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HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK HONORING OUR PROFS

The *Bachelor* would like to congratulate Drs. Brown and Gelbman on their promotions to Professor and Associate Professor, respectively. We also congratulate Drs. Calisch, Helman, and Rosenberg on their well-deserved retirements. Dr. Bowen is retiring from the classroom as well, but we'll still get to see him lead our brothers in song as the Glee Club Director. Congratulations professors, and thanks for everything that you all do for us every single day.

ONE LAST SCHEDULER DIG

Hi-Five to the Wabash Scheduler for being such a good sport this year. We won't lie, we detest your bureaucratic ways, your insistence on making our lives more complicated, and your attempt to stifle that ever-classic standby of student personality: procrastination. But alas, it has been oh-so fun. The only thing better than an entire year of content for our satire writers would be, well, not having the Scheduler at all. Cheers, *The Bachelor*.

JUST KIDDING

Seniors, don't forget to complete the last item on your checkout card: remember to send a request to President Hess and Ms. Mayberry to reserve a seat at Commencement. The online Scheduler will send you an automatic reply confirming your place sometime before June 1.

GIVING BACK

We would be remiss if we neglected to congratulate the entire Wabash community for a stellar Day of Giving on Wednesday. At press time, we had over 3,300 donors making gifts that constituted over half of a million dollars. Current students took the lead in participation, with the Class of 2019 at over 240 donations to the College. It's great to see students give back to the place that means so much to us.

WE'LL MISS YOU 2016

To the Class of 2016: We are very grateful for having had the opportunity to learn from so many of you throughout our time together at Wabash. Your mark on this place will not be forgotten. We hope to see you back on campus as graduates, be it at Homecoming, Monon, or just for a casual weekend. Good luck out in the real world, and remember us if you ever have free jobs to hand out.

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Friday, May 13

8 AM - 5 PM

Senior art exhibition in the Eric Dean Gallery

Saturday, May 14

8 AM

Deans' Senior Breakfast in Knowling Fieldhouse(Required)

9 AM

Commencement rehearsal in Pioneer Chapel (Required)

8 AM - 12PM

Fitness center open

8 AM - 5 PM

Senior art exhibition in the Eric Dean Gallery

10 AM - 4 PM

Bookstore open

11:45 AM

SAAC Senior athletics luncheon in Knowling Fieldhouse

2:30 PM

Phi Beta Kappa Initiation in Lovell Lecture Room Baxter Hall

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

President's Reception at the Elston Homestead

Sunday, May 15

10:30 AM

Formation of the academic procession

11:00 AM

Baccalaureate Chapel in Pioneer Chapel

12:00 PM

Commencement Buffet in Knowling Fieldhouse

12:00 PM - 2:20 PM

Bookstore is open

1:30 PM

Legacy Photos on the sidewalk east of Center Hall

2:00 PM

Formation of Academic Procession on sidewalk east of Center Hall

2:30 PM

178th Commencement Ceremony on the Mall

3:30 PM

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Students get rowdy while jousting at the Day of Giving.

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Tyler Wade '12 takes a pie to the face.

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Michael Lumpkin '18, Jordan Hansen '18, and Jordan Culp '16 share a meal together at the annual Day of Giving.



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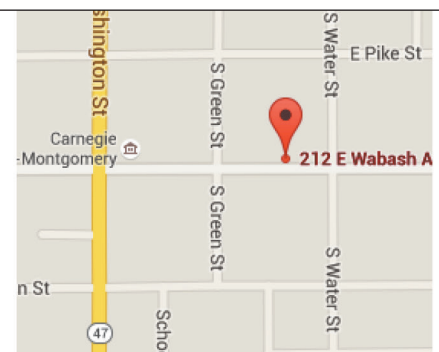
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ROSENBERG REFLECTS ON HIS TIME AT WABASH

BEN JOHNSON '18 | NEWS EDITOR • With another chapter in the books of Wabash history comes another year to say farewell to some beloved professors. Professor of English Warren Rosenberg will retire at the end of this year after a 36 year career in literature scholarship at the College. As a native New Yorker, Rosenberg began his pursuit of studies in academia at Brooklyn College where he initially intended to major in political science. However, an author known as Herman Melville changed Rosenberg's course of study when he was introduced to Melville's *Bartleby the Scrivener* in a political science class. Since then, Rosenberg focused his studies on literature. "Melville trapped me into the English world," Rosenberg said. "I read *Bartleby* in my political science class and I immediately asked where I could get more." After graduating from Brooklyn College, Rosenberg went on to teach English at a local school in Brooklyn, then chose to take his education further by pursuing his graduate degree at University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. After Michigan, Rosenberg finished his PhD at the University of New

York Graduate Center. Coming to Wabash College in 1980, Rosenberg was introduced to a different world after coming from New York. "I never heard of Crawfordsville," Rosenberg said. "I never heard of Wabash College, and I don't think I really understood what Indiana was." But along with being immersed in a new culture in Wabash College, Rosenberg also feels that he introduced Wabash to a new world as well. "I think it was important for me to be from the east coast," he said. "It influenced my teaching, since so many students are from the conservative midwest. I think I bring a different perspective that many students here don't know about." As Rosenberg reflected on his time at Wabash, he noted that the faculty was radically different when he first came here in 1980. "All professors in the English Department were all white males," he said. "In fact, we actually had more men named David in the faculty than women on staff."

Rosenberg's particular interest in the study of literature have been multicultural literature and masculinity, in particular Jewish masculinity. Being immersed in

a culture like Wabash's, where students mostly come from some Christian background, Rosenberg ironically became more interested in his own Jewish ethnicity. "I believe when you study literature, you are very much looking at identity issues," Rosenberg said. "You as a reader are reading something based on who you are and coming to Wabash made me much more aware of that. I used to live in NYC where there were thousands of Jews and coming to Wabash, I realized I'm not a Christian. So it pushed me to think about how my heritage works in my life and in my relationship with students." Rosenberg has taught many classes on the study of Jewish-American literature and has lead numerous immersion trips to his native home of New York City.

As Rosenberg says goodbye to the Wabash family, he hopes that the College will stay true to their liberal arts roots. Rosenberg said of his hopes for the College, "Be true to the mission statement. Increase the amount of face to face interaction. Be true to who we were, but be open to everything, because that's the key of the liberal arts."



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Dr. Rosenberg at the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY.



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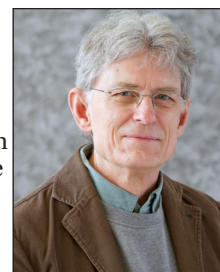
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HELMAN GIVES DEPARTING MESSAGE

BEN JOHNSON '18 | NEWS EDITOR • Along with Dr. Rosenberg's retirement, Chairman of the Philosophy Department Glen Helman will be retiring after 30 years with the Wabash faculty. Helman determined at a very young age that he would pursue a career in academia. With both his parents being public school teachers, he knew that he had an interest in a career in teaching. "I liked the life that my parents lead with public school teaching and they mentioned to me that maybe I could be a college teacher," Helman said. "So I decided on that as early as high school."



Glen Helman

While Helman knew the level that he wanted to teach, he still was unsure of exactly what he was going to teach as he entered Oakland University as an undergraduate. Helman began his academic pursuits in physics, but was quickly lead to philosophy by one of his peers. "I was interested in theoretical physics, but not experimental physics," Helman said. "Someone later suggested to me that if you are only interested in the theory of physics, maybe you should try

philosophy." After obtaining his graduate degree and PhD from the University of Pittsburgh, Helman went on to teach philosophy at Penn State. After his time at Penn State, Helman began to look for other options to teach in his academic field. "I was looking broadly after Penn State," he said. "It happens that while teaching there (Penn State), my teaching broadened out in ways. I probably wouldn't have been attracted to Wabash when I first enter graduate school only because I was much too generalized."

Helman entered as Visiting Professor of Philosophy in 1986, where for a short time he lived next door to the old MXI house. During his academic career, Helman mainly focused on the philosophy of logic, but also taught subjects, such as the philosophy of law and the philosophy of science.

As Helman departs, he hopes that the College will think and continue to re-think the best way to educate young men. "I think the college should re-think what post-secondary education should be," Helman said. "We have to be ready to look at new ways of doing things and push faculty to think of new ways of doing things. It's hard to know what college education will be in 50 years, but this is a place where re-thinking itself will be essential to everyone re-thinking their education."

SENATOR BOOTS RETURNS TO CAMPUS

CHARLES FREY '19 | STAFF

WRITER • On Monday, Wabash hosted Phil Boots '69, Indiana Senator since 2006 and former Wabash student. In addition to being Senator, Boots has served and continues to serve on various committees, such as Appropriations, Public Policy, Environmental Affairs, and is the Chair of Pensions and Labor. His lunch talk held in Baxter 212 gave insight to several issues facing Indiana, while Senator Boots gave those in attendance a brief history of his time in office and what he has done personally to combat the problems our state faces.

Last year was a busy one for the Indiana Senate, with bills and debates ranging across the topics regarding the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, ISTEP tests, highway funding, and meth production in the state. Boots has focused more on fiscal problems during his time on the Senate, so he didn't have much to say about RFRA. ISTEP, highways, and meth production, on the other hand, were much more concerning to him.

"[The ISTEP test] has become extremely controversial over the last several years," Boots said. "It's gotten longer and longer and more intense. Teachers are teaching to the test as opposed to teaching and then having the test tell how the student is doing. It's gotten too onerous for the

students so we've formed a committee, terminated the contract with McGraw-Hill, and we have a two-year contract with a new testing company to give during the next school year."

With our education system being reformed little by little, the next topic for discussion was meth in Indiana. According to the senator, Indiana shut down about 1,300 meth labs last year, making us the number one in the number of meth labs that we need to mitigate through the legal system. "We have a reputation in Indiana as the 'Meth Lab Capital' of the United States," Boots said. "This doesn't mean we're the number one meth-using state; it makes us the number one meth-producing state." The direction the state is going regarding the regulation of meth production includes making pseudoephedrine a prescription drug, one of the key ingredients to making the methamphetamine.

Education and methamphetamine aside, Senator Boots has written a few bill proposals as well. He has been a strong advocate for lifting the ban on alcohol sales on Sundays. Indiana is the last state in the nation that does not allow packaged alcohol to be sold on Sundays, while individual drinks can be purchased at bars, restaurants, and sporting events. Senator Boots has been an advocate for Sunday sales of alcohol for

several years now, but has been blocked by the Chairman of the Public Policy Committee every time Boots proposed a bill.

"One of my key points in my argument is [with the current laws], you're promoting drinking and driving," Boots said. "[These laws] say I can go out to the bars and get drunk and I can drive home, but I can't go to the liquor store, buy a six-pack, and go home to drink it." Indiana is losing approximately 20 million dollars annually by not allowing Sunday alcohol sales. Sunday is the second busiest day for shopping, and people living on the border of Indiana are more likely to do their shopping in neighboring states where they can buy their groceries and, if they so desired, alcohol. The money gained from taxes in neighboring states is great for that particular state, but bad for Indiana. With the Sunday Sales Law, people on the fringe of the state would be more likely to support stores within the border, providing more tax dollars and increased economic activity within the state, instead of losing sales to stores in Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, and Kentucky.

Even with the statistics present, the Chairman of the Senate will not hear bills to allow Sunday sales, which confounds Boots given the potential benefits for the State. He will continue to fight for this bill, and has no intentions of giving up on it. "My favorite

quote by psychologist William James is, "The greatest use of a life is to spend it on something that will outlast it," Boots said. "I believe that service to others is the best way to make our way of life better for future generations." And indeed it will.

If you have any concerns regarding these issues or any issues not mentioned, feel free to write to your legislators. The biggest impact we can make is to be actively involved in the system. Boots said that his intentions were never to run for a seat in the county or even become a senator, but that some members of the community suggested he run based on his dissatisfaction with the way the system was being run. "I was encouraged to run for [Senator] when some individuals noted that I complained a lot about our government's direction," Boots said. "I should step up to do something about it. My best advice for someone considering a future in politics would be to get involved with their local party, to help with some campaigns and work with candidates and elected officials."

So go out and get involved. If there is something about the way things are being run in the government, whether it be about decisions regarding ISTEP, alcohol, or meth, complain a bit. Let the representatives and senators know what issues need to be resolved, and do not settle for complacency.

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HOUSING PROJECTS COMING TO A CLOSE

BRAXTON MOORE '19 | STAFF WRITER • The 2015-16 school year at Wabash can be best be described in one word: change. From the resurrection of the Chapel Sing “W” painted on the shirts of each freshman who demonstrated proficiency in ‘Old Wabash’ to the return of Delta Tau Delta to campus, Wabash has experienced her fair share of monumental events. However, one of the largest differences this year has been the building and renovation of the West Side dorms and Martindale. This past week, *The Bachelor* was able to interview Dean of Students Michael Raters and Director of Campus Services David Morgan to provide an update on construction regarding the



Michael Raters

housing units in question.

“The West Campus housing has been behind all year,” Raters said. “That said, we have prepared for that ... the fact that the lodges have been behind hasn’t been an impact on students since we knew the lodges would be ready for students this year.”

Raters went to to say that the lodges should be ready for student living at the beginning of the Fall semester. He also emphasized the importance of quality when considering the delay in construction, stressing how imperative it is for the housing to be in good condition, rather than admitting students into an unfinished product.

“We have had our challenges with the housing situation,” Raters said. “That said, I’m confident ... that the housing projects will be finished in a timely manner, based on the diligence of our workers.”

While the West Side’s story is

coming to a close, the renovations to Martindale are making headway, and is only “about two weeks behind schedule” according to Raters. David Morgan, who has commandeered this project, expressed his excitement for the completion of Martindale.

“Martindale is on a tight schedule, however, as a remodel, [the construction team] has been able to work as fast as possible on this project,” Morgan said. “As of right now, we are set to have the rooms available by August 10th, meaning it will be available for Freshman Saturday and returning fall athletes.”

With the skeletal framework for the individual rooms completed



David Morgan

and construction humming along at a steady pace, Martindale shows promise in regards to new features that will be added to the building, including a renovated basement area, a completely new front lobby/foyer area, and the addition of a study area positioned on the northwest corner of the fourth floor, something that Morgan is personally enthusiastic about.

“The addition of a study room in this location will be a big addition to Martindale,” Morgan said. “Being on the 4th floor, it will give students a view of the arboretum ... it will definitely provide a more picturesque place for study.”

Despite the various delays and construction problems that the crews have had to face throughout the building and renovation processes, both the West Side housing units and Martindale should be finalized and ready to move-in by the time classes start up next semester.

'DON IS ALL FIRED UP'

If you can believe it, the title of this column was the headline of the first story I ever wrote for a school newspaper. I've been fortunate for these last 12 years, since fifth grade, to be a part of a school newspaper.

So just what was I writing about as a fifth grader? Let me set the stage for you. This would've been at College Wood Elementary School in Carmel and I was writing for *The Five* newspaper. This was in November 2004 that I wrote this piece and George W. Bush had just been elected to a second term over then-Senator John Kerry.

I recently looked back through the copy of this newspaper and it's funny some of the news stories of the day. In the sports section one could find the exploits of running back Priest Holmes of the Kansas City Chiefs on track to set a season record number of rushing touchdowns. In the review section that I wrote for, the Ashlee Simpson lip syncing controversy and a review of the movie "13 Going on 30" were the stories neighboring mine. So just what does my headline refer to? Well, I was reviewing an episode of the second season of "The Apprentice." And, yes, the "Don" I was



Patrick Bryant '16

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referring to was the eccentric man that kept my 10-year-old self-amused for that hour - business man Donald Trump.

After all these years I should know that was way too long for an introduction (or a "lede" as you're taught in an introductory journalism course), but oh well it's worth it for the coincidence.

Being a part of a school newspaper has been a vital part of my education and I'll go as far as to say there are few in-classroom experiences that compare to the breadth of transferable skills an experience with a school publication can grant someone. Conducting that interview, scheduling a time and having the conversation in-person

or over the phone, the preparation all boils down to professionalism. There are few things more rewarding than taking a source's quotes and determining what the reader needs to know and what's most important in the retelling of that conversation. As a writer it's important to ask what's important in their voice and what's important in your voice so that you can put together what the source has to say. Getting to interview the likes of Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard, State Senator Luke Kenley, and the late-State Representative Bill Crawford were very exciting experiences early in my career as a student journalist. Even then I could identify the critical thinking skills required of me in objectively articulating their thoughts and responses to my questions and that's certainly true even recently in my monthly interview with President Hess when I served as Editor.

Building a brand and acting with some professionalism and class can go a long way in a world that more and more views having a face-to-face conversation as being passé.

I don't know if there was ever a moment in these past 12 years where I thought seriously about pursuing a career in journalism.

Truth be told, I'm a self-described news junkie and I like telling stories in a style that the news writers and broadcast journalists I grew up admiring do. Journalism and school newspapers were always an outlet for me in that regard and I always had a great time working on them. Oh the stories that could be told during layout sessions. As the subject of my first story, Mr. Trump would probably tell you, a lot of that newsroom storytelling, joking, and horsing around may not be too politically correct. Well, that was only amplified at all-male Wabash, but we were always so kind and welcoming to one another and had a great time. I leave with some fantastic memories.

I implore any student to take advantage of extracurricular activities here at Wabash. They add to your Wabash toolbox some skills that can't be fully matched in the classroom. For me it was this relationship with the school newspaper that influenced how I write, talk to people, and manage my time. Imagine what getting involved next year with a new club or organization could teach you or help you develop.

THE THREE BEST THINGS WABASH COLLEGE TAUGHT ME

To my brothers of the Class of 2016, let me say a hearty "well done."

The sense of accomplishment on campus has never been greater, and the mood more bittersweet. These last weeks are already brimming with paradox. Spring has come to Wabash, and the fragrant trees and sprouting bulbs bid us come outside and share the sunshine. The only powers that keep us from spending leisurely afternoons on the mall are the few tasks and assignments left. Pages of prose fill computer screens and some of us Humanities students cram for our last lab sciences exams. We are pulled between two worlds, one that beckons us into the warm air and another that begs for the last ounce of our academic attention. But as the last week of classes comes to a close, the world of trips to Shades, nostalgic drinks with fraternity brothers, and late night strolls through the barren streets of Crawfordsville begins to overpower the other. Our work has ended. The twilight of our college days has come.

Besides providing good material for an extended metaphor, this week has put me in a reflective mood that I was too busy to



Samuel Vaught '16

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indulge over the last few months. I would like to share some of this reflection in my final Bachelor column, but I won't bore you with any musings of the philosophical variety right now. Someone has decided to let me do that on a stage next weekend in front of you and your parents. Instead, I would like to share the three best things that Wabash College has taught me during these four momentous years.

1) Nuance is everything. The liberal arts have a fantastic way of opening students' eyes to a world that is not black and white. When I came to Wabash, I believed that there were two varieties of human beings: conservative and liberal, devout and

agnostic, tolerant and bigoted; pick your favorite false dichotomy. If I've learned nothing else, it is to recognize the flaws in both sides of an argument, to become more critical of everybody, and to resist the party line. I don't advocate for a lack of conviction, but I do recognize that the categories I thought I fit into as an eighteen year-old (liberal, tolerant, intellectual) broke apart within a year, and have never been put back together.

2) There's nothing especially greater about this century than any other that came before it. I know this might sound cliché coming from a student of Religion and the Classics, but I must say that one of the biggest problems with our world is a disturbingly high level of chronological snobbery. This is a term C.S. Lewis coined to describe the assumption that because an idea or philosophy is new or trendy, it is inherently superior to any that it followed or replaced, simply because of its chronological standing. Like many millennials, I tend to have fairly progressive social views. That said, there is a certain amount of moral superiority that often accompanies these opinions that I find

abhorrent. Must a man be a bigot because he espouses a world-view you think to be "out of date," or to use an even more horrible phrase, "on the wrong side of history?" Just you wait until your grandchildren start flinging the word "bigoted" at your assumptions about the world, and you might understand a bit of what Lewis is telling us.

3) And for the love of God, don't take yourself too seriously. Before coming to Wabash, I think the only time my sense of humor was complimented was when I was high on painkillers following a surgical procedure. I'm so grateful that my time at Wabash helped me to lighten up and calm down. I attribute this to our students. Wabash students won't tolerate pretentiousness or snobbery, either of an intellectual or aesthetic variety. I graduate much more down to earth than I was when I matriculated. Please feel free to trash everything I've written in this column; it won't upset me.

Well, that got a little more philosophical than I intended. Consider it my audition for *The Commentary* that never was. Valette, Wabash.

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MINORING IN JOURNALISM

I remember walking into my first *Bachelor* meeting, as a freshman inundated with course syllabi and pledge manuals, not really knowing where my place was at this College. I sat quietly in the back, but as Wabash men do, the upperclassmen wouldn't let me stay quiet, choosing instead to ask me all sorts of questions about my experience with journalism. Upon discovering that I had been a copy editor of my high school's newspaper, one of the seniors told me they needed a copy editor, and thus I walked onto *The Bachelor*'s editorial board as a first-semester freshman. I was pretty dazed; at a big state school, I'd be lucky to be able to get on staff, much less take on an editor's role, as an underclassman. I was trusted with genuine responsibility essentially from day one at Wabash.

Over the years, I made some of my closest friendships and fondest memories in *The Bachelor*'s office, working hard every week to make a product that the Wabash community could rely upon. I traded a lot of hours I could have spent studying and socializing for the opportunity to practice journalism at a college which doesn't even



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have a journalism program. And I'm really glad I did. *The Bachelor* often threw me out of my comfort zone, forcing me to interview students, faculty, and staff whom I otherwise never would have even met. I had to learn how to dig to uncover facts behind stories, and I had to learn how to take thirty minutes of interview recordings and somehow convert them into a digestible narrative. The ability to investigate impartially into rumors to discover the truth is integral to almost every profession I can imagine. Journalism isn't the only way to develop this skill, but I think it is the best way.

For these reasons, I think that our College should offer a journalism minor. Whether

you intend to actually work for a news organization after Wabash or not, studying journalism will teach you invaluable skills that you'll use the rest of your life. After you practice writing an article every week, suddenly your professor's assignment of a five-page paper will seem minuscule. You'll also get good grades on all of those assignments, because you'll be accustomed to writing quality work, and you won't make the same common mistakes your classmates will. You'll meet people and learn stories which will blow your mind – and then you'll have the opportunity to share their stories with the rest of the world. You will learn to think critically better than you could in perhaps any other academic focus. You will learn what it means to be a Wabash man.

But when I look back on my time at Wabash, I don't feel like I wholly missed out on the opportunity to minor in journalism. By attending meetings and taking assignments every week for four years, I feel as though I've learned just as much as any journalism minor could at a bigger school than Wabash. I may not have any formal training in journalism, but I can tell when a story doesn't quite work, when a photo

is taken incorrectly, or when page design seems sloppy. More importantly, I know how to look under the surface and really understand what's happening beyond a flashy headline. So while I wish I had been able to take formal courses in journalism at Wabash, I feel as though I have earned an unofficial journalism minor.

I've had some great times with *The Bachelor*, and my experiences with my fellow staff members will always constitute some of my favorite memories of my time at this place. I got to work with some of the smartest and hardest-working students on this campus, and I had a heck of a fun time doing it. Thank you to those who came before me for establishing this wonderful medium for writing, photography, and design. Thank you to my staff who worked with me to make this little piece of Wabash history happen every week; I hope you continue to have fun every Wednesday together. Thank you to our readers for pushing us to produce better content every week; without your periodic emails and comments, we wouldn't have won nearly as many awards as we have over the years.

Good luck, Cole. It's all yours now.

REMEMBER WHERE YOU HAIL FROM

I have finally come to that critical juncture in my college years in which I have more time behind me than I do ahead of me. This has filled me with an amalgam of emotions I haven't had the time or inclination to begin to parse out. I can settle that matter later. For now, there's senior checkout, finals, the purchasing of honor cords and the sending of graduation announcements. I am caught in a vacuum, an intercalary chapter in my own life, watching as college student me finishes exams and says goodbye to pledge brothers, while law school me looks forwards to mountains of expensive books and tight budgeting. It has been stressful, tense, tightly orchestrated, and worth every tight-chested, hard fought, lump-in-the-throat moment.

I would be remiss if I did not take the chance to use my last ever editorial of my undergraduate career for *The Bachelor* if I did not try to impart some "wisdom", or, at the very least, help you navigate the Wabash world and avoid some mistakes that I made. First, don't run. I'm a runner and I had to stop. I don't mean exercise (though I wouldn't recommend



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that kind either) but trying to leave your problems in a different place than you are. I would run from emails, thinking they could never find me. I would run from professors thinking they could never snatch me up. I tend to flee from issues that would take too much time, emotion, or fuss to solve because it is so much simpler to will your problems into the great beyond than to actually steep yourself in them and solve them. Please, do not do this. If you have made a mess, you must clean it. Otherwise, you'll track mud through the house. Get me? Good.

Next – there are people that exist on this campus and in this community that will belittle you, devalue you, and purposefully

tear you down. The bad news is that they are not exclusive to Wabash – they are toxic people that exist everywhere no matter where you go. The good news is that these people will teach you the most valuable lessons of your lifetime. There are absolute angels on this campus and in this community, don't get me wrong – but there are invaluable lessons to be learned from people when they show you their true colors and force you into hard decisions. They may break your heart, steal your shine, or spit in your coffee – but you must learn to rise above. I can't quite tell you how; I'm still figuring that out myself.

Next: please remember to never take a moment at this college for granted. College is not a given – at least not for everybody. You may be but one in a long line of people who have, or will have, a degree. That is wonderful and your family should be proud. But do not ever underestimate the value of your degree. Aside from the economics, a degree is knowledge, which is power, revolution, fire. There are people in this very world – in different countries and in Crawfordsville – who will pray deeply and

genuinely for an education that will never come. Remember that when you gripe about your 9 a.m.

Lastly, remain humble and speak less. Humility and a healthy dose of self-doubt will get you much farther than the blinders of raw, uninhibited ambition or self-confidence. Realize that you know a lot, but not everything. Recognize that, yes, Wabash degree or not, there are people who are smarter, more talented, and much more well connected than you are. But do not despair – this is not bad – this is wonderful. Make friends with those people – learn from them, network with them, and build yourself off of what they have to offer. We are social creatures, and there is so much to be gained from exchanging information and ideas with people who are like and unlike you. Life is much too short to ever give up on self-improvement.

Finally, love openly and freely, keeping the best of you only to those who deserve it, but while recognizing that vulnerability isn't always bad. Stay focused, alert, critical and conscious, and remember that your alma mater will always be your home.

A FINE CROP OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

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WRITERS • Not every Wabash graduate is called to graduate school or full-time work. This year, two members of the Class of 2016 will give up the next two years to the Peace Corps. Ty Campbell and Ethan Davies begin a 27-month adventure in August when they travel to two different parts of the African continent. Campbell will serve in Ethiopia, while Davies, joined by his wife, Olivia, will work in Sierra Leone.

Like other post-graduate service programs and fellowships, the Peace Corps is very selective.

"It was a long and extensive interview process, about two hours," Campbell said. "They are looking for volunteer service and they want to see those people who were really committed to helping others. A lot of things that I had done in community were teaching related in the past, so it all helped me."

Davies' application was a little more complex, as he and his wife applied together. They wanted to find a placement that fit both of their skill sets and interests, which turned out to be challenging at first.

"We were first placed in an economic development project in East Timor, which was a good fit for me," Davies said. "That fell through, and we'll now be teaching English in Sierra Leone, which fits Olivia's experience in education well."

As a political science major with an emphasis in international relations, Davies studied abroad in Uganda and Rwanda in the fall of 2015. Additionally, he has studied Sub-Saharan African politics with former Assistant Professor of Political Science Michael Burch. That academic background will serve him well while in Sierra Leone, where he will have the opportunity to participate in additional secondary projects related to gender equality, water and sanitation, and food security.

"I don't know where I'd be if I hadn't studied abroad," he said.

According to Campbell, only 15 students have been selected for the education sector this year, and they come from different institutions spread across the country including UCLA, Dartmouth, and the University of



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Ty Campbell '16 indicates Ethiopia on the wall map in the Lilly Library. He will be serving as a Peace Corps teacher there after graduation.

Michigan. He is scheduled to stay in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, and take language classes before being assigned to a rural area for his teaching duties for the duration of his stay.

Davies and his wife will be part of the re-launch of the Peace Corps in Sierra Leone after the organization suspended operations during the Ebola outbreak in 2014. The best part about their situation is that they will live and work together.

"Marriage is a cheat code in the Peace Corps," Davies said. "The biggest challenge is isolation."

Volunteers are often the only Americans within a significant distance,

and many experience loneliness and culture shock.

"Being married, you're guaranteed to be with somebody who knows you, understands you, and can work through the difficult transition together," he said. "You get somebody to process with all the time."

"If you look at what our alumni have gone on to do, this is just another application of a Liberal Arts education in many areas at once, including service," Cassie Hagan, Associate Director of the Schroder Center for Career Development, said. "Some students continue to go in service,

and others use the experience to help catapult their careers in completely different directions."

Hagan recommended that students who are interested in the Peace Corps should contact alumni on LinkedIn, as they are a major resource that students can take advantage of. Career Services assists students with the application process, and they also invite recruiters on campus to help students get direct help from them. Campbell stressed alumni engagement as sparking his interest in the program, although Davies was able to successfully navigate the process on his own.

PURUCKER STANDS TALL AT WABASH, NOW LILLY

JACK KELLERMAN '18 | STAFF

WRITER • As his time at Wabash begins to come to a close, Scott Purucker '16 reflects on what he has done here at Wabash College, and where he is going after he leaves Wabash's Campus. Purucker grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana and went to Park Tudor high school. It is there he had his first encounter with his future alma mater, Wabash College.

"One of the football coaches who was also the club lacrosse coach at Wabash at the time, had a brother who taught at Park Tudor," Purucker said. "He said, 'hey, why don't you come on a campus visit. I'll show you around and try to answer any questions you have.' That is what got me on campus."

Purucker came to the College to cultivate his athletic abilities as well as his academic prowess. As an Economics and Math double major, Purucker pushed himself academically. He came to Wabash knowing he wanted to pursue a career in business, but didn't quite know where he would find his niche. His hard work paid off; Purucker was offered a full time job after Wabash in Eli Lilly's finance department.

Over the summer, Purucker applied to and earned himself an internship at Eli Lilly in their finance department. "I got to work with a ton of alums, they were all very helpful and friendly," Purucker said. "They were always willing to help me whenever I needed it."

Purucker ended his internship the day right before classes started in the fall. It was that same night he received a call from Eli Lilly informing him he would be offered a position in their finance department.

"I got a call saying that I would get a formal offer in the next couple days," said Purucker. "It was pretty cool to get a job offer before classes even started."

Purucker said he worked hard over the past few years to get this internship, as he reflected on how the internship shaped him.

"The Lilly internship was kind of the gold standard of internships from my perspective as an underclassmen watching what upperclassmen did," said Purucker. "Getting the Lilly internship was big for me. I wasn't sure how I would like the corporate environment, and after experiencing

it, it's much better for me than I expected. I thought you would do the same job from day one for the next 15 or 20 years, and that is not what I saw. There is a lot of growth within the company. That potential is something that really interested me."

Purucker stayed busy here during his four years at Wabash. "One of the biggest things was lacrosse," said Purucker. "I was able to see the transition from the club team my first two years to a varsity program this year and last year. Hopefully this year it'll be a good season, we have a lot of young guys with a lot of talent."

Purucker was also the President of Sigma Chi his sophomore to junior year. This was a really big learning opportunity for Purucker. "It allowed me to get to know a lot of guys around the college in different houses and the administration," Purucker said. "It was one of my most favorite experiences on campus."

From there, Purucker got involved with IFC and the Sphinx Club. During rhyneship, he got to know a bunch of different guys from around campus really well. Purucker regards it as one of his favorite semesters on campus.

Purucker emphasized the importance on getting to know a variety of people. "Don't limit yourself to the guys in your fraternity, or living unit, or sports teams," Purucker said. "Try to get to know as many people as possible while you are here."

Scott Purucker was an active Wabash man in his time on campus. He came here like many Wallies, for sports and a chance at a great education. He took advantage of his time and summers to work towards post graduation. He left a huge mark on Sigma Chi and the IFC, and has been a leader in the Sphinx Club and for Wabash lacrosse.

Drawing from his experiences at Wabash, Purucker has some advice for his younger Wabash brothers.

"When trying to figure out what you want to do, try to find a mentor when you are a freshman or sophomore," Purucker said. "For myself, I had a couple that really helped shape what I did. Derrick Lee, Jared Valentine, and Sky King. Derrick had an internship at Lilly and was offered job elsewhere and took that. Jared and Sky are both working at Lilly."



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Scott Purucker '16 stands ready to face the rest of his life, confident his Wabash experience will carry him to the end.

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WATERS DRIES OFF, HANGS TOWEL, MOVES ON



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After three years of training, Alex Waters '16 walked on to the swim team last fall.

NICHOLAS VEDO '19 | STAFF WRITER • Life is hardly ever a straight path. Often there are bumps and curves along the way but it is only through persevering through adversity that we can grow as people. Alex Waters '16 is a perfect example of this life rule. Growing up in Oregon, Waters first heard about Wabash College through a book titled "Colleges that Change Lives". This started his journey down the path that led to him enrolling at Wabash in the fall of 2012.

However, even after reading about the College, he was skeptical. The only reason he decided to visit Wabash was because the school agreed to pay half the cost of his plane ticket. However, after staying four nights in his future fraternity, FIJI, he was hooked.

Coming to Wabash as a freshman, Waters was at first worried about managing the academic workload, since in highschool he had been an average student. He also struggled with attempting to continue his swimming

career after not being able to swim on the College's team, due to the roster being already filled.

"I had wanted to do swimming here since my freshman year because I loved the sport and I had done it for four years in high school," Waters said. "It did not work out at first. I technically was not on the team but never quit. I focused on my studies freshman through junior year which I think was a good decision, but I knew that I was going to regret it for the rest of my life if I did not try my senior year to swim under the new coach."

Waters continued to train until he received an opportunity to try out for the team in September of his senior year and made it. He continued to push even after that success and was able to set a school record in Puerto Rico earlier this year. Outside of swimming, Waters was also involved in the Biology Society and especially as the house manager of FIJI.

"I was the house manager, which was

the biggest role I have ever taken on, and even though it was really difficult, it was one of my favorite positions that I have ever held," Waters said.

Waters plans to take a gap year in-between his graduation from Wabash and future enrollment in medical school. During this gap year, he will be serving as an English teacher in Spain through a program that he has recently been accepted into. Waters' end goal is to one day become an orthopedic surgeon, and thus have the ability to serve others while learning more about the field for which he is most passionate.

Looking back, Waters had one primary piece of advice. "Remember to keep an open mind about all interactions with people and opportunities presented," Waters said. "Keeping a level headed opinion and an open mind is the best way to embody the four tenets of Wabash College's Mission Statement, and it's something I strive to do everyday."

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Max Gallivan '16 looks forward to applying his liberal arts skills to medical school.



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STEVE BAZIN '18 | STAFF WRITER

• Max Gallivan '16 is one of the most passionate members of the Class of 2016. Originally from Berkley, CA, Gallivan received most of his education in Hobart, IN. He may not be as widely recognized as some of his classmates, but when Gallivan does something, he takes it to the max. He is both a member of Psi Chi, the psychology honors fraternity, and of Alpha Pi Omega, a community service fraternity. Gallivan also served as the Treasurer and Pledge Master for a combination of nearly two years. Regardless of the activity or organization, Gallivan brings a great deal of enthusiasm to all of his efforts on campus.

Gallivan pursued a major in psychology and a minor in chemistry, and was among the first Wabash men to be admitted to medical school for the fall, having received his acceptance letter from Indiana University Medical School in October. Several other colleges across the country have put him on a waitlist, but he seems to be leaning towards Indiana University. Gallivan is still unsure of which field of medicine he will specialize because his interests tend to fluctuate.

"I originally wanted to do pharmacy, then thought I'd try optometry," Gallivan said. "I eventually decided that I didn't want to specialize just yet. The nice thing about med school is the three extra years to figure things out."

While he has not ruled out any one area of study, his major seems to be already be guiding his interest.

"As of now my interests are in psychiatry and neurology," Gallivan said. "IU has this great triple board program where you can become licensed in pediatrics, psychiatry, and child psychiatry, so I could end up working with kids with neuro-developmental disorders. That's kind of what I'm interested in right now, but I want to keep my options open."

Medicine was not initially Gallivan's field of interest; however, he showed an interest in science in general during his early years of high school.

"In high school, I originally wanted to be an engineer," Gallivan said. "I realized during my high school shop class that I had poor depth perception, and wasn't really good with tools, so that wasn't going to work. At the same time, I really enjoyed the biology classes I was in."

Like a true liberal arts student, he

is most excited about the mix of skills that go into being a doctor.

"It's kind of like being a teacher, and a detective, and a leader in the community all at once," he said.

Gallivan has had his fair share of leadership experience while at Wabash. He and his pledge brother, Matt Binder, found themselves taking on leadership roles in the Kappa Sigma Fraternity much earlier than they expected. Binder and Gallivan were among the youngest presidents and pledge masters in the history of the Alpha Pi Chapter of Kappa Sigma. Gallivan lists the task of balancing pledgship events, the tasks assigned to the chapter by nationals, and the maintenance of his Wabash education as one the greatest challenges he overcame at Wabash.

"Our class was kind of forced into leadership positions at a very young age...It was hard to make a house mentality before I had time to develop that mentality myself," Gallivan said.

Like most things he attempts, Gallivan rose to the challenge and was successful in his efforts.

Gallivan maintains that same energy outside of academics and Greek life. As a self-proclaimed fan of comic books and nerd culture in general, he brings that same intensity to his all of his hobbies and activities.

"When I get into something I really get into it," he said, "I took time out of finals week to watch all six Star Wars movies before The Force Awakens premiered. I started catching up on all the lore [from the Expanded Universe] that I might have missed over the years. I'm very passionate about the handful of things that I do like."

Gallivan's enthusiasm is something every Wabash man should strive to emulate. There are a number of personal achievements and triumphs that he can list off hand, but he does so with humility.

"I've enjoyed a lot of my experiences here," he said. But all of the great times I've had are usually just one on one interactions with people I didn't get to talk to as much. I had a great conversations with Mark Schaler in our basement. I've had long walks with [my pledge son] Ben Stone '17, that turned into deep philosophical conversations. It's those moments where you put academics on the back burner, and get your real Wabash education. Those are the moments that I like to cherish."

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It's the chant we hear at every sports event whenever our team is down, the phrase we see splattered on much of our Wabash apparel and merchandise, and it's the common expression we remind ourselves when pulling the ever-unavoidable all-nighter for an exam/paper.

Wabash Always Fights, and always means always.

However, for the infallible and inevitably super-successful Wabash graduate (with the hot wife, as Donovan Whitney '16 put so elegantly in last week's Senior Chapel), it doesn't seem like we need to fight much, if at all. Sure, there's the struggle in the preparation for an exam, a big game, or even an interview, but when the big moment comes, we always shine with flying colors.

But here's the kicker; we don't. We don't always win the big game (save Bell Game, but all of our



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alleged pent-up sexual frustrations make it a little unfair for the team down south that apparently has better game off the field than on).

We don't always pass the big exam. We don't always get the job. But always means always.

Despite what we were told coming into school here, we are not the best of the best. Some of us may be smart, but for some Wabash was the backup plan to Harvard or Yale.

Some of us are athletic, but I'm not sure how many athletes would turn down a Division-I scholarship to come to an all-male school in the bowels of Indiana.

Though some of us will undoubtedly go on to lead fabulous careers, not all of us will have that experience.

And despite these realizations, we still have immense pride for dear Old Wabash, and that in itself is something extremely special. That's why Wabash Always Fights, because Wabash Always Fails. We have to fight because we're not the best of the best, but we have the mindset that being a Wabash man makes us something better than we might not be. But even if we're not that right now, that's the beauty in the slogan: we can fight to become that.

This place cultures a persistent attitude that refuses to stop at one, ten, or a hundred failures because each of us choosing to fight is fighting for his future.

However, this drive isn't just inherited upon being rung in freshmen year. Too often I have seen potential wasted from my fellow Wallies, consumed by the illusion that being at Wabash in itself makes him great. I struggled to break through that same misconception, and it was something I whole-heartedly believed until junior year.

I additionally realized that other college students (yes, even the ones at D*****) fight as well to optimize their futures; it's not just Wabash.

However, here it's the expectation that makes all the difference, and though other colleges might implicitly suggest its importance, we are constantly exposed to the implications of "Wabash Always Fights." So as finals looms its ugly head, take this opportunity to reflect and identify what for you is worth fighting for. You might be pleasantly surprised.

AN ARGENTINIAN EXPERIENCES WABASH COLLEGE

Wabash College has caused a great impact in my life as a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant from Argentina. When I arrived at the college for the first time, I never expected to have this experience. This has been a great year for a number of different reasons.

Firstly, I have learned a lot from the Wabash professors. Every single day, I have learned from Professors Jane Hardy, Ivette Wilson, Gilberto Gómez, Daniel Rogers and Berta Chópita. They have helped to be a better Teaching Assistant of Spanish through their advice, words and teaching.

Furthermore, taking courses with professors such as Warren Rosenberg, Sabrina Thomas, Zachery Koppelman and Jane Hardy allowed me to learn how to think critically and gave me valuable insights as a student. Additionally, Dr. James Makubuya and his Wamidan Ensemble taught me to develop my music skills. Learning how to play traditional instruments in one year and having great moments in



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our concerts made my experience absolutely enjoyable.

Secondly, Spanish students gave me the most beautiful moments in my career as a teacher, and they helped me increase my vocation to continue teaching Spanish in the future.

Throughout the year, I have taught with passion since that is what I really love. I have enjoyed our Conversation Labs and I have had a lot of fun with all them. What's more, working with great students that talked, danced, sang, acted, played soccer, recited poems and told jokes with

enthusiasm was very rewarding for my life. All of them will be always in my memories.

Thirdly, being a Fulbright Ambassador at Wabash, allowed me to teach my culture in different ways, such as dancing, cooking, singing, having a radio show or just talking about my country. I would like to thank all the Wabash students for making that possible. Having the opportunity to teach Argentinian tango and folklore was an experience I will never forget.

Argentines are passionate about their culture, and to have shared that with Wabash students is very significant for me. Even better, I had the opportunity to teach other dances from other Spanish speaking countries, which allowed me to teach more about language and culture.

Fourthly, I also would like to mention the clubs I have been part of, including the Spanish Club, the International Students Association, and the Newman Center. All of these student organizations work

very hard for their members and community. Additionally, I would like to mention Amy Weir, Jutta, Paul, and Eric Hutson, and Margy and Dave McCafferty; they have all accompanied me in this process. I also thank Alpha Phi Omega for allowing me to help them with their work towards the community and the Students for Sustainability for allowing me to plant a tree for the first time in my life. Besides that, I would like to thank *The Bachelor's* staff for permitting me to show my experience through this article.

Lastly, all the Wabash students, professors, staff and friends I have met at this College were very kind to me, and have helped me to grow personally, professionally and academically. They will be always in my heart. I would like to thank Wabash College for this incredible year. Now, it is time to go back and contribute what I have learned to my country, Argentina. I will miss Wabash College. Thank you all for this amazing opportunity.

RUN FAST OR GO HOME

TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF WRITER • As Wabash reaches the end of dead week with finals just around the corner, most students are working tirelessly to study and get prepared for impending exams and papers. However, there are select groups of student athletes on campus who are still hard at work in other areas besides their academics. One such group is the Little Giants Track & Field team.

Within the past few weeks, the Track & Field team has had some huge accomplishments that should not go without recognition. The athletes have been dominating both running and field events in the past few meets giving the Little Giants some top finishes in some big state meets.

The first of these major victories was winning their fourth consecutive title at the Indiana Division III Outdoor Track & Field Championships. Wabash won with a team score of 219 points, beating second place Rose-Hulman by 17 points. What makes this victory even better is where the event was hosted: the school to our south graciously hosted the event so that it would be easy for Wabash to bring the title home just a little way up U.S. 231. The Little Giants won eight events and broke three meet records.

Matthew Dickerson '16 had two victories and added 43 points to the Little Giants team score. PJ Schafer '18 won the high jump by clearing 6 feet, 3.25 inches. All-American Adam Togani '16 set a new meet record in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:21.87. Colin Rinne '18 and Dominic Patascil '19 finished 1st and 3rd in the 10,000 meter run with times of 32:30 and 32:40 respectively. Christian Rhodes '17 and Brian Hayhurst '16 finished second and third in pole vault. "I think it is great that we are continuing our dominance in the state of Indiana by bringing home our 4th straight DIII state championship," Dickerson said. "It was great to see the team come together and have such a great meet and great atmosphere. We strive off of our teammates cheering us on

and also doing their best; it is what is special about this team. Not every team has the ability to have their athletes competing against national caliber athletes every day like we have that here."

The second big accomplishment from the past few weeks was a second place finish at the Rose-Hulman Twilight Track & Field Meet. Wabash scored 142 points behind host Rose-Hulman who finished with a score of 293 points. Patascil dominated the 5,000 run winning the race in 15:09.17. Dickerson also added a victory with a top finish in the 110-meter hurdles. Raymond Monroe '16 also scored a top mark of 47.88 meters to win the hammer throw. In the 1500-meter run, Wabash held the top two spots. Mason McKinney '17 won the event with a time of 3:56.14 followed by Rinne in second at 3:57.97. "It wasn't a perfect day, but I feel like the team is rounding into form heading into the conference meet next weekend," Patascil said.

With conference just around the corner, the team is looking to carry this momentum into the last few meets of the season. "The rest of our season is looking very bright," Dickerson said. "We have the opportunity to go win conference and bring home the hardware that was taken from us indoors. We are healthier and stronger than we were indoors and this will definitely help us in the long run as we make our way into these last 2 weeks." The team hopes to reclaim the conference trophy that was taken during the indoor season by the Ohio Wesleyan Battling Bishops. The ultimate goal is to see some of the athletes qualify for nationals and watch them compete at the highest level. "Our focus in these last few weeks is upon feeling good," Patascil said. "The work is done, and now it's time to execute the fitness we've been working towards. Certainly our main priority is to regain the conference trophy, but we will also be chasing some national qualifying times as well. This is really the most exciting time of the year. Be fast, or go home."



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Jordan Smith '17 and Parker Redelman '18 round the third turn at an indoor meet.

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Michael Makio '17 returns a volley in a weekend match at Wabash earlier in the season. Makio and the Little Giants finished the regular season with an 18-13 record.

RETURN VOLLEY

TENNIS GEARS UP FOR POSTSEASON PLAY

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER |

STAFF WRITER • Tennis looks to round out its season with a strong showing at the NCAC Men's Tennis Tournament this upcoming weekend. Wabash earned a fifth-seeded entry after an 18-13 season and 2-1 conference record. The team is coming off two back-to-back matches on Monday and Tuesday. "We lost a tough one at Wooster, 5-4, but rebound nicely with a win over OWU the next day," Head Coach Jason Hutchinson said. "Both days we competed well and battled, but things just didn't quite go our way against Wooster."

The season has certainly been a grind for the team. With matches starting in January, the almost three-month season has featured

over thirty matches, including trips to California, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio. The team has won seven of the last ten matches, including a four-match winning streak in early April. After a six match losing streak over the spring break trip to California, the team has bounced back to gain momentum heading into the conference tournament. After the thousands of miles traveled, they look to finish out their season in Granville, Ohio at Denison University.

"We are very excited to see Oberlin again in the quarterfinals of the NCAC Tournament on Friday," Hutchinson said. "We lost a very close 6-3 match to them in February with 5 of the six singles matches going three sets. We now only focus on one match. All the work that we have put in this season needs to come through in this match."

The team will face the winner

of either Kenyon or Wooster on Saturday if Wabash defeats Oberlin on Friday. Wabash has not met Kenyon this year; however, Kenyon earned a number one

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JASON HUTCHISON

seed in the NCAC tournament. Also, the tournament is all-or-nothing: there are no individual advancements, rather, it is strictly

the team advancing.

"No individuals will be advancing," Hutchinson said. "We will have to win the conference tournament to advance to NCAA Championships."

This puts an added influence for better group performance over the individual. There are no accolades for winning a single match. Michael Makio '17 will likely be the number singles and doubles player. William Reifeis '18 will probably be the partner to Makio in the number one doubles match.

Looking forward to next year, the tennis team looks to return all the players from this year. With no seniors leaving, there should be no void in positions across the team. The team should be able to build on this positive season and look for improvement next year. With the ranked competition that the team faced throughout the season, they should be more than prepared for the tournament this weekend.



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MOVING ON UP

JOHN & JOEL JANAK '19 | STAFF

WRITER • As the school year finally winds down, two teams begin to wrap-up their season within the next couple of weeks. Wabash College lacrosse finished their season last Saturday losing to Denison by a score of 25 to 4. Denison happens to be a top-ten team in the nation, so the Little Giants seemed to be outmatched from the get-go. Also, the Wabash College baseball team looks forward to ending conference play after losing their last series to DePauw. That being said, there have certainly been some highlights for both teams. Lacrosse won four more games than they did last year, a considerable improvement. With their freshmen class, the Little Giants have they have a great future ahead of them. For baseball, the team has a .500 record, sitting at 16-16, already having four more wins than last year. The squad still has a few more games to go, including the NCAC tournament.

When talking with lacrosse Head Coach Terry Corcoran, he was incredibly optimistic with how the season played out. Even though the Little Giants struggled in the conference schedule, they got some great experience throughout the season. "I'm not sure we changed anything," Corcoran said. "The freshman class was outstanding and made us much more competitive." He believes his team is going to continue to improve and a few years down the road are going to be a force in the NCAC. With the vast improvement, one may think there is some secret to success, but Corcoran sees otherwise. "The secret to success is really no secret," he said. "Unselfishness, hard work, respect, sacrifice, honesty, and an emphasis on fundamentals are all characteristics of a successful program." Corcoran does feel like his team must get stronger in the offseason. This will only help them compete better against their tough schedule. Finally, the recruiting efforts are going well for the coaching staff. Corcoran believes they will bring in a very strong class similar to the freshmen class they had for this season.

Along with the growth of the lacrosse team, the baseball team also displayed steady growth over the course of the season. Head Coach Cory Stevens spoke highly of the team's effort over the course of the season, but also has optimistic beliefs that the team can



JACOB FERGUSON '18 / PHOTO

Billy Bernhardt '19 races around the edge in a home game early in the team's 2016 season. The Wabash Lacrosse team increased its winning percentage substantially in 2016 and looks to continue establishing itself after two years as a varsity sport.

make a big push into the conference tournament. Stevens hopes that the team can receive a berth into the NCAA tournament come early May.

Stevens is in his tenth season as head coach for the Little Giants. He provided some insight on how this season went. "Our pitching has improved tremendously this season," Stevens said. "Coach Andy Weeks '09 has done a fantastic job bringing the pitching staff together and developing positive chemistry while still emphasizing a strong work ethic. Our pitchers have also matured quite a bit over the last year, which happens as student-athletes gain more experience during their college careers. All of our players, hitters and pitchers, have done a great job of taking it upon themselves to get extra work in on their own to improve their game. Coach George Mallett has also been a great asset working with our hitters."

Stevens also believes that Wabash is a major contender every year in the NCAC, as they should never be looked down upon by anyone.

"I believe our opponents have always had respect for our program," Stevens said. "We won the NCAC in 2011 and advanced to the NCAA tournament, defeating the #1 team in the nation. We have continued to be competitive since that time. Every program has peaks and valleys. I don't think there is any real secret to the success of a program. Work hard, have a plan, care for your student-athletes on and off the field, and have high expectations."

With that, Stevens is looking forward to the postseason and the future that is set in store for the team. Stevens has high expectations for the team to continue to compete at a high level as they enter conference postseason play. If they put all phases of the game together at the right

time, anything can happen.

As the team looks to the future, the leadership and play of the seniors will definitely be missed. Recruiting is also very important to the success of a program. The coaching staff looks for strong students who are talented baseball players that have a desire to improve and display a team first attitude. The offseason will be similar to what the team has done in the past: using the fall season to evaluate how much the returning players have improved and how the incoming players stack-up. The coaching staff is very hopeful that the young men joining the team next year will be a good fit for Wabash and the baseball program.

The team looks to finish strong in the regular season, as they host conference foe Denison at home on April 30 and May 1. Come out and support and show what Wabash is all about!

YEAR IN REVIEW



Michael Lumpkin '18

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named All-Americans along with 8th place finisher Nick Bova '17. It was a brilliant year for Wabash wrestling.

The Wabash cross country team had big shoes to fill in their 2015 season. Under new head coach Dr. Colin Young, the team did so with another stellar year. The Redpack followed up their 2014 North Coast Athletic Conference Championship with a 2nd-place finish in their 2015 campaign. The Redpack also won the Indiana State Intercollegiate meet early in the season. The fireworks did not stop in the regular season. The team then went to the NCAA DIII Great Lakes Regional, where they finished first out of 36 teams. The squad finished their final race of the year at NCAA DIII National Championship, finishing in 8th place out of 32 of the best cross country teams in the country. The 8th place finish was the best for the Redpack since 2005. Two of the top three point scorers for the Redpack in their final race were Adam Togami '16 and Fabian House '16. The duo of seniors provided excellent leadership and allowed the team to establish a fluid transition during the offseason when the coaching changes were occurring. The group will look to replace that leadership and build on their success in their efforts in the coming fall. The Redpack had a brilliant 2015 season.

It is challenging to find a team to finish a season with more accolades than the Little Giants football team. The squad finished with a remarkable 12-1 record, making it to the "Elite 8" round of the NCAA DIII tournament. The team suffered its first and only loss of the year against eventual runner-up, the University of St. Thomas. The final loss will never overshadow the key regular season beatdowns of Wittenberg



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Both Wrestling and Football provided Wabash with great performances in 2015-2016.

and DePauw, nor will anyone forget the heroic efforts of Ethan Buresh '17 picking up a fumble in overtime against Thomas More, racing to the end zone to secure a trip to the quarterfinals. Mason Zurek '16 and Tyler McCullen '16 were dominant in their senior campaigns, breaking Wabash records by storm and leading both sides of the ball to record years. Looking to the coming fall, questions are in the air surrounding the future of the program. With new head coach Donald Morel and defensive coordinator Jeff Ramsey, the leadership has undergone a tumultuous offseason. Pressure will be high for the Little Giants to perform in 2016 and build on its very successful season.

The Wabash Swimming & Diving team finds itself in one of the toughest conferences in Division III competition. The team was still able to obtain a 5-3 season record, beat DePauw in a dual meet

for the second straight year, and finished in the top four at the NCAC Conference meet. The individual performer that shined brightest in the pool in 2015-2016 was Zechariah Banks '16. Banks finished his senior campaign scoring a Wabash pool record and a fifth-place finish in the 200-yard breaststroke at the NCAA DIII National Championships. The team will lose Banks and other key senior leaders, and will look to continue to build under the leadership of Head Coach Brent Noble.

These previous four teams and individuals exhibited true Little Giant strength. All Wabash sports teams exhibited different degrees of success, all worthy of notation and recognition. Unfortunately, it is infeasible to recognize all of these, but worth recognizing some. Thanks to all those athletes who put in the work for Wabash College sports.

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