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## STUDENTS TURN TO GOFUNDME FOR SUPPORT

**JADE DOTY '18 | STAFF WRITER**

• The warm sun on a Spanish beach, a fresh pint of German beer, the view from the Eiffel tower; these are all things Wabash students dream of before their junior year, the chance to study abroad. Yes, Wabash College has a renowned study abroad program that admits over 30 students a year, but from time to time students are naive about the expenses that come with studying abroad. Yet there are several ways for a Wabash man to earn and raise money so they can experience a semester abroad.

Keaton Douglas '17 has been admitted by Wabash and his abroad program to study in Harlaxton, Great Britain. Yet he too like many students has had trouble coming up with money in order to pay for

school in Britain. After realizing the costs of studying abroad Keaton immediately started a GoFundMe account. Although the accounts have been used in the past, they have had repercussions and are not always the best alternative to fundraising money for study abroad programs. Last year, Wabash College had a student athlete created a GoFundMe account for the same reason as Douglas '17 and had his playing eligibility revoked.

Dean of Students Michael Raters '85 explained that due to the student being an athlete, the independent fundraising account was viewed as offering money to a NCAA athlete, which is against NCAA regulation.

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# HI-FIVES

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

### GENTLEMAN'S RULE DILEMMA

The Dannies did succeed at ticketing underage Wallies and their friends for drinking this past weekend. Excise officers issued tickets to several young men legal in age. For what purpose? Chivalry is a crime in Greencastle! Ladies, next year we'll pour you a drink without the fear of inducing you with anything besides a fun and exciting weekend.

### CHAPEL TALK SPEAKERS

During last Thursday's Chapel Talk, the captains of the football team delivered many fine speeches. None were as impressive as Tyler McCullen's '16 especially lively speech. Fellow captain AJ Clark '16 said about McCullen's speech, "The passion in his voice was just so inspiring. I wish I could have had that rhythm and enthusiasm."

### ZUREK GOES BEASTMODE

Hi-Five to Mason Zurek for running all over the Dannies last Saturday, leading the Little Giants to another Bell victory and breaking two school records. Zurek carried the ball 37 times for 278 yards, breaking Wabash's all-time single game record as well as the Bell game rushing record.

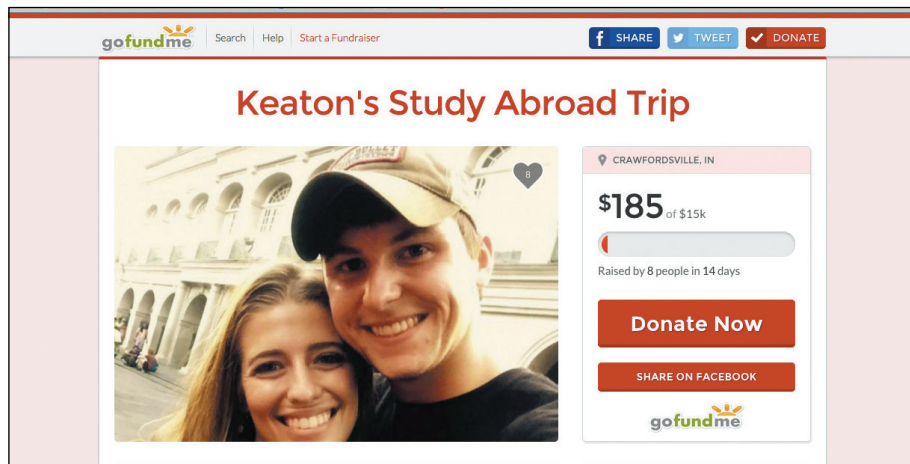


### YOU HAVE TO SHOW UP?

Bribed with iPads and trips to Florida, DePauw "faithful" still largely couldn't make it through the third quarter of their seventh straight bell game loss. When you're the privileged Country Club Dannies, why would you waste your time for a chance to win such cheap things? Go 'Bash.

### NEW SCHEDULER REQUEST

The Sphinx Club humbly requests permission from the Scheduler to use the Allen Center Lobby to return the Monon Bell to its yearly resting place. Equipment needed: one ladder from Campus Services. Bon Appetit requested for celebratory catering. Public event. They are putting this in now with the hope that it will be approved by the time of the next Bell Game. Ding. Ding.



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"Thankfully Keaton is not an athlete so we don't have to deal with this problem," Raters said. "But there are many different ways that students can receive funding for studying abroad. Independent fundraising operations are helpful, but if sometimes they can hurt your cause."

Raters explained that if an alumnus is asked and notified about a student's GoFundMe account, they may be hesitant to help because there are already scholarships for study abroad that many alums already help fund.

"If an alum is asked to donate to a student's personal fundraising account, two things could happen. The alum might not donate any money at all because he has previously donated to a study abroad scholarship or the alum donates money to the account that could be used for scholarships that are open to the entire student body."

There are several scholarships that students seem to be unaware of each year and the Wabash study abroad program is attempting to make these scholarships more apparent and useful. If you have ever walked by Graduate Fellowship Advisor Susan Albrecht's office, you might notice the recent study abroad scholarship winners posted upon her door. One of these scholarships is the Gilman Scholarship, a program that rewards up to \$5,000 a scholarship and is only available to Federal Pell Grant recipients. One of this year's Gilman Recipients was Daniel Thompson '17 who is currently studying abroad in Paris. Other scholarships include The Critical Language Scholarship, The Boren Awards Scholarship, and many more.

If you are unable to get any of these scholarships and you still lack the amount of money needed to study abroad, the Financial Aid Office is the place to go. Lauren Frye, the Associate Director of Financial Aid, and Heidi Carl, the Associate Dean of Enrollment, have dealt with these situations many a time and are more than capable to help a student out.

The office looks at a student's financial aid package and at the costs of the study abroad program and tries to compensate as much as possible in order to make the study abroad program affordable. Financial Aid also specifically works in loans, but these are not always the first step they take.

"Loans are the last resort, we want to find the easiest way for a student to pay off their study abroad program," Carl said.

The expenses for studying abroad are large, but Wabash College wants students to study abroad and that is why the College has so many staff members involved in helping students plan and fund the programs.

Amy Weir, the Director of International Studies, emphasizes that the experiences students' gain from going overseas is important in many different ways.

"Often students will return from a study abroad experience with a greater enthusiasm for the world and its many opportunities, Weir said.

"Studying off campus can help you not only personally, such as opening your mind to new perspectives, but it can also help you develop critical skills that will be helpful for your future career."

Wabash College is a special place and faculty like Amy Weir, Susan Albrecht, Lauren Frye and Heidi Carl are what makes Wabash's study abroad program special. These faculty members are dedicated to students who want to experience the world and are willing to find anyway possible to make that happen. If you are ever accepted to a study abroad program and are afraid of what it will cost you, just remember help is only an email or application away.



Keaton Douglas

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# OUTSIDE FIRM TO MANAGE ENDOWMENT

**PATRICK BRYANT '16 | BUSINESS MANAGER** • The Board of Trustees voted in favor of hiring Strategic Investment Group as the College's OCIO or outsourced chief investment officer during its October 31 meeting. The hire coincides with Chief Investment Officer Fred Ruebeck's '61 decision to retire after 17 years leading the day-to-day management of the College's approximately \$315 million endowment. "He had a strong record but he decided it was time to retire," Bill Wheeler '83, chairman of the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees said.

Ruebeck, a retired Director of Investments at Eli Lilly and Company, had served on the committee for eight years prior to his appointment as CIO in 1998. He received a standing ovation from his Board of Trustees colleagues after Wheeler thanked him publicly for his service to the College.

According to Wheeler, who currently serves as President of Athene Holding Ltd., the move to have an OCIO manage the College's endowment is in-line with what organizations of a similar size are doing.

"It's becoming more common [to do this] and the logic for mid-sized and even smaller endowments is it's not efficient to have your own chief investment officer and staff because that costs too much relative to what you can get," Wheeler said. "We

got away with it because we didn't pay Fred that much; he did it because he's a loyal alum. The rule today is endowments smaller than \$1 billion should really consider an outsourced solution."

For those concerned that an OCIO lacks a sense of the College or a love of Wabash that a CIO like Ruebeck has, Larry Griffith, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, said the allocation of assets will still be the most important decision made regarding the endowment. That decision-making authority will still be retained by the Board and having the technical side of investing handled by an OCIO, he said the Investment Committee will have even more time to discuss asset allocation.

"The reality is when it comes to our committee meetings, we'll spend more time really thinking about the bigger picture," he said. "So I think in terms of how do they know Wabash, I don't think it's as big of a deal."

Griffith said the vast number of investments the College can elect to pursue (currently the endowment is invested 70 different ways), cannot possibly be covered by Ruebeck or the Investment Committee in the times they meet.

"I think in the end as we have come into a far more complex world where

there are so many more investment opportunities than there were 20 years ago, and so as it has become more complex, it's far more important for us to have a much larger support staff to be able to wade through the complexities," Griffith said.

Wheeler said he was very pleased with the process the Investment Committee executed in interviewing OCIO solutions. Whether Wabash has particular dos and don'ts or if it is any more or less risk averse than institutions with a similarly sized endowment, Wheeler said Wabash does manage its endowment more conservatively than not. The reason for that, according to Griffith, is because the College depends so heavily on its endowment.

"We are more endowment-dependent than probably most other schools in the country," he said.

Draw on the endowment is something the Board has monitored closely and talked at length with President Gregory Hess to reduce. It is currently 6 percent (compared to a school like DePauw that Hess said



Gregory Hess

draws roughly 2 percent). Wheeler said Strategic won't be providing consulting or assistance in managing the cost side and draw on the endowment.

"Their job is just to get the best return on the endowment that they can," Wheeler said.

Although Griffith said the OCIO concept is a relatively new one and something he more recently has become aware of, the idea of doing what he called "outsourcing expertise" is not new to the College in supporting the College staff and their functions.

"If you were at a larger institution you're just going to hire three or four different people to do that job," he said. "We can't afford to pay for that expertise, for that person, for 100 percent of their time. We outsource expertise in several different areas and have for a while."

Wheeler said that Strategic has indicated that they offer opportunities for students of the institutions manage to gain exposure to their business, something that should be of interest to students.

"They said to us several times that they try to have half a dozen student opportunities from the institutions they manage and let them spend some time with them, and they're very open to that. We haven't talked to them a lot about that. I think it represents a realistic opportunity for somebody."



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# CHANGES TO PLEDGESHIP

**BENJAMIN WADE '17** | COPY EDITOR • Despite Wabash's many lasting traditions, the College is also prone to change. During the course of the fall semester, fraternity pledgeship in particular has been the subject of a few changes regarding conduct both inside and outside the chapter houses. The changes themselves are generally beneficial. However, as with any alterations to the institutions we love, students have been questioning the mentality behind these changes: where did these ideas come from, why now, and will these changes prompt more in the future?

The most apparent changes to pledgeship came last month during Homecoming Week. During this week when freshmen are focused on building floats and learning chants, the Sphinx Club led the annual Chapel Sing competition with slight alterations that emphasized the unity of the pledge classes rather than individual failure. Earlier that week though, fraternity leadership announced to their respective houses that despite the week's heavy work-load, freshmen needed to get to sleep by midnight. Finally, earlier this month, leaders across the Greek system notified their brothers that pledges could no longer drive upperclassmen to the Neon Cactus or Purdue University on Thursday nights. Though these changes were beneficial for the pledges across campus, how did the various campus leaders decide simultaneously to make them?

The process of making these changes and others is not as simple as some students make it out to be. Part of the difficulty was simply talking about what needed to be changed.

"I think we're in a position where we're always trying to get better as an institution; each fraternity is trying to get better, Greek life as a whole is trying to get better. A lot of this comes down to communication; if you're not talking about the problem, then you won't talk about the solution," Associate Dean of Students Marc Welch '99 said.

However, this communication also included more than just the

fraternity leaders and the Dean of Students Office. When the decision for the midnight curfew came, it was the result of "discussions in the RA/fraternity meetings, the IFC, the faculty meeting, and the Faculty Athletic Committee," Dean of Students Mike Raters '85 said.

While the problems were pointed out by a diverse audience, the solutions all came from fraternity leadership.

"The administration put the issues on the table; they aren't making the decisions or changes for us," Ryan Gross '17, former Beta Theta Pi president said. "To keep the ratio roughly 50/50, there has to be a push from the fraternity system to clean up their image, get pledgeship to be more productive, more efficient, and getting the pledges to represent the values of the specific fraternity. The fraternity leaders across campus are intelligent enough to make the changes by ourselves. They said to us: 'changes need to be made; you guys are responsible and you guys know what's going on, now go do them.'"

Welch echoed this sentiment, saying, "Anytime you try to change a mindset, you might have some pushback. I think the leaders get it, but then leading the entire chapter to it can be challenging. I think that leaders have bought in and owned it. We've helped to facilitate that and help draw their attention to concerns that we've had."

One point of contention on this topic is why the changes are being made now rather than in previous semesters, though there are some similarities to the various reasons. A major concern revolves around new housing.

"I think there are two main reasons," Gross said. "One: Delta Tau Delta is coming back; we need to clean up our image and make sure the culture of the fraternity system is cleaned up. Two: with the new student housing, it's a good idea for fraternities to be proactive with their pledgeship."

Raters agreed that the new housing is a factor, though not a major one.

"Things start to morph in a direction until such a time as you take a more holistic evaluation of

where you are ... With Delta Tau Delta seeking a return, it's one of those moments when we needed to take inventory and present to them what our culture is, here's how we manage risk, here's the type of environment you would be returning to. Their return presents one of those moments where you take stock of who you are."

Another reason for the changes that both fraternity presidents and Deans can agree upon is the push to synchronize the individual chapter policies with those of the national fraternity.

"Dean Welch and I have been more intentional about making certain that students are adhering to those national principles and guidelines," Dean Raters said. "If part of being a freshman pledge is



Mike Raters

driving inebriated brothers to or from Purdue, I can guarantee that that's not a fraternity ritual; that's a Wabash thing."

Similarly, Gross said that there's been, "a big push to ensure that we aren't going against the national standards of the fraternity." Given the recent emphasis on the negative aspects of fraternities, it is crucial now more than ever that individual chapters take a proactive approach to pledgeship reform rather than reactive.

Moving forward, Dean Welch hopes that these improvements carry over to the new leadership across campus.

"Hopefully, the leadership that is in place now is passing something onto the new leadership so that we're not having the same conversation in the fall," Welch said.

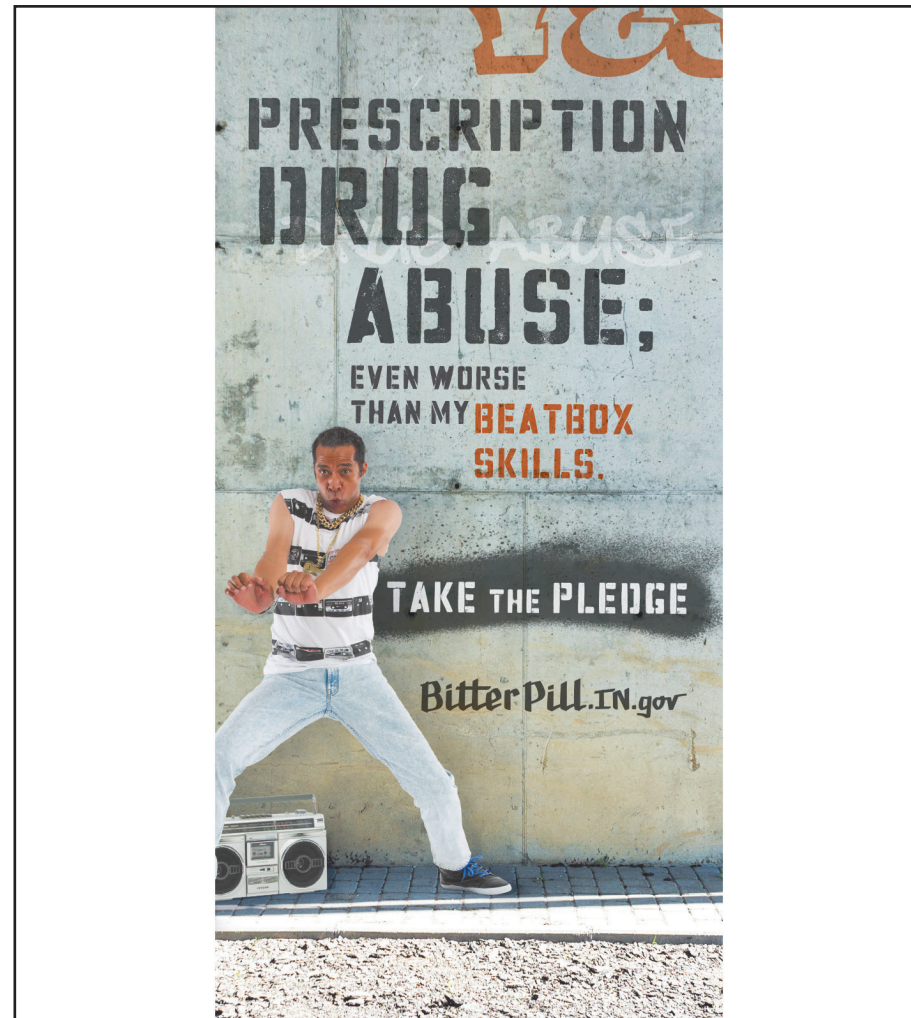
This process as a whole represents the kind of environment that Wabash seeks to continue into the future, where the community identifies a problem and then works together to make the needed improvements.



Ryan Gross



Marc Welch





# COLLEGE SEEKS FILM STUDIES MINOR

**AHAD KHAN '19 | STAFF WRITER**

Recently, the Art Department had been working on adding new courses that will be focused on film studies as the department wants to introduce a Film Studies minor at Wabash. The aim of introducing these courses is to involve students in the creative process by delving into the digital media and the digital art, which will help students who are passionate about such forms of art and media to foster their knowledge and skills in that field.

"As we are moving further in this technological age, a minor like this will definitely give students a greater opportunity here at Wabash to expand their own interests," Student Senate APC Representative Nash Jones '16 said.

The art department proposed five new courses this semester. One was museum studies and the other four were all in the area of the digital art. Art Department Chair Elizabeth Morton has been very supportive of this initiative. Members of other departments are encouraging the introduction of a new Film Studies minor, as it goes well with the overall objective of a liberal arts education. Assistant Professor of Philosophy Adriel Trott has expressed her keen interest in this. She proposed the class



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

**Students can expect to enroll in four new digital arts courses next fall.**

Philosophy and Film that would fit in well among other digital media courses. In the Academic Policy Committee (APC) meetings, there have been lots of discussions on how there is a rising interest among students to participate in some form of digital art.

The procedure to propose a new course is that the interested department brings the proposal to the APC. The APC consists of the Dean of the College, the Dean of the Students, the Registrar and three division chairs. A couple of representatives from each division plus a student representative are also members of the committee. The group debates the pros and cons of the courses and tries to help refine the proposal of the faculty. If the APC approves that course, it is passed on to the full faculty. Fortunately, all five art courses were passed by the APC.

In a November 17th faculty meeting, there was a vote and the courses got approved unanimously. With the courses being approved, the Deans are expecting that faculty members would propose a Film Studies minor in the next APC meeting. If it gets approved it would still need to go to the board of trustees meeting to get approved by the trustees.

"If everything goes well during the next semester, potentially a Film Studies minor would be available to students by the next academic year," Dean of the College Scott E. Feller said.

Currently there are lots of things going on in relation to adding this minor. There

have been substantial changes in the Art Department. Many faculty members of the Art department are in their first year at Wabash. Their interest in art augments the college's liberal arts mission of making students able to express themselves in many different ways: written, oral, and artistic.

Moreover, all the studio art faculty is involved in digital arts. They use digital techniques in many of the things they do. The new courses reflect in some sense the interest of the faculty that art is generally moving. New courses in digital arts represent a modernization of the curriculum that would be attractive to the students.

"It is basically the use of new tools to achieve the same liberal arts goals that we've had for almost 200 years," Feller said.

It is a very exciting time for the arts at Wabash. An important connection of a film studies minor is with the Digital Arts and Human Values Project. This project will bring three artists in resonance to campus next semester who will be a part of the digital arts courses. Last year, the activity was more centered in theater and this year it will mostly be centered in art. The notion is to help people see the role of the digital arts in Wabash's curriculum.

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## WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS

Name someone you know that has been touched by cancer. How long did that take? I'd assume not very long. Statistically speaking according to the National Cancer Institute, an estimated 13.8 million people in the United States are currently living with cancer. Let that sink in: 13.8 MILLION. For me, two of those individuals with cancer happen to be part of my family. This is an awareness article, letting the Wabash community know that cancer knows no boundaries, and nobody is impermeable to it's evil. But we can fight back, especially if we use what Wabash has taught us.

Just saying the word "cancer" has the ability to send shivers down one's spine. It's a word that many think will never escape their lips when connecting it with a loved one. Then, one day in your life, you may get that call saying your loved one has cancer. Then you're forced to say it, and the first time it does escape your lips it shocks you and sinks your heart. You realize that you are no longer invincible. At that point, you feel defeated and dejected, overcome with negative emotion and a dim outlook. I know. I've been there.

When my mother was diagnosed with cancer my senior year of high school, I



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felt these very emotions. However, what I have learned throughout my journey with loved ones having cancer is that I am not going to Wabash just for books and Rhynie Burgers. At Wabash, we follow one simple, multi-dimensional motto: WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS. Wabash men are challenged to abide by this phrase and live up to it on and off campus. I challenged myself to convey our simple, yet powerful motto to my mother throughout her fight against cancer. She fought and she won, beating breast cancer after a year of grueling chemo, radiation, and other treatments. My mother had won the battle by embodying what Wabash Always Fights is supposed to mean.

When my mother was declared cancer

free as of June 2015, we thought the long war with cancer was over. In my mother's case, she was diagnosed with cancer again very recently. The same emotions rained down upon me again. I imagined the worst. I didn't know what I could do without my mother who had been there all my life. The same defeated thoughts and ideas filled my mind again as I traveled to go see her. Then, I remembered what Wabash taught me again and vowed to convey the same strength and positivity I did this battle against cancer as I did the very first.

It is important to understand for everyone who knows of someone who has been touched by cancer that the diagnosis of cancer no longer means the end. It means the beginning of a hard and grueling fight, but more importantly a hard and grueling fight that is definitely winnable. It is important for us who are supporting those who have fallen victim to cancer to embody what it means to be a Wabash man throughout the fight and supporting process. And I believe it is also important to instill the same ideals into your loved one with cancer, ensuring them that fighting means a high probability of winning the war against cancer.

Overall, we must realize our motto of

Wabash Always Fights does not simply pertain to athletic events. Outside of battles with medical conditions, the motto can be used with more localized everyday struggles, such as: getting up for class on time, studying for an exam, finishing out a semester strong, battling Comps, or balancing your schedule. Wabash Always Fights is not a one-dimensional statement, nor should it be treated as such. Just like The Gentleman's Rule is assessed to our daily lives, Wabash Always Fights should as well.

So, let's keep fighting as Wabash men always do and finish out the semester strong. Keep fighting through the adversity we face daily as students at our fair school, and teach those around us our ways of perseverance. Because I firmly believe that no student at any other school is quite like our students. No other students are challenged daily like ours are and no other students know how to overcome those adversities like Wabash men do.

As for my mother? Well, I know she will keep on embodying Wabash Always Fights just like I plan on doing, and she will beat this godforsaken condition called cancer once again. Wabash Always Fights!

## THE OTHER PRIVILEGE

At Wabash we often like to complain about how tough we have it and how our workload, social lives, and atmosphere don't compare to any other school. While I myself am guilty of saying all of the above I often find myself thinking about my sister who teaches second grade in Oklahoma City. She has talked about her kids coming into school wearing the same clothes they wore the day before, having animal urine on their backpacks, not having school supplies, being way behind in academics compared to the other kids, students who are hungry, and those who are homeless.

I know that this is a different situation, different city and state, and different circumstances but those stories always give me a little gut check and make me think that maybe I don't have it as bad as I thought.



**Collin Bell '17**

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After all, I am at Wabash College - one of the best, if not the best undergrad programs in the nation. The purpose behind this opinion is not to make you feel bad. I am writing about this because Thanksgiving is around the corner and it is time to start thinking about what we are thankful for and what privileges we really have. I am not sitting here

claiming to know all of your backgrounds and upbringings where you very may well have lived that life that I described above. I am simply talking about now, where at Wabash, the majority of us don't have to worry about having to wear the same clothes back to back (unless the Cactus run the night before got the best of us), not having enough school supplies for the semester, or going to bed cold and hungry. We have that privilege and that is the heart of my message.

We have been given the great opportunity of being able to study here. Coming into Wabash, we knew or at least had an idea of what were getting ourselves into. For most of us that knowledge was that this was going to be a rough four years. So I challenge you that the next time you are thinking about how hard it is and "why the hell did I come this school", take a step back and think about what a privilege it is to be here. Realize that

in all reality, we really don't have it that bad. This school teaches us a lot and a majority of the lessons don't come from the classroom. The Gentleman's Rule is one of those lessons and I think that it is especially applicable in this situation. There are opportunities for you to give back, like toy or clothing drives; also other ways that you can help without having to give tangible items, like College Mentors for Kids, volunteering at local schools and things of that nature. Think about the men that came before you and the men that will follow you. Set an example that you would be proud of and that you want others to follow. Be thankful for the opportunity that you have and be sure to thank those that helped you get to where you are now. A simple thank you can go a long way and always remember that no matter how tough the semester gets and what life throws at you, "Wabash Always Fights."

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# DID ISIL DO IT?

**“Y**ou never think it will happen to you,” read Isobel Bowdery’s Facebook post, which was accompanied with a picture her bloodied clothes. It was a normal Friday night. She described the atmosphere as happy, that everyone around her seemed to be smiling. Then, two men changed the lives of so many. Shots were fired. Over 130 lives were extinguished. From around the world, people listened to their screams. “Dozens of people were shot right in front of me,” Bowdery continued. “Pools of blood filled the floor. Cries of grown men who held their girlfriend’s dead bodies pierced the small music venue. Futures demolished, families heartbroken. In an instant.” Who would orchestrate such a crime against humanity? Many point to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, and ISIL happily agrees.

But did ISIL do it? Some are not convinced. Waleed Aly, a news reporter in Australia, concedes it is definitely a Muslim terrorist attack done under ISIL’s flag, but questions whether ISIL’s organization in Syria, planned funded, or came up with the attack. ISIL has taken claim for any and all western terrorist attacks. They are attempting to appear stronger, that their resolve and power to disrupt the lives of



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so many is much greater than it actually is. ISIL attempted to take credit for other terrorist attacks, such as a man attacking people with a Hatchet in New York, and shooting at Canada’s parliament last year. But these appear to be self recruited terrorists, and ISIL doesn’t want you to know that. ISIL states in their monthly magazine that, “It is important that the killing becomes attributed to patrons of the Islamic State, who have obeyed its leadership. This can easily be done with anonymity. Otherwise, crusader media makes such attacks appear to be random killings.” ISIL wishes to make front-page news, in order to distort their actual power. They want to instill fear, divide the world into two.

ISIL does this to gain support. It will force people in the middle of the conflict choose sides. The people in Syria who aren’t radical may join just to stay alive or convinced the western world is against them. ISIL wishes to portray all Muslims in their category, and start a war along Muslim and non-Muslim lines. Their monthly magazine reads, “There is no gray zone in this crusade against the Islamic state... The world has split into two encampments, one for the people of faith, the other for the people of kufr (disbelief), all in preparation for the final malhamah (great war).”

ISIL wishes make the take the conflict on global scale. ISIL would largely benefit from society turning on one another, and start dividing people along those lines. It is imperative that society maintains social cohesion to maintain unity. It would demonstrate resolve, and force fewer members into ISIL’s side. Since the attack in Paris, Muslims have reported increased threats in Great Britain, the United States, and Australia. This is what ISIL wants.

ISIL wishes for the West to ostracize the Muslim population and force them into supporting ISIL. “Saying that out loud, it is both dumbfounding in its stupidity and bloodcurdling in its barbarity,” remarked Aly. “We all need to come together. I know

how that sounds. I know it is a cliché, but it is also true because it’s exactly what ISIL doesn’t want.” If you are a legislator or community leader preaching hate and prejudice, you are helping ISIL. If you are someone with a Facebook or Twitter account firing off misguided messages of hate, you are helping ISIL. Promoting mutual understanding and unity, you are defeating ISIL. There is so much uncertainty surrounding the events in Paris, but one thing is certain. The Western World will not back down, and as long as ISIL poses a threat, the western world shall stand together.

After the attacks, ISIL stated that Washington is next. This is a scary thought to imagine what happened in Paris happening on our soil, another 9/11 of sorts. Keep in mind; it is their resolve that makes the treat terrifying. But as previously mentioned, ISIL does not have as much reach as they attempting to lead on. It shall be interesting to see how the United States reacts to the new world developments; the NFL has already strengthened security, and they won’t be the only ones. The United States will once again face the trade off of security and liberty for its people, and how to deal with a terrorist organization unlike any other.

# DELAYED CALLINGS

**R**ecently, I have been wondering why I keep dragging my exhausted self out of bed every morning for my 8 a.m. class. Is it because Dr. Ingram is just that great of a professor? Although she has made BIO-101 much more enjoyable and intellectually stimulating than I previously imagined it, there has to be a deeper and more personal motivating factor that pushes me to keep going. Most of us would say that we go to class, strive for a high GPA, and become involved in extra-curricular activities, all in order to obtain a fulfilling or well-paying job after Wabash. I too fall into that mindset. Whenever I feel like not going to class or skipping an assignment, I tell myself that putting forth a full effort in my academics will help me achieve my career goals after college.

However, in light of my fruitless job search, I have been calling my motives into question. This semester I am taking one of Wabash’s most prestigious courses, Career Services 490: Finding a Damn Job. Through the course, which includes countless consultations, job applications, and anxiety producing interviews, I have come to realize, as many seniors do, that the “perfect job” simply does not exist, at least



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not right after Wabash. As I come to terms with this universal truth, I have started to question my motives and the factors lying behind them.

I gained some insight into my question through my Rhetoric 101 class, where I recently gave a speech centered on the theories proposed by sociologist Michael Kimmel in his book *Guyland*. As some EQ survivors already know, Kimmel examines the world in which young adult men, ages 16-26, live, work, and play. Through his observations he proposes that young men of our generation are struggling to grow up because we are indecisive, lost, and afraid to leave the safety of “Guyland.”

When I gave the speech, I didn’t

completely identify with Kimmel’s definition of our demographic. But more recently after a number of “no’s” from potential employers, I am realizing that I too am a bit lost. Through this assignment I realized that many of the guys Kimmel describes lack motivation because they lack purpose. They do not have a defined career path ahead of them. They do not have dependents such as children or spouses, and they do not have the responsibilities from which I suppose many adults draw their purpose.

Part of this phenomenon is due to millennial men becoming adults later in life. Sharon Jayson of USA Today tells us that in 1960, 65% of men under 30 felt they had achieved adulthood. By 2000, that number has dropped to 31%. This achievement of adulthood was measured by certain milestones such as graduating from college, leaving home, getting married, having kids, and becoming financially independent. Sure, next year it will be great to not have the restraints I have come accustomed to over the last 22 years, such as my parents or the Dean of Students’ Office. But moving back home after college, being single, and not having a fulfilling or well paying job,

leaves me without much responsibility. (Granted, this is the worst-case scenario.) This lack of responsibility seems inextricably linked to a lack of purpose.

Therefore, I am left wondering: what is my purpose? From where do I draw my purpose? In young adulthood, I don’t have anyone directly depending on me. Additionally, I may well end up working in a job that doesn’t feel fulfilling or purposeful. I will need to draw my meaning from somewhere deeper. Perhaps I should draw my purpose from God, which seems rather obvious as a Christian. Maybe my purpose is to “think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely.” Or maybe my purpose is to keep reaching higher, to work hard at my first job so I can move on to a more fulfilling one. The answer is problem entangled somewhere in between these various possibilities.

As I ponder my purpose after Wabash, I am reminded of a piece of advice given to me by Will Oprisko. He asked me, “What are you doing today to become the person you want to be in the future?” Therefore, it seems that I should seek purpose in the things I do each day in order to gradually become the man I want to be tomorrow.

# STUDENTS PREPARE FOR THANKSGIVING

## TOWNIES MAKE LONG TREK HOME

**SAMUEL VAUGHT '16** | STAFF WRITER • The Wabash students known as townies are gearing up for their long journeys home for the holidays. Every year, Crawfordsville and Montgomery County natives at Wabash are put in a tough situation – to risk the long, dangerous trek home or remain here on campus in a town with little excitement or cultural offerings. Townies vary in their approaches, and a few shared their thoughts with *The Bachelor*.

Craig Brainard '16 is arguably in the worst situation. Growing up at the corner of Main and Marshall streets, he looked out upon the Sigma Chi fraternity house daily from his bedroom window. However, when he came to Wabash he pledged Beta Theta Pi. Unable to see his house, the senior must

walk an extra block to the west before making his way down Marshall. If only he had chosen Sigma Chi. "That extra block makes my commute quite dangerous," he said. "Sometimes I wish I had pledged Sigma Chi – at least I could see the light from my living room leading me home." Brainard has not yet decided if he will risk the trip. During the hard winter of 2013 he got stuck in a snowdrift on Marshall Street and nearly froze to death. "I'll weigh my options once I see Friday's forecast," he said.

We wish him well.

Cole Chapman '16, graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 2012 with Brainard, also has a dangerous choice to make. His commute home from Wabash requires a car. "Thinking back four years ago, I almost didn't come to Wabash," Chapman said. "I knew that going to school here meant I would have to drive – I didn't know if I had the courage to face Crawfordsville rush hour traffic." Three weeks ago, Chapman returned home to visit his parents and waited for six whole minutes at the intersection of Wabash Avenue and Washington Street. He's holding up well, considering the trauma, and is confident he will make it home for Thanksgiving. "I've resolved to give it my

best effort. I bought an extra gas can to keep in my trunk jsut in case I have to fill up on Pike Street."

Sam Hayes '19, one of the College's newest townies, lucked out. After dropping him off at Wabash in August, his parents moved to the gulf coast of Texas. That move saved him the horrific commute of driving north out of Crawfordsville into the North Montgomery school district, whence he came to Wabash after graduating from NMHS in May. "I had never heard of a North grad making it home for the holidays," Hayes said. "I didn't know what I was going to do." Providence delivered the freshman from his troubles in September, when his parents called to say they no longer lived in Indiana. "My mom called me on Wednesday and said they moved to Texas the weekend before. Now I can just hop on a plane in Indianapolis and be home in a few hours. It's a big relief." In 2009, fellow Theta Delta Chi brother and North grad Jake Moore '11 attempted to drive to North Montgomery High School for his sister's graduation. He was forced to turn around when the road washed out in front of him. After the hour-long trek back to campus, he gave up, not returning home until after he received his sheepskin.

Every townie knows of the sadness that Crawfordsville withdrawal can cause. To come to Wabash, Justin Raters '19 was forced to move from the Herron House on Wabash Avenue to Martindale Hall, on the far south side of the Fuller Arboretum. To get home for Thanksgiving, he will have to cross several hundred yards of forest littered with obstacles such as tree roots and stinking ginkgo fruit.

"I'm preparing now," Raters said. "I bought some snow shoes and an ice pick in case the weather is bad."

The stakes are high. Peter Santa Maria '13, who grew up two blocks from Raters' house, was found one Spring Break walking in circles in Petty's Patch, severely dehydrated and babbling nonsense. The elements had taken their toll. Raters is confident, however. A few extra pushups per day and a well-marked map should give him everything he needs to make his way to the other side of campus.

We wish all townies a safe journey home. Happy Thanksgiving, Crawfordsville natives! Good luck.



LEVI GARRISON '18 / PHOTO

Students often utilize Thanksgiving Break to obtain one of the most desired college commodities, sleep.

## TEN TIPS FOR TURKEY DAY

**ZACH BLEISCH '18** | STAFF WRITER • It's that time of year again. Red and green fill the stores with various decorations to celebrate the winter. Jingles are starting to show up on a more regular basis, and trees are going on sale. Which means that it's almost time for Thanksgiving! For students this is a wonderful mile marker in the year. The semester is almost over, and the break provides a nice pause before the upcoming terror of finals. Despite of the joys of Thanksgiving Break, students are forced with a dilemma: prepare for the tests and projects on the horizon or avoid all things relating to school. In order to have a successful Thanksgiving Break, the staff of *The Bachelor* staff compiled a list of tips.

- 1) Get some sleep. It's not often students are able to get a full 8 hours of sleep without skipping class or neglecting homework.
- 2) Don't just sleep. While it may be nice to sleep from 2am to 2pm, once classes resume it will be even harder to wake up for that 8 am.
- 3) Enjoy the food. It's crazy the difference in taste of a home cooked meal. Especially when it is a

Thanksgiving dinner.

4) Save the leftovers. Imagine being able to relive the wonderful Thanksgiving meal instead of the questionable food normally served.

5) Wear pants with an elastic waistband. While you may want to look nice for Thanksgiving dinner, the 10 pound food baby that will follow will appreciate the extra room.

6) Work out. Prepare for all the Calories coming your way

7) Be productive. While it may be nice to lie around for a few days, don't just let every day go by without anything to show for it.

8) Take time to prepare for upcoming assignments. Life will be a lot nicer without trying to cram in extra work on top of classes.

9) Don't forget about that ONE professor who assigned homework for the Monday after break.

10) Enjoy your family. Don't just hide in your room playing Battlefront or Fallout 4. It's not everyday you get to see your family.

Whatever you do over Thanksgiving Break, have fun and enjoy the break. Come back ready to finish the year on a great note.



# SNYDER BRINGS FOOD RECOVERY NETWORK TO WABASH

**ZACH BLEISCH '18 | STAFF WRITER** • During his time at Wabash, Paul Snyder '16 has arrived at the conclusion that food waste is a serious problem at the College, whether at fraternities or at Sparks. Snyder saw large quantities of leftovers going uneaten and being thrown out, so he decided to act.

His solution to the problem was a partnership with the Food Recovery Network. Snyder started by forming a chapter of the Food Recovery Network in his fraternity, Lambda Chi Alpha, and hopes to spread it to a campus-wide group.

"The Food Recovery Network is a national non-profit organization that works to recover uneaten food, and put it back into the community," Snyder said. "[It] was actually brought to my attention by Jill Rogers, Coordinator for the Global Health initiative, and many professors, such as Dr. Anne Bost, have helped me throughout the process." He goes on to source his work with Sky King '15 on Project Consume as inspiration.

Snyder is not the first Wabash student to attempt to begin a program aimed at reducing the level of food waste on campus. Nathan Bode '16 tried to a similar program last year with Campus Kitchens.

"We tried to look at a recovery system where once or twice a week food would be collected from fraternities while it was still fresh, and then safely store and mark everything and keep it in a central spot to make sure we could keep track of it all," Bode said. "Then on Sunday it would be served as a free meal somewhere in the Crawfordsville community."



LEVI GARRISON '18 / PHOTO

Snyder's program plans to encourage various fraternities to donate any unused food to those in need.

However, Bode's project was prevented from proceeding further than the overall strategy due to restrictions on food storage.

Storing food after it has been cooked can be quite difficult. There are specific time periods and temperatures the food must be at in order to be reused and reintroduced to people around the community.

"It becomes complicated when you have to create that system and make it reliable because there is a lot of accountability that goes down at the fraternity level," Bode said.

While Snyder has had more success with the Food Recovery Network, he has not been free from challenges along the way. "We have faced several difficulties," Snyder said. "The first

was when the college dining service decided to back out of the original agreement. The chef mentioned he didn't want people to become dependent on the college, and made the bold claim that they actually don't waste any food. So that made the startup process very difficult."

After running into the complications last semester, Snyder left for the summer with a pessimistic attitude about the project. He had hoped to lay the foundation for a successful program to get off the ground. While Snyder has faced some setbacks, he has a big vision for the future.

"Right now we hope that the program expands to every fraternity on campus. Currently we are working only out of Lambda Chi Alpha, but we are in the process of talking with several other fraternities about getting involved," Snyder said.

Additionally, Snyder plans to extend the program to provide to communities outside of Crawfordsville because of there is a limited demand for food in the immediate area.

Currently, the Food Recovery Network is a small group; however, Snyder said, "We would love for other people to get involved. If you are interested, please send me an email at pjsnyder16@wabash.edu. We need all the help we can get! We currently have recoveries planned on Friday's. If you would like to get involved, please contact me so we can get it set up."

Paul Snyder embodies Wabash College's Mission Statement. He identified a problem with the way food is wasted on campus and decided to lead effectively in making a change for the community.

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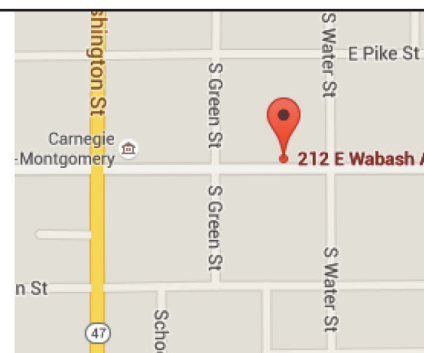
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# STUDENTS CONFRONT WORLD AT MODEL UNITED NATIONS

**NICK VEDO '19** | STAFF WRITER

Many students will be putting their feet up and taking some much needed time off next week. However, for the Wabash College Model United Nations Club, Thanksgiving Break will entail traveling to Chicago to compete in one of the largest conferences of the year. Members of the club will be representing the country of Belgium at the conference and attempting to propose and then subsequently pass varying agreements that would benefit their country.

"You are giving speeches, debating, and working with other countries that your own country would actually work with. At the end of the day it is a competition between the different countries and representatives to get what they want passed," Ben Wade '17, President of the Wabash College Model United Nations Club, said.

The conference works by first dividing the members of a country among a variety of different subcommittees that then work to reach agreements, or make positive changes in their specific field. There are committees on a broad

list of topics ranging from international security to climate change. The fact that the Model United Nations includes so many different disciplines really makes it open for anyone to join, and participate fully in. "In the past, we've had political science majors, economics majors, biology majors, and rhetoric majors attend. It's great that a single club can represent so many different people across campus." Also, since awards are not given to teams but rather on an individuals basis, the competitions are more relaxed, and more focused on cooperation and fun.

The club has been going to the fall conference in Chicago for the past ten years, and hopes to make a good showing this competition so as to represent Wabash College as well as possible. Many other schools, such as Indiana University and University of Notre Dame, will also be competing in Chicago, but the Wabash team feels that it has an advantage since all of the other teams are debating solely for grades, and not attending to gain experience in international relations.

Wade also mentioned that the fall semester is slower than the spring due to a busy schedule on campus. The club plans on attending at least two spring conferences, with the possibility for more. The Model United Nations also hopes to broaden its activity on campus so as to recruit new members, and spread the competitive spirit to other are as of student education.

"There are a lot of guys on campus who are interested in international relations. We have a rhetoric department which this folds nicely into as far as public speaking and debating go. So moving forward it would be nice to change the system



BEN WADE '17 / GRAPHIC

Wabash College Model United Nations Club adapted the United Nations logo for its own logo. The club will travel to Chicago this today for its fall semester conference.

so that we are not leaving campus to have to do everything. Instead we can bring it here and make this more of an organized campus event," Wade said.



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# CLARK SAYS 'CUT AND WRAP' ON WABASH CAREER

**JOHN JANAK '19** | STAFF WRITER

A.J. Clark '16 strives to exemplify a true Wabash man. From the football field to the stage, this man continues to dominate every aspect of life. Every year in the fall, seniors are to conduct something that is called a senior thesis. This can entail anything along the lines of your major, and it serves as a sort of capstone for your work at the College. For Clark, he endured the challenge of writing, acting, and directing his own short film.

Clark started planning for his film this past summer. He did not start writing the actual script until late July and finished in September. Clark's motivation behind the project was that he internally always wanted to be not only a filmmaker, but an actor as well. Clark believed this was his opportunity to do both.

The title of the film is *Reaping Words*. It is the tale of a college senior trying to create his first film, and the triumphs and struggles that it entails. The film has four main roles; only one of the actors is a Wabash student, Zachary Anderson '18. Clark spoke very highly of the actors and was very grateful for their diligence and commitment.

"Directing has been a challenge because of all the other responsibilities I've had while trying to direct," Clark said. "At times, I'd be focused on acting while I'm directing, while also thinking about the logistics of the scene as a producer."

Clark has been an active participant in the past productions of the theater department such as: *Jitney* (2013), *Macbeth* (2014), and *The Beaux Strategem* (2015).

"I have enjoyed being in theater simply because it's the best fit for my creative personality."

Jessie Mills, Visiting Assistant Professor of Theater, and Damon Mohl, BKT Assistant Professor of Art, have been assisting Clark throughout the entire process.

"[They] have been helpful and influential," Clark said. "Professor Mills was my mentor during the writing process, while Professor Mohl helped me with the aspects involved with the cinematography."

"AJ has been a great student to work with and an all around great guy to get to know," Mohl said. "He is exactly the kind of student you hope to have in your class

at Wabash. He is self-motivated, creative, and passionate about what he is doing. If you can find that combination, no matter what the subject, it is gold."

Mohl also values Clark's determination, as self-motivation is imperative to all Wabash students. This determination was especially required for the extreme amount of time and work Clark put in to finish his film. Mills also noted Clark's drive for excellence.

"AJ is a remarkably dedicated and driven young man," Mills said. "Not only is he a talented performer and film maker, but what continues to impress me most about AJ is that he always strives to better himself as collaborator and artist. No matter what project he takes on -- be it on stage or behind a camera -- he commits himself 100% to his work and ensemble. Even when AJ is an audience member he is an incredible source of support and encouragement to his peers."

Clark has been known to attend several runs of the same show to support his friends in the production. Over the past four years, Clark has developed into a competent team player in all aspects of his life. Mills elaborated on what set Clark apart from his peers in the class of 2016.

"It is in his filmmaking, that AJ has forged a uniquely original path on campus," Mills said. "Before, his peers might have looked up to AJ for his infectious enthusiasm and impressive work ethic, now they will also look up to AJ for his focused ambition, drive and capabilities as an artistic leader."

Along with theater, Clark also has played on the Little Giant football team. He has been a starter on the team for the last two years. He credits Wabash football in helping shape who he is today.

"Football has been a challenge, very time consuming, disappointing at times, but worth the commitment. Especially since our hard work is paying off. We've gone undefeated in conference this year, and have the potential to go deep into the playoffs."

Clark is extremely excited for the future. His post graduate plans entail training to audition for various conservatories for acting, and also looking for career opportunities in media with alumni.



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Clark's movie, *Reaping Words*, premiered Tuesday, Nov. 10.

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## GRAPPLING WITH SUCCESS

LITTLE GIANT WRESTLING  
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ON SUCCESS IN THE  
CLASSROOM AND  
ON THE MAT**TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF**

**WRITER •** It's that time of year. The weather is starting to get cold and sports start to move indoors. The latest of our Little Giant teams to start their season out hot is the 2015 Little Giants Wrestling team. With the leadership and accountability of experienced returning wrestlers and the added potential of a very strong freshman class, the team is off to yet another great start to their season. Already having competed in two meets, the Little Giants have grabbed great results from both the Eastern Michigan University Open and their meet against Manchester.

On Saturday, November 7, a select team of Wabash wrestlers made their way to Ypsilanti, Michigan to face off against some of the best collegiate wrestlers in the nation in the Eastern Michigan University Open. One Wabash wrestler who really had a successful trip was junior Riley Lefever '17. "Riley wrestled a great tournament and all the hard work he put in over the summer months showed," Head Coach Brian Anderson said. "He won the tournament and knocked out a kid from Ohio State that took 5th place at the Division I National tournament last season." The Buckeye that Lefever dominated in his match was Kenny Courts, who he defeated with a decisive 6-2 victory. Wrestling at a weight of 184 pounds, Lefever won the MYHOUSE Sports Gear Wrestler of the Week for his accomplishments in the Eastern Michigan Open. Overall, the trip to Michigan was worth it and yielded some very strong performances from some of Wabash's strongest wrestlers.

The Little Giants then moved their focus to Manchester University who travelled to Crawfordsville last Thursday to challenge our Wabash squad. The Spartans left empty handed, losing the match 47-3. The team had strong performances all around, with dominating wins by Chris Diaz '19

and Michael Venezia '16. With Nick Bova '17, Connor Brummett '17, Ethan Farmer '16, Riley Lefever '17, Brett Thumm '16, and Jake Barclay '16 all contributing pins, the Little Giants ousted the Spartans for their first team win of the season. "Good meet overall though, the guys got the win and did what they were expected too," Coach Anderson said.

This year's team has showed lots of solid new and returning talent and the energy in the locker room is really positive at this early mark in the season. "I think the majority of the team has stepped up as a whole and raised the bar this year, but specifically I'd say the freshman Chris Diaz '19 at 125 and veteran Jake Barclay. Throughout the year, we will need Jake Barclay to step up to close out duals for the team. Diaz has stepped up and is the only freshman who broke the line-up this year, so far at least," Riley Lefever said. "I do believe that it is too early to tell of all the key wrestlers and we will need the whole team to continue to step up week in and week out, throughout the year, to be the best team in the nation academically and best team come nationals."

The goals for this year are simple: succeed academically and on the mats. The team is looking to improve on their finish last year and make a run for the NCAA Championship. "The teams goals for the season are to win a national title in the classroom and on the mats," Coach Anderson said. "We were 5th and 3rd last season. We need to do the daily things right everyday and to reach these goals." To do this, the team needs to push it everyday and give everything they have. "What the coaches and everybody has been preaching so far is selling out. The whole team needs to sell out in their community, in their classrooms, and on the mat and the weight room in order to achieve our goals," Lefever said, "Last year we had a lot of guys buy into the idea, but not 100%, this year, that extra percent will be the difference-maker."

The Wabash Little Giant Wrestling's next competition is the Concordia University Open held in Mequon, Wisconsin on Saturday, November 21. The team is then off for the remainder of Thanksgiving Break, returning to the mats at the Indiana Little State Tournament held at the University of Indianapolis on December 6 at 9 a.m.



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Nick Bova '17 positions himself against a wrestler in a home meet last year. Bova is now in the 149 lb. weight class for the stellar Little Giant wrestling team.



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**JOEL JANAK '19 | STAFF WRITER**

The Wabash College Little Giants Cross-Country team ran at the Rose-Hulman Regional this past weekend. The team had several top finishers in the region. Coach Colin Young indicated they really missed Mason McKinney '17 in the NCAC Conference meet. Coach Young said, "The key was getting Mason back, who was out sick in conference. He ran really well in our fifth spot even though he was not 100%. Without him, we would not of won the meet." Mason McKinney '17 said about

the race, "It was disappointing to run a poor race, but at the same time it was great that I could be there for the team as our last scoring runner and to help pull out the win." Coach Young mentioned other runners that stepped up. "Dominic Patascill '19 stepped up big time for the team running in the 4th spot for us. The top three of Fabian House '16, Adam Togami '16, and Colin Rinne '18 ran well like they have the entire season," Young said.

Coach Young felt like the team should be ready to go for Nationals. Due to a few injuries and illnesses, the team has not run to their best potential yet. Getting another week of rest for the Little Giants will allow the team to be in top condition for Nationals. When asked what the team is doing to prepare for Nationals, Young said, "We are recovering as much as possible from Regionals. We have been doing light workouts to stretch out and open up the cardio system. We must stay mentally



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Fabian House '16 leads the pack in the Redpack's alumni run that occurred early in the fall. The Little Giants will rely on House for a solid performance in the D-III Championship.

relaxed in order to be successful."

If the team brings a similar mentality as they did to Regionals, there is no reason the team should not place. Coach Young and the rest of the team feel like they are carrying serious momentum into this weekend's Nationals. "We have positive momentum and a top 15 or top ten result is likely." The team cannot control how others team perform. If the team

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pushes themselves, and "focuses on ourselves and run a tough race, the Redpack will be successful," Coach Young said.

With this being Coach Young's first year on campus, the team has only made things easier on him. He especially wanted to thank Fabian House '16 and Adam Togami '16. "Fabian and Adam keep running better and better and has been important leaders for the team."


Luckily for the Redpack, these two have Nationals experience. "They

(House and Togami) are steady, they have experience at Nationals, and they know how to race to place high," Young said. This will only help out the young guys on the team compete to a much higher level on Saturday.

Without these two, the team would not be where they are today. As seniors, this is their last cross-country meet ever collegiately, so Coach Young expects them to have a big race. He believes these men will "cherish the time spent with their teammates, whom they have a tight bond with, and are looking forward to running a solid race at Nationals." With the losses of Fabian House '16, Adam Togami '16, and Jared Santana '16, the team will have big shoes to fill. "We have 12 of our top 15 back next year and they have grown because of their experiences this season," Young said.

Coach Young believes the team is in a great place for the weekend. "We are healthy, united, have trained hard, have big meet experience, and we know the course so we are confident that we will race well," Young said. He wanted the team to run proudly for Wabash College and represent this fine institution in a great manner. Let's see how the Little Giants perform this weekend as they give it their all at Nationals!

The Redpack's final meet will take place on Saturday in Wisconsin. Go cheer on your Little Giants in their last meet of the year!



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LITTLE GIANT BASKETBALL  
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LEADERSHIP; JAGER  
SCORES 19 IN FIRST GAME

Wabash College basketball is in full gear already with two games under their belt: an exhibition loss to Evansville 95-65 and a regular season opening win at home against the Illinois Institute of Technology 75-57.

"We needed to play," Wabash Head Coach Kyle Brumett said. "You beat up on each other in practice and we needed to see what other people do to have improvement. In the second half, they had 20 minutes of college basketball under their belt. For all of our new guys it was the first time they had all of that information to process."

Wabash played as well as they could have hoped for against the Evansville

Aces in their exhibition. Wabash took on a Division I team and scored 65 points.

Leading the team was Evan Frank '19 with 17 points off the bench and Johnny Jager '19 had 13 points. Frank also pulled in a team-high seven boards with five of those being offensive.

The Aces had five players in double figures, but that should've been expected due to the fact that they are ranked second in their conference. Even though Evansville is much better, the Little Giants were only outrebounded by five and forced 15 turnovers.

In their first regular season game Tuesday night, the Illinois Institute of Technology came to Chadwick court and after a close first half, they were easily dispatched 75-57.

"We are young," Brumett said. "We are really trying to learn while we win rather than learn while we take our lumps."

In his first collegiate regular season game Jager led the team in scoring with 19 points and also added eight assists. Fellow first timer Frank had nine points



JACOB FERGUSON '18 / PHOTO

Johnny Jager '19 goes up for a shot on Tuesday night against the Illinois Institute of Technology. Jager led the Little Giants in scoring with 19 points in the 75-57 victory.

and 10 rebounds.

Not to be out-preformed, Daniel Purvlicis '16 had 18 points and 14 rebounds continuing right where he left off last year. Austin Burton '16 added 10 points with six rebounds and before fouling out Zach Patton '18 had eight points.

"Overall, it was reassuring," Purvlicis said. "We got the win and it was important to come out and have some success with a young team."

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DANIEL PURVLICIS '16

Wabash outrebounded the Scarlet Hawks 46-27 much in part to the good defense forcing the opposition into bad shots and 36 percent shooting from the floor.

Wabash scored 59 percent of their points in the paint, which is something they look to do more in the future.

However, the team only shot 33 percent from behind the arc, something they will have to improve in upcoming game.

The Achilles heel for Wabash was turnovers as they committed 19 but only forced 17. This is something that has to be worked on as the season goes on, but should be expected since the team has so many freshmen.

"It is definitely a steep learning curve," Purvlicis said. "We (seniors) try to pick them up and help coach them. It is a whole team effort and we help these guys out as much as we can."

Wabash next opponent is Defiance College in the Lee Pfund Classic at Wheaton College. Brumett came to Wabash from Defiance, so he will know the players and the team very well which could be used to an advantage. The other two teams in the tournament are Wheaton College and George Fox University.

"It is a good tournament," Brumett said. "It is a team (Defiance) that is used to winning. It will be a challenge."

The Little Giants are off to a good start and they are looking forward to the weekend tournament in order to continue their hot start and bring home a trophy to Crawfordsville.

"Name of the game is getting a win," Purvlicis said. "We need to start it on Friday and continue to get better every day we play."



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## COVER STORY

**MASON ASHER '18 | STAFF**

**WRITER •** The Monon Bell is back in Crawfordsville and the Little Giants propel themselves into the playoffs with a first round matchup against the Albion College Britons.

In the Monon Bell game, Wabash ran all over DePauw. Wabash had 355 yards of rushing, with 278 of it coming on the back of Mason Zurek '16. Zurek added in two touchdowns and his performance earned a spot on the D3football.com Team of the Week and earned NCAC Play of the Week.

Zurek broke the Wabash record for single game rushing yards, previously held by Stan Huntsman '54 versus Ball State in 1952 when he had 265 yards. Huntsman also held the Wabash record for rushing in a Monon Bell game with 248 yards, set the same year.

"I think he has played great all season," Wabash Head Coach Erik Raeburn said. "He is a complete back. He is big and powerful and he has great feet so he can make guys miss. He is an excellent blocker and has great hands."

The offensive line deserves a lot of credit for the performance versus DePauw, as they only allowed eight yards of negative plays and did not give up a sack the entire game. The line also gave Conner Rice '17 plenty of time to stand in the pocket and deliver his passes, as evidenced by his three touchdown throws.

Against a very good offense, the Wabash defense also played well giving up 17 points and allowing 391 yards of offense to DePauw. They also rattled quarterback Matt Hunt, forcing him to make several bad throws including two interceptions, both by Delon Pettiford '17, one of which was in the end zone.

"I thought we did a great job of creating turnovers," Raeburn said. "I thought the takeaways were incredible and we stopped them on third downs."

The game was broken wide-open after Zurek broke off a 55-yard run down

the sideline to set up a field goal as time expired in the first half, taking any hope away from DePauw that they may have still had.

DePauw was down 31-10 at half and with how the offense and defense was firing on all cylinders, the game was out of reach until the final 45-17.

Against the 16th ranked defense in the nation, Wabash had 26 first downs and 503 yards of total offense and only punted two times. The Little Giants also converted on 10-of-14 third down conversions and ran 75 plays.

The winning team would be thrust into the playoffs and now the Little Giants play at home against the Albion College Britons.

The Britons are much like DePauw in that they have a high-powered offense

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**ERIK RAEBURN**

with a quarterback that has thrown for over 2,800 yards and two running backs that have crossed the 1,000 yard plateau.

"They have a great quarterback," Raeburn said. "They have two healthy running backs that have over 1000 yards on the ground. It will be tough for us



COLIN THOMPSON '17 / PHOTO

Mason Zurek '16 races down the sideline in his record breaking game at Depauw last week. Zurek ran for 265 yards and two touchdowns on the ground.

to stop the run and make them one-dimensional. If we cannot, then it will be a tough day."

The defense of the Britons is not nearly as proficient as their offense. They allow 209.0 yards a game on the ground, ranking 201st in the nation and allow opponents 469.5 total yards which is 217th in the nation.

"They have some really talented guys on defense," Raeburn said. "When you score a ton on offense, then you take out your starters so the statistics are a little misleading."

The Little Giants will have to play both solid defense and offense to advance to the next week. If the defense of the Little Giants gives in, then they could be in for

a shootout with a team that averages over 50 points a game, something that the Little Giants do not want.

The team accomplished all of their goals for the first time in these seniors' careers: winning the Bell, reaching the playoffs, and finishing the regular season undefeated. Now the task to win the championship starts when Albion comes to Crawfordsville.

"It is a great feeling and I am proud of all of our players," Raeburn said. "I told them we do not get to enjoy it until Christmas time and now we have to change our focus and move onto the next game."

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