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Centre Stage: *Student Leaders Travel to Centre College, Observe Different Student Government Strategies*

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Four student government leaders visited Centre College in Danville, KY (the site of last month's vice presidential debate) this week on a fact-finding mission of sorts. The goal of the trip was to compare and contrast student government organization and protocol with that of a 1,300 student co-ed school with a similar government structure to that of Wabash.

One of the students that went was junior Jeremy Wentzel, vice president of the student body.

"Basically we're looking to see how they run things down there, mostly along the lines of if events are student-run or run by a student activities coordinator," Wentzel said. "We really don't have any goals besides just to see what's happening there, mostly because it's a similar size and similar disbursement of student activities."

Wentzel said the key question the group had is what Centre College would do to improve "their situation" with "our circumstances." According to Wentzel, those circumstances are



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Centre College in Danville, KY, is a highly rated liberal arts college of approximately 1,300 students. This week Wabash student leaders travelled to Centre to learn about Centre's student government.

an inability to necessarily hire additional staff. An alternative, which according to Wentzel was talked about last semester, is an electronic student management system, or what he said can be referred to as a "student club management solution."

Wentzel said that system would also be "pursued" again this semester.

"Basically, that would be a system where students would send, do all their budgetary information, online for student clubs," Wentzel said. "It would help the AFC out, it would also keep

records so future students, like three years down the road, wouldn't have to be on a 'word of mouth' sort of thing."

Wentzel said this trip is meant to be "proactive" for the college, meaning there is no specific goal or immediate response that can be expected upon the group's return.

Betsy Knott, coordinator of student activities, said she agrees with Wentzel and that this trip is meant to "improve leadership potential" and achieve a "better-run budget process."

"I think over and over again about something my dad used to say to me when we were in high school athletics, that 'you've got to get out of town once in a while to see how good you really are,'" Knott said, "and I think that can be applicable to a lot of things."

Knott said there really hasn't been a time, to her knowledge, that a hard look has been taken at organization, consistency and transparency of student government in general, and more specifically student activities and the budget process.

According to Knott, the group left after classes on Wednesday and

planned to sit in on a student government session there and then meet for five to six hours with student leaders at Centre. One of the things that Knott said she'll be looking at is not only how the AFC collects information, but how that's transferred through club leadership over time.

"We trust Wabash men to train those after them," Knott said.

Seton Goddard, an AFC member and sophomore, who also made the



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trip to Centre, said by making these observations and potentially making changes in the future, the purpose is more so meant for transparency and consistency rather than making the process "easier" or less thorough for the club president.

"I wouldn't necessarily say that we're trying to make [the process] easier, but we're trying to make it more consistent, we're trying to

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AFC Faces Budget Issues

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Recently the Student Senate and the Audit and Finance Committee (AFC) have faced some tough issues with regard to the budget. Problems from clubs spending money they have not been allocated to clubs spending money on items which are forbidden by bylaws have been on the table. Additionally, big name clubs such as the International Student Association and Sphinx Club have been indicted for the misuse of Student Senate funds, leading some to believe there is a budget crisis occurring.

Moreover, there is controversy as to who is at fault for the mispending of these funds. Perhaps it is the system used by AFC itself that is flawed. AFC member sophomore Seton Goddard said, "I think that a lot of students feel that when they submit a budget to AFC they follow an unclear set of guidelines."

"They know they cannot request food for meetings, and they sometimes know they cannot request money for T-Shirts, but beyond having reversion dates for their budgets...they are very unclear as to how we [the AFC] make judgment calls on the items they submit to us," Goddard said. "They will submit a budget to ACF, and I think a lot of students see it as a magical or mysterious process that occurs before their budget is sent back to them with what they have been allo-

cated." Among other things, the lucidity of rules and actions of AFC members regarding budget decisions seems to be one of the main issues that club members have with the committee.

When students are returned their final budget but are not granted the funding they requested, they usually attend a Senate meeting to determine why it was denied. "We have to say we did not do it for this reason," Goddard said. "Sometimes it is more clear-cut than others; sometimes clubs will submit the same budget they submitted two semesters ago...and it was bad the first time. But as people are getting better and better about putting together budgets, I think the AFC is running out of things to nitpick. So now we are faced with a situation where we need to start setting in place priorities...and making those clearer to people who are part of that process," Goddard said.

Student Senate Vice-President junior Jeremy Wentzel agreed with Goddard, and submitted, what he believes, are good solutions to the defunct system. "As far as I understand the AFC, they are doing the best job they can with the circumstances they have been dealt," Wentzel said. "They are having to make a lot of value judgments in a short amount of time with information that has just been passed along... Obviously some clubs get the short-hand because there is information that has



FRANCISCO HUERTA | WABASH '14

Student Senate Treasurer Micah Chowning '14, Tyler Andrews '15, and James Martin '13 ponder the budget problems at a recent student Senate meeting.

been lost along the way," Wentzel said.

"I would certainly like to see the WAR session [the assembly AFC has at the beginning of the semester where they decide all club budgets] happen over multiple days or multiple meetings instead of one. I think moving forward with an educational session [for clubs] should be something we should do, and to be frank, it should be mandatory for all clubs to receive funding," Wentzel said.

Probably the biggest issue the AFC and Senate have faced this semester has been the error in

spending surrounding the yearbook, particularly the lack of funding left in the budget to pay for it. "Last spring, Senate voted on what we believed was the last payment on the last yearbook," Student Senate Treasurer, Micah Chowning said.

"We thought we were done paying for it because the quality was too low for the price we paid. We wanted to see improvements made to justify the expense," Chowning said. "However, at the beginning of this fall semester, Student Senate received an invoice from the printing

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Professor of Economics Frank Howland rides his bike to campus every day as an alternative to driving. In today's green age many are taking similar steps in order to cut down on fuel usage and pollution. Howland rides mainly for the convenience and exercise in addition to those economic and environmental reasons.

Professors Enjoy Green Commutes

DAVID MYLES '14
STAFF WRITER

On the roads through campus, yellow and scarlet leaves cover the pavement and dance in the winter wind. Always beautiful to witness but depressing to acknowledge, the loss of leaves reminds us that winter is near and so is Jack Frost's biting breath.

Yet for some members of the Wabash community who don't drive to campus, this change in weather will have a much more direct impact. Professor of Economics Frank Howland, Assistant Professor of Political Science Ethan Hollander, and Assistant Professor of Political Science Lexi Hoerl commute daily, and each of them has his own unique reason for not driving to campus. Dr. Howland, who rides his bike to campus everyday, does so mainly out of convenience. "I live really close, about three quarters of a mile," Howland said. "And it saves money, doesn't pollute, and it's a good way to get exercise in the morning."

As with Howland, Dr. Hollander also enjoys the exercise he gets in morning but also the communal aspect of walking through town, "Mostly, I do it for exercise -- but I also like the sense of community. When I walk to work, I walk past

the shops downtown. I'll often see people I know, and it's nice to stop and say hello." Professor Hoerl, on the other hand, doesn't own a car nor does she know how to drive. "I like the fact that I'm not using gas, etc.," Hoerl said. "But the real reason is that my feet are the only way to get myself from my apartment to my office!"

With winter right around the corner, one might be curious if any of these individuals would put up their walking shoes till spring, and escape to the warm confines of an automobile during those few precious minutes between their homes and campus. "I'll bike and bundle up," Howland said. "I try to do it unless it's raining or snowing. It's just a question of safety."

Hollander, however, doesn't fear the coming cold, but instead embraces it: "I actually prefer walking in the winter. Who likes driving in the snow? Besides, the cold air is refreshing," Hollander said. "Besides that, I hate digging my car out of the snow and scraping ice off the windows. It's when it's warm out that I sometimes drive. I don't like arriving at work all sweaty."

Along with Hollander, Dr. Hoerl is also optimistic about the coming months, "I walk no matter the weather. It's not

fun when it's icy, but I manage to get by!"

Aside from their daily routine of morning exercise, Howland, Hoerl, and Hollander all stay active in other ways. "Just about every day I walk my dog to campus to get The New York Times," Howland said. "I'm an enthusiastic but not great tennis player. I use the stair stepper while I listen to podcasts. Biking is a lot more interesting than the stair stepper though."

For Hoerl though, walking is about more about relaxation than just getting from point A to point B: "I like to generally walk around town (i.e., just for fun, not to get to campus) and from time to time I might ride a bike around town."

Dr. Hollander mentions that he also runs, but also admits to exercising during class: "I pace a lot when I teach. Anyone who's taken my class knows that I tend to be pretty active when I'm in front of the classroom."

So, as we walk across campus this winter, leaving the warm confines of our dorm rooms to venture out into the cold Indiana mornings, just remember that there are at least three professors who have it rougher than you. But by their own choice, of course.

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A Look Inside Visiting Lecture Series

In-Depth Process Determines Speakers

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COPY EDITOR

Wabash students have had a tremendous amount of opportunities to meet famous speakers this semester. Paul Gehl of the Newberry Library, Chef Michael Ruhlman, Yugoslavian survivor Nadja Halilbegovich, Purdue entomologist Tom Turpin, and Brazillian poet Salgado Maranhão have all visited campus as part of the Visiting Lecture Series. The Visiting Lecture Series is headed by the Lecture Committee, which is made up of three faculty members. Since Reference Librarian Jeff Beck arrived on campus 16 years ago, however, he has chaired the Committee almost every year. Beck explained that getting the visitors to campus is no simple process; in fact, it usually takes two years to get a visitor to come to Wabash. “In year one, the group plans [for next year], and then year two they implement whoever they planned,” Beck said. The Lecture Committee often has to work with varying time constraints. They can get visitors to campus with six weeks’ notice, but more high profile visitors, such as Chef Michael Ruhlman, require a great deal more of planning than six weeks can allow. “There are certain people with certain calendars that you cannot just whip together in six weeks,” Beck said. Beck mentioned that the least ideal situation is for the visitors to come to campus in the evening, eat dinner, give a talk, and leave. One of the greatest parts of the Visiting Lecture Series for Beck is seeing the visitors have personal interactions with the students. “My tendency is to try to find those guests who are really willing to become a member of the community for a day or a week,” Beck said. But as far as finding the actual lecturers themselves, the Lecture Committee relies on the Wabash community. In some instances, a student or faculty member will read a book recently published and try to bring the author to Wabash as part of their book tour. Another way that Wabash gets visitors on campus is by exploiting the fact that students come to Wabash from all over the globe. In an older example, Beck mentioned

that the College once managed to bring in Senator Paul Simon, a Democrat from Illinois. A Wabash student from southern Illinois said he’d love for Senator Simon to visit Wabash, and he came right around the time of the Clinton impeachment hearings. According to Beck, Simon mentioned that the Congress of the time was much more collegial – they sat down in private, Republicans and Democrats, and seriously deliberated, before going up to the microphones and bad-mouthing each other. Beck mentioned that this particular visitor was great because he showed Wabash students the truth about Congress, rather than just the bickering that had been perceived. A number of faculty members, particularly new ones, bring in people they went to school with that would be willing to visit campus for a low cost and would be willing to integrate themselves with the Wabash community. Finally, the Lecture Committee also goes through agencies, for those visitors who are more high profile. The agency then does all of the organizational work. The drawback to these high-profile visitors is that their fees amount to almost the entire semester’s budget. For the price of one high-profile visitor who stays on campus for an evening the College can have ten visitors come who will actually join the Wabash community for a couple of days. One lamentable fact about the Visiting Lecture Series is that not all of the lectures are well attended. Part of the problem lies with scheduling conflicts. “There has been a long standing debate, with a school our size, is it a shame when we have four competing events on the same evening? Some people think it’s great; life is full of choices. Others say we don’t have that many visiting lecturers, artists, or poets; let’s try not to pile it up all in one evening,” Beck said. Beck theorized that another reason why Wabash men don’t always attend the lectures is because Wabash men simply don’t enjoy the luxury of a lot of free time. “I think part of it is akin to recreational reading. I mean, what Wabash man has time to read a good novel? Who has time for these things? In some ways, the lecture event seems like a continuation of the classroom, and stu-



COREY EGLER | WABASH '15
Reference Librarian Jeff Beck chairs the Lecture Committee along with his library duties.

dents have to decide if the lecture is relevant to their class or not,” Beck said. He went on to mention that there is another group of students, though. Some people are simply passionate about topics beyond their classwork. Scheduling where the lectures should take place is a problem of its own. “Sometimes it’s hard to know what people get fascinated about. You book a room, and maybe 20 people come into a room meant for 80. Or 80 people come into a room that seats 20,” Beck said. “You try to match a room to its audience, but that can be a lot of guesswork.” Beck recalled one instance, around the time when the Lord of the Rings movies were at the peak of their popularity, the Lecture Committee sponsored an archeobiologist to give a talk in Salter Hall about a group of small humans he called “the Hobbit people.” Beck recalled people having to stand in the aisles to hear the lecturer talk about his research findings on the Hobbit people. Beck said he expected a large turnout, but it seemed to him like half of the campus attended the event. Beck mentioned that the main encouragement for students to attend these lectures comes from faculty. Beck noted that extra credit works well, and some freshman tutorials require students to attend a few events like those sponsored by visiting lecturers during their first se-

mester at Wabash. But Beck mentioned that attendance is not the primary objective of the Visiting Lecture Series. As an example, Beck mentioned that the College once brought in a career diplomat, who was involved in a hostage situation as well as other dramatic negotiations. “Yes it would be great if you had an event with twenty people showing up, but if just two people show up and they get this real nuts and bolts experience of what it’s like to serve in the diplomatic corps, then to me, that makes it a success. That’s what makes this better than the big schools where you’re going to be one person in the crowd.” Beck stresses that one of his main goals for the visiting lecturers is that they are able to meet with students one-on-one. “I don’t look at the numbers, I just look at opportunities,” Beck said. “The thing that’s most rewarding here is that we really make an effort to put students and these visitors face to face. How can you measure that?” The Visiting Lecture Series concluded this semester with an appearance by Brazillian poet Salgado Maranhão and his translator Alexis Levitin on Nov. 1. There are, however, two visitors scheduled for the spring semester: Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar Dr. Valerie Hansen, a Chinese historian, and Dr. Chad Rector, a political scientist.

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Freezes Find Passion for Home Renovations

JOHN DYKSTRA '13
MANAGING EDITOR

Drs. Rixa and Eric Freeze have renovated their share of homes throughout their journey from Athens, Ohio, where they attended graduate school, to Crawfordsville. They have restored properties in Athens, Ohio, Iowa City, Iowa, Eureka, Illinois, and Crawfordsville.

"We personally enjoy improving properties and bringing them back to life," Eric Freeze said. "For us, it's something that compliments the more abstract and intellectual work of teaching and writing. After sitting at a computer all day, there's nothing like demolishing a wall or stripping down antique hardware. It's gratifying to see those results, like shaping a diamond from coal."

The Freezes purchased their first property in Athens with their graduate student stipends. The property contained two houses. They painted the inside and outside of both houses and added a master bed/bath suite in the main house. They rented out one of the houses.

After two years, they sold the property and moved to Iowa City. They renovated their house in Iowa City and eventually sold it for double for over double what they paid for it.

"Over the three years we were there, we gut renovated the home, put in hardwood floors, made inset kitchen cabinets with an Amish cabinetmaker, put in a marble master bedroom/bath suite with a frameless shower and a jacuzzi tub, resided the house with historic lap siding and scallops, repainted the interior/exterior, welded a 200-foot historically accurate wrought iron fence, replaced the furnace and put in central air conditioning," Eric Freeze said.

They moved from Iowa City to Eureka, where they purchased and renovated a bed and breakfast. They added a two-car garage to their property in Eureka.

In 2008, they moved into a small brick Victorian house on West Main Street in Crawfordsville. They installed a privacy fence, raised bed gardens, and a marble bathroom suite with a Jacuzzi tub. They also raised the ceiling in the original bathroom and removed one of its walls to make it more spacious.

However, their family was growing, and the Victorian house on W. Main St. was becoming too small.

"We hadn't planned to sell the home," Eric Freeze said. "We didn't think we'd have any more children, so the home was perfect for us with one child. When we ended up with three, we decided that we either needed to look or something larger or finish the basement."

They decided to purchase a brick house on Wallace Avenue, where they now reside. The house was once owned by the owners of Poston Brick Company. It features three types of bricks and was built to showcase the type of brick the company made. The Freezes made renovations inside and outside the house. They removed overgrowth on the outside. They plan on finishing the project by next year.

When first arriving in Crawfordsville, they realized Crawfordsville's housing market was similar to Eureka's. The market was stable with not many opportunities for a large resale.

"Even though we have asked ourselves, 'Why in the world are we rescuing this house?' it has always turned out to be worth it," Rixa Freeze said. "I grew up in Minnesota, where there's a strong community



KELLY SULLIVAN | WABASH '15

Drs. Rixa and Eric Freeze stand in front of their current project in Crawfordsville. They have renovated homes in three other cities.

ethic to keep your house and your property in good condition, no matter how humble the dwelling. I was a bit shocked to come to Crawfordsville and see how run-down so many of the properties are. We've spent several years looking for rental properties in town and have been appalled at the terrible conditions of most that we saw. Hopefully we can turn that situation around, one house at a time."

After a year of looking, they found a property near the Washington St. and Jefferson St. intersection. The property was a triplex that had been abandoned for a few years after foreclosure. They restored the property, and the three

units have been rented out ever since.

The last home they invested in is a five-plex property on Grant Street, not far from the College. They repainted the building and added new floors, fixtures, and appliances.

"We wanted to renovate these apartments because when we were looking for an investment property, we noticed a lack of quality rentals in Crawfordsville," Eric Freeze said. "Many visiting faculty have complained about the state of most of the properties they visited. We wanted to provide something that would be relatively inexpensive but could also serve people who were coming temporarily to the College."

The costs of renovating the five-plex have the Freezes operating at a loss right now, but they are optimistic that they will make a profit off of the property.

"Our long term goals are basically to maintain the four properties that we have and divest ourselves of the W. Main St. house," Eric Freeze said. "It's a wonderful home and we'd like to see it go to someone in the Wabash community. Eventually, I could see us also parting with one of the multifamily rentals but for the time being we need to recoup some of our investment from the five-plex renovations."

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make it more process-driven, and, again, more fair," Goddard said.

Goddard said prior to leaving that if he could ask one question of the students he was going to meet with it would be whether or not they view student government as an "ally" or an "obstacle."

"I think, right now, the sense that I get is there are a lot of mixed feelings about that here," Goddard said. "I think some people feel that student government does a lot to help them out, but I feel there are some students who don't always feel that way."

From Wentzel's perspective, he said there is no urgency in making any immediate or rash changes; the trip was meant to be a proactive undertaking. When it comes to club organization, and the possibility of using an electronic system, he said that although what's done today has gone without serious issue for many years, there's no reason why student government and the AFC shouldn't look to improve.

"Honestly, we've survived a long time on just passing along information by word of mouth, or by random Excel spreadsheets, down,"

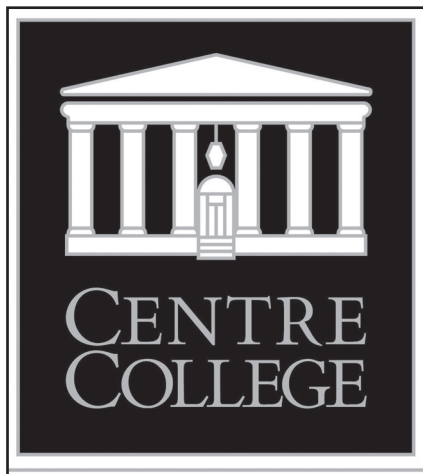


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Wentzel said. "But we can do better, so we're going to be proactive and check [Centre's system] out."

Budget

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company, much to our surprise... Believing this to be the invoice for a down payment, the AFC decided not to allocate the new yearbook since Senate did not want the same old yearbook made on students' dime."

Chowning continued to remember the fiasco: "We later found out that it was an invoice for the last batch of yearbooks, which was completely unexpected because senators and reps thought the last vote on the yearbook was the final payment," Chowning said. "There is funding to pay it, but the confusion of the whole issue has caused the payment to be stalled for some time."

Even though payment is avail-

able, it has had to come from other sources, as Student Body President senior Alex Robbins explains. "Senior Council will be transferring money from [a discretionary spending fund] to the Yearbook's account in the very near future," Robbins said.

Robbins was also a lot more optimistic about the budget as a whole. "The bottom line is that by the end of my term as President, all outstanding bills will be paid, our accounts will still be balanced, and I, with the help of Micah Chowning and the AFC, will leave the Student Body in better financial shape than any administration of the past few years has left it," Robbins said. "We understand the concern some students might have, and in fact, we have had them too. However,

there's no budget crisis as some have suggested."

Overall, the concern of students seems to be the lack of transparency in the student-run administration. This problem could stem from a lack of attendance at Senate by non-senators or a lack of communication by the heads of the administration. If student interest in the actions of Senate is high, then there will be no issue of poor transparency.



Robbins '13

English, Wrestling Speak to Sandberg

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STAFF WRITER

Pin and pen: those are two words that define Dan Sandberg '13. One is something Sandberg brought with him to Wabash, and the other is something with which he is leaving.

As a wrestler for the Little Giants, Sandberg has done plenty of pinning during his time at the College. The Indianapolis, Ind. native wrestles in the 184-pound weight class. Prior to coming to Wabash, Sandberg wrestled for Warren Central High School.

Despite being recruited by the College to wrestle, wrestling was not Sandberg's sole motivation for attending Wabash. Instead, Sandberg's eighth grade English teacher, Darren Sharp, influenced him to come to Wabash. "He was really passionate not only about English, but also about his students, and that really had a profound effect on me," Sandberg said.

Sandberg's interest in writing arose out of the liberal arts experience here.

"I came into college thinking that I would be one of those guys that went into business," Sandberg said. "That statistic that one in eight Wabash grads are CEOs or Presidents [of their companies] really stood out to me."

But Economics 101 did not go as Sandberg planned. "I didn't do

very well so I dropped the course after my first exam," Sandberg said. But while the door to business would close for Sandberg, the door to English would open.

"I picked up a poetry course and that reawakened my interest in English," Sandberg said.

It was that poetry class that helped to turn the Phi Psi brother toward an English major and later to the Teacher Education program. After graduation, Sandberg plans to become a high school English teacher—preferably of sophomores. Sandberg wants to become a school administrator and dreams of climbing the ladder to become the Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Here and now, Sandberg has his thoughts turned to Wabash because of its unique atmosphere. But the lack of women is a drawback.

Like Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken," Sandberg made a unique choice.

"Wabash was my grassy path that wanted wear," Sandberg said, alluding to the tougher yet more rewarding path he chose. Spoken like a true English major.

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A Response to Mr. Totten

Pro-life Doesn't Mean Anti-Women

This opinion piece is a response to the article written by my peer Mr. Totten in the October 26th, 2012 issue of The Bachelor, titled "Rape Culture Rises in Politics".

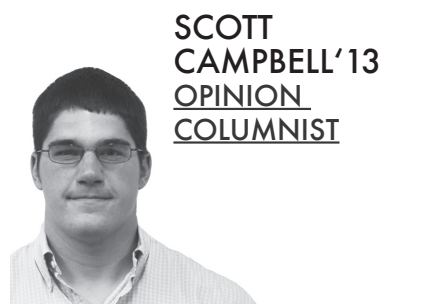
First off, I would like to agree with him on Lugar. I have had the privilege of not only speaking with Senator Lugar, but also connecting with him on a personal level. Senator Lugar is a brother of Beta Theta Pi, and I had the opportunity to hear him speak in Washington D.C. as well as Chicago. Rest assured, he is a man of true morals and principles, and will be sorely missed in the Senate. Russia stating that it will withdraw from the Nunn-Lugar Proliferation Program is clear evidence that Indiana may very well have made a grave mistake in May. I think we did at least.

The rest of Mr. Totten's opinions

and comments I basically found offensive. I reject most of his claims (that he has a morality based in humanism, that Akin and Mourdock hate women, that women are an object of rape to men in society today, etc.). I am not going to say that Mourdock is a saint and a martyr for his cause, but I will start out by saying that he was clearly misunderstood.

I talked to a lot of people about this, because I was silently torn. Most of the colleagues, faculty and students alike, agreed that Mourdock probably didn't mean what he exactly said. He basically said rape was intended by God, and lets be honest, that's not what he meant.

I believe Mr. Totten has found himself in a trap that most Americans today have fallen into: That all the dialogue surrounding the debate about



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abortion in the case of rape (which accounts for 1% of all abortions nationwide; 75-80% occur because the baby is unwanted or inconvenient, which I find to be a much more offensive statistic) is we assume that women that become pregnant from rape want an abortion. I would like to point my readers to an article by LifeNews.com, titled "Pregnant Rape Victims: Quit Assuming We Want an Abortion". The title speaks for itself. But not even for why I expected before reading it. The Ad Hoc Committee of Women Pregnant by Sexual Assault (WPSA) represents exactly what it states. The best quote from the article goes as follows, "What matters is that women and girls who become pregnant from rape or incest need real support and resources that meet their needs. In many cases, however, these needs are not met because most people assume that abortion will solve the problem." This does not deny the fact that Mr. Totten wants rape victims to receive support, but I believe he falls under the same trap that pervades America today: we just assume abortion will solve the problem

for rape victims. And as this article points out, that is clearly not the case.

The next thing that I really took offense at, mainly because I will boldly state that I share the same belief of Mourdock, that a baby conceived through rape shouldn't be a victim under the guise of woman's rights. Just because Mourdock and Akin value the life a fetus/human/embryo/whatever you want to call "it", does not mean that they hate women and wish to impose their will upon them. My mom is one of the biggest advocates for pro-life, and she is also a large proponent of woman's rights. She is not a hypocrite; she actually thinks the two are equally self-evident.

I will not disagree that women are being objectified in today's media. "Sex sells" seems to be the mantra of marketing products these days. Pro-

moting a car as sexy, or even an ice cream bar having the same name as a condom and advertising it that way, are just a few examples of the objectification of women in modern culture. But I really take some offense when people label individuals like Mourdock as a "woman hater" when he just expresses what he values.

Women are being objectified in today's culture, no doubt. But you Mr. Totten are following that same trend by telling them an abortion will solve their problems. Like the Ad Hoc Committee of Women Pregnant by Sexual Assault (WPSA) stated, just support them, rather than promote something that many of them may or may not believe or want.



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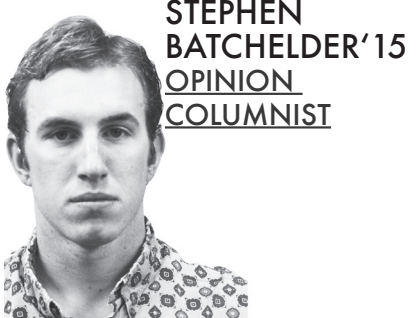
Todd Akin came into the spotlight because of his views on abortion. However, is he guilty of hating women?



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Richard Mourdock has been accused of promoting a new rape culture that hates women. But does he hate women?

Breeder's Cup Creates Champions



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Little known to much of the U.S. population, this weekend marks the most celebrated event of the year for Thoroughbred Horse Racing, the Breeders Cup World Championship. The Breeder's Cup held this Friday and Saturday, will feature fifteen races packed with the best horses from around the globe in their respective divisions all competing for a piece of the \$14 million distributed amongst the races. The feature event of the weekend at Santa Anita Park in Los Angeles, CA will be the Breeder's Cup Classic, a \$5 million race over 1 ¼ miles on the Santa Anita dirt open to horses who's total seasonal earnings or respective wins have merited their invitation to compete in the most prestigious race of the year. The Breeder's Cup by and large is a celebration of the "Sport of Kings" encompassing two days of stellar racing from horses of every division form across the globe.

While the media and popular culture often paint the Triple Crown races, the Kentucky Derby, the Preak-

ness, and the Belmont Stakes as the "most prestigious" races of the years, the reality is that these three races represent only a small division within the larger sport of Horse Racing. The Triple Crown races are held exclusively for three year old colts and fillies and receive such acclaim because they showcase the horses that will ultimately develop into top contenders in the handicap divisions, which generally cover longer distances for older horses. Yet, in the past two decades we have seen a dramatic shift in the role of the Triple Crown races. No longer do Triple Crown races seem to showcase the futurity of the sport, but rather they tend to highlight a top performance for a horse already at his peak and not likely to develop further. Many horsemen have theorized this is

a result of selective breeding toward young horses with speed, not the stamina and strength necessary for staying power in the handicap division.

This year's Breeder's Cup Classic Field demonstrates in many ways the changing face of Horse Racing. The Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner, I'll Have Another, was forced into retirement prior to the Belmont Stakes due to an injury, dashing hopes that for America's first triple crown winner since 1978. The Belmont Stakes winner, Union Rags, was also forced into an early retirement in early summer. What is more the Kentucky Derby and Preakness runner-up, Bodemeister, was retired on August 21 after sustaining a shoulder injury. This has left the three-year old class of Thoroughbreds

depleted of the bulk of its talent. In fact only three three-years olds are entered on the Classic card, Travers Stakes winner Alpha, Pennsylvania Stakes winner Handsome Mike, and Haskell Stakes winner Nonios. Alpha is the only horse in the field that started in the 2012 Kentucky Derby.

This is not to say that the field is without a number of outstanding horses. The 9/5 morning line favorite, Game on Dude, has been stellar this year with victories in the Santa Anita Handicap and the Hollywood Gold Cup, along with a second place finish in the Pacific Classic. Game On Dude is a perfect 5/5 over the Santa Anita course and with a victory in the Classic will likely claim Horse of the Year honors. Another major story line in this year's field are the three Bill

Mott trained horses, To Honor and Serve, Ron the Greek, and Flat Out. Bill Mott, a hall of fame trainer, has already trained eight Breeder's Cup champions, two of which have won the Classic. Will the veteran trainer add to his accomplished career with yet another Breeder's Cup champion? Or perhaps all three could upset the heavily favorite Game On Dude.

In my opinion Game On Dude will be tough to catch from the lead on his home track. Yet, if the race is fast early on, which likely it will be, the late running Richard's Kid cannot be left off your wagers. To round out your trifecta I would take the fast improving Nonios, who has come on late in his three year old season with multiple Grade 1 stakes victories. For the more exotic gamblers, the Bill Mott trifecta could be a fun wager. Yet, as it is unlikely many of us will find our way to a betting window on Friday or Saturday, I would still encourage you to check out the racing this weekend on ABC. While the Kentucky Derby may be where champions are born, the Breeder's Cup is where champions are made. The Derby for all its popular culture hype loses a sense of the broader extent of the sport, if you want to see what Thoroughbred Horse Racing is really about, take off the overly ornate hats, put away the roses, and turn on the Breeder's Cup.



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Horse Racing fans will be tuning in to ABC to see this year's Breder's Cup Classic, and you should be one of them.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Regardless of being pro-life or pro-choice, should a woman be allowed to have an abortion if she becomes pregnant as a result of being raped?

Love Powers Through

We shake the moonlight’s suspicious gaze off our backs and dry the salty worries from the brims of our eyes and waltz into the Crawfordsville Wal-Mart at 1am. When there is nothing else to say, we resort to chatting about Mother Nature’s indecisive history. A 58 cent package of balloons and some string later, we hop back into the chilled impala and stare into the dark. Soon our feet crush the brittle bodies of the autumn leaves and fallen twigs and we allow the spooky sounds of an empty arboretum to acts as our therapeutic orchestra. No coat, going on my 26 hour of insomnia, struggling to keep air in my lungs, tears like Niagara falls violently bursting through, sanity seconds away from gnawing its way free from my troubled mind, a “close your eyes” grounds me and I begin to release the five balloons that represent, sadness, fear, anxiety, depression and cancer. Perhaps those balloons landed in the arms of Jesus, Allah, Fate, Destiny, or Chance, but 51 hours later the results came in. Pancreatic cancer and its deathly paws remain distant and I am cancer free. Trauma has a weird way of putting things into perspective. I look back now on my asi-



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nine reluctance to share my struggle with not only my professors, but my closest friends. Me, the grand preacher for all things Wabash, I am constantly challenging the stereotypes unfairly attributed to Wabash men, things like “toxic masculinity”, “devoid emotional beings”, “judgmental cretins”. And this is not to say that some of us don’t struggle with these problems, but after my near hand shake with the grim reaper, I am convinced of the power of the Wabash man. I believe in his ability to drill a hole just wide enough for him to crawl out of his comfort zone and embrace. I trust his ability to adapt to certain situation, wearing many

different cloaks of understanding that reach beyond Call of Duty. And though usually silent or a faint whisper, I believe in his power to love. What’s most ironic about this scary experience is I am the one that always has it together.

It’s real out here and everybody got problems, but most people too dumb to ask for help. It ain’t your job to pretend with them, but help even when they refuse it.’

My job is to give the advice, listen to the problems, internalize them and bandage the damaged spirits of my friends. A few weeks ago I likened my room to Oprah’s couch. A place free of judgment and in it’s a place unconditional understanding. It’s so easy for people to hide behind false smiles and insincere laughs.

Many people were shocked to hear of my health struggles. It pains me to admit I did not listen to the words of my late grandfather, “it’s real out here and everybody got problems, but most people too dumb to ask for help. It ain’t your job to pretend with them, but help even when they refuse it.” We all can get sucked into the continual pressures of studies, athletics and organizational needs, but it is vital we stop to assess the well-being of our brothers and yourself. Wabash does always fight and more often times it is in the stands or the classroom, but our most powerful weapon is love. I thank Rashaan Stephens, Ryan Lutz and Gabe Watson for not only being a receptacle for my emotional bulimia, but for suiting up and helping me fight one of the toughest battles of my life. Hopefully now I can free myself from my fighter stance and finally get to reuse my birthday Cactus cup come this Thursday to celebrate my victory against pancreatic cancer and doubt in the powerful abilities of my Wabash brothers. Thanks again guys!

Hurricane Sandy Transcends Politics

Despite the terrible consequences caused by natural disasters, one positive outcome emerges; political parties and their respective ideologies get pushed to the side. New Jersey Governor, an advocate for Mitt Romney, has praised President Obama for his leadership in handling Hurricane Sandy. Governor Christie thanked President Obama for his help in protecting the people on the East coast including New Jersey. On MSNBC’s “Morning Joe,” Christie said, “the president has been all over this, and he deserves great credit. He gave me his num-



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ber at the White House and told me to call him if I needed anything and he absolutely means it, and it’s been very good working with the president and his administration.” This action shows that in times of great

national distress politicians can put aside their political views and work together for the American people. Governor Christie also mentioned that President Obama hasn’t brought up the election with him since the two have been working together. One may argue that President Obama is doing this for national attention; however, a more important point to take away is that the issues surrounding Hurricane Sandy transcend elections and politics.

Hurricane Sandy has devastated the East coast. The most recent report states that 38 people have died due to Hurricane Sandy. The hurricane has left approximately 8.2 million people without electricity. According to the Huffington Post Lower Manhattan, which includes Wall Street, was among the hardest-hit areas after the storm sent a nearly 14-foot surge of seawater, a record, coursing over its seawalls and highways. Water cascaded into the gaping, unfinished construction pit at the World Trade Center, and the New York Stock Exchange was closed for a second day, the first time that has happened because of weather since the Blizzard of 1888. The NYSE said it would reopen



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Hurricane Sandy left a pile of rubble after crashing through New York City. The hurricane also set fires.

on Wednesday. A huge fire destroyed as many as 100 houses in a flooded beachfront neighborhood in Queens on Tuesday, forcing firefighters to undertake daring rescues. And these are just a couple of the consequences. Hurricane Sandy’s aftermath will demand a united nation to help those affected. Governor Christie has posed a laudable effort to bridge political differences. This action proves that we are moving forward as a nation despite the abhorrent political ties that sometimes tear our nation apart. However, a very important

question emerges; should a natural disaster or some other serious event occur for politicians to forgo political interests and work for the people? In times of great distress, the people need a great leader to help make sense of the terrible events that plague our lives. We can be so caught up in politics that we lose what truly matters in our lives. As Hurricane Sandy comes to an end, let’s remember what unites us as the American people, and let politicians remember why we have elected them: to do what’s right for the American people.



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Hurricane Sandy also reaked havoc in Cuba. Electric lines hang and serve as a reminder of the power of storms

Losers and Winners

Culture and Society Grow Soft



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Discrimination. That’s a word I’ve heard thrown around a lot. Maybe it’s due to the fact that as a member of a fraternity, at an all-male school I am part of organizations that many would tend to classify as discriminatory. Fraternities are seen as these bastions of chauvinism by many of the modern world, and as we all know from our friends and family when we first told them about considering an all-male school, “Isn’t that kind of sexist?” Too many people these days view that when someone is left out by life, this is completely unfair and must be corrected. Because of this, our culture and our society are growing soft. My best example of this is when we grew up how many of us were on little league teams in a variety of sports? All of us have trophies and medallions for those. My parents however never let me keep the myriad of “participation” trophies that these leagues felt obligated to hand out. My dad always said, “There’s no trophy in life for simply participating in life. No one re-



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Awards for participation force society into thinking that life is easy and any attempt to accomplish something is worth praise. Do you agree?

members the people who simply walked through life; you have to make something of yourself to get a ‘life’ trophy.” That’s always stuck with me, it fueled my natural competitive streak and made me never accept anything but my very best and never settle for a simple “participation” award. Years later as an assistant coach for my little cousin’s little league baseball team I successfully had the participation trophies removed from the end of the season awards. If your team wasn’t first, second, or third there were no trophies for the team or the individuals. The kids didn’t break down crying, it made them want to

work harder in order to win one of those trophies. The same concept can apply to groups people want to get into or college or anything else someone has to apply for. In my Constitutional Law class, one member talked about how the last three summers of working in a factory to pay for school remind him of why he doesn’t want to work in a factory for the next thirty years. Life isn’t fair. Some people will have to work in factories their whole lives. But it’s not about the outcomes, it’s about the opportunity. All men are created equal, but from that point forward all bets are off. America has turned into

a society that’s all about equalizing outcomes. Of course the kid whose parents are doctors in Carmel is going to have a much higher chance of success than the kid whose parents work two shifts at the factory each to keep food on the table and attend an inner city school in Indianapolis. It might not be fair, but is it any more fair to take from the Carmel kid’s chances in order to improve the lot of the inner city child? Too many people these days have forgotten that the American Dream is not always a one-generation proposition. Many times you spend your whole life working in the same dead end job just to ensure that your kids have a better chance at making it to the top then you did. My grandfather was an insurance salesman and an electrician at an auto plant. Two of his sons are now doctors. He worked long and hard hours to ensure his kids would not have to. America has forgotten that lesson; we now demonize those that have risen to the top, who a few generations ago were nowhere near the top. We’re so worried about being politically correct, hurting someone’s feelings, or leaving someone out that we’re losing that killer instinct Americans used to have. Life will always have losers and winners; unfortunately unless we as a society change, we will keep churning out losers.

FUN FACT

Did you know that the human body produces its own supply of alcohol naturally on a continuous basis, 24 hours a day, seven days a week?

For the Love of Literature

Freeze's Dominant Traits now on Shelves

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Wabash has started to develop its small but boisterous Creative Writing major, thanks in part to the work of Dr. Freeze, one of the resident creative writing professors. A native of Canada, he's not only teaching creative writing, but he's also putting it into practice with his new collection of short stories, *Dominant Traits*. I will admit, this collection has been out for quite a bit of time now, but I've finally had the time to read the book and to sit down with Dr. Freeze and speak with him about his experiences with the book, his influences and his advice for the campus' young writers.

The work itself is the result of many years of edits, re-writes and revisions, "Well, I mean, I've been submitting my book for about 7 years now and revising it. It wasn't ready when first submitting; it was actually a revision of my dissertation. I realized quickly it wasn't cohering strong enough to be published. I tried to

write other stories to make it work together. I tried to get them published elsewhere to try to get them published as a group; people won't publish them unless they're all in other collections. I did another round of submissions, and I listened to what my dissertation chair suggested. I started to submit to everywhere and anywhere," Said Freeze on his experience as a writer.

And even though he had started to get the process of publishing down, there were a few bumps on the way to being published, "The collection itself is different in the United States and in Canada. There was a story that the Canadian publisher didn't want in the collection, so I had to take it out to be published." The problem was in a portrayal of a certain aspect of Canada that the publisher didn't want to proliferate. I'm not one for censorship, but these things happen.

The collection itself is all set in Southern Alberta, where Freeze grew up. The topic itself is a touch strange for an American audience, so I asked



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Freeze, pictured above, giving a reading when *Dominant Traits* first came out.



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This is a picture of a common dominant trait. Are these the traits that Freeze speaks of? Read the book to find out!

why he set it there, "Growing up, I saw taboos, and wrote about it. I was always on the margins of culture. I was part of a professional acting troupe; I played instruments, I wrote, and in (Albertan) male dominated and heteronormative culture I was marginalized. I was called homophobic slurs and made fun of, so when I wrote about the homosexual community, I was always very sympathetic to people who are actually gay. I saw how it affected people, so I wrote about marginalization, about the kid who's ridiculed. I wanted to recognize the patriarchy and give the marginalized a way to speak," Said Freeze.

So it's something more than just a setting, which may be inaccessible to an American audience. *Dominant Traits* is unapologetic about its usage of taboo sexual lifestyles, may it be a homosexual relationship or incest. Freeze sets up a confessional and honest air while being sympathetic to the marginalized, which makes it an interesting and dynamic read.

But that's not to say that Freeze is done here. He has a few projects in the works, "I'm working on a creative nonfiction essay collection that was submitted about marginalized masculinity. It's 6-7 essays that have been published or are in the process of be-

ing published called Hemingway on a Bike. It's set in France, the U.S., and Canada about various things I've experienced with Masculinity. I'm also working on a new short story collection, young adult novel, and a novel about Alberta," said Freeze.

So keep your eyes open for new pieces by our own Dr. Freeze, go out and buy *Dominant Traits* which is in our bookstore, look for emerging pieces from the past and the present in various journals and collections. And, for those aspiring writers amongst us, Freeze has a small bit of advice, "Write every day. Read every day. Read diversely."

Sandy Rends the North East

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In the hours after Hurricane and Superstorm Sandy, the city of New York's emergency response department was receiving five 911 calls a minute. Two major hospitals in New York had to be evacuated due to power failures. At the time of this writing, a single fire had decimated 80 homes and countless smaller fires have caused damage throughout the east coast. Five Nuclear power plants have temporarily shut down, and millions are powerless.

The storm had national effects as well, CBS decided not to air the fifth episode of the eighth season of *How I Met Your Mother*. Sandy's high winds spread throughout out the Midwest, and snow and ice was dropped on the Great Lakes' shores.

Although Sandy and its effects were disastrous, there are positives that can be observed from the aftermath. The emergency preparation for Sandy was far better than it was for Katrina. The mandatory evacuations of low lying areas in New York were clear and announced early enough for action. Consolidated Edison, a utilities company that services most of Manhattan, cut power to the evacuated areas in order to reduce damage and the potential of fire. When the backup generators for the New York University Langone hospital failed and all of the patients needed to be evacuated, emergency crews were organized and worked throughout the night to safely move all patients to other facilities.

The storm also will have had no negative impact on the general economy; although the New York Stock Exchange had to close for a day investment was largely unaffected. All of the costs of lost productivity of individual firms will be offset by the added revenue of manufacturing and construction firms that will undertake the clean-up of destruction. In total, at the time of writing, the storm is expected to have dealt around 50 billion dollars in damage both to property



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Sandy's destruction has wrought much terror into the inhabitants of the Northeast. Is this the beginning of the end times that Mayan's predicted?

and in lost business. In terms of the total economy it is a small percentage, especially given that the Gross Domestic Product, an indicator of economic success, grew faster than expected in the third quarter this year.

Nuclear power has redeemed itself, included in the five plants that shutdown production of power, as it is the oldest plant in the United States, Oyster Creek. Sandy was the largest, most powerful test of the safety of nuclear power plants since the tsunami that ravaged Fukushima in 2011. Oyster Creek was the only plant to issue an alert status, and the alert recognized that there was no risk of a radiation leak. Oyster Creek, set to be dismantled in 2019, provides electricity to near 600,000 homes. By Wednesday, all nuclear power plants had been able to begin production of electricity again. Sandy was a symbolic victory for nuclear energy: it proved that

the industry can be undertaken safely.

It was also a moment during the election cycle that led to unparalleled bipartisanship. Governor of New Jersey, Chris Christy, a popular Republican and potential future presidential candidate, spoke out in support of Obama's handling of Hurricane Sandy. President Obama cancelled campaign stops and Mitt Romney held a disaster relief benefit rather than a campaigning event during the immediate aftermath of Sandy.

These positives can never outweigh the terrible misfortunes of those that were affected by the hurricane, but, like Wabash, this country must always fight. The sooner recovery can happen and normalcy can return the sooner those affected can process and recover from the trauma they have experienced.

Thoughts of a Fading Senior

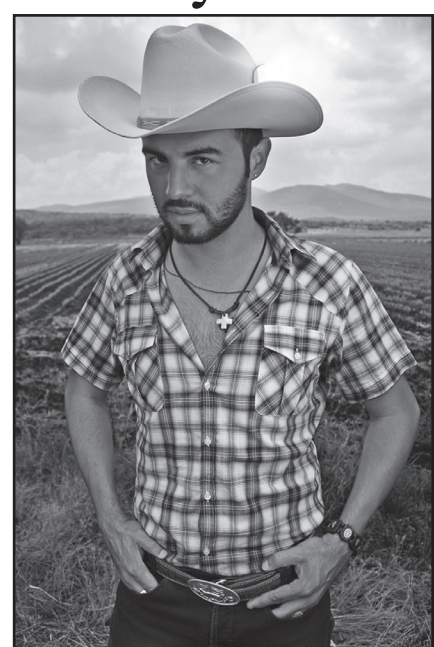
The Ever-Elusive Masculinity

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Recently there has been talk about what is required to be a man. It came to my attention that in the United States getting a higher education was what separated the men from the boys. With better education, people are more likely to get a better job and succeed. Having a good job, and making money translated to success and manhood. That is very different from what I have been taught.

To be considered a man in my culture (or at least from where I am from) one must get a job, get a wife, and have kids. When those requirements are satisfied, a boy is seen as a man. Those are the three goals that have been giving to me throughout my life. There has been no ambiguity about them either. Most recently, I met up with an uncle of mine, whom I have not seen for about five years or so, and literally the second question he asked me was, "are you married yet?" I should also mention that this question was a sincere inquiry to check where in life I was. I have it easy in a sense when you think about it. I know what I need to do to not only be viewed as a man but to view myself as one as well. The problem I have with this is that 2 out of the 3 are not for me.

As progressive as my culture (Mexican) is now becoming, there is still a very strong presence of heteronormative beliefs, especially in very rural areas like the one I grew up in. For me to say that there is an alternative way to be a man is to say that my culture, a huge part of what defines me, is wrong. Who I am is not an issue for me; I know I am a homosexual male. I don't have problem admitting it to my self or to others. The issues that I have are in the implications that being gay brings. By admitting that I



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A perfect example of a masculine Mexican man

am gay, I am admitting that I am weak and that I won't ever be a man. That is all I have ever known growing up. Those are qualities that no male would ever want to choose, and neither do I.

I have decided to take matters into my own hands. I am stepping away from what I have always known as set in stone and find a new way to be a man. I have no idea what I need to do, nor do I know if I will ever get there, but I do know that what I have been taught was not meant for me. If I don't try, I will never have the chance to see myself as a successful man, and continue seeing a shameful boy in the mirror every day of my life. I could jump back to the closet, marry a woman, have a couple of kids and be miserable for the rest of my life (as well as not being able to give to my wife everything she deserves), but that's just not me. Life isn't fun without a little mystery after all.

Fairytales and Cliche Endings

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A fairy tale usually has a nice, tight, and clean conclusion—one in which the major conflicts are all resolved and the characters are left with nothing that might condemn them in the future projected beyond the final pages or endings of oral accounts. But regardless of the fact that these major conflicts are set aside and dealt with within the narrative of the story, and regardless of the fact that the stockpile of endings for fairy tales always contains a “happily ever after,” we can never trust the storyteller, whether he be writer, orator, or both. Thus, so that we might fully understand the nature of the unreliable storyteller, allow me to deliver into your not-so-outstretched arms an account of Remulus and Romus.

There were two brothers—well, doesn’t that go without saying? That there were at least two brothers? I suppose there could have been three, but we should turn back to the story. There were two brothers by the names of Remulus and Romus. Not to be confused with the famed brothers responsible for the advent of Roman civilization and Western Progression, Remulus and Romus were calf-wranglers in southern Texas during the months of 1974. By no means were they the best calf-wranglers that Texas had to offer during those months, but nevertheless, they hardly ever neglected to attract a large crowd with each performance they happened to show up for.

Remulus was an alcoholic and Romus was a drug addict. Each was guilty as often as the other for stealing handfuls of money from his brother’s pockets when he was unconscious after a serious fumbling with individualized vice. They would awaken, pat their persons checking for their own wallets, count the money within, and go on with whatever it was that Remulus and Romus preferred to do with their freedom. Neither ever realized that he had any money missing; that is, until the day when Remulus joined a certain redemptively-directed organization with the purpose in mind of giving up alcohol for good; until the day when Romus began to internalize the alcohol his brother was no longer



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A modern rendition of Romulus and Remus, as no surviving pictures still remain. Strangely enough, for all of the content on the internet, nobody has made a fanpic of Romulus and Remus as cowboys, yet.

interested in entertaining. This was the point at which one brother realized that the other brother was guilty of thievery, of that great treasonous crime, the one that can only come about when one brother does wrong to the other. Now, you might suspect that it would be Remulus who, recently sober and striving to remain that way, witnessed Romus’ betrayal. But if you suspected in that fashion, you must step back and try to seriously understand the chain of events that instead actually led Romus to the recognition that Remulus was betraying his own closest relation.

Remulus, whose blood was infused with as much liquor as the amount of time a candle would remain lit underwater, could not maintain a consistent style of motion. He would sidle over there and scurry over here, writhe about in the grass and crawl upon hands and knees on the sidewalk, salute those who were leaving and bid farewell to those who were just arriving—his mind was incapable of directly communicating with his body, the body that had for so long been adapted to Remulus’

inebriation and now was at a loss when he was sober. The only underlying stance that Remulus was able to commit himself to was the habituated custom of pulling undeserved revenue from his unconscious brother’s pockets—a custom that no longer held any purpose, for Remulus no longer needed it in order to purchase alcohol. The perceived necessity was gone, but the action that served that necessity remained. And alas! Romus startled himself upright and fell out of his unconscious fetters when he felt a hand upon his wallet: firm at first, twitching next, retracting after that, and, finally, beginning the process over again. As Remulus fuddled and truddled his way into guilt, Romus considered his options. But he hadn’t the time to consider all of the options, for a bell sounded three times and the brothers had to engage in their shared, professional duty of calf-wrangling.

The brothers hardly ever spoke to one another again, as each one believed the other had done an evil unto him; one recognized the presence of thievery in the other, the other recognized the lack of forgiveness in

the one. A fire broke out one night in the midst of their slumbering. The ropes that restrained the calves that were so necessary for the livelihoods that the brothers had made for themselves were burned entirely through. Frightened of the flames, the calves, having been loosened, scrallumped away more quickly than either one of the brothers could recognize what was going on. You see, Remulus had fallen off the wagon and, unconscious on account of the triumphant return to his vice, wasn’t stirred by the commotion. And Romus, still angry at his brother’s intended vilest of actions, sat up aware among the senses that the nature of burning is so wonderful at bringing to light. Romus waved goodbye to the calves and goodbye to his brother and lifted himself up to leave. But before he could exit the arena, he heard a bell sound three times and thus, as though conditioned by necessity, extended a clever hand in the direction of his brother’s pockets.

Goliathon Innovate with New Album

Local Indianapolis Band Proves That There’s Life in the Scene

ADAM SOSHINICK '13
HEAVY METAL COLUMNIST

Since the release of their second record, *Pretend it’s Not Happening*, Goliathon has strode across Indianapolis’ local scene like a stallion loose from his confines; most bands from the city missing the power, oomph, and savviness to poise themselves for any sort of success. The album feels almost as a relic of the ‘70s, progressive rock and occasional proto-metallic riffing dominating the majority of the track roster, but the addition of a saxophone keeps listeners on their toes and Goliathon unique relative to their peers. Much like the debut, fluid melodies weave in and out between one another, the band’s adaptation of the Hammond organ a throwback to times when music felt pure and undiluted by today’s sterile modernity. Really, only one conclusion can be drawn from this mess of eclecticism: Goliathon means serious business as they intend to remedy Indianapolis’ lack of a standout rock group.

Growth ever evident, the band’s prior album, *Without Further Ado*, enjoyed many of the same traits but appeared half-baked without the comparatively glossy production and improved song writing. By no means was the debut bad; *Pretend it’s Not Happening* merely takes compositional prowess up a few notches, pushing memorability to the forefront and the five-piece outside of their comfort zone. For Indy’s premier rock band, thinking outside of the box has afforded them opportunities previously unknown, a jam-packed CD release show, for example, and an enthusiastic fan base emerging from the city for their new music.

Showcasing the band’s newfound



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Goliathon, pictured above, in festively colored outfits set against the Indianapolis skyline. I know the picture is in black and white, but use your imagination for a second.

progressiveness, the album opens up with a dancier cut, “Daigenese,” slipping into a Middle Eastern-inspired groove between verses and introduces the Hammond organ, which looms in the background for much of the record. “Jettison” is likely one of the more intriguing songs among the mix, the opening melody odd by anyone’s standards, but, nevertheless, giving way to fantastic guitar and saxophone work in the midsection. “Deep Breath” and “Make Tracks” chain together as one piece and brandish what is arguably the traditional Goliathon sound, the following two, “Howl” and “Kebab,” doing much the same thing but in a bumpier manner. Unsurprisingly, interconnec-

tivity continues to remain the biggest reminder of how far the act has progressed with their song writing.

The second section of the record begins with “Frozen White Wasteland” and reaches a hand into rock’s riff palette, the distortion crunching as it works in harmony with organ accents to create a genuine sense of fantasy. “One Way in, One Way Out” threatens to tear down the wall limiting local music, guitar and piano melodies echoing after one another in what is perhaps the tightest rock song of the year. The last two tracks, “Riot in Cairo” and “Sing,” illustrate varied influences and catchiness respectively, the latter suitable for air play on any classic rock radio station

and, by anyone’s best guess, a future hit. By the record’s conclusion, a real sense of hard work and blood, sweat and tears is apparent, Goliathon’s dedication to their craft a testament to the countless times the album blows the previous out of the water.

Based on nothing but stellar song writing *Pretend it’s Not Happening* is a contender, if not the best, rock album of 2012. Neighborhood music snobs can now rejoice; no longer is Indianapolis deprived of an upcoming star or a musical hometown hero. Beyond a shadow of a doubt Goliathon still has work ahead, but if they continue at this pace, super stardom is not too far out of reach.

Sleep Deprivation Dangerously Unhealthy

KEVIN KENNEDY '16
SLEEP COLUMNIST

Numerous college students around the country have been subject to sleep deprivation. Unfortunately, it is now the norm rather than the exception. This sleep deprivation cannot be helped with caffeine, nor can it be helped by “catching up” on sleep. These are not effective methods.

Lack of sleep has many effects which can greatly harm both the body, as well as the students’ academic ability. First and foremost is that sleep-deprived students often have a large decrease in the ability to pay attention. When the mind is not able to rest properly, it becomes exhausted, and this can lead to poor marks in classes. Like any super-computer, the brain needs a cooling period. Our cooling period just happens to be sleep.

Also, concentration is highly effected. When one does not get an ample amount of sleep, the brain cannot focus at all. This could be characterized as part of the concept we call, “slap-happy”. The brain cannot focus on anything and jumps all over, leading us to an almost overload state, and thereby we laugh and seem to be “out of it”.

The long term effects of sleep deprivation are even scarier. Numerous medical studies have shown that habitual lack of sleep is directly associated with increased risk of heart attack, high blood pressure, depression and other mood disorders, and obesity. Sleep is an essential, not just a nuisance. One must sleep to stay healthy. Sleep almost literally allows us to “re-charge” our batteries.

However, sleep disorders and sleep difficulties do exist. Insomnia, a hyper-active mind, restless leg syndrome, a fear of sleeping, as well as noisy roommates, stress, and excessive studying are all causes of sleep loss. Some of these can be beaten back rather efficiently.

There are numerous medicines out there to counteract sleep disorder. These include Lunesta and Rozerem amongst others. While effective, if used improperly, they can potentially kill. Many a good person, and quite a few celebrities, have been killed from misusing sleeping medication. It can also be very habit-forming as well.

Some old school methods and common sense can counteract this. Warm milk, no caffeine after 4 P.M., pleasant music, absolute silence, a comfortable temperature, a cup of something warm to drink before bed, or even a small snack can help to put people to sleep. It is important to find something that works for you.

A potent technique for college students is to institute and stick to a “wind-down” time. It can be 15 minutes to as much as an hour before bed, but the key thing about it is to make sure that you do something which is pleasant and relaxing to you. Read a book, play an instrument, listen to some pleasant music, or something else entirely. Do not do any school work. Do not even think about things that will bring stress. It’s not as easy as it sounds, but it will greatly help you in sleeping.

Sleep-wise, it is recommended that you get 6-8 hours of rest a night, although some people can run on less, and others take more. It is just a benchmark. Also, power naps can be quite helpful as well. However, do not let the nap exceed 20 or 30 minutes or it may disturb your sleep pattern.

College is a busy time. There is always something to do. However, you need to remember to be kind to your body. It is what keeps you up and alive. Treat it respectfully and take care of it. You only get one.

Taking It One Game At A Time

JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15
STAFF WRITER

The Little Giants' (7-1, 4-1) regular season has dwindled down to just two more home games, starting Saturday against Oberlin College (3-5, 2-3). Kickoff will be at 1 p.m.

Of course, the final home game is "THE" game and reminders of it have appeared around campus, such as the extra bleachers going up in Little Giant stadium. Coach Erik Raeburn isn't concerned about his team looking ahead. "I don't anticipate us over-looking anybody," he said. "Our guys have done a great job just worrying about this week and getting through this game and trying to find a way to win. After that is when we can worry about who is next."

Senior corner back Austin Hodges echoed those thoughts. "Everyone understands if we don't win this game, we don't make the playoffs," he said. "That's our goal and it starts by beating Oberlin."

Hodges and the rest of the Little Giants have reason to take notice. The upset-minded Yeomen will bring in the NCAC's top defense and have an astonishing 17 seniors starting on either side of the ball.

"They may not have many guys in their program but you only need 11 of them out there at the same time," Raeburn said. "If you have a bunch of seniors on your team then you have a chance to win. Their seniors know how to execute their system and don't make mistakes so it will be a real challenge for us."

Raeburn won't adjust the Wabash offense too much, despite going against the top-ranked defense. "At this point in the season, we are who we are," Raeburn said. "We're

best when we run the football. We have to try and do that, regardless of who we play. If we don't run the ball well, we'll have our hands full."

Junior Tyler Holmes has helped establish who the Little Giants are. He paced the Little Giant ground game last week with a career-best 210 yards in a 28-0 victory at Ohio Wesleyan. He is the conference's leading rusher despite missing three games with a shoulder injury.

"I thought he ran the ball really well and maybe had his best game as a Little Giant," Raeburn said. "The 67-yard touchdown run was an explosive play for us. But we still need to get guys going behind him so he can get a breather. He had a lot of carries which is a lot of wear and tear on your body."

Oberlin's senior defensive end Clay Eaton has the potential to derail Wabash's offensive plans. He leads the nation with 19.5 sacks and is third in the nation with 15 tackles for loss. Oberlin will try to confuse Wabash's offense Saturday by moving Eaton around the line of scrimmage. It will be important for the offensive line to know where he is.

"He'll move around the defense and stand up at times," junior right tackle Michael Del Busto said. "If he's standing, it's very likely he'll blitz so we have to ready for it."

"We just need to execute our assignment and wear them down. We had all of our points last week in the second half partly because we wore down Ohio Wesleyan. Oberlin is a team that likes to substitute so we'll try to do more hurry-up offense to keep them from substituting and tire them out."

Offensively, the Yeomen will employ a balanced attack. They're led by the senior connection of quarterback Josh Mandel and wide re-



IAN BAUMGARDNER | WABASH '14

With this acrobatic catch Houston Hodges scored an 81-yard touchdown to break the 0-0 gridlock in the third quarter. This catch was the catalyst for the Little Giants offensive effort in the second half of the game.

ceiver Robin Witjes. Witjes leads the conference in receiving yards.

"Their record doesn't show how good they are," sophomore linebacker AJ Akinribade said. "They've had a lot of close games. As a defense, we have to read our keys and fly to the ball. They try to make big pass plays off the play action."

Last season, Wabash's defense held Oberlin to just three points before the Yeomen mounted a second-half comeback to pull within one score of the Little Giants. Akinrib-

ade knows it will take four full quarters of execution this time around.

"They're a good team but we had them dead in the waters last year when we let up," he said. "They made plays and got back into the game. We have to go out and handle business early and keep the intensity up all game."

If Wabash puts another game together like it has in previous weeks, it will be one game closer to the playoffs and possibly a conference title.

All seniors will be introduced on the field before kick off along with

family friends each senior chose to escort him as part of the Senior Day festivities. Seniors will also have the most influential man in their life speak to the football team before the game.

The games will be available live over the Internet at <http://www.wabash.edu/live>. Jim Amidon '87 and Steve Hoffman '85 will announce the game while Wabash student Clayton Randolph '16 will serve as the sideline reporter.

Tankers Prepare For Match Against DePauw

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STAFF WRITER

Although the annual Monon Bell game is only a week away, it is not the only matchup between the Little Giants and the Tigers of DePauw in the days to come. This coming Wednesday, the swimming and diving team will be taking on Depauw in their first home dual meet of the year. Before they can compete against DePauw, however, the swimmers will have a meet on Friday against the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. The meet against Rose-Hulman will take place in Terre Haute, Indiana.

The meet against DePauw will present somewhat of a challenge to the Little Giants that they have yet to face this year. DePauw is one of the top ranked teams in Division III swimming and as such it will prove difficult for the Little Giants to come out on top. On paper, the match-up between the two teams appears to give Wabash hope. While DePauw is made up of mostly sprinters, Wabash is more prepared for the longer races. The match-

up between the teams is one thing Head Coach Steven Barnes feels will make this dual meet interesting.

"DePauw is a top 10 team with lots of sprinting talent, where we are more middle distance and distance based," Coach Barnes said. "The match up will be interesting, but the meet always seems to bring out some great times from both teams."

In the meet with DePauw, it is no doubt that some of the individual races will tilt in Wabash's favor, but it will be an uphill battle for the team to come on top as a whole. DePauw has the advantage in many of the races and has performed better so far this season compared to the Little Giants. Despite the odds being stacked against them, Coach Barnes feels that this dual meet is, in the larger picture, not nearly as significant as later meets such as conference.

"DePauw is a strong team and deeper than Wabash currently," Coach Barnes said. "Those differences sometimes are magnified more in a dual meet than

at a conference championship."

Barnes went on to say, "The great part about swimming is that no matter what the result of a dual meet might be, the conference championships are where performances matter the most, and Wabash is built well for the championship season."

Throughout the season, Coach Barnes has been putting swimmers in races not because it is where they are best, but rather because of where they are in their training. While these dual meets at this stage in the season matter in the short term, in the long term they are not Barnes' real concern. Barnes said that he will continue to place swimmers in races to best set them up for the championship season.

"Right now we are in the middle of some of the heaviest and most intense training of the season, so we need to see how the next week of practice and our meet goes on Friday before I can say what lineup we will put together," Coach Barnes said. "At the end of the day, the lineup we throw up against DePauw will be the one that puts the team in the best position to be successful at the end of the year."

Just as with every other sport, this swimming meet between Wabash and DePauw promises to be a nail-biter. The rivalry between Wabash and DePauw tends to bring the best efforts out of athletes from both teams. Very easily, the match could come down to who touches the wall first in a few key races. This is where Barnes feels that the meet could be easily won or lost.

"Last time the meet was at home, the fate of the team was determined by a number of close touches as the wall," Coach Barnes said. "I'm sure that will be the case again this year."

The meet between Wabash and DePauw will take place this upcoming Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the Class of 1950 Natatorium. The meet between Wabash and Rose-Hulman begin Friday night at 7 o'clock on the campus of Rose-Hulman.



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Though they appear out-matched at first glance, the team is optimistic about its match with DePauw.

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Wake Up Call For Red Pack

FABIAN HOUSE '16
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Sometimes it does not matter how hard you start the race, but how you finish. The Red Pack can attest to that firsthand, as they fell just short in their quest to repeat as NCAC Champions in Wooster, Ohio. Going into the meet, the Red Pack knew No. 18 ranked Allegheny was the team to beat. Four miles into the five mile race, the Red Pack runners were doing just that. With a mile left in the race, Wabash held the lead by four points. Before Wabash could enjoy the victory, Allegheny made the equivalent of a last minute shot to swing the meet from a sure victory, to a narrow defeat. The margin of loss came down to Allegheny's first and fifth fastest runners, who caught three of the Red Pack runners in the closing meters. This exchange of places made a four point cushion for the Red Pack turn into a 12 point deficit and a disappointing finish. No team wants to lose after leading so long in the meet. For Coach Busch, it's a matter of being prepared mentally at the end of the race. Comparing this team to last years, he said, "You don't want to say it's rebuilding by any means." As a matter of fact, Busch said they are a better team.

Junior Dalton Boyer agreed. Boyer placed sixth overall and earned First Team All-Conference with a time of 26:42. Boyer views conference as wake up calls for the team to improve, and although he speaks highly of Allegheny, he said, "I think we are a better team, we have better runners." He characterizes the season as a rebuilding year, not so much in talent, but in rebuilding team chemistry. "This season we have been struggling trying to rebuild those bonds," Boyer said. Coach Busch was also quick to give Allegheny credit for their cool headed performance. "They are just mature and they have been doing it for years, so they were ready." Allegheny had a more experience squad that won conference for seven consecutive years before Wabash snapped their winning streak last year. "They place a lot of emphasis on [conference], and we want to win, but we put a little more emphasis on regionals and nationals," Busch said. Two years ago, after losing conference to Allegheny, the Red Pack went on to beat them at nationals three weeks later. The Red Pack is a young team, with one senior and four sophomores who placed the highest for them at the conference meet. The youth of the team has had consistent struggles running.

One of the Red Pack's young runners, sophomore Billy McManus, feels the same way. McManus' time at the conference meet of 26:47 was good enough to earn him First Team All-Conference and seventh place overall. "There's definitely been ups and downs for the team," McManus said. "We've had a couple races where we ran really well as a team, but we haven't entirely figured out how to do that every race yet." To prepare for Regionals, the Red Pack plan on finishing the year strong. The focus will be to look ahead to the Regional meet next Saturday and the National meet the following week. For Regionals, Calvin is the only team with the depth to beat the Wabash squad. But rather than slow down, Coach Busch wants to keep the tempo high going into the week of Nationals. The important thing for the team now is to make a rebound similar to what they did two years ago in defeating Allegheny at Nationals. Becoming stronger mentally and growing closer as a team will prove valuable assets if the Red Pack are to end the year, and their race, with authority.



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After failing to repeat as Conference champs, the cross country team will look to upset Allegheny at Regionals.

Giants Win Second Title In Three Years

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San Francisco won its second World Series title in three years, while the Tigers relived 2006. The fundamentally sound team defeated the home run-centric team. The team that fought with its back against the wall overpowered the team that coasted into the World Series from start to finish. Game one indicated how the

World Series would turnout. The Tigers needed to win game one, especially after their long break between the American League Championship Series and the World Series. They had their ace Justin Verlander on the mound against Barry Zito. Verlander was difficult to hit during most of the regular season and especially the ALDS and ALCS. However, Giants third baseman Pablo Sandoval showed the Giants had nothing

to fear. He hit three home runs, two of which came off of Verlander, to power the Giants to an 8-3 victory. Then, there were outstanding pitching performances in games two and three. The Giants won each of the two games 2-0 behind Madison Bumgardner and Ryan Vogelsong. Bumgardner, who struggled in his previous postseason starts, gave up two hits in seven scoreless innings, striking out eight batters. The bullpen shut down Detroit's offense over the last two innings without giving up a hit. Game three was at Detroit, and the Tigers were optimistic that they could pick up a win at home. It did not happen. Vogelsong pitched to the same tune as Bumgardner, hurling 5 2/3 innings of five-hit baseball. The bullpen, again, did not give up a hit to Detroit over the last 3 1/3 innings. Detroit's season was on the line with the Giants leading the Series 3-0. Game four. San Francisco struck early, but Detroit rebounded on a two-run home run by Miguel Cabrera. Giants catcher Buster Posey responded with a two-run home run in the sixth inning to give San Francisco a 3-2 lead. Tigers designated hitter Delmon Young evened the score in the bottom part of the sixth with a solo home run. Both teams did not score in regulation. The game went into extra innings with a 3-3 score. Now, let us take the time to admire how the Giants played baseball. The historic feats of the 2012 World Series may overshadow the fundamental baseball San Francisco played, but Giants nation will not forget the defensive and offensive performances of Gregor Blanco and Brandon Crawford. Yes, Sandoval

gave the game one audience a show with his three home runs, but Blanco and Crawford's bunting skills paved the way to San Francisco's World Series title. Blanco tapped a bunt single down the third base line in the seventh inning of game two to load the bases with no outs. Crawford hit into a double play after him, scoring Hunter Pence from third to score the first of two San Francisco runs in game three. Back to game four. The game went into extra innings. A bunt prepared San Francisco's offense to give its final blow to Detroit. Crawford laid down a sacrifice bunt towards first base after Ryan Theriot hit a lead-off single to right. Theriot advanced to second on Crawford's bunt. One out later, Marco Scutaro knocked in Theriot with a single to right field, setting the stage for Sergio Romo to seal San Francisco's title. Detroit's final at-bat could not have been staged any better. Romo had to face the top of Detroit's lineup. He struck out Austin Jackson and pinch hitter Don Kelly. Two outs. Cabrera, who won the Triple Crown in the American League, stepped up to the plate with a chance to tie the game with one swing of the bat. He missed his chance. Romo struck him out looking on a 2-2 count. The Giants won the World Series. Detroit did not look like itself in the World Series. San Francisco's offense got to Verlander early and did not let up. Verlander is now winless in all three of his career World Series starts. It was 2006 all over again, and the Tigers contributed to another historical statistic. They became the fourth team in MLB history that swept its opponent in the LCS to

lose the World Series to a team that won its LCS in seven games. The last time that feat occurred was in 2006, when the St. Louis Cardinals swept the Tigers in the World Series. Many baseball analysts and fans were quick to say that luck was on San Francisco's side, and it may have been. Blanco's bunt in the seventh inning of game three looked like it was about to go foul, but it rested in fair territory. It happened. In the tenth inning of game four, Giants manager Bruce Bochy was going to pinch-hit for Crawford, but Theriot got on base, and Bochy decided to keep Crawford in the game. Lucky or not, the Giants played fundamental baseball. Luck can help a team win games, but that team has to put runners on to score, and the Giants did more than that. They challenged Detroit's corner infielders with bunts. They put the ball in play against a struggling defense. They made outstanding plays on defense to contain Detroit's offense. On the other hand, Detroit's offense struggled. All but one of the five runs Detroit scored during the Series came from home runs. Simply put, Detroit's powerful offense did not show up. San Francisco's World Series title was well earned. The team played within its means by manufacturing runs and playing solid defense. Now, the World Series trophy will stay in San Francisco as the "lights go down in the city, and the sun shines on the bay" for another year.

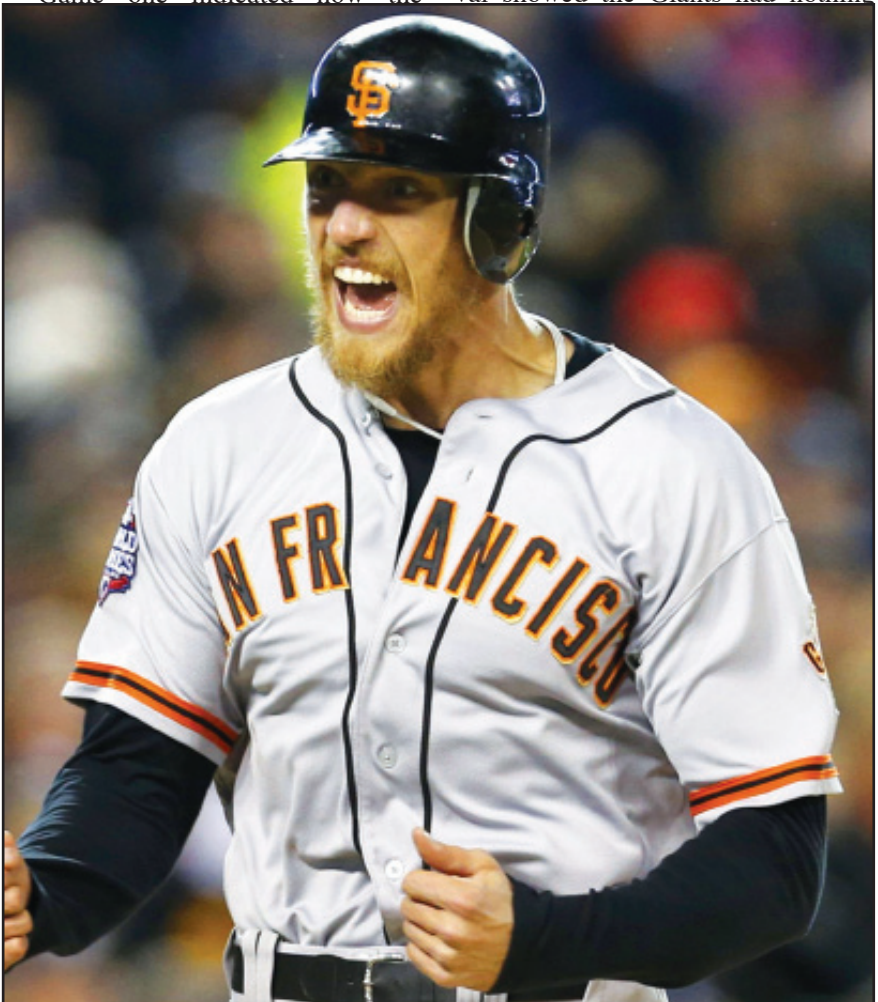


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By becoming a true team that didn't rely on one player, the San Francisco Giants were able to take their second title in three years.



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Wrestling Benefits Clegg On Gridiron

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STAFF WRITER

Senior nose guard Pat Clegg proved last winter how committed he was to the football team when he gave up wrestling. Clegg wanted to focus only on his favorite sport, football.

"Everything about wrestling was very beneficial to me," he said. "But two sports were very demanding. I wanted to perform well at one, but that was hard to do when I had to divert my attention to both."

Clegg placed sixth in the Illinois State Wrestling Championships while he attended Hindsdale Central High School in the Chicago suburbs. His wrestling pedigree grew in 2011 when he was named a member of the NCAA Academic All-American team.

Despite his promise as a wrestler, Clegg's fall performance has shown he made the right choice. He has disrupted offensive game plans all season and appears on his way to earning consecutive NCAC All-Conference honors. Pat's skills on the mat have translated to success on the gridiron.

"One of the biggest areas wrestling helped me in football is balance," Clegg said. "Wrestling also taught me to use my hands better and improved my quickness. I have to be a step quicker than the offensive lineman so he doesn't get his hands on me, especially since I'm smaller than most guys."

The nose guard or nose tackle position is usually perceived as a place reserved for 350-pound behemoths. Clegg and his 6 foot, 249-pound frame do not fit the stereotype. What he lacks in size, he more than makes up for in quickness.

"He plays big and is the glue in the middle of our defense," defensive coordinator BJ Hammer said. "He's explosive across the line and gets penetration against the run or puts pressure on the quarterback."

Clegg still takes on more "typical" nose guard responsibility



COREY EGLER | WABASH '15

Clegg came to Wabash as a member of the wrestling and football teams. During his junior year Clegg quit the wrestling team to focus on football, but the skills he learned in wrestling carried over to the football field.

ties such as occupying blockers.

"Last Saturday at Ohio Wesleyan, we ran one of our zone blitzes," Hammer said. "Pat took the center with him and it opened a lane for (linebacker) Nate Scola to have a free run at a sack. When you have unselfish guys like that, you can win."

Little Giant players voted Clegg one of five captains this season. He has been a team leader since the off season began and wrestling was out of the way.

"Pat's a hard worker and never missed a workout," said Hammer, who is also the team's strength coach. "When you're solely focused on something and lead by

example, people follow you and that's what has happened here.

"He'll get nicked up every now and then but he never sits out of practice and goes 100 percent every time. When young guys and even older guys see that, it makes their injuries a little less painful too. He's not the most vocal guy on the field, but when he is, people listen to him."

Hammer isn't the only coach Clegg has impressed. From the early days in the 2008 training camp, Head Coach Erik Raeburn knew Clegg would be special.

"We had a really veteran group of offensive linemen at the time," Raeburn said. "Most of them were

two and three year starters. He (Clegg) made flashes against them in practice and that's when I really developed confidence that he was going to be a great player for us."

However, a commitment from Clegg was not a sure thing. He, like many other student-athletes, understood Wabash's academic prowess and saw its stellar athletic programs. He had his choice narrowed down to Wabash and St. John's University. At that time, James Kilbane '84 intervened.

Kilbane played football at Wabash and is currently a trustee. He had the same choice Clegg had to make between Wabash and St. John's.

"Jim lived right down the block so

he came over to my house one day to tell me about Wabash," Clegg said. "He told me why it was a good fit for him and why it would be a good fit for me and talked about how the school changed his life. The thing that stuck with me was his passion for the school. He was sitting in my living room pouring it all out and it made me see how special this place is."

Clegg will graduate in the spring as a Chemistry major, which he hopes will help him enroll in a graduate school for environmental studies.

In the immediate future, Clegg will lead the Little Giants on the field Saturday against Oberlin College for Senior Day.

Grapplers Use New Format For Red & White Duals

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After losing only three wrestlers to graduation and recruiting a talented freshman class, the Little Giant grapplers are poised for a record year. The loss of seniors Jake Moore, Josh Boyer and Greg Rhoads were filled with decorated freshmen and experienced upperclassmen.

The team only lost three members from last year's team and with its veteran experience they are set to have a successful season. Jake Strausbaugh, a senior from Orrville, finished last season with a record of 42-4. His experience and leadership will be a key factor in the team's success down the road. In his time at Wabash, Strausbaugh has been named team MVP twice and qualified for Nationals.

Coach Brian Anderson said that Strausbaugh has the opportunity to become the all-time wins leader in the 157-65 pound weight class. Teammate Austin O'Neal, also a member of the class of 2013, looks to come back strong after narrowly missing going to Nationals last season. O'Neal will compete at the 197 pound weight class for the Little Giants.



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Jake Strausbaugh will be one of the senior leaders for the wrestling team this year. His efforts will be matched by a talented freshman class and several transfer students.

In addition to a talented freshmen class the team will also boast several transfer students. Anderson said that several freshmen have the opportunity to make a big difference and have success in their first year with the program.

"Freshman Abe Hall won the Indiana State Champion in the Heavyweight division last year and he will be able to come in and immediately make an impact," Anderson said. "Tim Locksmith, a freshman hailing from Florida, will also be vying for a possible starting slot on the roster."

The team will take part in the Red and White Duals next Wednesday, November 7th. The Red and White Duals is a home meet where Wabash wrestlers compete against their teammates. The new wrinkle that the team has implemented is having the Red and White Duals in front of a crowd.

In the past the team has put on the dual early on a Saturday morning in their isolated corner of the field house. Next Wednesday the team will put on their dual in front of a crowd for the first time in Coach Anderson's tenure.

"The Duals are mostly used as an opportunity for the younger guys on the team to get close to weight, compete in front of a

crowd and officials, and deal with pre-match jitters," Anderson said.

Anderson also said that the meet is a great opportunity for the coaches to see areas that need to be worked on, and begin to gauge a pecking order among the athletes.

Currently the Little Giants are ranked 16th in the nation among Division III schools, a pre-season ranking that Anderson believes carries high expectations. The Little Giants face a tough schedule this year, but they believe they can handle the transition.

"There are certain tournaments we're looking to excel in such as the Midwest Tournament, which is composed of mostly Division II schools, and the Wheaton tournament, where we will face some of the toughest competition in Division III," Anderson said. "We're in arguably the toughest regional in Division III wrestling, but we believe we can do well."

With a team rich with veterans as well as young talent, Anderson believes they are capable of achieving great things. If the increase in freshmen and transfers says anything about the program, success could become a regular occurrence for the Little Giant grapplers.



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