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Coach Robert Johnson H'77 stands as the recipient of the Distinguished Achievement in Postsecondary Education Award.

CLD HONORS COACH ROBERT JOHNSON H'77

CHRIS BARKER '20 |

STAFF WRITER • On March 23, the Center for Leadership Development awarded track coach Robert H. Johnson H'77 the Distinguished Achievement in Postsecondary Education Award. Per its description, the award is given to "...citizens from throughout Central Indiana who, through their exemplary character and work, have truly distinguished themselves. The individual has garnered said high honor through superb dedication and accomplishment in both the performance of life's work and the rendering of service to those in need. The CLD hereby awards this certificate of Distinguished Achievement in recognition of your personal commitment to the spirit of excellence in career and helping others."

"This honor was a complete surprise," Johnson said. "When I first got the letter about my nomination, I wasn't sure that they had the right guy. There were a lot of distinguished people there from the Indy

area, and I felt like an outlier. However, I was pleased and honored to be mentioned among them." Johnson was accompanied at the dinner by his family, fellow coaches, deans and trustees, and even some current Wabash students.

"When they called the winner, Coach Johnson's face was priceless," Clyde Morgan, Head Track and Cross Country Coach, said. "It was a well-deserved award for a great individual, so I was excited when Dean Jones nominated him."

The Center for Leadership Development is an organization designed to help students in their college and career readiness. The CLD has programs put in place to encourage the minority youth of Central Indiana to advance as future professional, business, and community leaders. These programs are guided by values that emphasize personal development and educational attainment. Furthermore, this organization offers additional

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NEW CFO KENDRA COOKS RETURNS TO HER ROOTS

BEN JOHNSON '18 | NEWS EDITOR • The Wabash College Business Office, while a very necessary department of the college, is not one that many students are familiar with. Aside from making your semester deposit to attend school and become a certified college driver, there are few interactions that most students make with the office located on the North side of Center Hall. However, the newly appointed head of the business office and Chief Financial Officer of Wabash College, Kendra Cooks, hopes to engage students and faculty more on their desires and needs to succeed at Wabash.

Cooks, an '84 alumna of Crawfordsville High School, will replace current CFO Larry B. Griffith, who is retiring after this year.

As Cooks is a native of Crawfordsville, she was

no stranger to the Wabash community growing up. Pam Turner, daughter of Horace Turner H'76 and long-time Director of the Malcolm X Institute, was one of Cooks' best friends throughout middle and high school. Friendships like these were what consistently brought Cooks to campus to attend athletic events, guest talks, and arts performances.

Cooks would not go too far down the road, as she attended Purdue University for her bachelor's and master's degrees, focusing on accounting and finance. She was originally looking for jobs in the private sector, until she was able to see higher education as a possible career avenue. "I fell in love with higher education once I began working

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SENIORS SELECTED FOR CHAPEL TALK, COMMENCEMENT SPEECHES

BRENT BREESE '19 | STAFF WRITER • The end of four years at Wabash is a time of great stress and anxiety to many, but for others, it is a time to reflect. As we approach the end of the semester, six seniors will give speeches in memory of their time at Wabash. During Senior Chapel, the four speakers will be Riley Lefever '17, Boyd Haley '17, Rodrigo Porras '17, and Tu Nguyen '17. Furthermore, this year's commencement speakers are Bilal Jawed '17 and Adam Burtner '17.

Lefever is an English major with a minor in History. An independant, he won the Wrestling National Championship every year at Wabash, serves as the Resident Assistant for Rogge Hall, and previously served as head RA, and is on the W.A.R. Council.

"It's an honor to be able to have the opportunity to speak at Chapel during my time here at Wabash," Lefever said. "It's a task few get to do, especially while attending, and I knew I had to jump to the opportunity." He hopes to inspire others and share a message of being grateful for the opportunities presented to him with his speech. "I want to leave others with a message of focusing on impacting those around them," Lefever said.



Rodrigo Porras

After graduation, Lefever plans on getting married in August, and then plans on training for the Olympic and World wrestling teams. When he finally decides to retire from wrestling, he plans on coaching.

Haley is a brother of Phi Kappa Psi with an economics major and a classics minor. Haley played rugby for two years, coached wrestling at the middle school level, and is an avid woodworker and outdoorsman.

"I think it is an honor that the Sphinx Club wanted me and the others to speak on our experiences," Haley said. "I think the faith they put in you as a Wabash man to go up there and be as real as you can is what makes our college great."

Haley wants to leave the message that Wabash is not an easy place, but that the constant struggle forces you to adapt. "No one at Wabash has it easy," Haley said. "What we should be doing is learning from these hardships instead of insulating people from the real world." As he leaves Wabash, Haley regrets not putting himself into more strenuous situations. "You don't know how far you can go until you hit your limit."

Porras is a brother of Kappa Sigma with a financial mathematics major and a French minor. Porras has played on the soccer team for four years, serving as captain. Porras was previously president of his house and is a

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HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

PLEASE, STOP CLIMBING, CLIMBING CLUB

Hi Five to the very few people of the Climbing Club for keeping every one of us constantly updated about the capacity of your trips. We love having our inboxes turned into reservation record databases, but please, try a listserv. At least y'all seem to grasp the concept of precise booking better than certain airlines.

A SANDY SURPRISE

Hi-Five to the Crawfordsville Municipal Golf Course for generously taking the leftover sand from the brothers of Phi Gamma Delta. We at the *Bachelor* are happy to see that the sangria-stained sand will get some good use there. We just hope that the golfers don't find some lost undergarments, cell phones, beer cans, sandals, sunglasses, red Solo cups, leis, and some dignity left over. Stay out of the traps, gents.

ROB LOWE AT DEPAUW

Hi-Five to DePauw for bringing Rob Lowe to speak down south. As LITERALLY our favorite person, we have nothing but positives about this. From Chris Traeger to Sam Seaborn, DePauw can gain an incredible amount of insight from this man. Hopefully, his enthusiasm can bring some life to the bell game next year.

CARNAGE GETS DOWN WITH THE BETAS

Hi-Five to the Betas for capping off the biggest party weekends of the year. The event featured amateur wrestlers with light bulb-smashing capabilities, an alternative jam band called Apunxta, and a sighting of the two national act performers. Many students claim they saw both Spag Heddy and Carnage in attendance at the social event. Spag Heddy experienced his first beer bong and called the night "the best party he's ever been to," while Carnage captioned a Snapchat that said "Wabash is litty."

APUNXTA > CARNAGE

Hi-Five to the over 750 people who went to national act... LOL. Clearly, y'all believed y'all had nothing better to do with your time. However, you could've read a book, written a poem, gone for a run, went to Steak 'n Shake, slept, or you could've seen Daniel Bowes '16 and his band Apunxta for free, who by far had the best performance of the night.

FRATERNITY DAY REVIEW

STUCKER '17 NAMED SENIOR FRATERNITY MAN OF THE YEAR

PATRICK JAHNKE '18 | STAFF WRITER • Last Sunday, Greek Wabash students and alumni came together for Wabash Fraternity Day and were given the chance to interact with each other, and celebrate the achievements of Greek life at Wabash. For some, this was their first chance to speak with brothers of other houses. A rule was set that no more than two members from the same fraternity were allowed to sit at a table, so members from all fraternities and classes got the chance to interact. At each table, the men discussed their own experiences, as well as the best and worst practices in a fraternity. On top of that, a representative from each fraternity gave a speech about the improvements they have made over the past year and what challenges they still have ahead of them.

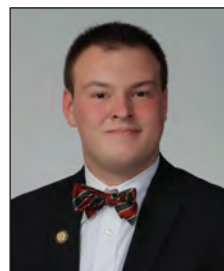
In addition to the interactions, Fraternity Day featured awards for individuals, pledge classes, and houses that have gone above and beyond what is asked for them. Phi Gamma Delta was given the award for top GPA in both the house and freshman pledge class. Beta Theta Pi seniors were awarded with the most impactful senior class, while Lambda Chi Alpha won the most impactful freshmen class. Theta Delta Chi put in the most work with community service and were awarded the Most Outstanding Philanthropy Award. Over the past year, Kappa Sigma worked tirelessly

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on growing as a house and were honored with Most Improved Chapter Award. Lastly, Beta Kyle Stucker '17 was awarded with the Dean Michael P. Raters Award to the Senior Fraternity Man of the Year.

"It is definitely an honor to receive the Dean Michael P. Raters' Senior Fraternity Man of the Year Award and be associated with the great Little Giants of years past," Stucker said. "Of course, I would not be able to receive the award without the help of my professors and senior pledge brothers, who also won the award for the Top Senior Class."

This was the Fifth Annual Wabash Fraternity Day and hopefully more will come. The day celebrates the



Logan Kleiman

Logan Kleiman '18, President of the IFC, said. "We need to keep doing it because it acts as a bridge between Greeks, alumni, faculty, and the rest of campus."

achievements of the Greek community and gives students and alumni the chance to interact with each other. "I love Fraternity Day because it gives us the chance to celebrate Greek Life,"

Cooks says that she really plans to have her work and projects revolve around the input of students and faculty. Particularly focusing on the planning and preparation for the college's bicentennial in 2032, Cooks believes that current students and faculty can play an intricate role in that. "To plan you have to understand the needs and desires of people around you," Cooks said. "So hearing information from students and faculty will be crucial for me to know."

Looking forward, Cooks has already begun to think about how to integrate maintenance of facilities with the rest of Wabash's goals, like increasing the student body and maintaining a low faculty to student ratio. "People always get excited about a new facility or new building, but they tend not to get excited about replacing the roof of current structures," Cooks said. "Unfortunately, that is a real cost and a real need." Cooks will begin serving her role as Special Assistant to President Hess on May 1 and begin serving as CFO on July 1.

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Porras feels that this is the culmination of four years of hard work at Wabash. "Being able to do this makes me feel like I did everything I possibly could here," Porras said. "I couldn't be happier to be a part of such a great tradition." Porras describes his four years here as extraordinary. Through all of the hardships, blessings, long nights, and laughs, he feels that he has become someone that he is proud to be. "As cliché as it may be, I hope to remind everyone to enjoy every second that you have here, because these days will soon become 'the good old days,'" Porras said. "Your four years here are the time and place where you truly start to discover who you are, so go out and figure it out." After graduation, Porras will work for Appirio in Indianapolis.

Nguyen is also a Kappa Sigma with a mathematics major and a computer science minor. Nguyen is a baritone in the Glee Club and a member of the Sphinx Club.

Nguyen hopes to leave a very simple message with his speech: "How to be a freshman and senior at Wabash College." When reflecting on his Wabash experience, Nguyen spoke very highly of the liberal arts curriculum. "The liberal arts have helped me to see the world in a very collective perspective," Nguyen said. "I think that I am now equipped with great knowledge to live humanely



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Adam Burtner '17 will join Bilal Jawed '17 as one of 2017 commencement speakers.

in the real world."

After graduation, Nguyen plans on studying mathematical data mining at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas.

Remember to come to chapel on April 27 to support these exemplary Wabash men and celebrate their achievements.

During most commencement ceremonies, universities and colleges will bring in an outside speaker to

offer words of wisdom on life after graduation. There is something to be said for Wabash who invites graduating seniors to reflect on their four years and represent their peers. This year speaking are Adam Burtner '17 and Bilal Jawed '17.

Burtner is a brother of Phi Gamma Delta with a rhetoric major and a double minor in religion and political science.

"I was invited to speak in a pretty funny way," Burtner said. "I had been out of town or busy every time Dean Raters '85 tried to contact me, so he sent me a text saying, 'call me ASAP...'" I stepped out of a meeting and called him immediately, as this is a pretty worrisome text to get from the Dean of Students." It turns out the problem Raters had in mind was that Burtner needed to find a speech topic. "Once I'd processed it, it was very humbling but nervous at the same time," Burtner said.

Burtner considers this speech the most daunting task he has ever faced. However, Burtner feels that his involvement made him an excellent choice to represent his class. On campus, he is heavily involved with the WDPD, and has presented research with various rhetoric professors. Off campus, he has worked for Jeff Perkins '89, a trustee of the college and CEO of Huntbridge.

As he stated before, this is the most important undertaking of

Burtner's life, and is putting a lot of care and thought into his speech.

"A good commencement speech leaves the class and audience with a sense of inspiration," Burtner said. "We can also offer insight on the state of Wabash and where it should look forward." One possible theme of Burtner's speech is the role of a Wabash man in today's America.

"I don't want my speech to just be about us; I want to give people food for thought for their own lives," Burtner said. Burtner hopes to live up to the challenge of standing among great Wallies that have given commencement speeches. "I think the excitement and nerves of the day will propel the energy and passion of my speech," Burtner said.

Jawed is a brother of Delta Tau Delta with a double-major in biology and spanish and a minor in chemistry.

On campus, Jawed has served as President of the Public Health Organization and has worked with the Global Health Initiative. He has also served as President of the Muslim Student Association, served on the AFC, works on the Mental Health Committee, and has traveled to Uganda and Peru studying global health risks.

Jawed had a similarly interesting initial offer to speak during

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support to students, including tutoring, success-planning, scholarships, and internships. Rogeno Malone '20 would not be a student at Wabash College if it wasn't for the scholarship he received from the Center for Leadership Development. "One of the main things I learned from is how to be more studious and diligent in my work," Malone said. "These programs also teach kids how to be effective men and women in society. The CLD provides students with a good opportunity to learn how to be leaders and excel tomorrow."

Multiple Wabash men sent in nominations and letters of recommendations to the CLD on Johnson's behalf. These included Steven Jones '87, Dean for Professional Development, President Gregory Hess, and former students of his. "Coach Johnson is one of the most gifted individuals I have ever met in my life," former student Emmanuel Aouad '10 said. "I use the word gifted in the sense that he is able to teach people how to achieve their goals without ever explicitly talking about those goals. He just has an innate ability to understand what is important to people and what makes them tick because he listens."

Johnson has brought a positive energy with him since being hired in 1971, inspiring and motivating all Wabash students, not just those in the MXI or track and field team. He also worked very closely with Horace Turner H'76 in both the Malcolm X Institute and the track and field team. "Horace Turner was a life coach, and he and I played a parental role for the black students here," Johnson said. "I don't think the college may be aware of how many students Horace talked into staying and finishing here. People who come from other places may feel alienated. Early on, very few black students joined fraternities. Horace broke that open. He did the same with the Malcolm X Institute. He was a uniter, and he has

done a lot of good for the College; he served the students well. I get emotional, and my voice breaks sometimes because I plead with them to take advantage of the Double O's at Wabash: the Options and Opportunities here."

"Coach Johnson was also there for me when my mom passed away last February," track team captain Cole Seward '17 said. "He understood where I was and what I needed to do to recover. I tried to repay the favor he gave me when we lost Horace Turner because those two were like brothers, and for the impact he's had on my life."

Johnson also wants to "put on record" the success he attained because of a former track competitor he coached: Greg Birk '77. "Because he was such a competitor, and eventually worked in admissions, he and I worked together to recruit guys who eventually made up our nationally-ranked team, especially at a place where academics are so important," Johnson said. "He pushed me and encouraged me, and we recruited hard and together. The success I've had would not have been possible without Greg Birk."

Johnson is from England, N.J. He is proud of his hard-working parents that encouraged education in his family. Of the Johnson kids, one became a surgeon, two have Ph.D.s, and the others have earned their master's degrees. He attributes his success to his parents for "putting up with my knucklehead." Johnson also challenges his colleagues, Hess, and Dean of the College Scott Feller, to "cooperate to provide more opportunities to interview more people of color to add to the dynamic of professors of color, to benefit the student body as a whole from the diversity." Johnson hopes his lasting legacy at Wabash will be his Johnson mantra: "The will to win, begins within. We are Wabash men. We know how to win. I am a Wabash man, and I know I can."

3 WHAT-UPS

WHAT'S GOING ON AT WABASH THIS UPCOMING WEEK

Charity Dodgeball Tournament - If you're sticking around for the Easter weekend and looking for something to do, sign up for the charity dodgeball tournament taking place tomorrow in the Allen Center, hosted by the MXIBS. All proceeds will be donated to the Halfway Home of Montgomery County. The tournament will begin at 10:30 a.m. and last throughout the day.

Earth Day Activities - Prepare for Earth Day coming up next Saturday by attending some events this upcoming Monday, April 17 held by the Environmental Concerns Committee. There will be a tree pruning basics session in the courtyard of Hays Hall at 1:00 p.m. Later on, there will be a film showing of *Time to Choose*, a documentary on climate change.

The History Boys - The Theater Department will open next week for their final production of the season, *The History Boys*. Directed by Michael Abbott '85, the show will go from Wednesday, April 19 to Saturday, April 22. All shows start at 8:00 p.m. Order your free tickets now.

POWELL '17 AWARDED TOP PRIZE AT 143RD BALDWIN ORATORICAL CONTEST

CHARLES FREY '19 | STAFF WRITER •

This past Wednesday, the campus hosted the 143rd Baldwin Oratorical Contest. Students compete to see who can speak the most eloquently about a given topic, and this year's was "Improving Indiana." After a fierce preliminary round, three finalists were chosen to present their persuasive speeches. Jacob Helmer '19, David Mason '18, and Andrew Powell '17 were the focus of the night, each giving drastically different ideas on how to improve Indiana. In the end, Powell was awarded the top prize.



Andrew Powell


Powell spoke first with his speech entitled, "Combatting Obesity." In his speech, Powell focused on the economic impact of unhealthy lifestyles, as well as the potential ways to resolve those same lifestyles—namely after school enrichment programs. The judges said, "He had an excellent use of data and statistics throughout, and we could tell he was very passionate."

Mason followed with his talk, "An Irresponsible Diversion: The Choice

Scholarship Program." The overarching question Mason asked was "Is the voucher system we have in Indiana just?" and proceeded to provide data and information to prove that the state might want to reconsider its policies. According to the data presented, 52% of voucher students had never attended a public school, the very schools the voucher program intends to aid. "David had the most courageous topic and did a very good job of using anecdotal evidence and data to support his position," the judges said. "It came off as a very personal speech, which made it very persuasive."

Helmer presented last. His speech was entitled, "Concussions in Youth Football" and took a look into the dangers of football for children. With an increase in concussion research across the nation, Helmer believed that Indiana should be proactive in concussion prevention for children aged 5-13. Simply put, the game isn't safe for children, and he proposed switching youth leagues from tackle to flag, preventing unneeded injuries. The judges said, "Jacob knows the topic very well, and we could tell that he cares about it deeply. We also noted that he focused on prevention rather than treatment."

Powell will have the opportunity to speak in next year's TEDxTalks event, and all finalists were awarded *The Complete Works of Shakespeare* and a cash prize.



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JAWED'S '17 PASSION FOR GLOBAL HEALTH GOES WELL BEYOND CLASSROOM

PATRICK McAULY '20 | STAFF WRITER

• There is one commonality between most college students that eventually becomes evident after spending four years away from home: people change. For Bilal Jawed '17, this concept rings true after hearing him talk about his Wabash experience. In high school, Jawed was part of a rigorous academic program known as International Baccalaureate, where students approach universal education methods as part of the growing age of global diplomacy and international relations. Upon graduating, Bilal's decision to continue his studies at Wabash left him feeling a little uneasy about the next four years. "I sort of had the classic Wabash fears," he said. "No social life, feeling isolated, and not having enough professional experiences because it is such a small school in Crawfordsville."

This turned out not to be the case. During his freshman year, Bilal took the Global Health class here at the college, further opening his eyes to a whole set of opportunities where he could develop his passion in the medical field. The class was very liberal arts-oriented due to a variety of students with different majors and areas of professional interest, further fostering an environment where students could appreciate different perspectives. More so, Jawed's fear of not having challenging experiences quickly vanished after taking

a triple lab one year, where he admits to learning more about himself during this test of intellectual endurance. His studies in the classroom led him to engage in more advanced experiences.

"My freshman year, I started working with the Montgomery County Health Clinic," he said. "It is a small health department and this experience pushed me to see other parts of the community."

While working with the health clinic, Bilal did some rather interesting labor that most college students would not usually have the chance to do. Jawed mentioned that he would participate in anything ranging from collecting mosquitoes for study to inspecting fraternity houses and local restaurants in Crawfordsville. It is easy for Wabash students to close themselves off from the rest of the world, even Crawfordsville, but Bilal was able to understand the stark issues that separated Wabash from the outside community in terms of health. He wanted to apply this local experience at the global level.

"The following year I went to Kampala, Uganda to work on an HIV/AIDS drug trial," Jawed said. "It was a life-changing experience and Wabash got me there. It sort of illuminated what I wanted to do and why I wanted to do it."

During his time in Uganda, it is fair to say that Jawal had the experience of a lifetime. Alongside Wabash alumnus Dr.

David Boulware '96, Bilal was working day in and out to help local residents in need of treatment and professional help. It was an exciting experience nonetheless, but Jawed did mention that frustration was inevitable because of the lack of resources in the hospital. It was not uncommon to see three or four people die daily due to a lack of treatment. At such a young age, Bilal was getting to experience health issues at the global level. Not only did this time abroad give him professional skills in the field, but it sparked a passion for something he could see himself doing as a long-term career. Now, at the end of his senior year, he is looking forward his post-graduate studies. Jawed recently was accepted by the Yale Public Health Program.

"Honestly, the best thing is letting all my professors, mentors, and friends know," Jawed said. "It was not all for nothing." He is still on the fence between IU Medical School and Yale, both being tremendous and highly-respected institutions. However, he is trying to set up a deferral program that will give him the opportunity to attend both programs consecutively. After finishing up his studies, Bilal plans to continue his passion for global health in third world countries - a goal that he hopes to be very similar to his time spent in Uganda. Eventually, he sees himself as a practitioner, but for now he aims to cross barriers and help people in different cultures. In addition to these achievements, Bilal was also recently selected to be the

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Bilal Jawed '17 (right) explains concepts to Mazin Hakim '17 at Celebration of Student Research.

commencement speaker for the Wabash College Class of 2017.

"I am anxious to represent everyone really well," Jawed said. "I feel a burden because I am not just representing my class. I do not want to spoil everything, but I definitely want to give the campus something they can take home and understand."

After spending four years at Wabash building up his passions and realizing his potential in the medical field, Jawed is enormously humbled and honored to accept this invitation to speak on behalf of his class and Wabash as a whole. He plans on creating a speech that will give the audience a way to connect with his thoughts as more of a subjective discussion rather than a speech. All in all, Jawed's time at Wabash has given him the professional skills needed to move forward with his life goals. It would not be a surprise to see him back in Uganda only a few years from now changing the world and showing just how Wabash men strive for excellence.

commencement. "I was called into Dean Raters office with him and Dean Feller," Jawed said. "They asked me if I knew why I was being called in, obviously trying get me to tense up and get nervous as a joke." At this point, they gave him the offer. Jawed was initially very surprised and feels the weight on his shoulders of representing everything about his Wabash experience.

Jawed has also put plenty of thought into his speaking strategy. "I think the best way is to speak from experience," Jawed said. "That's all I can really do. I want to speak as a fellow student, fellow brother, etc."

Living up the examples set before him is not Bilal's radar at the moment. "I don't expect to go down as a legend; I just want to do the best I can," Jawed said. "If I can convey my story in this speech, that's what I'm setting out to do." Being authentic and organic with his talk is his primary goal, rather than

meeting expectations of delivering the best speech Wabash has ever heard. "But if it happens, it happens." Telling his story is his only goal right now.

The most important parts of this story are the little pieces. "Daily conversations and micro-experiences are where Wabash lives," Jawed said. "My internships are great, but the core of Wabash is what happens from day-to-day." Jawed hopes to give the audience something they can digest and hold on to, as well as something down-to-earth.

We all know that these six men will do fantastic jobs representing Wabash, themselves, and their experiences. Wabash lives on through memories and traditions, but also through the stories and accomplishments of her loyal sons. Be sure to congratulate these men on their accomplishments and these great honors that have been extended to them.

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Jubilee! The universal rejoicing resounding at the birth of a child.

These headlines are obvious reasons for celebration. But the death of a rural poor man from a good-for-nothing town dying slowly and painfully in the heat during the day – why would anyone celebrate that? Multitudes of people nevertheless have and continue to rejoice today in celebration of the death of Jesus Christ of Nazareth on a cross.

Christ's death, resurrection on the third day, and later ascension into Heaven are known by many names: the Evangel, the Gospel, the Good News; but why are we celebrating? What about any of this gives reason to celebrate?

First, the Creator of all things has helped the helpless. The adage, "God helps those who help themselves" came from the Greeks and is antithetical to the Christian message. Every member of humanity without exception has rebelled against God, his goodness, and his holiness as declared in his



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Law. The Lord is due obedience and worship – something which each and every single one of us has neglected to give him.

Disobedience, unrighteousness, and wickedness have separated us from communion with God and placed us under his just, perfect, and righteous wrath: we cannot undo our sinning, we are responsible for it, and we cannot help ourselves.

These are the headlines: that war is ongoing; slavery holds us captive; oppression characterizes our lives; spiritual death defines our existence.

But God helps humanity, despite his inability its inadequacy in and through the person of Jesus Christ!

Anselm's question "Why the God-Man?" hits the mark: why must Jesus be both fully human and fully God? He was fully man to commune with us in our weakness, to be able to take our unrighteousness upon himself, and to give to us his perfect

righteousness. He was fully God so that he could endure the full, entire, and complete entirety of God's wrath of God the Father due for the sin he took from his people, to defeat death, sin, and Satan, and to rise from the dead.

Second, the glory of Lord God Almighty is declared all at once in the cross. Christ's crucifixion "was to show his [God's] righteousness at the present time, so that he might be the just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Romans 3:26).

In that one moment, God's wrath, goodness, holiness, righteousness, and justice were satisfied as he crushed the Son who bore the sins of the many (Isaiah 53). At that same time, God's grace, mercy, kindness, compassion, and steadfast love were demonstrated as his people were forever, irreparably redeemed.

Third, this victory, this redemption, this liberty, this jubilee is available to every individual—to you! This was Jesus' message from the beginning of his earthly ministry; it was his proclamation: "The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:14-15).

Jesus, God incarnate himself, does not advise people to obey. He does not recommend that people repent of their sin and believe in his person and work for their righteousness. Jesus commands it! And those who obey are forgiven their sin; they are justified; they are cloaked with the perfect righteousness of God.

Behold, this is why Christians celebrate the cross: it may seem foolish, but it is the wisdom of God!

If people had reason to celebrate victory in World War II, freedom from systematic oppression during the Civil Rights Movement, liberty at the birth of the United States, and jubilee with the life of a newborn, how much more must Christians as they celebrate each of these sentiments at the same time!?

We have victory over sin, death, and Satan through at the cross. We have freedom from our bondage to these evil taskmasters in the death of Christ. We have liberty from their cruel demands, and we have newness of life in the resurrection of Jesus!

Victory! Freedom! Liberty! Jubilee! Let us keep and combine these headlines, but the story must read as follows:

Each of us, without exception, is guilty of transgressing the perfect Law of God and the due penalty is death. But God himself has sent forth his Son to be the substitute. Jesus Christ took the sin of his people upon himself, and God's justice smote him once and for all at the cross. At the same time, Christ's perfect righteousness was given to us, giving us newness of life. This promise of victory, freedom, liberty, and life are guaranteed to those who repent of sin and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hallelujah and Amen!

AN ADVENTURE FROM CAMBODIA TO THE US

Cambodia is a developing nation that is still emerging from the effects of the Khmer Rouge regime. There were millions of citizens, including my parents, that suffered from the genocide, and it fundamentally transformed my country backward because the leaders killed all educated citizens. With our education system in tatters after the genocide, thousands of families including mine made a living through agriculture. Accordingly, the notion of getting an education abroad was so far beyond my family's financial capacity that it seemed unfathomable.

I graduated from Jay Pritzker Academy in 2014, and I got a scholarship to take a gap year in Florence, Italy. While in Florence, I was studied Early and High Renaissance, and enjoyed a rich cultural exchange between Italians, Americans, and myself. It was a small world; my benefactor knew Dr. Bill Cook '66, and he was invited to tour us around Florence and other places in Italy



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including his town, Siena, couple of times.

During fall break, my friends and I were travelling to Rome and Pompeii with Dr. Cook to see some more historical sites. While we were on the way to Rome, Dr. Cook was sharing his experience while he was at Wabash and encourage me to apply. He told me "You will be a good Wabash man." I am not sure what it really meant back then. With all the experiences he shared while he was at Wabash, and what

he has done in his career, he totally inspired me to seek this path to become someone like him.

I submitted my application to the college and went through the interview process with the admission office. After I got accepted, I told Dr. Cook and my parents. I knew for a fact that my parents would not be able to sponsor my education, and I told them that I will keep applying to different schools hoping to get a full scholarship somewhere. My faith was totally changed because of a generous alumni class of 1966 and Dr. William Cook. He got back to me and said that his foundation will help support my education at Wabash College.

Wabash College is a unique institution compared to others in the states, not only just the fact the it is an all-male college. The transition was not easy due to cultural differences, food, and the weather here. It took me a couple of days to adjust my eyes to seeing all males, but it took me forever to adjust to the food. Despite that this is an all-

male college, I really enjoy my experiences and the challenges with all my classes. I put in the effort to converse with people because I learn more about my fellow Wabash men and build long-term relationships with them. My four years will pass by really quickly without me noticing it, and I want to make the most out of my time while I stay here and it is a place where I will not be penalized when I make mistakes.

After I graduate, I am planning to get my master's and Ph.D. and work in the states for a couple of years to build my foundation and gain experience. Then I am planning to go back home and work for the government in the financial sector. I want to give back to my community as much as I possibly can.

Again, I would like to take this time to say thank you Dr. Cook for encouragement and support throughout my time at Wabash, and making the impossible happen. Thank you Wabash College for being a positive environment and educating me to be a better man.

LIVE MORE HUMANELY, AS A WABASH MAN SHOULD

Hello Wabash, thankfully, or unthankfully, I am not writing some typical cliché opinion piece about how “Wabash has totally changed my life!” I could certainly write about that, but since I love this place too much, I am willing to shed some light on, criticize, and be the face of an ongoing problem at Wabash concerning our queer brothers, even if I risk catching massive criticism, in an effort to form a more accepting brotherhood.

For those who don’t personally know me, I am bisexual. Traditionally speaking, I am a special snowflake outside of the ridiculous binary structure sexuality is always thrown into. A common critique of bisexuality is that it’s “just a phase.” It is NOT just a phase you go through. According to recent surveys in high schools and colleges, the bisexual community is twice the size of the homosexual community, yet bisexuality is widely criticized by both heterosexuals and homosexuals. Why? I’d have to say it’s from a general misunderstanding of sexuality (news flash: it’s not where you put your private parts). Sexuality is determined by who you are, or are not, romantically, emotionally, physically, psychologically and sexually attracted to (The American



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Psychology Association).

I am not here to lecture you about sexuality—we have a gender studies minor now—but I am hoping to shed some light on the perspective of my fellow bisexual/gay classmates. When I finally decided to come out in October, I had a weird feeling of both excitement and fear. I am fortunate to live in a fraternity—Phi Kappa Psi—that allows me to fully express myself around my brothers, but I couldn’t say the same for every fraternity. Out of all 10 fraternities on campus, I would only feel comfortable being out in three. I’ve had this same discussion with many open, and closeted, bisexual/gay Wabash students. Nearly everyone I talked to felt uncomfortable to fully express themselves like myself, and named very few, if any, fraternities

they’d feel comfortable being out in. This is disgraceful, and against one of the four cores that lead this campus: “Living humanely.”

It is impossible to count the number of times I have caught Wabash College students, on and off campus, saying the word “fag” as a derogatory term to downgrade someone. Nor can I count the number of times: fraternity pledgeship jokes were aimed to degrade new members through homophobia, Wabash College sayings, such as “DePauw Swallows,” supposedly current and former Wabash leaders disrespecting minority groups (including LGBTQ members and blacks), and men bragging about how much of a “man” they are because they are buff and have slept with many women (I am just as much of a man as anyone of you). I have been told, “You’re not bisexual, you’re just secretly gay,” and I still remember Wabash College students yelling, “Die faggots,” at Wabash alumni leaving the drag show from the Fine Arts Center my freshmen year.

This is unacceptable and one of the main reasons I was afraid to come out, and why I was disappointed by my own sexuality that I did not choose. The above statements might just be seen as locker room jokes, but

your fellow queer Wabash brothers hear you whether you know it or not, and many feel the same as myself, if not worse. I am glad that I was fortunate to gain the courage to fully express myself and come out. I constantly remember hating myself because of who I am, and it crushed me during a time I should have been studying and doing homework. I can’t imagine other Wabash students feeling the same, and I wish they don’t feel the same, but it’d be foolish for me to assume that I am the only one.

While I understand that anything that is not heterosexual behavior may be uncomfortable to you, and I understand many religious views against bisexuality/homosexuality—and I’ll never judge you and I will always respect you for your religious beliefs—but as Wabash men, it is your duty and obligation to live humanely by loving and respecting your brothers regardless of who they are. If you truly love this campus and its’ students, I encourage you to create a more accepting place for Wabash College’s LGBTQ community. For those who may be struggling like I did my first two years here, ‘shOUT, the counseling center, faculty, and myself are here for you. You are not alone.

THANK YOU: REMINISCING THE WABASH EXPERIENCE

If I were going to give a Chapel Talk, I would probably say something along the lines of this: thank you for everything Wabash. I had some great times that I will always remember, but I had some very bad times here as well. When I first came to Wabash in the fall of 2013, I was excited and nervous for what lay ahead. I had my friends and fellow high school classmates Chris Stazinski and Mason Zurek both class of 2016 and Shamir Johnson class of 2017 here to help me with adjusting to Wabash and being away from home. I want to thank those three for the friendship we have formed in the last eight years.

During my first semester here, I tore my hamstring in my first collegiate practice ever, was failing two classes, and felt like I had made no friends here. That is when three different groups came to my rescue from possibly dropping out of Wabash and getting my grades up. The first was the Malcolm X Institute. I never did join the MXI



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brotherhood officially, but they accepted me as one of their own regardless. I want to thank them for the times we have shared in that building, for the late night rap battles and watching the Super Bowl in the first floor classroom when we all should have been doing homework.

The second group was of course the track team. I have met and befriended some many talented runners, both on the team and on opponent teams as well. Coach Morgan had a lot of influence on me not giving up and dropping out. If he sees talent and potential in you, he’s not going to let you go. I do not

show it very much but I appreciate all he and my teammates have done to guide me to this point in my life. We have shared wins and losses together, we have both celebrated upsets and dominated the field while also been the words to be upset and dominated ourselves.

Through it all, we have never let a teammate feel down longer than five minutes or let his ego get too big after five minutes (a few exceptions of course). So, my thanks go to everyone that was a part of the track team from 2013 to 2017 for being a part of something I will always remember.

The last group is of course the group of guys that live in 310 Crawford Street. If I wasn’t hanging out with a track guy, I was with these guys. They are all good hearted guys that love and respect Wabash for what it is. They also like to scream Kylie for some reason. The 310 guys all made this place easier to bear for me and I thank them for it, and wish them the best on wherever life takes them after Wabash.

Finally, I want to thank you

Wabash. As mentioned earlier I had some bad times here. I also don’t think Wabash is perfect. I will say that I have grown as a man while I was here, I’ve made friendships that will last a lifetime, and I’ve gotten to travel to places that I didn’t think I ever would go. So, for every bad memory I have of Wabash, I have three great memories and learning experiences.

I challenge you to join that club/team, to talk to that guy that sits by himself in the library or at dinner, and to experience much more than just studying all day.

I may not have the best grades, but I bet I have one of the best stories to tell from my four years. On my final note, just in case you were wondering, I came in my freshmen year as a psychology major, computer science minor, with the independent mindset. I am actually graduating as a rhetoric major, political science minor, and as a Delt.

You could say that Wabash works in weird ways. Thank you.

STUDENTS JAM TO CARNAGE AT NATIONAL ACT



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Students from all over the state made the trip to Wabash to experience the EDM concert.



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An exuberant crowd welcomed DJ Carnage last Saturday night in Chadwick Court.



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Swedish DJ, Spag Heddy, opened for the Hip Hop DJ with a set more geared towards dubstep.



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Members of the Student Life Committee reported that there were over 750 people in attendance at the concert.

ABBOTT TEAMS UP WITH CLASSMATE IN NEW PLAY

DAMION DAVIES '19 | STAFF WRITER

• *The History Boys* are hopping across the pond and into Ball Theater with the help of Professor of Theater Michael Abbott '85. The play revolves around a group of high school students in England in the 1980s. However, the boys are not coming from wealthy areas such as the white-collar neighborhoods of London. They are instead coming from the blue-collar town of Sheffield, a town not known for producing the brightest men but have dreams of attaining prestige. These dreams hinge on the ability of the boys to get accepted into Oxford or Cambridge. The school's headmaster sees their resolve and hires a coach for the boys who takes the place as a teacher at their school. This young man, Irwin, offers a cutthroat way of teaching, not designed for its ease, but for its results. Although, the play then evolves into a battle of pedagogies when an older teacher at the school, Douglas Hector, begins to disagree with Irwin's teaching style. The argument of the best way to teach is played out on stage: should students learn to love learning or should they see proper education as simply a means to an end?

The play is provocative in nature and the audience should look forward to this. Though not the central intent, the play will be thought provoking and raise questions such as "Why do we teach?" "What should we teach?" and "How should we teach?" In addition, none of the questions are easily answered on stage or in real classrooms. The play is also about the boys growing, and as such, the play will look at the journey to prepare the students to take their place as adults. This is something



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The History Boys premieres in Ball Theater next Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Wabash students will hopefully relate to once the play has concluded. However, the goal of the play is to not just force the audience into deep thought; there is also plenty of humor and drama that makes for an evening well spent.

The History Boys is also special to Abbott; aside from directing the play, Abbott's longtime friend and former roommate, Adam Crowe '85, is returning to take his place in the ensemble cast. After graduation, Abbott decided to attend graduate school for theater while Crowe pursued a law degree and a career as a lawyer, despite protests from close friends. However, he continued to act in plays throughout his career as a

lawyer and decided to pursue the profession full-time. Now, after 32 years, Crowe and Abbott are back to entertain. Their last production together was in 1985, during the spring of senior year, where Crowe starred and Abbott directed a production of *Twelfth Night*.

According to Abbott, Crowe returning has been great for the students in the play. "He's the kind of actor our students aspire to be," he said. Abbott called working with Crowe a "pleasure, an honor, and a thrill."

Though, Crowe is not the only piece of the cast. Abbott said to be on the lookout for astonishing performances from the entire cast, but especially Zachary Anderson '18, Quinn Cavin '19, and Nathan Muha '18. Anderson will be playing Irwin, the younger teacher at the school, Cavin will be playing a student whose character is "at a crossroads," and Muha is playing Posner, who Abbott says "is perhaps the most interesting character in the play."

However, these rolls, as well as the others, have not been easier for the actors to master. Abbott emphasized that this is a true ensemble play, in which the many moving parts of the play lead to difficulty. On top of the amount of coordination for the play needed, the text itself is a challenge. Despite debuting in 2004, the play itself takes place 20 years prior. England in the 80s is something that no current Wabash student has experienced. Therefore, having a text that revolves around literary, historical, and pop-culture allusions prevalent at the time makes it harder for the actors to fall into the world of the play. However, Abbott assured that the problems were overcome and the audience should look forward to a spectacular spectacle.

The History Boys debuts Wednesday, April 19 at 8:00 p.m. in Ball Theater and will continue until Saturday, April 22. You can order your tickets from the Wabash College Box Office at www.wabash.edu/boxoffice.

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HOLLANDER’S LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Dear *Bachelor* Editors,

I raised an eyebrow when last week’s *Bachelor* referred to Logan Kleiman as “President of the IFC.” The IFC “President” is elected by the presidents of each fraternity, and not directly by the fraternity members themselves. Thus, he is, technically speaking, a “Prime Minister” or even “Premier,” not “President.” Given that nearly everyone on your staff is a graduate of PSC 121, I would expect you to know the difference. Prime Minister Kleiman certainly does.

Looking forward to comprehensive exams (he says ominously...),

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PREVIEWING EARTH WEEK

NICK VEDO '19 | STAFF WRITER •

The sudden torrent of spring rains has brought warming temperatures and the first appearance of blooming plant life. Spring has sprung in Crawfordsville and it looks to be a beautiful one. With all of these natural gifts appearing, many students may be spending more time outside. However, one group of Wabash men, the Environmental Concerns Committee, hopes that students do not just enjoy nature, but also learn to protect it.

With the coming of Earth Day next Saturday, the committee has created a jam-packed "Earth Week" leading up to the annual holiday. "Our goal is to make Wabash a greener and more environmentally conscious place," committee member Brandon Arbuckle '19 said. This effort is based upon the idea of awareness, the fundamental goal of the club, "Raising awareness is extremely important because the general Wabash population, if presented with a problem and ways to solve it, will fix the problem," Matthew Hopkins '19 said. "So simply by raising awareness of the climate change problem and providing a way that Wabash men can help out, we are

hoping to spark a movement for change within the student population."

The week will begin with a program put on by environmental comedian Jim Poyser, who will be running a game show in Detcon International Hall on Monday afternoon. Later that night, there will be tree pruning lessons and an environmental documentary offered. On Friday, the Wabash College Biology Department will host Dr. Christine Rollinson who will discuss the issue of climate change's effects on biotic interactions. Finally, the main event will come on April 24, the Monday following Earth Day. "Wabash College will be hosting Dr. Dan Reifsnnyder, the deputy assistant secretary for the environment, who will discuss the process leading up to the Paris accords by the U.S. state department," Arbuckle said.

The Earth Week tradition is one that the Environmental Concerns Committee hopes to carry out annually in all of the years that follow. All of the upcoming week events are open to all students and should be a fun and informative time. So, grab a group of friends and learn about all that you can do to help reverse the effects of climate change and save our planet.



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The ECC's celebration of Earth Week could not have come at a better time, with the recent rise in temperature and blooming of campus's flowering trees.



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- The White House asserted on Tuesday that Moscow had released "false narratives" to mislead the world about the chemical attack in Syria last week. A report by the National Security Council said U.S. intelligence had confirmed that the government of President Bashar al-Assad had used sarin gas on its own people; Russia blamed insurgents for the attack.
- The White House press secretary, Sean Spicer, drew outrage for suggesting that the Syrian president was guilty of acts worse than Hitler's and saying that the Nazi leader had not used chemical weapons, ignoring the use of gas chambers during the Holocaust. He later stated that he regrets making the comparison.
- United Airlines has apologized for forcibly removing a passenger from an overbooked flight, after a video of the episode caused a public relations crisis. "No one should ever be mistreated this way," the company's chief executive said.
- The late guitarist J. Geils passed away earlier this week. His popular 1980s band, The J. Geils Band, produced a series of catchy 1980s pop hits including "Centerfold," "Love Stinks" and "Freeze Frame." He was 71.
- Oklahoma City Thunder's Russell Westbrook broke the NBA record for Triple-Doubles in a season last Sunday, passing Oscar Robertson. Westbrook's current total stands at 42.
- A new study traces the evolutionary history of ants throughout the Americas that cultivate fungus to feed themselves in underground chambers. Apparently, millions of years ago in South America, itty-bitty ants with brains no bigger than a pinpoint gained the ability to farm fungus. Scientists state that this habit formed after the Chicxulub meteor impact that destroyed two thirds of the life on earth.
- Being obese, smoking or having high cholesterol, high blood pressure or diabetes in midlife is associated with an increased risk of dementia later in life. Now researchers have found these five risk factors correlate with the development, years later, of amyloid brain plaques, a hallmark of Alzheimer's disease.
- President Trump has spoken with President Xi Jinping of China about the escalating tensions over North Korea's nuclear weapons program. Mr. Trump opened the door on Tuesday to making trade concessions to Beijing in exchange for greater Chinese support in pressuring Pyongyang.

BACK IN THE WIN COLUMN

LITTLE GIANTS SPLIT FOUR-GAME SERIES WITH OHIO WESLEYAN

JAKE CHRISMAN '20 | STAFF WRITER • The Little Giants baseball team split two doubleheaders over the weekend in Delaware, Ohio against Ohio Wesleyan University. Saturday's games both ended 5-4, one in favor of Wabash. On Sunday, the Little Giants won game one, 7-1, and lost game two, 3-1. "We struggled the first day getting quality at bats," Andrew Roginski '17 said. "The second day, we got together as a team and got the energy going. Overall, we performed better, but there's still some little things we have to fix. In general, we are doing well as a team."

The Little Giants struck first in game one with an RBI single from Bryce Aldridge '18, but the lead would be short lived with Wesleyan scoring a pair of runs in the second and a third in the third inning. The Little Giants answered the Battling Bishop rally with a pair of runs in the top of the fourth from an RBI double from Henry Wannemuehler '20 and an error off Sean Roginski '19. The Little Giants would retake the lead in the seventh on a two-run double from Cole Harlacher '18. They would then hold off a late

rally in the bottom of the ninth to win 5-4.

On the mound in game one for the Little Giants was Jensen Kirch '17 who finished the game with one walk, four strikeouts, forfeiting 12 hits, and three runs in his six and one thirds innings pitched. Luke Dant '19 came in relief for Kirch and pitched two and one thirds innings before being replaced by Erich Lange '19, who would get the final out of the game. Kirch would get the win, improving his record to three and two.

Game two didn't go as well for the Little Giants. Wabash jumped out to an early three to nothing lead in the top of the first, with three extra base hits from Jared Wolfe '19, Eric Chavez '19, and S. Roginski. Roginski then drove his brother in with an RBI single. Despite the early offense, the Little Giants couldn't hold on and the Battling Bishops tied the game at four in the bottom of the eighth and won in walk-off fashion in the ninth. Bryan Roberts '18 started on the bump for the Little Giants and threw for seven innings before giving the reigns to Dant in the eighth and Lange in the ninth. Lange took the loss on the mound for the Little Giants.

Things seemed to come back together for the Little Giants in Sunday's first game. "It was good to see some spark in us," A. Roginski said. "I think we got hot in Arizona



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Erich Lange '19 delivers the ball to the plate in this past weekend's series at OWU.

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SUCCESS AT THE BIG BLUE

WABASH PLACES THIRD AT THE BIG BLUE ALUMNI INVITATIONAL

PATRICK MCAULEY '20 | STAFF WRITER • This past Saturday, the Wabash College Track and Field Team competed in the Big Blue Alumni Invitational Outdoor Track and Field meet at Millikin University. Not only was the sun shining, but the team was the healthiest it has been all season. The team posted a total of 129 points, earning it third place behind Greenville College (228.5 points) and Vincennes University (146 points). Furthermore, certain individuals took it upon themselves to break the through to the top spots in their event, providing the Little Giants with 33 top-eight finishes for the day.

Some guys stood out tremendously, especially a few underclassmen that are on the uprise. Satchel Burton '18 won the 110-meter hurdles with a time a final time of 15.50. Cole Seward '17 seized a third-place, career best time of 51.02 in the 400-meter dash. Jonah Woods '18 took second place in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a

time of 10:03.46. The freshman pair of Rogeno Malone and Chandler Steward finished eighth in each of their events, further showing some strength from the underclassmen that will eventually control the team. After coming off of a very strong weekend prior to Saturday, PJ Schafer '18 continued his success story with three top-eight finishes, one of which being a career best fifth place in the long jump with a distance of 6.52 meters. A strong showing like this cannot be achieved without some helpful coaching advice.

Clyde Morgan, Head Track and Cross Country Coach, could be the epitome of positivity in athletics here at Wabash. Many people know him, after Freshman Orientation, for his coined phrases such as "Men of Wabash" and "Nothing Breaks Us." Wabash is known for its fighting mentality both on and off the athletic field, but Morgan takes his team to a whole new level with a mindset based on mental toughness and

competitive drive. "He is a natural public speaker," Luke Doughty '18 said. "It is nice for him to say and put in words what is on our minds before going into a meet." This type of coach-player communication is essential to building strong team chemistry and a sense of belief that, often times, many teams even lack to understand. A focus on winning is important, but teams will not get close to doing so without the right attitude and work ethic. After the weekend, the Little Giants have some major takeaways to move forward with.

Positive thinking creates positive results. A combination of Morgan's support along with this newly discovered team unity has fostered a positive tone that the Little Giants plan to move forward with. This upcoming weekend, the track and field teams will be competing at the All Indiana DIII Championships at DePauw University at 11 a.m.



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Steve Reidell '20 races down the track towards the finish line.

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and when we started conference play we saw some better pitching and we had a little trouble adjusting. I think this past weekend we started putting the little things together and it's good to see us battling against these tougher opponents. We are starting to play Wabash baseball the way it's supposed to be played."

The Little Giant's pitching staff held the Battling Bishops to three hits in nine innings, while the Wabash bats seemed to explode for seven runs. Michael Herrmann '17 limited Wesleyan to three hits in seven and two thirds innings, while recording eight strikeouts and conceding three walks. First in relief was Kevin O'Donnell '19 who struck out two while walking three. Zach Moffett '20 would come in to record the final out and preserve the shutout.

The Wallies took a step back

though in game two on Sunday, losing 3-1. The Little Giants were held to only five hits by Wesleyan starter Chris Punka and only scored one run on a groundout by Tyler Downing '18 in the fifth inning. On the mound for the Little Giants was Cody Cochran '18 and Ryan Thomas '19 who each threw four innings. Cochran allowed three runs off seven hits and three walks. He took the loss to drop to 1-1 on the season.

The Little Giants return home this weekend to take on the Wittenberg Tigers in their first home series in three weeks. "Wittenberg is a strong team this year with their new coach," A. Roginski said. "I definitely think they are going to be better than last year so we are going into the weekend to play the best baseball that we can." The Tigers also split a four-game series with OWU and sit at 3-5 in conference.

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LACROSSE DROPS GAME AT OWU AFTER STRONG SENIOR DAY VICTORY

ZACH MOFFETT '20 | STAFF

WRITER • After a rough patch last week facing solid conference opponents Kenyon College and DePauw University, the Little Giants lacrosse team looked ahead to its Senior Day at home last Saturday against Hiram College (2-6), and then back on the road to Ohio Wesleyan University on Wednesday.

The senior game was a close match against Hiram, as both sides scored three goals at the end of the first. Andrew Weiland '19 and Collin Brennan '19 would score the first three goals in the first period. Brennan went on to score two more goals of the three scored in the second period. Wabash only allowed Hiram to score two goals in the second, as the Little Giants went into half up one. The Little

Giants defense came in handy in the third, not allowing Hiram to score at all in the third period. The defense was able to hold strong against wave after wave of attack from the Terriers. Weiland, Brennan, and Dajon Thomas '18 added three more goals in the third quarter to put the Little Giants

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HOLTEN WARRINER

up 9-5 over Hiram. However, Hiram wouldn't go down easy. The Terriers scored a goal to put them back within three late. Tucker Dixon '19 shut down Hiram's last attempt at the comeback, scoring

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WALLIES SET SEASON RECORD

SINGLE DAY SEASON LOW SURGES WABASH TO FIFTH PLACE FINISH

JAKE CHRISMAN '20 | STAFF

WRITER • The Wabash golf team returned to action this past weekend, competing in the Hanover Invitational. A season low 317 on Saturday and a 329 on Sunday lead the Wallies to a two-day total of 646 and a fifth place finish. "Looking at what we shot, we played pretty well and improved where we needed to," Kyle Warbinton '20 said. "Overall, it was a pretty good weekend."

Leading the Little Giants was Warbinton, who placed 14th individually with a two-day total of 158. "It's a privilege just to be able to play college golf," Warbinton said. "I put together a couple of

good rounds that allowed me to place high. Everything is starting coming together and I'm starting to become a more well-rounded player." Also contributing to the fifth place finish was Mason Asher '18 (160), Ben Kiesel '20 (162), and Zachary Podl '20 (166).

The Little Giants return to action in Meadville, Pa. on April 22 at the 2017 NCAC Golf Championship.

WABASH
5th/6 Teams



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Ben Kiesel '20 tees off and sends the ball down the fairway.



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TODAY

Baseball - 1 PM vs. Wittenberg
Tennis - 5 PM at Denison University

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

Tennis - 10 AM at Wittenberg University
Track and Field - 11 AM at DePauw University
Lacrosse - 1 PM vs. Oberlin

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

Lacrosse - 4 PM vs. Wittenberg

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

Baseball - 4 PM vs. Earlham



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

John Rodgers '19 takes a face off against a Hiram opponent on Senior Day. Rodgers went 11-17 on faceoffs on the day.

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back-to-back goals within seconds of each other. Edward Henderson '20 would cap off the fourth period by scoring his first career goal with under two minutes to go in the fourth. Wabash finished the game with 40 shots on net and 15 face off wins, taking the win over Hiram 12-8.

The big take away from this game was lone senior, Holten Warriner '17, playing in one of his last home games of his Wabash career. Warriner has been a major asset to the Little Giant's program as he passes the torch to a very young squad. "We are very young and there are guys that are stepping up that are filling into those roles as leaders," Warriner said. For the Little Giants, this is huge as Warriner leads this group of young guys into those roles and increases his teammates' abilities to step up. "We really are building a program and a strong culture behind that," Warriner said. "Coach Richardson is doing a phenomenal job and a lot of players on the team do not realize their contributions to building the program." Warriner is a class act in understanding his role as a leader for the lacrosse

team and is helping to strengthen this program.

After the Little Giants' Senior Day win, they went on to face in-conference opponent Ohio Wesleyan, who is currently one of the top teams in the nation. Things did not go well for Wabash, going down by six in the first period. The onslaught continued as the team allowed 10 goals alone in second period. Dixon, Steven Stark '19, and Jacob Taylor '20 scored the only three goals of the game for Wabash. The final score of the game was 29-3. Even with an ugly score, the Little Giants received praise from the opposing coaching staff for the team's fight and progress they've made over the past few seasons.

Heading into Easter weekend, Wabash will host another game on Saturday against Oberlin College and will follow that up with their last home game of the year on Tuesday against Wittenberg University. The Little Giants currently sit at 5-8 and look to finish strong in their final stretch. Come out on Saturday and Tuesday to support your Little Giant lacrosse team.