

Adam El-Khalili '23 Named Sphinx Club President

REED MATHIS '22 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Q: President of the Sphinx Club. What does that position and its responsibility mean to you?

A: It means a lot to me that I am The Sphinx Club President. The Sphinx Club is an organization made up of student leaders, so to be selected as the leader of leaders is truly amazing, and I am blessed to be given this opportunity.

Q: What are your overarching goals as President? How does the Club's Centennial factor into your vision for the next year?

A: One of my hopes as President is to be able to foster more campus unity with those who live in a fraternity and those who have the independent life. I also hope to coordinate an event with shOUT and do a unity walk with them like what was done with the MXI this year. Since it is the 100th year of the Sphinx Club, I, and many others are planning to have a big centennial celebration that incorporates bringing back Sphinx Club alumni.

Q: What things does the Club need to continue to do to stay as the leading student group on campus? And vice versa, what things need to change or adapt moving forward?

A: The Club needs to continue hosting TGIF's and Chapel Talks weekly to keep tradition alive as well as promoting bonding with your brothers. What we should do better as a Club moving forward is attending other events sponsored by other groups at Wabash College. Going to these such events will not only make us feel more united as a College, but it will show that the Sphinx Club shows support in every club across campus.

Q: If you could describe your time as a Club Member in one word, what would it be?

A: Life-Changing. The Sphinx Club

has taught me that the one of the most important skills a person can have is knowing how to demonstrate good emotional intelligence. This newly learned skill was life-changing for me. Knowing how to relate to others as well as effectively listening and communicating with others is a big part of emotional intelligence, so having this skill has helped me when I need to address something as president.

Q: Being a brother of Delt and a stellar student-athlete, what does being President of the Club signify at this point of your Wabash career? What does it mean now, and what do you hope it will mean when you look back at your time on campus?

A: I wouldn't say that I'm a "stellar" athlete, but I do appreciate it. I would say being President has signified a high, if not the highest point in my Wabash career. Being selected to be in this position is exciting, but it also comes with some pressure. Maintaining a club that has been alive for the last 100 years as well as doing the best I can to foster campus unity can be a lot. Even with that being said, Wabash Always Fights, so I will do my best to show that this will be a high point in my Wabash career. I hope in the future, I will be looked at as a President who accomplished more and different types of unity events that the Sphinx Club continues for years after I am gone.

Q: Favorite Wabash tradition?

A: My favorite Wabash tradition is easily the midnight munch. Before Covid during my freshman year, Wabash Students would head into Sparks and we would all eat breakfast food that the professors made for us. All of the food slapped!

Q: For those interested in joining the Club, what would you say it means to you and why your fellow



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Adam is known on campus for bringing everything he has in all facets of life, making anyone smile during an interaction, and a magnetic personality for all.

students should look to join? On the flip side, what do you say to those that are not interested or have a less than positive conception of the Club?

A: For those interested in joining the Club, I believe you should join it to see how much you can grow as a person, since that's what the Club means to me. For those not interested

in joining the Club, my first response would be "Why?" "Let's sit down and have a conversation and maybe I can pick your brain a little on why you should join the Club and what it can do for you during your time here." You have no idea how much of a growing experience something can be until you try it.

After Pandemic Hiatus, Students Continue Learning Abroad

Students Return from Thanksgiving Break Immersion Trips



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Students on the civil rights movement and the Black Arts immersion trip explore the National Center for Civil and Human Rights.



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Dr. Bob Royalty's course on the historical Jesus and the Jewish Revolt against Rome approaches the Jewish quarter in Rome.



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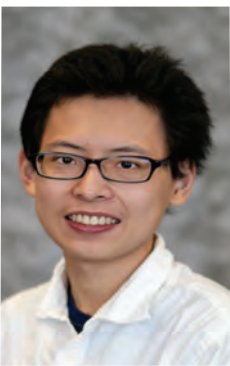
While in Naples, students climb Mount Vesuvius, discussing Latin poetry and geology.



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In Napa Valley wine region, where Dr. Paul Schmitt's Chemistry of Wine course, they made it full-circle in their introductory knowledge of modern wine making.

We Need Sparks Over Break



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Under the shiny, blue sky with no clouds, I often spent Thanksgiving Break alone sitting on a bench in the mall to immerse myself in nature. I relaxed while birds were chirping, winds were whistling, and squirrels were chasing each other.

The chapel bell rang on the hour as usual over the quiet campus. For whom the bell tolls? Then, my internal clock growled to let me know that it was time to eat dinner. However, I could not have dinner at the Sparks Center because it was closed. Almost all the buildings were closed except the Lilly Library and Williams Hall, where some students stayed on campus during

the break. I went back to my room and heated up a plastic container in a microwave. I enjoyed eating the food that I cooked on Saturday at one time. Food put me in a good mood!

I had never cooked before until this summer break. I panicked at first when I knew that I had to survive the break without the Sparks. Fortunately, Dr. Koppelman taught me the basic skills of cooking. Thanks to him, I was able to improve my skills to the point that I could cook Japanese cuisine for my personal enjoyment in the end. I have not gone back to Japan since last August, so cooking is now one of my favorite hobbies to feel nostalgia while I am in the U.S.

There were other students on campus to engage in their summer internships in Crawfordsville, instead of commuting. Therefore, I did not feel alone as the laundry and the kitchen were messy. Isn't it strange that the dormitory became dirtier in the break than during the semester?

Although the garbage cans filled up with paper bags and boxes from local fast food, I saw some students cooking in the kitchen. One student was cooking based on his mother's recipe. However, most of the time, the students had simple dishes by boiling pastas or cooking bacon and eggs. It seemed that they did not enjoy

cooking, as their faces seemed unhappy.

I discovered that cooking can be an important practice for the students to get ready for their independent life in the future. It involves finances through shopping, critical thinking through reading recipes and time management through working efficiently. That is why our mother is someone that we can depend upon whenever we need help.

Cooking is hard at first, but you can eventually improve it like I did. However, some students did not try cooking at all. The worst case I saw was that one student prepared his dinner by just heating up frozen food in the microwave. It did not happen just one day, but several times during the break. His main excuse was that he did not have time to cook. Well, I remember that you like watching Netflix before going to sleep?

I hear complaints against the food at Sparks. However, I wonder if the students were satisfied with the food that they cooked for themselves. Sometimes their diets were unbalanced lacking vegetables. Tell me what is the difference?

There was a period that the Sparks Center was open during the Wabash Liberal Arts Immersion Program (WLAIP) Summer Institute. All of the participants and mentors lived in Rogge Hall which is next to Williams Hall. I think it was a

great opportunity for the incoming freshmen to start their independent pre-College life apart from their parents. However, they had the privilege of eating at the Sparks Center unlike the students who were in Williams Hall. Why did the College treat us differently?

I was fine because cooking became my hobby to kill time in the middle-of-nowhere Crawfordsville. If not, then I would not have spent more than 6 hours every Saturday cooking for the other six-day meals. However, I wish I had more time to relax on the weekend because I worked hard as a journalist during the weekdays (and sometimes I had to work on the weekends too!). Saturday was a cooking day. Therefore, Sunday was the only the day that I could rest, which was not totally enough.

I think I was the only student who genuinely enjoyed cooking during the break. Other students cooked as a necessary chore to survive. It would have been better if the Sparks Center was open to the students during the break to help them maintain good health in such an unpredictable time. The students tried to have their independent lives by themselves, but the lack of experience with cooking took its toll as the break went on. I hope that the College will let the Sparks Center open during the break.

Looking to join the conversation?
Want to make your voice heard?

If so, contact Jakob Goodwin (jmgoodwi23@wabash.edu) and get your point across to the campus in *The Bachelor* opinion section.



Christmas Comes Early Through “Christmas in Asia” Event



JETT BROWNLEE '25 / PHOTO

Students partaking in this Wednesday's Christmas in Asia event, hosted by the Asian Culture Club, Chinese Club, the ISA, and the Student Events Committee.



JETT BROWNLEE '25 / PHOTO

Students came to enjoy some good food and to learn more about how Asian cultures celebrate Christmas.

Music Department Hosts Fall Semester Student Recital



JAKE PAIGE '23 / PHOTO

11 students, composed of pianists, vocalists, violinists, and guitarists, performed to a live audience in the Fine Arts Center Salter Hall on November 15, 2021.



JAKE PAIGE '23 / PHOTO

Events like these allow many of the College's best musicians, including Takeshi Greiner '24 [pictured here], to perform in front of the greater Wabash community.

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Soccer Earns
All-Region
Honors

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Coledon Johnson '23 & Christian Aleman '22 secured spots through their tireless, refined play with appearances in 19 and 16 games, respectively.

BEN BULLOCK '23 | STAFF WRITER • Earlier this week, two members of the Wabash soccer team were selected as members of the United Soccer Coaches NCAA Division III All-Region Team. Cristian Aleman '22 and Coledon Johnson '23 received the honors after a strong season in which the Little Giants finished 4th in the NCAC standings with an 11-6-2 record.

Aleman, a senior from El Paso, TX, was selected as one of three defenders for the All-Region VII first team. In his time at Wabash, he has earned 55 appearances and scored four goals, including the winner against Hiram earlier this year.

"Cristian and Coledon have both had great seasons," said head soccer coach Chris Keller. "Cristian paired with captain Josh Scott made a great duo. The work Cristian put in the weight room and studying the position really propelled him to a stellar season. He is one of the best athletes I've coached."

NCAA-leading goal scorer Johnson was also selected for the All-Region VII

second team. A clinical striker from Indianapolis, IN, he scored 12 goals this season while also picking up five assists. With three braces and two game-winning goals across the 2021 season, Johnson will no doubt enter his senior year brimming with confidence on the pitch.

"Coledon came in and just got to work," said Keller. "He scored many big goals against big teams including Chicago, Rose Hulman, DePauw, and Kenyon, among others. He was the leading scorer in the conference and also a dual threat with his assists. His desire to improve and not be satisfied will make him a big threat next season as well."

These two selections come just weeks after four members of the team, including Johnson and Aleman, were honored as members of the 2021 North Coast Athletic Conference Men's Soccer Team. Alexis Delgado '23 and Jerry Little '24 made up the other two members of Little Giants honored for the season.

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY
OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

DING DING! DEPAUW

*Hi-five to D***** for losing 45-0 in the playoffs. Didn't make the playoffs, fine. Won the Bell? I would answer you, but I can't hear over the ringing of the Bell EVERY DAY at its true home.*

THE PATRIARCH

Hi-five to Archie Manning for tossing one helluva coin flip at the Bell game and dipping. On the flip side that was the most entertaining Manning moment in two years.

BELLBONIC PLAGUE

*Lo-five to the physical health of all students the week after Bell. Some are still recovering, but after D***** had it for two years, can we say we are surprised with whatever ailment we had to deal with?*

YEP. WE HOPED WE
WOULDN'T HAVE TO
TALK ABOUT THE MLB
IN DECEMBER EITHER

Lo-five to the ~~MLB~~ owners for the first work stoppage in 26 years. Are we surprised? Nope. Will the players get what they deserve? Nope. Will the owners cry poor? Yep. Bold strategy for a sport that continues to lose young fans year after year. Let's see if it works...

EYES BLINKING GIF

Lo-five to Brian Kelly for ditching Notre Dame for the Bayou in the midst of the playoff hunt. From inside sources, Kelly's address to the team was longer than the combined minutes the Irish have been competitive in a CFP game, so there is that.

Team of the Month

The Bachelor Presents November's 'Team of the Month'

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | SPORTS EDITOR • DONOVAN SNYDER '24: If you're a DePauw fan, don't read this entry. Snyder had a great November, averaging 95 yards, 1 touchdown, and 21.5 carries per game throughout the month. He's also one of the big reasons why the Monon Bell is back at Wabash College. Snyder had one of his best games of the year against DePauw. The junior halfback rushed 29 times for 137 yards and a touchdown. Snyder's touchdown was huge for Wabash's momentum. With the game tied 28-28 in the fourth quarter and the Little Giants driving, Snyder broke free on a rush and scored a 37-yard touchdown to give Wabash its first lead. After Snyder's score, the Little Giants did not trail for the remainder of the Bell game. Entering the matchup, DePauw's defense was holding teams to minimal scoring and rushing performances. Snyder repeatedly gashed the Tigers and kickstarted the historic comeback in the Monon Bell Classic. The Bell is back home at Wabash, and Snyder's performance in November is a key reason for that.



KAMRON FERGUSON '22: Entering the Monon Bell matchup, much of the talk towards Wabash revolved around the team's defense. The Little Giants gave up 35+ points in four separate games leading up to the Bell rivalry. Many people expected DePauw to not only win the game, but to have its way with the Wabash defense. Early on, it looked that way. DePauw jumped out to a 21-0 lead in the first quarter. But in the biggest game of the season, the Little Giant defense answered the call. Wabash stifled DePauw for the rest of the game, and Ferguson had the two biggest defensive plays of the game. Ferguson had two interceptions against the Tigers' senior quarterback Chase Andries, including a key interception in the red zone with DePauw looking to make the game 28-7.

Snyder lead the offense in its Bell performance, and Ferguson did the same on the defensive side. Without his two forced turnovers, the result of the Monon Bell Classic may have been very different. In the face of adversity, Ferguson rallied the Wabash defense to a big rivalry win.



JACK DAVIDSON '22: The return of Wabash basketball and the return of Jack Davidson; that's a hard combination to beat. And although Davidson did not compete with the Little Giants last season, he remains one of the premier players in Division III. Davidson averaged 21.8 points, 4.8 rebounds, and 3.4 assists over the course of November. This, of course, comes with a 53.7% shooting percentage, a 35.3% three-point percentage, and a blistering 96.2% free throw percentage.

Davidson's offensive numbers are elite, and he's just getting started. Wabash battled to a 3-2 (1-0 NCAC) record in November. This includes a notable 99-92 loss against then-ranked No. 3 Marietta College on November 19 and a 98-90 victory over then-ranked No. 13 Emory University. Much of the offensive success comes from Davidson, who, in the win over Emory, dropped 29 points while shooting 9-13 and 4-8 from three. With Davidson back in form, Wabash will be a dangerous matchup against any team they face moving forward.



KYLE HATCH '22 & MAX BISHOP '22: The Wabash wrestling program has emerged as potentially the top athletic program at the College. The Little Giants entered the 2021-22 season ranked top-five in multiple ranking systems. A lot of this success has come from Hatch and Bishop. Hatch is ranked No. 2 in the 165-pound weight class and Bishop sits atop the heavyweight class rankings in Division III. Both wrestlers showed their skill in the team's meet on November 20. The Concordia University Open is a non-team scoring event with a plethora of skilled, ranked wrestlers. Hatch and Bishop made it look easy. Both wrestlers grabbed first-place finishes in their respective weight classes, the only first-place finishes in the event for Wabash.

The Little Giants wrestling team certainly has plenty of depth. But Hatch and Bishop stand out as the wrestlers to keep an eye on as the season moves forward. And if November is any indication of their futures, Hatch and Bishop are set up for plenty of success this year.

Basketball Moves to 4-2

Wabash Wins Third-Straight Game, Prevails vs. Denison and Rose



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Jack Davidson '22 drives past a Rose-Hulman defender. In addition to the win against the Fightin' Engineers, Davidson broke Wabash's all-time free throw record on Wednesday. Davidson converted his 536th free throw, pushing past Chad Tabor '99's previous record of 535 career free throws made.

ETHAN WALLACE '25 | STAFF WRITER • Friday, November 19, Wabash College Basketball faced off against the number three ranked Marietta College Pioneers in the 2021 Great Lakes Invitational. Wabash ended up losing the game 99-92. Although they were unable to win, the Little Giants played extremely well. Ahmoni Jones '23 led both teams in scoring with 24 points, while pulling in 7 rebounds. Kellen Schreiber '22 put up 20 points with 4 rebounds and 2 assists. Turnovers controlled a game where Marietta had a +1 advantage margin in the game. Both teams shot poorly from beyond the arch with the Little Giants going 8-29 and the Pioneers going 5-18. Wabash committed 26 fouls in the game, but the whole Great Lakes Invitational featured very excessive foul calling. Saturday, November 20, the Little Giants beat #13 ranked Emory College, 98-90. Wabash scored first and held the lead for the rest of the game. The Eagles certainly put up a fight, but the Little Giants held the momentum throughout the entire game. Davidson led scoring with 29 points. Tyler Watson put up 19 points, while adding 6 assists. Jesse Hall '25 led the bench in scoring with 14 points. The Little Giants had 12 turnovers in this game and committed 22 fouls, but once again the foul calling was a little too severe in the game. The difference in the game came down to 3-point shooting. Wabash went 12-27 from deep, not their best performance but good enough to get the win. Emory on the other hand shot 3-19 (15.9%). The Eagles made up for some of their shooting at the free-throw line going 25-28, compared to Wabash 20-23. This was definitely a strong outing for Wabash Basketball - beating a ranked team in this fashion is no easy task. The invitational was a great opportunity for the Little Giants, who really found their stride, while facing off against the two ranked teams. Sunday, November 28, the Little Giants won their first conference matchup against Denison University, 92-87. Wabash shot 34-61 from the

field and 8-18 from three point range. Denison hit one less basket while taking nine more shots, going 33-70. This was due to the Big Red shooting significantly more threes going 11-27. Davidson led scoring for the Little Giants with 24 points, hitting 64.7% of his shots. He also had three rebounds and five assists. This earned him the NCAC Player of the Week. Schreiber and Watson both scored 22 points. Jones had the Little Giant's first double-double of the season with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Then on Wednesday, December 1, Wabash defeated the Rose-Hulman College Fighting Engineers at Chadwick court, winning 67-64. The team struggled with shooting early on, trailing by an average of 6 for the entire first half. This was due in part to extremely physical play in the paint with more than a few missed foul calls. Wabash eventually found its groove, and started taking the momentum away from the Fighting Engineers by the middle of the second half. The team managed to hold onto the lead for the rest of the game, eventually going up three with five seconds left on the clock thanks to Watson hitting two free throws. As a team the Little Giants went 10-33 from deep, which is the most three-point misses they've had in any game thus far. The team had 20 turnovers in this game, which is also their most so far. Where the team really shined was in rebounding, pulling in 41 rebounds for +12 against the Fighting Engineers. The team only committed 11 fouls in the game. Two of these fouls came from more than questionable flopping calls. Davidson once again led scoring with 16 points. Jones had 15 with 9 rebounds as a force on the glass and the interior. The fans at Chadwick witnessed a special moment late in the first half when Davidson hit his 536th career free throw - breaking the Wabash Career free-throw record. With nineteen games left in the season, Davidson is sure to extend the record by a considerable amount. "It's been a good couple of weeks for us I mean, we started out the Hanover

loss was tough. But since then we lost at Marietta and it was a tough game for us, but we played well. We just didn't get some things to go our way. The next night we bounced back at Emory, which was huge for us, winning against a ranked team. And then we're just trying to keep that momentum going," said Davidson. "[The] record was pretty cool and something I'm proud of but more importantly, we got the win." The Little Giants have a record of 4-2 (1-0). Their defense has been strong in the last few games, while the offense has been exceptional, as they have scored over 90 in three of the last four

games. Their win against the then 13th ranked Emory was a great moment for the team. If the team keeps it up they will end the season with a solid record and good chances in the NCAC tournament. Tomorrow, Wabash will play a conference game at home against the Oberlin College Yeomen. The Yeomen are 2-4 (0-1) as of now, and will be coming into Crawfordsville on the 2nd leg of a 2 day, 2 game roadtrip. They played The College of Wooster yesterday. The Little Giants will step on Chadwick Court for this conference battle tomorrow at 2 pm.

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Wrestling at Little State

Little Giants Prepare for Tough Competition at Indiana Little State Meet

GARSON MATNEY '25 | STAFF WRITER • The Wabash wrestling team has been staying busy. On 11/12, they participated in a dual against one of their harshest rivals; of course, this was Wabash versus Wabash. Manchester was not able to make it, so they participated in an intersquad dual at home with lots of fans. Last weekend, they went to Mequon, Wisconsin, to compete in the Concordia University Open (CUW). It was a stacked tournament, with the top three schools in the nation all wrestling. Wartburg (#1), Wabash (#2), and Loras (#3) were there. Other teams ranked in the top fifteen that are also attending include Stevens Institute of Technology (#6), University of Wisconsin Steven Point (#14), and University of Wisconsin Oshkosh (T-#14). won. Other placers were Blake McGee '25 at fourth, Gavinn Alstott '25 at fifth, Tyson Nisley '24 at sixth, Ray Arebalo '25 at fifth, Chase Baczek '25 at fifth, and James Lewis '23 at fourth. After the meet, Wabash wrestling fell from #2 to #4. This was a tough tournament and very important for the wrestling team.

It was also a great way to show that Wabash is a top-ranked program and has a serious shot at competing for a national title. The Little Giants return home for this weekend when they will host the Indiana Little State Meet in Knowling Fieldhouse and begins at 9 AM. Wabash expects to continue their dominance and why they are a top-ranked program. Coming in at #4 in the nation, Wabash will undoubtedly make a statement and show they should be ranked even higher. Fourteen teams in total will be there, predominantly from Indiana. However, some other teams are coming from West Virginia and Kentucky. This will be a team tournament format, with wrestlers gaining points by winning matches (and gaining extra team points through pins, technical falls, which is when someone wins a match by more than fifteen points, and majors when someone wins by more than eight). Looking to continue their path to the national title, the Little Giants will look to take advantage of the home crowd in this weekend.



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Wabash wrestling has lived up to its high expectations thus far and will look to continue its momentum at Indiana Little State tomorrow.