

OLEE Department to oversee dining services going forward

Aux gym no more; get food hunter-gatherer style

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Chief Liability Officer

In a move described by administrators as “the ultimate synergy of experiential learning and budgetary restriction,” Brevard College announced today that the Outdoor Leadership and Environmental Education (OLEE) department will officially take over all campus dining operations.

Effective immediately, the traditional “swipe-and-serve” model is dead. Students looking for their next meal will no longer find pre-made food. Instead, the Auxiliary Gym has been decommissioned, gutted, and filled with four tons of moss, a tactical thicket of brambles, and a self-sustaining population of feral protein.

The transition, titled the “Spear-to-Table Initiative,” aims to tackle the student body’s rising passive lifestyle while simultaneously eliminating the need for kitchen staff, electricity, or silverware.

“We noticed students were becoming too reliant on ‘plates’ and ‘predictable caloric intake,’” said President Andrews, wearing a suit made entirely of reclaimed napkins. “By handing a freshman a sharpened dowel and pointing them toward the Aux Gym—now rebranded as The Grounds—we are fostering grit. If you want the tilapia, you have to wade into the creek and look it in the eye.”

The OLEE takeover introduces several key innovations to the student experience:

Students are granted 24-hour access to the campus quad to compete for dandelion greens, invasive grubs, and the occasional discarded pastries from Bills coffee shop.

Students who take more than 18 credits will receive a camouflage headband and a 15-minute head start in the Aux Gym before the release of the “Entree of the Day” (usually a very confused wild turkey or a high-velocity rabbit).

For those not inclined toward the hunt, the OLEE department has hidden 400 lbs of unwashed root vegetables throughout the library’s study rooms. You will be hunting in the dark with wild animal noises playing on a speaker.

The student body has reacted with a mix of confusion and genuine starvation. Senior history major Angie Martino was spotted unsuccessfully trying to trap a squirrel with a discarded textbook.

“I just wanted a wrap,” Martino whispered, their face smeared with tactical mud. “But the OLEE seniors told me

the wrap ‘hasn’t been caught yet’ and that I needed to ‘check the wind direction’ before I could have dessert. I think the dessert is a beehive. I’m not going in there.”

The college remains firm, noting that the carbon footprint of the dining hall has dropped to zero, mostly because the student body has stopped breathing heavily to avoid detection by the “Dinner-of-the-Week,” a 200-pound boar currently nesting in between the soda fridges.



To save money, President Andrews now dresses in napkins. He has also taken spearing lessons to out-hunt the students. We are all going to starve.

Brevard College to institute new campus Fashion Police

Zoe Hughes
Professional Cat Herder

In an effort to regain the sophistication of higher education, Brevard College has instituted a new department: the Brevard College Fashion Police (BCFP).

The BCFP aims to “foster a culture of well-dressed individuals,” according to their online mission statement. This organization is made up of volunteer students and their Fashion Chief of Police, an anonymous figure known only as “Dr. Diva.”

The Fashion Chief of Police was a new position created by the Brevard College administration to make a real change in our fashion standards. They are tasked with enforcing the new

dress code rules that Brevard will implement.

The new rules are as follows:

No pajamas in classes

No crocs, slippers, slides, or any other kind of ‘house shoe’

No sweatpants or gym shorts in classes unless clearly part of a cohesive outfit; otherwise, that’s just pajamas.

Generally, no looking like a bum

The student volunteers, including myself, have been given the power to enforce these rules in various ways. One example being that Fashion Police Officers may forcibly pants an individual wearing pajama pants to class.

Stay classy or get pansted.



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“Career Center recommends ‘selling your organs’ as viable post-grad financial plan”

“Literacy Club launches for those who can’t read that their name is not on the coffee cup but take it anyway”

“Jones Library trashes all books, replaces them with AI summary chatbot”

“BC changes mascot to something ‘less intimidating’ amid concerns pertaining to violence from Nado”

Bills gets approved for expansion

Construction crew consists of only professors

Autumn Jones
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In the spirit of the new Student Center being built, the college's administrators have decided that Bills is also in dire need of an update. The tiny shop has had some issues lately regarding overcrowding.

However, in a move that administrators are calling “fiscally innovative” and students are calling a “lawsuit waiting to happen,” Brevard has announced that the expansion will be completed entirely by a volunteer crew of full-time faculty.

Here’s how it’s going:

Dr. Workman has appointed herself as the site manager and is taking her job very seriously. #FreeTheProfessors.

Cagney Guest showed up at the work site incredibly early, wearing a tool belt and a can-do attitude that is frankly making everyone else look bad. Way to go, Cagney.

Dr. Ecenbarger is making fun of Cagney and is refusing to put on a hard-hat. Charles, you cannot wear a baseball cap insetad.

Dr. Padgett is writing an instruction manual in AP style. We don’t know how.

Dr. Biava keeps explaining what the building materials are chemically composed of. (Spoiler: Mainly carbon and OSHA violations).

Dr. Rocky Nation is forcing other faculty members to adopt his nature-based stress management approach, slowing progress.

Dr. Maveety is playing in the grass with bugs.

Dr. Eastridge is stuck in some wall siding. No one has noticed. Someone help him.

Dr. Pulliam is filching the high-grade glass for her at-home telescope project. The new windows might be Saran Wrap.

Dr. Kuck is doing an anthropological study comparing Bills to a double-decker bus.

Dr. Hairston brought cookies.

Dr. Whitaker is framing lumber to make a larger-than-life (approximately 12 foot) Elmo replica.

Dr. Bensel is analyzing the infrastructure through the lens of Marxism (does this get me extra credit?)

Moreschi is nowhere to be found. His only comment: “I have better things to do.”

Dr. Kyle Rochau is conducting exercises using building materials. We are running out of materials; please, Kyle, we just need to finish the roof.

Dr. Mel Bringle showed up as the self-respecting dilettante that she is, offering aesthetic critiques but refusing to touch a hammer. You go, Bringle.

Dr. Souto is taste-testing coffee in the corner. We don’t know where he got it.



BC to replace all grass with paved scooter highways around campus, scooter-themed drink

Anonymous
Guest Appearance

Brevard College will be paving scooter highways around campus to allow for the scooter boys to get to class one minute faster than walking, according to a press conference on Monday, March 30.

“The paving equipment was already here to make the new parking lot outside of Green, so we thought we might as well pave over some more grass,” said Facilities. “We firmly believe that scootering is the transportation mode of the future.”

The paths will run adjacent to campus roads and sidewalks, but will feature a 55 mph speed limit to ensure maximum casualties.

“We love riding in tandem. I’ve had sometimes two, three, or even four guys ride on my deck,” said one infamous scooter boy.

Facilities is even planning to pave a jump over King’s Creek, to allow

for maximum efficiency when making the long and hard 0.3-mile traverse from the Villages to Bill’s Boiler House.

To celebrate this joyous occasion and show love and appreciation for scooters, Bill’s Boiler House will be launching a scooter-themed drink called the Skidmark. There will also be a scooter-only parking lot beside Bill’s.

“I can’t wait to ignore the scooter parking and park my scooter in the middle of the sidewalk, and then get mad when someone knocks it over,” said one scooter boy. “I will always be in a rush to get a Skidmark five minutes before class.”

“We can only hope that these pathways will encourage students to ditch less efficient methods of transportation—like cycling and walking—for what middle schoolers consider the coolest form of transportation,” said Facilities.

This could be you



'Florida Man energy' reportedly spreading throughout the softball team

Ivelysse Leighton
Minister of Word Count Inflation

A recent surge of unusual activity on the Brevard College campus has been traced back to an unexpected source: the softball team.

More specifically, four players from Florida.

Over the past several weeks, students and teammates have observed a pattern of behavior that can only be described as "Florida Man energy," a phenomenon typically associated with chaotic confidence, questionable decision-making, and an almost supernatural ability to thrive in unpredictable conditions.

The signs began subtly. A noticeable resistance to cold weather. A willingness to practice in conditions others would avoid. A general lack of concern for environmental obstacles that would normally interrupt practice or gameplay.

What initially appeared to be confidence has since escalated into something far more distinctive.

Reports now include voluntary participation in practices during weather considered unplayable, an unusual comfort around wildlife, and a team-wide increase in conversations involving highly unrealistic survival strategies. One particularly memorable moment involved the detailed breakdown of how a fast-moving reptile could hypothetically be "outmaneuvered" through teamwork and positioning.

Across campus, the phrase "Florida Man energy" has become a shorthand for actions that

seem slightly unhinged but strangely effective. The softball team, in particular, has become closely associated with this label, as its performance on the field appears to benefit from the same unpredictability that

defines the phenomenon.

Players from Florida have demonstrated an ability to remain unfazed by changing conditions, whether environmental or competitive. Rain, mud, and pressure situations appear to have little impact on their performance, contributing to a growing belief that their approach to the game operates under a different set of rules.

This energy has begun to influence the rest of the team.

Teammates report higher morale, increased adaptability, and a greater willingness to embrace unpredictable conditions during both practices and games. What might typically be seen as setbacks is instead treated as an opportunity, reinforcing the team's resilience and cohesion.

Observers have noted that the phenomenon aligns with broader cultural perceptions of Florida as a place where unusual events are not only common but expected. The term "Florida Man" has long been used to describe a specific type of headline-worthy behavior, and its adaptation into a campus context appears to follow similar patterns.

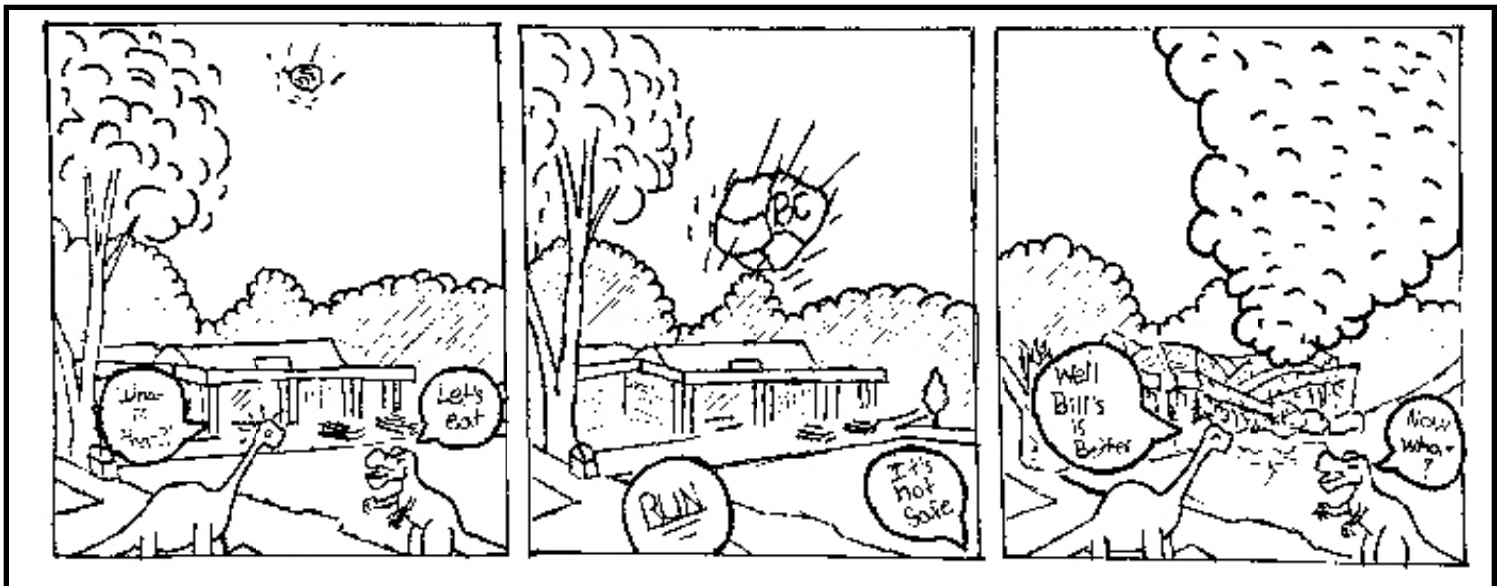
Despite the growing attention, the players at the center of the phenomenon remain largely unchanged in their approach.


If anything, the behavior has become more noticeable as temperatures drop and conditions become less favorable for outdoor activity. While much of campus adjusts to seasonal changes, the softball team continues to operate with a level of consistency that has raised both admiration and mild concern.

At present, no formal action has been taken, and there are no indications that the situation requires intervention. However, campus officials and students alike appear to be closely monitoring the development, if only to better understand how such a level of chaos can consistently produce positive results.

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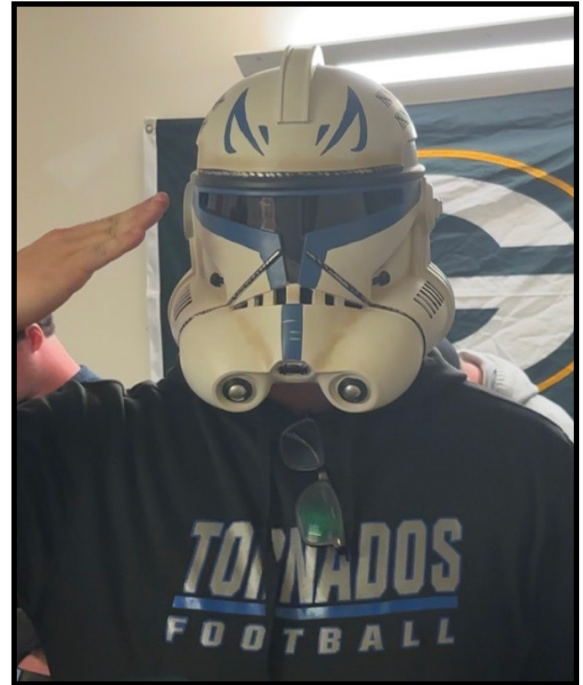
During my time at Brevard College, I've always heard the bad things said about our campus the loudest; however, I have heard the good. At certain times, to hear those types of things feels like it's a cherished moment, and you'd better hold onto it.

What I have always heard and what stood out to me the most was, "This place isn't real." "Only in Brevard." Well, I got to thinking about these things and couldn't help but notice a unique character walking around in our beloved villages.

A stormtrooper. Yes, a stormtrooper was cruising around the villages like he was lost. I decided to go up and do some investigative journalism. I spoke with this stormtrooper for only a few minutes before, I assume, finding his way back to his own planet/home.

During our conversation, I asked him what his initial reaction was to Brevard. He responded with, "It's a beautiful place, but something just feels weird." I asked him to go further in his description of weirdness; however, he stated he could not. So, I asked a different question. "Is this place real? Is where you come from real?" and he responded with a question of his own, "What do you think?"

This seemed to be the most useless conversation with a possible extra-terrestrial being of all time. Maybe I'll let the Villages miss my presence for a while.



Leaked photo of left behind storm trooped helmet.

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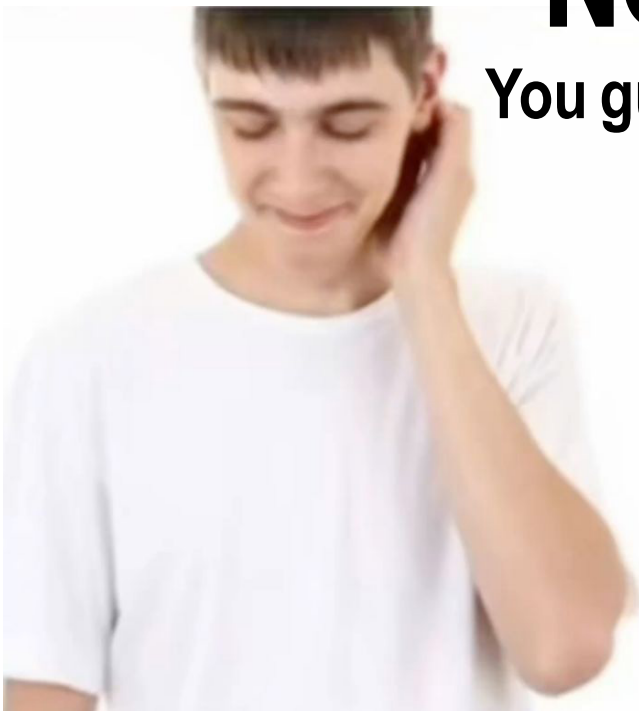
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Weather changes this upcoming weekend Forecasts calling for BELOW ZERO temperatures.

Tyler Mabry

Person who still thinks we're a print-only publication

The state of North Carolina is expecting a drastic change in temperatures, even including below-zero temperatures in certain parts of the state.

This announcement comes after many retired meteorologists got together to look at the forecast for this upcoming Easter weekend. After meeting, concerns were raised about how much this weather swing will affect the cities and the people who live in them.

"I don't recall a swing in temperature this big ever," former meteorologist Ron Gillings said, "Even in my 87 years of living, I have never seen anything like this."

When a meteorologist of Gillings' caliber

hasn't seen a weather incident like this before, you know it's a big deal, and one not to be messing around with. These temperature swings can cause chaos among the cities impacted, as the citizens will probably be furious with the cold front coming through.

When the south becomes frozen by a cold front, the people become distressed, wondering when the normal heat will come back. Even though the cold won't last forever, expect the people to be angry, sad, or whatever negative mood you can describe it as.

For the actual forecast, it says Thursday is supposed to be 52 degrees, which is normal. However, on Friday, the temperature will drop from 52 degrees to 16 degrees. Then the worst of it for the weekend, as on Saturday the temperature is supposed to be a frigid negative 12

degrees. On Easter Sunday, the temperature will go from negative 12 degrees the day before to a whopping negative five degrees.

Usually, on Easter weekend, we Carolinians are looking forward to warm weather and sunshine, but this year, that is unfortunately not looking likely.

Gillings also notes that if it were to precipitate, it wouldn't be just rain you'd have to be worried about. "Since the temperatures are going to be drastically low, you wouldn't be dealing with rain, you'd be dealing with intense snowfall," Gillings said on Monday morning.

So, knowing that the warm weather is going to disappear for a few days, it's important to stay warm and stay away from distressed people on the street.



Latest IT issue results in 2026 fall course schedule being completely inaccurate

Zoie Stiller

Senorita Awesome

Still celebrating that perfect schedule you snagged for next semester? You might want to hold that thought. Word around campus is that the administration decided to turn registration

into the ultimate April Fool's prank. Those "IT issues" that plagued the system? Totally intentional—it was just a decoy system being swapped in.

Every class you signed up for has been voided, and the 'full' sections are being reset to zero. As for when the real registration opens? That

remains a mystery the faculty hasn't felt like solving yet. So, keep your eyes on your inbox and your expectations low. We're all back to square one, just waiting for the next "glitch" to happen.