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STUDENT BODY ELECTIONS

The "Brave for You" ticket ran uncontested in this year's Student Body Officer election. Names of the students included on the ticket and winning their respective positions are shown to the right. With 536 votes, this election saw the lowest turnout in years.

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Boaty McBoatface

Tom Helm

P Diddy

Steve Irwin

Jenna Dellaria

Jesus Christ

Write-in samples

Candidate results

Dave Jensen — Student Body President



Kelsey Vogt — Speaker of the Assembly



Luke Versweyveld — Secretary of Finance



Kalah Anderson — Secretary of the Assembly



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Students improve soft skills at inaugural symposium

BY HANNAH SNIDMAN
Off-staff Reporter

Professionalism, personal brand and interpersonal communication skills were focus points of the Smith Career Center's first Soft Skills Symposium held Wednesday.

The event featured New York Times bestselling author Lindsey Pollak as the keynote speaker, who wrote "Getting from College to Career: Your Essential Guide to Succeeding in the Real World" and "Becoming the Boss: New Rules for the Next Generation of Leaders."

"Lindsey Pollak is a very well

known keynote speaker on all things career related, especially pertaining to millennials," Rachel Levine, Smith Career Center Peer Advisor, said. "As about half the students at Bradley can be classified as millennials, this was the perfect time to bring in such an amazing speaker."

Pollak covered the topics of personal branding and creating reputations in her talk. She highlighted visibility, differentiation, consistency and authenticity as ways to build a personal brand.

"Everything you do and everything you choose not to do communicates the value and character of

your personal brand," Pollak said. "Everything from the way you handle phone conversations to the email messages you send to the way you conduct business in a meeting is part of a larger message that you're sending about your brand."

Students took notes on papers provided at each table. The papers included surveys to complete before the talk, questions to answer during the speech and a survey to evaluate what they learned after the presentation.

"My favorite part of her talk was when she paused and allowed her audience to write three things about

their current personal brand and three things they will like to change about their personal brand," freshman biology major Clinton Osei said. "This part helped me think deeply as I realized I hadn't lived to my full potential since the beginning of the school year."

Pollak outlined the importance of making eye contact, smiling, showing respect and taking notes. She also emphasized listening to instructions and showing gratitude.

"I will tell you it takes zero skill, talent or money to follow directions," Pollak said. "Another thing that takes no talent, no skill and no money is

you saying, 'Thank you,' to the people who offer you advice."

Goals for the Soft Skills Symposium included educating and diversifying students on interpersonal abilities in the working world.

"Lindsey is a phenomenal woman," Emily Formea, a sophomore Smith Career Center Peer Advisor, said. "We are so blessed to have her speak here at Bradley, and we could not be more honored and thrilled to have had the opportunity to work with her at the Smith Career Center."

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Workshop teaches salary negotiation skills

Students interested in learning how to negotiate a fair starting salary, identify a gender wage gap and budget after graduation can attend the Start Smart Salary Negotiation Workshop at 5 p.m. April 3 in Westlake Hall room 116.

Sponsors of the event include the Smith Career Center, Women’s and Gender Studies, Start Smart, American Association of University Women (AAUW), Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) and Auto-Owners Insurance.

The event is free and open to all Bradley students, but is first come first serve to the first 40 registrants. Food will be provided.

Register for the event online at <https://goo.gl/fNELjW> or contact the Smith Career Center at (309) 677-2510.

Annual philanthropy event to serve tacos

Bradley’s chapter of Sigma Kappa will host its annual taco dinner from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 6 at 1418 W. Fredonia Ave.

Students can purchase a ticket for \$5 from any member of Sigma Kappa or from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 4 through April 6 in Michel Student Center.

All proceeds from the event go to the Sigma Kappa Foundation, which sponsors Alzheimer’s research.

For further information, contact Vice President of Philanthropic Services Carissa Dambacher at cdambacher@mail.bradley.edu.

Spots open for Hollywood Semester

The Bradley University Hollywood Semester will host an informational meeting at 5 p.m. April 17 in the Global Communication Center room 126.

The evening will feature Doug Frank, former President of Music Operations for Warner Bros. Feature Films, the fall 2016 Hollywood semester students.

Frank teaches music business courses for both Bradley and the Hollywood Semester in LA. The evening is the premier showing of the music video created as the capstone project by the fall Hollywood Semester students.

The Hollywood Semester is open to Bradley students of all majors who hold the rank of junior or senior with a GPA of 2.5.

For more information, contact Slane College of Communications associate dean BJ Lawrence at bjl@bradley.edu.

POLICE REPORTS

• Officers were dispatched after a male student was reported attempting to enter a dorm elevator while holding a traffic sign at 3:20 a.m. March 23 on 911 N. Duryea Ave.

A female student on the dorm staff told the officers she heard noise coming from the elevator and saw the male trying to fit the traffic sign into the elevator. When the officers arrived, they located the student and asked for his ID. The student smelled like alcohol, and his ID said he was 19 years old. Officers said the student was uncooperative and denied bringing the sign into the building.

The student received a citation for consumption of alcohol by a minor, and the Grounds Department picked up the traffic sign.

• A faculty member received an email from a male student stating that one of the student’s other professors made alarming and threatening statements to the students in class at 4:15 p.m. March 23 at 1422 W. Main St.

The student also sent the faculty member a recording of the professor’s threats, and the student said he was frightened to return to class.

The faculty member reported the professor to BUPD, and the matter is under investigation.

• Officers were dispatched to conduct a dorm drug search at 1:53 a.m. March 26 at 912 Elmwood Ave.

The officers conducted the search in a dorm room while the student residents were still present. Eight smoking devices, two grinders and four containers with other drug equipment and pills as well as three bags of cannabis were found in the room.

All equipment was confiscated by the officers.

• A female student was reported depositing a check and sending money overseas, which resulted in losing \$2,000 at 2:58 p.m. March 28 at 1307 W. Bradley Ave.

The student said she is registered online to find babysitting jobs. She was recently contacted by a person in Denmark to be a personal assistant. The person who offered the student a job sent her a check for \$2,000 and told her to deposit the check into her bank account, then withdraw money and send it to two accounts in Turkey. The student sent the money out and then noticed the balance in her bank account was negative.

Officers determined the check was fake, and the student sent her own money overseas. The student has tried to contact the alleged employer but has had no success.

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NEWS

It takes a writer to teach a writer

BY MADDIE GEHLING
Managing Editor

Greeting visitors with a Lisa Frank calendar, a seagull plush and a plastic Wonder Woman figurine, Sara Netzley's office brings a pop of color to the white halls of the Caterpillar Global Communications Center.

But Netzley said she never imagined herself taking a full-time teaching job. She instead intended to work in the newsroom until she was hired at Bradley in 2004.

"I had always dreamed of being a reporter," Netzley, assistant professor of journalism, said. "[But] I saw an ad for someone to teach print journalism at Bradley. I thought, 'Oh, perfect.' How could I not apply? ... It's the first and only academic interview I went on. I hope it's my last one; I love being here."

Netzley said she became acclimated to teaching soon after starting at Bradley – but not without initial concerns.

"The week before [I started], I kept having nightmares that the students were doing uncontrolled gymnastics tumbling runs, Olympics-style, up and down the classroom," she said. "I tried to get them to come

to order, and they just kept back-flipping. They were really talented ... just not in writing."

In 2015, Netzley began writing for a volunteer blog run by the Entertainment Weekly (EW) magazine, giving her a chance to stretch her writing muscles once more.

"The one downside of teaching is that I'm teaching students to write, but I'm not doing much writing myself," Netzley said. "I thought it would be a nice way to jump start my own writing again in an exciting way. After a year of that, they asked me if I wanted to move over to the main website to start working as a recapper for shows that were currently airing."

Netzley currently writes weekly recaps for shows "NCIS," "Arrow" and "Grimm." In the summer, she writes on "Preacher" and "The Chronicles of Shannara."

"There are faster writers than me, but I like to think there aren't many cleaner writers than me," Netzley said. "It takes time to edit and takes time to produce things."

Netzley said she has been met with some unexpected hardships while getting back to writing, including interacting with internet community members.

"That has been really interesting to me at Entertainment Weekly, learning that if there is a character you really like, somebody is going to loudly tell you that character sucks, probably in the comments," Netzley said. "They may insult your writing or your parentage while doing it. It's a lot of, 'That's not in the comic book, that's so stupid.' Can we agree that we have different opinions and move forward?"

Writing for EW has given Netzley the chance to interview high-profile figures.

"There was a time two years ago that I interviewed LL Cool J," Netzley said. "He's on 'NCIS: L.A.' ... They had an availability for LL Cool J, so I got to talk to LL. That's what I call him. My friend LL."

Netzley said while she enjoys her job at EW, teaching is her true passion.

"In the end, I love teaching. It's so rewarding [and] so fun," Netzley said. "The students are the best part. I never know what each class is going to bring, I never know what questions are going to come up [or] where our discussions of the day are going to lead us ... Every day is a chance to be astounded by some question or insight a student offers."

HUMANS OF THE HILLTOP



SARA NETZLEY

photo by Maddie Gehling

Sara Netzley, assistant professor of journalism, began teaching at Bradley in 2004. She also writes for Entertainment Weekly's website.

Bradley speech team to host national tournament

BY MITCHELL TAYLOR
News Reporter

Bradley will serve as the host of the upcoming national collegiate speech tournament in Peoria from March 31 to April 3. With over 80 schools represented and more than 1,000 students from throughout the country attending, the tournament is expected to be a major event for campus and the community.

In addition to hosting the American Forensic Association-National Individual Events Tournament (AFA-NIET), the forensics department took this opportunity to host an event for over 160 alumni to return to campus. Neil Flynn, a Bradley alumnus known for his roles in the TV shows "Scrubs" and "The Middle," will be on campus this weekend and will be recognized for his achievements Monday evening.

"Hosting nationals provided a nice opportunity to attract a lot of alumni to come back. It's one of our largest reunions that we've had to date," Ken Young, director of forensics, said. "It's an alumni relations event, it's a competitive event and it's also a hosting event all wrapped into one endeavor."

Young has been preparing for the tournament since it was confirmed to be coming to campus.

"We put in a bid to host the national tournament about four years ago, and it's long into planning," Young said. "It's very exciting that it's finally coming to fruition."

Bradley has one of the top speech teams in the country, with 41 team championships and over 150 individual championships having been won at past AFA-NIET nationals.

Partnering with Bradley administration and the greater Peoria area, the tournament will host a variety of other schools, including University of Texas at Austin, Western Kentucky University and Illinois State University.

"When it comes to the significance of the tournament ... this is what we spend the entire year starting in June working towards," senior organizational communication major Abby Surprenant said.

The process to perfect a speech for the tournament is ongoing, according to Young. Presenters must continually take the ever-changing social climate of the world into consideration and implement constant revisions into their work.

"A lot of these events are on the verge of very current issues ... especially this [past] year being an election year," Young said. "Many new things are constantly evolving, policies are changing, they're constantly having to update those speeches to reflect the current situation."

For the competitors, having the tournament held on campus is beneficial to the speech team.

"There's just a sense of comfort that comes from having it on your own campus," Surprenant said. "Typically, [nationals] have been in



photo via Ken Young

Campus will host more than 80 schools for this year's national speech tournament from March 31 to April 3. Actor Neil Flynn of "Scrubs" and "The Middle" will also be on campus Monday, April 3.

faraway locations on campuses we've never been to, so you don't know what to expect."

Despite that, the speech team is also wary of the downsides of competing on campus.

"That comfort can also be a double-edged sword," Young said. "With that comfort comes a lot of distractions,"

Although the event is centered on the speech team, others have a chance to be members of the audience. Young and Surprenant said they encourage students and Peoria residents to come watch the events taking place throughout campus.

Young said the success of this

tournament is made possible by the entire community.

"It's great to see how welcoming the city of Peoria as well as the Bradley campus have been," Young said.

For a full weekend schedule of the tournament, go to www.afaniet2017.com.

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NEWS

Illinois pageant winner empowers women

BY SAMMANTHA DELLARIA
News Editor

Members of the Bradley community gathered Wednesday to honor the successes of women through the first Women's Empowerment Banquet in the Hayden-Clark Alumni Center.

The event was a collaboration of efforts from the Bradley colony Sigma Lambda Gamma and Women Who Empower.

Joselin Saldana, the community service chair of Sigma Lambda Gamma, said the purpose of the event was to celebrate women.

"We had the idea since last semester to bring a women's empowerment banquet to campus," Saldana, a senior social work and Spanish double major, said. "I think it is important to empower other women, obviously, but also create a community where we support each other. So it is not just women, it is men and women coming together."

The night included poem readings from members of Sigma Lambda Gamma to encourage a tone of confidence at the event. However, the main purpose of the evening was for keynote speaker Crystal Cavey to

share her message.

Cavey, who is Mrs. Illinois America 2016 and placed in the top 15 in the Mrs. America pageant, said she has spent the past year traveling the country and speaking about the strength and abilities of women.

"Through this journey, I inspire thousands of women across the globe to do more, be more, give more and lead more," Cavey said. "[When I won the title of Mrs. Illinois], I knew God had given me the opportunity to change lives, and that's exactly what I have done. So when given your opportunity, follow it."

Cavey said she is the first person in her family to graduate from college and the first Puerto Rican woman to be named Mrs. Illinois, also making her the second latina to hold the title since the pageant's inception in 1952.

In addition to serving as Mrs. Illinois, Cavey founded Ladies of Leadership, an organization that has reached and empowered 10,000 members around the world to share their personal journeys.

Cavey said she also works as a nationwide pageant coach and mentor, professional motivational speaker, a certified life coach and more.

These titles and experiences demonstrate a long journey from her days as a student leader on Northern Illinois University's campus, Cavey said.

"Life has a way of change and putting you exactly where you belong if you work hard for it, draw up a plan and make it happen," Cavey said. "I will tell you, nothing will fall into your lap. No matter how much you think it will."

It was her time spent in Sigma Lambda Gamma at NIU that Cavey said allowed her to help her find herself as a person.

"I joined a multicultural sorority, which taught me about my culture," Cavey said. "Coming from a mixed family, being half Puerto Rican and half Italian, I didn't know a ton about my culture my whole life, so Sigma Lambda Gamma quickly taught me."

Members in attendance said they enjoyed Cavey's message and felt they were able to identify with her experiences.

"I came because I wanted to support Sigma Lambda Gamma because I think they have done a really great job of boosting their presence on campus because they are very new," Kamren Coutee, a junior management and



photo by Sammantha Dellaria

Crystal Cavey, Mrs. Illinois America 2016, addresses an audience during the Women's Empowerment Banquet on Wednesday.

leadership major, said. "[The event] exceeded all of my expectations. [It] was a lot more emotional than I thought it would be because I con-

nected with her on so many different levels. It is amazing how someone so ordinary can do something extraordinary."

Fortune favors the Brave (Pitch)

BY TORI MOSES
Editor-in-Chief

Edible plates. QR-code syllabuses. Uber-able alcohol.

Those were just some of the innovative product and service ideas pitched by 25 students in front of three judges and a room full of peers Wednesday night in Westlake Hall.

Winning first place and a prize of \$250, senior interactive game design major Andy Noetzel said his product idea came to him six years ago when working for an electronic repair company.

"I was sitting there working on a Nintendo DS that has two little LED screens, and I held each one up to one eye, and I was like, 'Oh my God, you can do [virtual reality]," Noetzel said. "I was so excited, and I went to my boss, and I was like, 'Boss, boss, we can change the world,' and he was like, 'No, we don't do that.'"

Noetzel said the Oculus Rift, a modern virtual reality headset that was generally in line with his idea, came out soon after his realization. However, according to Noetzel, he identified an area where the device could be improved: vision sensitive technology.

"What I'm trying to do is make software that will allow people to interact with virtual reality in a more comfortable way," Noetzel said. "When we look at virtual reality, we are broadcasting images to each eye, and because we're doing that ... we can customize those images to meet your vision needs."

Noetzel condensed his software idea into a three-minute presentation and said Brave Pitch gave him a platform to "actually talk to people in a realistic way."

"This is something that I would love to see Bradley sink their teeth into," Noetzel said. "I'd be totally cool with the university helping develop this ... and ultimately, I'll probably have to find a computer science major and be like, 'OK, you're going to be my [Steve] Woz, and I'll be your [Steve] Jobs.'"

At the end of the competition, Turner School for Entrepreneurship Managing Director Ken Klotz asked the audience if anyone would like to give an off-the-cuff presentation, and senior electrical engineering major Brian Roskuszka volunteered.

"I've worked on start-ups before, and I noticed in previous times that I was [at Brave Pitch], there were a lot of people with great ideas, but then afterward, I never heard anything about future happenings," Roskuszka said. "I felt like there could be a solution of that. So that came to mind, and me being the exuberant, go-do-it personality that I am, I just stood up and did it."

Roskuszka's impromptu pitch presented his services as a start-up business consultant, which is something he said he wants to do on his way to becoming a motivational speaker.

"If anyone wants motivation, an inspiration and someone to be there for them, that is what I would do on my path to be an inspirational speaker," Roskuszka said.

Earning second place and \$100, freshman English education major Jada Stroud pitched a toothbrush with color changing bristles depending on the amount of bacteria on them. In third place, junior electrical engineering major Michael Kuzma received \$50 for his pitch on a self-playing guitar interface.

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SCOUT ON THE STREET

What is the best April Fools' prank you've pulled or had pulled on you?



Patrick Bruce, Jr.

"About two years ago, I decided that my best friend had been getting on my nerves a little too much, so I put a fake virus into his computer that had a little copyright of my name in the bottom corner. But he never noticed it, and it took him three hours to [fix it]."

- Junior computer informations systems major Patrick Bruce, Jr.

"I typically don't pull a lot of April Fools' pranks just because my mom hated [them]. But in middle school, my friends and I, we got together and tried to pull a prank that we had gotten in trouble from our middle school ... we went around to teachers asking if they would give us a principal's slip of paper to bring us to the principal's [office] ... we ended up getting one from my band teacher, and we filled it out, and I went home and I gave my mom the slip ... and she wasn't very mad about it because she thought that it looked fake, but I mean, it was worth a shot."

- Freshman elementary education major Jessica Miller



Jessica Miller

"When I was living at home, my dad would put a rubber band around the sprayer in the sink, so that when I turned on the sink, the sprayer would immediately go off."

- Senior computer informations systems major Clay Klinedinst



Clay Klinedinst



Mollie Johnston

"I can't remember ever having one pulled on me, and I think that's just because my great-grandma's birthday was April Fools'. She would ... have a conniption if any of [my family] ever pulled a prank or anything like that. And I'm really bad at pranks. Honestly, I laugh way too often, so if I try to lie or make a prank at all, people would just know."

- Freshman early childhood education major Mollie Johnston



Kim May

"My brother put toothpaste in [a] soap dispenser."

- Junior community wellness major Kim May

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Late Night BU goes out on the town

BY KYLE STONE
Senior Copy Editor

Late Night BU will be held off-campus today, marking the first time the event has been held in a location other than the Hilltop since its inception in 2008. The Warehouse on State in downtown Peoria will serve as the venue for the event, which is located at 736 SW. Washington St., about a 10-minute drive from campus.

Late Night BU Event Coordinator Kalah Anderson said the decision to move the event off-campus arose out of the desire to switch things up.

"It was a team collaboration when brainstorming new ideas to bring to Late Night BU," Anderson, a senior hospitality and leadership major, said.

Despite the move downtown, Anderson said she does not expect the move to heavily impact attendance for the event.

"So far this semester, we have been doing really well with attendance numbers," Anderson said. "We are hoping this event still draws out our usual crowd, plus more."

However, Anderson said it has been stressful trying to anticipate how students will receive the event.

"It's always nerve-racking trying something new," Anderson said. "But

we have heard a lot of positive feedback and interest, and we're looking forward to Friday."

New this semester, Late Night BU no longer plans the events around a specific theme. According to Anderson, this provides the Late Night BU planners more flexibility in choosing activities for the events.

"We have tried to wean away from themes as a way to provide an opportunity for more activities at each event," Anderson said. "[At this event], dancing and eating will be free, and [alcoholic] drinks will be available for purchase. We will also have a photobooth and playing cards on the tables."

Sophomore television arts major Sam Kuhlmeier said he thinks moving the event downtown brings welcome change to the event series, and Late Night BU planners should continue to provide experiences students would not otherwise have access to.

"I think it's a good change of pace for the event," Kuhlmeier said. "The team has put on a lot of really solid events this year, and their creativity has been well thought out."

Peoria charter busses will run continuously from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. between Michel Student Center and Warehouse on State.

Editorial

Student Body Officer election reaction disappoints

Student Body Officer (SBO) elections were held this week, and newly elected Student Body President Dave Jensen and the rest of his “Brave for You” ticket ran unopposed for their positions. This marks the first time in recent history that a lone ticket has been represented in SBO elections. The lack of options made an obvious negative impact on student voter turnout. An underwhelming 536 students voted this year, a drastic drop from the 1,694 students who cast their votes in the 2016 SBO elections, when at least two students ran for each position. Not only was there a lack of candidate options this year, but Senate was unprepared to face the challenges that came with an earlier elec-

tion. According to Elections Board Chairperson Jenna Dellaria, with the process being moved up two weeks, “people might not have been aware” of the SBO election. “I know a lot of people have been asking, ‘When are candidacy forms due,’ or, ‘What’s the process?’” Dellaria said in a March 24 Scout article. It is doubtful anyone outside of Senate — or who hadn’t been personally approached by “Brave for You” ticket members — knew about the election or had enough time to prepare for a candidacy in 2017. These deterrents encouraged mockery amongst some of the students who came out to vote, as nearly one third of the write-in votes were

comical and unrealistic submissions, such as Pikachu, Nicholas Cage and Miles the Rock Johnson. While the humor resulting from these write-ins leaves us chuckling at the creativity of some voters, it is disheartening to see an absence of student leaders and a lack of seriousness from the student body. These immature and irresponsible decisions have impacts on the entire student body. This is why the administrators are apprehensive to pass resolutions that rely on the responsibility of anonymous students. In the case of the Preferred Name Resolution last year, students would have been able to write in the name they wished to be called — but in the fear of receiving less than serious submissions like this

year’s elections write-ins, the resolution did not pass University Senate. Additionally, last year’s election announcement day had a large crowd, but there was less than a handful of spectators in the Michel Student Center atrium to see the results and support the newly elected board Wednesday. This student apathy strips us of the right to complain when we feel like our voices aren’t being heard and our opinions aren’t being considered. In future elections, voter turnout should be 100 percent. The people elected are supposed to represent the student body, but how can they accurately do this when so few students participate properly?

Column

You are not alone



HANNAH SNIDMAN
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Off-staff Reporter

Making close friends is hard. This is coming from a self-proclaimed extrovert, so you know it must be true. In high school, I was repeatedly told that making college friends is better because you get to choose them from a large population, versus childhood friends who just so happen to live in the same neighborhood as you. However, I’ve found the exact opposite to be true. In middle school, I knew every person in my grade and had the ability to hand pick my friends from the crowd. By high school, I found my best friends through getting to

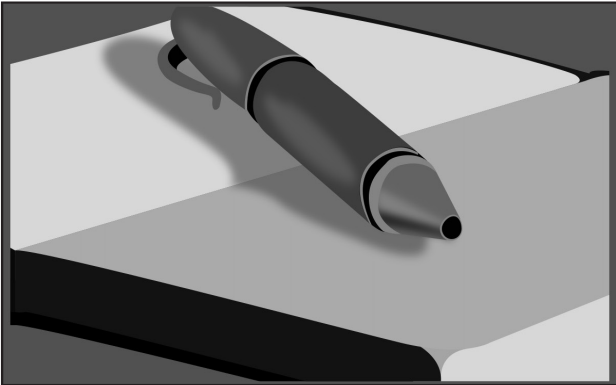
know them for three years or more. In contrast, college friendships form in a fairly random fashion. For example, during Welcome Week my freshman year, I went to visit the room of a girl I met and talked to during orientation. Her roommate had a guest over as well, so we all started talking and spent most of Welcome Week together. Little did I know, my orientation friend’s roommate’s guest (did you follow that?) would end up being my best friend and current roommate. We bonded through the Welcome Week events and after attending our first college party together ... But that’s a story for another time. Besides my roomie, I’ve made plenty of random friends during my first two years here. My floormates jokingly tease me because I always introduce myself to people in the Harper Hall elevator as we ride to class in the mornings. But once, I introduced myself to a girl who happened to be Jewish and was looking to get more involved, so I invited her to Hillel services and informal sorority recruitment. Now she’s a regular attendee at Hillel, my god-little in my sorority and one of my closest friends here, all because we struck up a conversation in an elevator. I’ve made friends in the laundry room while loading a washing machine. I’ve made friends in the silent basement of the library

through non-verbal high fives and smiles. One time, a guy lifting a massive weight in Markin next to me introduced himself, and now I have a gym buddy. That being said, these random interactions may or may not lead to a “close” friendship. I can meet someone in a laundry room and never see them again or pass by them, sharing nothing more than a slightly awkward hello. At the end of the day, these encounters don’t lead to my desired goal of creating lasting friendships. I tended to fall into friendships my freshman year mostly based on living in the same residence hall and through mutual friends. My sophomore friends warned me that freshman year friend groups wouldn’t last past the summer when we all split up into different housing situations and activities. To my dismay, they were absolutely right. People who I thought would be my closest friends through all four years turned out to be friends by convenience. This discovery was more than sad-denying. I don’t think we discuss loneliness enough in college. Feeling lonely can lead to problems academically, socially, emotionally and more. At the beginning of this year, I felt lonely. Not because I didn’t have friends, but because I cared so much about preserving previous friendships.

Many of my freshman year friends had moved into greek houses, become RAs or simply filled up their schedules with other priorities. Besides my wonderful roommate and sorority sisters, it seemed like I had lost a lot of friends, and I became focused on rebuilding friendships from the prior year. It didn’t occur to me until a month or so later that this may be an opportunity to create more random friendships with the potential to blossom into closer relationships. So, I will continue to chat up my fellow elevator riders, laundry do-ers and gym go-ers. And I encourage you to do the same. You never know when you will be in need of some more friends. More importantly, the stranger standing next to you has the potential to be your next best friend at Bradley, but you’ll never know if you don’t talk to them. Please, never feel like you are alone at school. It is perfectly natural to quickly lose and make friends. College can be intimidating at times, but there are so many welcoming faces just waiting for you to strike up a conversation. If you ever feel lonely, I suggest giving it a try. If you are intimidated, feel free to come and find me. I’m always happy to start a conversation with a new friend.

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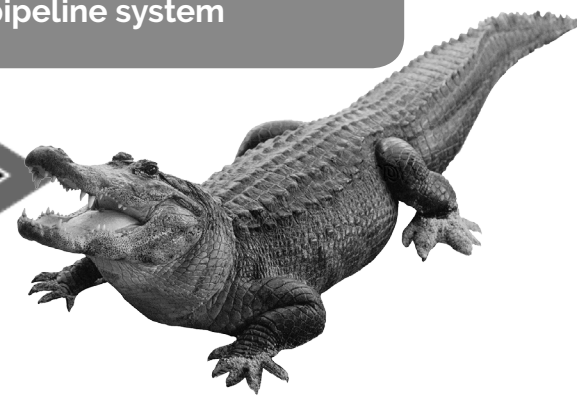
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The Scoop



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BY POOPIE MCPOOPS
Smallville Soundtrack

In a joint statement with Vice President for Business Affairs Gary Anna, Bradley President Gary Roberts said late Thursday that the naming rights for the planned Business and Engineering Complex would go to “whoever throws the most dough.”

Roberts said selling the naming rights to the highest bidder seemed like the best decision for the future of the university due to Caterpillar Inc.’s decision to move more than 300 full-time employees to Chicago.

“Well, we couldn’t just throw ‘CAT’ on another building,” Roberts said. “But by all means, if a ‘CAT’ advertising representative is reading this, if you’ll pay us anything for the rights, they’re yours.”

Roberts also said he envisioned the best way to receive the most revenue from the naming rights would be a series of decals covering the entirety of the glass walls featured by the planned building.

“You know how you can get those decal stickers



for the back window of your sedan?” Roberts said. “That’s what we’re looking for.”

However, Anna said the university was also considering more of a “NASCAR-stock-car-style” approach to the naming rights.

“You know when you’re sitting in your man cave on a Sunday sipping a crispy

brew watching NASCAR?” Anna said. “All those cars are each covered in one big logo. Imagine looking at an aerial view of the building and being able to read ‘Bass Pro Shops.’”

Roberts said a major reason he’s dedicated to finding a suitor for the naming rights is because of his predecessor’s failure to do so for Renaissance

Coliseum.

“You mean that big expensive building on campus that men’s basketball doesn’t play in?” Roberts said. “Yeah, I’m sure former President Joanne Glasser could have squeezed a few Benjamins out of somebody along the way if she wasn’t so busy fake smiling all the time.”

Junior advertising major Steve Stevens said he feels embarrassed by the statement made by Roberts and Anna.

“It’s just kind of sad,” Stevens said. “It sounds like we’re trying too hard. What happens if Big Al’s ends up being the largest bidder? The Big Al’s Business and Engineering Complex. Can you imagine?”

BUPD to enforce drinking age on campus

BY WITH AN ‘E’
Parks & Rec Intro Theme

Let’s be honest here; a large number of people drink underage in college. After all, it’s a part of the university experience, right?

Well, hope you enjoyed it while you could; the Bradley University Police Department (BUPD) has decided this past weekend to

enforce the proper drinking age on campus. The reason? Kids can’t hold they damn liquor.

Currently, if you have alcohol poisoning and are underage, you get ticketed — BUPD Chief Brian Joschko wants to take things a step further: you now need to be 35-years-old to drink on campus.

“We’re going to really start cracking down on underage drinking on campus,” Joschko said. “We want all students to be safe, and a good number of the students on this campus are lightweights. In an effort to prevent further incidents, BUPD has decided to raise the legal drinking age [on campus] to 35 years old.”

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Editor's note

April Fools!

Welcome to The Scoop, a special April Fool’s edition of The Scout. Inside you’ll find a number of articles written by The Scout staff just for the occasion. Keep in mind that these articles are completely satirical and comedic — none of the events described actually occurred.

This year features plenty of parodies and hoax articles, with quotes from fake people (or fake quotes from real people). If you’re name is in the paper, please know that it’s completely incidental.

We hope you enjoy the laughs. Try not to get pranked too hard this weekend!

-The Scout staff



Summer Sessions 2017

ONLINE COURSES



May Interim I	
Course	Course Name
ART 131	Art Appreciation
ART 228	Basic Dig Photo Imag
BIO 475	Topics in Biology
BLW 342	Legal Env't of Business
CHM 112	Engineering Chem
CIS 300	Computers & Society
CIS 698	Dir Studies in CIS
CJS 130	Intro to Investigations
COM 491	Topics: Com Personal Branding
CS 593	Web & Mobile Software Systems
CS 697	Adv Topics, ASP.NET with C#
CS 698	Dir Ind Studies in CS
ENG 115	Intro to Literature
ENG 130	Intro to Native American Lit
ENG 301	Adv Writing, Argumentative
ENT 280	Entrepreneurial Creativity
ETE 116	Intro Field Experience
ETE 234	Language Development
ETE 238	Pract Teach Eng Lrn II
ETE 239	Pract Teach Eng Lrn III
ETE 270	Physical Dev & Health
ETE 313	Meth Lit Rdg, Writ, Lang Art 1-2
ETE 678	Leadership & Collab in Spec Ed
FCS 300	Consumer Issues in America
FCS 301	Nutrition Today
FCS 303	Nutrition
FIN 322*	Bsnss Finance
HIS 201	Viol, Crime, Punish US Hist
IB 206	Intro to International Business
ML 350	Managing for Results in Orgs
ML 353	Operations Management in Orgs
MTG 315	Principles of Marketing
MUS 109	Music Appreciation
PLS 105	Intro to American Govt
PSY 321	Ind & Org Psych
QM 262	Quantative Analysis I
RLS 332	Religions of World II
SOC 100	Sociological Perspective

May Interim II	
Course	Course Name
ATG 604*	Controllorship
CIS 535	Computer Networks & System Security
CS 520	Adv Computer Architecture
CS 531	Web Development Technologies
CS 690	Adv Topics: Software Engineering
ETE 219	Human Dev & Eff Field Experience
ETE 228	Strategies for Middle School
ETE 236	Assess of Eng Lang Lrnrs
ETE 335	Meth, Teach Soc Stud Gr 1-6
ETE 336*	Methods, Teach Sci Gr 1-6
ETE 356*	Meth, Teach Mid Sch Sci
ETE 643	Assess...Lrnrs w/Exceptional

Summer Session I	
Course	Course Name
BIO 101	Diseases of Life
BIO 111	Intro Cell Biology
BIO 204	Pathophysiology
CHM 250	Concepts in Organic Chem
CIS 300	Computers & Society
CIV 100	Western Civilization
CJS 301	Theories, Crime & Justice
CJS 380	Topics: Probation & Parole
COM 388	Social Media Comm
CS 591	Software Project Mgmt
CS 625	Operating Systems Design
CS 698	Directed Ind Studies in CS
ECO 221	Prin of Microeconomics
ENC 540	Human Growth & Dev
ENG 115	Intro to Literature
ENG 305	Adv Writing - Tech Writing
ENG 306	Adv Writing - Bsnss Comm
ENG 691	Internship in Writing
ETE 100	Technology Applications
ETE 230	Adapting Curr, Support Inclusive Env'ts
ETE 425	Life Planning, Learners w/ Exceptionalities
ETE 426	Assessments, Learners w/ Exceptionalities
ETE 655	Instructional Theory
ETE 663	Schooling in Diverse World
FCS 220	Consumer Issues, Health Care
FCS 375	Hospitality Practicum I
FCS 462	Community Wellness Practicum I
FCS 475	Hospitality Practicum II
FIN 220	Personal Finance
IME 522	Manufacturing Quality Control
ME 648*	Adv Computer Aided Design
ML 353	Operations Mgmt in Orgs
ML 356	Human Capital in Orgs
MTG 346	International Marketing
PSY 299	Topics: Forensic Psychology
PSY 309	Human Sexuality
PSY 420	Psych of Addiction
QM 262	Quantitative Analysis
RLS 332	Religions of World II
SOC 100	Sociological Perspective
SOC 333	Sociology of Violence
THE 131	Intro to Theatre

Summer Session II	
Course	Course Name
ANT 101	Anthropological Perspective
BIO 101	Diseases of Life
BIO 202*	Microbiology & Immunology
BIO 300	Population, Resources, & Env't
BUS 610	Grad Bsnss Pract
CHM 300	Chemistry & Civilization
CIS 430	Info Technology Infrastructure
CIS 515	Applied Cryptography
CIS 530	Info Tech Infrastr
CIS 545	Integ Prgmming & Tech
CIS 573	Qual Mgmt Computing
CIS 697	Adv Topics in CIS
CJS 360	Drugs & Crime
CJS 380	Topics: Serial Murder
COM 103	Oral Communication Process
COM 491	Topics: Ldrship & Pop Film
CS 532	Adv Java Computing
CS 635	Data Comm & Network
ECO 222	Principles of Macroeconomics
ENC 582	Grant Writ Nonprof Ldrshp
ENC 604	Rsch Method & Apps
ENC 681	Seminar, Ed Admin
ENG 101	English Composition
ENG 300	Adv Writing - Exposition
ENG 306	Adv Writing - Bsnss Comm
ENG 691	Internship in Writing
ETE 100	Technology Applications
ETE 215	Strategies for Eff Teaching
ETE 365	Teach Rdg in Cont Areas
ETE 515	Math Meth Mid School
ETE 631	Resc, Strat Rdg Teacher
ETE 653	Inst Strat & Design
ETE 664	Classroom Assessments
ETE 698	Creative/Research
FCS 100	Family Dynamics
FCS 300	Consumer Issues in America
FIN 220	Personal Finance
FIN 322	Business Finance
GES 101	Principles of Earth Science
HIS 315	US Social Mvmts
HIS 333	Cross-Cultural Contacts
IM 110	Intro to Int Media Design
IM 120	Concept, Storytell for IM
ML 350	Managing for Results in Orgs
ML 459	Topics in Management
MTG 350	Consumer Behavior
PSY 321	Ind & Organizational Psych
QM 263	Quantitative Analysis II
THE 131	Intro to Theatre
WLS 202	Int Span 2

Early Registration Opens April 6

Questions?

Call the Office of Summer & Interim Sessions 677-2374

bradley.edu/summerclasses

*Signifies Hybrid course
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DRINKING

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BUPD is going to begin enforcing a few new rules and station more officers around campus on weekends when things tend to get a bit rowdy.

If you're going to an on-campus party at a fraternity house, you now need to be 35 or older to attend. Fraternities and sororities will

continue to notify BUPD of each event held to obtain a permit, but officers will now be stationed both outside and inside the party to prevent any underage drinking as well.

The same goes for off-campus house parties at any university-affiliated rental property; failure to notify BUPD and get the proper permits will lead to the arrest of each tenant

of the residence. No exceptions.

Living in a dorm? Random alcohol and drug searches will be conducted throughout the year of anyone under the age of 35. Even if your RA is a close buddy of yours, don't expect to weasel your way out of a search if you hear a sharp knock on your door.

There's also a new rule

regarding the use of the Campus Safety Cruiser; a breathalyzer test is required upon entry. If you're underage and have been drinking, you'll win a personal escort from a BUPD officer (it ain't gonna be Officer Savage, so don't get excited) along with a ticket.

"We think 35 is a good age because by the time most people get that old, they're either too set in their binge-drinking ways or their urge to black out on Everclear and jungle juice

with the bros has decreased significantly," Joschko said. "Most students will probably be too busy complaining about how the next generation is spoiled or whatever, so we won't even have to worry about too many parties going on."

So, if you're going to get lit with your friends this weekend, it better be off apple juice if you're not 35. Think they're f**king around with this? They aren't — better stick to water, young blood.

Graduate Student Advisory Committee Speaker Event 2017

HEALTHCARE ANALYTICS

Clinical Care Research and Analysis	<p>By 2018, physicians will use cognitive solutions to identify the most effective treatment for 50% of complex cancer patients</p> <p>By 2018, 25% of consumers will use a virtual assistant as a first consult in making medical decisions</p> <p>In the coming year, statistical and predictive data analysts are slated to be one of the top 10 most in demand</p> <p>April 4, 2017 5 - 6 p.m. Westlake 116 small appetizers and refreshments will be available for attendees</p>
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Campus cafeterias spice up their menus

Recently, Bradley Dining Services announced they wanted to make the food on campus more appetizing. So, Geisert and Williams Dining Halls are changing their menus for the next week to try something new.

Food that will be featured includes fish eyeballs, deep fried penguin and a plate covered in bleu cheese. In addition to the new food items, Bradley Dining Services plans to remove all drink options and only offer tomato juice.

Questions about the new menu can be directed to whysisbradleyfooddeadly@mail.bradley.edu.

Organization hosts fundraiser in generic Campustown location

An organization is holding a fundraiser for an unspecified charity from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in a Campustown location. The organization's idea is completely original and will offer students a chance to buy food while also donating to help a cause.

Students will receive a 3 percent discount on their meal if they show their Bradley ID. All proceeds will be donated to the charity.

For more information, contact anyorganizationoncampus@mail.bradley.edu or contact the advisor at (555) 555-5554.

Senate plans program to get students out of their dorms

After the BU on the Bus program was declared a bust, Student Senate is planning a new program to at least get students out of their dorms.

The program, "BU Please Leave Your Dorm You Can't Live Your Life Like This," will offer prizes to students who take videos of themselves performing normal adult tasks, like eating something other than Ramen meals, doing laundry and interacting with others outside of their dorm. The students will then have to post their videos on Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Myspace.

There will be no prizes given to students who post the videos as Senate has announced students should be doing these things anyways.

For more information, contact Student Senate at thescoutsux@mail.bradley.edu.

ALTERNATIVE POLICE REPORTS

 BY BABY FROM THE CORNER
 Bro Country

• Officers responded to a report of a food fight at 1:04 p.m. March 28 in Geisert Dining Hall. Students in the dining hall began to throw spaghetti at each other following a debate over whether Chance the Rapper or Kanye West is a better artist. When an officer arrived on scene to end the altercation, he told students, "Imma let you finish the food fight, but Chance is better."

• A report of a "lame party" was made at 7 p.m. March 26 at the 1600 block of Barker Avenue. Attendees at the party reported the hosts only played pre-2012 Miley Cyrus songs, and Mist Twist was the only beverage served. One complainant said the party did not meet the minimum standards to be considered "lit." Hosts of the residence made a walk of atonement for being lame af.

• Officers responded to a fire alarm at 2:50 p.m. March 27 in Wyckoff Hall. Upon inspection, officers determined the alarm had been activated after a group of students were watching the film "Passengers" in their dorm room. The degree of hotness from both main actors in the film, Jennifer Lawrence and Chris Pratt, had overheated the dorm room. Officers promptly blasted Nelly's popular track "It's Getting Hot In Here" and left the building.

• A student was charged with possession of 55 fake IDs at 10:54 p.m. March 25 on the 1200 block of Main Street. The student told officers he had collected the IDs to use them to get into local bars and that "students can't underestimate the importance of having a convincing fake." After hearing the student's explanation, the officers agreed and distributed 54 of the 55 IDs to other students while wishing them a "Merry Litmas."

• Police were notified of a gargoyle statue being removed from the west corner of Bradley Hall at 4:20 p.m. (blaze it) March 28. In addition to the missing gargoyle, fake mustaches had been placed on the remaining statues. No suspects have been identified.



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*All of these are fake



President Donald Trump accuses The Scout of 'fake news'

BY RIVER PISTACHIO
Alternative Rock

Saturday morning, President Donald Trump tweeted an accusation against the Hilltop's student news source, stating "Bradley University's FAKE news source The Scout is very inaccurate and not good – my approval rating is skyrocketing, believe me. #SAD." In under 140 characters, our own president attempted to slander Bradley University's name with an unexpected accusation.

The tweet went under the radar at first since it was posted at 3:12 a.m. on Saturday, but it was not ignored once people woke up for the day.

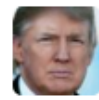
Senior political science major Noah Fence tweeted in response to Trump, "why do you care so much? we're

just a bunch of loser millennials anyway."

However, freshman business major Jack Goff said in the president's defense that "Trump has a reason to be mad. This is not a representative sample of students. In fact, most of my fraternity voted for him. #MAGA"

News media outlets like CNN, ABC and NBC have also been the subject of scrutiny by our president for releasing negative poll results based on his approval rating (they are deemed "fake news" via tweets from his personal Twitter account), but this assault against our newspaper was a shock to all.

Sources close to the president claim the angry tweet was inspired by his revelation that Bradley Uni-



Donald J. Trump
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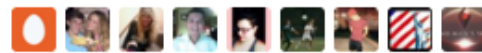
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3:12 AM - 25 Mar 2017



Donald Trump tweeted about The Scout at 3:12 a.m. March 25, claiming it was a "FAKE news source."

versity released a poll asking students whether they approved of him thus far? The poll revealed a staggeringly low approval rating of 30 percent based on 550 respondents.

As aspiring journalists,

reporters at The Scoot aim to release only the most accurate and unbiased facts to back up our reports. We can assure readers that there was no unethical practice involved in the collection of the poll data.

In fact, we promise that we only release the best, most important and not bad news in all of the college newspapers across the nation. We are simply amazing – the best, really. Don't believe Crooked Trump.

Bradley discontinues fine arts and humanities 'They just weren't important enough'

BY PROUD HUFFLEPUFF
Broadway Cast Recording

In a move to make Bradley a "school of the future," according to University President Gary Roberts, most programs in both the College of Liberal Arts and Fine Arts have been discontinued indefinitely.

"We took a look and realized these programs were really holding back our mission for what we want the university to be," Roberts said. "We want to focus on the programs that will really make an impact on students' lives. That's why we're putting so much emphasis on our STEM [science, technology, engineering and math] programs."

University Senate approved the discontinuation of over 20 majors and minors, including: English, religious studies, sociology, women's and gender studies, graphic design, music and others. A full list can be found on The Scoop's website.

Hopes were high in 2016 when enrollment increased at Bradley and a number of new arts/liberal faculty members were hired. But when enrollment has been less than stable in the past, the university has had to make budget cuts somewhere, according to culinary arts professor Jimmy John.

"It really is unfair that it's us they pick on," John said. "These departments are rich and diverse. It's unfortunate that, to the university, they just weren't important enough."

A number of students said they are furious with the decision to nix the fine and liberal arts programs.

"Why is it that university administration can sit around and settle on this bad decision right away, but it takes them a whole year to decide they don't want to let transgender students

choose their names on Sakai?" sophomore studio arts major Bobby Ross said. "I just don't get how they think this is a good idea, and when real good ideas come along, they blow them off."

Many voiced concerns that this decision was a long time coming.

"The signs were all there," Ross said. "First there's the fact that all Caterpillar's money used to go there. And now, a whole new building for business and engineering?"

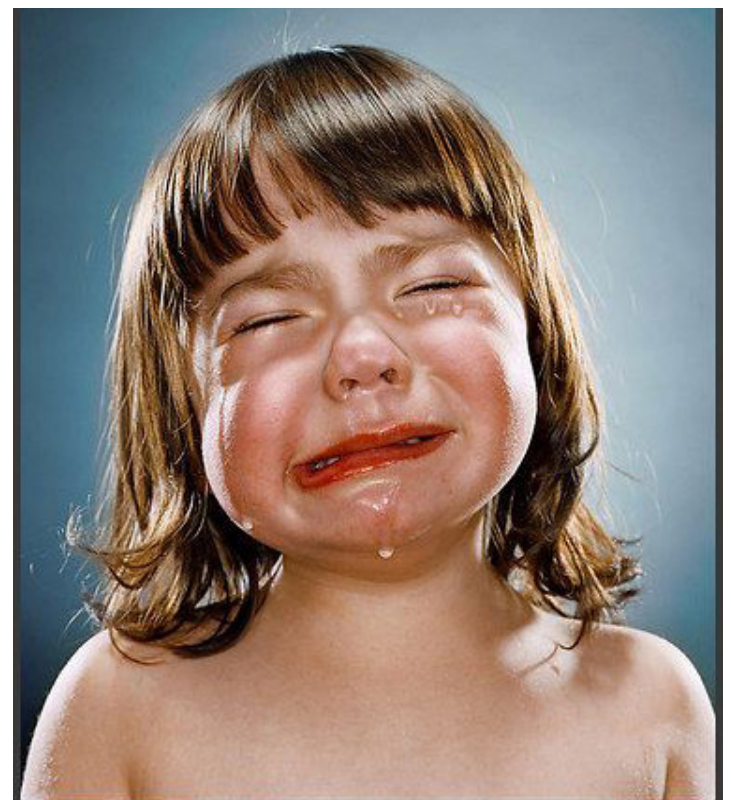
University administration was quick to dismiss these claims. In a past article published in this publication, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs Gary Anna said the business and engineering buildings on campus are "tired."

"[The engineering and business] programs are just so very important," Anna said

in a Feb. 10 article. "And for engineering and business they need upgraded space more than any other program at Bradley. It's so easy to see."

Beyond the surprise that came with this news, John said he will remain worried for the future of the university after these programs are discontinued.

"We've all seen those Facebook articles like, 'This is what the earth would be like without this kind of tree, or something like that,'" John said. "But what will the world become without English majors or history majors? Focusing on STEM education is important. Focusing on STEM-only education is dangerous."



Scoop Editorial

Campus news on the brink

BY HARRY STYLES
Drake

PSA! THIS IS NOT A DRILL! Bradley University’s only unfailing news source, “hilltopmadness,” will be absent for the next two weeks on Snapchat (Cue gasp.)

According to the very reliable and trustworthy source, Snapchat user “hilltopmad-

ness2,” the door that has opened up opportunities to read about all things sports, news and opinion has been locked.

If only there was a source that provided similar information on campus happenings, sporting events as well as a nice display of opinion (if I do say so myself) ... Looks like

we’ll all be uninformed these next 14 days.

What will the next two weeks look like? Should I keep my curtains closed because nothing outside will be worth watching? Should I bundle up for the high winds that’ll be blowing the tumbleweed around campus? Should I dress in all black to mourn the social

events no one will know about until they’re over?

I did hear about a student-run newspaper that comes out each Friday. What is it, The Scoot? The Scoob? Something like that – might be worth looking into. But probably not.

Column

Peace out, Bradley



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With one remaining month in my Hollywood Semester, panic has set in and completely thought-out and rational choices have been made. It is with great pleasure that I announce my decision to forgo my senior year on the Hilltop and stay here indefinitely.

If living in L.A. for a semester has taught me anything, it’s that you don’t need a degree to succeed in this field – and certainly not one from Bradley.

Not to mention, the amenities available out here blow Bradley out of the water. Celebrities love their social media, so there’s always a strong Wi-Fi connection wherever I go. Although the Midwest has had an unusually warm winter this year, it still doesn’t beat the Cali sun all year round.

My options for going out at Bradley boil down to either Cams or Crusens. Meanwhile in L.A., I can go clubbing at 10AK (yes, where the famous

Kris Kardashian peace sign picture was taken), relax at Good Times at Davey Wayne’s (where the entrance is a refrigerator and alcoholic snow cones are served) or party at the Bungalow in Santa Monica, among trillions of other top tier nightlife establishments.

And don’t even get me started on the food. If you want some variety in your diet while on campus you chose between Avanti’s or One World. But California is home to In ‘N Out Burger, and the rest of Hollywood offers a plethora of delectable restaurants and food trucks alike. I am salivating while just thinking about it.

Honestly, the only thing

Bradley has over L.A. is the traffic. While L.A. sits on top as the absolute worst, Peoria is ranked as the sixth least-congested U.S. city. But I’d still take rush hour over the blandness of Bradley any day of the week.

Point being, I would be a fool to continue on with my college career when I can provide free labor for production companies and big film studios starting right now. The people are so genuine, and competition is at a minimum, so it will be an absolute breeze achieving all my wildest hopes and dreams.

All I got to say is, it must suck to BU.

New classes for Fall 2017

BY ADAM LAMBERT
Season 5 Glee Soundtrack

Bradley University has decided to preview four new courses open to all students starting Fall 2017. Each course aims to help an area of a student’s life whether that be mental, physical or spiritual.

Intro to Twerking I

Prerequisite: Willingness to thrust and put yourself out there, booty shorts

This 50-minute course is designed for anyone who is willing to move those hips, get

down and shake that thang. You don’t need to have any background training in dance or hips that lie; all you need is an attitude. You will learn how to position your body in the best way possible in order to become the ultimate twerking queen.

Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse

Prerequisite: DIY weapons

Sign up quickly before all seats are filled, and prepare for the ultimate showdown between yourself and flesh-

eating zombies. Learn how to defend yourself with mentos in Coke, makeshift hockey sticks and plastic plates.

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Prerequisite: LuMee phone case

“First, let me take a selfie.” Learn the perfect angles, natural lighting, posing and, of course, the best Snapchat filters to impress everyone. Be prepared to come to class with your fake eyelashes, concealer and a phone charger.

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Tennis splits in Coliseum

BY NICK KONOW
Off-staff Reporter

The Bradley tennis team drew a program record crowd of 353 fans Saturday night as the Braves hosted Saint Louis and Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis in the inaugural Coliseum Classic.

Although the team did not reach its goal of breaking the collegiate tennis attendance record of 1,032 by a longshot, head coach Matt Tyler said the event was still a success.

“We didn’t hit the attendance record we wanted, but I thought everything else was fantastic,” Tyler said. “The way the courts looked, the experience for the athletes and being able to bring a few people who had never been to a tennis match out to an event like this, I thought it was outstanding all the way through.”

Bradley’s first match did not go as hoped, losing to Saint Louis 5-2.

Just like on its spring break trip in Las Vegas, Tyler said he was not worried by the team’s slow start, but instead saw it as an adjustment period.

“We had some opportunities against [Saint Louis] that slipped through our fingers,” Tyler said. “I think we could’ve capitalized on a few situations, but unfortunately, we didn’t. There were some adjustments that needed to be made because it was a completely different environment, and even though I thought it played really well, an entirely new surface.”

Once the Braves adapted, the women started playing the type of tennis they have shown they are capable of all season as they defeated IUPUI 5-2.

The event’s success has allowed for it to become an annual match that Bradley will continue to host.

“The goal is to have it be an annual event and to continue to build on what we set in motion this past weekend,” Tyler said. “Hopefully going forward, it’s bigger and better.”

Sophomore Malini Wijesinghe had the best overall performance



photo by Justin Limoges

Sophomore Malini Wijesinghe earned a pair of singles wins in the Coliseum Classic.

for the Braves on the day by going 2-0 in singles action, while splitting her two doubles matches with teammate junior Alexa Brandt.

According to Wijesinghe, playing in front of the large crowd in the coliseum incited some nerves, but she was able to

use the energy to her advantage.

“Everybody was definitely nervous, but I think we were excited too,” Wijesinghe said. “Sometimes, nerves are a good thing. They can force you to focus more and play better because you know people are watching.”

The Braves will complete in a four-match home stand and open Missouri Valley Conference play next Saturday as they host Illinois State on the school’s outdoor David Markin Tennis Courts.

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Track opens outdoor season

BY COLE BRED AHL
Off-staff Reporter

The track and field team made a fast start to the spring season last Saturday at the Bill Cornell Spring Classic in Carbondale where seven Braves earned personal bests in the first outdoor meet of the season.

The men were led by senior Michael Ward as he won the 1,500m race with a time of 3:47.86. After redshirting the indoor season this winter, Ward started the outdoor season by defending his title from last year at the same event.

Ward will look to continue his momentum from his hot start in the 1,500m into the 5,000m run, where he will compete for most of the season..

“We are hoping he can run one the quickest times in the country over that distance,” head coach Darren Gauson said. “This is what we’ve really been aiming for since cross country finished.”

Senior Patrick Campbell placed fourth with a time of 3:53.50. Freshman Jake Hoffert closely followed Campbell in his outdoor debut with a time of 3:55.18.

“Jake is an exceptional freshman,” Gauson said. “He will run well this coming weekend.”

On the women’s side, redshirt freshman Gabby Juarez led the team in the 1,500m with a time of 4:38.96. Junior Hannah Witczak trailed Juarez with a time of 4:40.57 while senior Rachel Sudbury placed third in the 800m run at 2:14.96.

“Those three are looking really good right now,” Gauson said. “They all have an excellent chance of contributing on a high level for us.”

Freshman Kristin Oakley placed second in the 3,000m steeplechase with a time of 11:13.63. Oakley had never raced in the steeplechase before Saturday.

“She will definitely run it in the conference meet in May,” Gauson said. “It was an excellent opener for her.”

Gauson said he was happy with the team’s performance in the outdoor opener but saw room for improvement.

“We should be a little bit sharper this coming weekend in California and Eastern [Illinois],” Gauson said.

The Braves take to the track again this weekend in three different meets. Gauson will split the team, which means some runners will travel to California to participate in Stanford Invitational or San Francisco State Distance Carnival, while others will participate in the EIU Big Blue Classic in Charleston.

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Men’s golf duel with ISU

BY JOSH NELSON
Sports Reporter

The Bradley men’s golf team had several players finish in the top five last weekend at the I-74 Individual Challenge in Normal. The Braves and Illinois State met for the fourth consecutive year at Weibring Golf Club for a one-day tournament.

Leading the way for Bradley was junior Matthew Specht, who shot a pair of two-over 73s and finished with a 146 over the two rounds. Specht ended up tied for third at the challenge, two shots behind the medalist from Illinois State.

Despite less than ideal weather, Specht said he was able to power through and find consistency

during the tournament.

“I was just able to play my game in some pretty poor conditions with the wind and the rain,” Specht said. “I really just stuck to the game plan, stayed within what I could control and was able to play really well.”

Specht said he attributes his success at the Challenge to his team and the way they’ve pushed each other for playing time.

“The team has been extremely competitive the past couple of weeks,” Specht said. “We’ve just had to play well just to get in the starting five because we have 12 guys, so we’ve just been working really hard.”

Along with Specht, sophomores Drake Bushong and Michael Mounce tied for fifth as they both fired five-over 147. Mounce was

the leader after the first round after he shot a 71, but he shot a 76 in his second round to drop him into fifth.

Head coach Jeff Roche said the first few holes of the second round were really what threw Mounce off his game.

“He hit a couple shots early in that second round that allowed him to not be as confident,” Roche said. “He hit some tee shots that kind of got off line a bit, and instead of having clear shots to the green, [he] had to punch out or do something so just a few more bogeys there than the first round.”

Bradley also got their first glimpse of freshman Yuan “Leo” Li this weekend as he made his Bradley debut. Li finished with a 164, good enough for 19th overall, and Roche said he likes what he

saw from his young player.

“I saw some good things as far as character and how he carried himself on the golf course,” Roche said. “That part is going to bode well for him later on as he gets better and better.”

The men’s team will now head off to Bloomington, Indiana, where they will compete in the Hoosier Invitational tomorrow and Sunday. Roche said the key to competing this weekend is controlling their shots.

“It’s a golf course that demands some accuracy off the tee,” Roche said. “The greens are really small, and the only defense they have there is to put the pins on the edges of the greens. So just being smart about where we place our approach shots to the greens.”

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Wijesinghe said she has some lofty but achievable goals heading into conference play. "I think there are only one, maybe two matches that we aren't the favorites to win," Wijesinghe said. "So my goal for conference is to win every match, both as an individual and as a team. I know they're lofty expectations, but I also know we can do it." Tyler said he has ambitious goals as the team is hitting their stride heading into conference play. "First and foremost, I want everyone to feel like they're playing well, regardless of wins and losses," Tyler said. "From a tangible wins and losses standpoint, we want to be in the top three. That has really been our goal all year. I don't know where in that top three we'll fall because Wichita State and Southern Illinois are both really good teams, but we're definitely capable of upsetting them."

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MLB PREVIEW

The Scout Sports Desk's predictions of AL, NL and the World Series

National League		American League	
<p>NL CENTRAL</p> <p>Top to bottom, the Chicago Cubs are built to win. Returning MVP Kris Bryant, Kyle Schwarber and Anthony Rizzo, along with their consummate protector and Eureka-native Ben Zobrist, will wreak havoc on pitching staffs. Their pitching staff will continue to excel with Jon Lester and Jake Arrieta at the front-end of the rotation will lead the Cubs to another NL Central title.</p> <p>The Cardinals didn't get better in the offseason, but they didn't get worse either. The Cards have young talent in shortstop Aledmys Díaz and outfielder Randal Grichuk, and even though they lost Alex Reyes to Tommy John surgery, Carlos Martinez and Adam Wainwright are still really good. They'll finish second in the division.</p> <p>The Pirates are moving declining star Andrew McCutchen to right field, and Starling Marte will move to center. This team has underachieved for a long time, and it's not going to get better any time soon. Josh Bell could have a breakout year at first base, but their pitching is average at best.</p> <p>The Brewers and Reds will remain the cellar-dwellers in the central. The Brewers have added power-hitting Eric Thames by way of South Korea. He should make an immediate impact and provide a little bit of protection for Ryan Braun, but the pitching staff is</p>		<p>AL CENTRAL</p> <p>The Cleveland Indians claimed the AL Central last year, and the chances of them repeating as division champs are high. The Tribe still has one of the best rotations in baseball along with a lights-out bullpen. They also acquired Edwin Encarnacion in the offseason to add to an already talented lineup.</p> <p>The Detroit Tigers will finish in second in the division this season. The Tigers are still a very dangerous offensive team, and its pitching is good enough with Justin Verlander anchoring the staff. Detroit should compete for a Wild Card spot.</p> <p>Finishing in third will be the Minnesota Twins. Although the Twins struggled mightily last year, they have a respectable lineup. Their problem last year was their pitching, but they should regress back to the norm a bit more this year when it comes to giving up runs.</p> <p>The Kansas City Royals will finish in fourth this year. The Royals need a fast start to the season, or they'll be selling some of their key pieces at the deadline. Kansas City doesn't have enough pitching on this team to get off to that hot start, which means they will be sellers in July.</p> <p>Finally, the White Sox will finish last. When you trade two of your better players, it's tough to compete for a division. With the</p>	
<p>NL WEST</p> <p>The NL West will be competitive at the top with the Giants and Dodgers once again. I think the Dodgers will come out on top with Kershaw and a solid group of players. Nolan Arenado will keep the Rockies right in the conversation as well.</p>		<p>AL EAST</p> <p>In the AL East, the Boston Red Sox will claim a second straight division title. The East is solid from top to bottom with the Blue Jays, Yankees and Orioles. All three of those teams could be a threat to Boston. However, the Red Sox have the pitching and the hitting that should be able to claim the division.</p>	
<p>NL EAST</p> <p>The NL East has solid contenders in the Nationals and Mets. They'll battle for the top spot. Noah Syndergaard is a once-in-a-generation talent on the mound for New York, and the rest of their rotation has the ability to carry them to the top of the division if they stay healthy.</p>		<p>AL WEST</p> <p>The AL West is a hard division to call, but the Houston Astros will find a way to win. Their rotation still has some questions, but they have one of the deepest lineups in the league. Expect the Rangers to be right on Houston's tail and win a Wild Card position.</p>	
<p>WORLD SERIES</p> <p>The last team to repeat was the Yankees in 1999 and 2000, which says something about how difficult it is to do. The Cubs are good enough to repeat, though. Like Joe Maddon says, "Don't let the pressure exceed the pleasure," and I don't think the Cubs will. They just have too much fun winning. Cubs over Red Sox in the World Series.</p> <p>- Austin Shone</p>		<p>WORLD SERIES</p> <p>In the end, it will come down to the Cleveland Indians and the Washington Nationals in the World Series. With the Indians trying to avenge last year's heart-break, they'll end their 69-year World Series drought.</p> <p>- Josh Nelson</p>	

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Kapp sets record in weekend wins

BY AUSTIN SHONE
Assistant Sports Editor

The Bradley softball team won its first conference series of the season against Evansville last weekend.

The Braves were shut out 7-0 in the first game after failing to get a hit until the sixth inning against 2016's Missouri Valley Conference (MVC) pitcher of the year Morgan Florey but bounced back in the second game to win 7-4.

"The first day we came out expecting [Florey] to throw a good game, and she exceeded my expectations," senior outfielder Kelly Kapp said. "We struggled a little bit but as the game went on we all put in better at-bats. We ended up losing that game but, we kind of put ourselves in an area that next time we face her, we were going to be ready for her."

In game three, the Braves proved they were ready to face Florey as they tallied 13 hits and defeated the Purple Aces 8-7.

Along with Sunday's win, there was also a bit of history made. In the third inning, Kapp swiped second to record her 93rd career steal, a new MVC record. The fact that she stole the base on a pitchout was a perfect representation of how Kapp's speed puts pressure on opposing teams.

"For [Kapp] to get this accomplishment is awesome," head coach Amy Hayes said. "For the most part, she has the green light. She causes a lot of doubt in the defense and she really just needs that split second to make something happen. Any time she gets on, it could easily turn into a triple two pitches later. That's an advantage I think any coach would take."

Kapp said she is not dwelling on the record too much. Just as her legs keep churning on the base paths, focused on making it to the next base, her mind is focused on keeping her foot on the gas pedal



Senior Kelly Kapp now owns the MVC stolen bases record with 93 in her career.

photo via Bradley University Marketing

the rest of the season.

"To be honest, I haven't really thought about it right now because we have so much more of the season left," Kapp said. "Right now, I just kind of want to put some distance in between [the record]; just keep stealing more bases, then at the end of the year, reflect on how the season went."

Senior outfielder Caitlyn McCarron also continued to swing a hot bat over the weekend, going 5-10 with seven RBI including a double, triple and homerun. Her performance earned her MVC Player of the Week honors.

After playing their first 32 games on the road, the Braves will finally be in Peoria to play at their

new home, Peterson Hotels Field at the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex – 8400 Orange Prairie Rd.

The new field is full Astro Turf, includes a videoboard and provides more of a stadium atmosphere than the team's previous home at Laura Bradley Park.

"It's a beautiful complex out there," Hayes said. "I hope people come out. We would certainly like to do our best to showcase it and put on a good game for folks."

The Braves will host Missouri State in a doubleheader beginning at noon tomorrow. The third game of the series will be at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Opinion

Beer and baseball

BY ALEX KRYAH
Sports Editor

There's a reason baseball isn't very popular anymore (a couple reasons, actually). The game is too slow and methodical – it doesn't play well on television as opposed to basketball and football.

There aren't any stars to watch anymore, either. Alex Rodriguez, for as polarizing as he was, brought in fans. The same can't be said about Mike Trout – he's a generational talent but could not be more of an average Joe.

The game was exciting 15 to 20 years ago. Now, it's not. Baseball is an old man's game, which doesn't appeal to a younger audience.

But I wouldn't have it any other way, because the old man's game mixes my favorite game with my

favorite drink – an ice-cold beer.

At first thought, beer and baseball don't seem to pair well together at all. Playing baseball requires quick reflexes, intense and rapid motions that go against your body's natural anatomic movements and keeps you on edge. Beer slows you down, numbs you to your surroundings and relaxes you.

That hasn't stopped players from drinking, though. Josh Beckett notoriously drank beer in the clubhouse during games for the Red Sox during the 2012 season. Mark Buerhle casually entered Game One of the 2005 World Series a little buzzed, only to earn the save in the game (Granted, Buerhle was sipping on some Jack Daniels, but the sentiment remains the same – alcohol and baseball are

intertwined).

Beer has become so entrenched in baseball culture that adult slow-pitch softball leagues are colloquially referred to as "beer leagues," or as I like to call them, "more fun leagues."

Despite those anecdotes, the bond of beer and baseball isn't meant for the players. No, beer is supposed to be enjoyed by the spectators, the red-blooded Americans who spend their hard-earned money to watch America's pastime with family and friends.

The joy of cracking open a cold Budweiser on a hot July afternoon to the sound of a baseball popping a mitt is second to none. It's so simple, yet so rewarding to watch stellar athletes like Mike Trout or Bryce Harper blast 400-foot bombs while drinking this beautiful,

golden alcoholic concoction.

You know why Wrigleyville in Chicago and Ballpark Village in St. Louis work so well? Because they mix baseball and beer. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure that out, just someone who understands America and knows how to have a good time.

Now you may think, "Is beer one of the reasons why baseball is dying? Is beer necessary to enjoy baseball, hence the low viewership from millennials and underage kids?" My answer to these questions is, "No." You don't need beer to watch baseball – just like you don't need beer to watch any other sport.

But beer makes the game better. Drinking beer and watching baseball are both social activities, and it brings people together.

What better way to get closer to baseball than drink a few Buds with a friend and watch a game? If you're a father, what's a better excuse to drink a beer than to take your kid to a baseball game and bond over America's pastime?

Baseball may never reach the same popularity it once did, but as long as beer is around, the game will never truly die. So this Sunday, when the 2017 season kicks off and you watch the Mets and Royals play on Opening Night, crack open a cold one with friends and enjoy two of America's greatest pastimes.

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SPORTS

Kapp breaks record

Kelly Kapp broke the MVC stolen bases record in last weekend's series with Evansville

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Kelly Kapp

Baseball rides winning streak

BY ALEX KRYAH
Sports Editor

The Bradley baseball team has strung together its longest winning streak of the season after Tuesday's 2-0 win over the University of Illinois, and the four-game streak is coming at an ideal time. The men kick off their Missouri Valley Conference season today against Missouri State, which is one of the top teams in the conference.

Head coach Elvis Dominguez said he believes that if his team keeps up its current performance, it will have a great chance to compete in Springfield, Missouri.

"We have to do what we did [Tuesday], which is throw the ball over the plate and being able to compete on the mound," Dominguez said. "If we don't do that and revert back to our old ways, we're right back to square one."

Dominguez was referring to Tuesday's win over the Fighting Illini, in which the Braves used three pitchers to combine for a shutout on seven hits, two walks and 11 strikeouts. Sophomore Cole Cook earned the win by going four innings, yielding three hits and a walk while earning his sixth win of the season.

"We threw strikes and commanded the strike zone – that's basically all pitching is," Dominguez said. "[Cook] just competes so well ... he goes after hitters. He doesn't overpower anybody, but he just basically makes them uncomfortable in the box, and he pitched real well for us."



Freshman shortstop Luke Shadid owns the second highest average on the team at .337.

photo by Justin Limoges

Bradley's only runs came on a sacrifice fly in the first and an Illini error in the eighth. Though the pitching staff won Tuesday's game, it's been the offense that has carried the team for most of the season, thanks

to the approach of the hitters throughout the lineup.

"I think [assistant coach] Kyle Trewyn has done a great job with them as far as understanding what an approach is and what certain situations call for," Dominguez said. "I think there's been a very unselfish approach offensively from one through nine. Guys just understand their roles and are willing to do whatever it takes to put up runs."

The Braves scored a combined 28 runs in last weekend's wins over Robert Morris-Peoria, Robert Morris-Springfield and Eureka College. Though all four runs in Friday's 4-3 win were unearned, the offensive attack

was still the driving force behind the 15-0 and 9-7 wins.

"We just go up there and try to have a good gameplan against whatever pitcher we're facing," freshman designated hitter Derek Bangert said. "Our whole philosophy is to have productive at-bats and score some runs. For the most part, I think we've been able to do that."

The wins not only provided momentum for the Braves entering the weekend but also allowed for them to mix and match a lot of different lineups and give everyone on the roster a chance to play.

"The competition wasn't D1 level, but at the same time it was very competitive," Dominguez

said. "Hopefully our guys got an opportunity to get some confidence on the mound, and we were able to do that, and I think that helped lead to [Tuesday's] win."

Bangert said the winning streak has been "a confidence boost" to the team, and the Braves will need confidence going into this weekend's series against Missouri State, who boast a top-30 RPI ranking.

"Missouri State is such a great quality program," Dominguez said. "We have our hands full, so we have to go in there and play complete baseball."

Game one of the three-game series starts tonight at 8:05 p.m. in Springfield.

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