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Schurg '19 Wins National Championship



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Darden Schurg '19 capped a dominant season by winning the national championship at 174 pounds. Wabash also had two other wrestlers named All-Americans at Nationals over break, Kyle Hatch '21 and Carlos Champagne '22.

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

NUTTY BRITS

Hi-Five to the UK for making American politics look sane. As the March 29th deadline for a Brexit deal approaches, UK lawmakers again voted down PM Theresa May's deal. We hope they'll be able to work something out. Then again, it might be fun to watch the British Isles descend into madness. Either way, we still beat the hell out of them back in 1776.

NO ONE CARES ABOUT YOUR SPRING BREAK STORY

Gentlemen, we love that everyone had a great time on their respective spring break trips. We hope everyone enjoyed their break. But, it's been a week now, and we honestly don't care about how drunk you got or how good of a time that you had. Let the past die because we don't care to hear about it. Let us get back to the mundane role of Wabash please.

NO FLUSH ZONE

Hi-Five to students of the College that actually take time to flush the toilets in the Lilly Library. We at *The Bachelor* understand that the Gentlemen's Rule is always in affect at the College and would love for many other students to understand that moving forward this semester. Flush the toilets!!

OUTSTANDING IN NCAC

High-five to our student-athletes for receiving the award for most outstanding winter sports results in the NCAC this year. The school down south received the same award in the co-ed category. Let's, however, remember what we pride ourselves on at this place. WAF!

MODERN WARFARE FOR FREE?

Hi-Five to Sony for gifting every everyone Modern Warfare remastered in the month of March. It was a pleasant surprise for students to come back to from spring break. Instead of enjoying the 60 degree weather this week, we are playing as Soap to free Russia from terrorists. Thank you, Sony. We love you.



COURTESY OF COMMUNICATION AND MARKETING

Michael Butterworth gave last year's Brigance Forum lecture, entitled: "Public Memory and Political Reconciliation at the Munich 1972 Massacre Memorial."

Brigance Forum Seeks to Spark Conversation on Campus

JAKE VERMEULEN '21 | NEWS EDITOR • On an all-male campus, we can often be somewhat isolated from conversations about gender and sexuality. During the Rhetoric Department's annual Brigance Forum lecture, these conversations will come to campus in a very tangible way. On Thursday, March 21, Jeffrey Bennett, Associate Professor of Communication Studies at Vanderbilt University, will give the 36th Annual Brigance Forum Lecture. Bennett is a prominent scholar in the field of queer rhetoric, and his lecture will focus on the rhetoric of the 2015 Supreme Court decision, *Obergefell v. Hodges*, which legalized same-sex marriage nationwide. Cory Geraths, Visiting Assistant Professor of Rhetoric, said, "He'll be looking in particular at rhetorics of dignity; how we talk about the dignity of the LGBTQ community."

Bennett's book, *Banning Queer Blood: Rhetorics of Citizenship, Contagion, and Resistance*, focused on the rhetoric surrounding the effort to ban gay men from donating blood during the AIDS scare. The decision to bring Bennett to campus grew out of a desire to contribute to conversations about sexuality and gender. According to Geraths, "bringing a guest

speaker who can bring an informed and different perspective to the conversations that we're having here is always a worthwhile endeavor."

Geraths also noted that understanding the rhetoric of Supreme Court decisions and the political process is important for being a good citizen and consumer of news. He said, "We should all be able to recognize what sort of language and tropes are being used about these decisions that are being made, for better or worse."

The Rhetoric Department is hoping to attract students from a variety of academic interests outside of rhetoric to this talk. "We're hoping to have outreach to folks who are interested in the law, considering his particular topic, and his larger work is also interested in issues of health and medicine."

The Brigance Forum is named in honor of the late Professor W. Norwood Brigance. Brigance taught in the Speech Department, which later became the Rhetoric Department, for 38 years. He made a lasting impact on Wabash, and wrote many textbooks which were taught around the country. The lecture named in his honor continues again next week with Dr. Bennett's lecture.

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Wallies Nearly Caught in Yellow Jacket Protest



BENJAMIN HIGH '22 / PHOTO

While visiting l'Arc de Triomphe, the immersion trip which went to Paris and Normandy almost got caught in the middle of a Yellow Jackets protest.



BENJAMIN HIGH '22 / PHOTO

The Yellow Jackets protests have been springing up in France over the last several months in response to French President Emmanuel Macron's policies.



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Among their many complaints, Yellow Jacket protestors have taken great issues with Macron's proposed fuel tax. Macron recently backed off the proposal in response to the mounting protests.

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College Presents Campus Masterplan

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 & ALEXANDRU ROTARU '21 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF & STAFF WRITER

• Last Tuesday, Wabash presented what Wabash could look like in 2032 to the public, pending approval from the Board of Trustees in May. The expansion represents Wabash's continued commitment to its academic mission. The masterplan was developed to make sure the College continues to spend money wisely. Mainly, the school aims to renovate current campus buildings, as well as adding new buildings to the campus.

After multiple ad hoc meetings, the College is looking to finalize its plans in a few weeks for presentation. The College aims to preserve the campus mall and the arboretum, while adding new spaces for gathering across campus. They want to connect buildings through reorganized and enhanced pathways, promoting a sense of arrival. The College also wants to reduce traffic by improving parking and street crossings.

One of the main priorities for the new plan is a Campus Commons building. The College plans to demolish Wolcott Hall, Morris Hall, and the Sparks Center to place this new building. The commons will be for both independent and greek students with dining options and event space for 350 people. The new building will include a pub, recreation room, and bookstore. Along with seating inside, commons will consist of an outside seating area.

Lilly Library will also be getting a renovation. The College will enhance study spaces as well as other small upgrades to the building. Center Hall will be getting an update as well. The building will become more student-centered. Center will also have more entrances to the mall, working to engage itself more with the center of campus. The College will aim to add 100 beds through this new plan, too. Theta Delta Chi will get a new house at the corner of Jefferson and Grant, which will free up 25 beds in College Hall.

The Armory will go through a beautification along with health upgrades. Baxter Hall will get a new annex and IT support as well as new office and classroom space. Detchon Hall and the Fine Arts Center will get some minor upgrades as well.

Hollett Little Giant Stadium will see an increase in the capacity of the homestand but the College plans to remove the visitor side stands. The press box and the concession stands are getting renovated as well.

The College also recognizes many different environmental efforts that can be taken to reduce its carbon footprint. Wabash will try to implement local solar energy efforts as well as different carbon capture projects.

Along with some other small changes, Wabash might look very different by the time the bicentennial roles around in 2032. Most students will not see any impact of these changes in their time here, but incoming seniors should expect some differences coming to the historic halls of Wabash College.



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Peck Dinner Brings Former RNC Lawyer to Campus

REED MATHIS '22 | STAFF WRITER • For any Wabash student there is always an event occurring on campus, and if you do not think so, check your school email inbox more often.

On behalf of the Pre-Law society and the College, the 45th Annual Peck Lecture and Dinner will take place on Monday, March 18th. The lecture will begin at 5:00, in Baxter 101, with a reception immediately following, and dinner, at 6:30, to close the evening.

The recipient of the Peck Medal and the honorary speaker this year is John Ryder '71, who after graduating from Wabash College continued his academic career at the Vanderbilt University Law School. Ryder '71 served as an assistant county attorney for Shelby County, Tennessee, and in 2000, joined the Harris Shelton law firm. Currently, Ryder '71 teaches election law at Vanderbilt University. Along with this extensive career of practicing law Ryder has, also, been involved with many different roles within the Republican Party as, the chair of the RNC Redistricting Committee in 2009 and being appointed the chief counsel for the Republican National Convention (RNC) in 2013.

"There are very few people who are walking around with similar experiences," said Scott Himself

'85 Associate Professor of Political Science, Dept Chair. Ryder through the lecture will detail his role in 2016 RNC, and his work around, now, President Trump.

The dinner will consist of giving out awards, such as the Peck Medal and Junior Peck Medal- given to a Wabash Senior, the Bingham Award, William Nelson White Scholarship, and the Joseph J. Daniels Prize. Close to thirty lawyers will be in attendance, most of them Wabash alums, including the first winner of the Peck Medal, Mark Eckerle '74.

As someone who has attended every Peck Dinner during his time at Wabash, William Armbruckle '19 knows the event has a sizeable impact for the school and is as rewarding for the students and faculty who attend. "Being able to see your fellow classmates win awards and networking with attorneys and their experiences after Wabash, is fun and worthwhile," said Arbuckle.

The lecture and dinner is not only for professors and students interested in law, while the R.S.V.P. for the dinner is closed, everyone is more than welcome to attend and obtain a better insight into Ryder's experiences working with the political figures he has throughout his career, and what he took away from his time at Wabash College.



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John Ryder '71 returns to campus to receive the Senior Peck Medal and deliver his lecture about his role in the 2016 Republican National Convention.

College to See Housing Changes Over Next Few Years

As College Increases Enrollment, Housing is Likely to Become Less Flexible

PATRICK MCAULEY '20 | SPORTS EDITOR • Try to picture it: it's Freshman Saturday in August. All of the new students are moving onto campus, while a lot of the returning upperclassmen make their way back to dorm rooms and fraternities. The campus is buzzing with cheerful laughs, bro hugs after a long summer break, and anxious attitudes about how their first week of classes will go.

"I call it a crunch a lot of the times," Dean Welch, Associate Dean of Students of the College, said. "And a lot of the transition period comes from that period of getting from forty percent greek in the class to sixty-percent."

Dean Welch is talking about the housing crunch at the College. Every year, about 250 or so new freshman flood to campus eager to begin their Wabash experience. Many show interest in the various forms of living units on campus, and they want to take every opportunity to explore their options. In the past few years, however, the College experienced a rapid influx of students coming to live on campus.

"I think the real challenge started last fall because it was the first fall

that seniors had to live on campus," Dean Welch said. "This put about 50 more students in campus housing."

These changes affected the overall balance of campus housing. For example, take a building such as College Hall, which is both an independent dorm and a fraternity building here at the College. The Theta Delta Chi chapter increased their numbers by a large portion this past year. This rapid growth led their chapter to have to acquire extra housing in College Hall, which eventually lead to an unbalanced amount of rooms available to a larger amount of students who needed these rooms. Additionally, many of these students who are living as independent students change their minds about fraternity life after living in dorms for the first couple weeks of school. This makes the living situation even harder on fraternities that have to eventually fill up all of their rooms while at the same time acquiring guys they believe would be good fit. Numbers are not quite matching up with the space. Dean Welch, nonetheless, sees this as an important challenge that he looks forward to working out.

"We are limited and less flexible," Dean Welch said. "I see this as something that I am willing to accomplish over the next few years, and I look forward to working out the problem as they arise in the future."



Marc Welch

Are You Certain That You are Certain?



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Certainty: what a beautiful concept. Everything happens flawlessly all the time in the way predicted. This is, perhaps, reserved to tools in the scientific toolbox – such as Mathematics –, and imaginary worlds. But, still, complete uncertainty is as unlikely as complete certainty. So, what can we do about it? And how certain can we be?

Since I already mentioned them, let us look at Mathematics, formal logic, and languages – although some might argue that Math is a foreign language in itself. I am not one of them, so, for me, the most obvious connection between them is that they are sets of conventions that have their own logic – as they have been conceived for easy use.

Math is beautiful because it operates with certainty, everything derived from its most basic definition: $1+1=2$. However, along the way, it had to create rules and methods to compute more complex stuff; limits were invented because, in regular arithmetic, you can't divide by zero, for example. Due to this certainty, Math has developed a method for generalizing rules: induction. Basically, you test for a random value – whichever is easiest; then, starting from the premise that for n , the rule holds, you must reach the conclusion that it holds for $n+1$. I bring this up because I have seen induction used outside the perfect world of Math, with dreadful results. Imagine that a few people of one ethnicity start screaming obscene words in public; by induction, all people of that ethnicity do the same, and get treated as if they did, even if they, in fact, did not. This is how toxic stereotypes are born, as well as hatred for the populations affected by them. I have been on the receiving end of this – for my weight and age, among others –, so I speak from experience when I say that Math's methods, when applied to imperfect systems, such as social interactions, yield imperfect (and sometimes unwanted) results.

The languages, on the other hand, have another kind of imperfection: ambiguity. First, figures of speech and idioms have given new meaning to words that describe something – metallic clouds, rusting leaves, and feeling blue, for instance. Next, came slang – which is specifically designed by people to communicate in a way

that nobody else understands. Finally add symbols, such as the chicken for cowardice, the owl for wisdom, or water for purification. This polysemy is the basis of modern literature. For instance, as Andre Breton said in his manifesto, surrealism dwells on the associations made by the subconscious mind. In the quotidian world, polysemy also plays a key part. For instance, in Romanian, if you say a sentence, it can be interpreted in at least five different ways. Finally, sometimes, we use certain words or examples to convey a hidden message, such as talking about how wrong it is to do something to an audience where one of those people actually did that action to you recently. Therefore, we cannot even be certain of the meaning of the words we hear and speak.

Let us also not forget that language is a convention, and conventions can be easily changed. Why do we call things the way we call them? Why don't we call chairs towers, water cleaquad, and failure l'ah'd'na'h'welowe? Why don't we walk cars, instead of driving them, and why don't worms fly?

These conventions are needed in order to make sense of the surrounding world – the object of study for the natural sciences. Now, we all hear people say 'the laws of science are unbreakable,' so, perhaps, the sciences are close to perfection. Then again, science is based on the scientific method: making an observation and using it to form a testable hypothesis. If further tests confirm it, then the hypothesis is valid. However, only one negative test result is required for a hypothesis to be disproven. So, as you can see, science dwells on imperfection, with the goal of reaching perfection.

And it's not just the present world that is imperfect. As Napoleon Bonaparte once said, "History is the version of events which people

agree on," and, this saying has many possible interpretations. One of them is that you have to make deductions based only on the evidence preserved, be it written text, pottery, statues, weapons, armor, , or anything else from the past. However, there are always certain elements that may be missing. From the way the language sounded, verba volant, as the ancient Romans used to say, as well as anything decomposed, such as paper on which a message was written, there will always be that one missing fragment that might put an event in a whole new light. Given that some things are buried in the sands of time, there is no perfect way to describe what exactly happened without the whole picture, hence making history imperfect.

Then there's the interpretation that the past can be fabricated. As George Orwell said in his novel, "1984", "He who controls the present controls the past, and he who controls the past controls the future." People can exploit this ambiguity history provides in order to help people come together and fight in the spirit of a shared pride for their history, to help dictators establish their authority by association with a glorious past, or even to justify crimes towards a certain category of society. Therefore, we could and should take historic facts with a little pinch of salt, just like scientific facts.

Even in medicine, where life-and-death situations are omnipresent, there is room for error. While there are all these tests that confirm a certain diagnosis – or not – doctors take these tests on the likelihood of that test becoming positive (emphasis on likelihood) as it shows that the doctors are not 100% sure that the test will be positive before taking it. Also, for some diagnoses, such as cancer, there is a survival rate – therefore, there is no guarantee of surviving the illness. Finally, finding the cures for illnesses require testing – lots of trial and error – in order to show that they truly work. So, there is no certainty even in something that keeps us alive and well.

Now that we've looked at certainty in the possible, let's look at how certain you can be about the impossible. Many of the things we take for granted today were considered impossible before the

Industrial Revolution. Yet, due to some people's ingenuity and perseverance in front of failure and critique, we can now fly, go into space, break the sound barrier with a car, and send messages across the globe in an instant. Given the precedent, I will say that, perhaps, nothing is short of possible, if enough time and resources are put into the project. Some projects are just not worth the time and effort required, and that's why they are abandoned or do not even get off the ground.

Let's move on from the surrounding world to the ones we create. Yes, imagination, stories, and even modern games play a huge role in defining certainty. In the imaginary world, everything is as possible as the person imagining wants it to be – perhaps this utopian quality is what makes games so fun and addictive. And, of course, our actions are the results of our thoughts, which is why, perhaps, anything is possible, as mentioned above. But even in our imagination there exists a level of uncertainty; living in a world where everything is perfect gets dull fast – you need some sort of disruption in the status quo to keep being interested. Perhaps certainty is counterproductive, in this sense.

However, we still need some sort of yardstick in order to analyze the world around us. Enter concepts. But even they are powerless in front of uncertainty, or should I say, in front of contemporary art. Dadaism, cubism, surrealism, neomodernism, postmodernism – these are a few of the -isms where unusual associations between elements, some contrasting, as well as randomness, are what defines them. Here, conceptualizing what the author meant can be incredibly difficult. Just take a look at any painting by Salvador Dali or Vassily Kandinsky; at a poem by Tristan Tzara, by anyone from the Dada group at Cabaret Voltaire; or by the Romanian poet Nichita Stanesco, and you'll see what I mean.

In the end, all I can say is that the only thing certain in this world is uncertainty. We are bound to live in a world where precision and perfection are unattainable ideals. The question is, why should that stop us from being better, or even from enjoying life? After all, a perfect world is a stagnant world.

No, Montana is not Basically Canada

On Friday, February 23rd of the year 2019, The Bachelor declared its support to sell the state of Montana. This is my official response as a Montanan:

"A recent petition was created to sell the newspaper called *The Bachelor* to D*****, and, honestly, the Montanans are all about it. We know this will disappoint the lucky reporters who hoped to break into mainstream journalism. (We know there are some native to Greencastle. This is definitely provoking.)"

I would like to officially apologize to Canada for comparing you to the school down south. It is an insult, and I used it pettily for a punchline. As one of your neighbors, I hope you understand the gravity of the situation that an Arkansan (is that right term?) called for one of its 49 siblings to be sold to Canada for a trite one-trillion dollars.

That doesn't even cover the national deficit. Montana is worth way more than that! We funded the Union army during the Civil War! We were only a naïve territory then. Montana became a state in 1889 after all. (Yes, dear old Wabash is older than Montana's statehood. Why should we define states by their statehood anyway?) And not to mention, Montana supplied Yogo sapphires—only found in the Yogo Gulch, which is a part



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of the Little Belt Mountains in Judith Basin County—for the British Crown Jewels! They represent a small portion of North American jewels. Canada did give a sapphire brooch to Her Majesty the Queen for her jubilation, but that is neither here nor there.

Not only did Montana supply jewels, but we have sent other men to Wabash College. Fred Urbaska '71 double-majored in French and History! (He also happened to graduate from the same high school as me: Billings Senior High.) At homecoming, there is an award named in his honor! Now, why would we disrespect a Wabash man's name by selling his home? He contributed to the theater arts in particular, for which I have an affinity, thus my theater major. And theater needs as much attention as it can get at Wabash. Awards help with that cause.

Now while I was reading the petition for this dreadful cause, the creator,

Christian Moms Against Public Education, mentioned their surprise about local news covering this issue. Well, when Montana makes ANY national headlines, we have to talk about it locally! Sometimes we're happy that no one notices us, but a little attention is always nice! I don't think we've ever been as excited to make these kinds of headlines since the Unabomber was arrested in 1996. Even USA Today reported on this! Thanks, Josh Hafner!

Montana lawmakers responded in turn with a sassy resolution intending to officially oppose this transaction. It was approved 15-5. Opposing Rep. Jessica Karjala stated that, "What about those of us who would like more maple syrup, better tea and free health care?" Her opponents suggested that she could move to Canada in turn.

But she has a point: if Montana joins Canada, free Healthcare would be available! And we would have an endless supply of maple syrup. We have enough grizzly bears and moose to qualify. (Those asking about grizzlies would recall Secretary Devoss defending a bill for guns having a place in public schools due to grizzly bear attacks was referring to our neighbors down south: Wyoming. They have even less people than us! MT has 1.05 million, WY,

579,315. If you're going to sell a state, sell Wyoming. Or North Dakota. I'm not sure if North Dakota even exists.)

If I were to become a Canadian citizen, I would be considered an international student. Actually, that's not a bad thing. I would get to hang out with Amy Weir more! However, Tyler

Wade would have trouble recruiting from a foreign country. Is it harder than domestically recruiting? I'm genuinely curious here. But I would like more Montanans here than my brother and I, Tyler. Not that I don't like Hoosiers, but it's hard to discuss mountains all misty-eyed without them thinking I'm crazy. (I don't think most Wabash men know what proper mountains are!)

While writing this though, I think I have found the perfect solution: Montana will become an independent state, separate from the United States and from Canada. We have everything needed to be completely self-sufficient! (What do you think, brother? We should stage a revolution. Though, we would lack a sea port). We can do it if we try hard enough! And there are many other reasons why MT is the best, I recommend the Great Falls Tribune's column about it. But the best thing about Montana is that it truly is the Last Best Place to have a Big Sky with a hell of a lot of Treasure.

On the Relationship between Christianity and Socialism

The title says it all. Before I get started let me make something clear: I am not a clergymen, economist, or a political scientist. I have no expertise in any of those fields. Naturally, as someone affected by the movement of these fields, I do hold certain beliefs about them. I identify as both a Socialist and a Christian. The aim of this piece is to explain why. I do not intend to argue in this piece that Socialism and Christianity are inherently linked. Doing so, I believe, would be heretical. That being said, my politics and my religious beliefs should not, in fact cannot, be separated. What I wish to do here is merely express this link, in my personal conception, between the two systems of thought. Please bare with me.

Israel's God is unique in that He isn't removed from and above the world, but in it. In fact, He is the very essence of it. He is the history of His People. Moses leading the Jews out of Egypt



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wasn't an act that God merely caused, God Himself is revealed through the act. The God of the Old Testament isn't one that sits and ponders his creation, but engages actively with it and talks to it. The Good News of the Gospels is that God Himself walked among us, that He sacrificed Himself so that we might truly live. Christ's ineffable grace shows us that God doesn't reside in the Temples or in the Laws of the Pharisees, but in the Communion of Man through the Holy Spirit. God is in every brothel, every ghetto, every boardroom and battlefield. The challenge of the Christian life is to find

Him there. We can do so only through prayer, but prayer through the Spirit is the gift given to all. What's more, God gives us the agency to act through Him (which human acts constitute action accordance to God's Will is determined through prayerful thought). We aren't bugs trapped in the amber of sin. The Triune God gives us the ability bring life as He did, and we do so by walking with Him. God Himself clothed the naked and fed the hungry, and He taught us that we are truly living when we do the same. This means that embodiment of The Word, which is the task of The Church, is to uphold the dignity of all those Created in His image, doing so by upholding Christ's ultimate ethical demand to love radically.

This ethical demand, being ultimate, does not stop at the door of politics or economics. Christianity doesn't only apply on Sunday morning or in one's immediate surroundings. Pressing political and economic

concerns should not, for a Christian, be considered outside the lense of Christ Consciousness. Socialism, at its core, aims to orient socio-political thought towards greater political and economic inclusion of communities, rather than simply individuals.

This means that unlike neoliberalism (in which the strength of a society is measured primarily by GDP) or Fascism (in which societal strength is correlated with that of the nation-state) Socialism aims for greater equity among communities. Such is the system, in my assessment, which best achieves what Christ commands us to do: love one another. When one sees his brother struggling, the Christian thing to do isn't to ask "how might helping him affect GDP growth?" or "does helping him now mean that I'll have to help him more in the future?" or what's worse "does he deserve this struggle?" The Christian thing to do is to help him. The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

Taking Care of "Business"

ALEX ROTARU '22 | STAFF WRITER •

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Restrooms: sooner or later, we will have to use one. However, no two restrooms are created equal. In my time putting up Career Services' weekly newsletter, the Ur'Nal Review, I have had to go into the good, the bad, the cramped, the modern, the busy, and the quiet. That being said, here are my top 5 best and worst restrooms on campus where you can find the Ur'nal Review.

Worst Restrooms:

5. Center Hall Second Floor

Good old Center Hall: the one brick building that survived the test of time on campus. Its creaking stairs are famous across campus and the alumni network. However, beneath that archaic charm lies a feat of ill planning: the restroom on the second floor. Privacy is the only issue, as the toilets and urinals themselves are on a step, making it a bit less comfortable to use.

4. Fine Arts Center Experimental Theater

This is perhaps the most obscure, unused restroom on campus, and for good reason. Just getting there is like hearing a baby's laughter at 2 a.m. in your fraternity. Even though Clara Crawford is an urban legend, this bathroom in the Fine Arts Center's basement is not. Unless you have a class in the Experimental Theater, this is one to avoid, particularly after 4 p.m. Trust me, it's terrifying to hear and see the overhead lamps flicker down there after classes end.

3. Armory

This century-old building has become the best illustration of re-purposing and expansion gone wrong – especially with that dead end right on the first floor. And the restroom makes no exception. Just getting to the restroom requires passing through a staircase, and one wrong step could send you down it to the cold, cold side entrance. Cheers to all the Bachelor staff who have endured decades getting from their Armory basement office to the restroom on the first floor, navigating the maze of hallways and staircases in order to use one of the most unwelcoming restrooms on campus. You are true heroes.

2. Allen Center

The only reason this restroom is so high up on the worst restrooms ranking is because some of the stalls won't close: either the door frame is too small for the door to close properly, or the door frame is too large for the door to close at all. And the new sports center is only a decade old.

1. Lilly Library Basement

This one is not for the faint of heart. Take a small room, add two narrow stalls, where you can barely fit in, as well as graffiti, and you got the worst restroom on campus. Being claustrophobic, I would much rather take the elevator to the first, second, even third floor just so that I won't have to use it.

Best Restrooms:

5. Detchon Center First and Second Floor

The restrooms in Detchon are just as I like them: modern, spotless, quiet, and spacious. Nothing special about them, but they are still some of the most satisfying restrooms to use.

4. Lilly Library First Floor

This is a restroom that gives a lot of privacy, with one stall and accessible paper towels if that stall is occupied. It is spacious, simple, and clean. What more could you want from a restroom?

3. Hays Hall Basement

As Dorothy said in "The Wizard of Oz," "There's no place like home," and it rings true for restrooms as well. My spiritual home, as a Chemistry major, is in Hays Hall, and I just find it more relaxing to use the restrooms in there, particularly the spacious, lesser used one in the basement.

2. Center Hall First Floor

While Center Hall is famous for its olden charm, when you walk into this restroom by the main entrance to the building, it feels like you've stepped into a portal to the future. The room looks sleek and modern, with tasteful colors decorating the walls and stalls. It truly feels like a fancy hotel bathroom, hidden away in an architectural gem.

1. Fine Arts Center Randolph Art Wing

My personal favorite restroom has its entrance on the right side of the Gregory Huebner H'11 Gallery. With multiple stalls and displays of artwork and posters of previous gallery events, this bathroom-gallery hybrid can help put you in touch with your inner artistic self with every visit. And, as a bonus, on the way in and out of there, you'll get a chance to admire art from our college's collection or from visiting artists.

So, there you have it, gentlemen: the best and the worst restrooms this campus has to offer where you can find the latest information about careers and more. If you feel like your favorite restroom is not in here or if it was not given the right treatment, please write an opinion about it for one of the next issues and send it to aghood21@wabash.edu.



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Wherever you plan to pop a squat, campus commodes are far from golden thrones.

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Dick's Removes Guns

Notable sporting goods store Dick's announced last week that they will no longer be selling firearms in their stores nationwide. CEO Ed Stack was quoted as saying: "We support and respect the Second Amendment ... But we have to help solve the problem that's in front of us."

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Collegiate Elitism Scandal

A scandal which involved wealthy parents paying outlandish amounts of money to guarantee their child's admission to prestigious schools has recently come to a head in the form of a federal prosecution. At least 40 people have been charged in this racketeering scheme, spearheaded by William Singer.

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No Fly Zone

President Trump has issued a federal grounding of Boeing 737 Max jets after the recent crash of an Ethiopian aircraft which resulted in 157 deaths. Trump noted that the grounding was more of a precautionary method rather than a permanent mandatory ban while investigations continue.

-CNN

Honda, Acura Recall

Following an incident regarding defective airbags, Honda will recall around 1.1 million vehicles. Models to be recalled include the 2003-2008 Honda Pilot, the 2006-2014 Honda Ridgeline, and the 2001-2005 Honda Civic.

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Trading white sandy beaches for white snowy trails, some Wallies visited Iceland over the course of their spring break.



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The Wabash College Tennis team took an off-day at Universal Studios during speak break. The team went 4-0 on their trip.



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Wabash students and professors grab some grub on the EU Trip.

Spring Break photos cont.



REED MATHIS '22 / PHOTO

Wallies enjoying the scenic hills of Scotland during their Spring vacation.



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Preston Whaley '22 at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.

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Lacrosse comes off of Spring trip, team now looks to Hope

JACKSON BLEVINS '20 | STAFF WRITER • Over spring break the Little Giant lacrosse team traveled south to Alabama and suffered two losses in some close games. On Tuesday March 5th, the Little Giants took on Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Alabama and the team fell just short, losing by a score of 6-7. The team was down by a score of 4-7 with six minutes left in the game, and despite two late goals, the comeback did not result in a win. Collin Brennan '19 scored three goals, Jake Taylor '20 scored two goals, and Steven Stark '19 scored himself a single goal late in the fourth period. Despite the close loss, the Little Giants were essentially even in all statistical categories with Huntingdon, as Wabash had 38 shots with 15 of those shots on goal, while Huntingdon shot 43 times with 16 of those shots on goal.

The team's spring break trip was capped with an 8-17 loss to Birmingham-Southern College. The Little Giants worked a balanced offensive and defensive attack early on in the game to enter halftime down just 6-7 against a solid Birmingham-Southern College squad. However, the host team ultimately pulled away and limited the Little Giants to just two goals in the second half. Colin Brennan, Steven Stark, and Joseph Plencner '22 all scored two goals for the Little Giants, while Jake Taylor and Tucker Dixon '19 contributed one goal each,

with Dixon adding two assists on the game.

"The trip was a good experience as we played some teams that we normally don't play on our schedule, Dixon said. "We played hard with our opponents but a few mistakes put us in a tough spot to win the games."

"We all obviously wish the outcomes of the games would have been different, but we are not getting down on ourselves," Plencner said. "Since the beginning of the season, we have seen vast improvements in both team chemistry and in the skills of individual players."

The Little Giants have three more non-conference games before they begin their difficult conference schedule. This weekend the team will take on Hope College in Holland, Michigan before returning back to Crawfordsville on Wednesday to face off against Anderson University. The Little Giants have been playing quality lacrosse under new head coach Tim O'Shea, and the team is optimistic for the future.

"Hope is a solid team, but we don't change our game based on who we are playing," Plencner said. "No matter who the opponent is, we are going to go out there, focus on what we can control, and just ball out."



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Wabash lacrosse player plays defense against Trine.



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Wabash player attempts to pick up a ground ball.

Baseball looks to rebound after Spring Break trip

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • Wabash baseball returns home tomorrow after a week in the desert of Arizona facing some of the top teams in the country. It was the first time all season where the team could play games without the threat of cold weather. In Tucson, the team played six games, going 2-4 on the week.

"It was nice to get out on the field for a long period of time," Eric Chavez '19 said. "We found out a lot of things we need to work on, which is good."

In the first two games, the Little Giants played previously ranked Aurora University for a Sunday doubleheader. In game one, the Little Giants trailed 10-2 in the fifth inning. Over the last 2 innings, the Little Giants added six more runs, but ultimately could not overcome the early deficit, losing 8-11. Andrew Jumonville '21 lead the team with 3 RBIs in game one. In game two, the Little Giants added three runs in the last two innings to send the game into extras. After five extra innings, Aurora singled to end the game, 6-5. Sean Roginski '19 lead the Little Giants with 2 RBIs including one in the seventh inning to help tie the game.

The next day, the Little Giants played Carthage College. Thanks to an early offensive output, the Little Giants rolled to an 11-6 win. Erich Lange '19 and Roginski had 3 RBIs each. Tyler Dearing '21 lead the Little Giants on the mound with five shutout innings, racking up four strikeouts.

"This was big," Chavez said. "Carthage is really good. This was a glimpse on how good we can be. We need to bring that effort every game for the rest of the season."

The Little Giants closed out their spring break trip with three games against Gustavus Adolphus College. In game one, the Little Giants were lead by Roginski again with 4 RBIs and went 3-4 on the day, including one homerun. Wabash's save leader, Zach Moffett '20, added his second save of the year to lead the Little Giants to a 6-4 victory.

"This was a hard fought game," Chavez said. "Our bullpen has been solid all year, keeping us in games. They won us this game."

Wabash could not keep up their mini win streak however, dropping the next two games against Adolphus. In the second game, the Little Giants struggled to get the offense going, dropping game two, 2-5. Jumonville had both RBIs. The Little Giants stole seven bases in game two. In game three, Wabash trailed 9-0 after three innings. Despite mounting a seven run comeback, lead by Canton Terry's '21 three RBIs, Wabash dropped the last game of the trip, 7-10.

The Little Giants return to action tomorrow at Goodrich Ballpark against Hanover College. Last year, the Little Giants defeated Hanover in two games, 8-3 and 3-1. Following the three games against Hanover, Wabash returns home to face Manchester University in a weekday doubleheader. Wabash split the doubleheader last year with Manchester.

"It's fun just being back home," Chavez said. "It's always better being in front of the home crowd and not at a neutral site."

Head out to Goodrich Ballpark tomorrow at 1 p.m. to support the team.



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Jackson Blevins '20 (top) and Sean Roginski '19 (bottom) continue to lead the Little Giants in major offensive categories.

THIS WEEK IN BASEBALL

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

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Home vs. Hanover at 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

Home vs. Hanover at 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Home vs. Manchester at 1 p.m.

Home vs. Manchester at 4 p.m.

Wrestling competes at Nationals; brings home champions

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | STAFF WRITER • The Wabash wrestling team advanced six wrestlers to the 2019 NCAA Division III Wrestling National Championship Tournament, including Carlos Champagne '22 in the 125-pound weight class, Owen Doster '20 in the 133-pound weight class, Jared Timberman '21 in the 157-pound weight class, Kyle Hatch '21 in the 165-pound weight class, Darden Schurg '19 in the 174-pound weight class and Wade Ripple '21 in the 285-pound weight class.

Three total Wabash wrestlers advanced from Friday's round and into the All-America round on Saturday, beginning with Champagne in 125-pound action. He lost his first match by a 9-1 major decision against Jay Albis from Johnson and Wales but bounced back with a pin of Josiah Gehr from Messiah and an 8-0 major decision over Zack Murillo from Wesleyan, allowing him to advance into Saturday's All-America round. Two other Little Giants advanced as well, with Hatch grabbing three-straight victories in 165-pound action and Schurg capturing two-straight victories in 174-pound action.

In the All-America round, Champagne

placed seventh total in the 125-pound weight class to earn All-America honors while Hatch finished sixth total in the 165-pound weight class, earning All-America honors for the second consecutive year. In 174-pound action, Schurg faced Mount Union's Jairod James in the championship round. After falling behind 3-1 in the match, two consecutive penalties from James allowed Schurg to tie the score at 3-3 with 10 seconds left and sent the match into overtime. Schurg needed just nine seconds in the overtime period to capture a national title, quickly scoring a takedown over James to capture the sudden-death victory.

Schurg began the year as the top-ranked wrestler in his weight class and never relinquished that spot, finishing as the top-ranked wrestler to end the season. He is the first national champion for Wabash wrestling since Riley Lefever's national title in 2017.

The Little Giants finished ninth as a team out of 74 total teams in the tournament and ended with three total All-America honors this season. Bash returns next winter.



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Wade Ripple '21 competed in nationals this past weekend.

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SAAC changes thanks to New Campus leadership

PATRICK MCAULEY '20 | SPORTS EDITOR • Over the course of the past year, the Wabash College Athletic Department has implemented formidable changes to the Student Advisory Athletic Committee (SAAC) here on campus. Kate Burke, the new associate athletic director of the College, along with Sam Colaiacova '19, fulfilled these unique changes after making the decision to move forward earlier this semester.

"The school I was at prior to coming to Wabash kind of had the same identity crisis that Wabash is going through," Kathryn Burke said. "What really is the expectation? What is it that we are supposed to be doing?"

SAAC now features a large set of smaller sub-committees to help create a wide range of new initiatives set up for this semester, next fall, and years to come. Some of the plans include a running set of dodge ball games with the Boys and Girls Club here in Crawfordsville, which will give student-athletes a chance to give back to the surrounding community as well as have some fun. Another sub-committee consists of events with the Special Olympics here in Montgomery County, which is once again another community service opportunity for student-athletes of the College. In addition to community service, members of SAAC have leadership opportunities with the NCAA and chances to reminisce on their athletic accomplishments at the College with an awards ceremony here in April. One

huge event this April will be known as DIII Week, which will feature a coin war, a Friday reading program with local elementary schools, and other leadership initiatives.

"We wanted student athletes to kind of think outside the scope of their team," Burke said. "To kind of think outside of what the impact is that they are making for themselves, the impact they are making for their teams, and the impact on the department."

This change to SAAC is part of a larger enterprise to give student-athletes at the College an opportunity to develop themselves in volunteer-driven events. Wabash men committed themselves to community service and leadership development after stepping foot on campus during their freshman year. Furthermore, part of the College's mission statement revolves around leading effectively and living humanely, which has language that orbits the realm of community involvement and outreach. The new sub-committees at SAAC give student-athletes a chance to dive into this mission of the College. They now supply a wide assortment of opportunities before them, which Burke believes will add to the overall integrity and dynamic of the athletic department here at the College.

"I hope it is an awesome leadership and development experience," Burke said. "We want people to come on out and support our events and what we are doing."

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Player Profile : Kyle Warbinton '20

Warbinton talks college life

ALEXANDRU ROTARU '22 | STAFF WRITER • Many of us know Kyle Warbinton '20 through one of the many leadership roles he has on Wabash's campus: Student Body President, Golf Letterman, member of the Sphinx Club, and brother of Phi Kappa Psi, among others. However, beyond these credentials lies a person genuinely dedicated to his pursuits and motivated by his own daily engagement.

He chose Wabash, as many do, after getting to know the feel of the campus. After his first visit, he "really decided this was a place where [he] could succeed and flourish," Warbinton said. That is also how he chose to become a brother at Phi Psi, even though his grandfather and uncle were both members of Lambda Chi Alpha during their time at Wabash. "It came down to the fact that I thought the Phi Psis were the most genuine group of guys that I interacted with [when deciding] where I was going to be living," Warbinton said. "I love my house and I think I made a good decision." When he finds some free time, he generally likes to spend it with his fraternity brothers, "because I don't think I spend as much time with the people in my house as I should," Warbinton said. "My house is something that I cherish more so because I don't get to do as much, and it really allows me to take a break from everything else."

As a Political Science major, he is passionate about government and international law. "I've enjoyed looking at the different political environments and landscapes across different continents and different countries," Warbinton said. "I really got some enjoyment out of learning about the different styles of politics and what are the conflicts and problems that arise from each region." He is also committed to his academic excellence and rigor. "That's what my parents instilled in me," Warbinton said. "They're excited that I got involved in

everything, and in being a successful athlete so far. But, for them, [good grades come first]."

One of the first major positions he held on campus was senator for the class of 2020 his freshman year. "That gave me an initial look at what student government was like," Warbinton said. "After that, I really decided I enjoyed it and I wanted to continue with it."

Dedication, authenticity, and self-overcoming are the core principles of his life. In fact, his greatest enemy is the lethargy that comes with not being committed enough. "Being busy is when I am most effective, and, for me, being on top of things is when I'm happiest," Warbinton said. The main reason he joined the Sphinx Club was because he looked up to its members when he was a freshman for their engagement with the campus. "They were the ones that I really saw as people that I wanted to develop into in my future career at Wabash," Warbinton said.

His passion for golf comes from how much of a mental game it is. "I don't know if a lot of people would agree with me, but I think golf is one of the hardest games to play, and it's one of the most confusing and stressful as well, because, when you're off, you're off, and when you're on, it's usually for a little bit," Warbinton said. "So I think it's mentally draining. But then again, it's just so fruitful. And when you have good teammates and a support group behind you, it can be really fun."

Another mental game in his life is staying on top of his hectic schedule. "The biggest thing is making sure I have a good schedule set out, so every Sunday I know what I usually do [the following week]," Warbinton said.



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Kyle Warbinton '19 lines up for a drive.

CONGRATS TO WABASH'S NEW
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