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Jayden Hodgson and the Braves defeated Drake 67-58 last night in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in St. Louis.

BY ALEX KRYAH **Sports Editor**

The men's basketball team didn't trail for a single second all season against the Drake Bulldogs. The Braves dominated from wire-to-wire in each of their 79-72 and 82-74 regular season wins.

Drake managed to take a lead early in the first round of the Missouri Valley Conference tournament in St. Louis. In fact, they led for the majority of the first half.

Ultimately, though, the result of the game was no different than the first two go-arounds. Bradley secured a 67-58 win to extend their season at least one more day.

We started slow offensively, head coach Brian Wardle said. "We kept battling defensively, the defense won us the game ... [and] kept us really close, between one or two possessions when we went through the

lull to start the game."

Bradley's sluggish start was highlighted by a grueling six-minute scoreless streak between the 17 and 11 minute marks. As Wardle said, the Braves' stifling defense kept them alive, holding Drake to 33 percent shooting, including a dismal 4-22 from behind the arc.

The defensive battle made for an ugly game, but one Wardle said he expected and embraced.

"It was just kind of back and forth," Wardle said. "We know each other so well now. You know what they're running, you know their tendencies and they know ours. It was a grind-it-out game."

Sophomore guard Dwayne Lautier-Ogunleye and junior forward Donte Thomas were the Braves' saving graces on offense. Both players picked up the scoring slack when their teammates couldn't produce, each spurring equally important runs.

"I know I can bring the team some energy," Lautier-Ogunleye, who finished with 11 points, said. "We were a bit – not down, but a bit sluggish ... I was just trying to feed myself and the rest of the team."

While Lautier-Ogunleye spurred a 15-2 run in the first half, Thomas made waves in the second half by scoring eight straight points early in the half and ultimately finished with 17 points and nine rebounds.

Thomas' strong second half came despite requiring stitches after an elbow to the face early in the first

"I didn't want to come out of the game to get stitches," Thomas said. "I wanted to be there for my team, but they made me.

The victory boosts Bradley's winning streak to four games, the longest in Wardle's tenure on the Hilltop. Lautier-Ogunleye said he hopes the team can carry this momentum into

today's bout with No. 21 Wichita

"We're still hungry because we feel that we can do more," Lautier-Ogunleye said. "[Thursday] was a scrappy game, but we're going to keep clawing and fighting because that's in our nature. We're never going to back down."

Bradley fell to Wichita State in both matchups earlier this season by scores of 100-66 and 64-49. It appears as though the Braves' work is cut out

"It's going to be a great test for us, but I'm excited for our program," Wardle said. "Our effort and energy in practice has been tremendous in February, and the competitiveness is going to continue to be there. So we're going to get out there and throw it up and see what we've got."

Bradley will play the No. 2 seeded Wichita State Shockers at 6 p.m. today at the Scottrade Center.

Pronoun Resolution passes

BY KYLEE HIGGINS **Copy Editor**

Student Senate passed a Pronoun Resolution at its General Assembly meeting Monday, which would affect how students choose their preferred pronoun and name through Webster and Sakai.

Senate initially voted on the resolution at its General Assembly Feb. 20, but it did not pass. Student Body President Jenna Dellaria said she believes the original resolution was not completely clear.

"I don't think [the senators] were necessarily against the resolution, it was just more of, 'We don't really know what this is and how it can really [be] implemented or do benefit for the university," Dellaria said.

Dellaria said the Pronoun Resolution was then changed to include clauses that a similar resolution from the previous year, the Preferred Name Resolution, contained.

According to Dellaria, the Preferred Name Resolution was passed by Senate last year but could not be implemented after the Registrar's Office voiced concerns about leaving the preferred name option as an open field. "We didn't know how to go about that right away, without people maybe not taking it as seriously," Dellaria said.

However, Dellaria said the Pronoun Resolution goes handin-hand with the Preferred Name Resolution to further that initiative

"[Administrators] could choose to do this as a solo option, or they could combine it and be like, 'Now we have two aspects to work on, other col-

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International Criminal Court discussion

Paul Diehl, professor of political science at the University of Texas at Dallas, will be on campus at 7 p.m. March 6 in Marty Theater of Michel Student Center to give a lecture about the history and likely future of the International Criminal Court.

Diehl will discuss past problems and achievements the court has experienced and will address risks that continue to threaten the court's existence.

The event is free and open to the public. For further information, contact international studies professor Jeanie Bukowski at jbukow@bradley.edu.

World Film Series presents Spanish film

The World Languages and Cultures Department will be showing the spanish film "Living is Easy with Eyes Closed" at 7 p.m. March 8 in Neumiller Lecture Hall.

The film tells the story of an English teacher living in Spain who encounters two hitchhikers on a journey to meet John Lennon in the 1960s.

The event is free and open to the public. For further information, contact World Languages and Cultures Department administrative assistant Brenda Peterburs at blpeterburs@bradley.edu.

Tailgate prefaces Women's Basketball game

A pre-game tailgate with music, games, free food and prizes will take place before the women's basketball vs. ISU on at 1 p.m. March 4 on Alumni Quad.

The first 50 students in attendance will receive free pizza.

Teams of two can sign up for a bags tournament that will take place during the tailgate. The buy-in is \$5 per team. The winning team will get three-fourths of the money gathered. The second place team will get the remaining one-fourth of the money.

Registration for the bags tournament can be found at goo.gl/forms/KP1ufl4AnOsrv1Gi1.

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POLICE REPORTS

• Officers were dispatched after a report of an unknown male disturbing two female students at 4:45 p.m. Feb. 28 at Bradley Park.

The female students said when they were walking through the park, the male jumped in front of them and asked them questions that made them uncomfortable, such as asking the two students if they would twerk for him. The students contacted BUPD.

The suspect could not be located, and the case was turned over to the Peoria Park Police.

• A female employee reported a male non-student for touching a female student on the head at 4:40 p.m. Feb. 28 in Michel Student Center.

The female employee said she saw the male in the food court for an hour talking to students, and she witnessed the male pat a female student on the head as the student was leaving the food court. The employee then contacted the police.

Police arrived at the location and determined the male has a history of disturbing the property.

The officers banned the male from campus. The female student decided not to press charges.

 \bullet Employees contacted the police after a male non-student attempted to trespass at 3:09 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Cullom-Davis library.

The male tried to enter the library but didn't have a student ID. The library employees asked for his ID, and they determined the male was on the campus ban list. The employees told the male he could not enter, and he left.

Officers were called but could not locate the male.

 \bullet A female student reported being a robbed at 5:01 p.m. Feb. 25 on the corner of Fredonia Avenue and Duryea Place.

She reported an unknown male approached her and asked for her wallet. The student said she gave the male her wallet, and he fled.

Another student found the wallet near the Duryea Parking Deck, and the female student said \$5 was missing.

According to a safety alert sent out last night, BUPD determined the female student had fabricated the report.

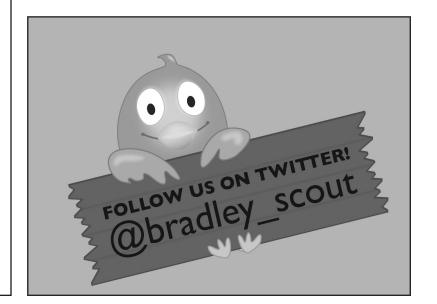
 \bullet Officers received a report of an unconscious female student at 2:08 a.m. Feb. 25 at 1307 Bradley Ave.

The student's friends had called BUPD and reported the female student had been drinking and was unconscious. Officers located the student in her dorm with her friends, and they said they had been drinking at a fraternity.

The student was treated and transported to OSF Saint Francis.

Correction

Last week, The Scout published a picture alongside an article titled "Respected alumnus passes at 93" that had an error in the cutline. The cutline said the picture showed Bob Michel with Richard Nixon, but the picture actually showed Michel with Ronald Reagan.



Speaker digs deep about disorder

DAVID DEMEO Off-staff Reporter

Activist Troy Roness spoke on the struggles and perseverance of his journey to combat his eating disorder Monday night in Neumiller Hall.

During the event, Roness discussed several personal aspects of his life, including battling both an exercise disorder and eating disorder, family relations, attending a rehabilitation facility and discussing the loss of close friends due to the same struggles he and many others faced.

Roness described how each of these facets adversely affected his battle with his exercise and eating disorders, leading to his description of the hardship as one where "biology loads the gun; the environment pulls the trigger."

The lifestyle in his hometown of

Crosby, North Dakota, became a catalyst to his eating disorder through overwhelming amounts of group perception placed upon him, according to Roness.

"My graduating class was about 30 students," Roness said. "Because it was such a small community, everyone had to compete in sports. It also meant that everyone gossiped and knew the personal lives of each and every person. These two things, with the addition of my parents getting a divorce when I was 5 years old, led to me being put under a spotlight of tremendous pressure. As I grew older and became introspective, it became clear that I subconsciously felt I was never good enough."

According to Roness, describing his disorder is confusing and difficult to comprehend sometimes.

"I felt like I didn't have a problem,"

he said. "It's hard for me to explain that what you see in me is different from what I see in the mirror."

Enduring a lonely battle for a few years after high school, Roness said his disorder left him "emotionless," which led to a life changing decision. After a half-hearted recommendation from his mother, Roness wrote to the popular therapy show Dr. Phil.

"I walked into the show without thinking anything different was going to happen, which could have been from my stubborn attitude towards the problem or lack of emotion," Roness said. "I don't remember much that went on during the show, mostly due to the condition I was in. I do, however, remember one thing in particular. During the commercial break of the show, Dr. Phil leaned over to me and said, 'This is the last chance to get your life back."

Enraptured by Dr. Phil's words, Roness signed up for a rehabilitation facility, which he described as the best decision of his life.

Roness discussed the importance of understanding that these disorders do not simply just "go away." The disorder permanently affected his life, but he said he now knows how to

"It pains me to tell you all that I have had a heart attack before the age of 25 because of my disorder," Roness said. "I call myself a survivor,



photos by Nadine Nehan

Activist Troy Roness shares his experiences with his eating disorder.

but I still struggle. Others are not as lucky as I have been. Three of my close friends from rehab have passed away from similar disorders - they felt their appearance was not good enough. One of them passed away just two weeks ago."

Roness said his road to recovery was fueled by rediscovering his faith, and he participates in discussions about his experiences because he feels it is an "act of paying his blessings forward."

If any students have experienced the harmful effects of an eating or body image disorder, they can contact Health Services by dialing (309) 677-2700 or emailing the center at bradleyhealthservices@fsmail.brad-

Students can also contact The Body Project at its email thebodyproject@bradley.edu or call the organization at (309) 677-2469. The group's office is located in Bradley Hall room

es your body image?

2015 Bradley data breach perpetrator pleads guilty Victims share experiences, university fails to follow-up

BY KYLE STONE **Senior Copy Editor**

Chicago native Gdadebo Adebiyi plead guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud Feb. 6 for his role in a March 2015 breach of the Bradley data warehouse that stored the personal information of staff and faculty, resulting in theft of over \$770,000.

Adebiyi's fraud scheme involved routing return proceeds to third-party prepaid debit cards, which he then used to purchase money orders, according to the U.S. District Attorney's Office of Central Illinois.

Following the data breach, Bradley sent an email to campus attributing the cause of the incident to comof malicious software that appears to perform one task but instead performs another.

Bradley information security professor Jacob Young said the type of malware that may have caused the breach could have been in the form of phishing, which are emails that contain malicious attachments.

"A prime example of what might have occurred is somebody got a phishing email who had access to [sensitive] documentation," Young said. "Once the hacker had access to their credentials, then they could log in and access [the information] that way."

A victim of Adebiyi's scheme, accounting professor Simon Petravick said he attempted to file his tax return ID had already been used that year.

"I then had to complete various reports related to the identity theft," Petravick said. "I believe reports went to the IRS, the Peoria Police Department and credit bureaus."

Petravick said he then had to go through a special process to receive his refund, which took nearly a year

Following the incident, Petravick said Bradley offered him a free subscription to Lifelock, an identity theft protection service.

Finance professor Bill Funkhouser, who was also a victim of the scheme, said Bradley's decision to offer a Lifelock subscription to those affected was an improper response to the

puter malware. Malware comes in a in April 2015 but received a message "To make the Lifelock system According to Funkhouser, this may ongoing." multitude of forms and is any type from the IRS telling him his taxpayer work, it puts a burden on the employ-

ee to do the monitoring," Funkhouser said. "Second of all, a lot of employees may renew after the year is up and pay for a service that they don't need. Bradley kind of promoted Lifelock and endorsed it. I'm not sure that was appropriate."

Funkhouser also said there were alternative ways Bradley could have provided assurance to victims of the scheme that would not have involved a subscription to Lifelock.

"The solution is to lock down your credit report," Funkhouser said. "It costs \$10, and it's locked down

To lock down a credit report, one has to perform a credit security freeze, which is a hold placed on the release of a person's credit report. from opening false credit cards in the names of others.

Besides offering a free Lifelock subscription, both Funkhouser and Petravick said Bradley has not informed them of any changes in Bradley cybersecurity policy that would prevent a similar breach from happening in the future.

Director of System Integration and Security David Scuffham said part of Bradley's cybersecurity strategy is focused on continuous improvement, but he said he was unable to comment on the security breach any

"We are not at liberty to comment on the 2015 security event," Scuffham said. "The FBI's investigation into the misuse of employee data is still



Caribbean Tan & Salon pampers guests

BY SAMMANTHA DELLARIA **News Editor**

A little piece of paradise recently opened up just across the street from

Located at 1217 W. Main St., Caribbean Tan & Salon provides an array of services including waxing, tanning, haircuts and manicures.

Owner Amy Brewer moved her salon from Peoria Heights, where the business was located for 10 years, to the new location on Main Street five

"I like it here," Brewer said. "It's more upbeat, [and] it's more diverse. [There is] more traffic here."

Brewer said her passion for her job as a salon owner comes from the time she spends working with her employees and clients.

"I just love people, and I also believe in the young talent [working here]," Brewer said. "I can see they have a great potential to bring something inside of them out ... and I love the clients that I meet every day.

I learn from everybody every day. That is just one of the best things in my career."

According to Brewer, the focus at Caribbean Tan & Salon is the client's overall experience.

"My job is to bring the new product in, the new style, and then anything [I can do] to make the client feel better or feel happy and just relaxed," Brewer said. "They sit in my chair ... and they are relaxed and don't have to worry that the service won't come out right. That is one of the most important things to my job."

One way to make the client satisfied is to ensure the products being used on them are high quality, according to Brewer.

"We thoroughly investigate the ingredient and the function of [the product]," Brewer said. "My sisterin-law is a pharmacist, and she helps me with the products. So she understands the ingredient ... and we try it out before we bring it in [to the salon] and make sure the product does exactly what it needs to the





photos by Sammantha Dellaria

Caribbean Tan & Salon, located at 1217 W. Main St., offers a variety of services, such as waxing, tanning, haircuts and manicures.

hair, the skin and everything. We are very careful with that because that is our job."

Brewer said clients from the old location are actively returning to the salon in its new spot, but she said it's also exciting to see students make the trip across the street to utilize the services offered at Caribbean Tan

"It is nice to see a new face," Brewer said. "Sometimes a student is a little stressed out with class, and they have a little time in the tanning bed or [they get] a haircut or something to rejuvenate them and refresh their mind to do better."

According to Brewer, everyone should have the opportunity to feel better, which is something she said she keeps in mind when setting her

"I do what is right," Brewer said. "I make sure to keep everybody fair and happy. The price is reasonable for everybody because everybody has bills to pay, but at the same time, they need to pamper themselves [and] to take care of themselves before they take care of other people."

At the end of the day, Brewer said her goal is seeing a satisfied client walk out of the salon door feeling refreshed.

"We just want the client to feel amazing," Brewer said.

Student Body President: term in review

BY AJ LAMB News Reporter

It's only been 114 days since the 2016 presidential election, but in a few short weeks, the voting booths will open once again for Bradley students.

With Student Body Officer elections coming up on March 27 and 28, current Student Body President Jenna Dellaria's term will draw to a close. In the past year, Dellaria, her executive board and other members of Student Senate have been working towards improving campus for all students.

"My main purpose for my term was to focus a lot on sexual assault awareness, as well as promoting more diversity and inclusion on campus," Dellaria said.

Dellaria, a junior elementary and special education double major, said her main goal was to create a more welcoming and safe environment for all students around campus. She said she hopes to see the future student body officers continue the work of

"I just really want [future officers] to push for that sexual assault awareness," Dellaria said. "I think this is the time to really move forward with that, [between] the Title IX resolution [and] all the awareness campaigns that we could be doing. I think that's something that I want to see more on campus."

Dellaria also said she wants to see one last resolution pass before her

"I know Smoke-Free Campus has been going on for such a long time," Dellaria said. "If anything were to happen before my term ends, I'd want that to be done."

While she admitted to not passing as many resolutions as planned, Vice President for Student Affairs Nathan Thomas said her work and progress will not go unnoticed.

"It's a little bit unfair to judge a student senator by the resolutions that they pass or the number of resolutions," Thomas said. "I think there are other ways that you can be effective, and I think that will be the reflection of Jenna and her group. Certainly they passed a lot of meaningful resolutions, but there's been

a lot of work that they've done that just doesn't show up on the scorecard

Speaker of the Assembly Dave Jensen attributed a lot of the year's successes to Dellaria's work ethic and

"She really cares about the topics, and at the end of the day, that's what it's all about," Jensen said. "You have to care about what you're doing, and I think that's how she kind of ran our [executive] board, and I think that's why we were really successful."

While Dellaria said she would love to run for re-election, her schedule next year does not allow for it, and she wants to see new leadership.

"Even if I could run again, I think it's just more important [to let]

another student step up and take the role," Dellaria said. "Have them bring some new ideas to the table, and have them work more closely with the administration on their own ideas."

Jensen said he feels Dellaria left the students with a great example of a leader and big shoes to fill.

"I think that she's really just a good role model for everybody, whether that be the rest of the SBOs, the Cabinet or just the general senators, let alone the student body to look up to," Jensen said. "She really just embodies what a student body president should be."

NEWS

Q-and-A on parking tickets

BY TORI MOSES Editor-in-Chief

Many students, faculty and staff know the disappointment of walking up to their car on campus and seeing a Bradley parking ticket stuck under a windshield wiper. Violators have the option of paying the ticket with fines ranging from \$15 to \$200, or writing an appeal.

The Scout interviewed the anonymous upperclassman student in charge of hearing the parking ticket appeals to see what it's really like working as a "Hilltop meter maid."

How did you get this position?

You get nominated to be the chair of the Student University Arbitration Board by the Student Senate president. The chair handles parking ticket appeals, so I've been doing this since December.

Why do you like to stay anonymous in your position?

Some people would probably be angry. It would be like, "Oh, I know you, and you didn't appeal my ticket."

How many appeals do you see?

I go in and look at the appeals every Thursday, and there will be anywhere between two and 15 a week. Half of the appeals come from students and half from faculty.

How many ticket appeals do you deny?

I would say I deny around 80 percent of them.

Can your decision be overturned?

No, I have final say. I try to do it as fairly as I see possible, but if anyone doesn't agree with my decision, I'm the final say in the matter.

What are the most common ticket appeals?

Most of the appeals are because the person parks in the wrong spot, and they'll say, "Oh, we were only parked there for two minutes," or something like that. On the front of the appeals sheet, it has all of the things you can't appeal a ticket for, and probably 95 percent of the appeals are from that list.

What information do you look at when considering an appeal?

Central communications coordinator Jayne Dant gets all of the appeals and puts them together, and she has a really long process of how many previous citations you have, if you've ever appealed a ticket before [or] if you have a parking permit. She puts a whole thing together and makes my job really easy. And they monitor campus and parking lots with cameras, so if you're like, "I was only in the 15 minute parking spot for 12 minutes," they have the camera systems in there, and they monitor them, so they can actually see how long you were there.



What are some cases where you would approve an appeal?

There'll be some cases where people will be like, "My car broke down, and I had five minutes to get to campus," or, "My grandpa was in the hospital, and I've been flustered," and I usually give them a warning to be sympathetic toward people.

Do you see people who are angry with appeal decisions?

Yes, Jayne has had people call in and yell at her. She's told me stories of faculty or students who have yelled at her and gotten really upset with her because their appeal has been denied or because they got a ticket in the first place. But she tries to work with students. Right now there's a student who has eight citations, and four of them are for the same thing, so she told them, "If you go and buy a parking pass, I'll only make you pay for one." But some people keep doing the same thing over and over again, and there's only so much we can do.

Why are people so often ticketed?

I think they don't know about the rules. I've pulled through a parking spot before and got a ticket and was confused after. But when you buy a parking pass, they do give you the rules and lay them out, but I understand that it's kind of like iTunes. You're not going to sit there and read all of the terms and conditions of it when you purchase it.

What's the most interesting thing that's happened on the job?

There was one appeal where the student said they lost their ID and couldn't get into the parking deck, but Jayne checked the last time they swiped the ID, and she saw the student had used it three minutes before. As much as people think they can get away with lying, Jayne really does do a good job and checks everything.

Quick Facts

- University parking regulations are enforced from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday in all campus lots and parking decks
- Regulation violators receive tickets ranging from \$15 to \$200, depending on the violation
- Tickets have brought in \$25,000 to \$35,000 annually on average over the past five years
- The money from fines is used to support parking operations, parking lots, facilities and university services
- There has been a decrease in the number of tickets handed out over the past six semes ters as a result of freshman students now being allowed to purchase a parking permit and enrollment modestly declining.





Editorial

Stop talking, start doing

Student Senate passed the Pronoun Resolution at its General Assembly meeting Monday after two weeks of discussion and multiple semesters of similar conversations.

The Pronoun Resolution encourages the creation of drop-down menus in Webster and Sakai to allows students to choose their own pronouns, including "she/her," "he/him," "they/them," "proper" (meaning the student only wants to be called by their proper name) and "any" (Read "Pronoun Resolution Passes" on page A1 for more information).

Student Senate initially voted on the Pronoun Resolution at its General Assembly meeting Feb. 20 but decided to vote again at its following meeting Feb. 27, claiming not all members initially understood how the resolution could benefit campus.

The group also passed a similar resolution in April 2016 called the Preferred Name Resolution, which was subsequently tabled by university administration, where it remains at a stand still nearly one year later.

According to Student Body President Jenna Dellaria, the Registrar's Office told her last semester was concerned about leaving the preferred name option as a customizable field.

"We didn't know how to go about that right away, without people maybe not taking it as seriously," Dellaria said.

But it's now Spring 2017 and Student Senate has yet to accomplish anything groundbreaking on the matter – despite still claiming they're pushing for it every day.

University administration can hardly wash their hands of this issue, either. Bradley has seen no productive discussions, forums or other actions to further this initiative or involve students in its progress.

There's absolutely no reason the issue should be taking this long to get sorted out and come to fruition. Making these changes to Sakai and Webster should be an easy fix, and it

can only provide positive change for the students it affects at Bradley.

Perhaps instead of implementing an expensive iPad into Michel Student Center (in a nondescript location), our administrators and student senators should focus on issues that do direct good to their constituents and peers.

It's obvious Student Senate and the administration need to work on how they communicate with each other.

These resolutions are meant to better campus, but no bettering can be done without cooperation and a want to help students.

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Column

Burning bridges to light the way



Cliques are a part of high school – at least they were at Evanston Township High School. Don't believe me? The movie "Mean Girls" was actually based off ETHS. The cliques there aren't necessarily as cliché as they were in the movie, but you could tell who the "cool" kids were and where everyone else fell from there. I had a smaller group of friends, but, hey; quality over quantity, right?

My high school class produced more than 700 graduates. That's 700 caps, 700 gowns and 700 yearbook pictures. I think I knew around 50 kids on a personal level, and even that might be a stretch.

Don't get me wrong; I wasn't the kid who ate lunch in the janitor's closet or the kid who worked alone for group projects. I just didn't have a clique. This isn't going to be one of those "march to the beat of your own drum" stories – it's more about figuring out what instrument you want to play.

Saying someone "hasn't changed since high school" is ridiculous because, in reality, no one is even remotely close to the person they were throughout those four years. I hope the Maddy White who goes to Bradley looks and acts nothing like the Maddy White who to ETHS. Thankfully, there is much less metal in my mouth and way more confidence in my personality.

Bridges haven't been completely burned, but the desire to go back and walk through the old halls or say "hi" to the teachers hasn't hit me, and I don't know if it ever will. The transition from high school to college is easily the biggest plot twist my life has taken, but there is never a day when I wish I could go back, and that's OK.

Even though I don't have the fondest memories of high school, it was hard for me to let go of what I was familiar with and what had been engraved into my mind during those four years. It was hard for me to take the leap into a campus full of question marks when I had such a solid routine back home.

If you're someone who had an amazing high school experience, I have nothing to say but "kudos." Somewhere between "One Tree Hill" and "Gossip Girl," my expectations got too high and the results were underwhelming, to say the least. I guess Chuck Bass has that effect on people.

My main point here is you don't have to think of this college experience as "high school 2.0" or feel like you need those familiar arms out to catch you if you fall. The goal here is to fly.

You'll always have your town, your friends, your family and your memories. Please realize that there is no gigabyte limit on the memories you keep in your heart, and there is always room to make more.

College is its own experience, and you should let it take on that role. Let yourself sink deep into new experiences, people and places. It's time to jump.

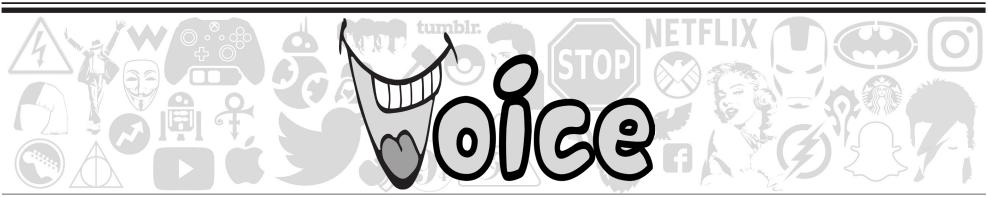
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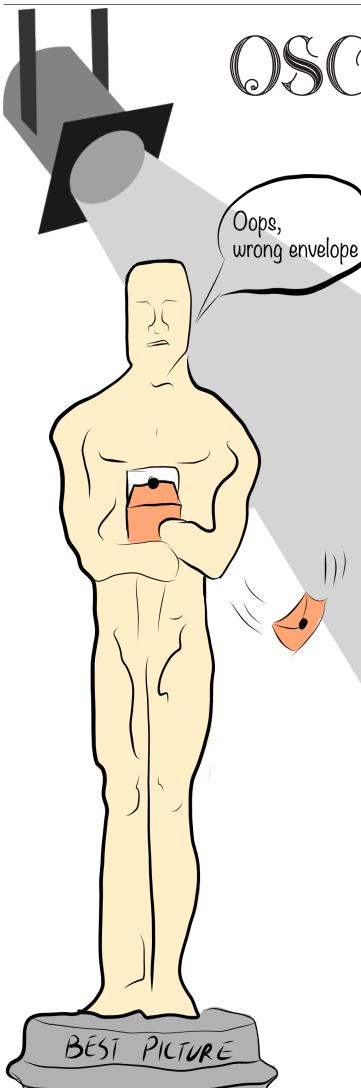
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'Get Out' - Twinning - Breaking from tech



Graphic by Tony Xu

BY LISA STEMMONS LA Correspondent

When thinking of the Academy Awards, words like "prestige," "honor" and "prominence" typically come to mind. Yet to people working in the industry, the Oscars are now regarded more as a political awards show, whereas Golden Globes winners are more representative of the talented performances of each given year.

And while this year's Oscars broadcast was one of the best in recent years thanks to Jimmy Kimmel's hosting, there were also clear indications of this political trend.

Whether or not I fully believe "Envelopegate" was a set-up is still up for debate. If I were a conspiracy theorist, this would be my justification: To what degree can something statistically be considered coincidental when there are so many factors at play?

For the most highly-anticipated category of the night to be initially awarded to the film with the most nominations only to be taken away in exchange for an LGBTQ+, racially-diverse indie film in this current political climate is beyond mere happenstance.

"La La Land" was regarded as a unanimous shoe-in for Best Picture, and while the Oscars usually include one upset, for such a mix-up to occur, is improbable at best and preposterous at worst.

This explanation is not meant to argue one film over the other or to deny that those affected by the mix-up weren't portraying genuine reactions. But whoever selected Warren Beatty and Faye Dunaway to present the award and Brian Cullinan as "envelope hander-outer" did so with a hidden agenda.

But all of that aside, "Moonlight's" last-minute win also secured this year's Oscars as a historical one, with the

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greatest number of black winners since the show in 1929. Following the #OscarsSoWhite campaigns of 2015 and 2016, records were shattered for people of color within many of the individual categories as well.

Viola Davis became the first black woman to win the triple crown of acting, with an Oscar, Tony and Emmy, not to mention her Golden Globe and SAG awards she already picked up for her role in "Fences". Barry Jenkins and Rarell Alvin McCraney won for best adapted screenplay for "Moonlight", which marks the first time multiple African-American writers received an Oscar in the same year. Finally, Mahershala Ali became the first black Muslim actor to win an Oscar.

By having "Moonlight" snag that last-minute win, it's as if the Academy was patting themselves on the back, bringing even more widespread attention to the matter. Academy President Cheryl Boone Isaacs even took the time to congratulate herself during the broadcast, stating she's proud to see the film industry "becoming more inclusive and diverse with each passing day" and "to see all the new faces among this year's nominees."

Even though the Academy is corrupt, and voting is influenced more by who you know and how much money you have, the changes are still inspiring – no matter how blatantly they are set up.

Next year, I hope to see even more female nominees. Cinematography remains the biggest boys' club in Hollywood; there hasn't been a single female being represented throughout the entire 89-year history, and there's only been one female director winner to date.

A part of me believes these are noble aspirations, but I only want progressive action if it's done justly. Let's do better next year.



GET GUT EXPLORES RACISM

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BY BRIEN JACKSON

Voice Editor

I don't think I've ever been so excited to see a thriller at the movies before going to see "Get Out."

Jordan Peele of the popular Comedy Central "Key & Peele" TV show made his directorial debut with "Get Out," a movie that explores some of the everyday horrors of racism, specifically for blacks in America. Now, the film doesn't portray racism too blatantly, but the many clues – both subtle and obvious – bring the picture together.

The film's protagonist, a black male named Chris, is in a relationship with a white woman named Rose. When Chris

travels with Rose to meet her parents in their rural home, things go a bit awry; Chris's discomfort regarding Rose's family (and their subtle-but-obvious racism) creates tension throughout the movie.

Don't worry, I won't spoil everything; However, it is important to recognize the examples of racism throughout the film. I think movies like "Get Out" are important when it comes to how racism is addressed in modern society.

"Get Out" covers many of the microaggressions and tensions blacks deal with on a day-to-day basis, from jabs at stereotypical physical prowess to the over-used "I voted for Obama" statement. Other examples of "simple" racism presented in

the film were downright creepy, but for most I found myself nodding and thinking, "Yep, that's normal."

Here's an example that stood out to me: when meeting Chris, a character in the film goes as far as saying how being black is "in style." Many of you are aware of Danielle Bregoli, a.k.a. the "Cash me ousside" girl, so you might be able to see some truth in this line.

Bregoli is a 13-year-old Caucasian girl

who - for lack of better words - 'acts ghetto.' She became famous and gained millions

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of Instagram followers for a stereotype that young black women are ridiculed for

That's a problem.

The thriller genre of "Get Out" might not be for everyone, but the subject of racism and how it's addressed in the film is an important one. You might want to avoid racism like the plague – your choice - but just because you turn a blind eye to it doesn't nullify its existence.



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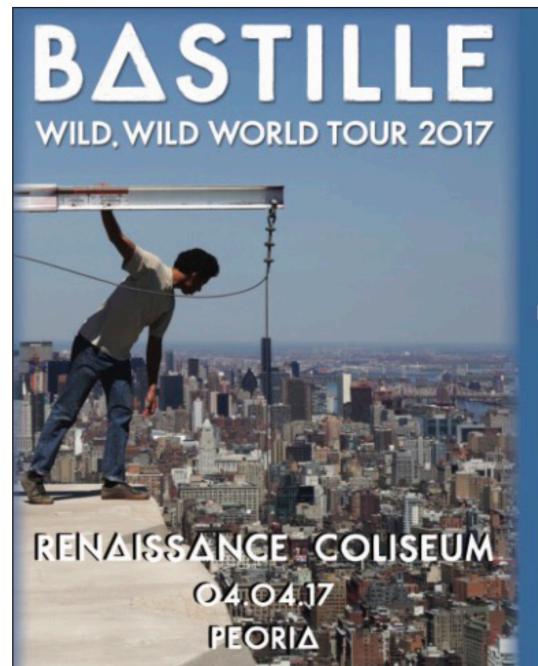
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The twins among us

BY JUSTIN RODRIGUEZ-HAND Off-staff Reporter

I'm a twin. I feel fortunate to be a twin, except the part where I am consistently asked the same questions on a daily basis.

Here are the most frequently asked questions that my twin and I received over the years, and how my brother, Jason, and I respond.

What's it like to be identical twins? It's difficult to fully explain because we have a half brother who is about 15 years older than us. So, I can't explicitly state that twins have closer connections than other siblings.

> I assume it's just like any other sibling, with the perk of being born on the same day (and looking much more similar). Twins tend to have special bonds, but there are other twins who are closer to their other siblings rather than their twin.

> > It's just like having a best friend who happens to be in the same family

and has almost the same plans as you do. I'm used to friends calling us "the twins" and "the clones," so I associate the two terms closely.

Do you guys like being twins?

For the most part, yes. If I had to choose between having a twin and having a brother who isn't a twin, I would choose twin.

The only time it sucks is when we disagree with each other because we know each other's secrets and weaknesses. When it comes to competition, we both possess similar skills. Imagine fighting against yourself, you already know what you are thinking and about to do.

However, being a twin is one of the best icebreakers. It opens the door to long conversations and interesting facts about twins.

Do people confuse you two?

All the time. Friends tend to find it more fun when it comes to guessing, and those who spend enough time around us can tell us apart. However, most friends tend to cheat by taking a mental note on our shoe color. Even family occasionally confuses us – my parents still get confused.

Can you guys read each other's minds and feel each others pain?

No. We don't have any special powers like twin telepathy, but we sometimes come up with the same idea, joke or realization at the same time. Fortunately, we don't feel each other's pain either. I figure any set of twins who could feel each other's

pain would punch themselves consistently in order to inflict pain on each other. That would be interesting to watch.

Do you guys fight a lot?

All the time. I have a feeling that somehow being a twin means we fight about the most meaningless things, but that might just be us.

Do you guys ever play tricks on people?

Unfortunately, no. Don't get me wrong, I have a long list of prank ideas that only identical twins could pull off. I always wanted to get a haircut, then have my twin come in asking for the same haircut, in hopes to freak out the barber. Either that, or pull off the "magic barber" stunt, where we somehow come out with more hair than we had when we entered the barber shop.

I get the impression that many people hesitate to ask us if we are twins or even to say our names because they think it's insulting to us. Honestly, we don't feel insulted. I can't speak for other sets of twins, but if you are curious, go ahead and ask us anything.

Disconnect to reconnect

BY BROOKE PISCIOTTO Voice Reporter

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Could you go a whole day without checking your phone? Probably not – according to a study by Network World, we spend an average of 225 minutes daily using our cellular devices.

Now try spending zero minutes of your day on your smartphone. Could you truly survive? Yes, you can. Because if I did it, then so can you.

Last weekend during a night out with friends, I realized my phone was missing. My initial reaction was panic – I spent the rest of the night searching high and low for it. The next morning, my friends and I frantically searched all possible places I could have left it. I eventually made the assumption that someone stole my precious iPhone 6, and it almost seemed like the end of the world. But it wasn't all bad, truly.

There are so many benefits to not being

consumed by a phone, and that goes along with social media as well. What I realized during my time without a cell phone, and what I'll continue to be aware of, has helped me de-stress quite a bit. A few advantages of spending less time on your phone and other devices include:

Paying more attention in class

Taking notes in an actual notebook instead of a laptop with your Facebook tab open can be so much more productive.

Better interpersonal skills

If you spend too much time staring at a screen instead of talking to others, your conversational skills tend to suffer (this is scientifically proven by a study conducted by Elon University).

More free time

Those 225 minutes could be put toward so many productive activities. Find a hobby – whether it's reading, exercising, drawing, cooking or just going out for a

walk – and spend some time on it. You'll find happiness in spending your time wisely.

Increased selfesteem

Let's be honest, scrolling through

your Instagram feed and seeing a bunch of selfies by models and celebs or watching Snapchats of people hanging out with friends on Saturday night while you're in bed can make you feel pretty awful. By spending less time looking at other's lives and comparing yours to theirs, you're likely to feel less insecure.

So try walking to class without burying your face in your handheld device. Look up, see the world and appreciate the real things in life – you just might enjoy it.



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TAKE THE PLY

BY MADDY WHITE Assistant Voice Editor

The grade wasn't entered into Sakai yet, but you know you're getting the test back today. You see that white stack of papers at the front desk, and you know this is the moment of truth. The professor starts handing them out upside down and awkwardly folded because God forbid the other students discover who studied correctly and who didn't.

You look around the room at the students who you can tell just had their days either made or who are already emailing



the professor about getting extra help at office hours.

Here we go. The professor hands you your exam, you peek at the front, and you see a big fat "F" written in what might as well be your blood at the top of the page – we've all been there.

Taking the loss, or commonly referred to as "the L," is something all college kids have experienced, and if someone tells you they haven't it's because their "L" stands for "Liar." An "L" can apply to anything, but something most college kids have all had to take is an academic "L."

The first step to accepting an "L" is coming to terms with the fact that sometimes you're going to come across a loss. Whether it be failing a test or bombing a presentation, "L's" happen to everyone. Don't expect to finish your college career without them. Even if that anatomy exam that required three Red Bulls and a million flashcards didn't go as planned, at least now you know what study habits worked and didn't work, and you can move on.

The next step is to take it like a champ. After going through the appropriate sulking period, it's time to get back in the game. The best way to ensure only "W's," or wins, from here on out is by talking to the person who creates your test, a.k.a. the

person with all the power: your professor.

Take advantage of those office hours, and explain your situation to them. Professors don't bite, and if they see you're putting in effort, that might be the extra one percent you need to get your grade from a B to an A at the end of the semester.

Try to resist the temptation to calculate the minimum percentage necessary to get a decent grade in the class or only focus on one assignment at a time. Sometimes you'll get lucky with a surprise extra credit assignment or a dropped test or quiz when grades are due.

Remember "L's" are inevitable, especially in college. Thinking about how to create an underdog story for yourself to make a comeback is just as important as trying to avoid the unavoidable all together.

Rapper Big Sean said it best: "Last night took an "L," but tonight I bounce back."

You can bounce back, too.

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"I'll be working on my senior capstone project, enjoying time with my dog Jasper, and hopefully if it's nice out, I will fly my drone that I got for Christmas." - Dominic Gailloreto, senior animation major

"I'm going home on Friday, so I can go to my town's fishfry, and then I am going to see my dogs, visit my family and just relax." - Shelby Johnson, junior studio arts major





"I plan on designing compelling and fun levels for my role-playing game." - James Klock, junior interactive media major

"I am going to be going home ... and I'm going to help my mom clean the house [and] purge all of our stuff. [I'm also going to] hang out with friends and go up to Chicago to the art museum."

- Hanna Berglund, senior ceramics major

"I'm going to work with an early childhood school, so I'm going to work there and just get some cash ... I'm sure something will come up. I don't plan that far ahead, but I'm just trying to get through this week before spring break." - Suzy Nedic, junior psychology major



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MSA highlights hijab awareness

BY HANNAH SNIDMAN Off-staff Reporter

The Muslim Student Association brought Melanie Elturk to the Hilltop to speak to students about hijabs Tuesday in the Michel Student Center Ballroom.

Elturk's career evolved from being an attorney to presiding as CEO of Haute Hijab, an online store for designer hijabs and modest women's clothing. Bradley is one of her many stops along her tour of the country.

In her speech, Elturk told a story about men from her college harassing female passersby. However, when she walked in front of them with a hijab on they said nothing.

"Muslim women wear the hijab in order to be recognized as women of faith, so as not to be harassed or bothered," Elturk said. "I think that there's an inherent misunderstanding that to wear the headscarf means that you're oppressed."

Elturk said autonomy rests with the woman, and her tour is to help students gain an understanding about that issue, among many others.

"I learned a lot about culture and

the meaning behind the hijab," senior manufacturing engineer Lauren Dahlke said. "I was very encouraged by learning of the empowerment that a hijab gives to women to take control of their lives and religion."

After Elturk spoke, she opened up the floor for questions. Students raised their hands or used a #BradleyHijabDay on Twitter to ask questions.

"I truly believe there is no better solution to co-existence than conducting open discussion," MSA president Yasmine Musaitif said. "It builds understanding, respect and trust amongst people. In order for our society to progress and prosper, we should be participating more so in constructive conversation and less on hateful diatribes."

The event ended with opportunities for all attendees to try on hijabs and take selfies.

"The headscarf is not exclusive to Muslim women, and we don't own the hijab," Elturk said. "So when I see other women wearing it in solidarity just for an hour, that's nothing but good will."

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leges are already doing this," Dellaria said. "'How could we do it here?'"

Two professors as well as students from Common Ground, a gay-straight student alliance organization, came to Monday's general assembly to share why they thought it was necessary for the Pronoun Resolution to pass.

Alysen Newton, a member of Common Ground, said the Pronoun Resolution is important for Bradley to grow as an institution and be accommodating to every student.

"Part of [Bradley's] five-year plan is becoming a more diverse and inclusive campus," Newton, vice president of diversity and inclusion, said. "I think [the Pronoun Resolution] is a wonderful step in that direction. I think there's a lot of growth that needs to happen for Bradley's campus with race and with sexuality and with gender."

Since the Pronoun Resolution passed, Senate will give it to Vice President for Student Affairs Nathan Thomas, and he will deliver the resolution to administrators for further consideration.

"It's just kind of all up to administration with how they want to do it," Dellaria said. "Just because it was passed doesn't mean that exactly what we passed is going to happen."

Despite what happens, Newton and Dellaria said they are happy with the results and hope Bradley will grow to be more inclusive.

"Society is changing," Newton said. "People outside the norm are becoming accepted and comfortable with themselves, and so it's time to embrace that and [stop making] them feel not normal."



Baseball out-hit in Tennessee

BY ALEX KRYAH

Sports Editor

There's good news and bad news for the Bradley baseball team. The good news is the men are scoring a ton of runs this season. The Braves have scored at least seven runs in each of their first six games, including a 14-run performance last Sunday against Tennessee Tech.

The bad news for the Braves is they allowed Tennessee Tech to score more runs last weekend. Bradley allowed 34 runs over three games, contributing to a pair of losses in Cookeville, Tennessee.

Though head coach Elvis Dominguez said the intense winds had an effect on the inflated scoring, he said he's not one to make excuses.

"We have to learn to pitch in those kind of environments, and our guys did not," Dominguez

According to Dominguez his pitchers had command difficulty, which led to Friday's 13-7 loss and Sunday's 16-14 loss. Junior Allan Beer and freshman Alex Gray combined to give up 12 runs on 14 hits Friday, while senior Eric Scheuermann was dinged for seven earned runs on nine hits Sunday.

Bradley also used five other relievers Sunday, four of which gave up at least one run.

Despite the struggles on the hill, Dominguez said the season is still young, and there is plenty of time to tidy things up, especially in the back end of the bullpen.

"You got 50 games left, and those things are bound to happen," Dominguez said. "You can't ask Mariano Rivera to be perfect all the time – you ask him to be perfect 80 percent of the time. Hopefully, we can get that 20 percent of the year out right



Sophomore Matthew Richey pitched out of the bullpen in the Braves 16-14 loss at Tennessee Tech.

The weekend wasn't entirely gloomy for the Braves, though. The Braves earned a 7-5 win Saturday thanks to a solid performance on the mound from sophomore Ben Olson, who allowed three unearned runs in six innings.

Bradley also plated 28 runs throughout the weekend, seven of which came off the bat of sophomore outfielder Jean-François Garon. The Canadian also belted three home runs and walked three times to spur Bradley's offensive explosion.

"We had a good scouting report on them, and I think we just executed that," Garon said. "I got pretty lucky on those baseballs, you know, being able to elevate them. I'm just happy I could help the team."

However, 28 runs weren't enough to earn a series win, so the Braves were left disappointed, Dominguez said.

"When you score seven runs, you expect to win," Dominguez said. "It goes back to the fact that those guys on the back end

need to give us some shut down innings. Yeah, they're young, and they'll figure it out, but they're going through some growing pains."

Bradley now faces an even tougher task this weekend as they play No.18 Sam Houston State on the road. Though the Bearkats were just swept in their series last weekend against No.13 Louisiana Lafayette, Dominguez said they still "have [their] hands

"This will be a really good matchup for us, but at the same photo via Scout Archives

time, we have to compete in all aspects of the game," Dominguez said. "We've been playing really good defense and swinging the bats really well. Now it's just a matter of solidifying our pitching a little bit, and I think that's going to come."

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Don't drop that Dunderdale

BY NICK KONOW Off-staff Reporter

Junior Haran Dunderdale led the Bradley men's track team to one of its best performances in program history at the Missouri Valley Conference Indoor Championship last weekend in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Dunderdale won the distance medley while paired with junior Daniel Gagne, sophomore David Shadid and freshman Alec Hartman. He also claimed the mile run title at the indoor championship, posting a time of 4:12.76 to win the event.

By winning the title, Dunderdale became the first ever Bradley man to win an individual track crown at the MVC Indoor Championship.

However, Dunderdale will be the said. "During the race, it was various runners as opposed to in for the future." first to tell you he could not have definitely a team effort. Any one years past, when only two or three done it without his teammates.



Haran Dunderdale

"Winning the event was a pretty cool feeling," Dunderdale of us could have won it. I was just runners were relied on for point ninth at the meet with 14 total at the right time."

Overall, the Bradley men placed sixth at the championship with 59 points, which was more than double its best total in any of the last 35 years – showing just how impressive of a team they are.

"This is the deepest and strongest team I've ever coached," head coach Darren Gauson said. "We had the best finish in program history, and our 59 points are more than double what we scored last year. So, we've seen huge strides from the men."

According to Gauson, the team's increase in points is because they had strong showings and point contributions from

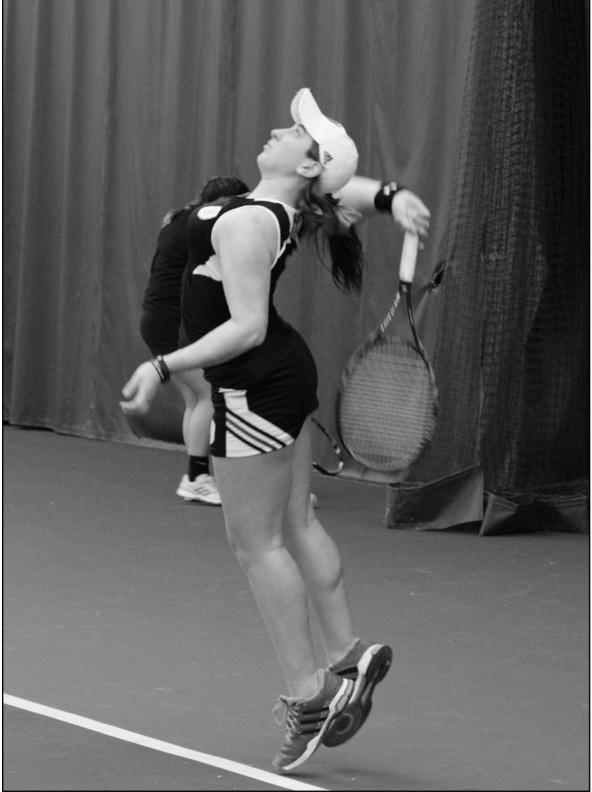
On the women's side, junior Hannah Witczak placed seventh in the 3,000m run with a time of 10:04.94. Sophomore Sara Piller followed Witczak in the 3,000m run in ninth place with a time of 10:05.86 while senior Rachel Sudbury finished ninth in the mile run with a time of 5:08.98.

"There were definitely signs of encouragement from the women's team," Gauson said. "I know when you just look at the results, we're a little behind some other teams in the conference. But we lost so many girls from last year, and we're such a young team. This finish, along with some of the recruits coming in, has me excited

Overall, the women placed

Moving forward, Gauson said he will continue to push the team to get better and hopes to avoid complacency.

"We get a little bit of a break now, and then we go into the outdoor season. So we just have to keep pushing to get better," Gauson said. "I'm not one to be content unless we're winning championships and getting people to the national meet. We all need to keep working to improve, which will make us an even stronger team going into outdoors, and it should be a good season for us."



Senior Ariel Dechter serves in a home match earlier this season.

photo by Justin Limoges

Tennis rallies in double header

BY KEVIN LINDGREN

Sports Reporter

The women's tennis team continued its hot streak last Saturday by picking up two victories in a double header against Wright State and Butler. The two wins pushed Bradley's win streak to four games as the Braves now sit at 6-3 heading into their third week of their home stand.

The Braves rallied back in the singles competition against Wright State after failing to collect the doubles point. The team won five of its six singles matches to claim the victory. Senior Ariel Dechter, freshman Natalie Barbery, junior Alexa Brandt, junior Aimee Manfredo and sophomore Malini Wijesinghe each recorded a point for the Braves.

Brandt fought back in the third set to win 6-0, 1-6 and 7-5. The third set victory came after Brandt battled back from a 4-1 deficit.

"I just kept fighting," Brandt said, "She was a great player ... I was thinking that even if I lose this match, just try and enjoy the moment and just keep fighting one

point at a time."

Dechter and Manfredo each also claimed a point after going three sets with Wright State. Head coach Matt Tyler said he was impressed with the team's resilient performance.

"To win five of the six singles matches is a tough thing to do," Tyler said. "But the girls came out and worked hard and came away with a fantastic win."

In the second match of the afternoon, the Braves collected the doubles point right away after the teams of Dechter/Manfredo and Barbery/Thai won 7-5 and 6-0, respectively.

Unfortunately, the win came with a price. Barbery was injured in the doubles match and was unable to compete in singles play, leaving sophomore Julie Martin to take her place. Martin shined, defeating Butler's Carla O'Byrne 5-7, 6-2, 6-3.

"During the first set, I was a little tight," Martin said. "[I wasn't] really hitting through my strokes, but the second set worked a lot better for me ... I had to think aggressively but still [put] lots of

topspin high over the net."

The win was just what the Braves needed, giving Bradley a crucial point after Dechter and junior Alejandra de Lasa were unable to come up with singles victories. Tyler said he admires Martin's ability to be ready in an unexpected situation.

"She stepped in, last-second situation with Barbery getting injured in the doubles," Tyler said. "For her to step in there and come up with a win was really big for us. I have to give her a lot of credit."

With big-time performances from unexpected players, Tyler said the team is building trust while continually developing.

"We're winning at different positions every time, which is very good," Tyler said. "When girls have an off day ... We know that the rest of the team is there to pick us up."

The Braves will be looking to continue where they left off tomorrow and Sunday when they take on DePaul and Valparaiso at the River City Club Courts to build on the current four game win streak

One-on-One

Who's the MLB's best prospect?

Yoan Moncada

There's a reason it took a guy like Yoan Moncada to pry Chris Sale away from the White Sox. The 21-year-old second baseman from Cuba has the talent to be the next

big star in the MLB.

Moncada is without a doubt a five-tool star in the making, his best toll being his bat. Moncada is a switch hitter with the potential to blast 25-30 home runs a year at second base, which is pretty rare. He often draws comparisons to Robinson Cano with more speed, as he stole 94 bases at an 86 percent

Though his glove might be the worst tool in his arsenal, it shouldn't be taken for granted. Moncada won't dazzle anyone, but he makes up for it with his arm strength and quickness.

success rate over his first two pro

Nick is going to tell you J.P. Crawford is the best prospect. Crawford is good, but he doesn't have the power and the speed Moncada boasts.

Not to mention, Nick also told me he once thought Mike Trout was going to be a bust. Are you really going to take his opinion into consideration?

I'll answer that for you – no, you shouldn't. Moncada is a bona fide superstar. Crawford may be good, but Moncada is great.

– Josh Nelson

J.P. Crawford

Spring training allows fans to see some of the future stars in baseball. This spring, the brightest star will be shining in Clearwater, Florida, and he'll be wearing a Phillies jersey.

J.P. Crawford, a 21-year-old shortstop for the Philadelphia Phillies, was ranked as the secondbest prospect in all of baseball by MLBPipeline.com behind Yoan Moncada.

But, MLBPipeline.com and Josh both have it wrong. There are several reasons why Crawford, not Moncada, is the best prospect in baseball.

Crawford can flat-out hit. He batted a combined .290 with a .790 OPS (on-base plus slugging) in three Minor League seasons. Last season, just seven shortstops posted a .700 OPS or higher and only three had a .750 OPS or higher.

Defensively, Crawford should be ranked ahead of Moncada because of where he plays in the field. Having a solid shortstop is key in baseball and Crawford is considered as an above average defender in a premium position.

Crawford has the intangibles, too. Scouts have raved about Crawford's leadership ability at a young age, something that hasn't been said about Moncada.

I wouldn't listen to Josh or his opinion on player potential. He's infatuated with pointless sabermetric stats and disregards the traditional "eye test" when it comes to judging prospects.

– Nick Konow

Golf finishes middle of the pack

BY COLE BREDAHL

Off-staff Reporter

The men's golf team teed off its spring season in Houston with an excellent round last Monday at the Colin Montgomerie Houston Baptist Invitational. The Braves started strong with an opening round score of 288 and a 295 in the second round to sit in third place after the first day.

However, the Braves struggled to find consistency Tuesday with a final round score of 302 to finish tied for 7th out of 13 teams.

"It is the mental errors that we really need to clean up the most," Roche said.

Junior Ethan Brue led the Braves with a score of 218. He missed the top-10 overall by one stroke, snapping a five-tournament streak of top-10 finishes dating back to the fall

"He will continue to hit his stride as he goes forward," Roche said. "He really grinded it out."

The next best score was sophomore Drake Bushong's 221, followed by redshirt sophomore Dan Lensing with 224, sophomore Branden Mounce with 226 and redshirt junior Zach Jewell with 229.

While the men were just starting

up their spring season, the women were competing in their second tournament of the year at Rio Verde Invitational, finishing in a tie for 12th of 19 teams.

The Braves started the invitational with a score of 311 but bounced back with a 288 in round two, finishing with a final round score of 313.

"We demonstrated our potential in the second round but struggled with consistency," head coach Mary Swanson said.

Junior Grace Henderson paced the Braves with a score of 229 and was the only player on the team to shoot under 80 every round.

"[Henderson's] finish was very exciting for us as well," Swanson said. "She is healthy and has had a lot of solid practice and play under her belt"

Henderson was followed up by sophomore Frankie Saban, who carded a two-under par 70 in round two, and junior Ally Scaccia, each shooting 232. Freshman Taylor Ledwein shot 234 and sophomore Chloe Horton rounded out the team with a score of 236.

The men and women are in action again March 13 and 14 for the Bradley Spring Break Invitational in Dallas.

Women lose two heartbreakers

BY JOSH NELSON Sports Reporter

After a strong stretch of games by the Bradley women's basketball team, the Braves now find themselves in the midst of a three-game losing

Bradley fell to Southern Illinois on Sunday afternoon, 69-63, a game in which the team shot 48 percent from the free throw line (11-23).

The Braves have struggled at the free throw line for most of the season. Head coach Andrea Gorski described the problems from the charity stripe bluntly.

"We can't spend any more time on free throws than we do," Gorski said. "The kids work on them, shoot hundreds of them during the week, getting ready. It's just a mental thing. We've just got to be able to step up and make some free throws."

Senior forward Leti Lerma highlighted Sunday's game as she became the all-time leading rebounder in school history by grabbing her 800th rebound early in the contest.

Lerma said she knows the accomplishment was due to the effort she put into the game.

"It's just a record to me," Lerma said. "It shows that hard work pays off, but at the end of the day, it's just another record ... Rebounding isn't really about size, it's not about how athletic you are, it's really just how hard you work at the end of the day."

On Friday, the Braves were handed a deflating loss at the hands of Evansville, 73-71. Bradley trailed by three with 16 seconds left when junior guard Danielle Brewer nailed a three from the corner to tie the game.

The tie was short-lived, however, when the Aces ran a backdoor play for Camary Williams that ended with a last-second layup to sink the Braves.

"We probably denied a little too hard on Williams," Gorski said. "She's really fast, and you can't really deny her the ball ... We were going to switch screens and try to force them into a tough shot and then box out. Alona [Johnson] is a very aggressive defensive player, so it's hard for her to



Junior Dani Brewer shoots over the SIU defense earlier in the season.

photo by Justin Limoges

let someone catch, but that's a senior making a big play on a freshman."

Even with the three straight losses, the Braves still have a shot at the six seed in the Missouri Valley Conference tournament. They will wrap up their regular season when they host Illinois State at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon.

"[We've] got to contain their guards," Gorski said. "They're a pretty athletic team, and those are the teams we've struggled with ...

We did a decent job containing their guards the last time we played them, but then their posts had a big game against us ... I think as a defensive team, we've shored some things up [since we last played them]."

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Drake	17-0	24-4
Northern Iowa	14-3	21-7
Missouri State	12-5	16-12
Southern Illinois	9-8	15-13
Wichita State	9-8	14-14
Evansville	7-10	12-16
Indiana State	6-11	12-16
Bradley	6-11	10-18
Illinois State	4-13	7-21
Loyola	1-16	2-26

Opinion

Spectacle sports

BY AUSTIN SHONE

Assistant Sports Editor

This past week marked the beginning of spring training on baseball fields across Florida and Arizona.

Ground balls bounced left and right across perfectly manicured infields. Batting cages were densely populated. Some players showed up relaxed, knowing they'd be staying in ritzy hotels for the rest of the season. Other players arrived with nervous jitters and a future that looks anything but certain.

Though the games seem meaningless, they provide a chance to try something new, like putting players at positions they aren't maximum reps and lots of action. they made this possible during the with a similar idea last year by putting Heck, they even allow players to use Snapchat Spectacles.

Now, I'm not the biggest Snapchat aficionado you'll ever meet. I was a very late adopter of the app - I haven't even had it for a year. My snap score is something like 6,672. I have no clue if that's high, low or somewhere in between, but I do follow my hometown Texas Rangers on there. Just the other day, I got to see infield drills through the eyes of some of my favorite players.

Having the players wear Spectacles is a really cool idea, . It allowed me to see what the players see, and hear some jokes off to the side while they ran through drills.

used to or giving young prospects "So," I thought to myself, "what if League World Series experimented real games?"

> Television audiences could see the spin of a curveball through both the eyes of the batter and the pitcher. When an outfielder drops a ball in the sun, or when an infielder gets a bad hop, the viewers could see why things went awry. I think it would bring a lot of people down to earth and show how hard baseball really is.

> Of course, these weren't the first things I thought of. Initially, I imagined the bench-clearing brawls. How awesome would it have been to experience Rougned Odor's vicious right hook through Jose Bautista's eyes? Maybe it's possible.

NCAA baseball and the Little

replay video cameras on the face masks of home plate umpires, and fans found it to be very successful. Viewers enjoyed watching plays at the plate through the umpire's eyes. As the incredible camera angles really put everyone inside the action.

Most MLB games are played at night, so most players aren't wearing sunglasses under the lights, but what if the MLB could get a company like Snapchat to make a camera both light and small enough to fit in hats or batting helmets? It would totally change how the sport is presented on

Let's not just limit this to baseball, either. The other headwear sports

like hockey and football could implement helmet cameras, as well. Basketball might be a stretch, but maybe the NBA could get cameras into headbands. Who knows?

Like the future minor league players that show up to training camp, the future of baseball on television is rather uncertain. Executives want to speed up the pace to keep viewers, yet media companies are still shelling out big wads of cash for production rights. Maybe the solution for both parties isn't how they play the game, but rather how they see it.

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Women's basketball drops three straight; looks forward to Senior Day this Sunday.

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Softball finds perfect groove

Assistant Sports Editor

The Bradley women's softball team didn't have time to attend any Mardi Gras festivities in Lafayette, Louisiana, this weekend, but they did get to celebrate an undefeated tournament as it went 5-0 in the Mardi Gras Classic.

The Braves picked up wins over Bowling Green, 5-3, Mississippi Valley State, 12-5, Maryland, 4-2, Dartmouth, 6-3 and Louisiana Lafayette, 2-1.

"We're learning how to win," head coach Amy Hayes said. "Every weekend we've gotten a little bit better, and we came back in a few games down there to take the win. I think that shows great resilience on our kids' parts. I was just really proud of the way they played."

The biggest game of the weekend came in the finale against No. 16-ranked tournament host Louisiana Lafayette. Freshman pitcher Emily Visnic hurled the best game of her young career as she no-hit the Ragin' Cajuns through four and two-thirds innings.

"Emily just kept them off balance," junior catcher Maria Schroeder said. "We were just able to move the ball around. They did get some solid hits that were turned into outs that were just right at people, but she just threw a good game and didn't let the situation get too big."

In the top of the sixth, Louisiana Lafayette singled with the bases loaded off Bradley pitcher Jaelen Hull, which allowed the Ragin' Cajuns to take a 1-0 lead.

In the bottom of the sixth, Schroeder found herself in a clutch situation and didn't disappoint. With a runner on

second, she drilled a go-ahead two-run homer to left field. giving the Braves the lead.

"It was my third time up against their pitcher, so I felt pretty good about it," Schroeder said. "They were pounding me inside, and that wasn't what I was looking for. I was either trying to sit outside or sit on her changeup, and eventually she threw me that changeup, and I just saw it really well and just let everything go."

The Braves then closed the door in the top of the seventh when Hull struck out the last batter to salvage a perfect road trip. With three tournaments in the books, Hayes said the Braves are starting to come together as

"I just think the resiliency is there," Hayes said. "We talk a lot about resiliency and grit and fight. I think they're buying into that and buying into each other, which is the most important thing. We don't necessarily have pretty games or clean games, but it's just that ability to know that we're going to win, and it's really nice to see that in our program so early in the season."

Schroeder had a huge weekend at the plate for the Braves, going 7-16 with eight RBI, two home runs and two triples.

"I think we're starting to realize that no matter how the game starts, we're always going to be in it," Schroeder said. "It doesn't matter what they're ranked, what conference they're in. We can beat anybody as long as we play our game."

The team will be back on the road this weekend as they play in the Tennessee Invitational in Knoxville, Tennessee. They will play a doubleheader against Ohio at 1:30 p.m. and No. 15 ranked Tennessee at 4 p.m.



Senior Kelly Kapp went 11-18 at the plate in an unblemished weekend for the Braves.

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