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CareerFest Promotes Alternatives

PETER ROBBINS '12
EDITOR IN CHIEF

This past week, the Schroeder Center for Career Services hosted CareerFest, a five-day collection of seminars and fun activities that aimed to get students' attention focused on life after college.

"This was our first CareerFest, and we wanted to model after a Pan-Hel kind of week," said Director of Career Services Scott Crawford. "Our goal is to get students ready to jump in and check out their options. But we wanted to mix fun stuff into the week too, so people could blow off steam and enjoy the post-Homecoming atmosphere."

Students got points for RSVP-ing and showing up to events, playing in the 3-on-3 basketball tournament, the WallyBall tournament and the Career Jeopardy tournament. Whoever has the most points at the end of today will receive a Flatscreen TV, and the top 20 students in points get to attend a hog roast courtesy of Career Services.

"We wanted guys to have fun and also learn some stuff at the same time," Crawford said. "Plus we know Wabash guys like to compete."

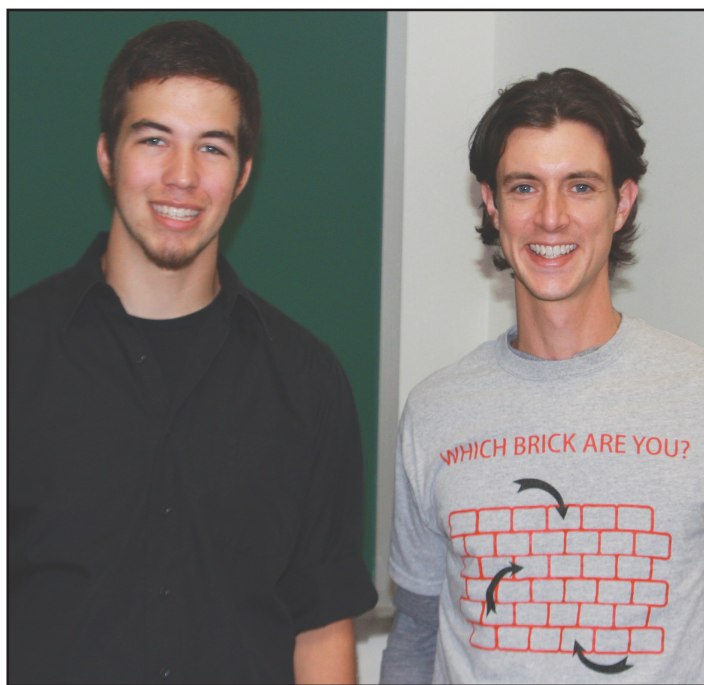
On Thursday evening, there was an employer/student networking dinner which included a panel of several Wabash alumni, and on Friday at lunch two Wabash alumni with Harvard MBA's spoke about the impact of the liberal arts in education.

An especially interesting seminar occurred on Wednesday at lunch: the Gap Year presentation, led by Spencer Peters '14 and Assistant Director of Career Services James Jeffries.

"We have a growing number of students looking for opportunities to do something before graduate school of work," Crawford said. "There are a lot of options out there. But also, very importantly, there are things on the internet that say gap year where you have to pay, and we wanted to steer students from that, because ideally they should be paying you."

Peters explained some of the things students can accomplish with a gap year.

"If you know what you want, this is when you can further your progress toward getting there," Peters said. "And if you don't, the gap year is when you can find out what you want to do."



FRANCISCO HUERTA | WABASH '14
Spencer Peters '14 (left) and Assistant Director of Career Services James Jeffries (right) led the Gap Year presentation Wednesday.

Jeffries elaborated for those who are undecided about their future careers.

"If you don't know what you want to do as a career, that's fine," Jeffries said. "There are lots and lots of options for you, even if you haven't even figured out roughly what you want to do. But there are also some very unproductive things to do with your time. You don't have to have it all figured out, but you should move forward prudently as you figure out your plan."

The presentation divided Gap Year programs into six categories: travel, fellowships, entrepreneur, art, teaching, and nonprofit. Assistant Professor of Psychology Eric Olofson shared his experience with Americorps, part of the travel category, with those in attendance.

"Through Americorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America), I created a mentoring program in Morehead, MN and made sure it was sustainable by connecting it to

a curriculum," Olofson said. "But I'm also an advocate for Americorps not just for career building. For those who are thinking, 'I'm not ready to start my career, and I know I won't have another opportunity to do something like this,' Americorps is perfect."

Olofson explained that through Americorps, students can get their loans deferred, as well as receive \$5,200 of education credit which can be applied to their loans. He also offered guidance for those students interested in fellowships, as he is the Chair of the Graduate Fellowship Committee. He mentioned the prestigious Fulbright program in particular.

"If you have a passion for something that doesn't fit in a traditional academic program, fellowships are a great way to go," Olofson said.

In sync with the idea of having CareerFest so early in the academic year, Olofson urged students to plan ahead for their gap year.

"You should get started planning for fellowships your sophomore or junior year," Olofson said. "If you're interested in a gap year, come and talk to me right away!"

Padgett '84 Fights for Empirically-Driven Opinion/News Culture

KENNY FARRIS '12
NEWS EDITOR

While spending 27 years covering the most contentious Latin American issues, Tim Padgett has learned how to communicate controversial stances. Padgett's reporting has covered groups despised by many in the United States, including drug cartel leaders, Hugo Chavez, and illegal immigrants.

However, Padgett faced the world of controversial journalism well before any trips to Latin America. In high school Padgett wrote a story covering the fighting scandal of his fellow students on the Carmel High School hockey team.

"I remember finding out real quick how things you write can affect you," Padgett said. "I remember the hock-

ey team getting real mad at me and I remember to show them that I wasn't a hockey hater. I went to one of their games to cheer them on and prove to them that this was not a personal grudge."

Padgett shared this lesson and many other learning experiences to the Wabash campus last week. In classroom visits, meetings with students and staff, and an open lecture, Padgett relayed his story and wisdom to a community he welcomes with open arms.

Wabash played a fundamental role in guiding Padgett down his path in life.

"When I was a college student at Wabash in the 1980s, Central America was our sort of 'Vietnam' issue," Padgett said. "I became very interested not just in Latin America but also Latin America's rela-

tionship with North America, especially the disconnect between North America and Latin America even though we share the same hemisphere."

Padgett acted on this interest by winning a Rotary fellowship in Venezuela upon graduation. During this time Padgett met his wife, a Venezuelan, and cemented his intellectual and journalistic interest in the region.

"It was a curiosity as to why things had turned out so well for North America and so badly for Latin America in terms of politics and economics," Padgett said. "Beyond that I also wanted to explore what made us similar. Were there ways to show Americans how Latin America was

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John Murrell '12: Ethnomusicologist

RASHID YAKUBU '15
STAFF WRITER

John Murrell is a very busy man: he is the President of Phi Delta Theta and a member of the Wamidan music ensemble, the Spanish club, the music club and the Ultimate Frisbee club. He wants to become an ethnomusicologist and his involvement with Wamidan has helped him in his quest. "I did not know about ethnomusicology until I joined Wamidan, and Dr Makubya has encouraged me ever since to become an ethnomusicologist," Murrell said. "I never considered it seriously until my junior year, when a 30 minute piano lesson turned into a one hour talk on what I wanted to do with my life."

As president of Phi Delta Theta, Murrell believes in leadership by interaction.

"My role as President is to find out what the house thinks is best for itself, to cultivate those ideas into action and to delegate the work accordingly," Murrell said.

Though Murrell is a part of five organizations on campus, his experience at the Phi Delta Theta fraternity is the most special to him.

"Living in the cold dorm with my pledge brothers was truly an incredible experience that was wildly fun," Murrell said.

Murrell also recalled a memorable incident that occurred during his freshman year in the house. Murrell along with his other fresh-

men brothers, were required to wrestle Nakis, a 6 ft 2 inch upperclassman into a shower on his birthday.

"Nakis, anticipating this, stands up and pulls off his warm-ups, and he is covered head to toe in Crisco," Murrell said. "He just let us close in on him and we struggled to keep hold of him because he was so slippery. In the end we got him in the shower."

John Murrell, a music and Spanish double major, is from Tulsa, Oklahoma and is a graduate of Bishop Kelly high school. He cites his mother, a former English teacher, as his inspiration.

"My mother gave up her job as an English teacher to stay at home to raise four boys, while my dad travelled around because of his sales job," Murrell said. "After we all graduated high school she went back to school and got two master's degrees in administration and the second in Lasallian studies – a catholic schooling system based on St John the Baptist de la Salle. After 21 years of living in the same house in Oklahoma my parents moved to Browning, Montana because my mom became the principal of a LaSallian Catholic grade school on the Blackfeet Indian reservation."

Murrell, like many other Tulsans at Wabash, was

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Tim Padgett '84 was presented with the Clarence A. Jackson Career Service Award on Homecoming weekend. He also lectured about dealing with the partisan divide in the American media.

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- Sunday, October 9
- Bob Knowing '77 Lecture, Salter Hall, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 11
- IFC Meeting, Student Senate Room, 11:10 a.m.
- Student Senate Meeting, Library Goodrich Room, 7 p.m.
- Rogge Memorial Lecture, Mark Pauly, Lovell Lecture Hall, 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 12
- Fall Break Begins
- NYC Alumni Networking Trip, 12 p.m.
- Thursday, October 13
- Fall Break
- Saturday, October 15
- Fall Break
- Wabash Day

Miles '76 Has Done It All

Alum balances Super Bowl, CICIP duties

PETER ROBBINS '12
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Since graduating from Wabash in 1976, Mark Miles has worked at different times in three very different employment sectors: non-profit, for-profit and government. In fact, his diverse career path started even before he had a diploma. He was set to graduate in 1975, but he took a year off in 1974 to campaign for Richard Lugar's senatorial run.

"I worked with Mitch Daniels, who had just come from Princeton and was the boss of the campaign," Miles said. "Lugar lost, but it was the first year after Watergate, so to say it was an uphill battle for a Republican is an understatement."

Miles was a Political Science major, but he said he could have easily majored in English, French or History instead.

"I have always been interested in public events," Miles said. "Political science was an interest of mine, but I'm not sure it was any more than history. I never set out to work in politics – it just happened that way."

Miles then ran Mayor William Hudnut's first incumbent campaign in 1979 at age 26, and followed by managing Dan Quayle's senatorial campaign in 1980 when he defeated Birch Bayh. After that election, he was Quayle's chief of staff.

In 1985, Miles was selected to run the Pan Am games of 1987 in Indianapolis, which were a breakthrough that put the city on the map as a legitimate host for such important sporting events.

Despite the fact that he was only 33 years old, Miles felt ready for the challenge.

"Because of my experience in politics up to that point I felt more seasoned by the time we got the Pan Am games," Miles said. "There's a definite link between my work in campaigns and what I've done with sporting events. They are both high-energy, time-intensive, exciting enterprises. In both cases you start one day from scratch, just like an entrepreneur with a start-up company."

When Indianapolis officials decided to try to get the 2012 Super Bowl, it was no surprise that they called Miles.

"In January 2008, Mayor Ballard asked me to put a bid together and there was actually not a lot of time to get a bid completed," Miles said. "Just after it was accepted I probably worked eight hours a week. But at this point I have to work 25 to 30 hours a week on the Super Bowl, so right now I just have to work 80 hours a week."

The bulk of Miles' time is spent as the CEO of the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership (CICP), a non-profit organization which consists of four branded initiatives: *Conexus Indiana*, which places Indiana as the global leader in advanced manufacturing and logistics; *BioCrossroads*, the state's life sciences initiative; *TechPoint*, which aims to accelerate the states IT sector and entrepreneurial enterprises; and *Energy Systems Network*, which is working to establish Indiana as a leader in energy innovation.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARK MILES

Mark Miles '76 is the Chair of the Super Bowl Committee and the CEO of the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership (CICP).

"The goal of these initiatives is to be catalysts for growth in sectors where we think the state and region have great opportunities," Miles said.

While the two roles that take up most of Miles' time are distinct, the Super Bowl and the CICP have a lot to gain from each other.

"It's important to note that my Super Bowl involvement is not for work," Miles said. "However, all the members at the CICP understand that for the city to do well in organizing the Super Bowl is synergistic with our mission."

Before joining the CICP in 2006, Miles was the CEO of the ATP tour, the governing body of men's international professional tennis, for 15 years. Miles played tennis while at Wabash and is a member of the athletics hall of fame. Academically, Wabash helped Miles become

the well-rounded person he is today.

"The choice of a liberal arts college is the choice not to specialize during your undergraduate work and to hopefully become more well-rounded," Miles said. "Wabash also teaches you self-confidence and exposes you to a lot of bright people. And I felt very free to take a year off when I did and come back."

Miles mentioned former Political Science professor Ed McClain, Political Science Professor David Hadley, Professor of English Emeritus Don Herring and Professor of Spanish Emeritus Bernie Manker as some of his favorite teachers at Wabash. He said his favorite class was Constitutional Law with McClain.

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Velasco's Travels Lead Her to Wabash

TAYLOR KENNON '15
STAFF WRITER

Far away from home, Asturias, Spain, Angela Donate Velasco enjoys traveling. She has been in America just more than a month. The traveling excitement comes from the culture exchange. "For me, it's a way of bringing my culture," said Velasco. "I'm very happy to share my culture."

Despite loving her trip to America, Velasco misses Spanish food. "The thing I probably miss the most is the food," Velasco said. "I don't really like food here; it's the only thing I really don't like. The rest is perfect."

Velasco described the culture switch as a major change.

"It's completely different," Velasco said. "This is another culture." Despite the food, she doesn't mind the change. Traveling is one of her favorite activities. The excitement comes from the change in customs. In addition to experiencing American culture, she has visited England as well.

"I have been in England and if I have to choose, I prefer the U.S. The people are really kind here."

Her experience so far has been pleasant. She has many



GRANT MCCLOSKEY | WABASH '12

New Spanish Intern Angela Donate Velasco has enjoyed Wabash's location in the Midwest. Velasco's time at Wabash has helped her become a world traveler.

ideas for where to travel next.

"This [trip] is one of the most important things for me this year," Velasco said. "I would like to travel as much as possible. [Before,] I didn't travel much. Of course, I want to go to Chicago. There are so many places; this country is amazing." Other desired U.S. destinations for Velasco include New York and California.

Velasco's opportunity to come to America came from a cultural exchange program. "I came here through a cross cultural program called Fulbright," said Velasco. This program, sponsored by the United States Department of State, gave Velasco an offer. The program though is rigid where applicants travel. "This is a very good scholarship," Velasco

said. "The point is that you cannot choose your destination, they assign the destination for you. If you reject it, then you are out of the program."

Teaching has been a career path that Velasco enjoys. She became interested in education during her own schooling. Velasco earned her degree in English Studies and a Masters Degree in teacher training. She discovered her love for education during teaching practice at a local high school. From there teaching became a strong interest.

When Velasco doesn't teach she plays tennis, reads, sings, and dances. Salsa dancing is one of her favorites. On November 11 at 7:30p.m, Velasco will participate in Wamidon, the annual world music festival at Wabash, to share her culture.

"I'm going to do the Flamenco dance with one of the students, John Murrell," Velasco said. "I'm very excited for that. I've never danced the Flamenco before, but I really like it."

To Velasco, culture and traveling are everything. New environments are always an interest. Wabash is definitely a new environment compared to Spain, but expect her to spread her culture as well.

Padgett

similar that could help us become a little closer so that perhaps North America could perhaps help Latin America."

Padgett's career has brought a largely successful union between his Wabash curiosities and his involvement in various controversies. Starting at the Chicago Sun-Times, Padgett's journalism career led him to his current position as the Latin American Bureau Chief at Time magazine. Padgett covered a wide variety of issues, including the signing of the NAFTA agreement, the contentious relationship between the U.S. and Venezuela, and 21 years covering the war on drugs.

Padgett revealed how these stories have exposed the subtle and potentially dangerous changes occurring in journalism.

"The Internet has changed a reader's expectations on what a journalist should say in their coverage," Padgett said. "There's more expectation that correspondents will offer more of their opinion."

"When I started as a foreign correspondent in the 1990's, I was expected to be more objective," Padgett said. "For example, I knew that Mexico wasn't ready politically and economically to join in a free trade agreement with the developed world. But I couldn't really say anything." Padgett sees the challenge of all people, not only journalists, be-

ing able to offer their opinions responsibly in this new media culture.

"The firewall (of objectivity) is disappearing," Padgett said. "Because of it, it's more incumbent of us to be thorough and fairing how we arrive at those opinions. It would be one thing if I were just a journalist standing there ranting at Chavez, calling him a dictator. It's another thing for me to offer fair and credible opinions of him and give him his props when he deserves it and criticism when he deserves it."

In journalism and at Wabash, Padgett promoted the value of consistency over ideology in guiding opinions. The bureau chief held a strong belief that Wabash can help a student promote movements towards developing beliefs and opinions based on empirical observation over ideology.

"I feel a lot of optimism for the College," Padgett said. "Make sure you take advantages of all the intellectual offerings that are here so you can take the life-long learning ideal that they promote here seriously."

In the spirit of consistency, Padgett didn't back down from communicating one controversial stance for the Wabash community.

"Don't let a political party, or a church, or any cable news network do your thinking for you," Padgett said. "Do your own thinking."

Miles

"Con Law taught you how to think," Miles said. "It was about principles more than memorizing details, and Dr. McClain really motivated you to make connections."

Miles' influence has not gone unnoticed by leaders in Indianapolis.

"Mark has been invaluable to the work of the present and the visions of the future of the city, region, and state," said Wabash Trustee and Barnes and Thornburg Partner David Shane '70. "His natural entrepreneurial instincts, his business and civic experience, his

political savvy, and his clear but caring focus have enabled him to make real progress on critical issues and opportunities. His influences and results span economic development, social services, transportation, education, athletics and government. He has a lightning quick mind, he executes, he leads and he cares – a classic Wabash-educated citizen: thoughtful, responsible, effective and humane. And he cooks a mean dinner even though his tennis game has seen better days."

Murrell

recruited by Mike Dill, an alumnus of the college.

"There are a handful of Tulsans at Wabash who are here in one way or the other because of Mike Dill," Murrell said. "My older brother went here as well and he was a senior when I was a freshman. We were both recruited by Mike Dill, a trustee of the college and a fellow Phi Delt."

What is his advice for freshmen at the Phi delta house?

"Don't ever forget that you are working to become part of the Phi Delta Chi Fraternity as well as the Wa-

bash brotherhood," Murrell said. "So, you should strive to give the best version of yourself to both brotherhoods."

Murrell is also grateful to Wabash College for molding him into the person that he is today.

"Other than the obvious fantastic education that Wabash offers, the relationships I have had and the positions I have held in the house as well as other clubs have taught me life skills that would be hard to learn otherwise," Murrell said. "That is to the credit of Wabash College."

Martin Continues Teaching at Wabash

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STAFF WRITER

Mariángeles Martin came to Wabash from the Caletto Olivia Province in Argentina. She hopes to share her culture here on campus. When the time comes, she plans to share what she has learned here on campus with her family, friends and students back home.

"I want to be able to share parts of my culture here," Martin said.

Martin teaches several labs for the 100 and 200 level courses. This gives her the opportunity to teach, but also share parts of her culture.

"I prepare labs and help the teachers by taking over their classes," Martin said. Martin has introduced her students to music as well as reviewing vocabulary and grammar. Martin is also involved with the Spanish Club.

"When I go back home I want to try to make this year useful to improve my classes," says Martin. Martin taught for two years in a public middle school before coming to Wabash. She comes to Wabash with an interesting list of experiences.

"At the beginning (my focus) was psychology, but I realized my main goal was to help adolescence," says Martin. Martin spent two years studying psychology in Córdoba then went to the Instituto Provincial de Educación Superior Coleta Olivia. Four years later she graduated with a degree focused on teaching English to middle and high school students. Her first job was not easy. She taught in the equivalent of an inner city school district.

"The first year was quite hard, because they didn't want me there," Martin said. Many of the students were reluctant to learn English in the way she wanted to teach it.

"The four main skills of a language

are listening, speaking, reading and writing," Martin said. "I chose the school and stayed there to form relationships and try to show the kids that they could do more. They came from a neighborhood where they don't want to, or think they can, leave." Martin said she wants to help these students accomplish more because she came from the same neighborhood.

While teaching, Martin met a colleague from New York who was participating in a teaching exchange program. He had been teaching English. After getting the idea from him, Martin began the application process to do a similar program. Picking a school was not easy, but she eventually narrowed her choices down.

"I didn't want to be in a big city surrounded by people who might already speak Spanish," Martin said. "I also wanted to be exposed to the true American culture." These criteria carried Martin through the application process, ultimately bringing her here to Wabash College.

"I'm starting to get used to the culture here," Martin said, though she is still learning new things.

"I think we have the preconception that Americans are cold," Martin said, referring to the personal space the American culture values. Martin was happily proven wrong in many of these ideas.

"The only time I had heard about Fraternities was in movies," Martin said, referring to the idea of the "Animal House", a stereotype that many Americans may even hold. After seeing how they work here at Wabash, Martin changed her mind.

"I understand now that they are all about the traditions of the college and that they (the brothers) are friends for life," Martin said.



COREY EGLER | WABASH '15

Spanish Language Intern Mariángeles Martin has brought years of teaching experience to Wabash this year. Here, she helps Daniel Niezer '15 in a Spanish lab.

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Make Your Schedule Well-Rounded

STAFF EDITORIAL

With a large number of events approaching at Wabash, there is no better time to plan out the rest of your semester and find that healthy balance that all Liberal Arts men should have.

In the several weeks through the end of the semester, events of all nature will be held on campus and no Wabash men should pass at the chance.

On the same Saturday in October, the 22nd, students have an opportunity to compete in the Moot Court, spend time with their family as a part

of Family Day, go to the football game, attend Oktoberfest, and wind it down at National Act with Mike Posner and Asher Roth.

Talk about a renaissance day.

After Rich Woods' Chapel Talk yesterday, two remain this month—one from Dr. Bill Cook and one from President of the National Association of Wabash Men, Greg Castanias—and the three put together create a very diverse list of speakers.

In November, Casino Night, the Student Recital, and plethora of Career Services events are schedules. Basketball and Wrestling kick-off their seasons and Cross Country, Swimming and Football end theirs.

Not to mention, there is this thing called Bell Week that allows you to become cultured in a whole new way.

As the Christmas Recess approaches in December and finals loom, there are still opportunities to catch plays at the Vanity Theatre, attend the "Wabash has Talent" show, attend an array of holiday music programs, and line up at Sparks during finals week for the famed Midnight Munch.

Take the next several weeks and view them as an opportunity to culture yourself in ways that our small college atmosphere allows us to do best. You know the people participating in these events, you have class

with them, so go and support them. But at the same time you will be supporting yourself by utilizing the opportunities provided you by this very unique place that with so few people can present speakers, plays, concerts, and events with such different backgrounds.

To do this, keep your schedule balanced. Surely, most Wabash men will attend National Act and the Bell game, but go to Casino Night and concerts and Chapel Talks. Enhance your Wabash experience and be a better renaissance man for it by well-rounding your next couple months worth of time.

The Tea Party Mob is Boiling Over

If you have watched any of the recent Republican debates you no doubt wonder who are those people in the crowd. To many commentators and I, they seemed either like monsters or a roman mob. The things the crowd cheered for or booed against sounded like something out of a horror movie.

First there was the incident about the death penalty and how Governor Perry watched over the greatest number of death penalties over any other governor. I understand how some people are in favor of the death penalty, but what kind of person cheers for the death of another person, except maybe for a mass murderer, which most of the people on death row in Texas are not. Furthermore the excitement and spontaneity of the cheers for this question sounded like the people in the audience were after blood. Even if you can forgive this incident, fast forward to the next debate where the crowd is cheering for the death of an innocent man.

In the next debate the moderator asked Ron Paul if he would be in favor for letting a man die if he not have health insurance. The crowd spontaneously started clapping and cheering for the person to die. The thing that was the most shocking is when the camera turned to the audience and a perfectly normal middle-aged woman was nodding



STEVAN STANKOVICH '12
OPINION COLUMNIST

her head and smiling to let the man die. Again my question is who was in this monstrous audience that had no heart for their fellow human beings. The answer is the tea party.

If you look back at history Republicans have been in favor for extending healthcare to everyone see President Richard Nixon. Even President George W. Bush made the biggest entitlement program since LBJ with the prescription drug program, giving the elderly cheap prescription medications. How then does a Republican party change from making the biggest entitlement program in health care in a half a century, to cheering for killing someone that does not have health insurance. The easy argument is that the extremist just took over the party and that they were always there. This seems crazy because where were they in other points of American history. It seems to me that the

Republican Party has just been hijacked by ignorant people and special interests and has shifted so far right that a normal republican would now be considered a democrat.

One last example is in one of the most recent debate there was a question by a gay soldier fighting in Afghanistan, whether they would repeal the law that allowed gays to serve in the military. Do you want to guess what the reaction of the crowd was? You think that being Republicans and patriotic Americans they would cheer a man actively serving his country. The same people that were wrapping themselves in the flag and cheering on any war during the Bush years and cheered for soldiers until the cows come home, like they should. What did they do? They openly booed and jeered the servicemen. This just shows how radical the Republican and Tea Party are becoming. The people that supported our troops no matter what were booing their own soldier serving in a war because of his sexual orientation. Does anyone else see something wrong with this picture? My main problem is how the frontrunner of the Republican Party, Mitt Romney, did not even stand up for the servicemen and claimed ignorance to the crowd's reaction.

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Dress Up for the Occasion, Wabash

I recently attended an RSVP, invitation-only dinner here on campus, for which the invitation specified "business casual" dress. I immediately cringed. Not because I myself have any problem with "dressing up," mind you. I cringed because I'm familiar with the way in which many Wallies interpret the phrase "business casual." Surveying my colleagues at this dinner, I saw that most had hit the dress code mark fairly well, but as usual, there was that substantial contingent which either misinterpreted the instructions, or deigned them of no import. While it is uncharacteristic of me to urge Wabash men to adhere to societal conventions, this is one situation in which conformity is not only a prudent political and professional gesture, but of higher moral merit than the alternative.

It must be first understood that business casual, dear Wallies, is not a cryptic or byzantine code. Nor is it a system under which a collar gives one a carte-blanche extending to the rest of his outfit. There are a few things that business casual absolutely mandates for men: a collared shirt, leather or suede shoes (i.e. NOT tennis shoes, other athletic footwear, or sandals of any kind), and a belt. This last item seems to be forgotten far too often by Wabash men when dressing for career-oriented events. The belt is not only a utilitarian accessory employed to suspend one's trousers on an as-needed basis. Practical or not, the belt has become an essential element of any outfit (unless of course

you opt for suspenders, which are too formal for business casual situations) and no man is completely dressed for business without one.

The first two mentioned delineations encompassed by business casual are too painfully obvious to define. It must be pointed out, however, that there are degrees of propriety within these basic guidelines. The specification of a collared shirt allows much room for variance, from the polo to a pressed, button-down dress shirt complete with tie. To wear a polo to a business casual event, however, is to meet the bare minimum requirement-- to do as little as possible to get by. The same can be said of the "dark jeans" allowance many believe business casual entails. Formality of attire represents-- whether it requires it or not --effort, and effort indicates how much one cares, so you can deduce for yourself what message these lower-effort alternatives convey.

It is frustrating, then, when I attend these events and meet colleagues who wear polos and jeans, and sometimes with their shirts not even tucked-in. It is at this point where one ceases to meet the minimum requirement and the attempt at business casual (if an attempt was even made) is an outright failure. Now, I stated earlier that "dressing up" is preferable both professionally and morally. The advantages (or imperatives) of complying with dress codes in regards to career advancement, have been or will be instilled in all of us so emphatically



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by Career Services that they need no argument. But I believe that we are morally obligated to try our best to comply with dress codes at invite/RSVP events.

Most of these events, when we are college students, are hosted by faculty or administrators, or are in honor of a scholar, speaker, etc. of similar standing. These people deserve our respect on their own merit, and thus we should honor their requests. But beyond that, whenever we are invited to an event, we become guests of those that invite us, the invitation being a gesture of respect. The least we can do is to reciprocate that respect by putting a few moments of extra effort into dressing ourselves. To disregard this request is to deny our host the respect that he or she deserves, and to send them, implicitly, the message we regard our own personal convenience more highly than we value their company.

More and More Change at Wabash

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Political discourse has been centered on this for ages. The last successful Presidential campaign was focused on change, for better or for worse, depending on your political leniency. But politics and academics are two entirely different categories of “contemplative” interaction, and what follows surprises me: the Wabash academic atmosphere has been so incredibly accepting of change over the past year that I am afraid we are in danger of losing our academic integrity.

Do not convict me of being an irreconcilable traditionalist just yet—I do in fact recognize the necessity for change. When some “truths” begin to seem less true, especially in coursework, new truths ought to replace them. This is obvious. The study of mathematics, for example, is ever developing. Students at Wabash now are expected to have a better understanding of mathematics than those who attended the College when it first opened its doors. But this is not to say that the truth of the study of mathematics has faded. Continuous development, then, is what ought to be occurring at Wabash rather than destruction and re-establishment. So this is my distinction between “change” and “development” and I hope it allows the reader to further understand my following contentions.

Last year, those of us who were freshmen, sophomores, and upper-classmen remember the abandonment of C&T and the creation of a second-semester all-freshmen course entitled EQ. There was opposition from many students and some faculty members, but nevertheless, the change occurred. A beloved and renowned Wabash Tradition faded into the memories of years passed and a new class of bright-eyed Wabash freshmen was robbed of the opportunity to engage in C&T and was handed a single-semester, recently fleshed out EQ as compensation. But how could the freshman class sufficiently understand what was happening to them?

They had no C&T to compare EQ to, no way of judging its merits even pseudo-objectively, but regardless of this, they were subjected to it. The College assuredly has, in the past, given in to external pressures from the rest of the world, and for the better in many instances. These external pressures were never taken at face value, however, but they were seen through the eyes of a skeptical and wary institution. These losses were ones that Wabash understood as necessary based on the fact that they would assist in the continual development of the College. They were never purely voluntary developments insofar as the College would not have given in to these pressures had it not regarded the pressures beneficial or unquestionably helpful. What is unsettling about this most recent

change, then, is that the holders of the power to influence the development of the institution voluntarily scrapped C&T for a glossier EQ that seemed more vibrant in appearance.

The merits of EQ are what they are. I cannot say that I disliked EQ, that I wish I had not taken it, or that I did not enjoy myself. However, I also cannot say that I would have disliked C&T, that I wish I had taken it, or that I would not enjoy myself only because I never had nor never will have the opportunity to experience it. Regardless, the change was made, for better or for worse, depending on your academic leniency.

And so this fight against EQ and for C&T cannot adequately be fought any in the classes of 2014, 2015, or future classes to come, simply because of the fact that none of us will ever experience C&T and will have only experienced EQ. The EQ Vs. C&T struggle has come and passed and it will now be accepted as something the College promotes and desires (thus, according to past precedent, as something the College deems developmental).

The problem now arises, however, concerning a distribution gap. Because C&T was a two-semester course and EQ is only a single-semester course, there opens up a space in a semester that we must fill. Should we fill that gap with an elective? Should we fill that gap with a course required for our major so that we might fulfill our requirement

sooner than anticipated? The College has already begun to devise a plan that will force us to fill this gap with other things—things more in line with yet another change and not necessarily developmental. Multiculturalism, Non-Western Studies, and Gender Studies. These are the fields that are to be added to the distribution requirements for those who were subjected to EQ and not C&T. I will not delve into my personal beliefs about these three studies and their significance in the Wabash curriculum because I do not think this is the time for that sort of discussion. What is important, however, is that these three fields of study can be found implicitly already in many aspects of Wabash coursework and Campus life.

Adding more requirements robs the Wabash student of endeavoring to find his own path of involvement. Enforcing even more regulations in our already heavily regulated academic atmosphere can and will be devastating. More regulation allows for less individual development and more cogs to be thrust from a “Wabash Machine.” The College is regrettably clinging to a hollow passing phase of re-edification. A new frightening visage of forced regulation will soon replace the beautiful countenance that is just now beginning to slip away if we do not express our concerns and resentments.

Letter to the Editor About “Wabash Always Fights”

D3Football.com recently suggested that Franklin College had the best tailgating in all of Division 3. Part of their defense of this argument was the fact that they sell official tailgating shirts at Franklin. The shirts are in homage to Notre Dame’s famous “Play like a champion today,” and read, “Tailgate like a champion today.” While that might be a fun shirt to wear if you’re a Grizzly, no self-respecting Little Giant would wear a shirt that rips off another school’s motto. After all, we have “Wabash Always Fights,” right?

“Wabash Always Fights” is a great school motto. It’s positive – who would even suggest quitting – and it’s masculine. We are going to fight. Not give it our best. We are going to fight you. You can come here and we will be respectful, but when the game begins, we are going to fight you from the moment the contest begins until the last whistle is blown. It’s a powerful message and it’s one that I have continued to consider in my daily life since graduating almost 10 years ago.

We have a motto to be proud of. On game day we must use it. Why wait until an untimely turnover or an officiating blunder to start our war cry? Let’s not allow our mantra to become a negative entity, only existing when hope seems to be lost. Wabash Always Fights is more than that. It should intimidate our competition and empower our team. The chants of Wabash Always Fights should begin before any competition to let our opponent know that we are serious. It should be used after scoring to remind the world that we will not become complacent, that we will not stop. We will continue to fight. We always fight.

This past weekend, with 5,000 Little Giant supporters in the stands for Homecoming, I did not hear a single utterance of Wabash Always Fights. Let’s stop using our cheer only in times of trouble. Let’s make it a consistent message – it should always be used. It’s what we do. Wabash Always Fights.

In Wabash,

Ryan Daming ‘02

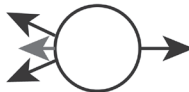
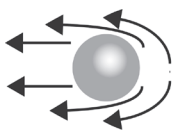
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So this is what I am afraid of and why there is very little doubt in my mind that I will never support the tea party or the Republican Party this election. They are so radical that a moderate Republican like John Huntsman does not stand a chance. President Reagan, Eisenhower, Bush and Nixon would all probably be rejected by this Republican tea party so fast that it would make their heads hurt. I cannot support a group that cheers for the killing of people both those in jail and those innocent that do not have health insurance. I cannot support a party

who openly boos its service members fighting for our country because of their sexual orientation. Finally I could not support the Republican party because the front runners of this Republican field are beholden to the tea party and will not stand up to them or their leaders like Rush Limbaugh or Glenn Beck that march steadily more extreme all the time.

Please for the country’s sake I hope the tea party explodes and all the ideas in the pot evaporate along with the crazies supporting them.

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The ‘Dirty 30’ Debate

Which Beer is the Best of the Worst?

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As the clock creeps closer and closer to 4:00 on Friday afternoons, Wallies (aged 21 and older) everywhere are faced with the inevitable, unavoidable, and consequential question: Which “Dirty 30” is it going to be?

“What is a ‘Dirty 30’?” you might ask. Well, to my under-aged or teetotaling friends, a ‘Dirty 30’ is the finest collection of 360 ounces a Wally on a

budget can consume.

While my self-described “refined” beer tastes prefer such delicacies as Blue Moon and Corona, my wallet constraints limit such indulgences. My trips to one of our fine local liquor stores leave me with a triad of options: Keystone Light, Busch Light, and Natural Light.

Favorites at most college parties, these three light beers are defined by their drinkability, taste, and most importantly, price. All three are compa-

rable in price, explaining why they are favorites at most college parties. Each can be described as watered-down, weak, and cheap. Nonetheless, cases of this stuff fly off shelves of liquor stores everywhere *en masse* to your friendly fraternity or house party.

Commercially, Keystone Light has been the most prevalent and well-known. Through their “Keith Stone” marketing campaign, Keystone has presented its beer as a smooth, easy-drinking beer that is popular among the mustache-donning, flannel-wearing, girl-impressing crowd. Keystone is a personal favorite of yours truly, most likely because it was the first cheap light beer I was exposed to, and as any good, honorable indulger of alcohol can tell you: if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it. So fix it, I won’t.

However, when polled, several fellow Wallies expressed a strong opposition to Keystone.

“Natural light is by far a better beer,” Logan Frederick ‘12 said. “Keystone Light tastes a lot like dirty water.”

While I’m unsure how my classmate knows exactly how dirty water tastes, I get his point. “Fratty Light” as he lovingly named it, seemed to have an appeal with a good number of the individuals I questioned. Their reasons all fell along the lines of taste. As I found through my extensive “re-

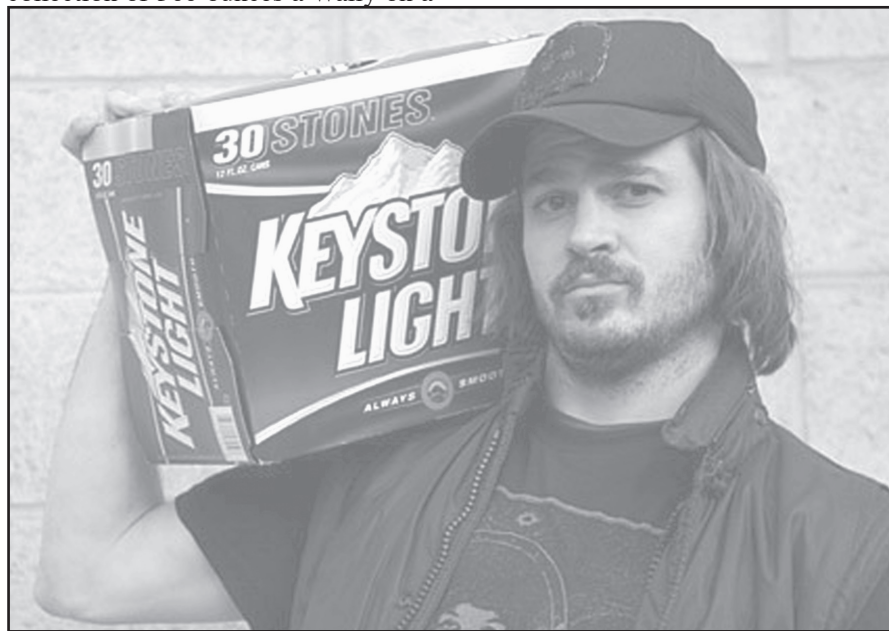
search,” Natural Light and Keystone Light appeared to have the largest following among Wallies, with Busch Light holding much less appeal. As it is, it seems as though Busch is the odd beer out in this discussion. In my experience, though, Busch Light has its benefits as well. As a somewhat stronger light beer, the Busch variety presents a taste bud confusion as you may almost believe you are drinking real beer. Don’t be alarmed; you aren’t.

While most people have a strong feeling one way or the other on this matter, there are the exceptions to the rule, who feel rather ambivalent on the Dirty 30 debate.

“Quite frankly, I’d rather drink rum,” Alex Robbins ‘13 said. “But I guess if I had to pick one, it’d be Keystone.”

And that, my friends, is the real moral of the story: these beers aren’t about enjoyment of hops and/or barley, they are about economic sensibility. So this Friday when you walk into Southside Liquors, remember, for \$15 per case, you can’t really go wrong.

Some of you may agree with my analysis of this great debate, some may not. Either way, remember that much like our three light beers to choose from, you truly get what you pay for.



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Keystone featured many commercials using Keith Stone. Out of the triad of ‘Dirty 30’ beers, Keystone is most popular on Wabash’s campus.

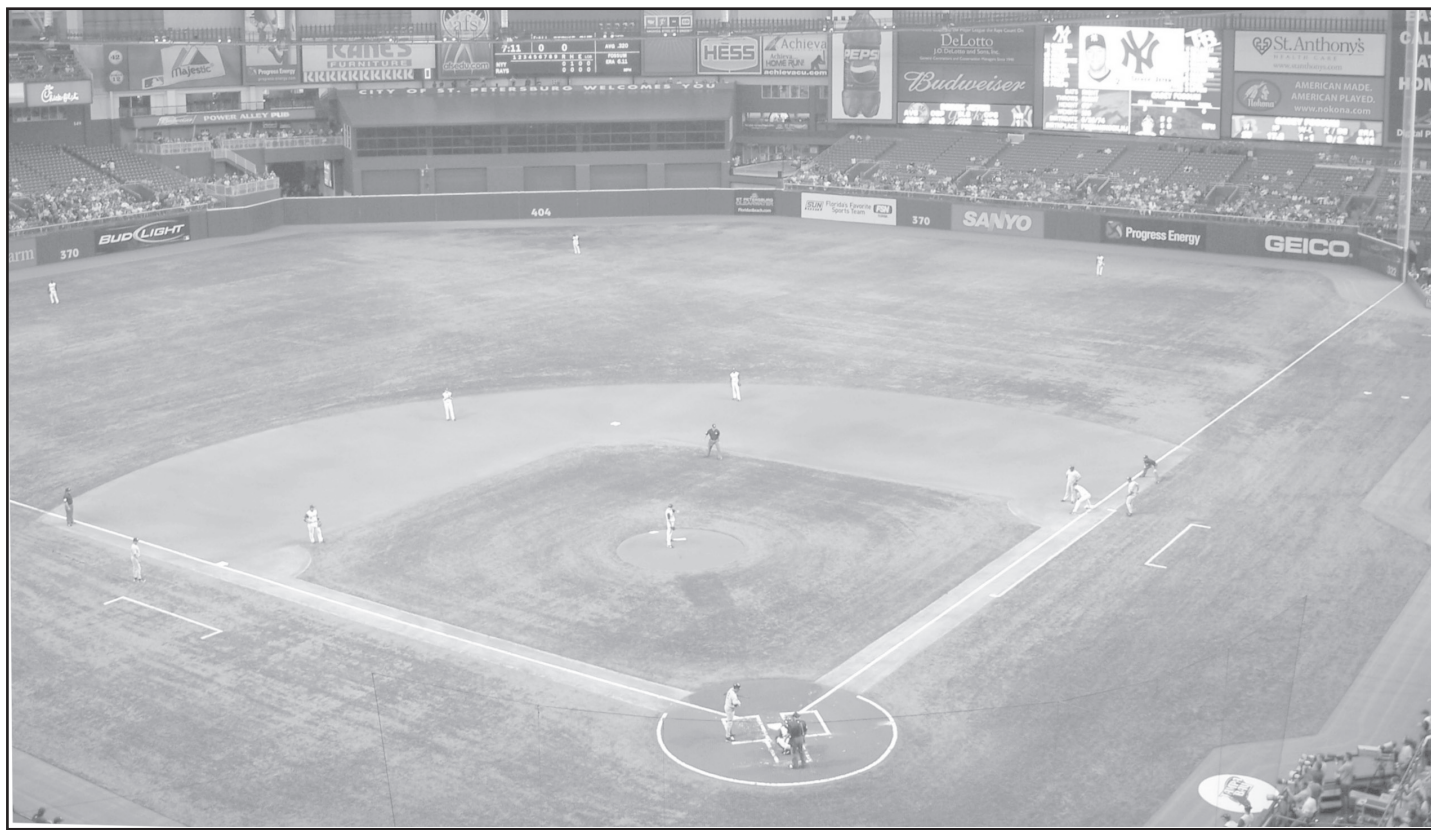
Shame on You, Rays Fans

JOHN DYKSTRA ‘13
CAVELIFE EDITOR

This year’s Major League Baseball playoffs came about with more zeal than previous years, as the Tampa Bay Rays and St. Louis Cardinals made unpredicted comebacks to conquer Wild Card titles. On September 1, the Boston Red Sox were leading the AL East and were 8 1/2 games ahead of the Rays; the Atlanta Braves were 7 1/2 games ahead of the St. Louis Cardinals in the Wild Card standings as well. The Rays and Cardinals bought their Wild Card playoff tickets on the final day of the 2011 season.

The winner might be the one to write history, but the Braves and, especially the Red Sox wrote about the demise of their 2011 season. Their collapses also accounted for several insights into baseball culture, both positive and negative, in relation to underdog stories and home game attendance.

First, it was fascinating to see both the Cardinals and Rays live a Cinderella story. I was particularly drawn to the Rays because of how the team evolved from a rock-bottom AL East team to a playoff contender over the past three years. The fact that they lost some key players last offseason due to payroll limitations also made their 2011 story appealing. Albert Pujols made St. Louis’ comeback seemingly mandatory. Making the playoffs may have prolonged Pujols’ departure from St. Louis; he might end up in a different uniform next year. We will have to see if making the playoffs affects his decision this offseason. The underdog story of both teams



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The Tampa Bay Rays were unable to sell-out in their final regular season game against the New York Yankees. The Rays won that evening, which helped them eliminate Boston from the 2011 MLB Playoffs.

should be inspirational to baseball fans, especially those who pay attention to the Rays because of how young the team is.

While the Rays’ story behind making the playoffs was historically significant, the team’s fan base did not reflect that. In the Division Series, at home, the Rays failed to sell-out. Their ballpark, Tropicana Field, has a maximum capacity of 34,078, yet there were still many empty seats. Should Boston have made the playoffs, Fenway Park surely would have been jam-packed, and Fenway only seats about 37,000 people. What constituted this problem in Tampa Bay?

A probable reason could be that the Tampa Bay area is full of retirees. The excitement the Rays bring to Tampa Bay might be discouraging for older citizens in terms of

attending games. The issue is still unclear, but Florida baseball teams have a history of poor attendance, with an exception to World Series games. The Florida Marlins and Tampa Bay Rays respectively ranked twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth overall in attendance in 2011. Rays fans dishonored the their team’s efforts by not attending Division Series games.

The Cardinals were able to sell-out when they hosted the Phillies in the NL Division Series. This could support my hypothesis in the paragraph above. The Midwest is known for its working class. Therefore, there are more young and middle-aged citizens in the St. Louis area than Tampa Bay.

Comparing the home game attendance between the Cardinals and Rays certainly brings the age factor into con-

sideration.

Also, I feel the Red Sox have been more criticized about their September collapse than the Atlanta Braves. Obviously, the Red Sox and Yankee rivalry is well known to baseball fans, as well as each team’s successful history. However, the Braves once had a long streak of Pennant titles. Geographically, Atlanta, Georgia is merely a state away from Florida. Could this be relevant to Tampa Bay’s low attendance?

2011 attendance statistics revealed that teams from northeastern cities (Boston, Philadelphia, and New York), north central cities (St. Louis, Chicago, and Milwaukee), and cities near the Pacific Coast (Los Angeles and San Francisco) had the highest attendance. Despite having a horrible seasons, the Minnesota Twins ranked fourth

in overall attendance and the Cubs ranked ninth. Minnesota’s attendance was more than likely high because their new ballpark opened last season. Obviously the Cubs’ attendance was high because of how dedicated their fan base is – the White Sox ranked twenty-first (the US Cellular Field area is known for being more dangerous than the area near Wrigley Field). Based on these statistics, it is plausible to believe the Tampa Bay Rays would be able to draw more fans if they moved to a different town.

The Cardinals and Rays undoubtedly deserved their entry into the playoffs. Tampa’s poor home game attendance during the Division Series provoked further research and helped reveal the correlation between baseball game attendance and geography.

Blink’s Return Not Too Special

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MUSIC COLUMNIST

Bring out your diamond studs, frosted tips and angst because it’s 2001 again, or, at least, that’s what I was thinking when I listened to Blink-182’s new album, *Neighborhoods*. The band, which had been inactive since 2005, came back with this new LP last week after its long hiatus and many side projects. *Neighborhoods* is a simple continuation of everything that they had been doing back in the late 90’s and early 2000’s with *Enema of the State* and *Take Off Your Pants and Jacket*. The sound is still uninteresting with layered vocals, rhythmic power chords, snare and high hat drums, and uninspired bass parts that mélange to make a fading shadow of nostalgia driven sub interest.

It sounds like anything a garage band made up of your younger brother and his two friends could do. None of the parts are terribly interesting. The guitar doesn’t do much more than play the same punk chords that have been overused since The Ramones, the bass simply follows the guitar, and the drums don’t do anything interesting. They did throw in some synthesizer and effects, but it doesn’t do much to make the sound any more full or complete; if anything, it cheapens it. The synthesizer makes it sound something akin to All American Reject’s first album which they did better and earlier. It’s used incorrectly and inappropriately; it detracts from the core sound without

adding anything. To be fair, it isn’t a terrible album; I’ve heard much worse from much more popular bands (looking at you, Nickelback); It’s uninspired. Barker and his cohorts have spent the last five years working on different projects, Sum41, Angels and Airwaves. They’ve lost some chemistry, they’ve gotten older, and all of those other excuses, but it still maintains the same core of sound. Their shallow pop punk sound hasn’t changed since 1999.

It’s exactly what one would expect with a new Blink-182 album; it’s the same stuff they were doing ten years ago, the only problem being that everyone grew up. When they came out in the late 90’s, music had been in a horrible way. After grunge and gangsta rap slowed down, there wasn’t a presence of good original music. Blink and other pop punk bands took the edge off punk and marketed it to mainstream America, and the populace was ready to eat it up.

It was dancey, it was fun, it lacked substance, but we didn’t care. We had just spent the last five years letting boy bands dominate the charts. They were a breath of fresh air in a shallow world. We’ve grown up, Blink. The Arcade Fire just won best album last year with a deep, interesting sound with unapologetic lyrics and an intricate story. That’s what we want now. We want there to be something with our music. Dance beats and power chords aren’t enough anymore, and this album is just dated.



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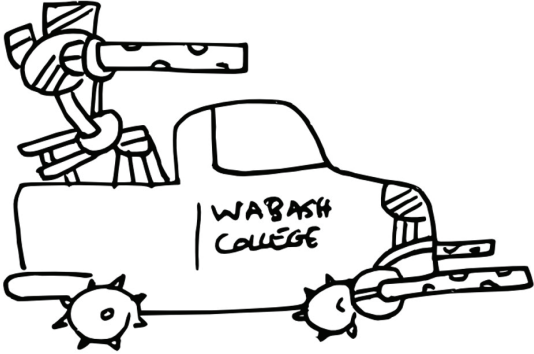
Blink-182’s return album *Neighborhoods* resonates the band’s famous sound. The album is the band’s first since their self-titled album in 2003.

Now what’s left is the nostalgia that everyone has of how awesome Blink used to be. But like slap bracelets and bowl cuts, we’ve come to realize how incredibly ridiculous we looked. Blink-182 only has that to coast on, the hope that people remember how much they loved their first albums.

This album is something that hardcore Blink fans, if they still exist,

would possibly like. It’s a shadow of their former selves, but it seems to maintain the same fun sound they had going for them. It’s a bad attempt at a dated idea; pop punk died long ago and should have stayed dead, remembered fondly for what it was. Now its shambled corpse is running across stage, scaring small children and the elderly.

Muensterman’s Apocalypse



...meanwhile our campus service trucks are being outfitted for the coming invasion,



the chapel opens to reveal our secret weapon,



and our campus security men are suiting up.

but will it be enough?

to be continued...

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Timeline Puts F.B. History a Click Away

JACOB BURNETT ‘15
STAFF WRITER

If it’s not broken, don’t fix it. This argument presents one perspective regarding Facebook’s new changes. If you get on Facebook, you probably see multiple friends disparaging Facebook’s changes. Facebook maintains the reputation of a social networking site that dedicates itself to helping individuals connect and share with people in their lives. However, it has evolved into so much more, and some argue that it’s no longer remaining true to its beliefs. The popular website’s new changes may reap negative results.

The implementation of the timeline causes many problems. The timeline will reside on an individual’s profile. The posts, statuses, and other recent activities will be separated by the years in which you have had your account. Many people have had their profiles for more than four years. This presents the argument that, at the click of a mouse, time is at your disposal. You could search through a friend’s Facebook life within minutes.

Individuals might not take the time to go through the years of material and delete posts, statuses, etc. and that leaves your mistakes on the internet for all to see. Employers, colleges, and

other respectable individuals can now inspect every aspect of your Facebook life. The timeline does not reflect human being’s ability to change. You were not the same person in 2006 that you are now. The timeline portrays one to seem static.

The new layout also contains the new ticker feature. You are able to see friends of friend’s actions. The user now lacks control over who can see what he or she is doing. The ticker infringes upon the right to privacy especially those of minors. That innate problem may yield more online crimes. Also, the approach in which Facebook deems “top story” worthy is bias. We should have the individual choice in deciding what is and what is not important to us.

To be honest, Facebook users occasionally lack a proper filter. You may think that it’s their own fault, and they should be held accountable. However, their lack of control and intrinsic lack of judgment should not determine their liability of mistakes. We need to further educate the seriousness of misjudgments to the younger generations. Once something is on the internet, it stains it forever.

When we decide to put something online for our friends to view, we are now granting the public full access to our lives. When we make a mistake, change our minds, or use our right to



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Facebook has made several changes pertaining to the social network’s layout. The Facebook Timeline will post every Facebook user’s history, ranging from wall posts to “Likes.”

freedom of speech, it lies under the scrutiny of people we might not even know. This lack of control opens the door for numerous problems. Where should we draw the line between our decision to let our friends have insight into our lives, and being subjected to examination by strangers?

When posting things on Facebook we should implement a proper standard of judgment, and we should remember that anything online is easily accessible to millions of people. The new timeline compresses time into a

single click. The ticker addition no longer helps connect and share with people in their lives, but with strangers. Individual privacy is at stake. However, there are ways to minimize these negative aspects of Facebook. You can strengthen your security settings, take time to delete mistakes, and disable the ticker. Yet, we must not forget that these Facebook changes affect every user.

Time is of the essence, and now it’s of the click of a mouse.

Little Giants Dethrone Lords

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SPORTS EDITOR

Saturday's Homecoming matchup with Kenyon was about as one-sided of a football game can be. The Little Giants led from start to finish, rolling up big yards and impressive defensive numbers in a 49-0 blowout.

For the second consecutive week, the Wabash offense hung 49 points on an opposing defense, but unlike the Chicago blowout full of special teams and defensive scores, the dismembering of the Lords was an offensive explosion.

Junior quarterback Chase Belton was a two-way threat, throwing for 203 yards and three touchdowns while rushing for 110 yards and two more scores on only five carries. Belton's day was done at halftime, having accumulated 313 yards of offense on only 18 touches and becoming Wabash's first 100-yard rusher of the season.

For his performance, Belton was



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Junior quarterback Chase Belton did it all against Kenyon, accounting for 313 yards

named to D3Football.com's Team of the Week.

The performance was not lost upon senior receiver Wes Chamblee.

"They not only have to look out for

our running back in the rushing game, they have to look out for our quarterback," Chamblee said after the game. "He's not going to run the ball all the time either, he's got a great arm. That

kind of makes us three dimensional."

After the dust had settled on the first half, the Little Giants (4-0) held a commanding 42-0 lead. Sophomore running back Tyler Holmes accounted for the only non-Belton score in the first half with his 1-yard touchdown run in the first quarter.

Belton threw touchdowns to seniors Jonathan Horn and Chamblee, as well as sophomore Jeff Bell. The reception was Bell's first of his Wabash career.

The second half of play was rather nondescript as the Little Giants used a litany of reserves. Wabash's final score was by junior Troy Meyers' 7-yard score in the fourth quarter.

The road gets significantly tougher for Wabash this week, as it plays host to Washington-St. Louis (2-2) at Hollett Little Giant Stadium.

A year ago, the Bears defeated the Little Giants in Missouri, 24-20. Wabash held a late 20-17 lead before Washington scored with little over a minute to play to steal the win.



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Seniors Kevin McCarthy and Donovan White pace the pack in a race earlier this fall.

Cross Country Puts Depth On Display

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With a squad of over 30 men, it can be hard at times for the Wabash Cross Country team to get all of their runners entered into the same race.

One way to combat this issue is to divide the team and compete in two separate competitions, which is just what Wabash did this past weekend.

Head Coach Roger Busch '96 sent his six seniors and junior Jake Waterman to the Notre Dame Invitational on Friday afternoon. The event drew top teams from all three divisions of the NCAA, as well as several Midwestern NAIA powers. Senior Brian David posted the best time and finish for the Little Giants at 33rd place in a field of over 130 competitors. Wabash placed 13th overall in the invitational.

Meanwhile, the underclassmen traveled across the state to run at the Earlham Invitational on Saturday. In a field of six teams, the Little Giants placed first behind the strong finishes of sophomores Dalton Boyer (3rd, 26:37) and Jake Ponton (4th, 26:41). The team score of 34 was eight points ahead of second-place Anderson University.

"Splitting up a cross country team to compete in two different meets is not entirely unusual," senior Brian David said. "However, we mixed up by sending the upperclassmen to Notre Dame for one of the top invitationals around. Even without our 'varsity' team, we feel that we held our own and competed against some of the top teams

in the country."

In typical fashion of the Red Pack, the upperclassmen who ran at Notre Dame on Friday chose to travel to Earlham on Saturday to cheer on their younger teammates, and were rewarded with seeing the future standouts of the Little Giant cross country program succeed.

"As a senior, it was an incredible experience watching the young guys take care of business," David said. "Dalton Boyer ran with two other outstanding runner throughout the entire race and competed with some heart. Hopefully, he can take some confidence with the race and apply it throughout the rest of the season. If he does, he definitely has the chance to be on the All-Region team and help carry us back to Nationals. After watching the race, I know that after this season ends, our team will continue to have success in the future."

The younger members will have another chance to show off their talent this weekend at the Lavern Gibson Course, hosted by Rose-Hulman and DePauw in Terre Haute. As the team's top performers begin to prepare for the Pre-National Meet to be held in Wisconsin the following weekend, Gibson Invitational will allow Boyer and others competing for the team's four remaining varsity spots another chance to show Busch that they can run with consistency.

Soccer Looking For Complete Effort

TYLER WADE '12
STAFF WRITER

The Wabash College soccer team seems to have a penchant for playing contests in a style writers have modeled time and again. They play a first half full of minutia and rising action, pick up the pace in the second half with more rising action, and culminating in a crescendo of a climax as they hit the game winner at the end of regulation or in overtime. This cliché was repeated again last Saturday in Wooster, OH.

The Little Giants battled Wooster to a scoreless draw after the conclusion of regulation, with both teams having scoring chances in the second half before senior forward Femi Oluyedun hit the game winner less than a minute into overtime to give Wabash a win against the Fighting Scots and to move them to a 1-1 mark in the North Coast Athletic Conference standings.

Playing conditions were less than ideal on Saturday, senior Allan Swan said the Little Giants fought hard for the win.

"Saturday's game against Wooster was very tough. The condition of the field didn't allow us to play our game. It was essentially a dogfight, but we were up to the challenge. We had to fight for every ball and in the end we deserved the victory."

Coach Roberto Giannini's team seems to hope the course of their season can take the same

trajectory as a novel that will tell the story of the 2011 Little Giants. Wabash got off to an inconsistent start but looks to be prepped for a charge in the coming weeks. Swan believes the confidence moving forward is certainly there.

"Every time we have entered overtime this year we could tell that we were going to win because all of the guys were very determined."

Moving forward, consistency has been a point of emphasis.

"Over the past three years we have been in the same pattern where we play well and then play bad," Swan said. "This season our motto has been '90+', where we have emphasized playing tough and smart soccer above and beyond the time needed."

Moving forward, there is certainly a sense of optimism surrounding the program.

"I am pleased with the foundation our class has left with the team. We had to play a lot as freshmen, and that was tough; however, we were able to get through that with senior leadership. I am proud that our class got the ball rolling for the Wabash soccer team and I hope that it will continue to be successful after we are gone."

Wabash hosts Allegheny College this Saturday in NCAC action. Saturday also marks Senior Day where the Little Giants will honor the accomplishments of the class of 2012. Start time for Saturday's contest is 12 p.m.

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Where Are They Now?

Tony Caldwell '07

RYAN LUTZ '13
STAFF WRITER

Swimming is a tough sport, especially when you are swimming with mono. It takes a lot of guts to be able to do that and then carry over that tenacity into the professional world.

This week for Where Are They Now? The Bachelor will be profiling Tony Caldwell '07 a Phi Psi swimmer who took full advantage of his liberal arts education and everything Wabash had to offer.

The one of the biggest moments in Caldwell's Wabash career was probably when he decided to sit out on swimming his junior year. Coming seconds away from qualifying for nationals his sophomore year the bitter taste left in his mouth.

"I was burned out after my sophomore season and spent my junior year doing other Wabash-related activities -- President of Phi Psi, a volunteer trip down to Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina, student manager of Trippet Hall.

"However, I missed the competition and camaraderie of the team, and to this day I am extremely glad that I came back for my senior season. Coach Casares warned me when I approached him about coming back, 'This will be the hardest thing you've ever done. 99% of swimmers can't take off that kind of break and come back from it, but if anyone can do it, you can' I used that as motivation for my senior season" Caldwell said.

The odds were stacked against him and even after he contracted mono Caldwell went on to win three events against arch rival DePauw in one of their final meets of the first semester. After that Caldwell approached things with a new vigor.

"I really believe that it was the first time in my life where I was 110% committed to something, because I knew anything less wouldn't be good enough. It took my numerous times to qualify for nationals then my coach told me if I had done all I could do to be proud of my efforts and walk away head held high, but if I had anything left to give it one last shot. I got back into the pool, and recorded my lifetime best to qualify for the national meet," Caldwell said.

He did not work that hard to come away empty handed though.

"To earn honorable mention All-American and Academic All-American honors with my entire family watching was the greatest joy I've ever felt," Caldwell said.

To achieve this feat it took unimaginable determination and telling one or two doctors that he knew better than them. Caldwell has successfully transferred his drive for athletic into the professional world.

"I work for Nestle as the Southwest Account Executive, OPTIFAST division. I work in bariatric sales and am based in Denver, covering the five Southwest states. I also attend the University of Denver Sturm College of Law part-time, and hope to pursue a legal career in the healthcare world," Caldwell said.

Being able to Take on the professional world like that Caldwell said he owes to Wabash. "I believe that Wabash College is a place where you can get anything and everything out of your four years if you are willing to put the work and effort into it. I never took a day for granted, nor an opportunity to talk with a professor, drink a cold beer with a peer or offer a helping hand to the Crawfordsville community".

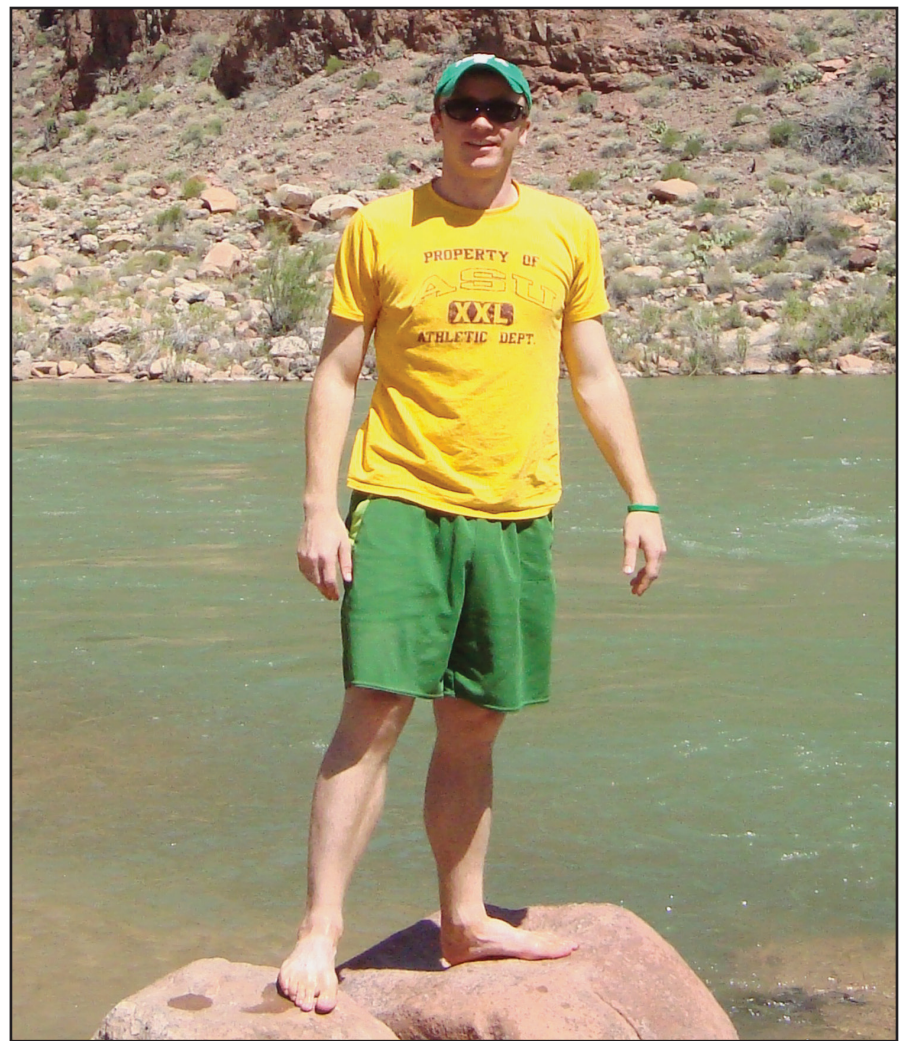


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After graduating in 2007, Tony Caldwell has moved onto a career with Nestle

As a professional Caldwell continued with the same philosophy that made him widely successful at Wabash.

"I have followed the same philosophy by treating my customers with care and compassion, being true to my word and always remembering to give more than you get. I think the ultimate litmus test for a true Wabash philosophy comes when you can follow the Gentleman's Rule in your personal and professional life after you leave the college" Caldwell said.

Caldwell meant a lot to Wabash and his transformation from the time he arrived at Wabash to his current job in Colorado shows us what Wabash is all about. "I first met Tony as a bald headed Phi Psi, now I am delighted to see him on one of his numerous visits to campus. To my family he represents our idea of a Wabash student, turned friend, as so many are to the faculty and staff of Wabash" Beth Swift said.

Clegg Stands Out On Gridiron, Mat Alike

KYLE BENDER '12
STAFF WRITER

College football and wrestling might have similar physicality components, but if you ask junior Pat Clegg, they are two distinctly different sports requiring separate mental and muscular approaches.

Already a two-time letter winner in each sport at Wabash, Clegg should know better than anyone – he excels at both.

On the gridiron, the Hinsdale, Ill. native is enjoying a breakout season in which he has already compiled seven tackles for loss in the first four games at his defensive line position. Last year on the wrestling mat, he totaled 21 wins for the Little Giants wrestling program in the heavyweight slot.

Clegg credits a compromise and understanding between coaching staffs for the easy transition between sports.

"It works really well," he said. "The wrestling coaches understand that I will miss training and the first few meets of the year because football runs into late November. They give me a week or two off to let my body to heal up and get back to normal before I begin practice.

"That week off is always the hardest time of the year for me because it requires a completely different change of pace. Wrestling requires more endurance on a day to day basis. It's also a huge mental game so my mind and body hurt the first few weeks of practice."

The Wabash-born standout was heavily recruited to Wabash by Assistant Football Coach Josh Hoeg. On a high school recruiting visit from his Chicagoland home to explore Wabash and DePauw, Clegg enjoyed his time on campus so much that he never made the extra journey to the school



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Pat Clegg '13 has had a standout year along Wabash's defensive line.

to the South.

"We knew he was going to be a good player so we went after him pretty hard," Hoeg said. "He hasn't disappointed yet. He is constantly working to get better. It seems like he's always either in the Allen Center doing something for athletics, studying, or in the classroom. We couldn't be happier with him and the role he plays on this team."

In a new approach brought forth by Defensive Coordinator BJ Hammer '01, Clegg thrives as the center lineman in a 3-4 scheme. He is among the team leaders in tackles and can be found in opponents' backfields multiple times each game, often resulting in quarterback hurries and several sacks to go along with his team leading tackles for loss.

The defense for the Little Giants is among the nation's best performers in number of points and yards allowed in the young season, thanks in part to Clegg's leadership and performance.

"I'd say the tone on the defensive side of the ball has been really upbeat so far this year," Clegg said. "When Coach Hammer was hired, it brought on a lot of new competition because everyone was starting on a new slate. We've worked to use our speed in the secondary and experience of some of the older guys to help bring along the freshmen who are making big impacts."

But for Clegg, the athletic accolades are nothing compared to his

main reason for being at the College. A chemistry major, he excels in the classroom and spent part of last summer working for an Indianapolis-based environmental consulting firm.

He also traveled with a Wabash class on a two week immersion trip to Kenya, which he credits as "one of the most unique and life-changing" experiences in his life.

"I believe that the term 'student-athlete' is really important," he said. "Something that I have always tried to take pride in is that I'm not just here to play sports. It's also important to learn and get good grades and do everything to my best ability. If you do well on the field, that's great; but if you can do well on the field and the classroom, that's even better.

"It's something I feel I've really learned to appreciate while at Wabash. I've tried to focus on the classroom aspect of college because that will ultimately lead me much further in life than any athletic achievement."

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Baseball Honored for NCAC Title

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Saturday afternoon’s homecoming celebrations extended beyond Hollett Little Giant Football Field as the baseball team came together at the Wabash Ballpark to honor last season’s NCAC championship squad.

Members of last year’s team, those graduated and returning, celebrated the accomplishment with the hanging of commemorative banners for the NCAC championship and NCAA Regional appearance. The players and coaches were also awarded with conference championship rings.

“The day went very well,” coach Cory Stevens said. “It was a good opportunity for our younger guys to connect with the older guys that just graduated to celebrate our team accomplishments and their individual accomplishments.

“It was a chance for us to show our younger players what they

can achieve if they put in the work this offseason.”

The day at the park started with the completion of the fall season as two of the three fall teams squared off in a championship game.

“I thought the championship game went really well,” Stevens said. “It was really competitive and our guys had a lot of fun with it. They played it like it was a real game.”

The celebration was also a big opportunity for Stevens to display his program to a host of recruits who were on campus for the homecoming festivities.

“We brought them out there in a brand-new stadium to watch our guys play and compete,” Stevens said. “At the same time, we can show them how successful our program was last year and where the program is headed.

“To put up all those banners and rings, it gives those guys the chance to see that they can be a part of a program that is compet-



COURTESY OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
Senior John Holm was honored Saturday for his home run which reached the Tennis Center last spring. The home run was estimated at well over 400 feet.

ing at a national level.”

Prior to Saturday’s final scrimmage, the field had undergone some reconstruction on the dugouts along both baselines. After the initial build last spring, there was an architectural error that obstructed the view of fans seated closest to the dugouts along both sides.

“We had to deal with some adversity early in the fall season not having dugouts,” Stevens said. “But it’s great to have them done now. They look fantastic. It’s better than what we originally had, and that’s saying a lot, because they were great before.

“Hopefully this is the last construction we will have to deal with, but it has certainly been well worth the wait.”

Answer to Colts’ Problems: Polian Must Go

After a heartbreaking loss to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Monday Night Football, the Indianapolis Colts are now 0-4 on the season.

And it’s pretty clear why. No, it’s not because Peyton Manning is hurt. Nope, not even close. No matter how much of an MVP campaign Kerry Collins and Curtis Painter have been running for Manning this season with their respective performances, he isn’t why this team is winless.

The weight of that falls squarely on the painfully cheap shoulders of Colts GM Bill Polian.

For years, Polian has assembled mid- to low-level talent to surround his ultra-talented quarterback; and Manning has made him look good at every step. The underwhelming running backs, the aging offensive line, and the relatively unknown receiving corps: Manning made them all look great. In some cases, he even got them to Pro Bowls.

But now, as Manning sits in the press box watching his teammates limp through a 16-game schedule, those deficiencies which had been so well hidden by 18’s brilliance are now glaring, and on Monday, that couldn’t have been clearer.

But this isn’t about the Buccaneers or Monday night’s game; it’s about a team full of nobody’s who now must reach expectations that are beyond unrealistic.

Polian is one of the league’s most celebrated executives, having been awarded as the league’s top front office man six times, including in 2009. But it’s time for Polian to move on.

In the past eight first rounds of the draft, Polian has traded away two first round picks and has selected six players who have largely underperformed. The list of those players is as follows: Marlin Jackson (’05), Joseph Addai (’06), Anthony Gonzalez (’07), Donald Brown (’09), Jerry Hughes (’10), and Antho-



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SPORTS EDITOR

ny Castonzo (’11).

Addai has headlined that group in terms of career achievements, and that isn’t saying much. The sixth-year running back out of LSU hasn’t had a 1,000-yard rushing season since his second year in the league in 2007. Another underwhelming pick has been Anthony Gonzalez. The Ohio State product has made just 12 starts in his five-season, injury-riddled career.

But the one pick in that bunch that really makes you scratch your head is Hughes. Not only was Hughes a relative unknown, but he was drafted to the one defensive position where the Colts are extremely talented and deep. Stalwarts Dwight Freeney and Robert Mathis have anchored an otherwise inept Colts defense for years at defensive end.

Speaking of that defense, somehow some way, they have been the bright spot in this year’s disaster. A bend-but-not-break mentality has allowed that unit to keep the Colts in several of this year’s games. But beyond Mathins and Freeney, this is a relatively soft group, playing a relatively soft scheme.

The Tampa Cover 2 defensive alignment has been one the Colts have used for years, and it has worked primarily because it is best accustomed to working with a lead, not building one.

And now, when there is no high-powered offense to jump on opponents, the soft, zone-oriented defense that the Colts employ has been exposed, most notably in a 34-7 throttling by the Houston Texans.

All those defensive struggles could be an afterthought. If only the Colts had any kind of offensive identity.

I’ve already addressed the deficiencies at receiver and running back, but the area of most serious concern has and will continue to be the offensive line. The patchwork group lining up for the Colts this year has been a combination of out-of-position veterans, undrafted free agents, and inexperienced rookies. The result has been a unit which has allowed 10 sacks over the first four games of the season. How many good years does Jeff Saturday have left at center? Much like with Manning, I’m sure Polian just has his fingers crossed that the answer to that question is 15.

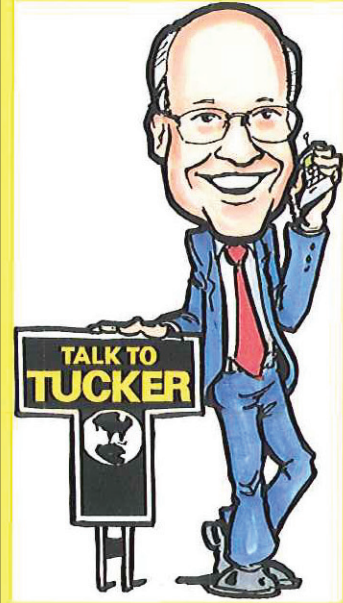
But even so, Polian’s death knell should ring due to his blatant refusal to draft a solid backup quarterback with an eye to the future.

For years, as Manning amassed a record number of consecutive starts to begin a career, Polian continued to ignore the growing need for a serviceable backup. The Colts drafted Jim Sorgi in the sixth round of 2004, and the experienced backup gained valuable knowledge of the offense for five years. But unwilling to continue to pay Sorgi a league-mandated veteran salary, Polian went out and used another sixth-round pick, this time on perennial underachiever Curtis Painter.

I don’t need to elaborate on the results. They are there for all to see. The Colts are 0-4. The offense has scored five touchdowns in four games. Colts quarterbacks are completing 48 percent of their passes.

What that all means: The Colts are on a collision course with the first overall pick in this summer’s upcoming draft. The obvious choice in that scenario is Stanford’s standout quarterback Andrew Luck. So expect Polian to do anything but draft Andrew Luck if presented with the opportunity; that is, unless Colts owner Jim Irsay wises up and cans Polian. But I’m not holding my breath on that one.

Hopefully Peyton is healthy in 2012, because it could be ugly again if he isn’t.



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