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room and board?

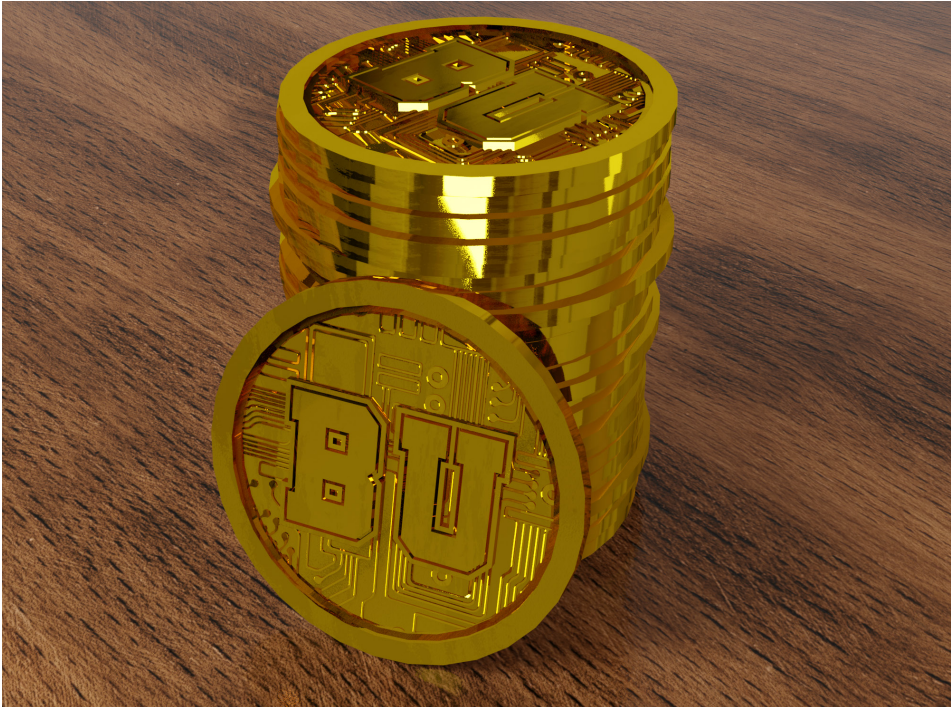
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Yik Yak is taking
over The Scoop!

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BRADLEY UNIVERSITY TO MAKE DINING DOLLARS A CRYPTOCURRENCY

BY DENNY DIMES

Coinmaster General

With all of the buzz and conversation around Web3, the metaverse, NFTs and the crypto space as a whole, it was only a matter of time before Bradley University stepped into the ring and created its own cryptocurrency.

President Stevie Standistand has recently announced that both Dining Dollars and Quick Cash will be transitioning into cryptocurrencies for this upcoming semester.

The value of the currency, titled BradleyCoin (BUC), will fluctuate based on the amount of food being bought on campus. Additionally, students will be able to gain additional BUC by contributing to the blockchain and mining with their laptops.

When questioned about this change, Bradley CFO Sharon Moore-Cash stated, "Cryptocurrency is the next evolution in money. Making Dining Dollars into a cryptocurrency is an obvious step to keep Bradley University at the forefront of technology."

The decision comes after a study showed that more and more students have a large amount of leftover Dining Dollars and Quick Cash in their accounts when the allotted semester is over, as well as the frequent and nonstop requests for such a change from one very determined business major.

"Stonks," Mike Hunt said. "BU Coin to the moooooooooooooon."

This change should hopefully provide encouragement for students to use their meal plan money for more than just food, but also engage in the crypto market in a way never seen before on campus.

In the past, students would simply use their meal plans to purchase food on and off campus. With the new cryptocurrency, students will be able to transfer and convert their funds into any of the other various cryptocurrencies on the market (although they will not be able to transfer them back into USD, following a clause that comes from the Bradley University meal plans).

"Eating food is boring anyways. I personally would willingly throw away my ability to eat food if it meant earning an extra \$5 on the digital marketplace," said Keny Lingis, sophomore business and oral communications major.

This change calls into question a number of possibilities of what students might do with such an entry point into the crypto space, whether it be creating their own personalized cryptocurrencies, minting and selling special Kaboom! NFTs for thousands of dollars or even just testing their luck and transferring all their meal plan money into Dogecoin and hoping for the best.

If one thing is for sure, it's that this change will definitely go over well with the Bradley student body, which has never once had a history of aggravation or discontent towards cryptocurrencies of any kind.



BY TIA M. ZEE

Gossip Writer with Restraining Orders

Are things getting heated between Kaboom! and Reggie Redbird?

We aren't talking about basketball or sports between these two rivals. No, this goes off the court and into their personal lives.

The two mascots were found wining and dining at Two Planets Cafe, chatting and giggling over a candlelit meal — a scene that looked right out of a romance movie.

Despite the shocking sight of these two not going at each other's necks, let's hope Kaboom! at least made a good impression and didn't pay with QuickCash. Paying with borderline Monopoly money is not the flex you want to give on the first date.

Any observing fan will see that Kaboom! has been getting cryptic on his Twitter account.



Never mind the fact that the day before that Reggie also was looking for some company.



This just might mark the start of this fiery rivalry turning into a fiery affair. We reached out to public relations at Bradley University to get possible confirmation on the rumors.

"There is no relationship between the two; they were just having an important business meeting," Beret Barbels, head of PR, said. "How did you get into my office anyways? You're not my 2 o'clock appointment. Security!" Despite what PR says, it's clear that there's something different about how these two mascots are acting. After all, no one can blame Reggie for looking so red in the face after he saw Kaboom!'s chiseled abs at the last basketball game.

Only time will tell if these two are a modern-day Romeo and Juliet or a pairing destined for doom like Kanye West and Kim Kardashian. Team KaBird, anyone?

Yik Yak to replace The Scoop

BY FINN GURMEE

Cattle Enthusiast

Last week, Bradley Scoop Editor-in-Chief Tangerine Smellzher announced on Twitter that this semester would be the last for Bradley’s oldest student organization.

Many were left in confusion: What led to this point? While some blamed COVID-19, a lack of funding or a lack of student participation, the real culprit is the nefarious social media platform where users can post “news” in real time: Yik Yak.

Although Yik Yak is by no means a new application, it returned to the Apple App Store at the beginning of the school year. While some took to the app to bash on the Sigma Chi and Delta Upsilon fraternities, some real news slowly slipped through the cracks.

This became especially salient after news of the “Piss Bandit” broke ... or spilled. Within hours, Yik Yakers had identified the situation, the cause, the implications and potential culprits.

“Yik Yak just has far too many reporters; we simply can’t keep up,” Herman Gutierrez, verified Twitter journalist, said.

Indeed, The Scoop frequently “breaks” news hours or days after its announcement on the app.

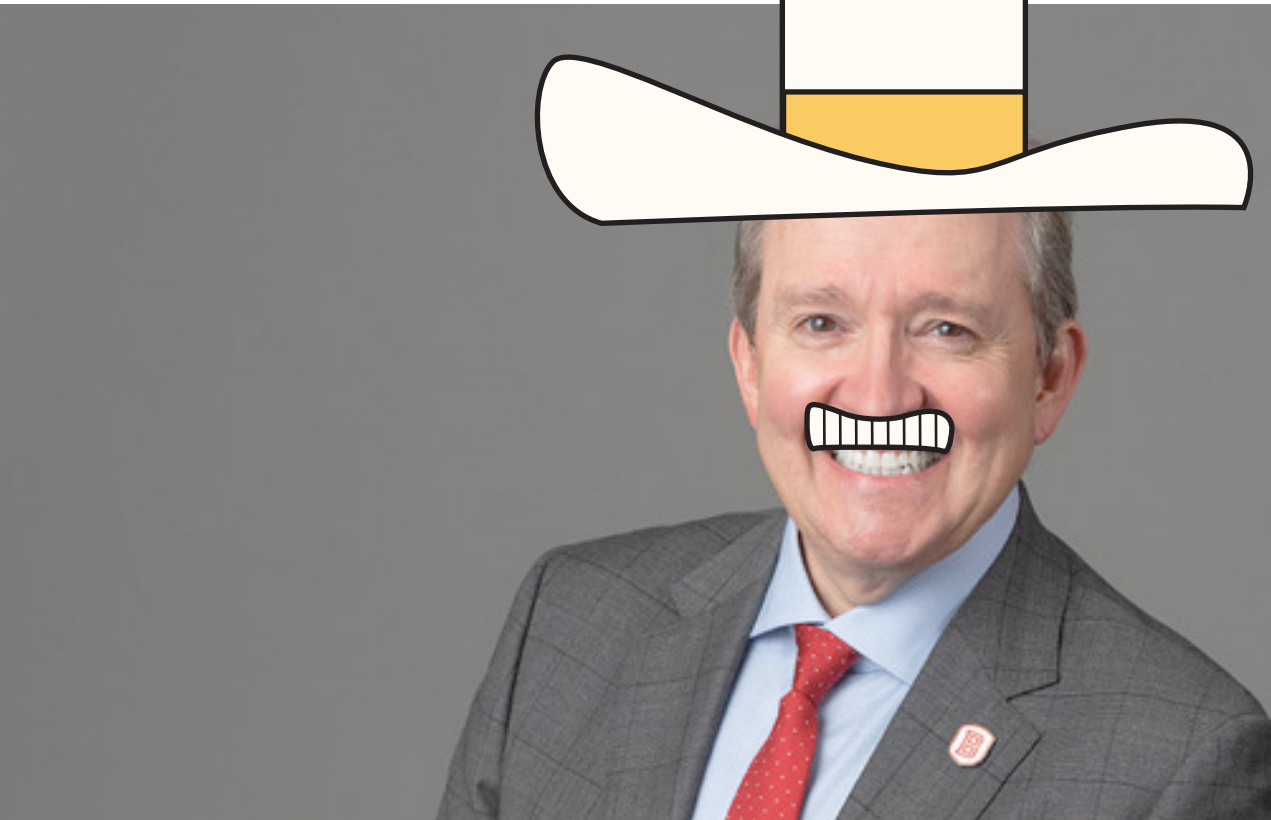
“No one wants to read old news,” Smellzher said. “As student journalists, we simply cannot keep up with the speed of Yik Yak. We even stopped using reliable sources. We’ve been publishing hearsay for months with virtually no repercussions.”

The numbers have shown this as well. The Scoop averages one reader a week: your mom.

The app also has the Scoop beat in one other meaningful way: its colorful language. In a Scoop article, you cannot say, “What the actual ****, Danny. Are you ***** me, you *****. I will ***** you. *****. Seriously.” However, Yik Yak has very loose community guidelines.

“It’s definitely devastating to see,” Smellzher said “We tried so hard and got so far, but in the end, it doesn’t even matter.”

While The Bradley Scoop’s website will remain online and in archives for posterity’s sake, no new content will be released after April 29.



RENAISSANCE COLISEUM NO MORE, "THE STANDIDOME" IS HERE TO STAY

BY SONNY SPORTSBALLS

Dome Expert

After over a decade of bearing the name “Renaissance Coliseum,” Bradley’s athletic department announced earlier today that it was time for the arena to undergo a renaissance of its own.

Going forward, Renaissance Coliseum will be named “The Standidome” in honor of the university’s current president Stevie Standistand.

“The Standidome will continue its history of hosting various Bradley athletic programs with updated facilities for both practices and games and will be a beacon of architecture for years to come,” Krissy Wrenolds, Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics, said in a press conference on Wednesday.

Among the planned changes at the Standidome are a retractable roof, which will be opened to give the Braves an advantage during women’s basketball and volleyball games, in addition to knocking down the arena’s

south wall to house an indoor football stadium under the roof.

Extending the length of the arena will eliminate most of the open space in front of the Alumni Center on campus. The issue was hotly debated among students and representatives from Bradley and its athletic department, mostly due to the fact that the proposed addition would eliminate Alumni Quad altogether.

“Where am I supposed to hammock when I’m skipping my classes?” nursing major Cary Barrington said. “I’m extremely disappointed with this decision.”

“Forget them kids, bro,” Standistand chuckled in an interview after the Wednesday press conference. “These students have been begging for a football team for years, and now they’re befuddled that the new football stadium takes away their outdoor space. Who doesn’t love a good dome?”

The Standidome’s retractable roof, which an anonymous university spokesperson said will be financed using students’ Dining Dollars, will open the playing surface

to the elements, providing the Braves with a significant homecourt advantage.

“If the wind is blowing really hard, it will make it significantly harder for opponents to score since they’re not used to it,” Tooby DeTermined, women’s basketball head coach, said. “I plan on having the team practice in rain, sleet, snow and fog to have them ready for next season.”

Like the Carrier Dome at Syracuse University, The Standidome will be unique in its ability to host both basketball and football games. The football stadium, Standistand said, will have a 6,000-seat capacity and will serve fare from Bacci Pizza as its main concessions option.

“Who doesn’t love some dollar store food slapped on top of a cardboard crust?” Standistand said. “Only the finest of dining options will be satisfactory at The Standidome.”

The Standidome will feature a new design on its facade, featuring Standistand’s face in front of a faded Bradley logo. The top of the arena will feature an LED depiction with Standistand’s face with the words “Go Far, Go Bradley” on top of it.

The LED display on the roof, found at some of the world’s premier stadiums, will also be funded through the students’ Quick Cash.

“Honestly, it doesn’t matter if the students can’t print out their papers,” Standistand said in a post shared on social media. “We didn’t come here to play school; we came here to play football.”

A tryout for the Braves’ football team will be open to all members of Bradley fraternities before The Standidome’s planned opening in August 2023.



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Melodrama
the more, the merrier

BY JOE KING

Just Kidding

Movies and television today need to improve. The sure-fire way to do so: more melodrama.

I know what you're thinking; that's exactly what we need. After a day full of problems, what really relaxes me is watching others' problems because I never get tired of it.

This is especially the case when the melodrama is done through stone-faced actors delivering lines nobody could put any humanity into. Having almost no discernable facial expressions is the easiest way that I can insert myself into the protagonist.

After a while, you'd think that the people in shows or any piece of media would try to sit back and take a moment to digest and discuss the events that happen to them. I certainly hope not, as it would be far too dull to watch.

What really insults me with shows these days is that they challenge what I view and offer up characters that I despise but can't easily pick apart. It's a wonder that those are few and far between and that when they are there, I can still find a little issue and throw everything else into a villain.

Even when shows do create a villain that is clearly in the wrong, I enjoy that they create one without any menace that comes off as a bumbling fool. It's just escapism; it doesn't have to make sense or have continuity.

Evil in escapism is an unnecessary discomfort that serves to bog down the

story and makes me face the fact that not everything goes right. But that's OK, as I already know that since melodrama is the only way a story can be realistic.

See, these characters have problems. Do you disagree with how it's handled? Well, I think that's unrealistic. On the topic of realism, even that is irking me. Problems shouldn't happen to the characters I like. They're symbols to look up to; no number of problems should stop them from inspiring everyone. Only models of perfection can be up to snuff.

Don't get me started on symbolism. I just love it when it is included in any capacity. The more incomprehensible it is, the more I can appreciate the direction the person is going. After all, it is their direction, and they are an artist. You can't just simply criticize it.

Although, before I could ever get to appreciate it, the pace manages to fly at a break-neck speed so that I don't have to wait to get to the next scene. See, the atmosphere isn't important, nor is the ability to actually see what is going on.

The lack of harsh lighting and flat wide shots really sold the disinterest in the actor's face — at least, from what I could see since the movie was so dark. Oh, and it was dark emotionally, too, which gave it a lot of weight and depth since it dealt with dark material itself.

It's those extremes that really make a movie have so much depth. No amount of nuance can make up for the spectacle that comes with the entertainment industry. That's why they call it movie magic.

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STAFF PICKS

IF YOU HAD A PURGE DAY, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

TANGERINE SMELLZHER

I would sneak into Disneyland and hack the system to get unlimited Fast-Passes for all the rides. I might also take some free merch while I'm at it. Fans everywhere deserve as much after Disney+ prices went up.

SONNY SPORTSBALLS

I would hack into Canvas and delete all of my upcoming assignments so that I could focus on my extracurricular activities instead of school. Doing homework would eventually pay my bills down the road, but I am broke and need money now.

STAFF RYDER

I would commit all the crimes on campus because I'm in charge of writing the police reports and I can pin the blame on someone else when The Purge is over.

FINN GURMEE

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DRYDEN PENN

I would pull a Robin Hood-style heist on Jeff Bezos. Baldy needs to pay. Plus, a Purge Day would let me escape the fashion police for wearing exclusively Lincoln green.

TIA M. ZEE

I'd force the DMV to give me my license. I'd go to a dealership with Lamborghinis, steal a new, super fast Lamborghini, race it down the highway but probably crash it. After I most likely crash from being a Speed Racer, I'd steal a humble hybrid because Purge Day isn't going to be every day, and gas prices have been the true thieves this whole time.



Campus squirrels required to pay room and board

BY TANGERINE SMELLZHER

Squirrel Nut-in-Chief

The university announced today that it will establish a new policy requiring the squirrels on campus to pay for room and board to live on the Hilltop. This is an effort to keep tuition relatively stable and competitive in the current market for students.

This decision comes after multiple students discussed altercations with the squirrels causing emotional damage. University Senate hosted a forum to dive further into these issues after a group of students started a Change.org petition calling for squirrels to be banned on the Hilltop.

University officials thought it would be best to ask the squirrels to contribute financially to the campus in hopes that the students would accept this as a compromise.

"The truth is that the squirrels are very important to the overall ecosystem of the university," Bradley's president Stevie Standistand said. "If the squirrels leave, then it's only a matter of time before the whole institution collapses."

To make the campus worth the room and board fee of \$420.69 per semester, there will be some additions to accommodate the squirrels and make them more comfortable.

Civil engineering and art majors will be tasked with constructing treehouses and dorm complexes to promote collaboration between the programs as well as creating a better understanding of the squirrels' needs.

The treehouses will be 1 foot by 1 foot with one window and will be considered singles. There will be five treehouses around Olin Quad and 10 on Alumni Quad. The dorm complexes will be built in the grassy areas near the singles residences and will be complete with a common area and dining hall. The university is ac-

cepting donation bids for naming rights to the squirrel dorm complexes.

"In order to build for the squirrels, you must be a squirrel," Chad Blaze, a fifth-year civil engineering major, said. "I have slept outside and lived on nothing but nuts and stolen Chick-fil-A fries for the last week, so I say I'm doing a pretty good job."

If the squirrels and students remain civilized, then squirrels will be allowed to create a fraternity named Sigma Nuts and a house will be constructed on Fredonia Avenue.

With the additional funds from the squirrels, Markin will be ordering rodent-sized exercise equipment to be used between 6 and 8 a.m. on weekdays. Students can use the gym at this time, but they must try to remain a safe distance away from the squirrels.

"I can't wait to take pictures of the cuties in their little houses and on the miniature exercise equipment," Dr. Nibbles, professor of rodentology, said. "Maybe I'll start a Tumblr for all of their adventures. I hear that's popular with the kids these days."

The university will not accept acorns as payment, but the squirrels can accept different jobs on campus to afford the residential life fees. Some tasks include grounds maintenance, keeping the dining areas clean and residential advising in the squirrel dorms.

"I had a squirrel throw an acorn at me while I was sitting under a tree, so no, I am not happy about the increased presence of squirrels," Nat Inn-Myez, a freshperson nursing major, said. "My time inside is a safe haven from those vermin and now I won't even have that."

The Scoop attempted to interview several squirrels, but most twitched their tails and ran away. One of the squirrels did agree to speak with an editor, but the recording could not be successfully translated. We wish this editor a speedy recovery and a negative rabies test.

A sonnet to Bradley

BY DRYDEN PENN
Corn Flakes Connoisseur

When I lay my eyes upon the radiant Hilltop,
All my breath slows to a stop.
I survey the verdant lawns under the skies
That drop misty rain into my eyes.

Looking up, I see Westlake Tower
As it loudly calls out the hour.
9 a.m. — I'm late for class.
Once again, my ass is grass.

Bradley has no equivalents;
It's true that mid-size makes a big difference.
The institution that's built to beyond
With slogans of which we're all fond.

Truly the best of all schools —
But wait, it's April Fools.

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Around 3:40 a.m. on March 23 at Renaissance Coliseum, the identity of the local individual who stored bags and bottles filled with urine was revealed to be Bradley's mascot Kaboom!. The BUPD got an anonymous tip from a student on campus who spotted the mascot walking away from Williams Hall with bags in hand. Upon arriving at Renaissance Coliseum, BUPD found the mascot in a room with multiple bags and bottles of urine. Kaboom! has since been placed in custody.

At 9:45 p.m. on March 25 in front of Wyckoff Hall, the university's Hilltop Safety Cruiser struck Spider-Man. The New York-local superhero was visiting campus as a supporter of the Student Senate election. The web-slinger was walking across the street from Wyckoff Hall to the student center when the cruiser came out of nowhere and struck him. The masked hero was left with a bruised rib but no major injuries. The driver of the Safety Cruiser remained unharmed. The Scoop even has a photo from the scene.



At 5 a.m. on March 26 on Olin Quad, a fight broke out between a student and a gang of squirrels. The student was out participating in early morning yoga when a squirrel threw an acorn at their head. This prompted the student to throw the acorn back and call the squirrel a "nut job." The squirrel took offense to the comment and called for his gang of squirrels, who then gathered around the student and cornered them before starting a large brawl. Acorns were used as ammunition, and the student even used a stick to fend off the squirrels. In the end, the student lost the fight, and was taken to Weenie Hut Jr. Hospital to be treated for their injuries. BUPD has not apprehended any of the accused squirrels from the rumble.

Around 6:30 p.m. on March 28 on the steps of Bradley Hall, a riot broke out over the social media app Yik Yak. Supporters of the app faced off against the anonymous user only known by the headphones emoji after they found out the user was behind the plot to ban the app from campus. Students brought posters in support of the app with their "Yakarma" written in the corner of them. All members of the riot wore Yak hats and dressed in teal to match the app.

Around 4:25 p.m. on March 29 in The Scoop office, a disgruntled editor strangled her designer to death. When the police arrived, they investigated before releasing her from custody. "In her defense, his graphics really did suck," said Ryan Joshuako.