim traveled to Central Illinois in February to interview Kindred for the segment. A *60 Minutes* producer also visited Illinois Wesleyan to peruse [The Dave Kindred Papers collection](#) housed in IWU's Tate Archives and Special Collections in The Ames Library.

Over a career spanning more than 50 years, Kindred covered every major sporting event in America while writing for the *Louisville Courier-Journal*, the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, the *Washington Post* and *Sporting News*. After retiring with his wife, Cheryl, to Central Illinois in 2010, Kindred has spent the past decade on a self-appointed beat chronicling the Morton High School girls basketball team — [the focus of Sunday's 60 Minutes story](#). Kindred also recently authored a book, [Leave Out the Tragic Parts: A Grandfather's Search for a Boy Lost to Addiction](#).

An English major at Illinois Wesleyan, Kindred donated his expansive collection of correspondence, columns, and reporter's notebooks to the University for a [collection that opened in 2019](#). University Archivist Meg Miner submitted scans of several selections from The Dave Kindred Papers collection for the *60 Minutes* segment.



Dave Kindred '63 attended the 2019 opening of The Dave Kindred Papers collection, housed in IWU's Tate Archives and Special Collections.

By John Twork