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Competition inspires big ideas



photo by Austin Shone

Students present their business plans to Bradley community members Wednesday in the Peplow Pavillion during the second round of the Big Ideas Competition.

BY SARA FESSLER
Copy Editor

Bradley students continued to demonstrate entrepreneurial enthusiasm during the second round of the Big Ideas Competition, hosted by the Turner School of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, this Wednesday.

Student competitors gathered in the Peplow Pavilion to demonstrate their business ideas and inventions, ranging from a self-playing guitar to a yoga studio.

These students and their business

ideas consisted of the 25 teams who had moved on from the first round of the event, but after this week, only four teams will continue on to the final round.

Ken Klotz, the managing director for the Turner School of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, is in charge of coordinating Bradley's first-ever Big Ideas Competition.

"It's a learning opportunity for [competitors], to take an idea that just rattles around in their head at first, and express it in a couple of different formats," Klotz said. "That's where the learning occurs; in physically

expressing [an idea] visually at the trade show and verbally expressing it at the elevator pitch."

Anyone on the Hilltop who spent even just a few minutes visiting the event were more than spectators; they were given a judging form and asked to vote for the top-five teams and special awards. Selected community members, faculty and staff at Bradley were also judges for the event.

Audrey Roney, a sophomore marketing and music business major, is leading Fabricode, a company that sells apparel geared towards women in STEM fields. According to Roney,

most of the women's STEM apparel focused on being a "coder's girlfriend or engineer girlfriend instead of being a coder yourself."

"Women want to feel part of the inside jokes [at STEM companies] too ... this helps them feel accepted," Roney said.

Other businesses have already been operating in the Peoria community and are hoping to expand as a non-profit.

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BUPBA finds Vote of No Confidence in police chief

BY SAMMANATHA DELLARIA
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The Bradley University Police Benevolent Association, Inc. released a statement to the media on March 7 outlining a vote of no confidence in Bradley University Police Department's Police Chief Brian

Joschko.

The letter stated the union has "lost all trust, faith and confidence in Chief Brian Joschko's ability to lead the department."

BUPBA President and BUPD third shift patrol officer Theresa McConnell-Hill said this is the third vote of no confidence in Joschko the union has passed in the last three

years, the first of which was taken when Joanne Glasser was president of Bradley. Joschko was hired at Bradley in 2011.

"Chief Joschko is a micromanager and does not allow his staff – captain, lieutenants and sergeants [to] do their [jobs]," McConnell-Hill said in an email to The Scout. "With the hostility, I think to summarize, [it is]

the lack of trust in the officers and his [administration]. A lot of us are veteran officers, and we do not need to be micromanaged. He does not let his command be command and lead their shifts, and it is frustrating, to say the least."

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Student Body Officer elections to be held next week

BY SAMMANATHA DELLARIA
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and News Editor

The 2018 Student Body Officer debate and voting dates were announced yesterday morning via Hilltop Happenings by Student Senate.

Candidates running for Student Body Officer positions will present their platforms in front of Student Senate at 5 p.m. April 2 in the Garrett Center during the Student Senate General Assembly meeting. The debate is open to all students and Bradley community members.

Directly following the debate, voting for SBO candidates will open at 6:30 p.m. via a Qualtrics online form, which will be emailed to the student body and can be found in Hilltop Happenings. Short introduction videos of the candidates will be available on the ballot as well as their pictures and purpose statements. SBO voting will close at 11:59 p.m. April 3.

This year's candidates include one full ticket and three independent candidates. The ticket includes junior health science major Mikki Tran (President), junior Spanish, biochemistry and philosophy triple major Malini Wijesinghe (Speaker of the Assembly), sophomore sociology major Camille Sanders (Chief of Staff) and junior music education major Nolan Ruthe (Director of Administration).

Running independently are junior legal studies major Andrew Yohanan (President), freshman business law major Belal "B" Kherallah (Chief of Staff) and sophomore graphic design major Dylan Pashke (Director of Administration).

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BRIEFS

Upcoming Hollywood Semester informational meeting open to interested students

Bradley University Hollywood Semester will hold a campus-wide information meeting from 5 to 6:30 p.m. April 3 in the Caterpillar Global Communication Center Horowitz Auditorium.

Jacob Huberman, Executive Director of the Bradley University Hollywood Semester, will guest speak at the meeting. Additionally, Hollywood Semester alums will be available to share their Hollywood experiences with interested students.

The Hollywood Semester is open to all Bradley students in all majors. Contact bjl@bradley.edu for additional information.

Professor to share book with campus reading

On April 3, the Visiting Writers Series will hold a fiction reading by Devin Murphy. Murphy is an associate professor of creative writing at Bradley, whose fiction work has appeared in over 60 literary journals. His debut novel, "The Boat Runner," is a national best seller.

The reading will take place in the Wyckoff Room of the Cullom-Davis Library from 7 to 9 p.m. ACBU to host comedian on campus.

Activities Council of Bradley University has invited comedian and actress Jen Kober to perform on campus April 5. Kober has appeared on multiple hit TV shows and has performed her comedy nationally.

Kober will perform in the Michel Student Center Ballroom from 7 to 8 p.m. The event is free to attend and popcorn will be served to attendees.

LGBTQ+ community to hold second Pride Prom

Common Ground, Bradley's LGBTQ+ alliance, will host its second annual Pride Prom at 7 p.m. April 7. Doors will open to the public in the Hayden-Clark Alumni Center's Peplow Pavilion at 6:30 p.m.

All people are welcome to attend and admission is free for Bradley students, \$10 for non-Bradley students and \$15 for non-student couples. All proceeds will be donated to the Center for Prevention of Abuse.

Anyone interested in attending must register at prideprom.org.

POLICE REPORTS

- Officers were dispatched due to a male nonstudent trying to enter an apartment at 2:30 p.m. March 24 at the 1500 block of N. Underhill Street. Officers were told the male's description and found the male nearby. When confronting the nonstudent, the male said he lived in an apartment with a female student, but she had thrown out his items and locked him outside. Officers then spoke with the female, who said she locked the male out due to an argument earlier in the day. She said they argued over car keys when he pushed the female into a corner and yelled at her. She then said the male left and the female locked the door. Once the male returned, he tried to kick the door in. Officers arrested the man for domestic battery.
- Officers were dispatched due to a male nonstudent entering his girlfriend's residence at 10 p.m. March 20 at the 1000 block of N. University Street. When officers arrived, they noticed the male had blood on his shirt. When they asked what happened, the male said two males in an alley behind a gas station had jumped him on N. University Street. Officers reviewed the surveillance footage from the gas station and were not able to confirm the male's story. After confronting the male, he admitted to fabricating the story. The male then explained that he had gotten into a fight with a family friend behind his residence in Pekin. During the investigation, officers found a fake ID in the male's wallet and confiscated it. The male's girlfriend, a female nonstudent, then returned to the residence, and the male was allowed to stay with her. No charges were filed.
- A female professor reported an unknown male sitting in a classroom in the Global Communications Center, disoriented at 11 a.m. March 23. The professor said she arrived to class and saw the male but did not recognize him. She then asked the male if he was supposed to be in the class, and he said he was supposed to be in a math class. He then asked where Bradley Hall was located and left the classroom.
- Officers were dispatched to 1400 W. Saint James St. due to an underage male student under the influence at 9:20 p.m. March 22. The officers saw the male walking down the sidewalk and noticed that he was disoriented, seeing the student drop his ID and fall over when trying to pick it up. The officers then confronted the male and he said he was trying to get back to Geisert Hall, where his dorm was located. Officers called an ambulance to evaluate the student, and they allowed officers to transport the student back to his dorm. The student was given a warning due to consuming alcohol while underage.
- Officers were dispatched due to a pregnant female guest of a student going into labor at 7:05 a.m. March 20 at 906 W. Bradley Ave. The female nonstudent was staying with a female student when her water broke. Officers arrived, and called an ambulance. The nonstudent was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center by medics.

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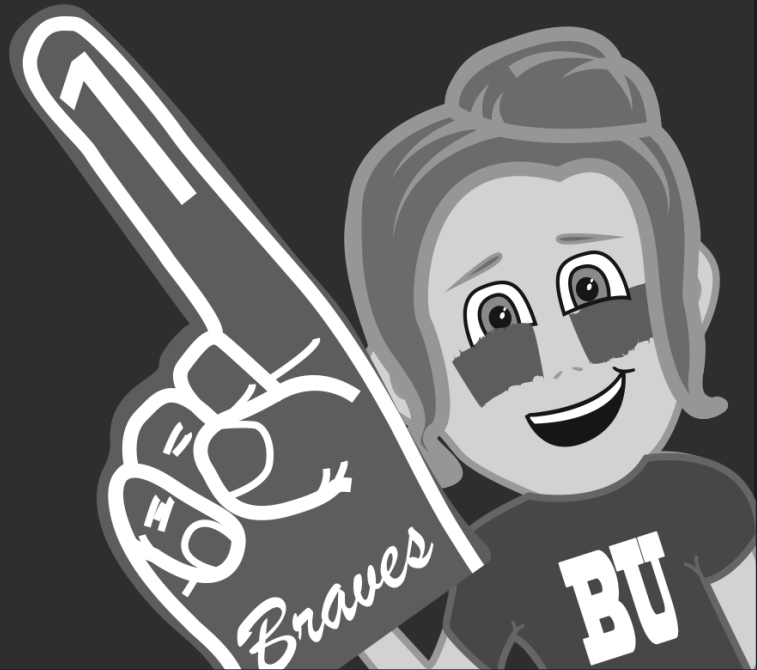


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NEWS

Student stays ahead of the Apple curve with YouTube channel

BY MEGHAN ANDERSON
Off-staff Reporter

With nearly 100,000 subscribers on his channel “iUpdateOS,” Sam Kuhlmeier is Bradley’s very own YouTube celebrity.

Kuhlmeier, a sophomore television arts major, was given his first camera in third grade. He recalled producing “knock-off Saturday Night Live” segments for years. Then in 2013, Kuhlmeier’s mom allowed him to upload his first video onto YouTube. It demonstrated how to jailbreak the most recent iPhone in 2013.

“Everyone close to me knows that my YouTube channel is the number-one priority in my life,” Kuhlmeier said. “My YouTube [channel] defines who I am because I put so much time and effort into it.”

He said his channel can be summed up as “Apple news for people who love Apple.”

According to Kuhlmeier, he spends an average of four to five hours each day creating content for his channel, but that varies depending on Apple releases and events. He researches and jots down information, but his videos are primarily ad-libbed content and opinion. Then, he edits and cuts his videos down from hours

of recording into minutes, as well as manages social media accounts, a website and even merchandise for his brand.

Vince Rankin, a sophomore management and leadership major, occasionally helps Kuhlmeier create videos.

“I have never met someone who comes up with ideas like Sam does,” Rankin said. “And he follows through on almost all of his ideas, no matter how good or bad they are, until he can’t take them any farther.”

Kuhlmeier said his success has been a “gradual build-up” and credits his time and patience. This past summer, he quit his other jobs to focus on YouTube full-time, making his goal to upload once a day. Since then, Kuhlmeier said his income has quintupled.

“I’m so grateful to the [YouTube] platform and viewers. 86,000 people had to care enough to click a ‘subscribe’ button,” Kuhlmeier said. “It’s great to be financially stable in college doing something that I genuinely love.”

Anji Phillips, assistant professor of communication and television arts, has worked with Kuhlmeier in classes and said he is a driven student.

“He’s highly motivated,” Phillips said. “Every student at Bradley University should be doing what [Kuhlmeier] is doing – just going after what they want.”

Dave Lennie, director of instructional technology for the Slane College of Communications and Fine Arts, said he remembers meeting Kuhlmeier at auditions for a BUTV news anchor position.

“He just has ... ‘it.’ You know it the minute you meet him,” Lennie said. “A class of Sam Kuhlmeiers could conquer the world.”

As for his YouTube notoriety, Kuhlmeier simply laughs.

“Everyone on YouTube is just a random person making videos,” Kuhlmeier said. “I’m just a random dude making videos; I’m not a celebrity.”

Upon graduation, Kuhlmeier said he has high hopes for the future of his channel.

“I want [Youtube] to become my full-time career,” Kuhlmeier said. “I want to hit a million followers ... and I know I’m gonna do it. If other people can hit five million subscribers through reviewing Apple products, I can too.”



photo via Sam Kuhlmeier

Kuhlmeier is a sophomore television arts major. His YouTube channel has over 80,000 subscribers.

Networking dinner connects business and healthcare

BY HALEY JOHNSON
Copy Editor

The healthcare industry is comprised of more than just doctors and nurses, needles and nightgowns. It’s also made up of accountants and marketers, data and management. To recognize this, Bradley will host its 3rd annual Business of Healthcare networking dinner April 4.

Because of their deep connection to HMFA, or the Healthcare Financial Management Association, the Center for Professional Excellence is helping coordinate the event.

Samantha Ponce, program coordinator at the Center for Professional Excellence, encourages all interested students to attend, whether they’re studying business or medicine.

“[The event] is definitely for business majors, but it’s for anyone interested,” Ponce said. “Last year when we had this event, we had a lot of nursing majors come, because you never know when you’re going to cross over to a different career. Gary Tupper, one of the panelists last year who is coming back this year, was a nursing major and is now in management.”

Angela Settles, director of the Center for Professional Excellence, recommends health majors become familiar with the business side of the industry. She said she believes doing so makes students more marketable.

“It kind of happens a lot where political professionals or technical professionals in that area – so nurses, EMTs, clinicians as they say – are in situations where a hospital is hiring within, and now they need a manager of the department,” Settles said. “They look at the pool of technical

and clinician professionals, which is why it’s beneficial for, say, a nursing student to attend such [an] event.”

The event will include a panel of five healthcare business professionals, from which three are Bradley alumni. They will discuss specific business careers within the healthcare industry, the qualifications for those careers, available resources for starting future careers and the benefits of an HMFA student membership.

“Hopefully, [students] will at least learn a little bit about potential career opportunities, maybe even gain connections for potential internships, and to just gain some skills in networking,” Ponce said.

According to Settles, this event will offer students great professional experience and exposure.

“In conjunction with the Smith Career Center, we are providing a list of tips for students who sign up for the event. It includes networking tips and more specific information,” Settles said.

She said she also believes the event will benefit more than just Bradley students.

“It’s an opportunity for alums to give back,” Settles said. “And, of course, events like these better prepare Bradley students to be successful in the workforce.”

The event runs from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Hayden-Clark Alumni Center’s Peplow Pavilion. A free dinner will be provided. Interested students should sign up before March 30 at <https://www.bradley.edu/academic/cio/edc/development/healthcare/>.

For more information on the event, contact Ponce at sponce@bradley.edu.

BIG IDEAS

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Hannah Ramlo, a graduate nonprofit leadership student, has been a certified yoga instructor for three years and is the executive director for Soulside Healing Arts, a company that brings yoga to workplaces and community settings. They are also looking to lead yoga at social services throughout Peoria.

Ramlo said she is hoping to win the competition so she can have funding for opening her own studio later this year.

These were just a few of the businesses that filled the Peplow Pavillion, but every so often, a guitar playing Smoke on the Water flew over every bit of noise and excitement in the room.

One team invented its own self-playing guitar. Michael Kuzma, a junior electrical engineering major, was the creative force behind it.

“The guitar allows you to visualize what you want to write and play ... It’s for people who aren’t masters at guitar,” Kuzma said.

Besides the trade show, the other portion of the event was the elevator

pitch. One member of each team had a maximum of three minutes to convince a panel of judges why their product fulfilled some form of a need in society.

After judges reviewed the teams’ scores and community judging forms, four teams will be moving on to the final round. Fabricode, Safety Seat, Self-Playing Guitar, and Soulside Healing Arts are the four businesses that will compete April 24. Only the top three teams will take home a monetary prize of \$8,000, \$5,000 or \$2,000.

BUPBA

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McConnell-Hill also said Joschko violated the union’s collective bargaining agreement several times, though she did not go into detail about specific alleged violations because some are “still in progress.”

“He has allowed promotions within the department to proceed unfairly, giving some officers promotions without interviews when others have had to go through the whole process,” she said. “He has violated the CBA several times [with]

disregard.” Secretary-Treasurer of BUPBA and BUPD Officer William Riggins said the union has filed approximately two dozen grievances with the university since Joschko was hired.

“Of the grievances filed, nine were resolved in favor of the BUPBA, seven were resolved in favor of the [Bradley University] administration, two were withdrawn, and currently, five are not resolved,” Riggins said.

After the release of the vote of no confidence, union leadership and BUPD leadership met with university President Gary Roberts to go over the concerns.

“Chief Joschko, his command

staff and I are working with the executive board of the officers’ union to understand their issues and try to come up with ways to improve morale and working conditions,” Roberts said in an email to The Scout. “We have had one meeting that, from my perspective, was very constructive. The conversation will continue. Everyone involved is a professional who is committed to [their] job and the mission of keeping our campus community safe and secure, so this is not a matter that will have any adverse effect on campus security.”

Read the BUPBA’s statement on the vote of no confidence at bradleyscout.com.



NEWS

Students strive to produce local sound

BY MEGHAN ANDERSON
Off-staff Reporter

Brave Sounds Entertainment, a student-led music development organization, aims to grow and nurture a music community on Bradley's campus.

Founded in 2013, BSE originally functioned as a record label and organizer of on-campus concerts, bringing Chance the Rapper to Bradley during its first year. This semester, the group's focus shifted to more intimate work with individual student and community artists.

As a professional resource to advance artists' musical endeavors, BSE helps artists obtain copyrights and patents, manage social media, design logos and cover art, write songs and produce music videos and images. The organization does not focus on any particular genre or talent in music, but rather allows students of all music tastes and backgrounds to share and develop their interests.

Sophomore graphic design major Harland Reid serves as the artistic development chair for BSE.

"[BSE] is criminally unknown on campus," Reid said. "It can help local musicians get some opportunities Bradley, as a school, won't be able to offer."

This work not only helps struggling artists, but also offers experiential, hands-on learning for

anyone looking to get involved in the music industry.

BSE is currently working with singer/songwriter junior advertising major Lizzy Young. "It doesn't matter what major you are; anyone can join," Young said. "[BSE] allows me the opportunity to study my field, while not having to give up what I love the most – music."

Young said she can sing and write, but she was in need of instrumentals. BSE added piano, guitar and drums to her lyrics and voice, developing songs Young hopes to gather into an EP.

Lauren Rainey, junior music business major and president of BSE, said she is excited about the organization's accomplishments this semester. "I think the best thing is just seeing [Young] light up as she hears everything put together, as she realizes her music is happening and not just a figment of her imagination anymore," Rainey said.

Within the next year, Rainey said she hopes BSE will work closely with three to four more local artists like Young.

Members of BSE said typically end up working or just hanging out for hours past the end of meetings, and often spend time together outside of the organization, according to Young.

"Every person [in BSE] is unique and has their own strengths and areas of expertise, yet they all



photo by Katelyn Edwards

Members of Brave Sounds Entertainment, a student-led organization, work to grow and develop the music community on Bradley's campus.

somehow fit together so that the whole organization is like ... a bunch of pieces from different puzzles that somehow fit together to make a different puzzle," Young said.

Senior accounting major Jim Geoffrey said he also found a music

community through BSE, and has since both hosted and performed in house shows and concerts around campus.

"If not for BSE, I may have never found local music," Geoffrey said.

For those interested in getting

involved, Brave Sounds Entertainment meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. in Constance Hall Room 113. For more information, check out their website <https://bravesoundsentertainment.com/> or email bravesounds.ent@gmail.com.

Bradley brings SNL to campus

BY HALEY JOHNSON
Copy Editor

The scene is set and the camera is rolling as a new club, Bradley University Laughter Live (BULL Productions) made its debut on March 20. BULL Productions plans to work on a series of student-produced skits and make a feature show to present at the end of the semester.

The club was created by freshman television arts major Ryan Knott, who was inspired by NBC's "Saturday Night Live."

"I was watching Will Ferrell on SNL in January and got to thinking about how realistic a production like SNL would be at Bradley University," Knott said. "I wrote up a proposal for the club that night and ran with it."

The club is completely student-run and requires actors, writers, producers and marketers to put on a 45-minute live show in May.

"All students are welcome: young or old, male or female, theatre student or [engineering] student. Anyone who is admitted to this college should get involved," Knott said.

Freshman public relations major Sophia Vojta said she heard about

the club through Facebook and has already submitted several scripts with friends.

"I hope to end up in the advertising [and] promotional business, and I think anything that has to do with creating and writing will be good on my resume," said Vojta. "It's also a chance to share all the jokes my friends and I make that we think are funny, and it's a fun activity to help fight off the Peoria boredom."

Though groups like BBQ Kitten bring comedy to campus, Vojta said she believes the SNL club will provide unique opportunities to even more students.

Knott said he was amazed by how well the club has been received so far, and hopes to see it grow in his next three years on campus.

"Next semester, we will be having two shows with recording equipment. In the upcoming years, we might have the possibility of having the shows broadcast live," Knott said. "I just hope my idea establishes its roots."

To learn more about the organization or to get involved, interested students can email thatsbullproductions@gmail.com.

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According to current Student Body President Dave Jensen, a senior management and leadership major, this year's elections are scheduled later than last year's voting dates of March 27 and 28 because of some recent changes made within Student Senate.

"The reason that we are running behind is because we restructured the Student Senate officer and the executive cabinet [positions]," Jensen said. "So, [Student Senate] restructured that and we voted on [those changes]. And that is when the elections process began because some position names changed."

One difference from last year's election process is the return of the debate forum, Jensen said, who cited that only one uncontested ticket ran as the reason for the debate's absence in 2017. However, this year, the debate will occur on the same day as the opening of voting.

In 2016, the debate took place on April 6, five days before the beginning of voting on April 11. In 2015, the debate took place on April 1 while voting opened the next week on April 6.

Jensen said that the debate is

being held the same day as voting this year in order to increase student body participation.

"The reason we have [the debate] the same week as the elections is because we wanted to do it at [General Assembly] so that it would get higher attendance, and there would be more student involvement," Jensen said. "So, we are making sure that all students know about the debate, and that is why there was an announcement in Hilltop Happenings, and there will be an email sent out [today] by [the Student Activities Office]."

According to Jensen, the requirements for eligibility were changed from previous years, and these changes were added to Student Senate bylaws during the General Assembly meeting on March 5.

Jensen said candidates were eligible to run for SBO positions this year if they met one of three qualifications: 1) Candidates must have previously held a Student Senate position, 2) candidates must have previously held the position of chairperson (formerly known as cabinet vice president) or 3) they must have attended three consecutive department meetings by election day. Eligibility of the candidates was reviewed by the elections board.

The elections board was appointed by current SBOs, and the board was also voted on and approved during

the General Assembly on March 5. This year's election board includes Jensen, who serves as the board's chair, in addition to five other current Student Senators.

According to Jensen, another part of Senate's restructuring this year was to remove SBO petitions. Petitions which have been used in previous years to gather signatures in support of a student's potential candidacy for an SBO position.

Next week, voting tables will be staffed by current senators for students to cast their ballots. These tables will be open from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. April 2 in the Cullom-Davis Library, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 3 in Michel Student Center and from 5 to 8 p.m. April 3 in Markin Family Recreation Center.

Election winners will be announced at 5 p.m. April 4 in the Student Center Atrium.

More information regarding elections can be found on the Facebook pages of Student Activities, www.facebook.com/BradleyStudentActivities/, and Student Senate, www.facebook.com/BUSStudentSenate/. Anyone with questions regarding SBO elections can contact Jensen at djensen@mail.bradley.edu.

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NEWS



Say what?

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Ope! Didn't see you there, liddle guy.

If you're from out of state, you've probably been made fun of for how you talk. But fear not, The Scout looked deeper into why people pronounce words differently and why some people are insistent upon their way of speaking.

According to Seth Katz, associate professor and associate chair of English, the way an individual speaks stems from where they come from.

"Pronunciation is negotiated in groups," Katz said. "Part of how you show you belong to a group is you pronounce words like people in that group."

Katz said at a school like Bradley, where students with different backgrounds converge in one place, outsiders change to fit the norm.

"People come from all over

and have to alter the way they talk so they won't be marked as out-group. Everybody wants to be in-group," Katz said. "Students then go home, and they have to shift out of their Bradley pronunciations."

Katz said the differences in pronunciations across the country stem from where immigrants originally settled.

"The pilgrims came from the east of England, and people who settled in the south of the U.S. came from the west of the country," Katz said.

As more people immigrated to the United States and spread out West, pronunciations meshed together.

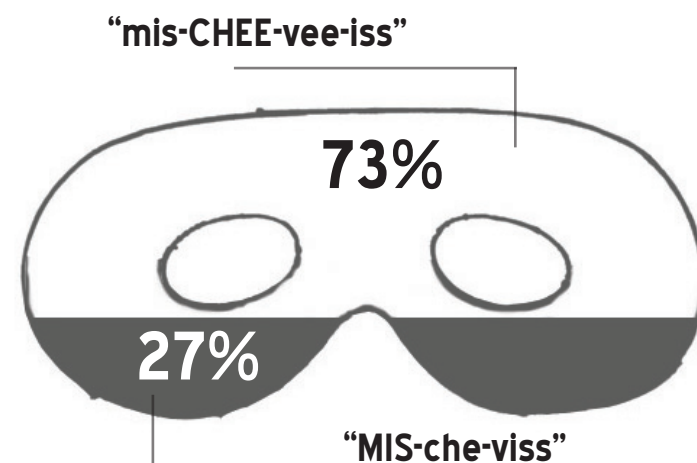
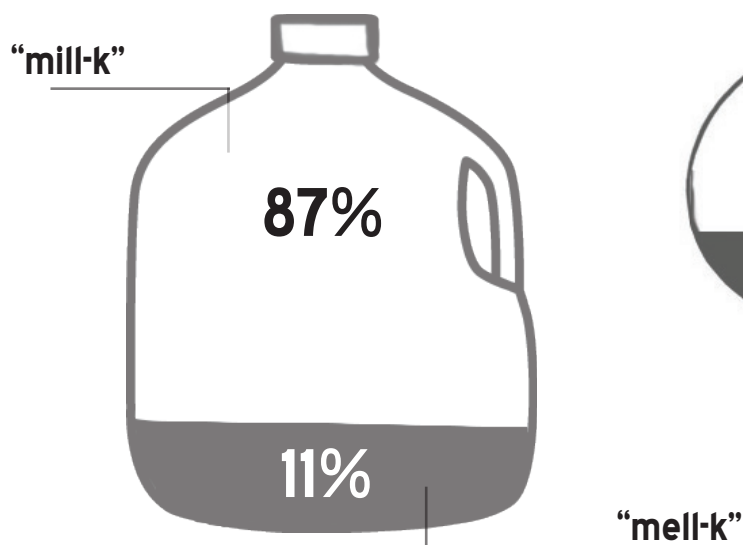
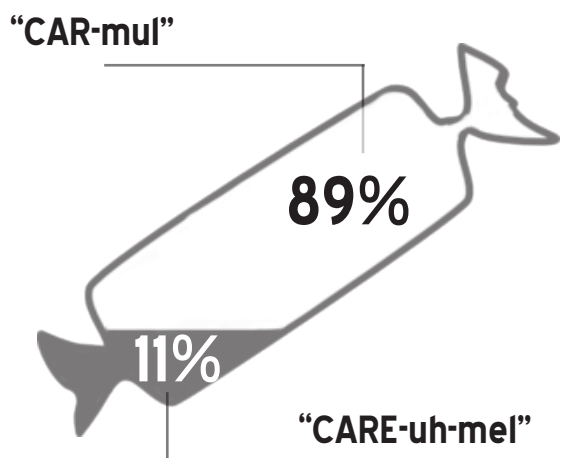
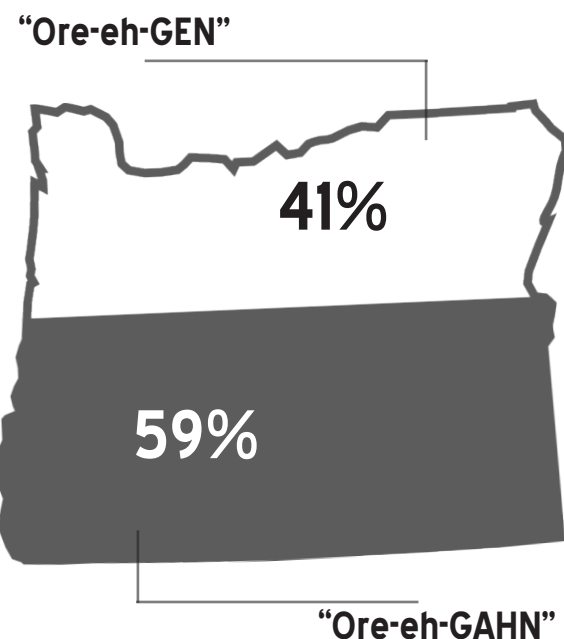
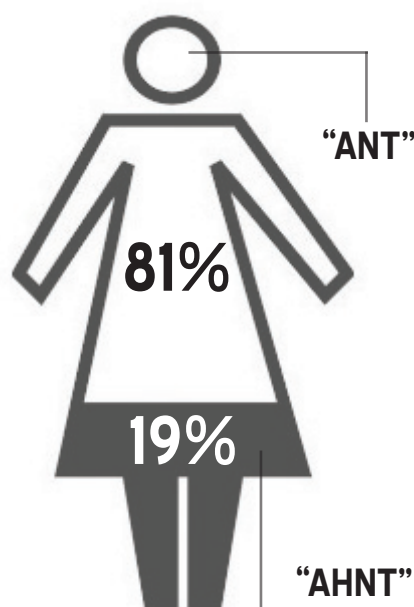
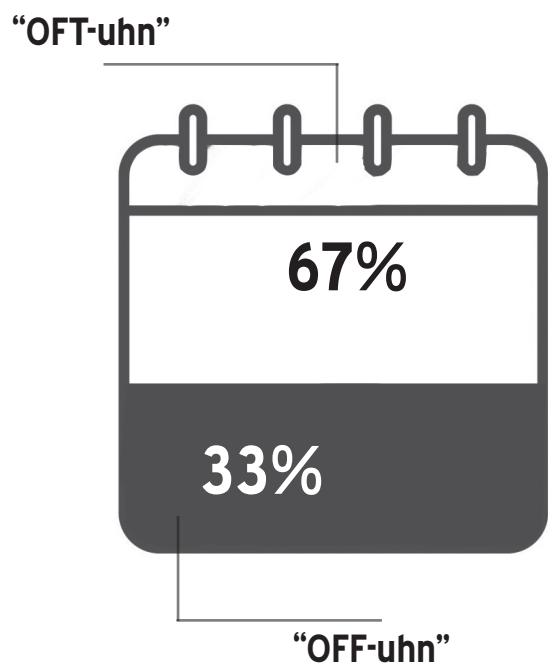
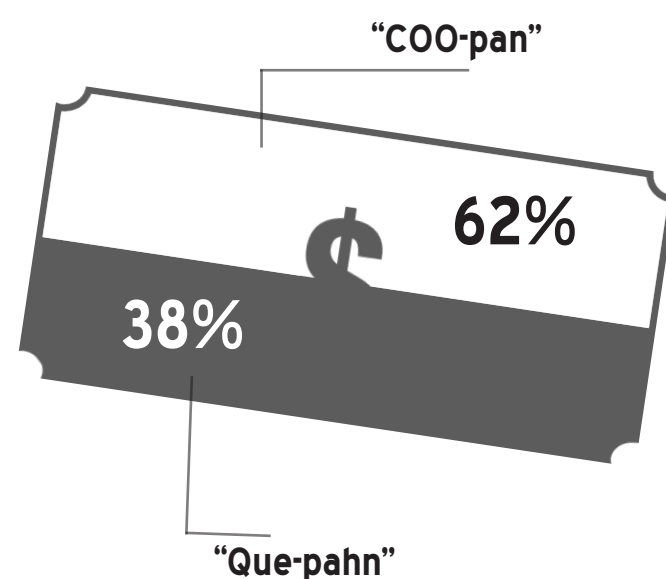
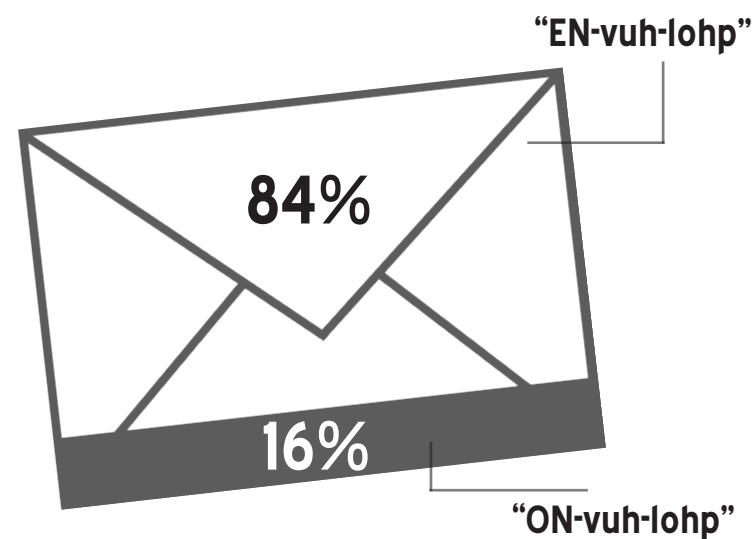
"There are two patterns of pronunciation in the South: The coastal planation Southern and the sort of backcountry Southern," Katz said. "The people from the coast came from the west of

England and the people from Appalachia were Scottish and Irish people who came in through Philadelphia and migrated west. Then what happened is people started moving west, and the dialects started to blend together."

Additionally, Katz said pronunciation is always changing in the English language. Currently, there is a change in pronunciation in all the major cities near the Great Lakes.

"Pronunciation of a whole series of vowels is shifting again," Katz said. "The last time something of this scale happened was the Great Vowel Shift which started around 1400 and ended around 1600."

Check out how Bradley students pronounce different words according to The Scout's pronunciation Twitter polls.



OPINION

Editorial

Confidence remains in BUPD’s ability to protect campus

It’s important to take a closer look at the powers that be every so often, and, if something is amiss, take them to task for it. That’s why the First Amendment ensures every citizen the right to petition the government. That’s why legislators hold town hall meetings during their terms and on the campaign trail. That’s why university administrators are expected to hold office hours and meetings with concerned students, faculty and staff members.

Petitions and letters of disapproval are an important facet in ensuring the various institutions we participate in do not fail us.

But the vote of no confidence, issued by the Bradley University Police Benevolent Association, Inc. earlier this month, is not one of the most effective examples we’ve seen.

Here’s the gist of BUPBA’s

letter: Members of the organization are unhappy with the way Bradley University Police Department has been run under Chief Brian Joschko’s leadership. The letter cites morale reaching an “all-time low,” and “a narcissistic attitude” on Joschko’s part. (Read the vote of no confidence at www.bradleyscout.com.)

Here’s why we aren’t very confident in this vote of no confidence: There just isn’t enough substantial evidence to support it.

While we can’t know everything that goes on inside the BUPD building, we do feel as if Joschko, his fellow BUPD officers and BUPD staff members do a good job keeping Bradley safe. That’s the heart of the matter.

Last year, more efforts were initiated to make student and campus safety not only a top priority for

the officers (as it should be, and always has been), but for university students, faculty and staff members alike. Campus safety presentations were held, and the Crime Prevention Officer position was created as a liaison between BUPD and students.

This year, BUPD also held emergency preparedness presentations after the shooting in Parkland, Florida. And last year, they hosted an inaugural awards ceremony to honor officers and community members who helped BUPD maintain their mission on campus. That doesn’t sound like low morale to us.

And while BUPBA said they filed around 24 collective bargaining agreement grievances with the university since Joschko was hired, we were only given “approximate” numbers. Of those numbers, a majority of those resolved grievances

were resolved in favor of BUPBA, which shows willingness on the university’s part to work with its police union to enforce the contract.

University President Gary Roberts told The Scout that university administration would be holding meetings with BUPD and BUPBA to better understand the problems in the vote of no confidence – that’s the right reaction, and that’s about all there is to it, at this point.

We’re not going to invalidate the way some officers feel, because we don’t work at BUPD. We aren’t patrol officers. We don’t clock in every day and work 8-hour shifts.

But we do feel safe, and that wouldn’t be the case if BUPD was a blatantly dysfunctional department.

Column

Long time running



AUSTIN SHONE
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When I went to visit my grandpa over spring break, we took a ride into town in his 2000 Ford F-150 to get some new light fixtures for the kitchen. His truck had just registered 100,000 miles, which prompted him to ask me how my Ford was running. I told him mine was at 90,000 miles earlier this year and the engine is still really clem. He said, “It’s amazing how long a vehicle will run if you take care of it.”

Grandpa O. describes himself as

“old as dirt,” which is ironic because he’s farmed the soil in northern Illinois for close to a century. He’s one of those people who eats an apple a day and dunks half a doughnut in his morning coffee as he flips through the Bureau County Republican. He’s someone I’ve looked up to my entire life, even though I’m much taller than him now.

This past weekend, my whole family visited for his 90th birthday. We went out to eat at his favorite restaurant, The Cellar, in Geneseo. It’s quite the accomplishment to have a practically clean bill of health at 90 years old, and it’s even more special to have such a wonderful family surrounding you to celebrate an incredible life.

This weekend, I thought over and over again, “Wow, the world has vastly changed since Grandpa came into it.”

When my grandpa started farming in the 1930s with his grandfather, he rode behind donkeys and horses that plowed the fields. Half of the United States workforce were rural farmers at that point. Now, he helps his son operate a John Deere combine that uses GPS to practically drive itself and costs upwards of \$480,000. Today,

less than two percent of the U.S. population is directly employed in agriculture.

The first time he walked into a movie house, it was to see the first full-length animated feature in history: Disney’s “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.” You couldn’t see a movie anywhere else. It was a special experience. Televisions weren’t marketed to the public until after World War II. Now, people skip the theater and watch movies on their laptops before they’re even released.

He still doesn’t own a computer of any kind. All of his records are kept in notebooks. He can tell you the makes and models of every appliance he’s ever bought, including the date he bought it on and the day it was installed. Most of his old refrigerators have been re-purposed as cabinets.

When I was younger, I had a little globe, and I’d sit on the couch while grandpa showed me where he travelled. He joined the Marines a year early, at 17, during World War II and saw a lot of the world. His finger traced the routes of his ships through the Strait of Gibraltar, around the Mediterranean and across the Pacific to the Philippines. Now, at 21, I got to show him the

route my Boeing 777 took over the Arctic to get to Seoul, and the bullet train I took to get to Pyeongchang for the 23rd Winter Olympics. When he was born, the Winter Olympics had only been held twice. He didn’t have a camera to take pictures, but I had a phone that allowed me to Facetime my family from half-way around the world.

He’s lived through 16 U.S. presidencies (from Coolidge to Trump), all seven James Bonds, four American wars, a great depression, a great recession and all the good times in between. Every day, he wakes up with the chickens, he does some small tasks around the farm to stay in shape, and the 4:30 p.m. round of Jeopardy keeps his mind sharp. I wouldn’t be surprised if he accrues as many years as his truck that has thousands of miles.

Many years have passed, and the world continues to change at a rapid pace, but the one thing that hasn’t changed much has been our family. Sure, it’s added new lines and models, but the motor has been the same. The motor has kept on churning, and the motor was right. It’s amazing how long something will run if you take care of it.

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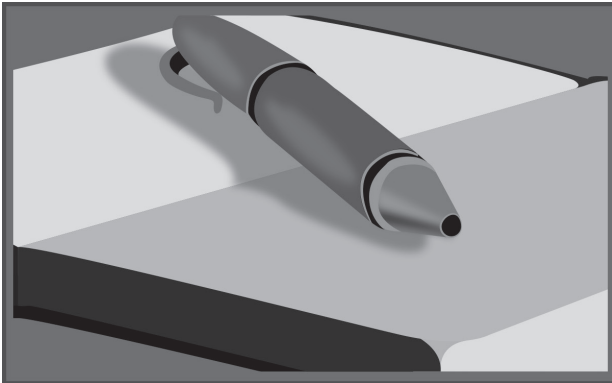
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Bacci's due for complete overhaul

BY HOBO JOHNSON
Can I Get A Waffle

For several years, Bacci's Pizza has been serving the drunken crowd of Bradley and the Peoria community at large with pizza and other late night snacks until 3 a.m.

Any given weekend, starting on Thursday of course, clusters of drunk students can be seen stumbling to the red brick building just a block from Fredonia Avenue.

However, according to Bacci's owner Daniel Oven, he and his employees have grown tired of catering to the antics of wily students fresh off a night of drinking. Prices will also be increased to deter the usual crowd.

"I've been considering the change for years now," Oven said. "I haven't had a normal sleep schedule since I started here and I really miss going to bed before midnight."

Bacci's pizza maker Ryan Sauce echoed Oven's disdain.

"These kids come in and they can be so belligerent or just plain dumb," Sauce said. "Plus, one of us has to clean the bathroom at least once a week, which is so preventable."

To amend these issues, Oven said the restaurant will be changing their hours of operation and



completely rehauling the menu.

Bacci's Pizza will now be renamed Bacci's Bistro, and will have an exclusively vegan menu. For fans of their current menu, they will continue serving vegan pizza with cauliflower crusts.

"We just aren't taken seriously as a restaurant in this community," Oven said. "We want students to be able to eat here sober and think, 'Wow, I won't hate myself later for eating this.'"

Bacci's will only be open from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and a breathalyzer test will be administered at the door to ensure "civilized" guests.

"Our main goal here is to rival One World's clientele and bring class back to campus," Oven said. "We're confident in our new vision and are excited to reinvigorate this joint."

Bradley students have not been as thrilled about the upcoming changes to the campus staple.

"This is stupid, bro," Natty McFrats said. "Where else am I supposed to end up at 3 a.m.? I need Bacci's in my life."

The time table has not yet been finalized, but Bacci's is looking to finalize these changes within the next few months.

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 in good fun.

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

-The Scout staff



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BY SSSSSSTUDENT CENTER
HBD Raven ... I Can't Swim

U-Hall airbnb

Room on the Hilltop, slightly bigger than Harry Potter's cupboard under the stairs
5 stars

2 guests 1 bedroom 1 shared bath

Amenities:
WiFi (but only when it decides to work)
Free parking on weekends and after 6 p.m. on weekdays
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Adequate mini fridge
Community microwave

Unwind in this charming dormitory room, equipped with two lofted XL twin beds precariously close to a popcorn ceiling.

Enjoy the instant nostalgia that University Hall evokes while appreciating its modern, rustic design. With a fluorescent-lit, unused desk area and expansive, gorgeous views of Bacci Pizzeria, this room is an ideal escape from heaven to hell. Guaranteed constant noise from rowdy freshmen, this space is sure to bring you back to your most grounding of college days.

The shared community bathroom is also sure to feature some of your infamous favorites from the past. Appearances include but are not limited to: hair-clogged shower drains, un-flushed toilets, leftover food in sinks and vomit-stained stalls.

Bonus feature: After using four separate methods of unlocking doors to get into your room, enjoy the ride of your life as you attempt to climb the ladder to your bed after a night out on the town.

Larry King makes a home in GCC basement

BY TOSS BACK
Two Shots of Vodka

TV and radio host Larry King pops into Bradley much too often. Of all places, it's unrealistic for him to make casual trips to Peoria. It is this very notion that led us to discover his home in the basement of the Global Communications Center where Bradley has crafted a lovely space for him.

The Department of Communications refused to comment, but we located an individual who said he was on the elevator when it accidentally went down to the basement.

"At first, it looked normal, with lots of pipes and big machines," the anonymous source said. "Then, I heard a soft wailing, and as I rounded the corner, I saw a replica 'Larry King Live' set. I don't remember anything after that."

This is more than enough evidence to give his claim integrity. It makes sense, because this way, King doesn't feel too far removed from his natural habitat. The individual also said he spotted a Keurig, which must be supplying all the energy necessary for him to live the fruitful life of an 84-year-old.

If you really think about it, Larry King has it made. Room and board at Bradley isn't cheap, but with his one time small loan of a million dollars to the school, he was awarded his own customized living space.

The only human beings King occasionally interacts with are the handpicked pair of janitors who get paid overtime to hand-wash his suspenders.

The next time you're in the GCC, listen closely. You'll most likely hear our old pal Larry King sipping on his coffee, reliving his favorite memories from on his set in the basement.



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What is your biggest pet peeve?



"Bark."
Shania Twain
- Shania Twain



Biscuit
"Woof. Woofity woof WOOOOOOF"
- Biscuit



Good Boy
"Bow wow wow yippe yo yippe yay,"
- Good Boy



"Ruff, ruff ruff rufffffff ruffity ruff"
- Humphrey



Spot
"Meow."
- Spot



Buddy
"Growl."
- Buddy

Volcano erupts under Berlin

BY TALKIN' ABOUT MOUNTAIN DEWS BABY
He on X-games Mode

In January, bar-goers across Peoria were stunned after Berlin nightclub announced it was closing its doors. Recently, the city announced the reason for the beloved bar's end was the result of an erupted volcano under the bar's floor.

The volcano's eruption was due to the seismic shifts in tectonic plates resulting from the deep bass vibrations as DJ B. Nye played a trap remix of Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit." Those at the bar at the time of the incident said the experience was not as terrifying as it may sound.

"I was getting a spray-on lower back tattoo of Nicolas Cage's face by the tattoo artist in the corner of the club, and then the ground started to shake," Stormy Daniels said. "Then the subtle tremoring from deep within led to a sudden spurting of lava. Luckily, I was really good at playing the game 'The Floor Is Lava' as a kid, so I was able to step on higher surfaces until I exited the club."

Others in attendance said the seismic activity had been occurring on and off throughout the evening.

"I was just hula-hooping in the middle of the dance floor, minding my own business, when some woman who was dancing on one of the elevated platforms

fell on me," Donald Trump said. "At first, I was like, climate change isn't real, this isn't an earthquake. Then I realized a lot of other people in the club were falling over because of the rumblings beneath the building."

While no injuries were reported, the inside of the venue was highly damaged by the lava. Berlin reopened as Lava Tiki Lounge, and all was well on Main Street once again. Diesel's rambunctious crowd and Ulrich's yummy bar food were not affected by the natural disaster.



SCOOP BRIEFS

 BY VAPE GOD
 Road Work Ahead

Toddler to be admitted into Bradley University

Nathan Thomas' son, age 5, has officially put down his deposit after receiving an early acceptance for the Bradley class of 2031.

University President Gary Roberts said the "tiny Einstein" impressed Bradley admissions with his ACT score of 35 in 2016, just before his third birthday. Competing with rigorous recruitment efforts from Princeton, Stanford and Dartmouth, Bradley successfully convinced the prodigy to attend the school.

The son is scheduled to deliver a keynote speech in November to discuss his achievements, and how he has become the youngest man to be accepted into college in the history of the American education system.

Overspending on communications department socks to affect professors' salaries

Bradley's Department of Communications is experiencing tremendous budget cuts after overspending on a bulk order of COM socks.

Having ordered 30,000 socks, the oversight has resulted in the striking of professors' salaries in the department. Joshua Dickhaus, sports communications professor, said that while his livelihood will be severely affected by the budget cuts, his feet have never felt more "silky smooth." He has been spotted wearing them with his favorite pair of sandals.

A teacher strike has been scheduled for next week, in which a burning of the bulk order of socks will take place 7 p.m. Sunday just outside Bradley Hall. Admission to the sock burning is \$5 for students, \$10 for nonstudents and no charge for infants and seniors. A free reception will take place after the event.

Bradley to offer study abroad program to Pekin

Bradley has expanded its study abroad program to include Pekin, Illinois.

The Office of Study Abroad said that the cultural benefits and educational locale of Pekin are indispensable for a student's experience, and will further the program's mission to produce "citizens of the world" among Bradley's student body.

The office said they regret not having added Pekin to the program sooner, as many students have missed out on an "invaluable cultural experience in a place far from home and out in the world."

For more information, contact takeapekintoyoureducation@mail.bradley.edu

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ALTERNATIVE POLICE REPORTS

 BY MY LONGEST YEAH BOI EVER
 Valentino White Bag

- A female student reported being bit by a dog at 11:30 a.m. April 1 at the crossing of W. Main Street and N. Underhill Street.

Officers arrived at the scene but had to wait at the other end of the street due to the crosswalk light not allowing them to cross. Once they arrived by her side, she explained that the dog had run up to her, sniffed her and promptly bit her leg.

The dog was confirmed to be one of University President Gary Roberts', and after some deliberation, officers believed the dog was hungry for treats.

The dog was then promptly transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center for some much needed pampering.

- Officers were dispatched to the dining hall of Geisert Hall due to an employee distributing edibles at 4:20 p.m. April 1.

When officers arrived, they saw both male and female students slumped into a blissful stupor. They then attempted to question a male student staring out in the distance, but the male did not respond.

Officers located the suspect, a male employee, holding the remaining edibles at the entrance of the dining hall in Williams Hall, but the employee could not enter the dining hall due to its odd hours.

The suspect was placed under arrest, AMTs were called for the students having a bad high and munchies were ordered for the remaining students affected by the edibles.

- A male student reported an unknown male stealing his Jimmy John's sandwich and assaulting him with it at 4 p.m. April 1 at 1121 W. Main St.

The student said he was buying a sandwich in celebration of his birthday when the unknown male walked up to the student and stole it from him. The student said the male unwrapped the sandwich in front of him and inspected the insides.

The student said the male then said, "What the [expletive]," rewrapped the sandwich and began striking the student with said sandwich.

Officers asked the student why he thought the male would bludgeon him with the sandwich, and the student said the only reason he could think of was the fact that the sandwich was vegetarian.

The suspect has not been identified.

- Officers were dispatched to Crusens due to various students attempting to enter the bar at 11:15 p.m. April 1 at 2117 W. Farmington Road.

Officers questioned a female student who said Crusens was no longer allowing people over 21 years of age to enter the bar.

When officers checked her ID, they noticed it was real and asked her about it.

The student was given a warning, and no charges were filed.

Scoop Editorial

Tear down this statue!

BY SSSSTUDENT CENTER
HBD Raven ... I Can't Swim

Students at Bradley University are tired of waiting for local leaders to decide what to do about the statue of Lydia Moss Bradley in Founder's Circle. After a motion passed by Student Senate on March 26 calling for the removal of this monument, campus waits silently for someone to make a move.

University President Gary Roberts said the demolition is inevitable in order to accommodate a wax figure of Student Body President Dave Jensen, and finds no conflict of interest that Jensen's board is the one who passed this motion. He believes he has earned the right to do whatever he pleases under his jurisdiction.

The majority of

campus seems to agree. According to poll results from Snapchat account Hilltopmadness, 83 percent of the student body believe a symbol for the new era of Jensen is necessary to attract potential future alumni. And the evidence could not get much clearer.

Lydia Moss Bradley was a founder of a major academic institution. Dave is the founder of all information concerning any student on campus.

She was engaged in a multitude of business endeavors, ranging from real estate to the finance industry. He is a Business Management & Leadership major.

Lydia remained constantly busy, enhancing the lives of those within her community,

especially with monetary contribution. Dave has contributed something even more valuable: his time. He remains busier than ever, holding executive positions in clubs for upwards of the double digits.

She has broken down so many female employment barriers that existed in her time. Meanwhile, he has broken down many fashion barriers that claim there is such a thing as too much red in a wardrobe.

Lydia also made large contributions to the development of areas formerly containing infertile farmland. Dave has contributed to the development of students with formerly incompetent minds.

She became a board

member of the First National Bank in Peoria, making her the first woman in the United States to achieve the title. He is the first man on record to read the Scout front to back every week.

Lydia. Frontier explorer. Philanthropist. Businesswoman. University foundress.

Dave. Student Senate President. STAR. Theta Chi member. ACBU Homecoming coordinator.

The ball's in your court, but here at The Scout, we think the facts speak for themselves, and Dave deserves his statue.

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Column

Divine Intervention



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Let's face it: Bradley needs help from some sort of higher power to make it to the Final Four. Loyola's Sister Jean is the only reason the Ramblers are still alive in the tournament.

Loyola definitely came into the tournament underestimated talent-wise, but they aren't unbeatable. Bradley beat them two months ago, but what makes Loyola magical is Sister Jean's immaculate intervention. Is there anything more intimidating to a college basketball team than a 98-year-old nun?

This is exactly the reason why the Braves are sitting at home watching their conference foe shock the world, instead of being watched by Loyola.

It could have been us,

people. If we just beat that one team, and then beat like, six more nationally ranked teams from around the entire nation, it could have JUST as easily been us.

The Braves don't have to worry about how many stars their recruits have or anything like that. All the team needs to be concerned about is getting some help from up above. It doesn't matter that Bradley isn't affiliated with any religion. College basketball is a religion of its own, deserving of a leader.

I don't care who this

holy individual becomes for Bradley; it could be a nun, priest, bishop, sheik or rabbi. As long as they bring seemingly impossible buzzer beaters, that's all that matters.

Casting calls will take place at Markin April 21. If you think you have what it takes to be Brother Bradley, make sure you bring your a-game.

NEWS

SCOUT ON THE STREET

You know you are in Peoria if/when....



Pat Winkler

"... when people refer to the old mall and the new mall."

—Pat Winkler, junior marketing major

"... when the radio stations stop working,"

—Jessica Sauzameda, senior marketing major



Jessica Sauzameda



A. Jay Wagner

"... when you can smell Peoria ... that magical Peoria smell ... I think it's a distillery."

—A. Jay Wagner, assistant professor of communication

"... if you know what CreveTucky is."

—Katelyn Blue, freshman animation major



Katelyn Blue

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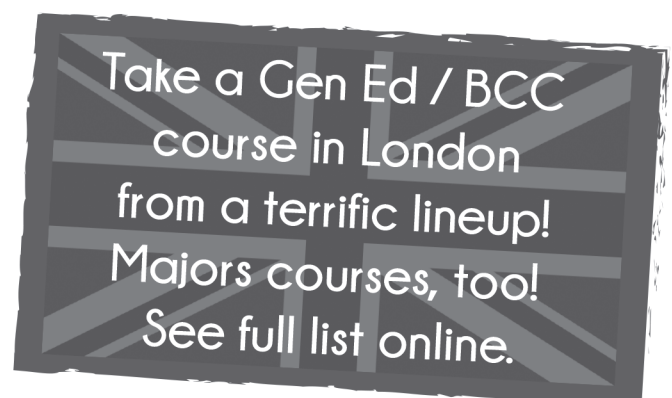
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Opinion

Soccer needs video review

BY JUSTIN LIMOGES
Sports Reporter

FIFA's ruling council has recently confirmed that Video Assistant Referees (VAR) will be used at the 2018 World Cup. Video review is something that people are familiar with in mainstream sports, and it's about time it gets implemented into the world's most-viewed sporting event.

VAR is still in its infancy in the overall soccer realm and is a highly debated topic. It's been tested in almost 1,000 matches over a two-year period around the world. It's been showcased in leagues and tournaments, such as the MLS in the U.S. to the Confederations Cup in Russia.

According to the International Football Association Board (IFAB), VAR will only be used to "correct clear errors and for missed serious incidents," which could result in match-changing results. This includes decisions on goals, penalties, red cards or "mistaken identity" (which is when an official penalizes the wrong player).

At first, I was apprehensive about how video review would disrupt the flow of the game. It was originally advertised to only take a matter of seconds before the referee would finalize his or her decision. However, depending on the referee and system being used, it can take up to a minute of game time.

The head official is required to

run to the side of the field and review the play. He can then determine if his original call was sufficient or if it needs to be changed, similar to most sports. I like this because the main official's call is what's final. Video assistants cannot determine the call.

The only difference, however, is that the clock is running. While people dislike how long this can take during the game, who cares if it takes up to a minute to finalize a decision? Stoppage time, the time added onto the end of each half, will make up for lost time. It's important the best call is made, especially in a tournament environment.

My favorite team could lose its star player, fall to a rival due to an illegal goal or be called offside all because of human error. This has happened at the World Cup before many times. For example, when legendary Argentine player Diego Maradona scored the "Hand of God" goal in the 1986 World Cup quarterfinals, a handball gave Argentina the first goal of the game because the referees failed to catch what transpired in the moment.

Referees are human and make human errors. Video review has been proven in other sports to help more than hurt. Therefore, there is no question of whether or not it should be fully implemented into every soccer league and tournament worldwide, including the World Cup.

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ATHLETIC ANTICS

BY AUSTIN SHONE
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The hidden ball trick, the hot foot, the fake trade deals. Sports have been full of pranksters for many years. With all the money professional athletes earn from their multi-million dollar contracts, why shouldn't they enjoy themselves.

The media gets in on the fun every year too, by passing around rumors and publishing fake stories. Instead of surprising everyone with a fake article about Braves point guard Darrell Brown transferring to Memphis, I rounded up some of the best sports pranks from our time, varying from player-on-player, coach-on-player, fan-on-player and fan-on-fan pranking.

Baseball movies have featured plenty of pranks, such as the water balloon dropping in 'Little Big League,' but big screen pranks have transferred over to the field. Angels pitcher Jerad Weaver once arranged for young phenom Mike Trout's phone number to be plastered on the video board throughout a game for everyone to call. Braves pitcher Tim Hudson once defecated into teammate Adam LaRoche's glove after LaRoche cut the crotch out of every teammates' pants; challenging them to "play with their balls out."

In January, Milwaukee Bucks rookie Sterling Brown was pranked by teammate Giannis Antetokounmpo, when he walked out to his car after practice, only to find it filled to the roof with

popcorn. This was the third NBA-popcorn-car documented in the past 10 years.

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers is known as a gridiron gag-puller. His style of prank is filling trash cans full of water and waiting for an unsuspecting teammate to open the door, only to knock over the trash can and flood their room.

Coaches aren't just stern-faced professionals all the time either. Seahawks coach Pete Carroll once had one of his players get "fake" arrested during a team meeting. Spurs coach Greg Popovich once punk'd Shaquille O'Neal with an intentional foul on the first play of the game, after employing the Hack-a-Shaq method throughout the playoffs a season earlier. University of Washington football coach Chris Peterson even invested money into pranking his team with ugly fake jerseys for the upcoming season.

It rare to see players and fans playing pranks on each other. Real creativity isn't just cardboard signs or heckling. It's antics like Arizona State's curtain of distraction at the free-throw line that get people talking. An advertising campaign by Lyft once featured athletes like Kris Bryant, Rob Gronkowski and Danica Patrick driving unassuming patrons around town in disguises.

Some pranks seem jovial, but others have their own set of repercussions. We all remember the horrific catfishing of Notre Dame Heisman Trophy Finalist Manti

Te'o, as well as Kevin Durant's famous "burner" Twitter account, that were so funny.

Fan-on-fan pranking has been common, from straight up vandalism to UCLA jerseys hanging on USC statues.

The most notable prank came after Alabama's loss to Auburn in 2010, when a man, who called himself Al from Dadeville, called into Paul Finebaum's radio show to tell him he poured a poisonous herbicide on the trees at Auburn's Toomer's Corner.

Harvey Updyke's true identity was uncovered, and he received six months in jail, but that didn't stop the poisoning and eventual removal of two sacred trees.

No matter the sport, no matter the team, sports are a prank-plagued industry. Whether you plan to dye your roommate's shampoo blue, or drop water balloons out your Geisert window, just remember that revenge is as inevitable as the Patriots making the playoffs.

What top sports prank did we miss? We'd love to hear your responses. Tweet your responses @ScoutSportsDesk.



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Redshirt freshman Alec Hartman continued his impressive 2018 season with a win at Southern Illinois. *photo via bradleybraves.com*

Track wins titles in outdoor opener

BY COLE BREDAHL
Sports Editor

The Bradley men’s and women’s track teams kicked off the outdoor season with three individual titles and many other top finishes at the Bill Cornell Spring Classic at Southern Illinois.

The Bradley men took home two titles, the first coming from redshirt freshman Alec Hartman in the 800 meter run winning with a time of 1:53.30. Hartman just edged sophomore teammate Scott Seymour for the victory.

Hartman credited his teammates for the help during the race.

“I had lot of help from my teammate [junior David Shadid]. He went out and paced the first 400 meters for me,” Hartman said. “I had [Seymour] come help me out in the last 400 meters. I just got him at the end.”

In addition to Hartman’s title, senior Taylor Floyd Mews won the

1,500 meter run in 3:52.10.

Head coach Darren Gauson said he is satisfied with where Floyd Mews is this early in the year.

“The time was only two seconds off of his [personal record], which is really good for an opening meet,” Gauson said.

For the women’s team, redshirt freshman McKenzie Altmayer won the 3,000 meter steeplechase in 11:28.30. Altmayer’s victory came in her first outdoor collegiate race and ranks as the fourth-best time in school history. Gauson said he was proud of her first win.

“After being redshirted indoors, it was good to see her get over the barriers well and pick up the win,” Gauson said.

Gauson said the meet at Southern Illinois served its purpose for an early season meet.

“A lot of it was just dealing with the cooler weather, rain and the wind,” Gauson said. “It is a little bit

of a sharpener to prepare us for California because that is where we want to be putting up some of the top times in the conference.”

The busy weekend for the Braves track program was capped off by hosting their Junior Day on Sunday. Bradley had 18 prospective student-athletes, some from as far as Texas visiting campus. Gauson said visit weekends like that are important to continue recruiting the junior class.

“[2019] is a very pivotal year for us on the women’s side and the men’s side,” Gauson said. “We got a lot of talent to replace. We really got to work on it this summer and into the fall.”

Sixteen runners on the team will travel to California for the San Francisco State Distance Carnival and the Stanford Invitational today. The rest of the team will make the trip to Eastern Illinois at the Big Blue Classic today and tomorrow.

Spring soccer kicks off

BY KEVIN LINDGREN
Off-staff Reporter

As the calendar turns to April, the Bradley soccer team marches on through it’s offseason.

While the Braves exhibition match against Kentucky last weekend was cancelled due to bad weather, the team is still preparing during the spring. Head coach Jim DeRose outlined his team’s plan for their exhibition season.

“That’s been a particular focus on the early spring to get some of those guys [playing time] that have been in the program and have waited patiently for their opportunities,” DeRose said.

Earlier this month, the Braves hired Ryan Smith to be the team’s new assistant coach. Smith starred as a defender on Louisville’s Elite Eight teams from 2010-2012. Before the hire, Smith spent his last three years as an assistant coach at Division-II Bellarmine University in Kentucky.

DeRose said he believes the Smith

hire will make a positive impact on his team moving forward.

“He played in a national championship game [and] a couple final eights at Louisville, so he’s been on the big stage,” DeRose said, “I think as a player, that really helps a lot of the guys because he’s been there. He can relate to it.”

The Braves come off a successful season last year going 11-7-3 and advancing to the semifinal match against Central Arkansas in the MVC tournament. Unfortunately, the Braves fell to Central Arkansas in penalty kicks.

Heading into the fall, the Braves will lose two key defenders in Jake Taylor and Clark Emerson along with standout goalkeeper Brandon Barnes.

DeRose said it will be important to find his next core group of defenders.

“The biggest challenge if we’re going to have a good year is building from the back . . . Right now, we only return one player in Alex [Ciaramitaro],” DeRose said.

“Everyone’s always talking about recruiting. But I think the best recruiting is what you have in the program already.”

Fortunately for the Braves, the team returns all their top scorers. Last season, Bradley’s core of sophomore Younes Dayekh, sophomore Gerit Wintermeyer and junior Roman Schindler combined to score 18 goals for the Braves.

DeRose touched on the importance of building on last year’s offensive output.

“First with a kid like [Dayekh],” DeRose said. “It’s just the challenge of no sophomore slump. . . With [Schindler] and [Wintermeyer] being very known scoring commodities, how do you react to teams circling your name on the pre-scout board?”

The team will continue their spring season on April 14 against Omaha and Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

One-on-one

Best MLB Free Agent Signing

Eric Hosmer	VS.	Yu Darvish
<p>The San Diego Padres’ signing of Eric Hosmer sent shockwaves through the MLB and locked up the Padres’ long-term future. This is why the signing is the best move made by any team in the offseason. The eight-year, \$144 million contract is the biggest in Padres history. It may also turn out to be the biggest signing in Padres history considering it could lead to a new golden age for the team.</p> <p>The Padres are quickly building a young core of players that can develop and set the organization up for continued success. With Hosmer’s signing, they now have a bona fide star, a leader who has a World Series ring and the talent to lead a group of young players.</p> <p>Hosmer is a 28-year-old who hit .318 with 25 home runs and 94 RBIs last season for the Kansas City Royals. He’s a productive hitter that gets on base consistently and has power to back it up, plus four Gold Gloves at first base. He has all the intangibles of leadership and clubhouse presence that a young and inexperienced team like San Diego needs.</p> <p>While the Padres may not be poised for immediate success this year, Hosmer will elevate this team into a more competitive squad who will help build confidence. The Padres are not necessarily an immediate World Series contender, but signings like this around a young core can only lead more free agents wanting to join the team.</p> <p>Meanwhile, signings of Yu Darvish with the Cubs are merely signs of retooling a starting pitching staff after the decline and departure of Arrieta. The Hosmer signing will help the Padres start to build a new culture of winning that will propel them into the future.</p>		<p>This year’s MLB free agency was an interesting one. After a very slow start, in which many teams were holding off on signing any of the major free agents, the Chicago Cubs finally broke through and signed one of the top available pitchers: Yu Darvish.</p> <p>Darvish was one of the first players to sign with a new team this winter, and he will also make the largest impact of this year’s free agent class.</p> <p>The Cubs rotation was picked apart after the 2017 season due to the retirement of John Lackey and Jake Arrieta becoming a free agent. With the addition of Darvish, the Cubs’ rotation sets up as Jon Lester, Kyle Hendricks, Darvish, Jose Quintana and Tyler Chatwood. And don’t forget the versatile Mike Montgomery, who can be a rotation or a bullpen pitcher.</p> <p>The Cubs will be Darvish’s third team in two seasons. After starting the year going 6-9 with the Texas Rangers, he was flipped to the playoff-bound Dodgers. Darvish pitched well down the stretch for the Dodgers, and looked like the best starter in two playoff series against the D-Backs and the Cubs. In games three and seven of the World Series against Houston, however Darvish lost all control, posting a 21.6 ERA in only 3.1 innings.</p> <p>This prompted many teams to ask themselves if it’s worthwhile it to sign a pitcher that can’t pitch when it matters. But you have to win to get to the games that matter, and the Cubs have faith that Darvish is the man for the job.</p> <p>While Darvish may have had some issues with tipping pitches in the World Series, the Cubs have plenty of time to figure it out and fix things before October comes around. Darvish has been a great pitcher throughout his career and was the best available on the market. The Cubs were already a good team before Darvish signed, but with this addition, the rest of the NL Central and the entire MLB have been put on notice: the Chicago Cubs are a strong contender.</p>
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Bruised and Battered

Tennis forfeits more points in 0-for against Western Michigan

BY ANTHONY LANDAHL
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“Brutal.”

That’s how Bradley’s head tennis coach Matt Tyler described the 0-7 loss last Saturday against Western Michigan University.

Bradley had to forfeit one of its double matches and two of its single matches due to injuries to freshman Sandra Maletin (hamstring), sophomore Natalia Barbery (knee) and senior Alejandra De Lasa (knee).

“[It was] definitely a tough way to play a very good Western Michigan team with four players,” Tyler said. “We’re defaulting two matches at [the five and six positions] ... that would [have been] a tough mountain for us to climb for sure.”

Already down 3-0, Bradley took on the Broncos in the double matches. Senior Alexa Brandt and junior Malini Wijesinghe lost 6-1, while the duo of freshman Kinga Kovacs and freshman Victoria Gonzalez dropped their match 4-2.

The single matches saw no success either, as all four of the healthy Braves dropped their matches in two sets. Players had to move up in positions as substitutes for their injured teammates.

“It’s tough to default matches,” Wijesinghe said. “It’s tough to play higher than you usually do. It’s

mentally exhausting because [we] know all of [us] have to win the match instead of half of [us].”

Injuries have been the conflict of the season, serving as the predominant factor for the Braves’ current nine-game losing streak. As a coach, Tyler said he confronts the losses by keeping spirits high.

“When you go through seasons like this where you’re losing dual matches, the only thing I know how to do is stay positive for the team and keep them positive,” Tyler said. “Hopefully, when we do have a full lineup we’re able to overcome some of those 4-3 losses and turn it in our favor.”

Tyler said the three injured players may be able to compete in the last five games of the season. The timetables for their recovery, however, are not definite.

“Hard to say right now,” Tyler said. “[The injured players are] working back into practice, all three of them. It’s kind of a day-by-day situation for us, and we see how people feel and a lot of times this season it’s been a game-day decision that we’ve had to make.”

The last five matches will come against MVC opponents. Looking ahead to the conference tournament, Wijesinghe said these next five games can adjust the team’s momentum.



Junior Malini Wijesinghe continues to be a strong force for the injury-ridden Braves.

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“Getting out there and being able to be a dominant team coming off a losing streak is a chance for us to turn it around,” Wijesinghe said. “It’s a chance, even if we lose, to get a good look at these teams before the conference tournament.”

According to Tyler, the mindset of

the team going into the final stretch of the season remains positive and healthy, and will contribute the most to potential success.

“Everybody is working hard,” Tyler said. “Everyone is rehabbing as hard as they possibly can and trying to get back in for us which is all we

can do at this point.”

The next match is against conference opponent Illinois State, who is also experiencing several injuries and is in the midst of a four-game losing streak. The Braves and the Redbirds will face off tomorrow at 1 p.m. in Bloomington.

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junior Megan Mahaffy in the sixth with the score 5-2. Mahaffy was charged two more runs but the Braves escaped victorious 5-4.

Apke credited the win to the team’s high energy before the game.

“When we have fun, are loose and

have good energy we play our best,” Apke said. “If we play how we can, we will do just fine in the Valley this year. I know that playing our tough non-conference schedule against ranked teams [such as Washington, Kentucky and Minnesota] prepared

us well.”

Bradley will continue their conference season with a Friday doubleheader beginning at 2 p.m. and a Saturday noon matinee at Drake – the current league leader with five wins and a .195 batting average.

The Braves, (2-2 in conference play) are the best team offensively in the Missouri Valley with a collective .303 batting average, 43 doubles and 27 home runs.

Sports briefs

Bradley announced a five-year contract extension for men’s basketball head coach Brian Wardle on Tuesday. Wardle just completed his third and most successful year as coach of the Braves this past season, amassing 20 wins for the first time since Jim Les’ 2008 team.

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Four Bradley basketball games were cancelled last week. The Braves did play against Big Ten foe Iowa Wednesday and fell 13-9 on a walk off grand slam.

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Bradley women’s golf announced the Bradley Spring Break Invitational, scheduled for this weekend, has been cancelled. The tournament, planned to be played at Weaver Ridge Golf Club, was cancelled due to poor course conditions as result of inclement weather.

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Hartman wins at Southern Illinois

Redshirt freshman Alec Hartman took home one of three titles for the track team.



Alec Hartman

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SOFTBALL SPLITS SHORTENED SERIES

BY RONAN KHALSA
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In the second weekend of Missouri Valley Conference play, the Bradley softball team faced highs and lows by splitting a doubleheader with Loyola-Chicago.

Bradley hosted the Ramblers for a Friday doubleheader in a series shortened by weather at the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex. The teams split the series one game apiece. Bradley lost the matinee 7-5 and won the nightcap 5-4.

Head coach Amy Hayes said she wished her team could have taken the series at home.

"We, as a team, all feel that we should have swept the series," Hayes said. "When we only play two of three games in a series, it puts us at a disadvantage because we want [to] improve our win-loss record. When that happens, we need to win both games."

In both games, the Braves came out swinging. In the first game, the team tallied two runs in the first inning, thanks to three singles and a walk from the top of the order.

Following Bradley's opening effort, Loyola worked its way back into the game. Loyola drew back-to-back-to-back walks the following inning. After loading the bases, Loyola had a timely single to tie the game at two. The Ramblers then took advantage of an error to take the lead 6-2 by the middle of the second.

Hayes said she knows the team needs to tighten things up defensively in order to come out on top.

"Our defense let us down the first game," Hayes said. "We need to sure it up and remain focused. The pitching staff is throwing well enough for us to win behind them."

Hayes said she was disappointed that the team could not bounce back from the error-filled inning, and is confident her team has the ability to score runs.

"We have the ability to put runs on the board. It is just that we lack consistency," Hayes said. "Our motto is to punch back every single inning, meaning we want to put runs on the board every inning. Sometimes, we have big innings and then short 1-2-3 innings."

In the bottom of the seventh inning, the Braves rallied but came up just short. With two runners on, sophomore first baseman Allison Apke smacked the first pitch she saw over the center field fence to make it 7-5.

Hayes said she was impressed by her first baseman's work ethic.

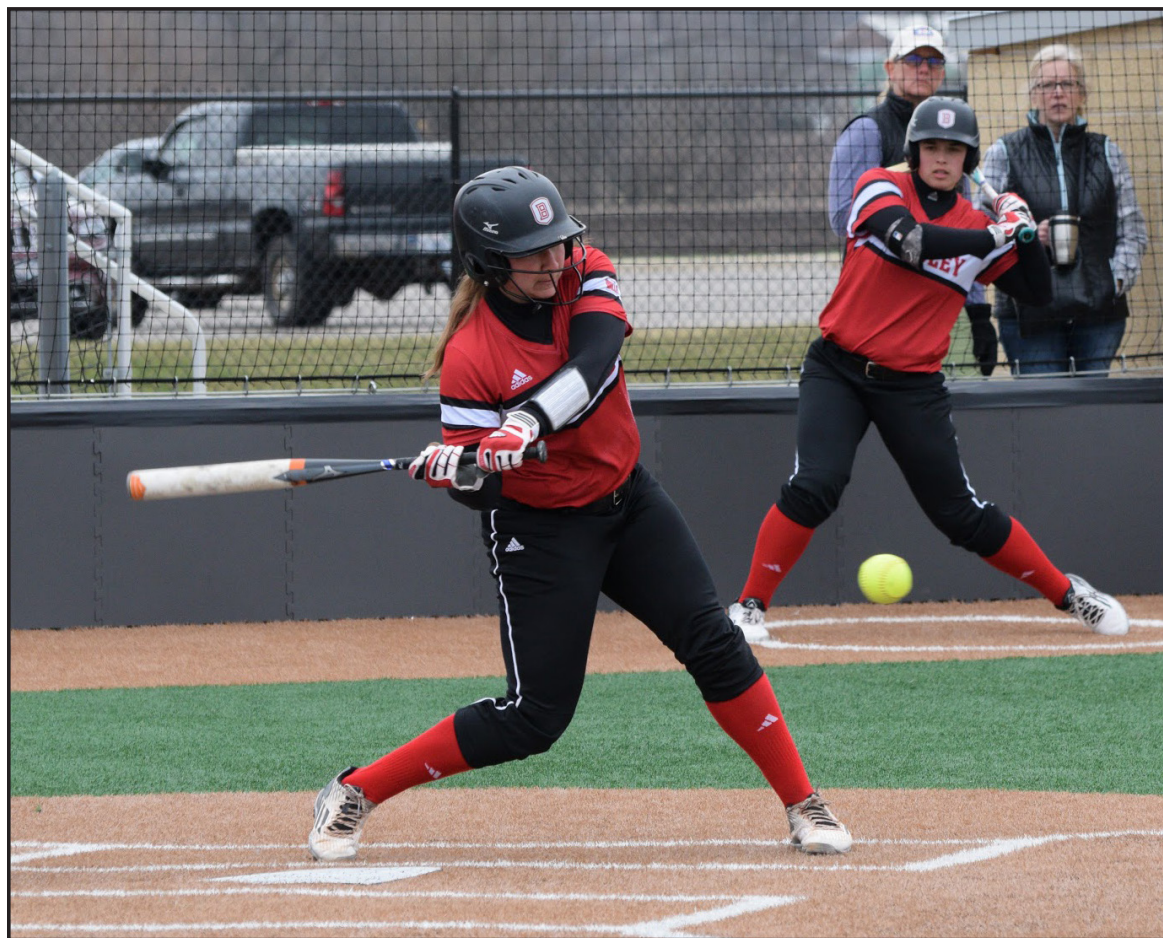
"Allison works hard on and off the field," Hayes said. "She is really emotionally steady. You see the result [of her steadiness] in her hitting, as she is calm, cool and collected in the box. She reminds me a lot of hitting coach Rachel Huggins in her approach at the plate."

Apke said she is proud that as a sophomore she plays a key role in the lineup every day. She leads the team with eight home runs this season and credits her disciplined approach to her success.

"I have been seeing good pitches, lining up and hitting them hard," Apke said. "Batting fourth can be nerve-racking, but it gives me a lot of opportunity to drive in runs. I make the game fun for the team as a whole."

During the Friday night game, sophomore right-handed pitcher Emma Jackson was perfect for the first 10 batters. She was backed by a 4-0 lead courtesy of a freshman Stacia Seeton double and a junior Katie Habryle opposite field home run. Jackson had a one-hit shutout until the Loyola bats got hot again in the fifth inning. Jackson was relieved by

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Senior Maria Schroeder leads the team this year with .400 average and .461 slugging percentage.

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