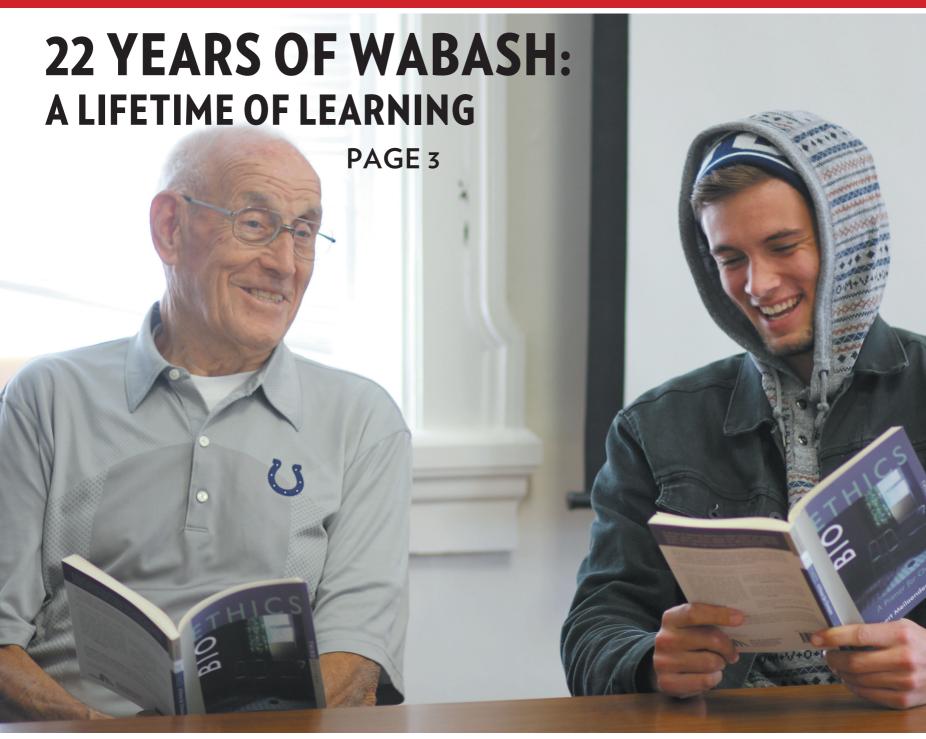
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#### **FOOTE HURTS HAND**

An ambulance and fire truck lit up South Grant Avenue this past Sunday night responding to an emergency outside Phi Gamma Delta. Pledge Michael Foote '18, impaled his hand in two places on the sharp-edged side of a campus grill top that was left outside the fraternity house. The grill master was released from the St. Elizabeth hospital early Monday morning without serious injuries. Be careful folks, the blood found in your next Rhyne burger my not be from the raw meat.

#### BETA ART MAJORS

Not once but twice did Beta members successfully apply a horrible paint job to the senior bench. ls distressed a new fall



look? Third time's a charm, Beta. Please paint the bench again and make it look somewhat respectable.

### JENNINGS RECOGNIZED

Dayton Jennings achieved a noteable award and broke a school record. The NCAC named Jennings the Men's Soccer player of the Week for his performance against both St. Joseph University and Oberlin. While playing St. Joseph he posted six saves in 90 minutes.

## WYSOCKI LINKS WABASH TO NOBEL LAUREATE

The excitement which greeted Wednesday's organic chemistry class at 9 a.m. was out of the ordinary for good reason. Professor of Chemistry Laura Wysocki had just learned that Eric Betzig, a colleague with whom she has worked, won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

#### SOCCER TEAM STREAK

The Soccer Team made history this past Sunday in their 1-0 win over Oberlin. Records for the longest unbeaten streak to start a season and most shutouts in a season both fell on the day. The team also secured their first winning season since 1998.

## HI-FIVES WABASH RESPONDS, 'SHAKES IT OFF'



COREY EGLER '15 / PHOTO

The Bombers line up for their semi-synchronized dive for the #Shakeitoff challenge from IUPUI. The camera crew has been around campus all week assembling footage.

#### **DANIEL THOMPSON '17 | STAFF**

WRITER • Earlier this week students at IUPUI posted a video to the school's Youtube channel. The camera follows students (and a Jimmy John's delivery boy) throughout campus shaking it out to Taylor Swift's "Shake it Off". The students danced for more than just the fun of it - they danced to raise awareness for suicide prevention. The video ended by challenging Purdue, Indiana University - Bloomington, and Wabash College to "Dance. Challenge. Spread Awareness.'

This challenged quickly reached Wabash

"Our communications department shared the video with Nathan Bode and me," Corey Egler '15 said. "From that point we collaborated to get people involved, and [according to the challenge] we had a week to select an awareness and put together a video."

To this end the two quickly tracked down Austin Myers '16 in the Media Center. Indeed when Corey found Myers in the media center he quickly showed him IUPUI's video and explained the challenge. Time was of the essence.

"I'll be doing the editing, so hopefully we can get it out by Friday evening or early Monday," Myers said.

Finding the videographer was just the start. Bode and Egler had to first work to find both a cause and talent. Part of the challenge was to pick a new cause, one to compliment IUPUI's of suicide prevention.

"The cause we chose was men's mental health, of course with movember coming up," Egler said. "We're an all male institution, of course, and men's health has been a growing focus on campus in the last few semesters.'

Movember is the creation of the Movember Foundation that, according to their website, is "the leading global organization committed to changing the face of men's health". The organization encourages men to grow moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness and funding for prostate cancer, testicular cancer and mental health.

The organization has seen growing awareness here on campus - think "Monon Mustache". There was another boon to the growth when Wabash and Hampden-Sydney competed in growing mustaches online last year. With the cause in hand, the new trio started filming.

"We're getting guys from all over campus - swimmers, clubs, organizations, and anyone on campus to have them being silly to promote that," Egler said. "We've got Dr. Blix already."

On Wednesday afternoon, camera in hand, Egler and Myers went down to the pool, before swim practice. The team was

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## **COVER STORY**

• Imagine that it's the fall of 1992. You are sitting in your first class at Wabash. Now imagine that you are sitting down for class in 2014, in the same building. You never left. For one student, this is true. Keith Lindow has been enrolled at Wabash College every semester since the fall of 1992. There is only one small difference - most students are in their early 20s, while Keith is 85 years old.

Lindow was born in 1929 in the small town of Plymouth, Wisconsin, about halfway from Milwaukee to Green Bay. He grew up on a small dairy farm and attended primary school in a one-room building. After graduating high school in 1947, he completed one year of college at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, before being drafted into the Army. He served two years in the Army around the time of Korean War, but never saw any overseas fighting. After his service, he worked a variety of jobs. At one time or another, he worked in construction, tended bar, worked on a production line, in a fish hatchery, and was a truck driver. With financial support from the Army, he returned to the University of Wisconsin in 1954 to complete his bachelor's degree, graduating in 1957.

Lindow and his wife moved to Crawfordsville shortly after he graduated, and they have lived here ever since. The couple raised their children in Crawfordsville, and he retired from RR Donnelley & Sons in 1992.

Retirement marked a change for Lindow. Some retirees travel the world; others discover new passions, or cultivate old interests put on hold by their careers. Lindow decided that he would register for a class at Wabash. It wasn't a decision that came out of the blue. Lindow had been active in the Wabash community for years. He and his wife coordinate the ushers for public events at the Fine Arts Center, such as the Theater department plays and the Visiting Artist Series. He attends open lectures when he can, and has known many members of the Wabash faculty through involvement in community boards and other organizations. Lindow lives in the Sycamore Hills neighborhood west of Mud Hollow, and his children walked through campus on their way to Crawfordsville High School in the

All of this meant that Lindow was no stranger to Wabash, and so in the fall of 1992, he signed up for an economics course with former DeVore Professor of Economics Bert Barreto. He hasn't taken a semester off since, taking classes in nearly every department at the College. "I do have a few rules," Lindow said anguage

courses, a. "I don't take any science, math, or languages, I don't take tests or write papers." He does do about everything else, however, completing class readings and taking an equal role in class discussion. "To take a class like this," he said, "you have to be there at all the classes. You can't sit in if you are going to only be there sometimes." This means that Lindow rearranges other parts of his schedule to accommodate for his time at Wabash. "You can't take two weeks off and go to Florida," Lindow said. "It can be a hard commitment for retirement."

Lindow sees the experience as worth the small sacrifices. He has taken courses from Wabash legends like Bill Placher and Hall Peebles, and said that Melissa Butler holds the record with three different classes over the last 22 years. "I've taken every kind of class from the 400 level to the 100 level, from tenured faculty and even visiting professors," Lindow said. He chooses classes based on interest, not necessarily the instructor, and enjoys the flexibility that students don't when juggling graduation requirements.

More than two decades in the Wabash classroom has taught Lindow a lot about Wabash students, and has also offered him a front-row seat for the physical and cultural changes that the 1990s and early 2000s brought to campus. When Lindow first took Dr. Barreto's economics course, Waugh Hall stood where Hays Hall is now, the Detchon Center was still Yandes Hall, and the Humanities Center had not yet been expanded into the Fine Arts Center as we know it today. The student culture was also different. "The students seem more serious today than they were when I started," Lindow said, "but not in a negative way."

The students are the best part of taking classes, Lindow believes. He enjoys hearing their perspectives on current issues through the focus of a class discussion. The feeling is mutual for Jake Budler '17, who is currently enrolled in Dr. Jonathan Baer's Theological Ethics class with Lindow. "I really enjoy having class with Keith," Budler said. "It gives everything a different angle and perspective, because of his vast life experience and maturity." Students enjoy his stories that offer a tough real-world counter to an argument that may have lived untested in a student's mind. "He never fails to bring up a point that no one else would have thought of, or have a story to give us an example," Budler said.

For Lindow, it is this interaction with students and the opportunity to learn new things that keeps him going. "It has been great fun, and I have met great students," Lindow said.



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Lindow and his wife moved to Crawfordsville where they have lived since his graduation. He has taken classes across level and discipline over the last 22 years.



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## IT'S ALL IN THE HANDSHAKE

**JUSTIN MILLER '17 | STAFF** WRITER • Guinea pig has become an appropriate title which all Wallies can now add to their resumes. As one

of five schools presently using the software package . Handshake, Wabash students have the unique opportunity to critique and aid the development of the still nascent

program.



**Scott Crawford** 

The necessity of changing

career networking systems from WabashWorks to Handshake arose when Experience – the company which operated the long-used system went bankrupt last spring.

"We had used [WabashWorks] since before I came to Wabash," Scott Crawford, Director of the Schroeder Center for Career Development, said. "The [career networking] industry is a small, niche industry which has had only five big players.'

"When [Experience] went bankrupt, the other major company's CEO and CGO were sent to prison with charges associated with cyberspying. That left only a few, smaller and less than desirable systems to choose from," he said.

"It was the best graduation present ever, having part of your competition going out of business."

HANDSHAKE'S GARRETT LORD

The decision facing Career Services at the time was amongst one company associated with spying on its clients, another beginning bankruptcy, or systems deemed illsuited for the school's needs. Hoping for added input and advice, Crawford reached out to his counterparts at other colleges facing the same dilemma. It was through these avenues that industry-newcomer Handshake was discovered.

'We decided to take a chance with Handshake," Crawford said. "We and five other schools - Eastern Michigan; Aquinas in Grand Rapids, MI; Hillsdale in Michigan; Virginia Tech; and Valparaiso - are on the system right now and a few other schools are getting ready to sign."

The origins of the company are in part what make Handshake so appealing. Started by recent graduates from Michigan Tech University, the founders' underlying goals were to create a studentcentered product.

"We started building Handshake over three years ago while I was a sophomore at Michigan Tech,' CEO and co-Founder Garrett Lord recalled. "We heard a lot about all the [issues] our career services center faced and started traveling around to hear other institutions around the state of Michigan. We visited every public institution in the state of Michigan, a lot of schools in Wisconsin and Minnesota, and starting building Handshake.

"Over the course of three years, a team of developers at Michigan Tech gathered product feedback, showed the product off, getting more feedback...We graduated at the end of last school year about four months ago, raised the necessary money, and launched the company," Lord added.

Past spring could not have been a more opportune time for Handshake to have launched, but Lord and Business Development Leader David Shull believe the intuitive nature which Handshake has developed sets them apart.

"The career services complaints that we heard were that the current programs weren't very intuitive and thus were difficult to use," Lord said "We really tried to use a user-centric development focus...As a team, we want to learn and gather feedback from our users hoping to develop a product that students love."

Shull pointed to the ability of students to live chat with company representatives and actively provide feedback to developers as a means to engage and improve the system. "If you go to 'Get Help' and click on 'Direct Message' [while on Handshake, it brings up a chat window that myself and the rest of the team try to monitor the entire day," he said. "That's a direct line to give feedback on everything from the user interface to finding a bug in the system we didn't know about.

The willingness of the Handshake team to take direct input and genuinely consider it has been quite advantageous for Wabash.

"We were drawn by the potential to do things differently than have been done before," Crawford said. "They've changed things as we've wanted them changed. We're constantly seeing changes where we'll say, 'We don't like the way this works or this feature'...They're changing things as we go and doing so very quickly, which is nice."

Student input led to the development of Handshake, and the founders don't want to lose sight of that fact.

"We're a nontraditional team made of engineers, incredible computer science majors, and developers where the vastness of our mindset is how to build a product," Lord said. "If you look at our team, we're all developers, all technical, and we're trying to learn from our users and use their vision to determine our future."

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## **WABASH YIKS AND YAKS**

**DANIEL THOMPSON '18 | STAFF** WRITER • Yik Yak has invaded college campuses across the nation, and it recently hit Wabash College. You may have heard of it from your roommate, classmate, or President Hess, but not everyone has been

Created in 2013 by two Furman University graduates, the app has exponentially grown since then. It is the 17th most downloaded free app and the 5th most downloaded free social media app in the iTunes App Store. Pretty impressive for such a short amount of time.

The one feature that likely led to an explosive release is that posts are anonymous. There are no accounts. There

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milling about on deck before practice, but when the camera came out the swimmers quickly organized.

"It's just a funny thought that we had to get all the guys in their suits to help the video and raise awareness for men's mental health and kickstart Movember," Swimmer Carter Adams '15 said. "Just a fun thing to do. Gets you out of the grind of classes and practice everyday.'

The team ultimately opted for a synchronized dive style entrance to the

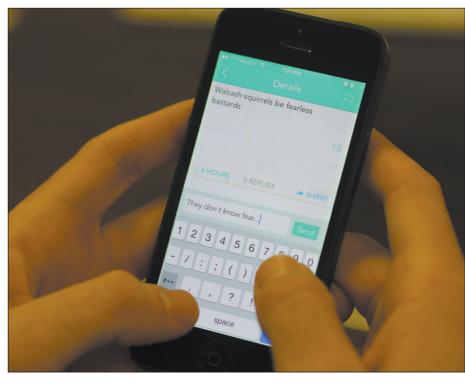
are no names. There are no handles. There are no filters.

Regardless, it's fun to post what you want without risking your reputation—unless you care about your "Yakarma", a numerical representation of your anonymous reputation.

Another fun feature is that you can only see posts from other Yakers in a 1.5 mile radius of your location. However, you can search other universities to see what they're yaking about. Not every university has been invaded, and some are rejecting the social media app. Wabash College has not made that decision yet, but only time will tell if Yik Yak will be the next big thing.

diving well. They then moved to the ground floor of the Allen Center to find more students. When we went to press, they were still looking to film President Hess shaking

The video should go live within IUPUI's one-week challenge, either Friday night or Monday morning. But this is just the start, as Egler said: "Once we finish we're going to challenge DePauw, Ohio Wesleyan and Hampden-Sydney, and hopefully they'll take off with it as well.'



LEVI GARRISON '18/PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

The Yik Yak application has grown in notoriety in the past few weeks and has been addressed directly by President Hess. Though typically focused on complaining, bodily functions, and the ongoing question of if professors use the application, a number of interesting Yaks have addressed campus squirrels. Especially prevalent, the fact that they do not pay tutiton or other activity fees.

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## **OPINION**

# AFTER ALL THAT YIK YAK, ISSUE STILL REMAINS

nonymity is antithetical to the Gentleman's Rule. There, I said it. Anonymity is antithetical to the Gentleman's Rule. I've probably lost about half of you by now. Anonymity is antithetical to the Gentleman's Rule. For the two people still reading, know that I am serious when I say that anonymity is antithetical to the Gentleman's Rule.

The buzz over Yik Yak has died down now to the point where the subject of this column will seem outdated and annoying at best, supporting the trend of five-second fads in our fast paced electronic culture. However, when I first planned it out, Yik Yak was at the center of nearly every discussion on campus. And while it may not be timely to comment on the app, I think my argument still stands. This issue is bigger than any app.

We are a student body that loves to tout the strength, simplicity, and effectiveness of our rule. We put it on admissions literature, commencement programs, and t-shirts. You can even find it painted on a few walls around campus. This is all good. We need reminders of the rule, because frankly, following it is hard. I've always thought, however, that the community we've created here does a good job at supporting our brothers and keeping one another honest. I wrote about that last idea fall when discussing another campus issue.



Samuel Vaught '16

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"The beauty of the rule," I wrote, "and perhaps its most clever subtlety, is that it applies to all of us. Every single Wabash man. We are given a support network 900-strong to keep us accountable." This is something I always took for granted.

I was then surprised to find that accountability had been thrown out the window as soon as Wabash students had the opportunity to anonymously talk about their peers, their professors, and the staff of this College on Yik Yak. Suddenly, Wabash students were degrading other Wabash students, spreading lewd messages about female employees of Wabash and its contracted partners, and calling out individuals by name. All anonymously.

Now, I'm not naïve enough to think that these comments are new to our conversation. Look at any past email war, or just listen to a lunch table at the Sparks Center, and you will find that Wabash students have been saying these things pretty much...forever, as far as I am concerned. "Boys will be boys," some might say. That may be all good and well (although I could spend a lot of time discussing my discomfort with that assumption), except that the crucial difference in the past was that none of those comments were anonymous. If you said something out loud, your name was attached to it. If you dropped the f-bomb in an email war, you got a cordial invitation to the Dean of Students' office. You were free to speak your mind, but your community was free to judge and punish you for that free speech, and remind you that gentlemen don't act that way. Now, what do we have? What are the consequences for writing about a woman's weight on Yik Yak? What are the consequences for using the phrase #f\*\*k[student's name] on Yik Yak? What are the consequences for making racist comments about international students from Southeast Asia on Yik Yak? Nothing. There are none.

We've gone from proudly proclaiming the Gentleman's Rule when we are wearing our scarlet Wabash gear to violating it without remorse, cowardly hiding behind the veil of anonymity our smartphones and a new app provide. And we're kidding ourselves if we say that it's nothing short of cowardice. It's cowardly to spread insults and hate speech when you have the privilege of anonymity. If you have something to say, say it with conviction. Say it with pride. Don't let your name and identity be divorced from your ideas – whether they are positive or negative. Especially when they're negative. As an academic and social community, we should not be tolerating this behavior.

So where do we go from here? Like I stated at the beginning, this is starting to become a non-issue. But for those of you who care enough to do something, I urge you to take stand. Refuse to be anonymous. Refuse to let the stupid comments of a handful of individuals make our student body look bad. Take responsibility for your speech.

If you would like to join me, send me an email with your name. Craft a simple phrase: "my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I refuse to be anonymous." I promise to publish these names in the best way possible, perhaps in here in a few weeks. Be loud. Be proud. Be public. Own your speech. If you have something to say, be brave enough to attach your name to it. Until we do this, nothing will get better.

It starts with a simple sentence. My name is Sam Vaught and I refuse to be anonymous.

## VIDEO DIDN'T KILL THE RADIO

usic has been a huge part of my life since I was a kid. It's no surprise really, considering my dad put me to sleep with his guitar almost every night, and as I've grown up, I've come to relish its power and beauty.

I picked the guitar at the age of thirteen, determined to be just as good, if not better, than Dad had been all those years. My influences have ranged from Led Zeppelin to Blink 182 to Jack Johnson, but the whole time I was playing, I was also listening to the radio. I absorbed, treasured, and imitated (poorly) the sounds I heard



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from the artist who was played on the local rock and alternative stations. Any time I turned the dial, I was opening myself to a whole new world - the radio is important.

Radio was special because it had a voice. DJs and radio news anchors kept the public informed, and gave them their daily doses of new and exciting music, all while embracing audiences with clear voices and strong personalities. The radio is just as important now as it was then. Traffic reports, weather, emergency news, and daily doses of gossip all flow over the airwaves as the DJs work their soundboards. Programs like Bob and Tom are syndicated all across the world, making people laugh as they drive to work in the mornings. Though some may say it is dying, this

form of media is still vital to us today.

Despite having Spotify and other convenient music apps, there is something enjoyable about turning on the radio and hearing a song I didn't choose to listen to. There is something organic about the sound coming over the airwaves and through the speakers. That being said, I strongly urge you to tune into our local radio station, WNDY 91.3. Wallies have been working hard to clean it up and get student voices back on the airwaves. Supporting us is supporting radio, the media of voices and people.

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# PINK RIBBONS WILL NOT COVER THE NFL'S BLACK EYE

s the leaves begin to turn, and autumn settles in, the NFL will look to a new color to mask the purple and black mark on what has been the greatest hit to the leagues image.

This October, the NFL will run its Crucial Catch campaign for the fourth consecutive year in conjunction with the American Cancer Society. Players, coaches, and all affiliated will sport pink, in the fight to raise awareness for Breast Cancer and contribute proceeds to combat the staggering number of women that are affected by the disease.

For the first three years of this campaign, the reception amongst fans and spectators alike was astounding, as football players and teams at all ranks embraced the cause. However, in the wake of potentially the most scarring month in NFL history, the league will stand by their last glimmer of morality, despite its cowardly leader's disregard of the parasitic influx of domestic violence amongst his constituents.

Unlike NBA commissioner
Adam Silver, the once staunch NFL
commissioner Roger Goodell stared a
similar parasite in the eyes and countered
it with a meager two game suspension.



Jack Montgomery '15

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Faced with similar adversity in the heat of a problematic situation, Silver acted in the most decisive and forcible manner, banning Clippers owner Donald Sterling from the NBA following reports of racist tirades captured by his then girlfriend. Racism, like domestic violence, has no place in sports, let alone multi-million dollar industries, in which the youth of this country look for direction and inspiration.

The sad reality of it is that the NFL is an image driven money making machine that does not care about domestic violence. Roger Goodell not only missed his opportunity to uphold his ethical responsibility, but he lost his credibility to lead the NFL. Any moral justification the league seeks to abide

by can be thrown to the wayside. The NFL's attempt to show support and their attempts to raise money; can only serve as an illusion with Roger Goodell at the head. How can the NFL claim sincerity to the cause, when we have visual proof of its misogynistic ethos?

This is not an attack on the vast number of NFL players, coaches and execs that live upstanding lives, many of whom have experienced the grave realities of cancer. Until the NFL puts a stop to the violence, ends the charade and sets a precedent from the commissioner to show that off the field violence of any type is not acceptable in the NFL family, their humanitarian efforts may gain validity. Despite constant scrutiny for its violent nature, it comfortably watches its players bludgeon themselves to years of CTE while sucking in copious amounts of money for its modern day gladiator like spectacle. Ray Rice is far from the first NFL player to be arrested for domestic violence and due to Goodell's lack of decisive action, and neither Rice, Greg Hardy, Ray McDonald, nor will Jonathan Dwyer be the last.

The NFL will still wear pink this month; fans will come out in droves to support

their heroes and favorite teams. The cause is noble, although the pervasive truth is that Roger Goodell can no longer profess to care about women's rights. If Roger Goodell cared, he would have suspended Ray Rice indefinitely after his arrest, regardless of whether he had seen the elevator tapes or not. If Goodell cared, he would have made a point of stopping domestic violence amongst his players the year he took over as commissioner of the league, following a year when 13 NFL players were cited for domestic violence. He would have suspended Ray Rice, Greg Hardy or Ray McDonald indefinitely, because domestic violence is cancerous to the league's image. None of this happened though, the issues were swept under the rug, only to explode in their faces and now they will try to hide the bruise on their image by pretending to support a cause that their actions suggest they care nothing

At the end of the day, the NFL is about money. Whether one agrees with the fact that billion dollar industries should take moral stances, the NFL has chosen to and in the future it would be nice if they would not lie to us about their motives.

## UNITED WE SHOULD STAND

fter attending nearly two years of home Wabash football games, there is something profound that grabs my attention and disappoints me. That is the fact that there is no united student section for home football games. I've often asked myself, why not?

We hear about and seem to almost always live up to the mantra of the strong brotherhood that has always been cultivated and exhibited on this campus, yet at football games this seems to be lost. Now it appears that Wabash men would rather stay at their respective tailgating locations, sit almost exclusively with members of their own fraternity, or even with their visiting family, rather than joining together in rooting on our Little Giants. All three of these options are well and good, but do not live up to the atmosphere and passion that we have all come to love and expect on this

The time for a united and electric student section is now, and let me tell you why:



Adam Burtner '17

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First and foremost, it strengthens our student body. There seems to be an ever-growing hostility on campus towards different groups of students and living units that I find very precarious and quite sad. With new found social media forums (aka Yik Yak) we can see an increasing resentment between living units. This can be diminished, at least for 3 hours on a Saturday, with a section full of students, cheering vigorously together. Reminding us all that we are brothers here at Wabash no matter where we live, and when we come together, we are far

better than any one sect of our campus

Fraternities also need to grow up. The homecoming competition is over and refusing to stand in close proximity to members of another house is pathetic and immature. We are better than that, and the faculty, staff, friends, and family who join us at these games would much rather see a large, deafening student section than multiple little fragments of students spread sporadically throughout the bleachers. That being said, one could obviously still stand with their fraternity brothers and still have the fraternity's flag flying high above or tied to the fence in front, but at least with a student section, it would all be in one area.

I also have noticed the lackadaisical and mediocre performance of our beloved fight song after touchdowns this season. With a united student section, no one will go too fast or too slow, and the volume of the song and the overall enthusiasm and participation coming from the students would increase

dramatically.

Not only does a student section benefit the student body and strengthen the brotherhood on campus, it will directly energize our football team. Think about how loud one compact student section can be while our Wabash defense is on the field or when we are chanting "Wabash Always Fights". Let's do our part in helping this great team make it into the playoffs and beyond. Stop being complacent with such a winning squad on the field.

The time is now gentlemen. Join me on October 25th when our Little Giants play Oberlin, in making the Allen Center side of the bleachers the Wabash College student section.

By the way, this game will be our only warm-up as a student section for when the school down south comes to town. I know I'm not the only one who wants a raucous crowd for that game. Lets go Wabash men - the time is now for a collective student section at Wabash football games.

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# 'IT'S NOT JUST FOR WOMEN': ALLEN EXERCISE COURSES

JOSEPH REILLY '18 | STAFF WRITER • Can you hack it? Many Wabash men are so wrapped up in various clubs and activities, and between the intense sessions of school work and weekend frivolity, those who do not play a sport often find themselves letting the Freshman 15 turn into the Sophomore 17, the Junior Jelly Belly, and the Senior Spare Tire. However, the Allen Athletics Center has the answer to all of the unhealthy habits of the Wabash man: four different fitness classes, all perfect for beginners, conveniently located in the Aerobics Room. The Yoga, This and That, Zumba, and Tabata classes offer different approaches and different levels of difficulty, different focuses, and different times to fit the needs of each individual student. However, the overwhelming majority of the participants are faculty, especially female faculty. The women of Wabash are clearly smarter than most in taking advantage of the fantastic free wellness opportunities provided for free by the Allen Center. Come see for yourself what the wiser community members are doing by checking out the descriptions from the instructors and Allen Center staff and finding the right fit for

Yoga

Instructor: Laura Connors Time: Monday and Wednesday 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Description: End your work day with a gentle, yet invigorating yoga practice integrating a combination of standing, seated, supine, twisting, balancing and supported inversion postures. Suitable for beginners and experienced yoga students, these classes emphasize the fundamentals of Hatha yoga.

Surprising Fact: While yoga is often perceived as geared more towards women, the main result of this is due to the greater natural

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flexibility women have. This is the exact reason yoga is an excellent fitness program for men, as it causes a dramatic increase in flexibility and mental focus, both of which are great injury prevention.

This and That

Instructor: Linda Janci Time: Monday and Wednesday 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Description: This class focuses primarily on resistance training for not only healthy toned muscles, but strong bones as well. The workouts vary with each class as well as the equipment used. Stretching, weight training, pilates, core boarding, benching, fitness balls, fitness bands, relaxing methods.

Surprising Fact: Midday, moderate intensity workouts increase your metabolism for the rest of the day and can help get you through the mid-afternoon slump.

Zumba

Instructor: Joy Harlos Time: Tuesday and Thursday 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Description: Zumba is the only Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends red-hot international music and contagious steps to form a "fitness-party" that is downright addictive. It's easy to do, effective and totally exhilarating, often building a deeprooted community among returning students. Expect no hand weights or floor mats, just lots of great music and movement at your own pace. Many people have stated that Zumba got them off the couch and kept them off simply because it is so much fun that you want to go back

Surprising Fact: Jackie Chan is a regular participant and proponent of Zumba fitness classes.

Tabata

Instructor: Joy Harlos



COREY EGLER '15 / PHOTO

And stretch... Laura Conners leads a group in her yoga class.

Time: Tuesday and Thursday 6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Description: A Tabata workout lasts only sixteen minutes, and the structure of the program is pretty straightforward:

You push yourself as hard as you can for 20 seconds and rest for 10 seconds until you complete eight sets. You can do pretty much any exercise you wish, although exercises that work your large muscle groups are strongly recommended. Examples of four exercises that might be incorporated into a Tabata class are pushups, squats, rows and sit-ups. Tabata is a terrific way to get a quick, intense workout in if you're short on time, need to switch up your routine, or would like to improve endurance and strength. Incorporating this type of workout into your fitness routine produces great results, especially if you are looking for a

class that will boost your mental toughness.

Since each exercise is preformed to the ability of the individual, you track your improvement by both how well you perform on the exercise next time as well as how worn out you are the next day. And you will be worn out. Simply from a single set of dynamic planks at his first class, this reporter ended up with a set of sore shoulders for the next four days. But once the burn of the class was over, the increased feeling of power made the walk back to the room one reminiscent of the scene in King Kong where the Primary Primate himself brings the beat down on the T-Rex. Bring a water bottle and some guts, and get ready to prove you can keep up with the faculty and staff that are

Surprising Fact: Tabata was originally adapted from a speed skating training method.

## WABASH TWEETS RESPONSIBLY

JADE DOTY '18 I STAFF WRITER

One tweet, one picture, or one misunderstood status on Facebook
 In today's world this is what can determine whether or note one receives a job offer. This is what Trevor Turnball spoke of while addressing every athlete at Wabash College. Going in most athletes suspected this talk to about negative effects of social media, including golfer Jake Woodward '18.

"I figured that we were going to be lectured on how we can't do this or can't do that because we will get in trouble and our lives will be ruined," he said

But Turnball took everyone by surprise when he talked of the benefits of social media.

"What is your dream life after

college? What type of job and car do you want? How much money do you want?" These are questions that Turnball opened the presentation with. With Wabash men standing in the audience most came here to be successful, so this

definitely made



Joe Haklin

their ears perk up.
Athletic Director Joseph Haklin liked how Turnball approached the aspects of social media.

"Mr. Turnball emphasized the ways social media can be a positive force in a young person's life as he defines himself in the workplace and other facets of his life." Turnball talked about social media as an opportunity to become successful, an opportunity that every Wabash Man can be a part of.

It applied effect with Turnball talking of getting a job. Everybody has one first impression. You cant take that back. And today most first impressions start before you even walk through that door for an interview. Turnball talked of how all employers will Google you, and you do not want the first thing to pop up is a picture or tweet that makes you look bad. Turnball states "93% of employers look up your social profile." So you need to approach social media with a clear vision of what you want to be seen as.

Turnball started then giving advice of how to use social media to help pave your path to success. He asked the audience "Who here has a profile on LinkedIn?" Soon about 80 percent of the athletes raised their hand. He talked of how LinkedIn is a great way to connect with people and



**Daniel Purvlicis '16** 

make a positive impression to employers. Many students at Wabash are very involved in LinkedIn, they see the power it has over your career. Basketball player Daniel Purvlicis '16 talks of its benefits after the

presentation "LinkedIn is a great way to connect with other professionals and having an online profile geared



MARCUS HOEKSTRA '18 / PHOTO

Turnball addressed Wabash athletes with visual aids in Chadwick Court. All student athletes were required to attend last week's NCAA-mandated event.

towards your professional status because sometimes a resume isn't enough." This is exactly what Turnball was talking about in his presentation. How LinkedIn is a way of selling yourself to employers and how it can benefit you in your search for a job.

Turnball started to inspire the crowd after explaining the path to success through social media. Asking more questions "What are you passionate about? What do you want your legacy to be? If you died today and everyone was standing around you what would they say?" That last got to everyone.

Everyone asked themselves then in the audience what do I want people to remember me as? Turnball says that the best thing you can do is stay true to who you are and that is the way you can make long lasting impressions.

Again there are many opportunities in social media that can make you successful in life. But the same opportunities can lead to failure. Turnball has made a lasting impression on Wabash himself. Now lets hope that Wabash Men can leave lasting impressions on future employers as well.

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## **OH! THE HUMANITIES:** A NIGHT IN EXILE WITH JOYCE

TIMOTHY HANSON '16 I STAFF WRITER • Change is difficult. You as a member of the staff or student body of Wabash College should know that just as well as anyone. Leaving the comforts and security of home to suddenly find yourself thrust into a world of academic rigor, a demanding schedule, late nights trying to deal with difficult work, culture-enthusiasm, sports, and a social life to put on top of all of it. Many of us will even be graduating soon and moving on to even bigger changes which can be even more discomforting. Not a foreigner to change herself, Professor Agata Szczeszak-Brewer was elected to speak at this year's La Follette lecture during which she addressed important changes to come to affect the very foundation of what we value. As could be hoped for in a presentation from our humanities department, it was realistic and genuine, somber but hopeful, thought-provoking, and, most of all, challenging.

In a nearly full-house in Salter Hall, Professor Szczeszak-Brewer began with the life story of one of her favorite authors, James Joyce, and his own departure from his own country to explore the larger world.

She went on to explain his 'disenchantment with Dublin's factionalism... [where] there seemed to be no niche for those



SHANE. XUAN '16 / PHOTO

Dwight Watson, Distinguished LaFollette Professor in the Humanities, introduced Szczeszak-Brewer, the

who acknowledged plurality and diversity, who chose to explore their identities rather than blindly follow ideologies, who realized that succumbing to limitations imposed by society and politics equaled spiritual and artistic death...But in his letter to Lady Gregory, Joyce confesses that 'although I have been driven out of my country here as a misbeliever I have found no man yet with a faith like mine".

Exemplifying Joyce, the lecture has a call to action to not only participate in the humanities as explorers who see the world in a fuller view that leave our comfort zone of thought to explore foreign ideas. It soon expanded, however, to becoming a call to action to the humanities department as a whole.

In our age that bemoans our financial insecurities, the humanities have been put on the back-burner more and more often as chosen majors, scholarship investments, and educational priority for their seeming impracticality and for how out of touch they appear to have become in modern times.

Professor Brewer said "We need the humanities to survive because experiencing the alien...is the only way we can approximate understanding of suffering and loss, of anger and joy. If we want to teach our students how to live humanely, act responsibly, lead effectively, and think critically, discipline-specific knowledge will not be enough."

But how are we to save the humanities in this technologyobsessed age that focuses more on computer software than on fineliterature or esoteric philosophy? The answer is to make a choice: the humanities can either compete or they can cooperate.

On reflecting on the interview she said "[There is] a crisis of the humanities that has come to air for at least the last few years now. What would it take for the entire field to embrace change and to become a little more courageous about how we teach literature, philosophy, classics, or religion?

Her biggest hope is that teachers would realize the crisis and do what they can explore new and innovative ways of teaching. One idea she pursued was the possibility of applying the rapidly growing use of technology for literary studies and integrate them into our studies in more tangible ways. This is not to say that we are to replace faceto-face study time with e-books and the internet, but to realize that they do not have to be mutually exclusive.

Szczeszak-Brewer said that she hoped her audience would: "be courageous to explore new areas and experiment with new ways of teaching or writing about the humanities, while also being courageous enough to pull back... to say 'it didn't work'...and maybe going back to teaching or performing a text in a traditional way is better. But until we test those new ideas, we can't really say for sure".



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Agata Szczeszak-Brewer delivers her LaFollette lecture.



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## WABASH LIVES HUMANELY

**JACK KELLERMAN '18 ISTAFF** WRITER • The tenth annual Wabash Alumni Benefiting And Serving Humanely Day is happening this weekend, both Saturday Sunday around the United States. From Boston, Massachusetts and Washington D.C., to Denver, Colorado and Austin, Texas, this rewarding experience calls together the whole brotherhood of Wabash men. Throughout the nation, service projects and organizations come together to better local communities throughout the United States. Michael Warren, the Associate Director of Alumni and Parent Relations, is in charge of organizing this weekend. Warren said events of W.A.B.A.S.H. days in the past of spanned from "food kitchens and entertaining kids," to "Avon's project of rails to trails clearing the railway for new trails. This is a project they annually do to keep stretching the

trails further each year." "The past few years, about a hundred current students help the local project headed by Herm Haffner '77 here in Crawfordsville." Haffner will be organizing W.A.B.A.S.H. Day's events at the Habitat for Humanity Housing Area tomorrow, at 8:45 a.m. and will continue until 1:00 p.m.. If anyone is interested in getting involved contact Herm Haffner at hermhaffner@yahoo. com, or at (765) 376-0269. Warren said the most important part of W.A.B.A.S.H. day is "all Wabash men should utilize their education and give back to their community, not just this weekend, but year around. It gets Wabash men out in front of their communities and be leaders." Even if you are going home for the weekend, you can still get involved. Check out wabash.edu/alumni/ wabashday for all listed activities this weekend!



Seniors Zach Boston and Edward Pingel clean out gutters during last year's W.A.B.A.S.H Day.



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## **SPORTS**

## DOING IT FOR THE REDPACK

## CROSS COUNTRY FINISHES NINTH AT NOTRE DAME DESPITE TIRED LEGS

**MICHAEL LUMPKIN '18** I STAFF WRITER • Wabash Cross Country put on another display last Friday night that reminded Division III teams who they better have on their radar this postseason.

The team displayed another solid performance last Friday night at the Notre Dame Invitational. With a ninth-place finish out of 23 teams and second among Division III opponents, the race showed again that the Red Pack is in the midst of another promising year. The team defended its number-one ranking in the region by defeating Calvin College, whom Coach Busch '96 considers a "region foe."

Busch did not seem completely satisfied with the performance. "It's a little greedy on my part. We are really good, but we want to be very good," Busch said. Despite the quality performance, he still thinks there are things that can be improved. "It looks like we ran together, but we really didn't. It was kind of everyone for themselves Friday night. If we can get them to run together, then

the whole group does better, and we move up significantly, up to probably sixth place."

Individually, the team's top seven runners are all very close in their times, and the order in which they place does fluctuate from race to race. "[On Friday] Billy McManus '15 rebounded really well. Two weeks ago we were at intercollegiates and he was our number six, and then this past weekend he was our number one," Busch said. "The proximity in times from the top runners is A great problem to have," Busch said, and echoed again that togetherness from the group in competition is what will be the key to the team reaching its high goals.

The ninth-place finish came on somewhat tired legs for some of the younger runners. "We ran really hard at practice on Tuesday," Busch said. "That's okay at this time of year. We just need to make sure we go into November with Conference, Regionals, and Nationals with strong healthy legs."

McManus had similar feedback to his coach regarding last Friday's race. "We are all in great shape, but we can do a more effective job of running together and pushing each other during the early and middle parts of competition," McManus "We need to work together...to enhance out net performance."

**BILLY MCMANUS '15** 

With regards to the the fatigue, McManus confirmed that he was feeling the aftermath of the tough workouts in recent competitions, but saw the benefits of the training in his race last Friday. "Notre Dame was reassuring to me, because I had previously been struggling to recover from the stress I put on my body with a very high training volume this summer," McManus said.

Busch has high expectations for this year's team. After such a promising year last season, the bar is simply going to continue to rise as the postseason draws closer. If the Red Pack does make adjustments, Busch sees a high ceiling for the team. "If we do that as a group, we are pretty dangerous. We could be top ten in the country. If we don't do that as a group, then we'll kind of be where we've been in the past,"

Busch said.

While Busch is the team's harshest critic, he is also the squad's biggest supporter. "As far as philosophy goes, I tell the guys I believe in them, they have to believe in themselves."

The team's ninth-place posting at Notre Dame was the highest spot it has finished in Busch's nine years. The meet consisted of not only Division III teams, but schools all the way up through Division II and even small Division I schools. The only team finishing ahead of Wabash in Division III was North Central College, currently ranked first in the nation.

McManus said the team's mantra is "Do it for the Redpack," which he said means "We need to work together in practice and competition to enhance our net performance." With the current number one ranking in both the conference and region, the Red Pack is setting itself up nicely for the postseason. Both the coach and the senior leader echo encouraging words for the near future, ones that they will continue to work hard to reach in the upcoming weeks.

The Cross Country team's next action will be on 10/18 at 10:30 a.m. at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh





COREY EGLER '15 / PHOTO

Mason Zurek '16 rushed for 90 yards and two touchdowns against Wooster last weekend. A year ago, Zurek had 228 yards and two TDs against Ohio Wesleyan in a 48-14 Wabash win.



# CONSISTENCY THE KEY FOR FOOTBALL

AFTER 35-16 WIN OVER WOOSTER, LITTLE GIANTS LOOK FORWARD TO OWU

#### **JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15** |

SENIOR STAFF WRITER • The 10th-ranked Wabash football team has beaten its 2014 opponents by an average of 28.5 points. Despite the dominance and an unblemished record (4-0, 3-0 NCAC), Coach Erik Raeburn has demanded more consistent play.

"We were up 28-3, take the opening kickoff and drive down inside the five-yard line, we have a chance to make it 35-3 and take away any momentum they hope to have coming out of the half," Raeburn said, reflecting on last weekend's 35-16 win against Wooster. "Instead, through our own stupidity, we end up getting no points and obviously that gave them a lift. We just played poorly in the second half."

Wabash won 35-16, but was in position to blow open the game. The Little Giants will have a chance Saturday to correct their mistakes at Ohio Wesleyan (3-1, 2-1 NCAC) and put together a complete game.

The Battling Bishops have had an offensive makeover in 2014 behind quarterback Dominick Orsini. The first-year starter has helped balance the attack and leads the team in rushing as well as throwing.

"Any time you graduate a quarterback, whoever emerges as your next-best guy, you have to tailor the offense around that person," Raeburn said. "You'll see them do some things with the new quarterback that they maybe weren't willing to do last year."

Orsini is averaging 189 yards-pergame and has thrown six touchdowns to two interceptions. He also leads the team at 97-yards-percontest with six touchdown. The dual-threat will present a different challenge to the Wabash defense.

"I wouldn't say they're any simpler," Raeburn said. "They were pretty simple with the old quarterback — they threw it 75 times a game. They're maybe a little more balanced and more willing to run the read-option stuff than they were with their other quarterback."

Orsini's favorite target is senior tight end Calvin Cagney. Cagney

"They're maybe a little more balanced...than they were with the old quarterback."

**ERIK RAEBURN** 

provides a safety blanket for his sophomore quarterback, and has 26 receptions — at least twice as much as anyone else — for 238 yards and two touchdowns.

Defensively, Ohio Wesleyan gets after the quarterback. The Battling Bishops have 15 sacks, which is second in the conference to Wabash's 24

"They like to run the nickel off the edge," left tackle Wes Brown '16 said. "This week more than ever, it's going to be important for me and (right tackle) Deryion Sturdivant '17 to pick up on the safeties and see when the nickels are blitzing. It would be a shame if we let them go off the edge when they were showing it"

Raeburn expressed concerns about the pass protection against a blitz-heavy OWU team.

"Other than the Allegheny game, our protection has been poor," Raeburn said. "In the other three games, we've given up 12 sacks. They're a combination of offensive line mistakes, mistakes at running back, and some of them are on our quarterback holding the football and not getting the ball out of his hands. We've had a couple of sacks that were on the receivers not getting open."

Brown and left guard Tre Taylor '16 are the only holdovers from the starting offensive line last season. Jake Norley '16, Kyle Stucker '17, and Sturdivant fill out the rest of the front five left to right. The young group has gelled well together, evidenced by the 248 rush-yards-per game cranked out this season.

Another dominating performance by the maulers up front against Ohio Wesleyan will likely mean another Wabash win. Kickoff will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Delaware, OH.

## YOUR MOVE, D3SOCCER

## IT'S TIME FOR THE MEDIA TO GIVE OUR SOCCER TEAM THE LOVE THEY'VE EARNED

■ here are two major national polls for Division III Men's Soccer: the National Soccer Coaches Association of America poll and the d3soccer poll. As of Wednesday, Wabash is ranked fifteenth in the NSCAA national poll and second in the Great Lakes region by the same group. So what number Wabash ranked by d3soccer? Not fifteen, twenty, or twenty-five. No, according to d3soccer, our Little Giants aren't good enough to be one of the top twenty-five teams in the country. Really, d3soccer? Really?

The soccer team is 9-0-2 and off to the best start in program history. They have wins over a ranked Rose-Hulman team and a highly touted Oberlin that received votes in the NSCAA pre-season poll. They've only given up three goals all season while scoring 26 of their own. If record isn't enough, take a look at the film. The Little Giants have yet to be outplayed for any extended period of time this season. Have they looked like world beaters every minute they've been on the pitch? Probably not, but they've been the better team just about every time they've gone out. Surely that has to be worth something, right? Really, d3soccer? Really?

While the Little Giants have gone 9-0-2 thus far with a couple of really solid wins, they also stack up pretty well against the rest of the country. Wabash leads the nation in shutout percentage, are tied for the lead in shutouts with nine. They are tied for second in goals allowed, third in goals against average, and tied for seventh in win percentage.

To put these numbers in perspective, the strengths of both the Wabash soccer and football teams are their defenses. Both teams are, now at least, considered one of the best defensive units in the country at the Division III level. So, where do both of these units rank when compared to the rest of the nation? As of October 8, the soccer team ranked third in goals against average while the football team ranks eighteenth in scoring defense. The offense for the



Derek Andre '16

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football team has been somewhat better than its soccer counterpart, with the football offense ranking 18th in scoring offense while the soccer team is sixty-third in the country in total goals. But, that fact withstanding, the soccer team has been statistically comparable with the football team this season. So then, why doesn't the soccer get even a similar amount of love from the d3sports network?

Really, d3soccer? Really? It should be said that the voters for the d3soccer poll are not a bunch of schmucks. According to d3soccer, "The d3soccer Top 25 is voted on by a panel of coaches, Sports Information Directors and media members from across the country, and is published weekly." Fair enough, but why do these voters continue to put the same teams in the top-25 week after week? Is a two-loss team such as Calvin, St. Lawrence, or Hope really that much better than Wabash? How about a three-loss team like Montclair State or NCAC-rival Ohio Wesleyan? I'm not here to pass judgement on teams like OWU or Calvin but, having watched film on both teams, the Little Giants would definitely not be overmatched.

To top off everything that's already said, keep in mind that while Wabash is receiving votes in the d3soccer poll, they've only been receiving five more votes than they did a month ago when they were 3-0. In that month, they've beat Rose-Hulman, who was twenty-third at the time, on the road, defended Mud Hollow against the very good Hiram and Oberlin teams, and hung a ten-spot on the board against Eureka college. In my opinion, these results have earned Wabash more than just five measly votes.

Really, d3soccer? Really?

There's really no way to justify not ranking the Little Giants this week. Not when they're undefeated through six weeks. Not when they have wins over teams which were highly touted in the preseason. And especially not when there are two and three loss teams still in the top-25. The Little Giants have earned their placement at number fifteen in the coaches poll and number two in the Great Lakes Region. It's a shame that d3soccer haven't been watching the same season the rest of us have.

From what I've been told, the soccer team, coaches and players alike aren't worrying much about rankings. As a fan, I'm glad that they aren't. You never want to see your team worry about accolades that they can't directly control. And while you can say what you want about controlling your play, no team controls where you fall in any ranking. If that were the case, the Little Giants would be in the top-25 in every ranking published. Ît's great to see the NSCAA giving the Little Giants the love they deserve. Now it's time for the rest of the country to get on board.

## THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

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Lacrosse in Columbus, OH - 11 a.m. Football @ Ohio Wesleyan - 2 p.m.

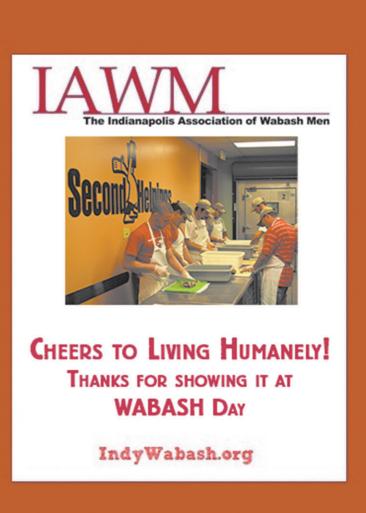
#### 10/12

Soccer @ Allegheny - 2 p.m.

#### 10/15

Soccer @ Ohio Wesleyan - 7 p.m.





## **BOTH TWINS AND LITTLE GIANTS**

## BASEBALL PLAYERS LEARN GAME, LIFE DURING SUMMER IN NEW YORK

JAKE EAGAN '15 I STAFF WRITER

 Opportunities in professional sports are rarely presented to Division III athletes. However, this summer, three Wabash baseball players earned spots on the Geneva Twins of the New York Collegiate Baseball League (NYCBL). The League consisted of Division I, II, III, and NAIA prospects. Dave Herbst, owner of the Twins, simulated Class-A Minor League baseball in his construction of the team. Therefore, Wabash student-athletes Christian Vukas '16, Justin Green '16, and David Oliger '16 were able to experience the life of professional baseball players through participation in the NYCBL. 2009 graduate Andy Weeks

was instrumental in engaging Wabash students for the Geneva Twins. Weeks served as the Twins' pitching assistant and maintained a positive relationship with Wabash head baseball coach Cory Stevens. According to Stevens, this relationship was crucial in pursuing Vukas, Green, and Oliger for the NYCBL.

"We've placed players in the New York Collegiate Baseball League the last 3 summers," said Stevens," and they have all had positive experiences. One of my former players, Andy Weeks, was set to coach in the league and contacted me about potential Wabash players for his roster."

"I knew that Justin, Christian, and David would represent us well. We only promote players who we feel can be successful at that level."

Because Wabash attendees

maintain high character and unwavering discipline, actively pursuing current students is a trademark of Wally alumni. Weeks exemplified the role of a Wabash graduate in his relationship with Stevens.

To successfully coach Division III athletics, coaches must advocate responsibility both on and off the field. Stevens felt the NYCBL provided this experience, and was confident Vukas, Green, and Oliger matured in all areas of their lives.

"Facing good competition on a daily basis not only makes them better players," said Stevens, "it instills confidence in them when they play for Wabash. They know they have faced some of the best college players in the country. They also lived and competed in an environment that was foreign to them, which has helped them mature and develop as men."

As Stevens noted, competition stretches far beyond the athletic field. To truly advance one's self beyond Wabash, that internal yearning to one-up your opponent is an essential trait in surviving the real world. Stevens recognized the importance of competition, and felt the NYCBL gave Vukas, Green, and Oliger a platform for personal maturation.

In regards to the coming season, junior pitcher Christian Vukas is eager to apply his experiences this summer to NCAC competition.

"The players we faced were high caliber Division III, Division II, Division I talent," said Vukas. "Having that competition every day of the week will serve us well this season. We will do well in high-pressure situations, so it's prepared us for Wabash baseball in a really positive way."

David Oliger is equally anxious to demonstrate his talents in the 2015 season. Last year, Oliger led the Little "Every player's dream is to play baseball after Wabash."

**DAVID OLIGER '16** 

Giants with a .349 batting average and a .427 on-base percentage. He has even higher expectations this season.

"In New York, it seemed like everybody we faced was a solid collegiate pitcher," Oliger said. "Hopefully, this experience in a highly competitive league will make our opponent's pitcher seem average."

Vukas and Oliger exhibited tremendous improvement on the diamond this summer, but the players also developed mature habits through their independent lifestyle. For catcher Justin Green, the NYCBL provided the tools necessary to be successful outside of Wabash.

"Every player's dream is to play baseball after Wabash," said Green, "but outside of baseball, the NYCBL prepared us for the real world. We were on our own, had an apartment, cooked for ourselves, and kept our living space clean. Being accountable for yourself is the best preparation for the real world, and that's what this summer offered."

Participation in college athletics is not accompanied with a designated major. Therefore, opportunities in sports outside of Wabash may not be classified in high regard, but the lessons Christian Vukas, David Oliger, and Justin Green learned through the NYCBL are irreplaceable. They developed as athletes and as individuals in a system formatted



COREY EGLER '15 / PHOTO

David Oliger '16 drove in 18 runs while posting a .349 batting average a year ago. The junior also started all but one game for Wabash in the 2014 season.

like a Class-A Minor League baseball organization.

The Wabash baseball program seems to progressing in a positive direction. Corey Stevens has exhibited close connections with former Wabash baseball player Andy Weeks, further increasing his players' resources in becoming better baseball players. Through programs like the New York Collegiate Baseball League, players like Vukas, Oliger, and Green were able to mature as baseball players, and as future leaders on the team.

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## NEW TERRITORY FOR LITTLE GIANTS

SOCCER TEAM ENTERS NSCAA TOP-25 FOR FIRST TIME IN PROGRAM HISTORY

#### **DEREK ANDRE '16 | SPORTS**

EDITOR • A series of record-breaking performances combined to give #15 Wabash a win over Oberlin on Sunday and propel the team into the uncharted waters of the NSCAA top-25.

The win over Oberlin proved to be enough to vault the soccer team into the NSCAA top-25 for the first time in program history. The Little Giants entered the rankings at fifteenth, while rising to second in the Great Lakes region behind only #2 Kenyon. As of press time, the Little Giants were leading the country in shutout percentage, tied for the lead in total shutouts, second in goals allowed, and third in goals against average. These statistics and accolades bear out Wabash status as the favorite for this weekend's contest against Allegheny.

The Gators of Allegheny have beaten up on the Little Giant in recent years. Wabash has an 0-3-1 record against Allegheny in the past four years, but this season's matchup should turn out differently. The gators are fresh off a 1-0 home loss to Kenyon and, with the Little Giants riding high on their eleven game unbeaten streak, Wabash is certainly the favorite heading into the Sunday cap. Keller discussed his team's strategy for

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**CHRIS KELLER** 

the game earlier in the week.

"We're going to be doing a lot of what we have been doing," Keller said. "We're not going to change too much but we'll make small tweaks here and there to defend their stronger players and counteract their weaknesses. Hopefully we can go at them.

"Our team's speed might be a little quicker than theirs, so we're just going to try to play good, quick soccer and catch them out of position."

If current form favors the Little Giants, then the statistics only further cements their favorite status. At press time, Allegheny ranked in the bottom three in the NCAC for both goals against average and goals scored average while Wabash was in the top three in the same categories. Should both current form and statistical precedent hold, it's hard to see the Little Giants not leaving Pennsylvania with three points in tote.

With all this being said, the game against Allegheny is certainly a trap game for Wabash. One of the factors which may work against Wabash is the ten hour trip from Crawfordsville to the campus of Allegheny. While not a factor many people think of, travel time



TOM RUNGE '71 / PHOT

Allexiz Arrellano '18 has started nine of the last ten games for the Little Giants. He and the rest of the soccer team head to Allegheny this weekend for an NCAC cap.

can certainly affect a team's mental preparedness while on the road. Despite this, Keller has little worry about the readiness of his men come Sunday.

"We're traveling early Saturday so we'll have plenty of time to get there," Keller said. "We'll stop half way in between. It's just a mental strength thing over a physical one. It's more mentally draining but there's no excuses. We're going there to get a result."

The Little Giant's goalkeeper Dayton Jennings '17 was named NCAC player of the week for the week from 9/30 to 10/5. Jennings is the first Wabash player to

win the award since 2010. After a week in which he posted two shutouts and 11 saves in his two starts, it's easy to see why Jennings was pegged for the award.

"It was actually unexpected [to receive the award]," Jennings said. "Coach told me about it yesterday right before practice started. But it's an honor for me knowing that I'm one of the first people to get it since 2010... Hopefully in the next couple of years we can see more and more people winning [the award]."

The Little Giants return to the pitch this Sunday when they travel to Allegheny. The match will kick off at 1 p.m.

