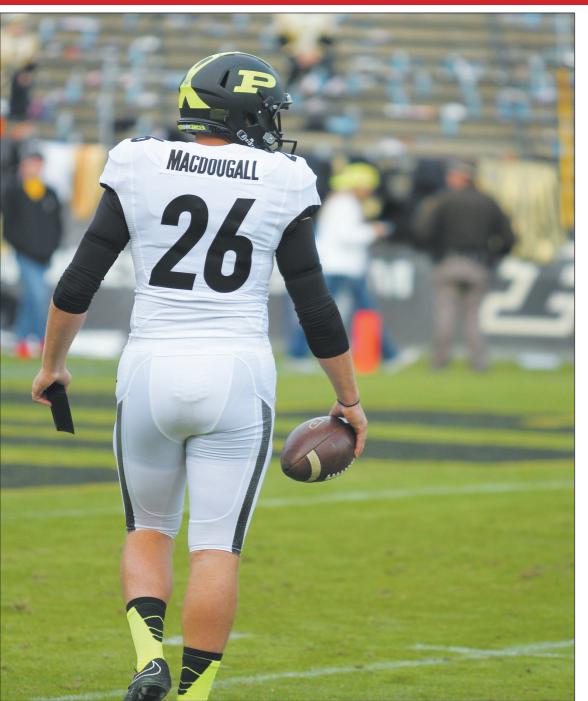
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## MACDOUGALL'14 CAN'T KICK THE HABIT

GRADUATE SCHOOL AT PURDUE BRINGS KICKING OPPORTUNITY FOR FORMER LITTLE GIANT

**DEREK ANDRE '16** I SPORTS EDITOR • Graduate school is not a new concept for Wabash men. Playing Big Ten football while going to graduate school, however, probably is.

For three years, Ian MacDougall '14 donned the scarlet and white on Saturday mornings to handle the kicking duties for the Little Giant Football team. During his time at Wabash, MacDougall set new records for field goals made in a season (15), extra points made in a season (55), and extra points made in a career (125). MacDougall was also First Team All-NCAC in his senior year. However, once his senior season was completed, MacDougall was informed by multiple members of the Athletic Department that he had a remaining year of eligibility, should he choose to use it.

""It was around Christmas time," MacDougall said.
"Wabash was playing somebody in basketball and I had to come back from break to call the game and Mark Colton said 'you realize you have an extra year of eligibility.' I kind of chuckled at it. Then, after the game, I asked Joe Haklin and he said 'yeah, that actually works out, you do.'"

After toying with aremaining at Wabash for an extra semester, MacDougall began to look at graduate school. The opportunity to get a masters degree while playing football seemed enticing to him. That's when the door to Purdue opened.

"Purdue really just opened itself up," MacDougall said.
"[Wabash Coach] Olmy [Olmstead] was actually a big catalyst in that because one of his good friends actually works for that athletic department so it really worked out and helped me out a lot. It got me in to talk with Coach Mason who's our graduate assistant kicking coach. They basically just said 'we have a walk-on spot open. We'd love for you to compete. So I came out and just competed my tail off."

And compete he did. After a solid

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#### FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

#### DAVID KENDALL

The 1966 graduate addressed students in Baxter Thursday night. His talk on the first amendment served to open the Public Discourse Summit. Part of the summit is the first meeting of the Wabash Democracy and Public Discourse advisory committee focused on student engagement

#### IN THE LIBRARY, WITH THE MICROPHONE

Sigma Tau Delta hosted an open mic night in the 1832 Brew Lounge Tuesday night. The event provided the opportunity for students to read, sing, and perform for students in the audience and in the library at large. The library provided great acoustics that could only be rivaled by any of the four stages in the Fine Arts Center.

#### IFC RECYCLES?

The Student Senate approved the purchase of two recycling bins to be placed in downtown Crawfordsville. The two bins cost a combined \$1,600, sourced from student activity funds. Part of the cost was the commemorative plaque recognizing the efforts of the IFC and Student Senate. Is this an appropriate amount of money to spend, does the cost of the plaque really contribute to the aim of the recycling bins? Write to The Bachelor to share your opinion.

#### JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15, CAMPUS CRIME FIGHTER

Last week, our
very own Jocelyn
Hopkinson '15
witnessed a couple
of thieves checking
out cars in the FIJI
parking lot, even
witnessing them swipe
a pair of sneakers
from an off-campus
house. He followed



house. He followed Jocelyn
them in his car, called Hopkinson '15

Crawfordsville PD, and those two are cooling their heels. Way to go, Jocelyn!

#### IT DEPARTMENT SUCCESS

Thanks to the IT department for their quick fix of The Bachelor's layout computers. Through the coordination of Cassie Busch, they answered the call within the hour when our staff found that our main computer wouldn't start!

## **COVER STORY**



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Ian MacDougall '14 speaks with a teammate during a game against Michigan State. MacDougall has used his last year of eligibility to play for Purdue.

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pre-season camp, MacDougall opened the year as the Boilermaker kick-off specialist. The former Little Giant held the job for the first five games of the season, tallying 1,390 yards of distance on 23 attempts for an average of 60.4 yards per kick. He also had eleven touchbacks on the year before a string of lackluster performances led to a change in the kicking duties.

"I won the job through camp, and, as football goes, I made a few mistakes and hurt the team and Coach thought it was necessary to make a change," MacDougall said. "We won our first game after the change. We played a really tight game against Michigan State. We lost by a point to Minnesota. And so, it's still a blessing to be on a Big Ten football team and to get the experience I'm getting. There are so many people who are in a worse spot than me. And for me to be the number two guy at a prestigious Big Ten institution playing Division One football, it's still a great blessing."

As it stands, MacDougall is the number two kicker on the Boilermaker depth chart behind junior Paul Griggs, and MacDougall seems to be okay with that. Interestingly, MacDougall had as much to say about Purdue off the field as he did on it. Working towards a Master's degree in sports management, MacDougall repeatedly mentioned his independent research project on

team names and the top level speakers Purdue brings in for its graduate classes. While he touted the perks of Division One football, and saying things like new cleats and chartered planes are "awesome," MacDougall sang the praises of his new institution and they way Wabash prepared him for graduate studies.

"I guess you could say Wabash really prepared me to take that next step," MacDougall said. "Obviously it's a much larger school, and you can't walk across and realize 'hey, I know every single person I'm walking past' but it's still a great institution. I'm really happy to be here and the values that the school teaches its students, again, are in a similar line of Wabash."

MacDougall spoke of his new wife Rachel and the plans they have together, and also made a comment about the similarities between the two programs he has been a part of.

""It's different," MacDougall said.
"Instead of putting on the scarlet and white every week you're putting on Black and Gold. But, both teams are coached by great men. [Purdue] Coach Hazell and Coach Raeburn really have similar values in that they want their players to be good men. That's what really drew me to Purdue; the similarities between Purdue and Wabash in the organizations."

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## **HEALTH CENTER ENCOURAGES FLU SHOTS**

TIM HANSON '17 I STAFF WRITER
That contagious and immobilizing
disease is back for the season and just
in time for midterms and fall sports.
For those who would prefer not to
take a ten-day leave of absence from
their favorite activities, the flu can be a
problem. Fortunately, it doesn't have to
be that way. On Oct. 8, 9, and 15, Wabash
College provided vaccinations on
campus for those who would rather have
a healthier composition in this delicate
time of season.

"[It's] the best protection against the flu. If you should get the flu, you could be missing as many as five or more days of school, and then catching up would be extremely difficult," Wabash Nurse Carol Lamb said.

According to College Physician John Roberts, "only about 20% of people on campus are vaccinated each year when it takes 90% to prevent disease spread. This year by itself has seen a significant decrease in the number of student vaccination from 108 students to 46 students," Roberts said.

"Notoriously, not a lot of students get [vaccinated on campus] but this seems to be extremely low this year," Lamb said.

Roberts would like to remind the student body that immunization is cheap and readily available at most pharmacies. "If you don't get one from campus, you need to get one elsewhere," Roberts said. Symptoms of the flu include coughing,

sore throat, runny nose, body ache, headache, and fatigue. Those with diabetes, high blood pressure, lung diseases or kidney infections should take special care not to contract the disease. When it comes to immunization, sooner is better than later, as resources become scarce by Thanksgiving Break. Even though money is running tight for many students, Roberts and Lamb urge students to invest in their health.

"Twenty bucks is well spent if it keeps you healthy," Lamb said.

Action for disease prevention is not only being taken by students but by other members of faculty as well. Campus Services sees to the cleaning and sanitation of the campus to ensure a healthy environment for the students. Bathrooms, for instance, are cleaned on a nearly daily basis with neutral disinfectant.

"[Neutral disinfectant is] an Ecolab product and...following the proper procedures, it has proven to be effective and our staff is trained with the proper procedures," said David Morgan, Director of Campus Services.

Besides vaccination, both Roberts and Lamb have emphasized that other practices that help prevent spreading include covering your mouth with your elbow, washing your hands with warm water and soap (for more than 20 seconds), and avoiding people who are already sick.



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Throughout the past month Wabash has been providing flu shots. Each season the Health Center fights to have Wabash students take that precautionary step.



## WABASH, IU MCKINNEY FORGE NEW PARTNERSHIP

## MCKINNEY SCHOOL OF LAW JOINS IU MAUER IN OFFERING TWO HALF-RIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

• Following news about the Wabash Law Scholars Program at the IU Maurer School of Law, Wabash College has reached a similar partnership between the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law and Wabash College. The program will begin in the fall of 2015.

"I'm very excited about our new agreement with our partners at Wabash College," Dean Andrew R. Klein said, citing theindianalawyer.com. "The McKinney School of Law is incredibly proud of the long list of Wabash grads who are also our alumni, many of whom are leaders in this community and beyond,"

Upon meeting Wabash nomination criteria and IU McKinney's criteria available on IU McKinney's website, Wabash will potentially nominate at least two students or alumni the title of Wabash Law Fellow. The Wabash Law Fellows will provide a minimum of a half-tuition scholarship ranging from between \$12,000-\$22,000 per year depending on residency. Additionally,

the Wabash Law Fellow will be guaranteed an externship during his tenure in Law School.

IU McKinney is a flexible, affordable school located in the heart of downtown Indianapolis. The school embraces diversity and equal opportunities for students in an educational and working environment. Students can gain handson experience with the prosecutor's office, businesses like Eli Lilly, over 50 state and local government offices, including the National Labor Relations Board, or nonprofit sector groups like the American Civil Liberties Union. With prime real estate to network, and the only part-time program offered in the state of Indiana, IU McKinney offers a unique opportunity for students interested in immediately seeking realworld work experience.

Additional opportunities include a potential internship with the United Nations. Students also can travel to more than 55 different countries to do International Human Rights Law. In the past, IU McKinney students have

donated more than 141,000 hours of service through the Pro Bono Program.

"Law school is a serious investment, and the opportunity to leave law school with significantly less debt thanks to Wabash is an amazing opportunity," said Andrew Dettmer '15, Pre-Law Society President.



**Andrew Dettmer '15** 

"This opportunity is even better because it is at such fine institutions as the IU McKinney and IU Maurer law schools," Dettmer said.

Visiting Associate Professor of Political Science Scott Himsel and the Pre-Law Society offered two separate information sessions over the past month that allowed students to learn more about IU McKinney and IU Maurer first-hand.

Before Fall break, the Director of

Admissions Julie Smith, announced the new program with McKinney in a session with students. During IU Bloomington's Mauer School of Law held an info session with Director of Admissions, Janet Hein.

Each program brought current students and graduates from Wabash to speak about the new deals and law school experiences.

These two sessions will be followed up by an upcoming trip to IU McKinney that will allow students the opportunity to participate in a mock class taught by Wabash alumnus Tom Wilson. Following the mock class, Wabash and IU McKinney alumnus Bob Grand will be hosting a reception that will offer students the opportunity to network with Indianapolis Wabash attorneys. Although space is very limited, all Wabash students are eligible to sign up for the event. Students can sign up through Career Services on Handshake. This event will be Friday, November 14th, and transportation will be provided to and from the event.



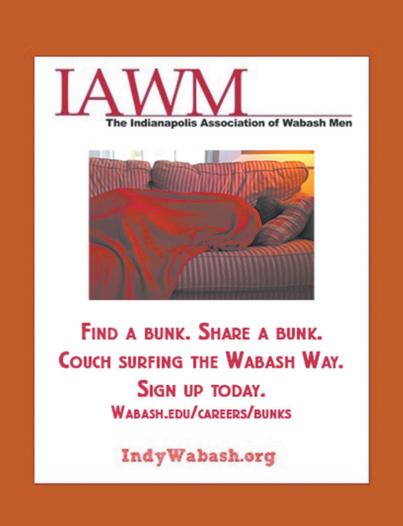
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## STUDENTS ANALYZE WABASH RETIREMENT PLAN

**TYLER REGNIER '16 | STAFF WRITER** While most Wallies were sleeping till 2 p.m. and playing countless hours of FIFA and Destiny, fourteen Wabash students participated in the Finance Immersion Program over fall break. Guided by Dr. Frank Howland, John W. Bachmann-Edward Jones Professor of Economics and Leadership, and Casey Hockersmith, Administrative and Recruiting Assistant to Career Services, the students explored a variety of careers in finance while researching and analyzing the retirement savings plans of the various schools in the Great Lakes College Association.

On Wednesday evening, students had dinner with Montgomery County locals who are employed in various areas of the financial sector. Students networked with Mike Wilson, Plant Controller at RR Donnelly, Joe Mallot '59, CEO of Somer Metalcraft, Chirs Cox, Division Controller of Nucor Steel, and Kristin Clary, Executive Director of Montgomery County Economic Development. "I like meeting with local people, because I want to strengthen the connection between Wabash College and the Crawfordsville and Montgomery County community," said Howland. Students were able to gain the prospective of a financial career in a small mid-western town such as Crawfordville.

Afterwards, the group headed to Downtown Indianapolis for the remainder of the trip. Thursday, students met with five alumni who have pursued a career in finance. "I think it was great to get that real-world first hand account from the speakers," said Hockersmith. Speakers included Colin Fahey '05, Commercial Banking Manager at PNC Bank, Matthew Vessely '91, Senior VP & Commercial Portfolio Manager of The Huntington National Bank, Patrick Maguire '08, Term Trader-West Desk at ACES Power, and Steven Zajac '10, Retirement Plan Services Consultant at OneAmerica Financial. "It was a good mix of younger alumni and those of us who are more mature and more seasoned, to show an earlier career path and then a more mature career path," said Roland Morin, Director of the Center for Innovation, Business and Entrepreneurship at Wabash College, who was vital in the implementation of the program but was not able to join the participants in Indianapolis.

On Friday, the students went to Eli Lilly & Company's corporate headquarters where they met with seven Wabash alumni who are employed at Lilly in various financial roles, including Terrence Lyons '84, Chief Financial Officer, and David Lewis '81, Vice President of Global Taxes and Assistant Treasurer. Students were enlightened about the various financial careers at Lilly and the basics of corporate finance. "Being in the Lilly cooperate headquarters with that many vice presidents at the same

time...it's a once in a lifetime opportunity," said Morin.

When the students were not meeting with alums, they were busy working on the final project of the Financial Immersion Program. "In each finance immersion program we try to come up with a final project in which the students have to synthesize the ideas they have encountered throughout the trip, and we have been moving toward having students work in teams," said Howland. This year, "The project was to look at Wabash's retirement system. Wabash has a defined benefit plan, a 403(b) plan, which is like a 401(k) plan. The retirement committee is likely to consider changes to the plan." Students spend hours researching the college's current retirement investment options, and also the investment options offered

Vanguard or JPMorgan," said Howland. Student research found that Wabash offers the fewest investment options for its employees, compared to all the colleges in the GLCA. Although some employees would enjoy having more options, others might be overwhelmed by a long list of options.

Students also had to consider the institutional contribution rate that Wabash offers to employees' retirement savings. "Right now Wabash gives a flat ten percent, which is a really generous plan, but doesn't give any incentive to employees to contribute additional amounts on their own," said Howland. Although a flat ten percent is more generous than most comparable schools, other schools offer a combination of a flat rate and a matching rate. Combined, this encourages



ROLAND MORIN '91 / PHOTO

The Finance Immersion Program participants pose for a picture after their final presentation. Their project focused on retirement plans at the college.

by other schools in the Great Lakes Colleges Association. After analyzing and comparing this data, students studied various other investment options, mainly mutual funds, that the college may want to consider adding to their list of investment

In their research and analytical work, the students had a number of aspects to consider. "The college needs to consider three things: whether they ought to open up different and perhaps more investment options for staff and faculty, should Wabash consider changing the way it matches, or does not match, employee contributions, and what kind of financial education might the college offer [to employees] in addition to what it already does," said Howland.

"Right now there is a group of mutual funds offered by TIAA-CREF (Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America-College Retirement Equities Fund) and American Funds. What other colleges have done is opened up their options to other companies, such as

employees to save more.

As many students pointed out, other arrangements would be less generous on behalf of the college than Wabash's current contribution rate. The group presented a number of possibilities for contribution and matching rates.

One possibility would be match employee contributions 200%, up to 5% of the employees salary, which would lead to the employee saving 15% of his or her salary for retirement. For example, if an employee earns \$100,000 annually and contributed 1% or \$1,000, the college would match that by 200% or \$2,000. This would continue until the employee reached 5% of his or salary, where the college would match that contribution by 200%, resulting in a total of 15% or %15,000 of the employee's salary saved for retirement. The retirement committee must decide how much of a paternal role they want to play in determining employee retirement plans.

On Saturday morning, the students presented their findings to a panel of

judges including three young alumni who are employed at Eli Lilly & Company, Jared Valentine '14, Bryan Hutchens '13, and Trevor Counceller '12. "It truly amazes me that in less than forty-eight hours that the students were able to put together such detailed presentations using models, analysis, and research. It's a perfect example of Wabash Liberal Arts education at work," said Morin, who was able to join the group on Saturday for the final presentations. Although no changes have been made to the college's retirement plan as a direct consequence of the student research, it certainly got college employees thinking. "It was interesting for me to see what you guys had researched. Being a new employee, it was pretty cool to see all of that information...I certainly went home Saturday night and discussed [my retirement plan] more with my husband," said Hockersmith, who just joined Career Services this fall.

Overall, students and faculty alike were extremely pleased with this year's Finance Immersion Program. "A great opportunity for students...it's a perfect step in the right direction when pursuing a career [in finance]," said Hockersmith. "I thought that this year, the students did an especially good job on the final project. The students had a good work ethic and the project was a real-world project. I learned a lot about what other colleges are doing with their retirement plans from the research that students did. And I learned some details about how our investment options stack up against other [schools']," said Howland Students learned about the various careers in finance while making new connections with alumni. "I felt like I learned a lot of insightful things from the speakers, such as who I would like to work with, who I would like to work for, and who I do not want to work for," said Wesley Virt, FIP participant and class of 2017. "I really wanted to learn about the different areas of finance because finance is everywhere. You can be in whatever [area of finance] you personal want to be and work in finance," said Virt.

Howland encourages all students who have an interest in finance to participate in next year's Finance Immersion Program and take advantage of the various opportunities on campus to learn more about careers in finance. "There are lots of opportunities on campus to talk to alums who are in finance, and I would encourage [students to go]. Students need to see the variety of different jobs that are out there.. people do lots and lots of different things in finance. All students have different skills and they can probably find a niche in the world of finance to take advantage of their skills. Be flexible and be creative in your career. Right now you have a great opportunity to learn from lots of people at a college where alumni are very generous with their time."

## **OPINION**

# BRINGING WABASH VALUES FROM CAMPUS TO THE CLASSROOM

abash educates men to "think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely." Over my time at Wabash, I have heard this message countless times and taken it to heart. As I prepare to graduate in May and think about my next steps, I find myself reflecting on our college's mission more than ever.

The aspect I keep coming back to is "live humanely." Since my first day on the Wabash campus, this has been my favorite part of our mission statement. It is the value that I have most deeply wanted to embody in my four years at Wabash. It has also influenced my decision to become a Teach For America corps member after I graduate.

If I have realized one thing in the past year, it is that I have led an extremely privileged life. Though my parents are divorced, I grew up in a supportive home and



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with the resources I needed to be successful. I graduated high school at the top of my class, earned a nice scholarship to Wabash, and arrived here well-equipped to handle the rigor of classes. As a young, white, cisgender man, I identify with many of our country's dominant cultural paradigms – all of which give me access to plenty of choices I could make about my future. But when I thought about the choices that would push me to live humanely, I knew I wanted to make the one that

would allow me to advocate for kids like the ones I grew up with in rural Northern California.

In the small farming town I'm from, 8 percent of the population has an undergraduate degree and 23 percent lives below the poverty line. When my parents noticed that our neighborhood high school's graduation requirements didn't align with entrance standards to the California State University system, they almost sent me elsewhere. But my mother (who earned her MS and PhD at UC Davis) was able to figure out a solution, guiding me to the courses I would have to take to at my high school to meet admission standards and pushing me to take on additional work to prepare myself for college. Because the majority of my peers did not have the privilege of a parent with the access and resources to help them do the same, most fell into classes that left them illprepared to graduate high school and attend college. When I graduate from college this spring, I will be the first of my 125 Orland High School classmates to do so.

I have much to learn about becoming a teacher, but I will bring all I have to the classroom every day because I know that low-income kids in Orland and across our country deserve nothing less. As a Wabash man, I have been taught that to live humanely means to advocate for the human rights of all people. I hope to use my talents as a leader, a critical thinker, and a successful student to lead my future students to their full potential. My passion for social justice will motivate me to face challenges head-on. For me, I will have lived humanely if I've helped my kids supersede their circumstances to create the futures they deserve. If what I have written resonates with your truth or your values, I hope you will consider whether the classroom might be the path for you, too.

## **EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS**

utumn has hit Wabash campus with a bang, and this week my column will reflect that. I won't be wearing the social activist hat or the campus cheerleader hat like normal. I am only going to offer up a few options for those looking to take advantage of the fall weather before winter sinks its nasty hooks and claws into the Indiana landscape.

With the changing leaves around us, Indiana and Crawfordsville are at their most beautiful. And yet it isn't exactly feasible to visit Brown County on school nights; what can Wabash students do to get their fill of autumn, see the trees, or participate in general natural merriment? It amazes me how many members of the Wabash Community



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don't know where/what many of the following resources are.

The first logical choice is our College's own Arboretum. Petty's Patch is particularly relaxing these days, and the trees will continue to turn over the next few weeks. However, in the Arb, you're still fairly likely to run into classmates or

professors, destroying your illusion of "getting away" for a few hours.

Nearly as close to campus are the series of running/walking/bike trails that wind through Crawfordsville. Members of the Wabash Community can access the Sugar Creek trails easily: from the Allen Center, head west on Jennison Street. You'll find two trailheads: one on the left by Donnelly's, and another further down on the right off the end of the railroad tracks.

Shades State Park is perhaps the best option for those with a means of transportation. The Park is less than thirty minutes down IN-47, and you could spend hours exploring the trails there, or camping and hiking. Many times, it feels as if you have left the cityscape of Crawfordsville

completely behind. Shades' cousin Turkey Run State Park is a tad bit further from campus, but offers another opportunity to explore some of Indiana's natural treasures.

In short, these resources are a few of the more common options for getting the full autumn experience this year. And I hate to sound like an admonishing parent, but be respectful while you are there – and I mean more than just politely withholding from littering. I mean slowing down, paying attention to the sensory details, and opening an ear to the environment around you.

Winter is coming. Stock up on the autumn mindset by taking time to yourself to play in the leaves, work up a sweat, and breath the fresh chill air.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

My name is Trudi Lindow, and I am the oldest daughter of Keith Lindow, who was featured on the cover of "The Bachelor" in the October 10th publication.

My Dad has always been my hero, and an excellent role model for myself, and my brother and sister. He taught us at a young age the value of ongoing education, and being involved in the local community. Wabash has been a part of our family our entire lifetime. We attended every Wabash football home game, all the offerings at the Humanities Center, and took full advantage of the tennis facilities (which I give credit, in part, to the tennis scholarship I was awarded at Butler University).

I would like to thank the administration, faculty, staff and men for the 50+ years of positive impact for our family (aside from my humorous failed attempt to enroll during a college fair back in the late-70's....haha....can't blame a girl for trying?). I truly appreciate the willingness of the College in total to embrace the local

And selfishly, I'd like to give "The Bachelor" my sincere thanks for recognizing Dad's involvement in the classroom for 22 years. It is rare to get him to a) talk about himself and b) have his picture taken. Sam Vaught, Levi Garrison, and your entire team did a superb job catching the essence of my Dad in words and pictures, creating a keepsake for our family we already treasure.

Thanks....you have made a difference!

Go, Wabash!!!

Trudi K. Lindow

## **A REBUTTAL** TO MR. MOUNT

In response to Mr. Joe Mount's article Why Greeks Need GDIs, I'd like to refute one of his key points.

He states that,"...simply belonging to an organization says nothing about who you are as a person." This is categorically false.

Virtually all organizations exist for one reason or another. For example,

Mr. Mount belongs to the fraternity of Tau Kappa Epsilon which explicitly states that all members are to conform to the ideals of Love,

Charity and Esteem for all.

Thus, by observing the fact that Mr. Mount is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon we can infer that he believes in the ideals of TKE, that is to say that he tries to conform to the ideals of Love, Charity, and Esteem.

Therefore, by belonging to a certain organization others can reasonably



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infer some character traits of said person.

That said, we cannot assume that we can completely determine a persons character based solely on the organizations they belong to, but rather we can at least make some reasonable assumptions about that person and about their character.

## BE ALERT: SOCIETY IS ROMANTICIZING ROMANCE

5 omeone once told me that humans were actually made with two heads, four arms, and four legs. They said that God saw that we were too powerful, and split us up to our current form, forcing us to live out our lives searching for our other half. Or something like that. How true is that - not so much the story, but the search for our other half? Is there truly one person out there that's our perfect complement? More specifically, is it all that important that we even look for them at the first chance we get, regardless, if we're ready or not? How badly do we actually want to be in love? More importantly, are the powers that be romanticizing romance?

I'm fairly certain love has become a money maker in a very capitalistic society. Hallmark, Hollywood, television executives, authors and even that guy on the corner of that super sketchy street selling polyester roses on February 13th all have an active interest in love and the pursuit



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of the other half. According to the national retail federation, the average person celebrating Valentine's Day spent a pretty penny - about \$130. Every retail shop in the land wants you to drop a piece of that right into their registers. Hallmark scratches in around 4.0 billion dollars a year - and guess who's not about to give up that slice of pie? Movies thrive off of marketing the idea of the perfect man to young female audiences. Who cares if they get their hopes up or get a false representation of what men should be like? Hollywood stopped caring the moment they got their movie ticket fare. Shows like The Bachelor, where one woman or one man finds true love (cue pre-recorded audience laughter) are extremely profitable. Everyone wants to see the inner workings of the search for love: the whispers, the romantic gestures, and the wine throwing, hair pulling drama. Who cares if the show encourages viewers to get wrapped up in a relationship they had no business in? Responsible television providing doesn't matter to them. It stopped mattering as soon as Nielsen reported that you watched their show.

Nicholas Sparks has written the book on making cash off of literary romance (puns are fun). "Dear John" and "The Notebook" are recent examples. Other authors, like Mrs. Meyers with "Twilight" or Mr. Greene with "The Fault in our Stars" know there's a market for romance readers who love a cute story. It doesn't matter if they lead relationships to ruin from expecting unrealistic cliches. It stopped mattering as soon as they realized that they made the New York Times best seller list, or that it made top 10 on iTunes books

The bigger picture here is that it's leading to the almost glamorization of being in a relationship. While it could be said that folks should wake up and stop being so naive, I maintain that the "sellers" should represent some level of realism about something so many "buyers" are extremely vulnerable about. People these days are running into these relationships because of what they seem to be fun, attached to some sort of status, relaxing, only hard on the really bad days. At the end of the day, these companies that are packaging up and selling you companionship won't be there to help you counsel you and your "bae" through a rough patch. Be careful what you let the media and retail giants feed you. Most of the time, it's relatively harmless - but when it's toxic, it's toxic.

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# CAVELike

## WEEZER'S NEW ALBUM, ALRIGHT



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Everything Will Be Alright in the End just dropped this week, and I am super excited to tell you about it. Weezer's 11th album is a return to their roots, but with lyrics that are a little more 21st century. The guitars are still fuzzy, and Rivers Cuomo can still hit those high notes. With songs like "Back to the Shack" and "Cleopatra" released as singles, the album has some solid tunes to offer.

Weezer claims to be a guitar rock band, and they do a good job of living up to the name. Most of the album is filled with power chords and slick licks, the kind that get stuck inside your head and make you want to play them yourself. My biggest qualms came when I really focused on the lyrics. Though normally witty and smooth, the words from this album were forced and uninspired. Maybe my tastes have changed since Í first experienced the band, but lines like "Forgive your foolish father /He did the best that he could do/You are his daughter/ He'd do anything for you" just don't cut the same chord that the band used to. These simple lyrics are similar to what I would've written in sophomore English class. The one saving grace lyrically would have to be "Back to the Shack" with a chorus opener like "Take me back, back to the shack/ back to the strat with the lighting strap" my ears were opened, and I heard the true Weezer once again.

Despite some lyrical slack, I was happy with the album overall. There is a cool little trilogy of songs that tell a story at the end of the album, one I haven't quite figured out yet. If you're looking for some nostalgia, or a solid entry into the world of alternative rock, this is a solid pick

up. 3.5 out of 5 stars.

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# INTRAMURAL WRAP-UP

TY CAMPBELL '16 | STAFF WRITER
This year, intramural football players
found themselves playing a different game
than they were accustomed to in the past.
Starting this season, intramural football
rules changed so that each offensive
possession was limited to 4 downs. This
change made for a high scoring season
and an exciting intramural football
tournament. Pat Sullivan, Assistant
Basketball coach of Wabash College, is
the staff member who supervised and
organized the event this year.

Coach Sullivan met with current students and discussed the way IM football has been played in the past. "It sounded like it was more complicated than it needed to be," Sullivan said. With games being played on both the Mud Hollow and Hollett Little Giant Stadium football fields, Sullivan believed that the easiest way to regulate the games would be to have limited offensive attempts. "I took the approach of the college football overtime rule," Sullivan said. The new game rules made for easier officiated football games with less ruling debates. "We deciding to play from 25 yards away with plays 4 plays, not making it too complicated," Sullivan said. "If you intercept or recover a football and run it back, you can return it to the 50-yard line for a touchdown. If not, you can start over at the 25. Trying to keep it simple."

The 10 competing teams were divided into 2 groups: Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Fiji, and Theta Delta Chi in Group A, and Independents, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Sigma, and Tau Kappa Epsilon in Group B. The Sigma Chi and Independent teams both automatically advanced to the playoffs with undefeated records in both of their respective groups. Lambda Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Fiji and Beta Theta Pi were the other four teams that advanced to the playoff rounds. A Lambda Chi win of 35 to 30 versus Phi Delta Theta, and a Fiji win of 66 to 41 against Beta Theta Pi, advanced both winning teams to the semifinals against the favored Sigma Chi and Independent teams. Both the Lambda and Fiji teams, who met last year in the intramural football championship, lost in the semifinals and left both undefeated Sigma Chi and Independent teams advancing to the finals. A high scoring final game of 56 to 52 resulted in the Independent team having a 6-1 record. Congratulations to the Sigma Chi team for winning the intramural football tournament!

# BUILDING A BETTER UNION: THE MXI REACHES OUT

FRITZ COUTCHIE '15 I CAVELIFE EDITOR • Black Student Unions serve to grant minority students a place of comfort, while seeking to build a stronger sense of community between minority and majority students. Chairman of the Malcolm X Institute for Black Studies, Tyrone Evans '16, aims to use the Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies (MXIBS) student union to expand a sense of community to other campuses as well as within the Wabash community.

This year, the members of the Malcolm X Institute networked with members of Black Student Unions in the Great Lakes Colleges Association, in Indiana, and with the Black Student Union of Hampden-Sydney. Evans hopes that the networking effort will result in the exchange of best practices, a sense of minority-student community beyond Wabash, and combined events with the other Unions aimed at greater cultural appreciation on all campuses.

"We have had complaints in the last few years of not being able to spread out and go other places, so I decided that my summer mission was to do exactly that" Evans said. "I started out with a few contacts, I had some people who connected me to the presidents of other black student unions and cultural organizations."

Evans, along with Arion Clanton '15, Charles Ridgeway '16 Kennis Dillon'15, and Jonathon Young '16, spent the summer building a network of Black Student Unions to contact and making phone calls.

Although Evans expected a greater response from other student unions, fruitful connections have been made

"We have a connection with University of Indianapolis" Evans said. "I took classes there over the summer and was able to speak with the president of their Black Student Union. This year, members of their union came to one of our events and we have sent some of our guys there to discuss some programming that we could collaborate on."

Football games are a natural networking event between student unions. The MXIBS hosted The College of Wooster's Black Student Union for a tailgate prior to the Wabash-Wooster football game. Prior to the Hampden-Sydney game, the executive board of the Malcolm X Institute sat with members of the Hampden-Sydney administration to discuss the similar situations minority students face at predominantly-white, allmale colleges.

"We have two colleges which have essentially the same makeup, there are very few Colleges like us" Evans said. So we saw the game as an opportunity to start a dialog between the two Black Student Union. We wanted to get a feel for what they are doing and set up programming, possibly a service event, where the two groups could meet in the middle and positively affect a community."

The Wooster-Wabash game offered more than just a tailgate for the two student unions to interact. Nearly 25 Wooster students came



LEVI GARRISON '18/ PHOT

The Malcolm X Institute serves as a natural meeting point for other Black Student Unions at Wabash College. This building houses the Black Student Union at Wabash College. The building is shared with the administrate Malcolm X Institute.

for the weekend, many of which performed acapella or spoken word poetry for the Wabash community. The two unions discussed best practices, issues on their respective campuses and how to best spread a positive message on campus.

Originally, Evans expected that the connections between the Black Student Unions would be mostly social. Having connections at other schools would give MXIBS members somewhere to go on other campuses. Now the aim is greater.

Evans hopes that through the connections made through the

outreach of the MXIBS will lead to a conference where Minority Student Unions can connect and put together a celebration of diversity in a central location. Executive members of Minority Student Unions will be able to share struggles and successes between themselves and with the greater community.

Creating a more cohesive community of Minority Student Unions could help students build a sense of belonging both at their individual colleges, but also with minority students elsewhere.



## **HOW TO: HALLOWEEN**



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Ah, Halloween: what a joyous time of year! The leaves have fallen, the air is crisp, and the fake blood is flying off the shelves. Halloween is a very special time of year. Candy is handed out by the fistfuls, children are squealing, haunted houses are open, and the smell of burning leaves abounds. It's also one of the few instances where dressing up like something ridiculous is ok, outside of costume parties and whatnot. You get to be creative, funny, interesting, or serious. You can make a strong political statement, or be this year's hottest pop culture icon. You can reach back as far as you want for inspiration, or make a costume based off of what you think someone or something will look like in the future. The agency that Halloween gives us is astounding, and I hope that all of you take advantage of it. However, Halloween is not, and never has been, an excuse to be an ass. Outside of behavior, dress on this holiday should follow a few basic guidelines. I'm here to give you a few, very simple do's and don'ts to follow so you don't end up looking very basic on the 31st - or whenever you may be dressing up.

Do's:

Do coordinate outfits, especially if you're with a significant other. Couples can mimic celebrity couples or famous duos. Groups and various ensembles can mimic bands, posses, or be secret service to a government leader. Have fun with it! Some of the best costumes can come from pairs.

Do think broadly. Reach way back there and pull out something great. Tired tropes need to be retired – get clever and think of something really good. You can be subversive or simple – just be someone that no one else might have thought of.

Do dress your pets, and do dress them like you. I don't care what anyone says, a pug in a sailor suit and a person in a sailor suit is amazing. Especially together. Go for it

Do dress practically. I can almost guarantee you it will be chilly. Outfits with shorts might look good, but the next day, you could be very sick. Dress for the weather you have, and get creative, and it won't have to spoil your intended look. And dress comfortably, too, if you're partying or doing a lot of waling.

Don'ts:

Don't be "sexy" anything. This one applies to everyone. Sexy kittens, nurses, secretaries, etc. – they've just got to go. Sexy pirates, cops, firemen – these have also run their course, and fought the good fight – but they are done. Ship them down the river in a bed of satin with the words of a love song. FINISHED. While some might enjoy these outfits, they are exhausted go-to's that have



LEVI GARRISON '18 / PHOT

Do not do this. This is a sheet, not a costume. This person does not look like a ghost. Put effort into costumes this year.

gotten beyond old. And don't try to sexy anything new, because that's just a variation on an old theme. I heard on Facebook that someone might be trying to pull a sexy Ebola victim outfit – we won't go there.

Don't dress as a stereotype. Don't put on an outfit that perpetuates a common assumption about a race/culture/ ideology. I'll spare you the examples – but just don't do it.

Don't tell someone they can't dress as someone because of race. I was invited to a Halloween party very last minute and didn't have time to put together an outfit - "never fear!" I thought, as I put on my Guy Harvey Long Sleeve T-Shirt, "I'll just go as conservationist and marine wildlife artist Guy Harvey!". This was 12th grade
- we went trick or treating lite, meaning we just went around the neighborhood to the houses of teachers we knew. We were all getting candy from one of our favorite teachers when his question of "what are you dressed as?" finally got to me. I said I was Guy Harvey. He responds, "You can't be Guy Harvey. You're black!". It was

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## OPTIMIZE THE IPHONE 6 EXPERIENCE

STEVE BAZIN '18 | STAFF WRITER .

Last month, the iPhone 6 and 6 plus were released with the usual fanfare and consumer hysteria as their predecessors. Apple's new handsets received the usual hardware upgrades, but also feature significantly bigger screens and the newly released operating system iOS 8. The iPhone 6 brought in over \$10 million (USD) in sales during its first weekend, in spite of the rumors of it accidentally bending in people's pocket. Long-time iPhone loyalists and Android converts alike have been tinkering with their new devices for over a month. Here are the Bachelor's Top 6(plus) tips for enjoying the new iPhone.

Protect your phone, and invest in a protective case. Dropping a new iPhone can be crushing in more ways than one. Avoid the emotional trauma all-together, and keep your iPhone in a case. A good case will protect your phone from any accidental spills it may take. Sophomore Mack Neal recommends the Lifeproof case (available for \$19.99 on Amazon) for the best results. As an added plus, a case will keep your iPhone in

top condition, and earn you top dollar if you choose to upgrade to the iPhone 6s next fall.

The iPhone 6 sports a more powerful camera than the previous models, but the camera's software also sports several new features. Multiple filters can be viewed at once while using the camera's viewfinder. This allows the filter to be applied as the photo is taken, and post your photos to Instagram faster than ever before, upping one's "selfie-game" significantly.

The video quality has also been increased. Not only is the iPhone 6 capable of taking full HD video, but video editing features have been included as well. Existing videos can be altered to play in slow motion or speed up without affecting the quality of the video. These features can be applied to the video in the same way filter is applied to a photo.

The iPhone 6 now includes the health monitoring app, Apple Health. A health-minded tech-aficionado can track and record his daily activity with the pedometer feature. Unfortunately, this app does not meet its full potential alone without the long-awaited Apple Watch's ability to monitor vitals.

4(plus) If you have been using an independent health tracking app, you can import your information to Apple-Health

Your days of battery anxiety are over. The battery life on the iPhone 6 has improved significantly, and lasts almost the entire day while running multiple apps. Gone are the days of living in constant fear of your phone dying.

5(plus) You're going to have some extra space in your car or backpack without the charger.

Apple has improved the voice recognition software for the iPhone 6. The iPhone 6 converts a normal conversation to text with relatively few errors, and voice commands are easily executed without raising one's voice. Overall, the voice recognition operates more seamlessly than on previous models.

The iPhone 6 features an app called Apple Tips which offers a general overview for new

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Don't dress as a culture. Cultures cannot be reduced to costumes. They are not outfits you can put on for a night. Do not put on a poncho and draw on a pencil thin mustache and claim to be "Mexican". Do not put on a sari with a bindi and claim to be Hindi. Do not don a kimono and socks with sandals and be a geisha girl. It's offensive, ridiculous, and shows a lack of home training and cultural awareness. It's not about being politically correct; it's about not being an insensitive imbecile. You also don't have to wear make-up to be someone of a different race for Halloween. If I, a man of color, want to be Anderson Cooper, and a white man wants to be Wiz Khalifa, I don't have to whiten my skin, nor does he have to brown his. I'll just spray my hair white and he can just wear whatever Wiz wears (and maybe dye/spray his hair purple. Wiz looks

awkward for all of us. Don't be that guy.

With these simple tips, you can be will on your way to having a very fun Halloween without upsetting or offending anyone. Follow these, and I'm sure you'll have an incredible time. Happy Halloween!

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## **SPORTS**

## TIME FOR SOME **PAYBACK**

LITTLE GIANTS HAVE **DEMONS TO EXORCISE AGAINST SCOTS** 

**JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15** 

SENIOR STAFF WRITER • North Coast Athletic Conference coaches picked the nationally 10th-ranked Wabash football team to win the conference. If the last two weeks are any indication, the coaches were right. After a disappointing second half in a win against Wooster, the Little Giants dominated in two road victories at Ohio Wesleyan and Kenyon. They will look to continue their roll Saturday in their return home against Oberlin.

"Early in the season, we had some peaks and valleys," Coach Erik Raeburn said. "We just can't have the ups and downs. The good teams are consistent — that's every day in practice, and obviously that's the case on Saturdays as well."

The Little Giants (7-0, 6-0 NCAC) have been in a "valley" against the Yeomen in recent matchups. Wabash won on the road last year despite inconsistent play. In the last Oberlin (2-4, 2-3 NČAC) visit to Crawfordsville, the Little Giants committed four turnovers as the Yeomen left with a 31-16 victory that eliminated the Little Giants from the postseason.

"A lot of our guys played in that game," Raeburn said. "They know if we don't have a great week in practice, they'll beat us. We have a pretty veteran group so hopefully it's experienced enough to know you have to your best every week."

Wabash was not at its best in a 27-10 victory last year at Oberlin. A handful of red zone mishaps kept the Little Giants from putting the

game away.

"We didn't play well offensively," Raeburn said. "We moved the ball, but squandered a couple of opportunities — it was really windy and Ian MacDougall '14 missed his only two field goals of the season. In total, we had four opportunities down in the red zone, inside the 10-yard line, and came away with zero points."

The Little Giants struggled to field a healthy team for the game. Raeburn said 47 players missed practice or the game that week.

"Last year was the 'flu week,'" he said. "Grant Klembara '15 was sick as a dog all day Friday and didn't think he was going to be able to play, and somehow he goes out there and sucks it up.'

The Klembara version of a flu game resulted in 106 yards on 17 carries. Saturday, Klembara will line up at linebacker instead of running back. He and the rest of the Wabash defense will face a high-flying attack.

"They still play the tight end and fullback, but seem to be getting into spread more this year than in years past," Raeburn said. "Their quarterback is playing well. I think because of their personnel, they're spreading it out more than they have in the past."

The Yeomen are averaging 42 points in their wins. Big-play sophomore receiver Justin Cruz is the focal point of Oberlin's offense. His 32 receptions on the year are almost three times as many as the next closest pass catcher on the team. He also has seven touchdowns and 568 receiving yards on the year. In last week's win over Allegheny, Cruz caught 14 passes for a school-record 242 yards and three touchdowns.

Despite Cruz's impressive individual numbers, the Little Giant defense is keeping its attention on the Yeoman offense as a whole.

"We play a lot of zone coverage so there aren't any big matchups," cornerback Delon Pettiford '17 said. "Instead of focusing on one-on-one matchups, we're focusing as a team to not give up anything deep."

If Wabash wants to live with allowing the Oberlin to complete underneath passes, the defense must fly to the ball and make open-field tackles. Pettiford said it can also use the boundary as a 12th defender.

'(Cruz) is pretty shifty in the open field, but we have to 'inside out' to force him to the sideline," Pettiford said.

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Drake Christen '17 has 30 catches on the year of 507 yards. He has also caught five touchdowns thus far this season.



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## WELCOME TO THE CHOP SHOP

BLOCKING BY WIDE RECEIVERS KEY TO WABASH SUCCESS

JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15 I SENIOR STAFF WRITER • Catches, yards, and touchdowns often determine a wide receiver's impact on a football game. Wabash, however, has placed a greater emphasis on receivers' blocking ability. Little Giant receivers, or the "Chop Shop," have the aggressive mindset to overpower defenders.

"It's a neat situation when you have wide receivers that are willing to block," Receivers Coach Don Morel said. "Most wide receivers don't like to block. Most of them are pretty soft."

Most receivers dream of making the game-winning touchdown catch. Fans know Kurt Casper '02 for making "The Catch" to win the 2001 Monon Bell game, but the same fans would be hard pressed to name receivers that made a downfield block or two that sprung a long run. The Chop Shop plays in this anonymity,

except in the film room.

"It's good our coaches put such an emphasis on blocking," receiver Sammy Adams '17 said. "Sometimes on touchdown plays, in the film the next day they're just as excited about the big block as they are



**Don Morel** 

about the touchdown run. They put blocking on a big stage for us."

Receivers have provided plenty of excitement for coaches. Wabash tops the North Coast Athletic Conference with 238 rushing yardsper-game, thanks

in part to the tough blocking at the second level.

"Nobody on this team is soft," receiver Matt Dickerson '16 added. "We make sure that we're mentally ready to take on anybody. I think being a Wabash football player is the reason we're willing to go inside and hit somebody that may be bigger or stron-

# 'Last year, our guys got significantly tougher."

**DON MOREL** 

ger than us."

The right type of block helps take down a bigger safety or linebacker. A "chop block" is a type of block where the offensive player dives at a defender's legs to knock him on the ground. It also provided the origin of the receivers' nickname, which started at the beginning of last season.

"Last year, our guys got significantly tougher," Morel said. "Jon Laird '14, James Kraus '14, and Sean Hildebrand '14 were the three seniors that really got it going in terms of blocking hard and chopping, which is not pleasant to practice. What we're trying to do is build a culture here. If you're going to play wide receiver at Wabash, you have to block. There's just no way around it."

Ådams, Dickerson, Houston Hodges '15, and Drake Christen '17 have continued the tradition. Adams remembered the leadership from last year's group.

"I remember the first day we came in
— in high school you weren't allowed to
chop — and I remember Kraus specifically,
teaching me that you chop, and then roll
in case you don't hit the defender," Adams
said. "Just to see how much effort they put
into their blocking really set a tone for us."

Chop and roll is the way to perform a chop block, but a "stalk block" keeps a receiver on his feet. To execute a stalk block, the receiver squares up the defender, and then lets the defender pick which way he wants to run to the ball. The receiver reacts by driving the defender in his direction of choice. The ball then carrier then cuts the opposite way of the defender.

"Typically the defender sees the ball carrier coming, so he is our indicator of which way the play is going," Dickerson said about the stalk block. "The guys who are carrying the ball trust us to know that if a defender tries to go inside, we're going to seal him off. Or, if the defender goes outside to seal the edge, the ball carrier knows we're going to get the defender turned enough so that the runner can come right off of our butt."

The ball carrier isn't always a running back. Tyler Holmes '14 and Mason Zurek '16 may run the ball around the edge, but the Wabash offense frequently gets the ball in space to Hodges and Christen. One way the Little Giants do this is on a "bubble screen" pass.

On the bubble, Dickerson will line up outside with Adams lined up between him and the offensive line. Hodges or Christen will then sprint from the other side of the formation towards the outside blockers as the ball is snapped. When the center hikes it, they curve, or "bubble" their route while looking at the quarterback for the pass. When they catch the ball, they run behind Adams' and Dickerson's blocks to gain yards.

Although there are many variations and different formations from which the Little Giants run the bubble — Adams will play many snaps with his hand down as a tight end — the concept remains the same. No matter the alignment, if the receivers block their assignments, the play has a good chance to work.

"It's always rewarding to see the bubble go for a big play," Dickerson said. "We work on it so much and it's kind of a pride thing for the receiver. Most of the blocking that makes that play successful is coming from the receivers."

The successful blocking starts with the receivers "oozing" out of their stance. They slowly move off the line of scrimmage in order to keep their blocking assignment in front of them.

"You don't want to come screaming out



Sam Adams '17

at a corner," Morel said. "You need to take small steps and slowly work your way up to the defender. Your head needs to be below his chin, your back needs to be flat — almost in a basketball stance. Shoulders need to be square. The 'ooze' keeps them

under control and shoulders square. It looks stupid — it's like a duck walk."

The bubble has had plenty of success this year, including a 77-yard touchdown by Christen against Allegheny. The bubble's success has allowed Wabash to hit on a fake bubble pass as well.

On the fake bubble, receivers ooze out of their stance as if they're going to block a defender while another pass catcher runs the bubble route behind them. Since it looks like a bubble pass, the defenders run up to defend the short throw; that's when blocking receivers turn into pass catchers. They run right by the defenders and are usually wide open.

"We'll throw multiple bubble routes early in the game and the safeties and corners will come down hard," Adams said. "So I'll just act like I'm blocking for a few seconds, and then run. The fake bubble also helps us later in the game too because those safeties remember that and probably got yelled at by their coaches to stay back, so that opens up the bubble."



# **BACK TO THE MAT**

## LITTLE GIANT WRESTLERS LOOK TO REPEAT SUCCESS OF A YEAR AGO

JAKE EAGAN '15 I STAFF WRITER

• While the football, soccer, and cross country programs gear up for postseason play, the Wabash wrestlers are rigorously preparing in hopes of reaching the next level of nationally competitive wrestling. In his 11 year tenure at Wabash College, Head Coach Brian Anderson has transitioned Wabash wrestling from relative mediocrity, to an elite, nationally recognized program. Now, the Little Giants are poised for a second consecutive championship in a brutally competitive Mid-States Conference.

In the 2013-2014 campaign, Wabash finished with an impressive 13-3 regular season record, won the conference championship, and qualified for the national tournament last spring. The Little Giants placed ninth in the NCAA postseason, capping off the most successful season in the school's history. Improving further won't be easy, but the team's slogan, "One Vision," signifies the squad's collective focus both on-and-off the mat.

As evident from their recent accolades, the wrestlers demand high achievement in competition. Winning is in an indication of discipline, focus, and high-intensity training. However, Anderson places equal emphasis on performance in the classroom.

"We plan on winning the NCAA National Team Title this March in Hershey," Anderson said, "and along with that, we feel the team can duplicate that in the classroom by winning the Academic Team Title as well. The team will use the mantra "One Vision" which will symbolize those main goals of the team this

"We plan on winning the NCAA National Team Title this March."

**BRIAN ANDERSON** 

year."

Prioritizing academic excellence is mandatory in Wabash leadership positions, which is why Anderson has spent over a decade leading the Wally wrestling program.

Along with eight returning starters, the wrestling team will retain four seniors in the 2014-2015 campaign. Last year, Tommy Poynter '15 finished with a 13-9 record in a crowded 125-pound weight class. He expects his diligence in training will have

a positive impact on his play this season.

"My expectations are the same every year," said Poynter. "I expect myself to work hard and showcase my hard work when the opportunity arises. I don't think I should or need to put any extra expectations on myself just because it is my senior year, but rather feel I need to enjoy the opportunities and work my hardest to reach my ultimate goal of becoming a national champion."

Poynter has no intention of taking a step backwards in his senior season. He has immersed himself in the Wabash wrestling program, and has a keen understanding of the balance between sport and education. Anderson's increased emphasis on academics has evidently carried over in his senior leaders' expectations this season.

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#### FROM CHOP, P13

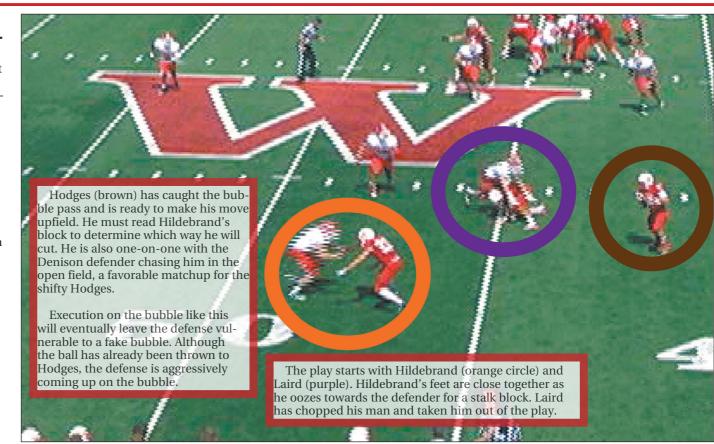
DePauw defensive backs most likely received an earful from their coaches in last year's Monon Bell game. Morel noted that Kraus and Hildebrand each caught a touchdown pass off of the fake bubble.

There are more plays than just bubble when the Chop Shop must block. On a "jet sweep," Hodges or Christen sprint across the formation again, but instead of receiving a pass from the quarterback, they receive a handoff. When they have the ball, they continue to the outside where the receivers are blocking.

On an outside "zone" or "stretch" running play, Zurek or Holmes have the option to take the handoff around the tackle where the receivers are blocking in space. If Dickerson, Adams, Hodges, and Christen do their job, the running back can turn the corner for a big gain.

"Everybody thinks being a wide receiver is sexy," Morel said. "But if we run the ball 50 times a game, those guys are blocking 50 times. And, if we have three wide receivers in the game and run the ball 50 times, we should be making 150 blocks. There's plenty of blocking for those guys to do."

For the Chop Shop, the effort is there, and so is the execution.



#### FROM WRESTLING, P14

"Being a student-athlete here at Wabash College is a blessing," said Poynter. "I am very fortunate to be at this school continuing my education and to be apart of the wrestling team. The best thing about being a student athlete here is the camaraderie that is built from our struggles and

In the 141-pound weight class, Patrick Parham '15 will lead the Little Giants as they hope to reclaim the Mid-States Conference championship. Although Parham finished with an 18-19 season record last season, he was a key cog in Wabash's 9-1 record to close the season. Like Poynter, Parham expects further improvement on last year's historic campaign.

"My expectations for my senior season are to serve as a positive leader and continue to build strong relationships with all of my teammates," said Parham. "My training and lifestyle choices are top notch in preparing for March.

"I expect the same from my teammates and I hope they expect this of me. By doing this I hope to contribute all that I have in order for our team to reach our goal of earning a trophy at the national tournament."

Along with Poynter and Parham, Conner and Reece Lefever '16 will also resume their dominance on the mat this season. They wrestled in the 174-pound and 157-pound weight classes respectively, and combined for a 60-9 record. Reece finished fourth in nationals, and earned back-to-back All-American honors. Connor similarly reached the NCAA tournament, meaning their presence in the Wabash wrestling program indicates equal success in the coming season.

Moving forward, the Wabash wrestlers will open up the season versus Olivet College at Carroll High School on November 13 at 7:00 PM. The initial match will be a tough one, as the Comets also reached the NCAA tournament in 2014. However, following the annual red-white battle on November 7th, the Little Giants will be better-prepared as they brace for opening day.

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## **SPORTS**

## LITTLE GIANTS **KICK LORDS**

WABASH DOWNS #2 KENYON ON SENIOR DAY IN FRONT OF HOME FANS

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Fresh off of the biggest win in program history, the #12 Little Giant soccer team (12-1-2) won a decisive 2-1 victory over Wittenberg on Monday night.

Wabash scored their opener only 60 seconds into play, when Mike Gore '18 split the Tiger defense and drilled a shot into the back of the net for his fourth goal on the year. The goal tied Gore with Francisco Trejo '18 for the team lead in goals. Wabash's second goal came only five minutes later off the foot of Riley Pelton '17. Pelton received a ball through-ball from Ivaylo Mantchev '15 and easily deposited the ball into the Wittenberg goal.

The Wabash lead was cut in half early in the second half when Wittenberg netted a penalty kick; however, the one goal advantage would prove to be enough to give the Little Giants the 2-1 win. After the match, Head Coach Chris

Keller weighed in.

"We worked on quick transitions and counter attacking with our high press [in practice]," Keller said. "They're a little sloppy in the middle of the field according to our scouting reports and the film. We wanted to get out and have counters and that's how we scored both goals, so it was great to get off to an early

It's fair to say, however, that the

campus and the NCAC are still buzzing from the Little Giants' win last Saturday over #2 Kenyon. The Little Giants held the Lords scoreless for 90 minutes while netting one of their own in the 70th, good for the 1-0 upset win. The win was surely one of the biggest in the soccer program history and, in part, vaulted the soccer team into new heights in the NSCAA rankings. Wabash came in at number 12 in the latest released rankings and stayed second in the NSCAA regional rankings behind Kenyon.

"Obviously we executed our game plan, which was great," Keller said. The guys took care of business in that aspect. But, it was a big win in terms of the program. My guys are still very excited about the win, but they already had Wittenberg in their minds right after the game. That is a great sign for the program because we're really focused on making the conference tournament."

Looking forward, you have to like the Little Giant's chances in the coming matchups. They travel to a quality Denison team this weekend, but then come home for DePauw and finally away to Wooster. DePauw is the best of the remaining three teams and is ranked eighth in the Great Lakes region by the NSCAA. With that being said, the Tigers are down this season relative to previous years, and, with the game being at Mud Hollow Stadium, Wabash should be the favorite in the match. The Big Red of Denison are likely not the most difficult of the three opponents remaining; however, they were able to hold Kenyon to a single goal in their 1-0 loss to the



Mike Gore '18 netted the opening goal of the Little Giant's win against Wittenberg on Tuesday night. He is tied for the team lead in goals for the year.

Lords and are 4-2 in the always-difficult

"Right now, we're focused on Denison," Keller said. "They're 4-2 and it's tough to go to Denison and get a result. So that's a big one. After that, the DePauw rivalry will take care of itself with the emotions of it. But, right now, the Denison game is the big one for us."

In an extremely surprising move, the NCAA Great Lakes Regional Panel elected to leave the Little Giants off of their initial rankings this past Wednesday. The move was, put simply, shocking, as the Little Giants are ranked twelfth nationally by the NSCAA, second in the region by the NSCAA, and twentyfourth nationally by d3soccer. These rankings by the NCAA are used to help determine the at-large bids to the NCAA tournament, so the Little Giants being currently unranked is a scary reality. The Little Giants are, undisputedly, one of the best teams in the nation. The fact that they were left off of a ranking as important as the NCAA regional ranking is troubling, to say the least.

The Little Giants return to the pitch this Saturday against Denison. The match kicks off at 1 p.m. in Granville, OH.

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