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Board of Trustees member 'Jay' Williams '66 (middle) opens up construction for Martindale renovations.

BREAKING GROUND

THE NEWEST ADDITIONS TO INDEPENDENT HOUSING:
WHAT PROBLEMS COULD THIS BRING TO GREEK LIFE?

BRAND SELVIA '17 | STAFF WRITER • A palpable air of change and development has been permeating throughout the College. At the beginning of this spring semester, many independent men, in an exodus from the soon-to-be-renovated Martindale dorm, settled into the freshly completed (and nicer-than-average) Williams and Rogge Halls. Even while the bustle of construction on the remaining structures in the new living district continues, the part of the Wabash community that has been dubbed the "West Campus" firmly stands out.

But there is a wind of change of another sort that correlates with some men now residing in those dorms. In the past week, representatives from the Delta Tau Delta fraternal organization came to

campus seeking new members, aiming to revive a chapter that has been in suspension following an unfortunate incident that occurred eight years ago. They have even pledged a few current independent men as they live in the dormitories of the district and elsewhere.

This phenomenon raises an interesting question about the current state of independent-fraternity relations, perhaps more specifically looking at a potential shift in the population dynamic between the two bodies of students.

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WELCOME BACK!

Congratulations to the fraternity of Delta Tau Delta and their recolonizing members on their return back home to Wabash. Good luck to students, alumni, administration, and fraternity leaders involved in the transitioning process. The brotherhood missed you, Beta Psi Chapter.

CATS FIND A SAFE HAVEN AT WABASH

Student email inboxes were filled with emails about lost cats in Crawfordsville earlier this week. Noting that the Gentleman's Rule mandates felines be treated with respect, Wallies set aside their textbooks in the hopes of reuniting all of Montgomery County's lost cats with their owners. This event drew attention to the fact that Wabash does not admit cats, but Wallies still care for them deeply. We may not be able to find them, but Wabash men sure do like to talk about them, and the whole student body will surely be alerted if one is found on campus.

GROUNDHOG PREDICTS AN EARLY SPRING

Turns out the groundhog was right... or maybe not? It seems that just when we can feel spring outside, mother nature decides that she isn't ready to let go of winter. Then again, hasn't that always been the good old Indiana weather we know and love. I guess not even a psychic groundhog can predict the weather because it is simply unpredictable in our beloved state.

THANKS STUDENT SENATE!

Recently, the Student Senate purchased athletic equipment for check out. Thanks Senate, for getting us something we will actually use. More people alone have used the equipment than attended last year's National Act!

SIG CHI IS ON FIRE?

We would like to extend a hand of congratulations to the Sigma Chi fire alarm for going off at midnight this past weekend. Rumor has it that the fire alarm was triggered by the excessive amounts of testosterone in the house, and began sounding which disrupted all of the brothers during their nightly wrestling contests. Hopefully someone fixes that malfunction since it is bulking season.

VANMETER '18 FINDS UNLIKELY HOME AT WABASH

AHAD KHAN '19 | STAFF WRITER

• Hailing from West Lafayette just thirty miles away from Crawfordsville, sophomore Jason VanMeter '18 never actually knew much about Wabash during his high school days. "Wabash was a perfect fit for me but I didn't know it existed for a long while." VanMeter said. Like many high school students, he was not too sure about where he wanted to go. "A lot of my friends were thinking about going to Purdue but I wanted to go someplace small and move out of West Lafayette." VanMeter said.

He wanted to go to a place where it was easy to access the professors and where he could effectively develop relations with everybody around him. All these things attracted him to visit Wabash and that was the time his perspective about the College changed. VanMeter enjoyed his first visit so much that he came back a several other times for further visits. Each of those visits helped him in developing an understanding of the Greek system and he got acquainted with Beta Theta Pi. He rushed Beta in the spring of his senior year of high school and chose to accept his bid.

“You do not come to Wabash and not put forth your best.”

JASON VANMETER '18

As a freshman VanMeter arrived on campus with the intention of pursuing a degree majoring in both Political Science and Financial Economics. However, his plans soon changed and he decided to opt for a German and Economics double major instead. For one of his German courses, he got a chance to visit Germany and cites the trip as one of the best experiences of his career at Wabash. VanMeter really appreciated this aspect about Wabash; that it requires students to show proficiency in at least one language besides English.

Transitioning from high school to college can be tough. Many students report that there are huge adjustments to make as freshman here at Wabash. VanMeter however, said the opposite and considered

himself fortunate enough to easily adapt to most of the things at college. However, like many freshman, he had to adapt to an immense workload.

"Each individual commitment in college requires so much more attention. That's difficult to adjust to and balancing time can be tough." VanMeter said.

VanMeter is not only taking care of his academics but he has adopted the "living humanely" aspect of the College's mission statement as an important aspect of his life. During freshman year, he was involved in setting up Dance Marathon on Wabash's campus. Dance Marathon is an organization that raises funds for Riley Children's Hospital. Riley is one of the many hospitals that belongs to the Children's Miracle Network - a national organization that helps hospitalized children cope with struggles of life.

"I try to keep myself as busy as possible because I want to get as much as I can from this place. You do not come to Wabash and not put forth your best." VanMeter said.

His current goal is to raise \$15,000 for Dance Marathon by February next semester. As the President of Dance Marathon, he expressed satisfaction over how everything was going in terms of collecting funds.

In addition to Dance Marathon, VanMeter was the Treasurer of the Climbing Club last year and this year he was selected as the President.

"[Climbing is] a hobby that I picked up last semester and I want to keep doing it. Climbing can be an expensive sport so it's really cool that college pays for all the expenses." VanMeter said.

He is actively involved in German Club and does event planning for the club. He is also the rush chair of Beta. He advised students to keep their minds open about everything as trying new things is an integral part of the learning experience and the Wabash experience.

"You might already have a great idea about where you want to go but one experience at Wabash can change a lot of things for you." VanMeter added. He further explained that this does not mean at all that students should not work hard. In fact, he suggested that if both things go hand in hand, students will be able to avail much more opportunities. Jason VanMeter was the recipient of Paul T. Hurt Freshman Achievement Award for excellence in curricular and extra-curricular activities.

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Of course, Wabash College, for a number of years, has seen a rise in the number of students who prefer independent life, citing the current 49-51 rounded percentage in narrow favor of the fraternities. Even so, the construction of the new living district and the renovation of Martindale has prompted concerns among fraternities as the College continues on a course of revamping Wabash's façade.

Associate Dean of Students Marc Welch, who is also a Delt, understands that the return of Delta Tau Delta could mark a shift. "At Wabash, a lot of times we associate fraternity membership with residential living," Welch said, meaning that fraternity brothers can always live, eat, and study together under the same roof. But even while the Deltas are not seeking to immediately occupy Cole Hall, he emphasized that they will bring a new concept of membership. "(The fraternity's reinstatement) gives us an opportunity to have a whole new idea of what a fraternity is," Welch said. "Delt uses a modern fraternity, which at some campuses means residential living, others not." At least until the fall of 2016, new Deltas will be living among other independent students, but will be considered fraternity men nonetheless.

In looking at the bigger picture of fraternity-independent populations, Welch emphasized that Delta Tau Delta's reinstatement would likely lead to an increase in the number of men who pledge fraternities. "I think that we would see a shift into more guys into a fraternity," he said, but also noting that even a general increase in student enrollment would mean only a continuance of the population standards on both sides.

This is where the general revamping of the landscape comes further into play, as the attractiveness of an updated Martindale and a modern setting in the new halls attracts independent-minded men. "(The construction) gives us and the students more flexibility," Welch said. "If you look at the designs in the halls and lodges and the redesign of Martindale, I think that a common theme throughout has been 'options'." As such, he also related that this commonality entails an "opportunity" to increase overall enrollment, and perhaps ensure a period where the filling of empty independent beds doesn't become a strain.

From a fraternity perspective, the renovation of Martindale and the building of the West Campus presents a potential concern when it comes to pledging new members. But even as the new halls are still being built, any definite conclusions seem premature at this point. "It's too early to tell," said Kyle Stucker '17, Beta Theta Pi's current president. "Honor Scholar Weekend hasn't happened yet, Freshman Saturday hasn't happened yet. We really don't know what the size of the rush class is going to be like". Of course this would be difficult to assume, but Stucker also suggested that there is a connection.

"There's definitely correlation between the two entities because you have these new housing units," he said. "Even with Delt coming back, there's still more competition for students who are coming in."

In light of the push-and-pull that occurs when the new freshmen class is ringed in, Stucker, in agreement with other fraternity brothers and officials, said that misappropriation is a key element in the new independent housing having a better "lure". "It's like, 'Oh, how are we going to sell the way our house looks?'," he said, citing Beta's plight as needing renovation for a house that is fifteen years old; a job which, according to him, is overdue. In addition, Stucker related that Wabash's fraternities have seen a trend in recent years where continuous pledge classes have had fewer "fraternity guys" and more "non-fraternity guys". It is here that he makes a possible connection as to why they do not stay.

At the end of the day, Stucker stated that if the College wants its fraternities to have a prevalence with incoming and current students, and to be more competitive in recruitment, the powers-that-be should consider the renovations of the older fraternities, and spread the wealth in the prioritization of renovation efforts. "You can sell the brotherhood, you can sell the G.P.A., you can sell the social life, you can sell the campus involvement," Stucker said. "But the thing that is getting harder and harder to sell is the conditions of the houses."

But there are positive voices in this controversy. Though they are residents of Williams Hall and are now pledges to Delta Tau Delta, both Brandon Arbuckle '19 and Cory Leuters '19 were able to provide constructive thoughts on their role in a larger issue.

Even as he sees the shift that the chapter's reinstatement can bring to the population dynamic, Leuters expressed that only a mere title change makes him different from any Wabash independent. "(The Deltas) are independents, and the fraternity is built on a foundation of independent men," Leuters said. "So it's going to be nothing different for anyone joining the fraternity, because they are all either people we've lived with, or shared the title of being independent men with." Even as he is now a Delt, he suggested that he is still a Wabash man, and that he sees no issue with fraternity and independent men studying, playing, and laughing together as such.

For his two cents, Arbuckle reverted back to a sentiment that was extended to him before his ringing in as a Wabash Man. "One of the things that they told us coming was (that) there is no problem between independents and fraternities". If that understanding was incentive enough for him to be a part of the brotherhood, being on either side, preserving those good ties can only mean more graces for the College and its community.



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DELTS STARTING FRESH

STEVEN BAZIN '18 | STAFF WRITER

After almost a year of deliberation and rumors, the Delta Tau Delta fraternity has officially begun to re-establish itself at Wabash. Recruiters from the national office of the fraternity have been on campus for the last two weeks. Overall, the campus has been supportive of welcoming the organization back to campus, and many members of the community, both in and out of the Greek system, are excited about the effects the Delta Tau Delta fraternity will have on campus.

Currently, the Delts have recruited a surprising number of 29 Wabash men in their short time here. Unlike most rush processes on campus, students from every class are invited and encouraged to rush Delta Tau Delta. The fraternity has already drawn in many of the active independent students who may have missed out on the Wabash fraternity experience thus far. Like any fraternity, Delta Tau Delta is looking to recruit men who are academically successful, involved on campus, and are of high moral character. The recruitment process is already gaining momentum.

The recruiters only plan to be on campus for four weeks. Two of those weeks have already passed. From that point, the re-establishment of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity will be in the hands of its new

founding fathers. "The main goal that this group will have is becoming a chapter," said Kyle Yarawsky, director of growth from the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. "When we finish up here at the end of these four weeks, this group will be considered a colony, which is the term we use for a brand new chapter. Over the course of the next year, the colony will be working to meet charter requirements, essentially building the organization from the ground up."

The challenge of rebuilding such an organization is what drew a few of the new founding fathers to the fraternity in the first place. "It's great to have this opportunity to make a fraternity whatever I want it to be, and whatever my brothers and I felt is necessary at Wabash..." said David Vavrinak '19, one of the future founding fathers of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. "I think it's great to have this start, and we can then move in any direction we want."

"While still carrying the name, it's kind of a reincarnated version of [Delta Tau Delta]... The unique opportunity here is that, despite our long and distinct history here on campus, the men that we recruited... have the opportunity to create something new on campus and recreated Delta Tau Delta in a way that they see fit," Yarawsky said. He hopes that the chapter will help to update

the idea of Greek life to a modern context, focused on fraternity and community outreach. Like all members of the Greek system, Yarawsky feels the Animal House stereotype needs to be laid to rest.

While the long term goals are still very much undecided, the future founding fathers of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity believe that their reputation will precede them moving forward. It is no secret that Delta Tau Delta was a well-known fraternity when it was on campus. "I was told that everyone knew you were a Delt here. Everyone could kind of pick you out," Vavrinak said. To some extent, the reputation of the old Delta Tau Delta chapter will carry on through its latest iteration.

Delta Tau Delta will hold its official colonizing ceremony on February 19 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. All members of the Wabash community are welcome to attend. This ceremony will officially recognize the

new colony, and mark the beginning of the process to become a fully recognized chapter. Any interested Wabash men can stop by the Sparks Center Monday through Friday from 9 a.m to 2 p.m, or the Lilly Library Monday through Friday from 2 p.m to 5 p.m to learn more about the fraternity.



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National representatives from Delta Tau Delta recruit in Sparks.

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MARSHALL NOMINATED FOR NAACP AWARD

IAN ARTIS '16 | STAFF WRITER • Known for his sharp and well-versed insights on urban Chicago and black life, Visiting Assistant Professor of English Nathaniel Marshall has recently been nominated for the NAACP Image Awards. The Image Awards were established by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to award outstanding achievements in film, television, music and literature made by people of color, although non-people of color are not barred from nomination. Awardees include Beyoncé, Common, and John Legend. Marshall has been nominated in the "Outstanding Literary Work – Poetry" category for his book "Wild Hundreds", a reference to an area on the far south side of Chicago in which he lived. "For the award, my press submitted the book, and it was selected by a panel of my peers," Marshall said in a statement via e-mail.

The book has been noted for its frank discussion of themes relating to living as a black man not only on the gritty streets of Chicago, but operating as a black man in the world. "This book talks a lot about my hometown, Chicago. It discusses a lot of themes of black life, masculinity, hip-hop, love, and urban violence," he said. The book has picked up a significant amount of attention, garnering an award from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association as "Best Poetry Book of the Year". Marshall

was also awarded a Ruth Lilly and Dorothy Sargent Rosenberg Fellowship from the Poetry Foundation. "I like how he uses Chicago as an emotion or a character," said Immanuel Mitchell-Sodipe '18, a student of Marshall's. "At one time, it can be very hard, and violent, but at the same time, it can become very soft and nostalgic." Marshall utilizes Chicago as a central figure in his work, employing a sense of nostalgia for those who may have had similar experiences.

While Marshall's work is his own, he does have outside influences that have shaped his voice. "I have a lot of influences, but some of the biggest are Gwendolyn Brooks, Lucille Clifton, and A. Van Jordan," Marshall said. Music, specifically the black tradition of hip-hop, have shaped Marshall too, as the poetic forms of rhythm and meter are rooted in music. "Rappers like Pharoahe Monch and Black Thought have influenced me as well," Marshall said. The awards will be aired on Feb. 5, 2016 at 9/8c on TVOne, a channel with programming geared towards the African American Community.



Nathaniel Marshall

ENTREPRENEUR SUMMIT BRINGS BIG NAMES TO WABASH

BEN JOHNSON '18 | NEWS EDITOR • Tomorrow will mark the 5th Annual Entrepreneurial Summit, which will be held in the Fine Arts Center starting at 8 a.m. and expected to last until 3 p.m. Being the only college to host a entrepreneur summit in the state of Indiana, students from 14 other schools across the state are expected to join Wabash students as they will hear from experts in all aspects of the business world.

The theme of this year's summit will be medical technology, as it has been one of Indiana's most vibrant and successful industries; however, the expertise of the speakers range anywhere from marketing and finance to patent law. Roland Morin '91, Director of the Center of Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship (CIBE) is excited about the caliber of success and experience the speakers bring to this year's summit. "All the speakers combined hold almost 100 patents," Morin said. "We have Harvard Business School graduates, Kelley School graduates, CEOs, presidents all coming to talk. Every single one of them are heavy hitters."

Some alumni speakers include Brian Ferrar, who has written six books on finance and is founder of Maven Wave and Rod Kinley, who holds over 30 patents and is the current President of Aethlon Medical. Out

of all the speakers that will be present tomorrow, nine of them will be alumni, which will offer a great opportunity for students to connect with other Wabash men. "Once again, this is Wabash alums showing love to their college and wanting to help students stand on their shoulders and go forward," Morin said. "As a Wabash student, what alumni is not going to add you on LinkedIn? What alumni is not going to want to talk to you and help you succeed?"

The final keynote speaker is Stacy Enxing Seng, who has a popular reputation throughout the medical technology world and the greater business world. Seng was recently elected to the board of directors of Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc. Prior to that, Seng served as President of Vascular Therapies at Covidien and President at ev3, inc. To cap off the day, there will be a panel discussion moderated by Jim Dreher '85 who is Founder and Managing Partner of Option3 LLC.



Roland Morin '91



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Even though the Iowa Caucuses just finished up this past Monday, we're already nearly a year into what has proven to be one of the most fascinating election cycles to date. While there is some intrigue in the race for the Democratic nomination, the real excitement comes from the Republicans. There's the Trump candidacy that refuses to go away, supporting the maxim that no press is bad press and defying all logic with poll numbers that improve with each new deplorable comment he makes. Then we have Ted Cruz, whose theocratic domestic policy and wish to "carpet-bomb" half the world into oblivion is hard to stomach for even the most hawkish conservatives. Meanwhile, Jeb! Bush has lagged far behind, failing to drum up the excitement of even Ben Carson—and that's saying something.

To those of you who grew up as a Republican because your parents and everybody you knew were Republicans, you now may be reconsidering your political allegiances. And that's OK! That circus that we see on cable news every is what primary voters



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actually want. You've probably always considered yourself a conservative, but the particular brand of conservatism offered up by these front-runners is just way too much. The nobody-is-safe fear mongering and xenophobia just isn't what you subscribe to. The Party of Trump, who is polling over 30 percent nationally, is not your father's Republican party.

But do not be afraid, there is another option! There is a large section of the country that will welcome you with open arms, rather than threaten to build a wall or deport you just because you're a little different from us. We're called the liberal Democrats. No need

to worry though: despite what you may have been told, the L-word really isn't a dirty word. It means that we believe that government isn't always working against us. In fact, we liberals believe that government can actually be a force of good in people's lives, protecting its citizens in many more ways than just militarily.

Now let's get something straight: liberals don't simply want to tax the hell out of you and make everything free—not even Bernie Sanders. Seriously! What we believe is that there are people out there who are in much more difficult situations than others. And we believe that they deserve our help in the form of social services. To pay for that help, we request a bit more from the most fortunate among us, because they are able to more comfortably bear the burden. That's all it is; we still believe in free-market capitalism, but not without its checks and safeguards.

On many other more social issues, you're probably already with us. Marriage equality is now the law of the land, and we have no intentions of changing that. We believe that one

person's religion shouldn't dictate whether or not another person has access to contraceptives (That's true religious liberty). We're not here to take away your guns, but we believe that there should be commonsense checks on anybody who wants to buy one, wherever they buy it. And we know that what this country has become wouldn't be possible if it weren't for the hard work and ingenuity of immigrants who came here with a dream and were given an opportunity. We want a serious solution to immigration issues that acknowledges the humanity of the individuals it affects.

If what I just went through sounds more appealing than the often-nonsensical viewpoints spewed by the Republican frontrunners in the last few months, welcome to the team! The Hoosier State can always use more Democrats! If after all this you're still not quite with us, that's fine. Intelligent people can disagree, and make each other better for it. Just know that we'll always welcome new members as the GOP continues to hook sharply to the right.

SHOOT FOR THREE

This semester, I am what one may describe as "checking out." Or "coasting by." Or my personal favorite: "a lazy bum." My list of television shows to watch is currently sitting in the mid-30s and I would like to whittle that down to the teens if at all possible before the semester is over. (On a side note, the upcoming Gilmore Girls Netflix revival shot up to the top of the must-watch list for me, and it should for every single one of you as well.) I attend class Tuesday-Thursday with Senior Colloquium as my only Wednesday class. I'll probably know all the Cactus bartenders on a first-name basis by the time I graduate. Honestly, there are only two negatives to being a three class second semester senior: the impending doom of the "real world" and the gentle sobbing that accompanies my weekly



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bank account update.

Why do I bring this up? To brag about how ludicrously relaxing my last few months are at this College that has sucked the literal blood, sweat, and tears from me these past three years? (Yes, blood is realistic. Paper cuts hurt like hell.) To be fair, yes in a little part to boast, but mostly to educate those planning out the rest of their Wabash careers. A normal

schedule consists of six semester of four classes and two with five classes. Naturally, to have a second semester senior year with only three classes adds an extra semester with five. While the extra work may be horrible at the time, it pays dividends.

Presumably, these next few months are the only time I'm going to be able to fully relax until I retire in 50 years. Furthermore, as cliché as it is, there's a good chance I won't see some guys I've known my whole career here besides the occasional reunion. Wabash prides itself on the strength of the brotherhood crafted here; the bonds formed through the rigor of shared academic and societal challenges. Make no mistake attending this school is a challenge. At a time when many of our peers are out partying in a big college town, we're stuck in C'ville

doing schoolwork every single day because there isn't much else to do... and because there is a mountain of it and we all want to graduate. I'd like to go out making as much memories as possible with my fellow Wallies before I leave. I didn't pick this school solely for an education; I picked it for the friendships I observed. I have already gotten quite a lot out of the education, but I still want some more time with my brothers.

I'm looking at this semester as a nice gap; my school years are past and my future career waits. This provides a nice transition. Wabash is more than just a place to learn. It's a place to grow, build lasting relationships, and create memories. I would suggest everyone try and get a three-class second semester senior year to make those memories.

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THE RAREST COMMODITY

At a College whose tuition sits just over \$50,000 a year, Wabash students are no strangers to scarce resources. As rare as money may seem at Wabash, this is not the most rare resource to Wabash students. Time in these fleeting semesters is the most rare comity a student has. Students are faced with prioritizing their time at college.

Time is money. However you choose to spend your time during the week reflects your interest, your priorities, and your investment in your future. You spend time exercising for your health, studying for your academic success, hanging out to foster your life long friendships.

As many Wabash students know, and I've come to find to be true, you just can't do it all. You can't super stack your schedule and maintain a high enough G.P.A. for post-graduate school or a prestigious entry level position, be involved in a multitude of clubs and activities, be active in your house and its brotherhood, and spend time diffusing the stress that has been building up all week with your friends or brothers. Something has to give. Whether that's less study time, less sleep (which can lead to a plethora of problems in its own right,) less time making memories, or less time chasing girls, every Wabash man must face these



Jack Kellerman '18

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trade-offs and tensions. He is forced to speculate on what is near and dear to him and make judgments based on who he thinks he is, and decide what is conducive to his long-term happiness.

I wish I could tell you that you can do everything you set out to accomplish here at Wabash. I wish I could tell you that there won't be hard times where you might question who you are and what you are doing. There are people who plan their whole lives around being doctors or lawyers, athletes or broadcasters, and come to find that it wasn't what they thought it was, that perhaps their attributes are better suited elsewhere. This is tough; I've seen people close to me go through some serious self-evaluations.

You will have to choose your major, prioritize your extra-curricular activities,

decide what internships to pursue and do over the summers. How does one navigate through all this? Any casual search on the Internet will lead you to opinion pieces that help you prioritize different projects and daily tasks of a normal day at the office. But how does this translate over to those in college; how do we prioritize our time the next four years here at Wabash College that will mold our next forty? The answer is it doesn't.

Unfortunately, there is no right answer. But one thing is certain: you will never know if you never try. The best thing you can do for yourself is to stay busy, ambitious, and open-minded. Stay busy doing what you love. If you don't love doing it, don't do it. It's just that simple. You don't have precious time to frivolously spend it on something you are forcing yourself to partake in. Don't invest your time in something that makes you unhappy.

Stay ambitious. Always look for a way to improve your living units, your clubs, your sports teams, and your alma mater. This will in return improve you by refining you with experiences. Nothing is more rewarding than feeling as if you left a lasting impact for the betterment of the people around you.

Stay open minded. You never know

what will come your way during you time here at Wabash. Set backs could be blessings in disguise. When I foolishly try taking on five courses while simultaneously going through pledgship I decided I needed to drop a harder course and pick up a half semester course on the philosophy of commerce. If it wasn't for the change in schedules, I might not have ever taken the course that had one of the most profound impacts on the way I think and analyze the world around me. While I felt defeated that I couldn't do everything I wanted, I found the experience to be transformative.

Don't be afraid to invest your time into something new. You can only speculate the returns; you can never truly know until you try. If you find the return is not worth the investment, stop investing your time. If you find an investment of your time is yielding high returns, perhaps invest more time. Look into leadership opportunities, and be an agent of change to bring your interest in a club or field to the next level.

You may change a lot the next four years. But as long as you do what you enjoy, explore what you don't know, and always seek fulfillment, there is no way you can let these fleeting semesters fly by without discovering what will make you taste contentment.

IMPLICATIONS OF SECRECY

The very word 'secrecy' is repugnant in a free and open society..." These words that escaped the lips of John F. Kennedy in 1961 are still valuable today. Perhaps now more than ever societies, fraternal organizations, and groups that classify as even the least bit secretive are threatened with elimination. This is not because what they do is necessarily wrong in nature, but the fact that our community borders on needing to know every activity that goes on in the world. Here at Wabash College, we are not invincible.

We have much to be proud of here at Wabash College. Outstanding academics, faculty, students, athletics, facilities; you name it, we most likely have some of the best if not the best of it. However, through our success have we lost sight of the possibilities of failure?

A simple detour in the path of success can be summed up in one word. Hazing. Most people in society know how to define hazing, who participates in it, why they do it, and the "cool" directions you can go with it. Many hazing activities become legendary: fairy tale stories that transform into tales of our manhood



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we share with our friends. Let's not beat around the bush here. Our society is not ignorant. We know that colleges/ universities do it, who does it "the best," and the legends that have come out of it. It is easy to get caught up in the deadly "we went through it, so you should too" cycle that we all know of. Believe me, I am all for having an individual earn their way into a society, club, fraternity or organization. Hard work should pay off. But is hazing the only way? Does hazing make that individual better in character, in leadership, in morality? That can be a question you answer within your own moral compass.

If we take a step back and realize how important secret societies are to our fair College, we will then realize the importance of rethinking how we operate them. The foundation of Wabash College is filled with prestigious societies in groups such as our fraternities, our academic honor societies, and the Sphinx Club. These societies fuel the identity that is Wabash College. Unfortunately in today's society, a college like Wabash is under more and more scrutiny and examination for the slightest slip-up. Any event, activity or party that goes wrong is reason to have that society shutdown. Each student at Wabash is aware of these risks through examples like Delta Tau Delta and the talks given by Dean Raters and Mr. Woods; however, do we truly stop and think about the real implications?

These implications are why we should rethink the way we run our dearly beloved secret societies. We must be conservative and smart with our actions. We must be willing to change with society while still staying true to our roots as a College, as a fraternity, or as an organization. What is the true meaning behind this club or fraternity I am involved in? Is it to lead? Is

it to become a gentleman? Is it to become a better scholar? If we find ourselves going against our roots, then we must be willing to adapt back to those roots.

I reiterate, I am not for allowing individuals to freely join a fraternity, group, club, or organization. I believe in this sector of capitalistic ideals and I believe in working hard for your dreams. However, where do we draw the line between working hard and hazing? Why not properly educate individuals about the roots of your organization? Team building and leadership activities are outstanding ways to better an individual with skills that last beyond Wabash College.

Wabash men are too polished, too educated to fall into the same trap our collegiate counterparts have fallen victim to. We know that hazing, in its various forms, can damage an individual, a career, and our College. Wabash College is a brotherhood that works hard, picks each other up, and never lets any Wabash man fall behind. We are bigger in spirit than the majority of the schools in the country, but let us not be smaller in morality and sense.

SOPHOMORE INTERVIEWS, *BACHELORIZED*

BENJAMIN WADE '17 | COPY EDITOR • As a general rule of thumb, interviews induce stress, wrack nerves, and overall present an intimidating concept. You're normally forced to dress up, sit down across from a person you've never met before, and answer deep and ambiguous questions like "what are your goals in life?" or "what is your spirit animal?" However, the College's annual Sophomore Interviews provide a different experience for Wabash students by asking them much shallower questions: "what do you want to declare as your major?" and "what has your experience at Wabash been like so far?" While these questions might be easy for some, others have to think long and hard before responding. Following the spirit of Wabash and our love of tradition, The Bachelor decided to conduct our own sophomore interviews to investigate sophomores true thoughts concerning sophomore interviews, The Bachelor, and a few other topics.

For freshmen readers, early spring semester every year, each member of the sophomore class meets briefly with either Dean of Students Michael Raters '85 or another staff or faculty member. Not only do sophomores declare their major during these interviews, but they also answer questions regarding their experiences thus far at Wabash. But what do people, specifically the staff of The Bachelor, really think about this whole process and some of the questions that are asked?

Obviously, some view the interviews in a very positive light. "I think it's great that Wabash is so invested in the students' input," News Editor Benjamin Johnson '18 said. "It's really what separates Wabash from other colleges. Students here are not just customers, we are people that really want a quality education and I think sophomore interviews are a great way from Wabash to evaluate whether they are giving students a quality education or not." However, others see it a little different.

"[Sophomore interviews] are relatively pointless," Sports Editor Michael Lumpkin '18 said. "I think for some it may be beneficial to sit down with the Deans, but for most it is just a formality to declare your major/minor."

However, not all the questions during Sophomore Interviews are completely realistic. One of the most common questions involves what a student would do if they had a magic wand and could change anything about campus. As you can imagine, everyone had something very different in mind; "I would foster an environment of friendly cooperation to assist students in improving each other," Cavelifelife Editor Joseph Reilly '18 said.

Alternatively, Johnson said, "I wish we had stronger ties with the greater Crawfordsville community. We have our volunteer days where we go out into the community and do philanthropy work but I still feel that there is some wall between citizens of Crawfordsville and Wabash students."

However, purely due to the fact

that we're all Wabash students, we're guaranteed to have differing opinions on every topic under the sun. Surprisingly though, these three sophomores agreed on something: they all would like to see more student feedback and involvement with our beloved campus newspaper.

"I would change the amount of feedback we get from the campus and wish it were more," Lumpkin said. "Hearing from students regarding ideas for the paper, what they like and don't like, and what they're interested in is what really makes a newspaper great."

Reilly backed this up, saying, "We already have a large staff, but as the Student Voice of Wabash College, we can always have more people contributing. We write stories about things that the students are interested

about and are always looking for a new perspective on campus life and the world in general."

Because we are Wabash students, we constantly strive to get better at everything we do. For the administration to become better, they conduct annual interviews with a class that is halfway through their college experience. Unfortunately for The Bachelor, we don't have the luxury of mandatorily interviewing 900 students to find out what we need to do differently. Instead, the only way we can get better is feedback from you, our reader. So if you're curious about anything on this campus or have a new perspective to offer, feel free to join us. Who knows; you might end up conducting an interview of your own.



COLIN THOMPSON '17 / PHOTO

Benjamin Wade '17 conducts a '*Bachelorized*' Sophomore Interview with an emphatic Joseph Reilly '18 in the Bachelor office.

PUPPETS CAST A LONG SHADOW

GRIFFIN LEVY '17 | STAFF

WRITER • On Friday, February 5th, Annie Rollins will be doing a lecture on Chinese Shadow Puppetry at 12 p.m. in Korb Classroom in the Fine Arts Center. Most people don't know what Chinese Shadow Puppetry is, or its importance to both the Chinese culture and to modern theatre performance as well. From Annie Rollins' website, she played in a shadow puppet troupe under Ha Xian in northern central China until 2008, then in 2011 she participated in a Fulbright Fellowship. In 2013, she started her PhD in the Humanities at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.

"She really is the foremost expert, on Chinese Shadow Puppetry, really kinda outside China," Associate Professor of

Theater Dr. James Cherry said. "She is doing a lot to make the form more widely known outside of China".

Dr. Cherry not only had the pleasure of going to China with fellow Wabash professors, but he also teaches a class at Wabash where students cover some of the fundamental principles of shadow puppetry. "You can't really, you can't get it at all unless you see it," Dr. Cherry said. "You can't get it at all unless you're actually in the room with it. You don't get it at all unless you mess around with it. It needs to not be theoretical; it needs to be practical".

In Dr. Cherry's THE 218: The Multicultural Stage, students get a chance not only to learn about theatres from all over the world, including Japanese and African-American

Theater, but also have the opportunity to work with Chinese shadow puppets in class.

In class on Tuesday, the students had the opportunity to work with the puppets that Dr. Cherry had purchased in China and put on shows with them. "Many of the different kinds of theatres styles learned in multicultural are ritualistic centric," Zachary Anderson '18, a student in The Multicultural Stage class, said. "The styles can feel distant and unreachable sometimes. Playing with these puppets helped connect us with the art form in a way reading a textbook or watching a play couldn't have matched."

Besides just working with shadow puppets in class, the THE 218 class will also be going to Indianapolis on February 6th to the Indianapolis Children's Museum where they will once again get more experience learning and interacting with Chinese shadow puppets. "It's always good to

get students doing stuff off campus," Dr. Cherry said. "I think it will be interesting just to see how children react to something like puppetry differently than adults do. Is it important to find ways to save artistic forms that are perhaps becoming extinct? This is something that the Chinese are working on right now."

Many college students don't have the opportunity to have multiple classes and artist series that come to campus and allow students to be immersed in different cultures and see how these cultures work as well as getting exposure to the unique world around them.

"I think that just the idea of taking some time just to work through, to look at performance traditions, that typically students don't get to do," Dr. Cherry said. "Typically college students don't get that much exposure to Asian performance art."



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Students in THE 218 manipulate their puppets in a hands on learning activity for their study of Chinese shadow puppetry.

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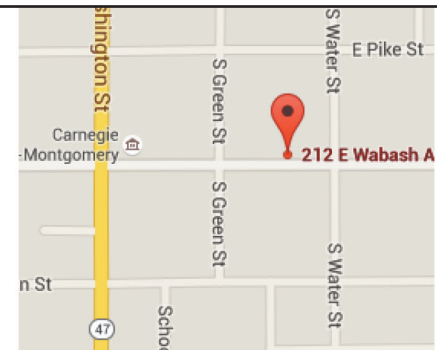
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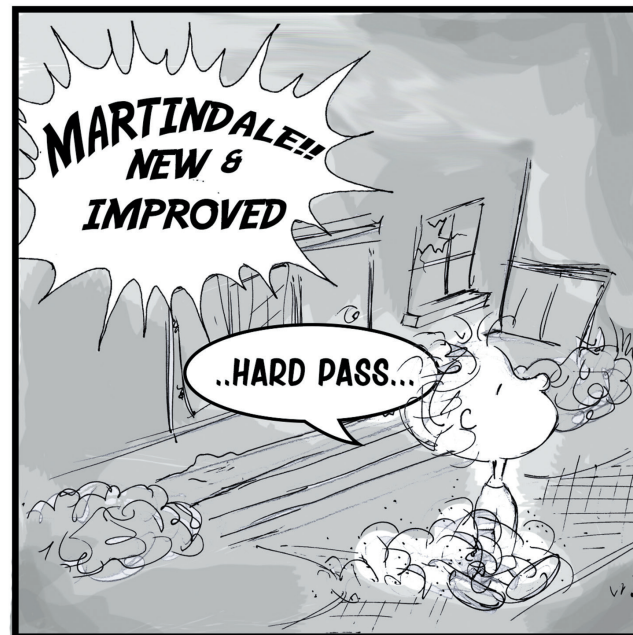
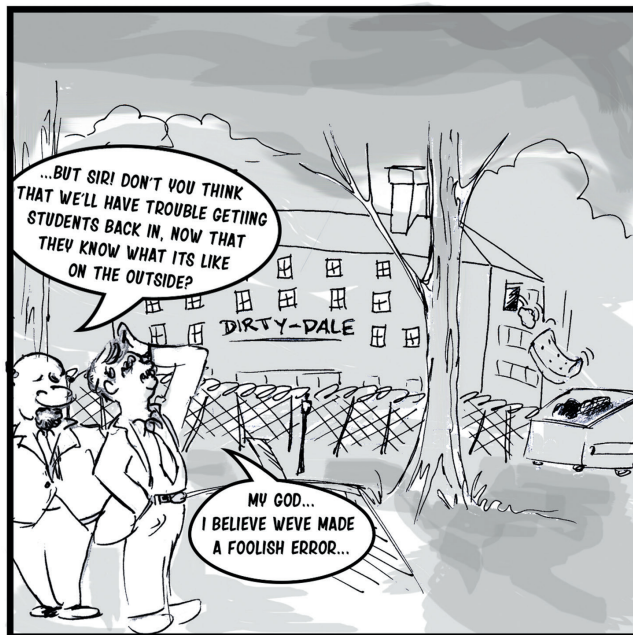
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STUDENTS ADAPT, BRRRRRR

AHAD KHAN '19 | STAFF WRITER • This semester, two distinct types of students shuffle around campus: those wearing shorts and flip flops with an occasional complimentary hooded sweatshirt and others in layers at all times to face off the midwestern winds. As evidenced by the various styles, Students' views on this year's climate are very opposing. Those who are wearing shorts and flip flops think the layered up students might be sick or something and the layered up ones feel as if the other group of students is only trying to show off their strength by not wearing proper warm clothes. Indiana's weather has been known for ages to be extremely unpredictable, but this year it seems like it has taken the toll as one of the most unpredictable in recent history. It was expected to be a deadly winter this year, but things have not gone that way for the most part.

Although it snowed once at the end of November, there was no snow for the whole month of December, not even on the Christmas. The weather remained warm for the most part and it only snowed a couple of times during January. But it was warm mostly for those who are native to Indiana. In contrast, many people, especially international students found their first winter to be pretty harsh. Tung Bui '19, an international student from Vietnam told *The Bachelor* that he was quite comfortable during the fall semester because he found weather to be just like it was in his home country; but when the winter came, things changed for him drastically. "I was totally not prepared for this weather," Bui said. Many other international freshmen like Tung had never seen snow before.

Most of them suggested that they were prepared for the winters in the US, but it is always hard for the first time.

"Snow was exciting for the first week only but afterwards I started disliking it," Bui said. Most of the time its not the low temperatures, but the cold wind that makes climate conditions severe.

On the contrary, the domestic students felt like as if they have skipped winter this year. They said that they never actually needed any of their winter boots or duffel coats this year, which was very unusual. It is comfortable for them to be in shorts without getting sick because they consider this year's winter to be a very mild one. One of the students said that he was shocked to see such mild winters with little or no snow for the most part. "Winter looks like a weird spring this year. It is wet rather than cold," Dominick Rivers '19, a Crawfordsville native, said.

He added that when he was growing up, winter used to be from late November all the way through end of March with constant snow.

"Never in my childhood had there been a day with 60 degrees in one of the winter months," Rivers said.

Different students had different ideas about protecting from the cold weather. One of the foremost suggestions given by students was to keep feet warm throughout the winter months whether it is cold or not because the weather can change in no time. Students for whom this is a very warm winter should also take care of themselves by staying warm. Finally, those who are not acquainted with such a weather should take extra measures to protect themselves from cold.



LEVI GARRISON '18 / PHOTO

Two kinds of Wabash man can be found on campus this winter, the sensible harsh winter newbie and the thick skinned and skulled Yukon veteran.

NEWCOMER ARRIVES FOR FIRST CAMPUS PERFORMANCE

NICHOLAS VEDO '19 | STAFF WRITER • Crawfordsville residency presents a mixed bucket of negatives and positives. Of course Wabash provides its students with a world-class education, and no one can deny the beauty of Indiana in autumn. However, as far as music/entertainment go, the area is a bit of a cultural desert. The Visiting Artist Series helps to combat that by bringing a diverse array of art/musical performances to campus. This week's selection is especially intriguing.

Yesterday, folk singer Carrie Newcomer visited our campus for both a discussion and a performance tonight as well. Carrie's interests are as widespread as the locations she has performed at. To date, Mrs. Newcomer has released nine albums in total. Besides recording music, Carrie is also a very avid writer. One of her notable collaborations with environmentalist Scott Russell Sanders illustrates her passion for helping the planet. Carrie is very spiritually based in all that she does. This can be attributed to her Quaker roots, which have pushed her towards the fight for social justice as well. From 2009-2011, Carrie toured India as a cultural ambassador for

the American Embassy. After the experience, she released a benefit album for the Interfaith Hunger Initiative. Mrs. Newcomer has also performed in Kenya in different hospitals and village, and in the Middle East working with organizations dedicated to the arts and nonviolent conflict resolution.

With her visit to Wabash's campus, Newcomer hopes to inspire the deep passion she has for social justice and environmentalism. "The Visiting Artist Series is bringing Carrie to Wabash as a resident artist, meeting with students and faculty over three days to discuss her work and long-time focus on the environment, sustainability, and spirituality. She'll conduct music workshops and share how her music is shaped by her devotion to the issues I mentioned." Professor of Theater Michael Abbott said.

Newcomer's visit promises to be a memorable one, so please do not miss out on a wonderful opportunity to meet with her and discuss matters that hold immeasurable significance for us, not just as students of Wabash, but as humans. Carrie Newcomer will be performing in the Salter Concert Hall at 7:30 p.m. tonight.



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CONSISTENCY IS KEY

MASON ASHER '18 | STAFF WRITER

• It is all a process for the Little Giant basketball team. After cruising through the non-conference portion of the schedule early in the year going 6-1, the conference portion has proven to be tough on the Little Giants, going 4-8 in the conference portion with six games left.

"We are not in the position we would like to be in," Head Coach Kyle Brumett said. "Our goal is always to win the league and it is a process year in and year out to be in that position like Ohio Wesleyan or Wooster have been over the last ten years or so."

Wabash sits in eighth place in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) standings and is three games behind Hiram and Wittenberg.

To earn a place in the conference tournament, Wabash essentially needs to win their remaining games.

Last week the Little Giants got a win at Wittenberg 69-54, a big win that kept their conference hopes alive. Senior Austin Burton had a big game catching fire from deep and dishing out five assists.

After the Wittenberg game, they traveled to Wooster to take on the Fighting Scots; Wabash got run out of the building 90-66. Turnovers once again plagued Wabash as they turned the ball over 21 times. Freshman Ben Stachowski played a great game scoring 15 points on 6-of-9 shooting and pulled in 11 boards for his first double-double.

"Every time we take a step forward, we take a step backwards," Brumett said. "That is part of having a young group and it is frustrating but it is part of the natural progression as much as I dislike it."

The freshmen so far have been playing well, despite the turnovers.

Freshman point guard Johnny Jager leads the NCAC in turnovers with 5.1 a game, but is second in assists per game with 5.3 a game. Jager also scores 15.1 points a game.

Freshman Duncan Roy came on the scene as a starter after sophomore Zack Patton went down with injury and has performed admirably, taking a role as a long distance shooter who can mix it up inside and play great defense as well.

Stachowski, a freshman from Evansville, has done nothing but improve after coming back from injury in early December. Stachowski has been a huge weapon of the bench, exhibiting a knack for scoring with the ball.

Evan Frank '19 has also been mentored by inside seniors Marcus Kammrath and Daniel Purvlicis and has also been impressive as a starter this year. Frank is tied for 3rd in the NCAC with Purvlicis in rebounds per game with 8.2 and he also has secured four double-doubles to this point.

"They are the nucleus of us moving forward," Brumett said. "We have a few other guys in this group that will hopefully latch on and carve out their own role. These four guys have performed, as freshmen, guys that you expect to grow into starters and guys that lead you to the next step."

Turnovers had been a big part of the growing process for Wabash this season. Wabash turns the ball over 16.3 times a game and that is one area they will have to get better in the years to come.

"Experience is a part of it," Brumett said. "Strength is also a part. Our turnovers come in two parts: one is we turn it over a lot when we are driving it or when we throw it into the



JACOB FERGUSON '18/PHOTO

post. A big part of that is that we are just not strong enough."

Wabash has their final three home games upcoming with Hiram tonight at 7 p.m., Allegheny tomorrow at 3 p.m. and next Wednesday night at 7 p.m. against Ohio Wesleyan. All of these games are must wins in order to stay in contention.

"I think this week will have a big part in seeing how realistic our goals are in getting to have a home game in the conference tournament," Brumett said. "If we can win Friday and Saturday, then we have a home game with the first place team Wednesday and then we go on the road to finish with three teams that are near us. They are all teams that we feel we can beat."

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THE FINAL STRETCH

SWIMMING LOOKS TO REST AND “SHARPEN THE BLADE” AS IT PREPARES FOR ITS FINAL WEEK BEFORE THE NCAC CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

JOEL JANAK '19 | STAFF WRITER

As their season comes to a close, the Wabash College swim team continues to work towards next week's NCAC Championships. As of now, the team sits at a 5-3 record, remaining very competitive in a tough conference. Looking at their solid record, the team has been extremely aggressive in every meet they have competed in. Over the last few weeks though, the team has been resting and looking forward to the championships. When talking to Coach Noble, he emphasized the importance of rest for his guys. Noble said, “We are also resting now, so that's the big difference compared to other meets. They train hard throughout the season, and then swimmers have a rest period called taper before the NCAC meet. The guys are sharpening the blade now and also resting to be fresh and ready to go at the conference meet.” However, the team is doing more than just resting. On improving the “little things,” Coach Noble said, “We are preparing in several ways, besides rest. That includes working on stroke technique and skill execution.” Coach Noble feels like the team is in a great place to compete at their highest level at the North Coast Athletic Conference Championships. Noble is confident in his guys swimming to their maximum potential.

Coach Noble also stressed the importance of a full-team effort at the NCAC Championships.

“We need big swims from everyone on our roster to make the kind of splash we expect to make,” Noble said.

Guys must be able to step up big this upcoming weekend for the Little Giants. They cannot be intimidated from their opponents, but rather embrace the challenge. Senior Jack Belford '16 thinks the team is very talented and is ready to challenge themselves, and did put great emphasis on beating the team down south. “The meet should be really fast with the top two teams in the country in



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Wabash Swimming looks continue building on its postseason success of recent years under Coach Noble in the NCAC Championships. A big focus will be on the matchup with the DePauw Tigers, who the Little Giants have a chance to beat twice in one season.

our conference and DePauw getting 11th last year at NCAAs,” Belford said. Similar to previous groups, DePauw has a very strong team this year too, though the Little Giants beat them earlier this season, winning by just a few points. Belford '16 thinks the team is in a great place and that it will be interesting to see how the rematch unfolds. Wabash has never beaten the Tigers twice in the same season.

Belford did mention that the scoring is different in the conference meet. Belford said, “The scoring is much different for a conference meet, so we will have to control what we can, swim well, and the results should take care of themselves.”

When asked if there was anything different the team does to prepare for a big meet like the NCAC Championships, Coach Noble said they do not change their approach much from a regular meet besides rest. “We taper for championship meets,” Noble said. “Swimmers also shave down and wear fancier suits for the big meets.”

The team has been competing since October 10th and it is finally time to show off to the rest of the NCAC conference. The swimmers have been working very hard up to this point to showcase their skills. It will be very interesting to see how the team fares against some tough competition. The NCAC Championships will be held in Granville, Ohio over the course of the next entire weekend. Good luck to all the Little Giants swimmers and divers!

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TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF

WRITER • This year, the Wabash College Dance Marathon club will be hosting the Wabash Campus Olympics, a four-day event comprised of four events that will both raise money for Riley Children's Hospital and bring our

campus together through friendly competition. The Campus Olympics will be held the week leading up to the first Dance Marathon held at Wabash College. The date for the Campus Olympics and Dance Marathon have yet to be finalized, but will be held around late March.

Teams will be made up of 5-10 members of any group on campus. "Anyone can participate in the events, even professors if they'd like; but the main goal is to create teams of students, most likely from different houses, sports teams, or other clubs," Wabash College Dance Marathon represented Warren Moseman '18 said. "And have them compete in these events to raise both money and awareness about Riley Children's Hospital and the Dance Marathon happening at Wabash that next weekend."

Although there is an entry fee of \$50 per team or \$10 per person, all proceeds will go directly to Riley Children's Hospital.

The Campus Olympics will kick off on a Monday evening with the Knochball Tournament. Teams of four will play soccer in giant inflatable balls where players can run into, bump, and knock their opponents around. The Olympics will continue on Tuesday night with an intense outdoor Big Wheel Race around the mall. The event will consist of a relay by four members of each team where racers can use dodge balls to distract and disrupt their opponents during the race. There will be two or three heats with four to five big wheels in each heat. The course will be a back and forth relay between the Detcheon Center and our beloved Chapel.

The third event, a Sumo Wrestling Tournament, will be held on Wednesday night in the Allen Center and will consist of a single elimination bracket made up of one member from each team. Participants will wear sumo suits and attempt to knock one another

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WARREN MOSEMAN '18

out of the ring. Last but not least, the Campus Olympics will conclude on Thursday night with a FIFA Tournament that will be held at both the Beta and FIJI Fraternity houses. The tournament will begin on Tuesday evening and will hold matches on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights due to the

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number of participants. The tournament is double elimination with 4 members from each team allowed to compete.

Points will be awarded to each team in the order they finish each event and at the end of the Olympics, the team with the most points will be deemed the Wabash Campus Olympics Champions. The prizes for the winning team include Buffalo Wild Wing's Gift Cards and t-shirts for its members. "This is a great way to get out and meet new people on campus and have some fun while raising money and awareness for a great cause," Moseman said. So gather a group of friends, rummage up the entry fee, and enter what will surely be a week full of excitement and fun to raise money for Riley Children's Hospital.

WRESTLING TEAM RIGHT WHERE IT WANTS TO BE

MASON ASHER '18 | STAFF WRITER • The Little Giant wrestling team is having a great season so far and may just now be hitting their stride as they travel to the 30th Annual John Summa Invitational in Berea, Ohio hosted by Baldwin Wallace University this weekend. Thus far, the Little Giants are 12-1 and are seeing excellent overall team performance as well



Brian Anderson

as individual performances. The team has had some time off to rest and recuperate before the tournament this weekend and it couldn't have come at a better time as they face off against some very good

non-region competition.

"With what we put together in the front half of the season, I think we are on pace to be right where

"We are putting our guys in front of good competition each and every weekend."

BRIAN ANDERSON

we want to be," Head Coach Brian Anderson said. "I think the key to the back half of the season is just fine-tuning and staying healthy. I think that if our guys stay healthy in



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Wabash College wrestled Ohio Northern University on January 16th as a part of the Max Servies Duals at Chadwick Court. The Little Giant wrestlers dominated against the three teams they faced; through three matches the team forfeited a total of 12 points.

the next six weeks, we will put on a good showing at regionals."

Wabash rarely sees some of the teams that will be in the tournament, which will provide good competition to get ready for regionals in the coming weeks. Some of the teams Wabash could face are Alfred State University, Baldwin Wallace University, The College at Brockport, Lycoming College, Mount St. Joseph University, Muskingum University, Ohio Northern University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Thiel College, Washington & Jefferson College and Waynesburg

University.

"We are putting our guys in front of good competition each and every weekend," Anderson said. "Our top guys are probably those who will go to regionals and they are looking pretty good."

So far this year, every weight class has performed very well. There have been many winners in their respective weight classes thus far and many good showings by others. Coach Anderson thinks that everyone is hitting their stride right now, which bodes well for this weekend and the following tournaments.

Wabash has high hopes for the tournament despite not wrestling all of their starters to give them some rest. Coach Anderson thinks even with some starters out they should be able to go in and compete for a win in the tournament.

"We have not been there for a while," Anderson said. "It is a good test. Baldwin Wallace has a strong team this year and some good nationally ranked guys. We will get some east coast flavor we do not see a lot of. We are going to see some different faces and it is to give our guys another test."