



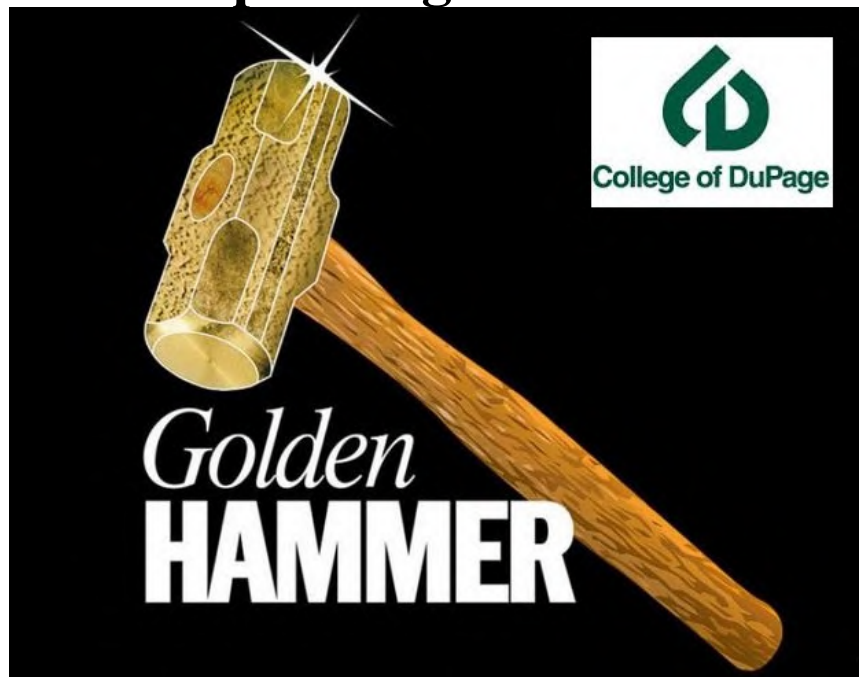
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GOLDEN HAMMER AWARD COLLEGE OF DUPAGE a 2 year Illinois Jr College

**HIDES \$95.138 MILLION
In Spending Since 2009**



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The **College of DuPage** managed to hide more than **\$95 million in expenditures on more than 82,600 transactions since 2009** thanks to a peculiar type of accounting that allowed for thousands of purchases to be lumped together into one line item, according to data uncovered by **American Transparency's OpenTheBooks.com**, an online portal aggregating 1.3 billion lines of federal, state and local spending.

Officials at the two-year community college in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, are accused of relying on **questionable accounting practices and altering vendor names** in an effort to make the school's spending habits more difficult to track. Their spending was so deeply buried even members of the school's own board of directors complained they have no ability to follow where the money goes.

*"This board doesn't know what it's approving," said **Kathy Hamilton**, a certified public accountant who serves as vice chairman of the college's board of directors. "The fact is we don't get any information about what's being spent."*

But the administrators knew...

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