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# Jones ‘87 Leads Partnership to Improve Education in Indianapolis

SEDGRICK WHITE ‘22 | STAFF WRITER • An Indianapolis native, Dean Steven Jones ‘87 is proud to be recently elected to the Board of Directors for The Mind Trust. “I was delighted to find that I had been elected to serve,” said Dean Jones. The Mind Trust is a non-profit Indianapolis based organization created to provide access to high quality education for the children of Indianapolis. Founded in 2006, David Harris and former Mayor of Indianapolis, Bart Peterson, created the organization after David Harris spent five years as Mayor Peterson’s charter school director. As the director, David Harris and Mayor Peterson received Harvard University’s Innovation in American Government Award. The Mind Trust is an organization determined to provide opportunities to every student in Indianapolis, with no exceptions. The Mind Trust’s Board of Directors is filled with influential members. Alongside Dean Jones, the CEO of the Indianapolis 500, Mark Miles, and the anchor for CBS Sunday Morning, Jane Pauley, are members of the board as well. “They have a great group of individuals,” said Dean Jones. Beyond the board of directors, The Mind Trust is an influential organization in the Indianapolis area. In 2008, the Mind Trust recruited Teach for America to Indianapolis. Subsequently, the organization partnered with the Mayor’s Office and Indiana Public Schools to launch the Innovation Network Schools. The Innovation Network Schools allows districts to restart, build, and launch schools with their own boards. Through the Innovation Network Schools, communities gain their autonomy under state law, while the financial support and services of a district school is still available. As a member of the Board of Directors for The Mind Trust, Dean Jones aspires to become a positive influence on the children of Indianapolis. He desires to display the possibilities that are obtainable through education to his fellow Indianapolis natives. “And now as I try to give back to other young people, and help, hopefully

to some degree, set a high standard for excellence, and creating a sense of connection, when they look at, here’s a young man who grew up in Indianapolis,” Dean Jones said. It is the past which influences Dean Jones to be a passionate member of The Mind Trust. “Our family, we weren’t poor, but we weren’t rich either,” said Dean Jones. “And so, we had what we needed, but we didn’t always have what we wanted.” As a member of The Mind Trust, Dean Jones wants to expand the boundaries and possibilities for the children of Indianapolis. Through the organization, he hopes to connect with young people, and open their minds to the possibilities they are not thinking about. “As you make a connection, as you build relationships with them, you can help them understand their horizon can be a lot further out and a lot bigger than what it is,” Dean Jones said.

Dean Jones is integral to the Wabash College campus, and he intends to continue his work at The Mind Trust. “Whenever I have the opportunity to talk with the Wabash Liberal Arts Immersion Program [WLAIP] students, I always ask how hard will you work,” said Dean Jones. “Everybody who has been accepted to the college has the ability, the question becomes how hard will you work.” Combining both his Indianapolis education and Wabash education, Dean Jones will motivate young men and women to take advantage of their resources. It is not only about having access to high-quality education, but it is about understanding the various resources the young people of Indianapolis have.

Evidently, Dean Jones is at the correct organization. In 2018, Stanford University’s Center for Research on Education Outcomes (CREDO) found that students in Indianapolis charter and Innovation Network Schools are making strong academic gains. The Mind Trust is undoubtedly improving the Indianapolis education system, and Dean Jones intends to continue this positive influence as a board member. “As a part of this organization, I think for me personally, it is to uphold the great Wabash name,”



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Jones ‘87 brings value to lives at Wabash and beyond.

said Dean Jones. “But then also, more importantly, think about the ways that we can enhance what it is that the board is responsible for.” Beyond the Wabash name, Dean Jones aspires to ultimately improve the chances of success for the students

of Indianapolis. “I’m hopeful that we will continue to eradicate the obstacles that young people are faced with,” Dean Jones said. If The Mind Trust’s record is anything to go by, Dean Jones will fulfill his ambitions and more.

## Braun ‘72 Offers Advice, Legislative Insight



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Braun ‘72 addresses Wabash in Salter Hall.

ALEX ROTARU ‘22 | ASSISTANT COPY EDITOR • On Tuesday Indiana Senator Mike Braun ‘72 returned to Wabash, to give a talk about his life experiences and how they play into who he is today and what he is undertaking in his new role in the US Senate. Using facts and his experience as guides, he will be searching for solutions to the nation’s most critical issues during his term.

A native of Jasper, Indiana, he has grown up in what he describes as “the most Catholic city in the state.” He and his wife attended the same grade school and high-school. For Braun, the greatest sources of lessons were his friends and community. He believes that, because this attitude no longer prevails as much, the ‘mentor’ culture has been created.

Originally a Biology major at Wabash, he switched briefly to Political Science, after which Braun settled on Economics. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. The biggest lessons he reports learning were from his elective courses in Philosophy, Speech (now Rhetoric), Latin, and English. While he disliked

greatly etymology in high-school, Braun had grown to love it in the classic halls of Wabash.

Immediately after graduation, Braun attended Harvard Business School. While he did have the option to work on Wall Street, he decided to go back to his hometown and start a business, selling car accessories. In the Fall of 1981, when the economy fell, Braun’s business was hit hard. What turned around his business were his old school principles of not overspending and saving for a rainy day, as well as a little piece of advice from his older cousin, who was in the turkey business: “make sure you’re the low-cost producer.” So, when the 2008 recession hit, Braun’s business was actually growing due to frugal spending, while the market itself was collapsing.

As a senator, his biggest concerns are related to higher education and healthcare. For Braun, the solution does not come from the Federal Government. Rather, local and state forces should act on what best describes the local situation, in order to best allocate



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Braun ‘72 speaks to his Phi Delt brothers.

resources, and reduce waste. And, in Braun’s mind, it was wasteful attitudes that plunged America into an ever-increasing debt, which right now is hovering around \$1.5 trillion.

When asked about his views and plan of action against climate change, Braun talked about how, in situations such as this, the most important step is to not dismiss issues and to find sustainable solutions for the issues at hand. Braun is the only Republican in the Climate Caucus, and is the only one questioning the sustainability of projects coming in from Democrats. In this polarized world, people are so entrenched on one side of the political spectrum that they cannot see flaws in their solutions.

In the Senate, according to Braun, there is congeniality only on unimportant matters. “Nobody wants to leave the gravy train they’re on,” Braun said. And it is this very miscommunication that is keeping progress at a standstill. In many ways, because of the vast responsibility the Federal Government has, it is easy for them to be less in touch with the needs

of every specific community – and this is why America was designed for home governing, in Braun’s eyes.

There are also solutions potentially coming in from the private sector. In higher education, programs like ‘Back a Boiler’ at Purdue, or, in healthcare, having physicians forego using insurance completely to lower their prices, are some of the ideas worth exploring for Braun.

Finally, Braun was asked about the separation of illegally immigrating families and gun control. His answers reflect the strong desire of Americans for stability in unstable times such as today. Having red flag laws, where public safety officials can intervene before it is too late, has lowered the suicide rate. And raising legal immigration levels would reduce the amount of cases of illegal immigration.

The next President’s Distinguished Speaker Series event will occur tonight, in Ball Theater, with Will Shortz, the Puzzle Master of NPR, speaking in Ball Theater at 7:30 p.m.



# Several Professors, Community Members Protest Braun ‘72



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN HIGH

Clad in Mylar blankets for warmth, protestors stare down Braun ‘72.

BENJAMIN HIGH ‘22 | PHOTO EDITOR • On Tuesday night, Senator Mike Braun ‘72 visited Wabash College to give a lecture at Salter Hall to a gathering of students, faculty, professors, and community members. Not all members of the Wabash community were enthused to see the Senator on campus, however. A number of professors, alumni and community members chose to make their displeasure known in various ways, including boycotting the lecture, picketing outside the Fine Arts Center, and wearing ‘space blankets’ similar to those provided to illegal immigrant children separated from their parents at the border stations. BKT Assistant Professor of English Derek Mong published an open letter to Senator Braun, which was then

signed by 17 Wabash professors and alumni. This letter explained their absence from the lecture. “We write to explain to you why we cannot, in good conscience, attend your talk at Wabash College on September 3, 2019. Our absence is an act of protest. Your presence is a reminder of all that you’ve failed to do to shame, slow, or even stop this President—and the leader of your political party—from further damaging our republic,” begins Mong’s letter. The protests focused largely on Braun’s inaction when faced with current President’s actions. Mong’s letter criticizes Braun for not denouncing many of the President’s policies on a number of issues which liberals and even some conservatives have spoken out against. “We speak of his detention practices



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Senator Braun was greeted by abandoned signs outside the Fine Arts Center.

at the border... his climate denialism... and his authoritarian tweets,” states the letter, addressing concerns towards President Trump. The letter cites conservative columnist George Will’s criticism of current Republicans, saying, “George Will calls the current GOP a ‘cult surrounding the particular personality of the 45th President.’ Will is a lifelong conservative; you, sir, perpetuate that cult.” It is stated that his responses to the president are insufficient, that he has failed to sufficiently denounce his actions, and that he has benefited or supported certain actions that the president has taken. In addition to the protest through absentia, a number of picketers raised signs with phrases including “Remember

history? We do!” “Let my people go,” and “Close the camps,” among several others. Among the protesters were several current and former Wabash professors, as well as several members of the community. These picketers stood outside the Fine Arts Center for approximately an hour before the lecture, and then left their signs resting across the ground in front of the windows to Salter Hall. Several protesters then entered the Lecture Hall and wrapped themselves in the ‘space blankets,’ representing the blankets given to migrant children who were separated from their families at the border, a Trump administration policy which the protesters criticized Braun for failing to oppose.

# Construction Continues on New Gateway to Campus



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New and returning students were welcomed by a construction site this August.

ALEX ROTARU ‘22 | ASSISTANT COPY EDITOR • In the 1950s, under President Frank Hugh Sparks, architect Eric Gugler, who designed the Lilly Library, Baxter Hall, and the Sparks Center, had great plans for Wabash College. He planned to pedestrianize the college streets, remove the railroad tracks going by what are today Theta Delta Chi, Fischer Field, Lambda Chi Alpha, and Goodrich Ballpark, and create a new, grand entryway at the corner of Wabash and Grant Avenues, according to President Byron Trippet’s account in Wabash on My Mind. Many of these projects are being taken back into consideration today. Of them, one is currently being turned into reality: the gateway. “The main [goal of the project] is to make sure that people get a sense of arrival when they come to Wabash,” said Gregory Hess, Wabash College President. This project is timed with the county’s ‘Rails to Trails’ project, which

aims to create the Sugar Creek Trail over the old railroad that currently passes by Franklin and Jennison Streets, and extend it through downtown Crawfordsville, through Pike Street and Grant Avenue. “The goal was that, if we could harmonize all that activity at the same time, we could find some cost savings,” Hess said. Once the trail will be completed, people will be able to link Wabash, Crawfordsville, and the Sugar Creek together, and “put a real exclamation point on Crawfordsville and Wabash College,” Hess said. The gateway is another project in the long list of initiatives to build bridges between the institution and Montgomery County. From Fusion54, at the intersection between Main St. and Washington St., to the CIBE getting involved to help businesses in the community thrive, to opportunities to work and intern at county agencies, Wabash has been making

a major impact on the community. “Crawfordsville and Montgomery County is a learning living lab for the college,” Hess said. “There’s so many ways to gain great experiences by applying your education here. And I think that’s a long-term benefit for both the college and the city.” At the same time, the Class of 1838 Steps were sacrificed for the project to get off the ground. However, they were difficult to maintain and sensitive to the elements. “You can only skin coat the cement so many times before you realize you have to redo it,” Hess said. At the same time, “people will miss the sign a little bit, but I’m sure that’s being preserved somewhere; we’ll find a great spot for it.” “Change is always kind of hard,” Hess said. But, with every change comes the opportunity for new traditions to arise, and for embracing the future while still honoring the past. “I think people will like that there’s

a lot of historical elements in the gateway,” Hess said. “It’s got a lot of beautiful Indiana limestone, [and] a lot of the red brick look that the college is known for.” The college is aiming for a Center-Hall-like look for the entryway. The gateway will also serve as a place of memorial and recognition for various alumni. The gateway project is part of a greater master plan to bring the college to the next level by the bicentennial in 2032. “We have to design the college for its third century,” Hess said. “And we thought this was a stronger third century look that resonates with our values of being. It’s still going to reflect a very intimate educational environment, but also signal a bit more warmth, and more of a sense of arrival than the previous gateway did.” The gateway project is going to be completed and dedicated in early October, should the weather not interfere with the construction work.





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Previously, Mr. Schurg stated that the political left has become radicalized and removed from the average American. He stated that 11 Democratic Presidential Candidates are promising free, universal healthcare, even for illegal immigrants. He shared his belief that these programs are immoral as they would “take away funding from programs that could help struggling American families”. He makes the argument that nothing from the government is free, as it costs tax money, then argues that these programs would poison young American’s minds with a

## People Want Representation

sense of entitlement. He blames socialism for the deaths of millions of people and states, “I don’t deserve free healthcare because I am an American.” He accuses Reps. Omar, Ocasio-Cortez, Pressley, and Tlaib of anti-Semitism and anti-Americanism, presumably for their position that we should not fund Israel [which we gift \$38 billion and weapons annually] if they do not allow our representatives to visit them. He states that he supports “diversity of thought, but not of value.” At the end, he calls for a return to morals and convictions, and a turn from using feelings to guide oneself.

To begin, I’d like to correct what I am sure is an innocent mistake in Mr. Schurg’s claims. First, only 10 Democratic Hopefuls have stated a plan for universal healthcare, and not one of them claims it will be free, and no candidate has promised care for illegal immigrants. While few candidates have released their plans for funding, some “socialists” like Sen. Sanders have detailed plans on a shift in tax structure to fund

a healthcare program that would actually cost less than our current overall national healthcare costs, while insuring more people. I would contest the idea of entitlement to healthcare when it’s a service we pay for. The US is actually indebted \$2.79 trillion to the social security trust fund as of 2014, so one could argue that we are actually owed more than we are receiving. But that is an argument for another time. Also – how could universal healthcare detract from care of our own citizens? By definition those veterans and families Mr. Schurg is concerned for would be cared for under any of these programs, more so under those “free” programs he denounces, as they are designed to serve our citizens that do not have the funds to afford private healthcare.

I would instead like to address the rhetoric that Mr. Schurg uses when referring to our representatives. First, many people in the US and abroad have argued that Israel is committing human rights offenses daily. It is not anti-Semitic to

question funding a nation potentially violating human rights. Second, I do not believe Israel should be immune to scrutiny because of the plight of the Jewish people. To accuse our representatives of being un-American and anti-Semitic is incredibly insulting and short-sighted. Further, “socialism” did not kill millions of people. Inflammatory rhetoric, impoverished people, a history of world-wide anti-Semitism, and a willingness to blindly follow orders, combined with an extraordinarily evil system of oppression killed millions of people. I strongly suggest that anyone with this view take PSC327 with Prof. Hollander [no requisites!].

I won’t tear into Mr. Schurg’s paradoxical word choice in his last paragraph, as I simply don’t have the space for it. Instead, I will simply state that we must follow our own values and the facts, not personalities or buzz-words, and not ideologies. People want and need to be represented, and they all contribute to our diversity and our greatness as a nation.



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At a glance of our college, you will notice a lot of things. You will notice an outstanding institution with hundreds of successful graduates. You will notice a rich history of academics, athletics, and spirit. You will notice a unique culture of competitiveness and fortitude that manifests itself in many ways, from our beloved Monon Bell to our iconic mascot: Wally Wabash. However, there are often times that, when looking at this big picture, we overlook the miniscule details that subtly affect us. We might notice them and brush them off, or we might even be blind to them, but what I am trying to say is that every little thing that exists affects

us, whether we notice it or not.

Take a good, long look at Wally Wabash. Examine every detail of his. Notice his goofy smile, his large jawline, or maybe even how he has lost some weight over the years. Perhaps you might even notice a certain physical abnormality about Wally. Do you see it? Yes, that is right. Wally Wabash has four fingers on each hand, a grand total of eight fingers, and not one person has even questioned this.

Give yourself a moment, readers. Take a deep breath. I know your minds have been astounded at this point, but I am here to help you. That is why I am writing this. It is an attempt to comprehend the outstanding physical features of our mascot. As liberal arts students, thinking critically is at the core of our mission, so why not ponder the greatest mystery in our own college? I am here to raise unanswered questions and hopefully shed light on this important issue.

To clarify, first and foremost, this is not to discriminate against people with missing limbs. Legendary people from Ronnie Lott to Jerry Garcia have made profound contributions to humanity while facing anatomical challenges, and while Wally Wabash has served our

community well while lacking two fingers on either hand, I see his attributes as highly unlikely. Logical thought tells us that when someone is missing a finger, it can be because of two reasons: that person was either born without a finger or that person lost a finger due to certain causes. So, let’s begin with the former. Assuming that Wally Wabash was born with the hands he has, each containing a normal thumb and three fingers, which are sized in proportion to constitute the total size of a normal set of fingers, Wally has a physical deformity unbeknownst to modern medicine. Typically, the fingers of deformed people are as big or smaller than normal fingers, and people born with four functional fingers of equal size on both hands are unheard of. Now, I am not a biology major for a good reason, but if Wally Wabash has a birth defect such as this on not one, but both hands, it is certainly profound, coincidental, and worth researching.

But what if Wally is not deformed? What if, in that span of time that he lost weight and started wearing striped overalls, he also had an accident that we just have not heard about? This could have been due to mishandled farm equipment, an infection

that required amputation, or even a failed attempt to hide aces at a sketchy poker game. This leaves us wondering what caused him to lose fingers on both hands. Could it have been a nasty coincidence, or did Wally not learn his lesson the first time? Still, this whole possibility of lost fingers seems just as unlikely as deformed hands due to the fact that Wally has no remnants of ever having more than eight fingers. He has not a stub or a scar to tell an unfortunate tale. Instead, he has two well-formed hands with four fingers each, an enigma in my mind and hopefully yours as well.

What is even more concerning is a discrepancy between the image of Wally that we see posted on publications and walls around Wabash and the guy that we see on the sidelines of athletic events. Next time you get the chance, look at the hands of this alleged “Wally Wabash”. You’ll notice a normal hand with five fingers, but why? Maybe all of the images we see of Wally are anatomically inaccurate, or maybe there is somebody in a plush costume of Wally Wabash pretending to be the real guy. Whatever the case, we need answers, and we shall not rest until we receive them.



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The movie Vice, directed by Adam McKay, was released in theatres on Christmas Day of last year. I finally got a chance to watch the movie this previous semester. It is a hugely entertaining film that blends politics, comedy, drama, and a history of a recent but forgotten (perhaps deliberately) series of events. McKay takes viewers through the political career of Vice President Dick Cheney. The movie predictably fictionalized many actual events, but one, in particular, caught my eye.

The scene takes place during the 1970s, in the wake of Watergate, when Cheney was Chief of Staff for President Ford. Cheney is curious about the contemporary theory on executive authority after Watergate, so he asks a young lawyer to sit and talk with him. The young lawyer is Antonin Scalia. Cheney says, “I would like to reinstate Executive Authority. How?” Scalia responds, “Have you heard of the theory of the unitary

Executive?... It’s an interpretation a few, like myself, happen to believe, of Article two of the Constitution that vests the president with absolute executive authority. And I mean absolute.” The narrator then says, “Certain legal scholars believe that if the president does anything, it must be legal because it’s the president. To hell with checks and balances, especially during times of war. This was the power of kings, pharaohs, dictators.” The couple shares a smile, and the scene ends.

The movie then goes on to butcher the meaning of the Unitary Executive Theory (UET), which was not a phrase used until the 1980s. The purpose of the term in the film is an avenue of constitutional theory that provides the president unlimited authority over all legislation and executive decisions at least during times of war. The actual meaning, according to legal experts, is a theory in constitutional philosophy derived from the clause in Article 2 Section 2, which states “The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America.” The idea is that the Constitution grants the president final-say in all matters held within the Executive Branch. The exact definition is far different than the imaginary power depicted in the film that stretches across the Branches. McKay uses this misconceived version of the theory in his argument as a chain in the long and disingenuous linkage between President Bush and the creation of ISIS. He conveniently forgets that most scholars

generally agree with the UET, extremists created ISIS in 1999, Obama chose to follow through with the withdrawal of troops in 2011 rather than staying and preventing a vacuum of power, and, counter to what his notion of the UET means, the Congress allowed Bush to go through with many of his executive directives by the passing of the Patriot Act.

Along with the misinterpretation of the UET, McKay misrepresents Justice Scalia’s constitutional philosophy. It is hard for any follower of the SCOTUS to believe that Justice Scalia would have muttered the words “like myself happen to believe” about an interpretation of the Constitution. Scalia was a stringent originalist and primarily thought that interpretation of the Constitution bent on what the Framers believed, not what he felt. McKay tries to paint Scalia as a brutal abuser of the justice system, hellbent on granting all power to the Executive in the pursuit of promoting his personal political views.

However, the truth of Scalia’s philosophy is far from the one depicted by McKay. Justice Scalia was an unapologetically consistent interpreter of the Constitution: no matter if his decision coincided with his politics. For example, Scalia decided in *Gonzales v. Raich* that the Commerce Clause, in association with the Necessary and Proper Clause, allowed the federal government to prevent the sale of medical marijuana within state boundaries. This line of reasoning paved the way for a Commerce

Clause argument to be made in favor of the constitutionality of the Individual Mandate of the Affordable Care Act (an argument Justice Ginsberg used in that case).

Scalia made many other judgments which were not in alignment with traditionally conservative thought in favor of an objective interpretation of the Constitution. Some of these arguments include: a drug dog sniffing the front door of a suspected drug house requires a warrant with probable cause (*Florida v Jardines*); a thermal imaging detector pointing at a suspected marijuana grower’s home to seek signatures from heat lamps requires a warrant with probable cause (*Kyllo v US*); the government cannot take a DNA swab from a man for a particular crime then use it to DNA match him with a prior crime (*Maryland v King*); the police cannot fix a GPS tracker onto a suspect’s car without a warrant with probable cause (*US v Jones*); laws that outlaw the desecration of the American flag are unconstitutional (*Texas v Johnson*).

Many movies misinterpret history to drive narratives such as *Inglorious Basterds* and *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*. However, these narratives surround fictional characters and are not meant as a depiction of historical fact. Vice, deliberately or as a product of blissful ignorance, removes all nuance from the events during the Bush administration in favor of driving a specific political view through the vehicle of demonizing and misinterpreting certain political actors.

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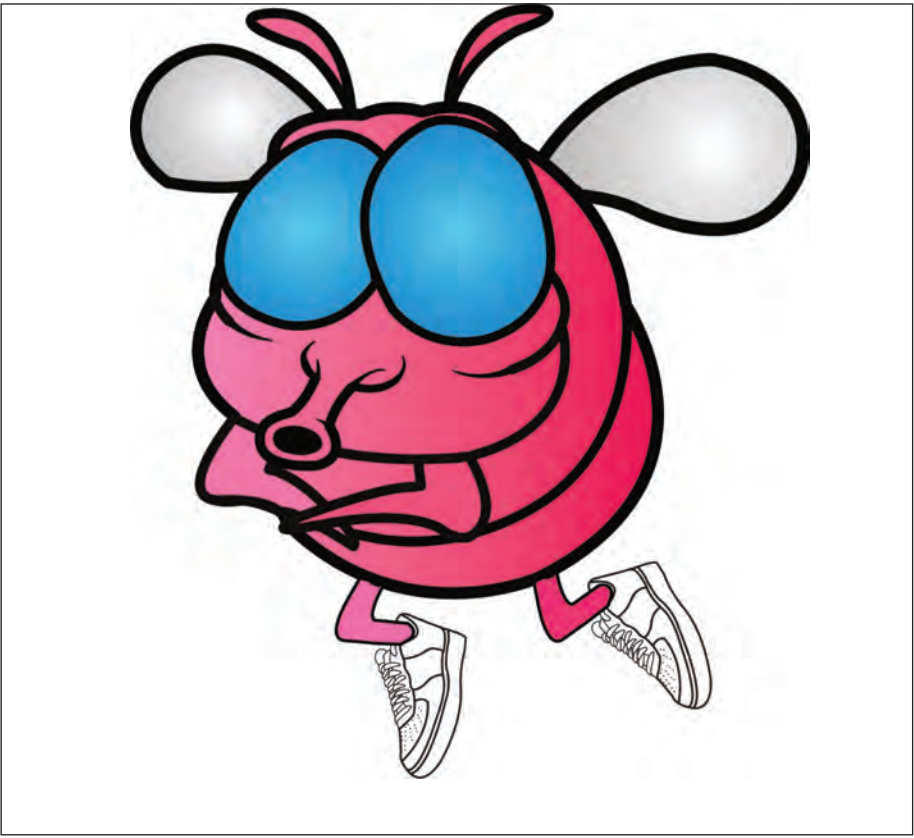




## Part Time Student, Part Time Entrepreneurs

CHRISTIAN REDMOND '20 | OPINION EDITOR • Every student at Wabash understands the struggle of juggling the rigorous coursework, fulfilling networking opportunities, participation in clubs and athletics, making a name for oneself in his respective field of study, and a lively social life. These cornerstones of Wabash student activities are enough to fill up the schedule and bog down the mind. However, there are students who take on even another load of responsibility: running a business. James Despain '22 operates Fly Kicks, a clothing brand. “I started at the beginning of August this year,” said Despain. “It is something I have wanted to do for the past couple of years. I had an internship for the CIBE this summer and it really sparked my inspiration to get this going.” Fly Kicks released their first t-shirt a few weeks ago, and Despain plans to release a second soon. Despain’s vision for Fly Kicks is to eventually release a collection of clothes while operating community programs, similar to the event he did this past summer. Despain coordinated the Kicks for Kids outreach event where Fly Kicks donated 60 t-shirts and 20 pairs of shoes to the Boys and Girls of Montgomery County. Jacob Obst '22 likes to manifest his creativity through his two ventures, a logo design business and a clothing brand, Chic Swank. Obst is a self-taught logo designer and uses his skills to make profit by designing logos for other businesses. “I started making edits in high school and eventually taught myself to make logos,” said Obst. “I made logos for my dad’s business and that allowed me to start branching out to other businesses around me.” Obst enjoys making logos for people. “It allows me to show off my creativity and I just like helping people make their ideas come to life.” Obst’s other hustle is his clothing brand, Chic Swank. While the clothing brand is not too far off the ground yet, Obst has always been passionate about clothing designs and will eventually jumpstart the venture. Isaac Avant '20 owns Hooked Clothing Company. Avant runs Hooked along with a t-shirt distribution company where he prints and embroiders t-shirts. “The reason I started Hooked is that I had an internship that I got through Wabash the summer after my freshman year,” said Avant. “There, I learned how

to print t-shirts and design through software.” Avant posted one of his designs onto Twitter to show his followers, and the rest is history. “The tweet blew up and got about 2,000 retweets. From there, I decided I needed to branch out and start my own business.” On top of everything going on with his academic and athletic life, Avant opened up a line of credit to purchase the equipment needed to print and distribute the clothing on his own. “I started making designs for Indianapolis to give the people who live there a sense of pride in their city.” Hooked Clothing Company has been running for two years, and Avant just branched out to making designs for Atlanta this past summer. People can check out and purchase Avant’s work at [hooked317.bigcartel.com](http://hooked317.bigcartel.com). David Riggs '20 runs a three-service marketing agency called AKZmedia. The agency offers three main services: website redesign and creation, paid media through Facebook and Google, and content marketing strategies. He works with various companies, ranging from real estate brokers in Carmel and Fishers to large ecommerce shops to nonprofits in the downtown Indianapolis area. “I read a book by Mark Cuban about four years ago that said you should always try to live on the lesser of your two incomes,” said Riggs. “So, if you have two or more revenue streams, you should try to live off of your lesser one and keep the rest for profit.” Riggs says he has no intention of doing only one thing for the rest of his life. AKZmedia is one of his three revenue streams at the moment. “I am trying to make things right now to be where anything I do with my media marketing agency would be my base income. So, month-over-month, anything I need to do for car insurance, housing, food, entertainment, is covered by this and anything I make from my full time job would go straight into my bank account.” Riggs started his journey into the marketing world by setting up the social media accounts for his father, who is in public policy. “Learning about the strategy and content about what makes a personal brand, what makes people interact with a public figure, got me really interested in marketing in general.” Riggs talks about understanding the back-side of a business, or the service provided, but also knowing about the front-side, or how the business is seen by the world.



COURTESY OF JAMES DESPAIN '22

The logo for Fly Kicks, a clothing company run by James Despain '22



COURTESY OF JACOB OBST '22

Jacob Obst '22 designs logos and clothing with his business, Chic Swank.

Eventually, Riggs wants to build what he calls “business self-sufficiency.” This will allow him to shut off his computer for a couple weeks and not worry about the company. “I think that too many people in the startup world have an idea and instantly become an employee to their own idea,” said Riggs. These four men have already started on something that most people only dream to do.

## Film Immersion Couse Starts Rolling



BENJAMIN HIGH '22/ PHOTO

Students work with Jo Throckmorton '87 shooting with various camera lenses.

AUSTIN RUDICEL '20 | CAVELIFE EDITOR • This semester, the Film and Digital Media department teamed up with the Center for Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship to create the first Film and Digital Media Immersion Program available for students. Led by Wabash graduate and award winning filmmaker Jo Throckmorton '87, this immersion program will teach students how to improve their proficiency in filmmaking and how to utilize those skills for jobs in the film and media industries. Over the course of the semester, ten Wabash students will be working with Throckmorton to refine their filmmaking experience through a total of five monthly workshop sessions held on campus. Throckmorton resides in Bloomington where he teaches film courses at Indiana University and is the president of

Blue Ace Media. His interest in media began during his time at Wabash while working on a radio show, and has led to a career directing and producing Emmy winning commercials and films as well as being a 1st Assistant Director in the Director’s Guild of America. In this program, Throckmorton will be sharing his knowledge from his experience in the film industry with students looking to pursue similar careers in film and media. “It’s an opportunity to learn how to do it,” Throckmorton said. “It’s a study how to get into the business.” In the program, students will learn a variety of skills, such as how to work with lighting, sound, and on location shooting through hands on experience with professional

filmmaking equipment. The students will create projects that incorporate the techniques taught over the five sessions while simultaneously learning on-set etiquette in a professional setting. The first workshop took place last Saturday, where the ten selected students met Throckmorton and learned about the opportunities available through the program. Anthony Williams '20 applied for the program because of his interest in film and communication, and hopes to translate what he learns in the workshop into his senior project. A theater major minoring in Film and Digital Media, Williams is working with Heather Thrush, Associate Dean for Student Engagement and Success, to

make a film for the Dean’s Office. “Film is a great way to communicate and be creative,” Williams said. Williams enjoyed the first workshop, where he learned about the significance of camera lenses and the difference they make when shooting. Williams worked alongside Throckmorton while learning about the functions of each lens. “It helps working with an award winning filmmaker with films I have seen,” Williams said. Over the course of the semester, Williams will write his script and shoot his film with guidance from Throckmorton. The program will meet next month to continue the process of developing the future Wabash filmmakers’ skills.



# How to Find a Significant Other at Wabash



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Bumble, one of the many dating apps, is popular among students.

Daniel Brewer '21 | STAFF WRITER • When students arrived at Wabash, many were disheartened to hear the rumor about women being bussed in to be false. This leads Wabash men to question where are places they can meet a significant other on an all male campus. The struggle is not only felt by students seeking women, but men from all sexual orientations have expressed the challenges of dating at Wabash.

One option is to attend parties or other social events. Events like sports games or philanthropy events bring lots of people to Wabash’s campus where you can strike up a conversation with someone who catches your eye.

The most common way to meet potential romantic partners while attending an all-male college is through dating apps like Tinder, Bumble, or Grindr. For a busy student, these apps are

convenient, but some students prefer a more personal way to get to know someone before starting romantic conversations. Luckily, there are options that cater to both preferences. One option is to reach out to friends at Wabash who grew up around the area. This does not necessarily have to be Crawfordsville as there are many other towns in the area such as Attica, Covington, or Lafayette. These individuals may have contacts from old high school friends and can help connect you with new people.

For Josh Kaminski '22, dating apps helped him meet his girlfriend while at Wabash. “I met her through Bumble,” Kaminski said. “I told my parents that we met at a track meet. I don’t think they’re too huge on dating apps.” Dating apps are growing more popular at Wabash with the accessibility of meeting potential partners on your smartphone.



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# McDorman Steps in as Dean of the College

BENNY WANG '22 | STAFF WRITER •

The Bachelor sat down with Todd McDorman, Acting Dean of the College to learn more about his position and what he plans over the next year.

## WHAT IS THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE?

The institution's chief academic officer, who leads academic affairs, oversees curriculum, as well as working with faculty staff to provide the best student experience possible. At the center of that are the students' academic experiences.

## ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC THINGS YOU WANT TO ADDRESS AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE?

I'm in a pretty unique position. I'm serving as the acting dean of the college. Scott Feller was the Dean of the College for the past 5 years. He is on sabbatical in the fall. He'll be back in January. I'm in this position just for the semester. [I was] previously the Senior Associate Dean of the College for 4 years. I worked in office and on many of the associated issues.

I want to continue Dean Feller's commitment to continuous improvement while providing supports for students, faculty, and staff. We will continue to focus on the issues of students' success and persistence. For instance, this semester under the work of Dean Lamberton and Dean Thrush, Wabash has launched a new program, called the Supplemental Instruction, or SI program. It is another effort to provide students with assistance and instruction in particular challenging courses in the first and second year. We are excited to see how that goes. Of course, we will work with students and faculty on successful academic progress on students. So, retention

and persistence are the center of what I'll continue to focus on.

[Our] second major focus will be on faculty reviews. All tenure-track faculty undergo a series of reviews during their first six years at the college as a part of their development and evaluation. The ultimate goal of that is to give some faculty a guarantee of tenure contract. This fall, we have four faculty doing their second-year reviews. And five faculty doing their tenure reviews.

Thirdly, I am excited for the launch of the two new majors. Political science-philosophy-economics (PPE) and computer science debut this fall. I am going to work with the faculties on these two majors as they are launched. We are excited about their prospects and have received early indications of students' interest from the Class of 2023. And the fourth and final thing is that I look forward to participating in the implementation of the Phase I of the campus master plan. We worked with a group over the last two years to form a master plan for the future physical configuration of Wabash. And Phase I includes a possible renovation of the library.

## WHAT DOES WABASH MEAN TO YOU?

Two things stand out. The first one is the close relationships amongst the people in the Wabash community, the closeness between students and professors. Seeing students from your Freshman Tutorial getting through college and life is really unique at Wabash, compared to other universities. What I like about Wabash is the support based on the relationships between everyone. Second one is the location of Wabash really provides a wonderful environment for students to learn. We have developed so many wonderful programs that really let students test their education, and that is absolutely amazing.

# HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY  
OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

## CONSTRUCTION KEEPS WALLIES IN

*Hi-Five to all of Indiana for being under construction, including every single road in and out of Crawfordsville. Colleges try very hard to keep students around, but literally shutting the roads down feels excessive, Wabash.*

## RAILROAD TROUBLES

*Lo-Five to LSC Communications for refusing to dismantle the last part of the old railroad. The poor Theta Deltas, Independent pledges at College Hall, and Lamb Chops will still have to endure waking up in the dead of night to the mini-earthquakes and honks of the locomotives every time they pass by.*

## MARATHON SENATE

*Hi-Five to Wabash Senators exhibiting some intense Wabash Always Fights spirit, after the last Senate meeting lasted for two whole hours. We're looking forward to the minutes of that meeting, to see if there was anything exciting happening there. Probably not. And our sincere condolences to the Student Body Secretary's fingers. They are some little giants.*

## EMOTIONAL SUPPORT HORSE

*Hi-Five to the woman who brought an emotional support horse onto an American Airlines flight out of O'Hare recently. It was a miniature horse, so that was better, we guess, but man it would be hilarious to watch someone try to get a Clydesdale on a plane.*

## RICH WOODS IS SAD

*Hi-Five to Lee Dullaghan '21 for saying what we were all thinking when he called himself a "dumbass" in an all student email about lost keys. Rich Woods would be very disappointed in you for not only entering, but publicizing your journey into the Dumbass Zone. But hey, at least you found your keys.*

# SPORTS

# Soccer Opens Season with Shutout Wins

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | SPORTS EDITOR • The Wabash soccer team has picked up where it left off after last year's success. The Little Giants opened the season with two shutout victories over Franklin College last Friday and Earlham College on Wednesday to start their 2019 campaign undefeated.

In last Friday's away matchup against Franklin, Wabash battled to a 1-0 victory to claim their third-straight win against the Grizzlies. Franklin (0-2) has not defeated Wabash since the 2013 season, and the Little Giants have gone 4-0-2 against the Grizzlies since that last loss.

Wabash was able to grab the victory off of a lone goal from Joshua Scott '22 with 26:13 left in the first half. Scott, whose goal was assisted by Joseph Kaefer '22, scored for the first time in his career. While the contest came down to a matter of just one goal, the Little Giants outshot the Grizzlies by a margin of 19-6 and by a margin of 9-4 on shots on goal. Although Wabash was able to put pressure on Franklin in terms of shots, the Grizzlies were able to force the Little Giants into eight total offsides penalties.

Throughout the first half, Wabash pressured Franklin often with an offensive presence, posting 10 total shots in the half. The Grizzlies were able to get three shots off in the first half, as well as many corner and free kicks, but none resulted in a goal. During the second half of play, the Little Giants continued to pressure the Grizzlies with their offense, putting up a total of nine shots in the half. Franklin again shot three total times in the half, but Wabash goalkeeper Chad Wunderlich '21 maintained the 1-0 shutout and finished with four total saves in the match.

In Wednesday's home opener against Earlham College, the Little Giants pressured the Quakers early and often, scoring two goals within the first 15 minutes en route to a 3-0 shutout.

Wabash (2-0) was led in goals by freshman defender Alexis Delgado '23, who scored the first goal of his young career just under three minutes into the match and quickly followed with another goal 12 minutes into the match, which pushed the score to 2-0 at the time.

In the first half, the Little Giants put together 14 total shots, with



Cristian Aleman '22 dribbles the ball during the match against Earlham College.

seven of those being shots on goal. Earlham (0-1-2) was held to zero first-half shots by the Wabash defense, and managed to get only one corner kick during the half. In the second half, Wabash showed no mercy as they continued to pressure Earlham's defense. The Little Giants put up four more shots in the half, with one connecting for another goal as Kyle Holmer '21 scored his first goal of the season just under four minutes into the second half. Earlham, once again, could not muster any shots in the second half, and was shut out for the second time this season. Wunderlich added another shutout to his résumé, which is the sixteenth total shutout in his Wabash career.

Wednesday's performance is the first time since 2010 the Wabash soccer team has held an opponent to zero shots throughout a match according to statistics on the team website. The Little Giants will look to remain undefeated when they play today at the Wilmington Classic in Wilmington, Ohio against Grove City College at 5 p.m. and tomorrow against Adrian College at 1 p.m.



Ethan Mcnaughton '20 passes the ball to Kyle Holmer '21.



# Football Prepared for Much-Anticipated Season

REED MATHIS '22 | ONLINE EDITOR • Coming off of a 9-1 (8-1 North Coast Athletic Conference) record and a share of the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) title, the 2019 Wabash Football Team comes into the 2019 season with much anticipation and desire to bring home back-to-back Conference titles. Voted on by the coaches of the NCAC, Wabash is ranked first in the NCAC Pre-Season Poll, and ranked 23 in the nation by D3football.com. Before the team's first game against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on September 14, here is a rundown on the Little Giants' upcoming matchups.

When it comes to any football team, the quarterback position is the most crucial, and, for the Little Giants, the position has been under the microscope in training camp, with three talented players competing for the position. Last year's starter Jake Reid '20, Seth Gallman '22, from Greenwood Community High School, and Liam Thompson '23, from North Central High School in Indianapolis have been fiercely competing. It is not customary for a quarterback to be on the hot seat after a 9-1 season with 18 touchdowns, eight interceptions, and a 58% completion percentage,

but Gallman and Thompson have made the pre-season interesting. More than likely, we will see Reid step out for the first offensive series at the quarterback position, but the lingering possibility of change at quarterback will likely persist throughout the season.

The upcoming season starts with high hopes, given that many starters from last year are returning. An influx of talented freshmen will be adding good depth and plugging holes throughout the roster. A number of new players figure to make an immediate impact on the team, such as Liam Thompson '23, Willie Gupton '23, and Cooper Sullivan '23, and sophomore transfer, David Marsh '22.

The Little Giants will encounter a well-balanced, challenging in-conference schedule, with the Monon Bell Classic heading down south for its 126th edition. However, two of the three marquee matchups throughout the year will occur at home. The first matchup comes in the third game of the season, on September 28, against Denison University. For Wabash, it is a rematch game for two reasons. First, Denison defeated the Little Giants last year, 34-10 at Denison, in what

would be a highly scrutinized game at the end of the season. Second, of the three teams that had a share of the Conference Title last year - Wabash, Denison, and Wittenberg - Denison was selected as the team to represent the NCAC in the NCAA Playoffs.

The second game comes will be a home matchup against Wittenberg University on October 19. Before touching on the Wittenberg contest, the game before, against The College of Wooster, highlights what is possibly the toughest stretch of Wabash's schedule. Last year, Wabash defeated Wooster 48-20 at home, but the score does not illustrate how competitive the game played out. It was not until into the third quarter that Wabash broke away in the contest. Wooster only lost time of possession by seven minutes and managed to be more efficient on third down and in the passing game. Wooster will not be a pushover this year and, depending on how the season plays out, could be the 'trap' game for the Little Giants this year.

After playing against Wooster, the game against Wittenberg could become one of the more crucial games in which way the NCAC Conference

Title falls to this year. In the two prior matchups, the games were both won by seven points, with last year's matchup ending in overtime after an Isaac Avant ten-yard touchdown run. Wittenberg comes into the season ranked No. 18 in the nation, ahead of the Little Giants, and as much of a threat in the NCAC Conference as anyone on a year-to-year basis.

The last game will be a fiery, passionate contest, as the DePauw Tigers will look to avenge a 24-17 loss against Wabash in last year's Monon Bell Classic. The Tigers will be entering the season trying to replicate their production from their leading receiver, Andy Hunt, and their mainstay of the defense, Nate Orrison. Nonetheless, when November 16 comes, expect another significant and season-defining matchup in the Monon Bell Classic.

The expectation for the football team this year is making the NCAA postseason and representing the best of the NCAC. Although, everything is not as it seems, and it is up to the players representing the Little Giants to be along for the ride, or take control of their destiny, in what should be an electrifying season.

## 2019 Football Schedule

*Saturday, September 14 at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, September 21 at Allegheny College 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, September 28 vs. Denison University 2 p.m.*

*Saturday, October 5 vs. Ohio Wesleyan University 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, October 12 at The College of Wooster 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, October 19 vs. Wittenberg University 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, October 26 at Oberlin College 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, November 2 vs. Kenyon College 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, November 9 vs. Hiram College 1 p.m.*

*Saturday, November 16 at DePauw University TBA*

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## New Faces to Look for in Fall Sports

REED MATHIS '22 | ONLINE EDITOR • For many, school started two weeks ago. But for our fall athletes, their preparation, conditioning, and other pre-season training has been well underway. Unsurprisingly, the fall sports teams - football, cross country, and soccer - all have high expectations heading into their respective seasons. Each group contains first-year students and transfers that will assist in fulfilling their team's collective ambition throughout the season.

When it comes to cross country, the two freshmen that have caught attention from coaches are Jon Deem-Loureiro '23 and Thomas Gastineau '23. Both freshmen attended powerhouse high schools for cross country - North Central and Carmel, respectively - and have already contributed to Wabash's team success this season.

The Butler Twilight Meet, which took place last Friday, kicked off the season for the cross country team and allowed the two freshmen to showcase their capability to deliver immediate impact. Gastineau '23 finished in seventeenth place, third for Wabash, with a time of 20:06.4, and Deem-Loureiro '23 came in at 20:20.1 to finish in twenty-first, seventh for Wabash runners. The team placed third overall, and their next meet will be at the John McNichols Invitational in Terre Haute, Indiana on Saturday, September 21. Gastineau and Deem-Loureiro will continue to contribute to the team throughout

the season, and possibly become pillars of the team as soon as next season, with three seniors graduating this year.

Over on the pitch, the Wabash soccer team will roll out a squad of thirty-three players this season. The roster will have an encouraging mix of veterans and talented underclassmen who will all contribute to the team. Three freshmen to look at, in particular, are Austin Hughes '23, Coledon Johnson '23, and Alexis Delgado '23.

The team comes into the season having finished third in the North Coast Athletic Conference last year, with an impressive 12-4-3 record while going 5-2-2 in the NCAC. The season ended in the semi-finals of the NCAC tournament, with Wabash almost knocking off Kenyon College, who finished tenth in last year's final DIII Men's Soccer Rankings. Wabash came into the current year ranked fourth in the NCAC pre-season poll, but is now looking to prove that they could be in the same tier as Kenyon or Ohio Wesleyan University.

In the soccer team's opener last Friday against Franklin College, the team came away with a 1-0 victory. All three freshmen played on Friday, with Delgado and Hughes being represented in the starting lineup, playing as a defender and attacking midfielder, respectively. Johnson came on as a substitute at forward, playing fifty-three minutes and subsequently leading the team with five shots, three of which were on goal (SOG). Hughes would go on to play thirty-five minutes

with one shot, and Delgado played sixty-four minutes with one SOG. The three contribute to an already impressive, youthful squad and provide meaningful depth for their positions. They will continue to contribute to the team's success throughout the season, with their next match this evening in the Wilmington Classic against Grove City College at 6 p.m.

The third fall sports team and the one with the most anticipation coming into this season is Wabash's football team. The group brings back many talented and versatile players from both sides of the ball who are primed to prove that their pre-season ranking of 23rd by D3football.com is warranted. Unlike soccer and cross country, the chance for first-year students and transfers to contribute immediately is not as likely; however, there are three freshmen and one transfer to keep an eye on throughout the remainder of the season.

First, and most notably, is Liam Thompson '23, who is a new freshman quarterback out of North Central in Indianapolis. The buzz around Thompson is reaching every corner of campus and according to Brent Harris, Athletics and Campus Wellness Communications Director, "He is as good as advertised."

There is nothing conclusive about who will be starting at quarterback week one against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Nevertheless, with Liam pushing last year's starter, Jake Reid '19, and sophomore Seth

Gallman '22 during training camp, there will be a buzz around Liam this season.

Another freshman to look for on offense is wide receiver Cooper Sullivan '23, out of The Bolles School in Jacksonville, Florida. Sullivan continues to play well through the pre-season and even played with what was the "No. 1 Offense" during the team's scrimmage against Indiana Wesleyan University.

On the defensive side of the ball, there are two names to look out for. The first is defensive back Willie Gupton '23, who is a freshman out of Warren Central High School in Indianapolis. The second is defensive lineman David Marsh '22, who is a transfer student from Miami (OH) and played his high school football at Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis.

Gupton has continuously performed well throughout the pre-season and could provide meaningful minutes in a defensive backfield that is returning all four starters. Marsh comes to the Wabash football program with high expectations from the coaching staff and external outlets. He was picked as the Pre-Season Newcomer of the Year by Lindy's Annual College Football Magazine for DIII Football.

Per usual, Wabash athletics attracts attention campus-wide and from alumni across the country. The freshmen and transfer students above are sure to bring excitement for not only this upcoming season, but their entire athletic career at Wabash College.

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## Player Profile: Adam Berg '22

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | SPORTS EDITOR • After playing in nine games as a freshman last season, in which the Wabash soccer team went 7-1-1, sophomore midfielder Adam Berg '22 saw his year conclude prematurely after a devastating ACL injury took him out for the remainder of the season.

"We were playing Hiram, I think at home," Berg said when explaining his injury. "I was defending a guy and he came one way and then cut the other way. When I turned, my foot planted, and my knee turned and (the ACL) just kind of went like that. I didn't notice it right away. It wasn't one of the traumatic injuries where you fall down. I finished the first half and then came out, which is when the trainer did her two tests. She pulled my leg up and it had separated."

Berg continued to speak of the emotional effects of the injury once he knew he would be out for the rest of the year.

"A super tough moment was at the next practice and being in the team huddle we do before every practice and telling the boys I was out for the season. The emotional strain that had on me, I remember that specifically."

Despite not being able to play in the remaining 10 matches, including the postseason matchup against Kenyon College, head coach Chris Keller said Berg had a huge impact on the team from the bench.

"I would start by saying the impact was definitely felt both ways," Berg said of his coach's remarks.

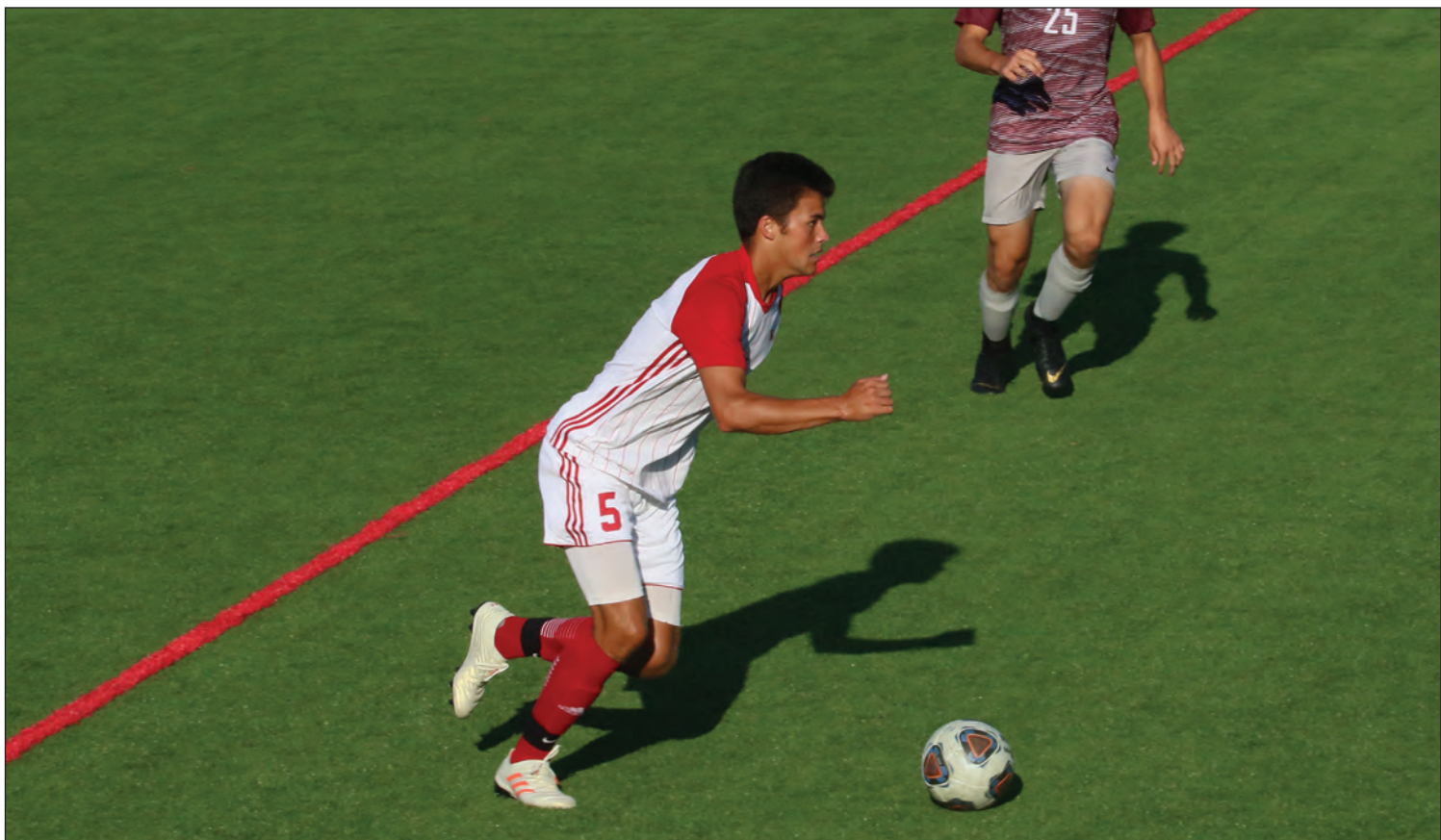
"But being that presence at practice, even though you're injured, and still hyping guys up, asking people about their day, and having these intentional and meaningful conversations with people, I think, is very important. Just showing that passion and that interest and that love for not just soccer, but specifically Wabash soccer, which is so special."

Although Berg was emotionally impactful to the team throughout the season, he was adamant in saying that his fellow teammates and coaches were also supportive and impactful to him.

"I'd have to say that support came my way as well," he said. "I would come to practice and have guys checking on me and asking how I was doing or how I was feeling or how rehab was going. That was huge. The day after my surgery, I was lying in bed when Coach Keller and Coach Ian both came to Indy to check on me, which was awesome. And all throughout my rehab, people were just supporting me and telling me they couldn't wait until I was back. Now I'm back, and it's the best feeling ever."

Outside of playing soccer, Berg is planning on majoring in Spanish with a minor in chemistry. He plans on attending medical school after Wabash and is currently on the pre-med track. While he is unsure of which school he will attend after his time at Wabash, he expressed an interest in returning to his home state of Washington to continue his studies. When asked about moving from Washington to Crawfordsville, Indiana, Berg spoke of the transition and his experience in coming to Wabash.

"It was definitely different," he said. "I mean, first it was the heat when I first got here and the humidity. Then the weather started getting better and it was nice, the fall was just regular to me. Then late October and November starts to roll around and I was thinking, 'What is going on?' I felt both extremes.



BENJAMIN HIGH '22 / PHOTO

Adam Berg '22 dribbles the ball past a defender.

But, for the most part, it was an easy transition."

During high school in Washington, Berg attended Charles Wright Academy and graduated with around 65 to 70 students in his class. Because of his high school's smaller size, Berg says he did not have to largely adjust to Wabash's size upon his arrival.

"No, and that's one of the reasons I chose Wabash, because it was small," Berg said when asked if Wabash's small size was an adjustment. "I was looking for a smaller school and I wanted to leave Washington just to kind of explore. Then I got the chance to play soccer here and I knew it was an academically challenging school."

Berg first heard of Wabash from his now head coach Chris Keller, and upon Keller's advice, he chose to attend Wabash College.

"The first time I heard about (Wabash), it was my junior year and I was playing in a showcase soccer tournament," Berg said. "Coach Keller was out in Washington recruiting, so we started talking after he watched a game of mine and he told me that Wabash pays to fly people out here. So, I came out and I loved my visit here."

At Wabash, Berg is involved in many activities both on and off-campus. He is a brother of FIJI and is now the president of the Spanish Club, to which he said, "We've got a couple of El Charro dinners coming up, which is always fun." Berg is

sophomore representative on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and also works with Special Olympics Indiana. He will also be working with homeschool students at the public library, where he will be teaching them Spanish in classes. Lastly, Berg works at a free clinic in Crawfordsville where he currently translates for Hispanic patients.

While Berg has a busy schedule, he spoke of what he enjoys doing during his relaxation time at Wabash.

"I do enjoy, with (Keith Owen '20), every once in a while, going out for a walk through the city and it's really calm at night. It's pretty peaceful and quiet, there aren't many cars coming through. We will go to the little park area downtown and just chill out there and talk, which is super fun."

In terms of the soccer team, Berg spoke highly of what makes the team special to him.

"The people on the team come from very different areas," he said. "I come from Washington and I don't know how much I bring from there. But there's a large group of guys from Texas, lots from El Paso. There are freshmen this year who aren't from El Paso but still from southern Texas. We've got a couple guys from Chicago, one guy from Michigan. (Others) are from New York. It's just super interesting to see that mix and the different experiences. There's always this talk about which hometown is better." And, when Berg was asked if he would like any

other information to be known about him, he humbly spoke about the team rather than himself.

"Soccer-wise, we have a ton of talent, especially with this freshman class coming in," he said.

"Something that Coach Keller has been really trying to pound into us is that without hard work, that talent isn't going to do anything. We played Franklin on Friday, and we knew going in that they weren't going to be the strongest. We're going to face those kinds of teams this season, not so much in our conference because the conference is strong. But just having that mentality and the respect for your opponent, even if you know from the scouting report that they aren't the strongest, and then going in and using that skill and that effort to beat the 'easier' opponents. That creates this work ethic and this way that you approach every game, so that when we go play Kenyon or we play (Ohio Wesleyan) that those games are no different. The goal is to make it to the national tournament this year."

Berg, who has since recovered from his injury, will now be able to make an impact both on and off the field for the team this season. And, with the Wabash soccer team looking to make a return to the North Coast Athletic Conference men's soccer tournament for a fourth-straight season, Berg's impact could push the Little Giants to reach his personal goal of playing in the national tournament.

## Golf Looks to Improve Upon Last Season

BENJAMIN HIGH '22 | PHOTO EDITOR • The golf team begins its season with a fresh face this weekend at the Franklin Invitational. When speaking to Coach Tyler Schmutz, he seemed optimistic about the forthcoming season. While he is uncertain as to the final player lineup, he was confident in the five Wabash men that will take to the course this weekend, three of whom will be Kyle Warbinton '20, Will Osborn '21, and Sam Wise '21. After being ranked 185th last season, Coach Schmutz holds that the team will be aiming to place within the top 100 this season. He also wants to see the team improve upon its standing at the conference tournament.

Within the conference, Coach Schmutz assessed Wittenberg as the team's toughest

opponent, but the competition quickly drops off from there, leaving plenty of room for the team to improve their ranking. In order to make those improvements, Coach Schmutz plans to take the team to play practice rounds before every event. This is in order to familiarize the men with the course and allow for them to get comfortable with the golf course. This will hopefully push the men to knock off a few shots per hole, land an average score under par, and allow them to make small improvements to their game in order to play to those better finishes the team desires.

Overall, Coach Schmutz is excited about the season to come for his team and expressed his enthusiasm for the opportunities in the years to come.



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Tyler Shmutz takes over as the new head golf coach.

## Cross Country Finishes Third at Butler Opener



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The cross country team takes off from the starting line.



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Jon Deem-Loureiro '23 fends for position in the Butler Opener.

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