

Homecoming sparks spirit

BY SAMMANTHA DELLARIA
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Homecoming week festivities kicked off on Monday evening with the annual Lighting of the B ceremony, which featured carnival games, raffles, prizes, fireworks, food and more. The event concluded with the lighting of the giant red “B” on top of Bradley Hall, which will remain lit throughout the end of this weekend.

Students in attendance at the opening Homecoming week ceremony said they enjoyed the amount of school spirit present among the attendees.

“My favorite part about Homecoming is the spirit that it brings to all the Bradley students,” Jordan Avellino, a junior music performance and marketing double major, said. “You can really see everybody meshed together and pull out some good, old Bradley pride.”

Because of that, some students find Homecoming enjoyable due to its ability to bring the Bradley population together.

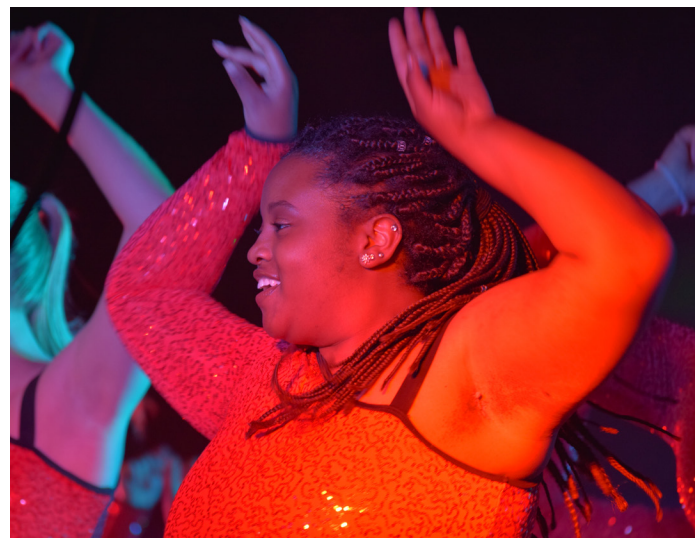
“What I really enjoy about Lighting of the B is that you get everyone out and about together,” Rhome Apton, a sophomore civil engineering major, said. “A lot of loud music, a lot of people laughing, and everybody is just having a good time.”

Even members class of 2021 said of the despite only being on campus for a short while now, they are already excited to take part in the week’s events.

“There is so much school spirit here that I didn’t get at my high school – it is so exciting,” Codi LaCross, a freshman theatre arts major, said. “Everyone is just so hyped.”

This weekend also brings the festivities of Family Weekend, which has now been combined with Homecoming events for the second consecutive year.

Homecoming will come to a close at tomorrow night’s soccer game, where the Homecoming King and Queen will be announced at 7 p.m. at Shea Stadium during the game against Fort Wayne.



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Family Weekend brings festive schedule

Today marks the start of Bradley's 2017 Family Weekend. The weekend includes a schedule of family-friendly events all over campus to choose from, such as a mentalist show the Family Weekend picnic and a send-off breakfast.

Tonight, famed husband and wife mentalist duo, The Evasons, will be performing their tricks in their interactive show. The event will be held at 8 p.m. in Michel Student Center Ballroom with free admission to all.

From 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m on Saturday on Olin Quad, the picnic will begin with a country duo performance followed by remarks from university president Gary Roberts. It will and end with the presentation of the Parent(s) of the Year Award. All tickets for the picnic must be pre-purchased online.

For a complete schedule of events, visit www.bradley.edu/campuslife/sao/events/family/.

University to host MAP Grant reception

In an effort to thank local legislators who took part in passing the state budget this year, Bradley will host a reception at 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18.

All students are welcome to come and meet the legislators during the reception, which will be held in the Founder's Room of the Hartmann Center.

State Senator Dave Koehler, Representative Jehan Gordon-Booth and Representative Mike Unes are among the guests being honored and will discuss the passing of the budget. Additionally, they will touch on getting funds for Monetary Assistance Program (MAP) scholarships, which will aid nearly 1200 Bradley students this year.

Students can register for the event with Executive Director of the Institute for Principled Leadership in Public Service Brad McMillan at bmcmillan@fsmail.bradley.edu. Light refreshments will be served.

Sorority to host fundraising event

Sigma Lambda Gamma will be holding their first fundraiser of the school year this Thursday, Sept. 21.

From 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., students can present the fundraiser flyer to the East Peoria Panda Express on 111 Spinder Dr., Washington St. The restaurant will donate 20 percent of its profits from that time frame to the Bradley colony of Sigma Lambda Gamma.

Flyers will be distributed by members of the colony throughout the week. Students without transportation can get a free ride from the shuttle taking trips to and from Michel Student Center.

Any questions can be directed to Savannah Chacon at sav.chacon35@gmail.com.

POLICE REPORTS

• A male student was found unconscious in his car by police at 2 p.m. Sept. 6 at 1630 W Main St.

Officers were patrolling the Main Street Parking Deck when they saw a black vehicle with its headlights on. Upon closer inspection, the police noticed a male student inside the vehicle. They knocked on the window, but the student did not respond.

The police then used a lockout tool to open the vehicle and detected a strong odor of both cannabis and alcohol. The student had small amounts of cannabis on his clothes, and police determined he was heavily under the influence.

He was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center.

• A driver for the Hilltop Safety Cruiser reported an underage female student intoxicated at 12:35 a.m. on Sept. 10 at 1627 W Callender Ave.

The driver found the student on the porch of the house with another female student who was attending to her. The student taking care of the intoxicated female said there was no one else at home.

The intoxicated student said she did not know how much alcohol she consumed or where she had been drinking earlier.

She was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center.

• A female student reported a male following her back to her dorm at 12:10 p.m. Sept. 10 at 1511 W Bradley Ave.

The student said the male approached her on a sidewalk while walking back to her dorm. He then placed his hands on her shoulders, which alarmed the student. The male proceeded to ask where the female was going and asked for her phone number.

The male then followed the female back to her dorm, and the student ignored the male and went into her dorm. Later, when the student left her dorm, the male was still there.

The male has not been identified.

• A male student reported two of his fraternity's windows broken at 12:20 a.m. Sept. 10 at Pi Kappa Phi fraternity.

The student was out of town and said when he came back, he saw the damage and reported it. The male said one broken window was on the first floor and the other was on the second.

The student said they believe the first floor's window was broken unintentionally to try and get someone's attention but does not know how the second window was broken.

No suspects have been identified.

• A male student reportedly broke a window at Harper Hall at 5 p.m. Sept. 9 at 1312 Main St.

The incident occurred on the third floor hallway when the student said he was running to catch up with another male student. The student said while he was running, he placed both of his hands on the window to change direction, and the window broke from the impact. The student had minor cuts on his hands and said the incident was an accident.

No charges were filed.

CORRECTION:

Last week The Scout incorrectly listed Jon Neidy's title in "Job Fair Q & A." His correct title is executive director of the Smith Career Center.

Additionally, The Scout listed a number of sponsors for the Fall Job & Internship Fair in the wrong order, and with the incorrect number of sponsors and employers at the fair. The corrected list can be viewed on The Scout's website.

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NEWS

DACA repeal distresses Bradley students

BY AJ LAMB
Copy Editor

On Sept. 5, President Donald Trump announced an end to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The policy protects immigrants brought to the United States illegally as minors and allows them to apply for work permits and receive education.

The program will be phased out after a six-month period and may force the 800,000 young adults protected by President Obama's program to be deported. Concerns started to grow on college campuses across the country, including Bradley's, over whether or not the repeal may deport any students covered by this program.

In response to students' concerns, university President Gary Roberts sent out an email the morning of Sept. 8 to help field some of the campus' questions.

"[Bradley does] not have any

official records of whether any DACA students are enrolled here. With no official record of whether any students are DACA certified, Bradley would not be able to, nor would we voluntarily provide information

most of the campus' concerns, some students are still not completely satisfied with Roberts's answers.

"The email was good overall, because he did mention that if DACA were to not be passed again,

recipients."

Jasso, a junior psychology major, said many students are not aware of what DACA is or what the news of repeal means for students nationwide.

"I had one professor out of all of my classes even address it," Jasso said. "He didn't even know what it stood for. He had the understanding of what it was, but I was the only student in the class who knew what it was and what it did. And in my other classes, it just went unspoken ... There's a lack of voice for DACA recipients, [because] for all we know we have a DACA recipient sitting in class, and he's having a breakdown or trying to figure out his future, and there's no one speaking about it."

Jasso said people first need to educate themselves on the topic and the surrounding details about it.

"It is an issue that needs to be addressed as soon as possible, because these are lives of people being dangled on a thin string," Jasso said. "The first step and the best thing

you can do is [educate yourself], support those people that you know are on DACA or have family or friends that are on DACA, and then if you can, join protests, send letters to your senator, make that extra effort to get the word out."

Along with the other members of ALAS, Jasso said she wants to help make DACA students feel safe at Bradley throughout this uncertain process.

"I think we just need to provide that safe haven on campus," Jasso said. "As long as the DACA recipients feel safe on campus and their education is not in jeopardy, they'll be fine because they made it work this far. They just need to know they have people behind them who are willing to fight for them."

Any students interested in sending letters to representatives and senators in Washington can follow the link in President Roberts's email: www.congressweb.com/naicu/legislators/.

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- Mariela Jasso
Junior

on this topic," the email said. "All Bradley students, faculty and staff can rest assured that Bradley will undertake all reasonable steps to protect them from deportation should the government target them."

Although the email relieved

that they would try to defend the undocumented population on campus," said Mariela Jasso, vice president of the Association of Latin American Students (ALAS). "But they didn't really take a stand in terms of their solidarity with DACA

Russian journalist brings relevant perspective to lecture

BY MADDIE GEHLING
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Bradley University's communications department continued its trend of bringing relevant speakers to campus for the Robison Lecture by hosting famed Russian journalist Masha Gessen this past Tuesday.

Gessen was born in Russia, but her family moved to America when she was a teenager. She later returned to Moscow to work as a journalist but was forced to leave again in 2013 when she became worried for the safety of her family. She has written critical articles and books about LGBT rights in Russia, Vladimir Putin and Donald Trump.

According to Gessen, one concept she thinks about most as a journalist is imagination. During the lecture, she made the case for why imagination matters in journalism, non-fiction and thinking in general.

"Imagination may seem like an odd thing for a journalist to be obsessed with, because I'm not a fiction writer," Gessen said. "I don't think about fiction writing; I actually think about non-fiction writing all the time."

Gessen said this topic first came to her mind after the recent presidential election, when she was speaking with a friend about Trump's road to the presidency. According to Gessen, her friend felt Trump succeeding would not be feasible.

"He said, 'I just can't imagine him



photo by Andrea Morris

Masha Gessen, Russian writer and activist, speaks to an audience of students, staff and community members on Tuesday night in the Hayden-Clark Alumni Center.

getting the nomination.' I thought this was a really concise way of summing up one of the most common thinking mistakes that we make," said Gessen. "We give in to the limitations of our own imaginations. When we can't imagine something, we figure out a way to get around imagining it."

One example of this problematic phenomenon Gessen spoke about

occurred the night of the election, when journalists around the world expected Hillary Clinton to win the race.

"I was on standby for the New York Times ... Around 1:30 a.m. I thought, 'There's no way I'm going to be writing about the reaction to Hillary Clinton's victory in Russia,'" Gessen said. "The New York Times

had put together a selection, a package about Hillary Clinton's victory [in advance]. They couldn't imagine it would go any other way. That failure of the imagination was so huge."

Following the lecture, audience members asked Gessen multiple questions, and many in attendance said they were engaged by her Q&A

session.

"Imagination was an interesting explanation," David Tegg, a Peoria resident in attendance, said. "[Gessen] had a valid point, too, when [Trump] said, 'Make America Great Again.' He never really said what that was. I wasn't aware that we weren't great anymore."

Sara Netzley, associate professor of journalism, was part of the committee that chose Gessen as the Robison lecturer. She said she was glad to bring such a topical speaker to campus.

"I wondered in February whether Russia and Putin would still be relevant by September. But it is," Netzley said. "I think the good turnout we [saw] from students and community is a testament to how interested people are in the topic of journalism, fake news, Russia [and] Trump."

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NEWS

Restaurant helps cure hangovers

BY AJ LAMB
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Off the corner of Callendar Avenue and Western Avenue sits a brand new restaurant with a menu dedicated solely to creative hangover cures.

Planet Rated R Restaurant opened this past June, but is already standing out from the crowd with its unique menu, which mirrors its sister

restaurant, Fat Sandwich, located in Champaign. Both are owned by Yousef Salda, who said the name change is the only difference between the new location and the original.

“We bought [Fat Sandwich], and they already had the menu ... It’s just a different name and different logo,” Salda said. “[We’re] in a college area, so it’s mostly student food, like fast food, and [our menu is] different from everybody else.”

Of all the wild creations, the most popular items revolve around cheesesteak, chicken fingers and mozzarella sticks.

“There’s four [fan favorites]: the Milf, Magnum, Philly Cheesesteak and the Rated R,” Salda said. “[My favorites are] the Mess and Philly Cheesesteak works.”

The Mess comes loaded with jalapeño poppers, mozzarella sticks, fried mushrooms, mac and cheese bites, pizza bites, ranch and BBQ sauce. Similar to almost all the sandwiches on the menu, the Mess is a crazy combination of fried foods.

There’s also an opportunity for any brave souls to attempt the Planet Rated R Challenge in which the challenger has to eat a monstrous sandwich made with every single menu item.

“At this location, no [one has beaten the challenge] ... between 20 and 30 ... have tried, but they haven’t done it yet,” Salda said. “[The time limit is] 15 minutes, but normally I give them a spare five minutes. Last year, we had about seven people finish it down in Champaign.”

Labeling itself as the “Hangover Helper,” Planet Rated R is geared primarily towards aiding Bradley students with their “morning after.”



photo by AJ Lamb

Planet Rated R Restaurant sits on the corner of Callendar Avenue and Westren Avenue.



photo by AJ Lamb

Planet Rated R offers a variety of menu items to ‘cure’ hangovers.

However, Salda said he wants to start selling during late-night hours too.

“Soon, we are going to start opening until 4 a.m. on the weekends,” Salda said. “That’s one thing that everyone around here needs.”

In addition to the extended hours, Salda said Bradley students will also receive 15 percent off purchases at his restaurant by presenting their Bradley ID.

While the menu has plenty to offer, Salda said he is also looking for

new ideas to add to the menu and is always open to suggestions.

“There’s a few police officers who asked me to add a sandwich called the Po-Po,” Salda said. “[But it’s] my pleasure to choose what’s going to go on it.”

Planet Rated R is currently open every day of the week from 11 a.m. to midnight.

Engineering students begin solar car project

BY HANNAH SNIDMAN
News Reporter

This year, a group of Bradley electrical and mehcanical engineering students are taking their senior project to an astronomical level by creating solar powered cars.

The team of mechanical engineering students is comprised Aaron Green-Van Zee, Zach Pakula and Kody Downes. Likewise, Josh Strong, Evan Krueger, Jake Ruiz and Caleb Happach serve as the group’s electrical engineering students.

The idea was first formed last semester during meetings for senior projects. Pakula and Green-Van Zee completed research and visited solar car teams at other schools in order to

begin the endeavor.

“The plans for the project currently involve designing and building a solar-powered vehicle that will be capable of driving around campus for use as a proof of concept and marketing,” Pakula said. “The long-term goal of the project is to compete in a competition known as Formula Sun. Formula Sun is a competition among numerous universities and companies to see who can build the most efficient and reliable solar car.”

According to Krueger, a big incentive of the program was getting to design and work on this project first-hand.

“I wanted to be part of this team because of the amount of hands-on work that was going to be required,”

Krueger said. “I like the idea of working on a big project and seeing a physical final product in the end.”

Before the team can begin to build the car, they must finalize the design and receive all necessary resources. Additionally, the students will be working with green energy technology.

“We’re currently in the brainstorm-and-materials-gathering phase,” Strong said. “Because of the high cost, we’re currently pricing out items and contacting companies to see if they would sponsor us.”

In addition to seeking sponsorships, the team created a GoFundMe page to help with payments.

“A solar car is an expensive

endeavour and cannot be completed solely with the funds available from the engineering college,” Pakula said. “In addition to the GoFundMe page, our team is also reaching out to corporations to seek both financial and in-kind donations to make this vehicle a reality.”

Since the budget for Bradley’s team is smaller than most schools, the group said it will not build a complete vehicle from scratch. They hope to reduce the cost by reusing parts.

“The opportunity to design and build a solar car will set Bradley apart from similar-sized engineering schools,” Pakula said. “The solar car challenge is generally reserved for only much larger and wealthier engineering programs. By offering

a solar car to Bradley engineering students, and any student who shows interest, [we] will have the opportunity to work hands-on with a project like none other.”

However, cost is not the only obstacle the group may need to overcome throughout the process.

“I think the biggest challenge with this project is going to be the systems integration,” Krueger said. “We have to make sure that every system we develop [or] install is compatible with every other system so they can properly communicate. That way, the car will work the way it should.”

Anyone interested in helping support the team’s efforts can donate to their GoFundMe at www.gofundme.com/bradley-university-

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OPINION

Editorial

Campus needs education on DACA repeal

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, is on the fringe in Washington. President Donald Trump announced Sept. 5 his plans to defund the Obama administration’s program in six months. It currently allows young illegal immigrants to live and work in the U.S. without fear of deportation. Now, nearly 800,000 young Americans are at the mercy of a divided Congress. On Thursday, after reports of a deal on DACA, Trump stated (via Twitter) that “no deal was made last night on DACA.” But fear not; his plans to build a massive border wall between the U.S. and Mexico are coming along

marvelously. Not only is this decision politically aggravating, it’s morally unsound and economically ill-advised. DREAMers (those protected by DACA) pay taxes and take jobs most Americans don’t want, according to a CNN report. They’re also human beings. Bradley President Gary Roberts sent out an email Sept. 8 in response to Trump’s announcement. “Unless under a court order, Bradley would not assist with any effort by federal officials to identify or to deport any of our students, DACA certified or otherwise,” the email stated. This is a comforting statement – and it’s similar to those many

university officials across the country are releasing. But it is also very calculated. The Scout couldn’t help but notice the number of disclaimers in Roberts’ email: “We do not have any official records of whether any DACA students are enrolled here...” “Unless under a court order...” “Bradley will undertake all reasonable steps...” Shouldn’t Roberts have addressed this issue in person – perhaps by scheduling a press conference? He might as well have just Tweeted about it instead. University officials haven’t suggested a plan to do anything more regarding the issue unless Congress acts on it in the next six months.

But we would like to see some more immediate action. One student told The Scout (see “DACA repeal concerns Bradley students, page A3) that she felt her professors were uninformed about DACA. That’s a good place to start. Organize forums. Teach professors, administrators and students what DACA is all about, and how a change could affect those 800,000 DREAMers. It is not enough to send an email to the student body that simply says, “Educate yourselves.” It is the responsibility of the university to educate its students.

Column

The biggest mistake I’ve ever made (in recent memory)



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Anyone who knows me well knows that I love to eat, and beyond that, I love to eat mass quantities of food. The week before classes start, fraternities and sororities hold their work/spirit weeks. Every work week, my house has the tradition of going to a restaurant in Chillicothe called

Castaways. It started three years ago when we found out about their specialty burger, the “O-Burger.” It takes an hour to cook and is basically just a giant, deep-fried ball of meat stuffed with various toppings. Oh, and it’s made with an entire pound of ground beef. Last year, my friend found out they have a \$20 challenge in which the contestant must eat two of these heart-attack beef balls and a pound of fries or onion straws in under 30 minutes. For whatever reason, he thought this was doable. After watching the monstrous plate defeat him, I told myself when I returned for my senior year, I would take on this challenge. Since I’m a man of my word, I gathered a group this past August, placed the order [in advance?] and drove out to see if I could summon the strength to eat it all. Even as we parked the car and sat down at our table, I already hated the decision I had made. What’s worse was that I wasn’t completely hungry, either, as I had two chicken bakes and frozen yogurt at Costco just four hours before.

After the fourth time of assuring our table that the burgers were coming out “in just one more minute,” the waiter finally emerged with a mountain of grease on a metal plate and an egg timer. There was no turning back. The moment he set the plate in front of me, I actually wanted to die. I had never been hit by a bigger wave of regret than in that moment. Before he walked away from my impending death, the waiter asked if we needed anything else. All I could muster was, “A hope and a prayer.” Once the timer started, I cut straight through both burgers and tried to eat the four half-patties as fast as possible. I was shoveling handfuls of onion straws with each bite of the burger, and I felt like a machine, a really gross machine with cholesterol problems, but a machine nonetheless. I was probably 16 or 17 minutes in when I finished both burgers, but then I immediately hit a wall. The onion straws were all that was left on my plate, but I had neither the desire or strength to keep going. As if having all my friends around

to make fun of me wasn’t enough, three old ladies from Chillicothe stayed for the entertainment and didn’t withhold their commentary on my impending failure. As the timer rang out, and I sat staring at a half-finished plate of onion straws, I had never felt worse. I’ve experienced being full in painful ways, but never this way. Since it was a Thursday, my friends and I were hoping to make it out to Crusens, but I couldn’t even think about putting anything else into my body. However, one trip on the Blue Bomb later, there I was waiting in line outside the infamous Farmington bar. I honestly thought I was going to make it through the night until my stomach finally had enough of it, and I left to christen the backwoods behind the Crusens’ parking lot with the first vomit of the school year. I guess the moral of the story is: if someone offers you a \$20 gift card, a free t-shirt and a picture on a wall, make sure you can actually handle whatever the challenge is, or you’ll be throwing up at Crusens without even touching a drink.

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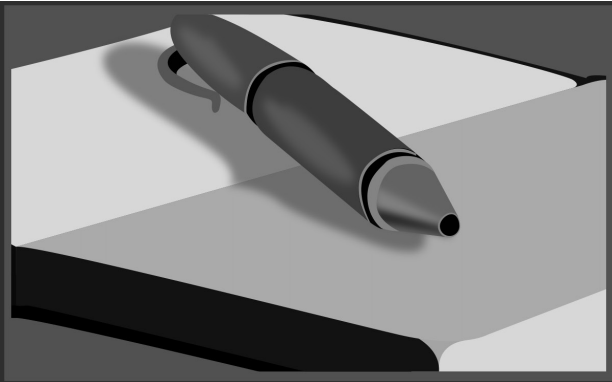
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Once again, Stephen King's classic evil-clown novel "It" came to life on the big screen this past weekend, and it certainly "floats" among the iconic author's other movie adaptations. As a huge fan of the 1990 TV mini-series, I knew before watching the new version that it would be quite different.

For example, this version, directed by Andrés Muschietti, only tells half of the story – the childhood portion – of the classic novel. Despite cutting out much of the original, the movie lasts over two hours. Because of that, “IT” did feel overly long, and the jump scares had little effect on me after a while. In fact, it felt like less of a horror film and more of a

'It' returns

coming-of-age story. But that's not necessarily a bad thing.

The two films do have similarities, like the easily-recognizable beginning scene of little Georgie chasing his paper boat down the street in the rain only to lose it to a sewer, and then – well, we all know what happens next.

The child characters, who dubbed themselves “The Losers Club” throughout the film, were extremely loveable and all had little quirks that made them stand out. I especially felt overwhelming sympathy for both Beverly Marsh (Sophia Lillis) and Billy Denbrough (Jaeden Lieberher), the children with the most tragedy in their lives. However, the character of poor Mike Hanlon, the “outcast,” was neglected quite a bit compared to his large presence in the novel.

On the bright side, if you're a "Stranger Things" fan, you'll likely enjoy seeing the adorable Finn Wolfhard, known as Mike Wheeler in the cult-favorite Netflix original series, play character Richie Tozier. Richie is the most vulgar of the friend group, who provides some much-needed

comic relief, which at times felt a little forced, to contrast the terrifying scenes of Pennywise the Dancing Clown.

Speaking of Pennywise, the evil clown brought a whole different level of fear to this film. The character was simply terrifying – a thing of nightmares. The “new” Pennywise, played by Bill Skarsgård, was straight-up sinister with his ability to manipulate his voice, face and body. I’m glad they are finally making great use of the film tech that 2017 provides – in order to feed on the fear of the kids. I could understand how the “old” Pennywise might be able to reel kids in with a somewhat normal-looking clown appearance, but the “new” Pennywise is so ugly and repulsive I wouldn’t touch him with a 100-foot pole.

Overall, the cinematic experience of the movie was aesthetically pleasing with intriguing emotional scenes to horrifying ones that keep you on the edge of your seat. The plot itself is a wild ride that won't leave you too terrified to walk to your car after it ends. The ending of the movie proclaims that this is only chapter one, so I am interested to see how the next chapter unravels.

Go out this weekend with some friends, and give this movie a shot – it is pretty entertaining, if nothing else. Even Stephen King himself approves it. Just steer clear of any red balloons, or “you’ll float, too.”

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The end is near

BY LISA STEMMONS
Voice Editor

While I'm not enthralled by the idea of dying at the age of 21, there is evidence abound that the impending culmination of life as we know it could be right around the corner.

With the recent slew of natural disasters (i.e. hurricanes, earthquakes, fires), the predictions of Nostradamus and the insight of the good ol' Bible itself, one can formulate a pretty solid doomsday argument.

First of all, the most scientific-based evidence is rooted in Mother Nature rearing her ugly head. The Atlantic Ocean has been unseasonably warm, making it a breeding ground for hurricanes, and record temperatures in the West have spurred wildfires. The legitimacy of climate change is no surprise (to most), and it's happening at an increasingly rapid rate.

However, many people are not aware that the dormant supervolcano in Yellowstone has also recently stirred up some conversation. According to geological evidence, Yellowstone's supervolcano erupts once every 600,000 to 800,000 years and the most recent explosion occurred about 640,000 years ago.

While this fact may reassure some, NASA is not as complacent, and they have started hatching a plan to postpone the eruption of imminent death. With scientists consistently monitoring Yellowstone, why concoct a plan now? They must know something we don't.

Just like French physician, Nostradamus. Some believe he's prophetic, others a complete nut job, but there's no denying the relevancy of his name in

a rapture debate. His history of predictions include 9/11, Hitler's rise to power, the French Revolution and, some even say, Trump's presidency.

His most time-sensitive prediction comes in the form of the alarming notion that the final pope will be our current Pope Francis. According to a vague quatrain of Nostradamus and prophecies from Roman Catholic St. Malachy, within Pope Francis' lifetime, the Earth will come to an end.

And finally, the most astronomically mind-blowing proof to date. As first discovered on Twitter, the day of the solar eclipse was the Aug. 21, Hurricane Harvey arrived on the 25th and flooding started on the 26th.

When you look up Luke 21:25-26 in the Bible, the

passage reads: "And there will be strange signs in the sun, moon and stars. And here on earth the nations will be in turmoil, perplexed by the roaring seas and strange tides. People will be terrified at what they see coming upon the earth, for the powers in the heavens will be shaken."

I'm sure you're wondering if this is a parody article or if I truly believe James Franco and Seth Rogen's masterpiece "This is the End" is becoming a reality. While composing this article, I pondered the same thing myself. I was wary of the 2012 hypothesis, but my college education has led me to become more susceptible to conspiracies.

My completely intuitive prediction is the world will end on June 8, 2020. Will I be the next great prophet? Only time will tell.



Fratsism: an epidemic sweeping campuses nationwide

BY LISA STEMMONS
Voice Editor

With real world problems, (please reference my other article, "The end is near") it's easy to forget about the issues college students face on a day-to-day basis. Now two weeks post-Anadexus, the blatant fratsism on Bradley's campus is visible more than ever.

According to Lisa's dictionary, an unofficial sister site to Urban Dictionary, a "fratsist" is someone who judges a person based solely on their fraternal relations without any consideration for the human behind the letters.

When rush crushes join other houses and dirty rush parties falter, the fratsism comes out in the best of us, and it's especially evident among the Greek community. All it takes is a visit to the Hilltopmadness snapchat story for copious amounts of evidence. Nobody gets their gossip on quite like a frat dude.

Stay tuned for next week's dissemination of fraternity lingo with "fratern-a-sis," which is the act of a fraternity brother returning a shambly girl to her specified sorority home.

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No celebration without representation

BY LARISSA MORELAND
Off-staff Reporter

Twitter users across the globe have proven the power of the #hashtag is so much more influential than any other symbol on computers.

Nancy Wang Yuen, author of the book "Reel Inequality," interviewed an unnamed casting director who was asked to give an explanation for the lack of Asian actors in the Hollywood scene.

"Asians are a challenge because most directors feel as if they are not expressive," the director had responded, "They are very shut-down in their emotion."

This interview recently came up in an online article from entertainment-based Paste Magazine this past week, causing many sarcastic reactions from the Twitter community.

All it took was a tweet from young adult author Maurene Goo (@mauxbot), quoting the tweet and saying "Can we start #ExpressiveAsians?" Twitter was exploding with Asians showing that they are, in fact, very capable of expressing their emotions.

As an Asian studying the music and entertainment industry here at Bradley, I find the lack of racial inclusion in the Hollywood scene to be quite alarming. There is a huge lack of Asian representation in the film industry - with nearly 77 percent of acting roles in Hollywood calling for a white actor or actress. This leaves very little room for minorities to even be given a chance for certain roles.

On top of this, the film industry is still casting white actors to play Asian characters rather than casting Asians themselves.

For example, "Ghost in the Shell," a live-action remake of one of Japan's most successful anime films, casted Scarlett Johansson to play the female lead of Motoko Kusanagi. The film flopped, but producers even admitted to testing visual effects to make the white actress appear to look more Asian for the movie.

Here's a wild idea: rather than focusing efforts on

spending hours tweaking and testing visual effects to make an actress appear to be Asian, why not just cast an actual Asian in the first place?

Although you may pride yourself in your technological advancements, Hollywood, it's time to begin working on cultural advancement as well.



Getting crunk with the clan

BY LISA STEMMONS
Voice Editor

With Family Weekend upon us, confrontation is bound to happen and a few tussles are inevitable. The most surefire way to diminish the tension in the air is to add booze. Nothing takes the edge off quite like a strong cocktail.

Within family units, different members tend to stick to one type of alcohol. In a very trite fashion, here's a run-down of the type of relatives you may encounter.

The Wine Mom:

It's time to gather around for a night of Bunco at Kathy's house, and indiscretions are welcome. Gossip runs amok about everything

from the new B.S. school party dietary restrictions to the ruckus the high school kids got into last weekend. I impatiently yearn for the day when I can complain about the cleaning lady with my girlfriends over a glass (bottle) of wine.

The Vodka Uncle:

My uncle is now only referred to as "drunkle" due to his ability to down a fifth of vodka within an hour timespan without any needed recovery time the next morning. They're ruthless and stone-cold bad asses, willing to do just about anything to prove their manhood.

The hipster beer-drinking cousin:

Sorry, bro, we don't have PBR at the tailgate,

but maybe you can find your IPA of choice down on the riverfront. Sure, they don't go hard, but at least they're refined.

The Tequila aunt:

I dare you to find someone more rip-roaring and ready to go for a night on the town than your aunt. It's hard to tell if they're reliving their glory years or making up for lost time, but it's always a party when she's buying shots of Jose Cuervo.

Honorable mentions go to Smirnoff Ice/ Busch Lite-drinking high school siblings and Manhattan-drinking grandparents.



Crosswords

- Across**

 - 1) Rice with spice
 - 6) Canned fare since 1937
 - 10) Take-out shop
 - 14) Florida citrus city
 - 15) Mata ____
 - 16) Libidinous god
 - 17) Shaving mishaps
 - 19) Musical Simone
 - 20) Place for a patch
 - 21) Word on a dollar
 - 22) Like a banjo
 - 24) Great in scope
 - 26) It may be rigged
 - 27) Madison Square Garden team
 - 32) Dean Martin song subject
 - 34) Argus' many
 - 35) Derby or bowler
 - 36) McEntire sitcom
 - 37) Bond and Smart, for two
- Down**

 - 1) Popular barbecue meat
 - 2) Words of confidence
 - 3) Veg out
 - 4) Burn soother
 - 5) A long way off
 - 6) Japanese religion
 - 7) Walk nervously
 - 8) Object of Indiana Jones' quest
 - 9) Bloopers
 - 10) Alaskan national park
 - 11) Cork's land, to poets
 - 12) Over the limit
 - 13) Words to an old chap
 - 18) Apt to snoop
 - 23) Takes the gold
 - 25) Leave speechless
 - 26) ____ terrier (dog breed)
 - 27) "Check"
 - 28) Modern composer Steve
 - 29) Chews the fat
 - 30) Crinkly veggie
 - 31) Tend to the sauce
 - 32) Diva's delivery
 - 33) Diner handout
 - 37) Like the colors of the rainbow
 - 38) Eat like a chicken
 - 39) Short, heavy woolen coat
 - 41) Hook's sidekick
 - 42) Sardine can material
 - 44) Danish seaport
 - 45) Dollar total
 - 46) Playful bites
 - 49) Pond gunk
 - 50) NO ____ TRAFFIC
 - 51) Go on a tirade
 - 52) Advanced degs. for curators
 - 54) Bring on board
 - 55) Any of Steinbeck's Joads
 - 56) Soft "Hey you!"
 - 59) One of football's Mannings
 - 60) Mini-albums, for short
- 39) Timbuktu's land
 - 40) Having four sharps
 - 41) Blueprint detail, briefly
 - 42) Home run, in slang
 - 43) Trade school subject
 - 47) Send to the canvas
 - 48) Expensive wrap
 - 49) London's Downing, e.g.
 - 52) Swab's implement
 - 53) Flapjack-selling chain
 - 57) Fictional sleuth Charlie
 - 58) Ones forbidden to emigrate from the USSR
 - 61) Still-life vessels
 - 62) Codebreaker Turing
 - 63) City on the Seine
 - 64) Trombone accessory
 - 65) Shopper's reminder
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What is the hardest class you have taken or are currently taking?



Devin McDonald

"ECE 204, which is continuous time signals and systems, and it was really difficult because it was really deep mathematically, and it's mostly based on proofs and stuff, so there wasn't a lot of applied stuff that we did."

- Devin McDonald, senior electrical engineering major



Taylor Saucier

"My hardest class is typography, ART 205, because it is for graphic design majors, and I'm not a graphic design major."

- Taylor Saucier, sophomore retail merchandising major



Zac Anderson

"My hardest class is one I'm currently taking, ME 303, instrumentation and measurement. It has a lab with it that is very hard because it consists of 10-page lab reports every week and a half."

- Zac Anderson, junior mechanical engineering major



Logan Shinall

"It's between this class I took last semester, IM 355 [which] the professor, he's a great lecturer, [but] he's not a great teacher ... As for right now, I'm taking a German history class [HIS 329] - super fascinating - but there is so much reading and so much writing that has to be done that it's really hard."

- Logan Shinall, senior interactive media animation major

BY KYLEE HIGGINS
News Editor
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Outdated equipment, microwaves slow down Wi-Fi

BY DAVID DEMEO
Copy Editor

Over the summer, Bradley underwent network renovations - a demand caused by increasing student enrollment and system users. The goal was to create a faster, more reliable network, and by doing so, increasing the broadband width from 1 billion bits per second (Gbps) to 10 Gbps and Wi-Fi speeds of five gigahertz (GHz).

The upgrades were done by members of the Communication and Engineering Services (CES) team. The CES is an organization whose services span from installing new network systems to maintaining

Bradley telecommunications.

While the upgrades focused improving access points in the library, residence halls and academic halls, many students said they haven't noticed any significant improvements.

"I feel the Wi-Fi is extremely lacking," said Malcolm Ivy, sophomore user experience design major. "It's bad in Bradley Hall and the art building [Heuser Art Center]."

Sophomore mechanical engineering major Bryce Hastings said he has had trouble connecting to Wi-Fi while on campus.

"I love the speed," he said. "But I hate the connection."

Although Bradley has finished

the bulk of the work that came with the most recent phase of the network upgrade, strides are still being made with various wiring issues. Some campus buildings are older, and difficulties arose due to their infrastructure, according to Rick Sander.

"The greatest challenge of the upgrade is wiring of the older buildings," Sander, the director of Communication and Engineering Services, said. "Many of the older buildings on campus have wire installed before wiring standards were defined."

Sander explained that timing can create troubles with installing the new network.

"It's difficult to have contractors working in buildings during the semester because they make noise, which disrupts classes," Sander said. "Cables are laid out in the hallways before installation creating trip hazards, and that's generally not something that should be done while the university is in session," said Sander.

According to Sander, a majority of the recent network complaints are about the new access points in dorm halls, resulting from interference and students tampering with the access points.

"Interference can be caused by microwaves, Bluetooth devices - especially wireless gaming controllers

- wireless printers, wireless routers that are not part of the Bradley wireless network, wireless devices not properly configured - the list could go on," Sander said.

Sander added students should avoid using wireless printers to minimize network discrepancies, especially since wireless printing is not supported on campus.

Students who are experiencing network issues after the system upgrade can contact the Information Resources and Technology HelpDesk at (309) 677-2964, or they can stop by the Technology HelpDesk at the Cullom-Davis Library.

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NEWS

New software assits students

BY KYLEE HIGGINS
News Editor

Working together since October 2016, administration, faculty and staff are investing in software to assist students in scheduling appointments efficiently and increase communication with professors and advisors.

The software, the Student Success Collaborative (SSC) Campus, was created by the Education Advisory Board (EAB). Through the SSC Campus, students will be able to send the same message to multiple professors and faculty, schedule appointments with advisors, view advising reports from appointments and more.

According to Gregory Haines, the director of the Academic Success Center and the Student Affairs liaison for implementing the program, the goal of the SSC Campus is to ultimately help the campus.

“We can do some outreach to help students get to graduation,” Haines said.

Additionally, Haines said the SSC Campus includes data from a decade’s worth of past student information at Bradley which is in turn analyzed to compare it to current Bradley students.

“[The software offers] an analytics tool that shows advisors if a student is more or less likely to graduate from that program they’re currently [enrolled] in based on that data [of past students], which is kind of cool and powerful stuff,” Haines said.

Despite the data being readily available, Haines said it is not meant to be “prescriptive,” but rather “informative” for those looking at it.

“One thing that’s going to be really important for students and for advisors to remember is that just because [a student] might be less likely to graduate from that major program because of what [they’ve] done in the past does not mean [they]

can’t turn around what [they] are doing [for] the future,” Haines said.

Additionally, Haines also said the SSC Campus will not replace current software such as Sakai and Webster.

“I can almost say confidently that 100 percent of the time there’s going to be some overlap with another application, and that’s because with the thousands of colleges and universities that are in the United States, they come in all shapes and sizes,” Haines said. “There’s not a one-size-fits-all solution for [all colleges].”

According to Haines, no other previous software has been used in the way that the SSC Campus app will be. Haines also said the effort of administration, faculty and staff to implement a program like this has increased his pride for working at Bradley.

“I’ve been here for three years,” Haines said. “That’s not a ton of time, but to see the amount of people working together on one project who really care and believe in it, it’s really cool.”

Haines said the software will be introduced soon, and he wants students to anticipate it. However, in order to release the app, the faculty must be comfortable with using it first.

“Every single academic department on campus has used [SSC Campus] already,” Haines said. “So we wanted to make sure our faculty and staff are really comfortable with using this because, when a student has a question about it, they’re not going to come to me for it. They’re going to go to their advisor or professor, and so we want them to be comfortable with it before the students get their hands on it.”


Once the SSC Campus is implemented, Haines said he hopes it will achieve the goal of helping students graduate on their preferred timeline.

9/11 MEMORIAL ON CAMPUS



photo by Maddie Gehling

A 9/11 memorial was set up by the political science department, College Democrats and College Republicans Sunday night.



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HOMECOMING SPIRIT IGNITES CAMPUS



photos from left to right: Students cheer at the Lighting of the B; Bradley Hall is lit up Monday night; cheerleaders raise school spirit at the Lighting of the B; members of Activities Council of Bradley University (ACBU) pass out free Homecoming shirts

Soccer splits matches again

BY JUSTIN LIMOGES
Sports Editor

The Bradley men's soccer team split the past weekend's matches for the second time this season, dominating at home against the Incarnate Word and suffering a loss on the road against No. 17-ranked University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Friday night, against Incarnate Word both teams were sluggish in the first half, but the Braves were able to secure the first tally in the 61st minute. Freshman forward Gerit Wintermeyer provided his first assist when he brought the ball down for freshman midfielder Younes Dayekh, who confidently scored his first goal of the season.

Wintermeyer, from Germany, noted how quickly he was able to build chemistry with other members of the team, especially with Dayekh and sophomore Roman Schindler.

"The relationship between us and how we have adjusted to Bradley life is a big part [of playing well together]," said Wintermeyer. "Roman and I both speak German, so it makes it easier for us to communicate on and off the pitch. We are also very technical players, and that's where Younes comes in; he sets us up to finish. There's definitely more to come from us."

Junior forward Frank Bak was able to provide insurance in the 77th minute after receiving an assist from Schindler. Then, Wintermeyer capped off the scoring, finding the back of the net just 28 seconds later.

Head coach Jim DeRose said he is not surprised how well his team is playing together.

"After last season, the [coaching] staff and I sat down and looked to identify key players immediately," DeRose said. "We weren't in a position to wait for a year or two of development; therefore, we aren't surprised by their current attacking output. It bodes well for the future."

Bradley was on the road again Sunday night, taking on one of their toughest opponents yet in University of Nebraska-



photo by Justin Limoges

Midfielder Younes Dayekh (left) and forward Jha'lon Johnson (right) warm up before their match vs. Loyola on Sept. 13.

Omaha.

Looking for their third shut-out victory, Wintermeyer gave Bradley the 1-0 lead in the 78th minute. The Mavericks didn't quit though, and scored two late goals to stun the Braves as they pulled off a late-game 2-1 victory. The loss put Bradley at 3-3-0 on the season.

"In regards to our record, it's an improvement [in comparison to the start of last season] and a product of the team's overall

solid defending," said DeRose. "There's no other team in the country that's expended this much within the first weeks of play, though. It's been a drain on us physically, and we have to be mindful."

The players said they have also felt the fatigue from the team's busy schedule.

"Not having a lot of rest time has been a struggle for the team," Wintermeyer said. "Our

defending isn't the problem. We've been working our butts off, but we need to get more shots on net."

The Braves defeated pre-season MVC favorite, Loyola Chicago, 1-0 Wednesday. The lone goal in the match came from Dayekh in the 79th minute.

"We defended really well throughout the game," Dayekh said. "We were getting the same amount of chances as them. We just stayed loyal to how we play. We knew that we would end up getting goals as long as we kept pushing till the end of the game."

The Braves will host Fort Wayne in the annual Bradley

University Homecoming game this Saturday at 7 p.m. The match can also be found on "The Valley" on ESPN3.

Justin Limoges is a sophomore sports communication major from Troy, Vermont. He is a Sports Reporter for The Scout.

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Goalkeeper Brandon Barnes has 30 saves through seven games this season. photo by Justin Limoges

SOCCER STATISTICS			
NAME	GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS
Younes Dayekh	3	0	6
Roman Schindler	2	2	6
Gerit Wintermeyer	2	1	5
Matt Perry	2	0	4
Frank Bak	1	2	4



photo via Scout Archives

Junior Malini Wijesinghe won the Flight C Singles consolation championship at the SIUE Invitational.

Tennis serves up opening tournament success

BY COLE BRED AHL
Assistant Sports Editor

The Bradley tennis team competed in their first tournament of the fall season this past weekend in Edwardsville, Illinois, at the Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville Fall Invite. After showing signs of rust in the opening day of play, the Braves rebounded well with several solid performances to cap off the tournament.

Day one was highlighted by the debut of freshman Sandra Maletin. Finishing 3-0 on the day, Maletin began her Bradley career with a 6-4, 6-4 victory in the Flight A singles quarterfinal. She then teamed with sophomore Natalia Barbary for doubles action where the duo picked up wins over Western Illinois and Eastern Illinois.

While Maletin remained poised during her collegiate debut, according to head coach Matt Tyler, some other members of the team struggled with opening-match jitters.

"The first tournament is always a little tricky, working through some nerves and remembering what it is like to be competing," Tyler said. "While I think it was a good first outing, I think we will get a lot better in the next couple weeks."

On the second day of the tournament, the Braves played much better and were led by junior Malini Wijesinghe's 3-0 record.

Wijesinghe went 2-0 in singles to claim the Flight C Singles consolation championship. Wijesinghe also partnered with senior Alexa Brandt to win the Flight A Doubles consolation title.

Freshman Victoria Gonzalez also made her debut and went undefeated in singles action. Although Gonzalez struggled in doubles, Tyler said he is happy with how the freshman performed.

"Victoria had an outstanding tournament, going undefeated in singles," Tyler said. "She is struggling a little bit in doubles, but overall, I'm excited about what I saw."

The Braves finished with a combined 13-9 record at the tournament and will take the court next during the Bradley Invitational Sept. 22 to 24 at the Markin Tennis Courts.

One-on-one

Who will win the Heisman?

Josh Rosen

Baker Mayfield

Last season, Louisville quarterback Lamar Jackson both captivated college football fans with his play-making ability and proved that Heisman trophy winners can emerge from non-powerhouse conferences. This year, UCLA quarterback Josh Rosen will follow in Jackson's footsteps by taking home the coveted award.

Rosen, a top recruit out of high school, was limited to just six games last season due to a shoulder injury. Now, as a junior, Rosen is finally beginning to live up to the hype that got the Bruins nation excited about him in the first place.

The shoulder issues seem to be in the past for Rosen as he opened the season by leading his team to an incredible 34-point comeback win against Texas A&M. Rosen followed his week one performance with a convincing 33-point victory over Hawaii. On the season, he has nine touchdowns and zero interceptions.

Rosen plays in a competitive PAC-12 conference with #4 USC, #6 Washington, #19 Stanford and Oregon all slated on his schedule. If Rosen continues to play at an elite level, the Bruins have a great shot at the PAC-12 title, and Rosen has an even better chance for the Heisman.

Ronan will tell you that Baker Mayfield is fit for the Heisman title. However, Mayfield lacks the ability to come through in the clutch. When choosing the Heisman trophy winner, voters should look for signature wins and drives. Rosen already has one of those in the books this season against the Aggies.

If Rosen can keep up his elite level of play throughout the season, come December, the UCLA quarterback will be the second Bruin ever to take home college football's most prestigious award.

Baker Mayfield planted the Oklahoma Sooners flag in the middle of Ohio Stadium last Saturday after leading his team to a 31-16 victory over the Ohio State Buckeyes. This fall, the quarterback will go even further by planting himself in college football history by winning the Heisman trophy.

Mayfield has experienced plenty of ups and downs throughout his college career, and has defied the odds to get to where he is now. As a true freshman walk-on at Texas Tech, the quarterback won the starting job and led the Red Raiders to an 8-5 record. Mayfield then transferred to Oklahoma. After sitting out his sophomore season due to NCAA transfer rules, he claimed the starting spot for the Sooners.





Mayfield has steadily improved his game each year, and now, in his senior season, the quarterback is primed for a successful 2017-2018 campaign. Mayfield is a great pocket-passer, being able to both read defenses and throw the ball with extreme accuracy. One skill the quarterback has improved on, though, is his elusiveness. Within the first two weeks of the season, Mayfield has shown the ability to escape the pocket and to evade defenders while extending the play.

Although Kevin might tell you Josh Rosen deserves the Heisman for his clutch play, but UCLA simply is not good enough. Two out of the last four Heisman winners have come from teams that won the National Championship. Oklahoma is ranked as the second team in the nation and is a favorite to be one of the four teams in the College Football Playoff. UCLA will not even win their own conference.

Last year, Mayfield finished third in the Heisman voting; however, this season he will lead his team to a National Championship and collect the Heisman Trophy in the process.

- Kevin Lindgren

- Ronan Khalsa

<div>THE WEEK AHEAD</div>						
	Friday September 15	Saturday September 16	Sunday September 17	Monday September 18	Tuesday September 19	Wednesday September 20
Volleyball	vs. South Dakota State Renaissance Coliseum 10 a.m.	vs. UMKC Renaissance Coliseum 12:30 p.m.				
Soccer		vs. Fort Wayne Shae Stadium 7 p.m.				@ DePaul Chicago, Ill. 3 p.m.
Women's Golf				Cardinal Classic Yorktown, Ind. 7:30 a.m.	Cardinal Classic Yorktown, Ind. 8 a.m.	
Cross Country	Bradley Intercollegiate Detweiller Park 5:45 p.m.	Bradley Intercollegiate Detweiller Park 5:45 p.m.				

Sweet-swinging Scaccia

BY NICK KONOW
Sports Editor

The Bradley women's golf team opened its season this past Sunday and Monday in Normal, Ill., at the Redbird Invitational. The Braves finished second in the 12-team field with a score of 915, just one stroke behind winner Northern Illinois University. Head coach Mary Swanson was happy with how her team looked in their opening tournament, however disappointed at the second place finish.

Swanson said she was pleased with the way her team looked at the par-72 Weibring Golf Club.

"Overall, it's exciting to come out and shoot some decent rounds and contend in your first event," Swanson said. "Obviously, we would have loved to win, but I think losing just keeps us focused on getting better and keeps our players hungry to continue to up their game."

The Braves were led by senior Ally Scaccia who began her final season on the Hilltop with a bang. Scaccia claimed medalist honors at the Innovational with a one-under 215, five shots ahead of the second-place finisher. The senior was named Missouri Valley Conference golfer of the week for her efforts.

Bradley jumped out to a five-shot advantage after the first day of thanks to a pair of one-under par 71s from Scaccia. Junior Frankie Saban added rounds of 78 and 76 and sophomore Taylor Ledwein carded scored of 77 and 78.

After the opening round success, the Braves took their foot off the gas pedal. Bradley carded a final 307 Monday to finish one



Senior Ally Scaccia claimed medalist honors with a three round score of 215 at the Redbird Invitational.

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shot behind Northern Illinois, which shot 299 in the third round to finish at 914.

In addition to Scaccia's first place finish, Ledwein and Saban both finished in the top 20 with the duo tying for 18th overall at 233.

According to Swanson, the team gave this one away.

"It was a definite disappoint-

ment, we kind of handed it to them," Swanson said. "I think we could look back at some of our rounds and find some shots and puts here and there. With it being only one shot, that's kind of a heartbreaker. We're moving forward though and are focused on the future. Our players have already responded really well in practice this week as they

train for our next event."

Swanson said Scaccia will continue to lead the team both on and off the course.

"Ally has just been a great leader since she's stepped on campus," Swanson said. "She is constantly pushing herself and her teammates to keep improving. I'm really proud of her to get started on a high note, and she's

been tremendously focused. She's invaluable, and we'll enjoy every minute of having her around, but with that being said, were going to stay in the moment."

Bradley returns to action next Monday and Tuesday at the Cardinal Classic in Yorktown, Ind.

Changes coming to intramural program

BY NICK KONOW
Sports Editor

Students who participate in the intramural sports program at Bradley can expect to see some changes this upcoming semester. If you have been out to Meinen field for a softball game, you might have already noticed one major change: the use of a 16-inch ball in place of the 12-inch one that had been used in previous years.

Scott Wood, the new Assistant Director of Campus Recreation and Athletic Facilities – Programs is the man behind these changes. Wood graduated with a sports management degree from Valparaiso University and received his master's in sports administration from University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

According to Wood, he came to Bradley when his wife, Cara Wood, was named the new Director of Student Activities.

"After my wife got her job as Director of Student Activities, I found out about the opening in this position," Wood said. "We were living in Georgia, so we

had some good long talks about whether or not we should make the move, but already we've felt more at home than we could ever imagine."

When Wood interviewed for his position, he said Bradley was looking for someone to add stability to the campus recreation department.

"I found out there had been a lot of turnover within this department, and that excited me because I could create a program," Wood said. "When I interviewed that's what they told me they wanted this position to be about; somebody to recreate and reinvigorate the student body."

The three programs which Woods oversees include group fitness, club sports and intramurals. As head of the intramural program, Wood said Bradley students should participate in intramural sports for one reason: fun.

"I look back at my college days at Valpo, and I loved participating in intramurals," he said. "Whether it's softball or football you're playing a sport and it's

supposed to be fun. I have no problem with competitiveness, but we're not major league baseball or the NFL. We're here to have fun."

According to Wood, he believes he has not changed the program, rather enhanced it.

"I'm trying to make the intramural program more organized and including more policies, which to me, seems like common sense," Wood said. "Most of the responses I've gotten from students have been positive. At first, I wasn't planning on offering C level [intramurals], but I've been told by a lot of students they want it. So, I will be including it after all. So I do listen to students and take what they have to say into consideration."

Some policies Wood implemented include students presenting their Bradley IDs before they can play as well as harsher penalties for forfeits. In addition to these policies, Wood also created an All Campus Championship as a way to crown the top intramural team.

"If you keep your same team name throughout the course of the year, you will earn points, and at the end of the year, there will be a men's champion and a women's champion," Wood said. "Your team can get more points for showing up to every game and having perfect sportsmanship, so there's some incentives for doing the right thing."

Another reason Wood created the championship was to make intramurals seem more inclusive to non-Greek students.

"It's supposed to be something for the entire campus, rather than focusing on one group, and I want to encourage everybody to participate," Wood said. "I was in a fraternity, and loved my time there. But as I've grown away from that time, I've come to realize I have to look at the big picture. That picture is the entire campus."

Wood said his overall goal for the intramural program is growth.

"I want to see a program grow to the point where I have so many people participating that I have to

go to the administration and ask for more field space," Wood said. "I would love to see more than 70 percent of the campus competing in and benefitting from intramurals."

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Dayekh leads Braves

Freshman midfielder Younes Dayekh scored the soccer team's lone goal in Bradley's MVC opener against Loyola.



Younes Dayekh

Volleyball begins 10-match home stand

BY NICK KONOW

Sports Editor

The Bradley volleyball team hosted the CEFCU Classic this past weekend, as part of a 10-match home stand for the Braves. The team finished just 1-2, bringing their overall record to 3-7. Despite their losing record, head coach Carol Price-Torok said she is more concerned with preparing her team for Missouri Valley Conference play rather than wins and losses.

In the opening match of the tournament, the Braves were narrowly edged out by the University of Illinois at Chicago in five sets. Although being paced by junior Erica Haslag, who collected 27 kills and 18 digs for her sixth consecutive double-double, the Flames still managed to hold off a pair of Bradley match points to pull out a 17-15 fifth-set victory.

According to senior Taylor Thiele, losing such a close game brought the team together for the rest of the tournament.

"We were disappointed after losing that five-set match Friday morning," Thiele said. "We all came together for our next couple of matches and put everything we had in it."

After falling to UIC, the Braves were back on the floor later Friday night to take



The Bradley volleyball team celebrates after defeating Murray State on Sept. 9

on defending Ohio Valley Conference regular-season champion Murray State University. Thiele's comments about the team leaving it all on the floor proved to be true. The Braves had a season-best .323 hitting percentage as Bradley sped by the Racers 25-16, 25-22, 25-16 for a three-set sweep.

In the matchup against Murray State, Haslag continued

to shine. The star outside hitter collected 15 kills, while sophomore Kathryn Graf added nine of her own, and sophomore setter Hannah Angeli chipped in with 32 assists.

Price-Torok said she was happy with the team effort her squad displayed.

"We had some really great performances from people who are continuing to play well for us," Price-Torok said. "We also

had some players who stepped into situations and helped us have some success this weekend."

In their final match of the tournament, the Braves once again squared off with UIC. The Braves could not avenge their earlier defeat and fell to the Flames for the second time in as many days. Bradley was dropped in four sets 25-21, 23-25, 25-22, 25-15 as the Braves

suffered another loss in the final match of the classic.

With just a 3-7 overall record, Price-Torok said she is not concerned and instead thinks her team will be ready for conference play.

"We're not very focused on wins and losses right now," Price-Torok said. "Our main concern is just preparing ourselves and continuing to be in game-type situations. Our kids are playing really hard and getting put in situations that they weren't last year. That's going to continue to help us as we get into conference play next week."

Price-Torok has her players buying in, and according to Thiele, this team has a drive unlike those in the past.

"We're sick of losing honestly," Thiele said. "We're following our coach and listening to whatever she has to say. We're just ready to get after it this year."

Bradley continues their home stand next weekend in the CEFCU Invitational Friday and Saturday at Renaissance Coliseum. The Braves open tournament play at 10 a.m. on Friday with a contest against South Dakota State University.

Cross country to host Bradley Intercollegiate

BY COLE BREDAHL
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The Bradley cross country team will have home-course advantage this weekend as the team hosts the Bradley Intercollegiate. Head coach Darren Gauson said the team will look to continue their strong start to the year as they run their second meet.

Bradley will welcome several regional teams, most notably Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Western Illinois, Eastern Illinois and Chicago State. While still early in the season, Gauson said he will use the home meet as a way of gauging his team's ability level and of getting another look at young runners.

"Whoever is healthy will be out there running," Gauson said. "We will be able to see who is ready to go."

The Braves will run their

full rosters, even players who are redshirted. With such a large freshmen class on both the men's and women's sides, Gauson said he has a good opportunity to see how the freshmen are developing.

Now in his third year at the helm of the program, Gauson said he believes each year his team has shown improvement and added more depth.

"We are way ahead of where we were two years ago and considerably improved from last year at this time," Gauson said. "On the women's side, last year we had Hannah [Witzcak] running really well at this point, but this year, we have six or seven women running really well."

In addition to the Bradley Intercollegiate, the Braves will host the Bradley Invitational on Oct. 6 and the Bradley Pink Classic

on Oct. 13. Gauson said he expects his team to run well on their home courses.

"I have high expectations for all of our home meets this year, and we want to win them all," Gauson said.

The men's race begins at 5 p.m., and the women's competition will start at 5:45 p.m. at Detweiller Park.

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