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## Excise Presence Expected Saturday

#### SCOTT MORRISON '14 **NEWS EDITOR**

Tomorrow is arguably the biggest day of the year for Wabash sports fans. Thousands of students, alumni, and families will come together to bask in the spectacle of the Monon Bell game from both the football stands and around the country on national telecast.

In this festive atmosphere, Wabash students need to know that the excise police presence on Indiana, Purdue, and Ball State campuses will be out in force during Bell activities.

As the enforcement division of



the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police (ISEP) is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic

Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

The ISEP created a highly-publicized initiative known as Intensified College Enforcement, or ICE. The program's mission is to reduce un-

campuses. So far, the initiative has focused on Ball State, Purdue, Norte Dame, Indiana State, Indiana, and Butler where hundreds of arrests have been made on game day Saturdays.

So where does that leave Wabash? The ISEP office for district three, which Wabash falls into, is located in Crawfordsville. However, ISEP involvement with Wabash is usually lim-

ited compared to many other schools.

"Most of the time, our enforcement at Wabash College is centered around routine patrol or complaint investigations at alcoholic-beverage establishments in Crawfordsville," ISEP Public Information Officer Corporal Travis Thickstun said. "Sometimes the complaints allege that minors are loitering, purchasing or consuming alcohol on premises. If the complaint turns out to be valid, sometimes the underage patrons turn out to be Wabash College students, but more often than not, they are local residents, not students."

The ISEP will be patrolling with its mission Saturday the same as it has at other college campuses – to reduce underage drinking.

Despite the plans, Dean of Students Michael Raters has had very little contact with excise police. "I have received one call from somebody alleging to be the excise police in my time as Dean," Raters derage drinking on Indiana's college said. "That said, when I look at the time to demonstrate their presence." is perfect in guiding what we do,



No Wabash tailgate is bigger than the Monon Bell tailgate each year. Last year Wabash fans "Occupied DePauw" in a sea of white including their tailgate area.

pattern of what I understand to be excise police activities, we would be foolish not to think the Monon Bell game is likely a pretty good

Raters and the rest of the administration hope that the Gentleman's Rule will help students govern their own actions. "The Gentleman's Rule Raters said. "'At all times on and off the campus' [is the key phrase]. When I am discussing the Gentleman's Rule with students I will often

### Students Question Security

#### SCOTT MORRISON '14 **NEWS EDITOR**

Dean of Students Michael Raters expressed his displeasure at how police and campus security entered Sigma Chi Fraternity on a Thursday night two weeks ago.

That night a student's car was stolen from the Sigma Chi parking lot, totaled, and left on the side of the road. In an effort to find the car's owner and make sure he was alright, police and campus security entered the fraternity, checking individual rooms around 4a.m.

Sigma Chi President Michael Witczak attempted to assist the police in finding the students they

were looking for but felt helpless in the situation. "It was frustrating to be president of the house and have no authority because we pretty much got overrun," Witczak said.

Fortunately, no Wabash students were injured in the accident. But this event raised questions about student rights to privacy in their living units on the Wabash campus.

Contrary to many opinions, all of the dormitories and eight of the nine fraternities are not private residences. They are owned by the College which makes the College into a sort of landlord. The approach the College takes with student residences is very much like an owner of apartments. "I would think if you own an apartment

you would be able to go into your apartment whenever you want," Dean of Students Michael Raters said. "I would also think you would want to be careful about how you did that so that you built trust with your residents while at the same time finding a balance point between trust and your residents not thinking that they can do whatever they want to do which then drags your name through the mud or through the legal circles if they step over those bounds. That is the approach we as a college take."

While the College has full authority over college-owned residences, it tries to avoid exercising that power.

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Wabash has a good working relationship with the Crawfordsville Police Department and hopes to maintain such a relationship in the future.

### Hurricane Sandy Hits Home

### Flooding Spares Students' Families

#### IAN ARTIS '16 STAFF WRITER

When Hurricane Sandy struck, it hit more than just the East Coast. There are many students at Wabash who have family living on the East Coast, and these students were very concerned with the well being of their parents and siblings.

Ben Cook '14, who hails from Severna Park, Maryland, is just one of the dozens of students on campus impacted by the storm.

"I called my parents before the worst was going to hit," Cook said. "Our personal dock was damaged, and our power went out for three days-no hot water, no lights, and no fridge. Be-

sides that, everyone's OK. They're pretty lucky." To prepare, Cook said his family filled the cars with gas since pumps don't work when the electricity goes out. "They also stocked up on bottled water and non-perishable food. They removed all the patio furniture from the back porch before the storm hit," Cook said. "They slept in the basement because they feared a large tree might hit the house. When it was over, schools closed for two days because of downed trees and power lines."

Tadhg Hannon '15 reported that his family had a similar experience. The Stratford, Connecticut native will most likely never see his town quite the same. "A decent part of the town is under sea level," Hannon said. "We lost power for a while, but we were one of the first streets that didn't get flooded. We were lucky."

Storms like this are not particularly commonplace for his area. "This was the worst one I've seen," Hannon said. "Hurricanes don't usually make it up that far north. Usually we get the See, SANDY, Page 3

Hurricane Sandy dumped historic amounts of rain on much of the Northeast two weeks ago. Many homes flooded during the storm, but many students' families escaped relatively unscathed.

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<u>Friday, November 9</u> Admissions Class Visit Day

Saturday, November 10 119th Monon Bell Classic 1 p.m. Hollett Little Giant Stadium

Sunday, November 11 Veterans Day

<u> Monday, November 12</u> Pre-Registration: Spring Semester

Transgender Activism 7 p.m. Baxter 101

Tuesday, November 13 Pre-Registration: Spring Semester

IFC Meeting 11:10 a.m.

Student Senate Meeting 7 p.m.

Teacher Talk: Coaching and Teaching 12 p.m.

Wednesday, November

Allen Center Classroom

Wamidan Concert 7:30

p.m. Salter Concert Hall

Thursday, November 15 Chapel Talk: Marc Nichols 11:15 a.m.

### Registrar Maintains Old School Format

#### **CORY KOPITZKE '14** STAFF WRITER

The Office of the Registrar has taken steps to move many of their services online, but students will still register for classes in person this fall, and that will not change anytime soon.

Online registration is not as convenient as in-person registration according to Associate Registrar Miriam Foster. "It is a face to face [registration]," Foster said. "If classes have closed since you have completed your schedule, I can sit here and I can help you. [A student] can get more counseling from me than just sitting at a computer and thinking, 'ok, now what do I do?' I can ask a student: what is your major? What is your minor? What have you done for distribution? I can start cuing you for [your interests]," Foster said.



IAN BAUMGARDNER | WABASH '14

Every semester students line up bright and early to register for the next semester's classes.

Twice a year, in the spring and in the fall, Wabash men line the hallway in Center Hall around six in the morning to register for classes, while the very determined wait outside the doors through the entire night, bundled in warm clothes and sitting in lawn chairs. Some complain heavily about the process while others enjoy it and call it tradition. Foster recognizes this aspect of the process as well. "We always have to think about Wabash and its traditions," Foster said. "We have to think about why people do things and why they like doing those things."

Tradition aside, there are even more practical reasons for registering in person. "You still have to meet all the rules and regulations of registering, even if you do it online," Foster said. A student would have to meet with different individuals, such as the Business Office to solve problems like tuition blocking, and they would have to meet with professors for prerequisite approvals anyway. "How frustrated are you going to be sitting at a computer when you are not meeting rules?" Foster asked.

Additionally, in-person registration allows faculty to be more involved in students' academic decisions. It allows them to work with the registrar to solve student's problems. As Foster explains, it is almost necessary with our close-knit Wabash family. "The faculty wants to have an input," Foster explained. "They want to help you do your schedule. They have to sign-off on it, so either way, [students] are going to have to interact with someone."



IAN BAUMGARDNER | WABASH '14

The registration forms seen above are a familiar sight for students at Wabash. This semester there is an addition to the usual forms. The Registrar added the yellow sheet seen above which gives a weekly schedule of all classes in their time slots.

Even though some students may think registering alone in their room, behind a computer screen would be much more beneficial in theory, in practice there is a reassuring and fulfilling element that comes with registering in person. "I am sure a lot of schools are doing online registration," Foster said. "But I do not know how much help you are getting from an advisor. How distant and how cold is that aspect? I think that is the one thing we really focus in on is, you are getting, for a lack of a better term, good customer service from us, or as best as we can give you," Foster said.

The Registrar now offers everything from Student Enrollment Verification

forms to Good Student Discount Forms online. Students can now order transcripts online, and the registrar will have them ready to pick up in their office, while also allowing for it to be shipped through FedEx, or even emailed. All of these services can be found under the Student Self Services link on the Registrar's webpage. Additionally, students wishing to study off-campus can now get all of their courses approved through an online program offered by the office. However, with all these new online benefits readily available, students will still be waiting in line, beginning this week.

### Security -

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The College first and foremost attempts to make students feel comfortable in their living units. "I don't like the anxiety that [police coming in at four in the morning] creates for our students at any time, let alone 4 o clock in the morning on a school night, with tests and papers the next day," Raters said. "Is there a way that could have been avoided and still met the needs the authorities had? I think looking back all parties would agree that things could have been done differently. So we need to look at how to improve upon those things. We have already made some protocol adjustments to make sure that doesn't happen."

Some of those protocols include Crawfordsville Police contacting Head of Security and Safety Richard Woods as well as Raters and Associate Dean of Students William Oprisko. Those measures were taken on the night in question but perhaps not as well as they could have been, and Oprisko was en route

when the police entered the house. "One of the elements of that situation was that Mr. Woods was not completely contacted," Raters said. "He has got a very good, close working relationship with the Crawfordsville Police and I think a conversation (they don't have to do that in this situation but usually do), had he been able to have that conversation, would have prevented a room to room search with police shining flashlights in guy's eyes at four in the morning."

Yet some students are still cautious moving forward. "After talking with everyone, I have faith in the administration's decision making, and I trust their decisions," Witczak said. "But it has become apparent that they are not always consulted during late night situations, so I'm nervous that people will come in without talking to Dean Raters or Rich Woods. That's what makes me nervous. I feel like we are just playing a guessing game."

does not want students to fear random searches of fraternities or dorms by po-



Part of the increased police presence the Wabash campus will continue to see is the Indiana Excise Police whose office (pictured above) is located in Crawfordsville.

lice or security. These are not private residences, but until students overstep their boundaries, the message is they have nothing to fear. "I try to be optimistic about things," Raters said. "I Moving forward, the administration think we have found a balancing point. We can't fix what happened, so people will be upset. But we haven't gone

overboard on any side, and I am pleased with our student leadership system."

The Crawfordsville Police were contacted several times, but The Bachelor was unable to get a comment from their department about the situation.

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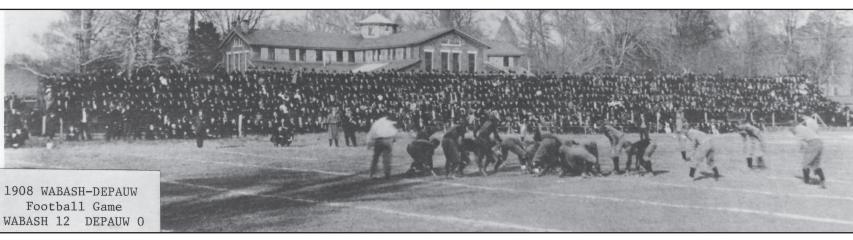
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Railroad to Donate Locomotive Bell as Annual Trophy for Ancient Rivals

A Monon locomotive bell mounted on a wagon promises to assume significance for Wabash and DePauw grid teams similar to the Little Brown Jug of Minnesota-Michigan rivalry, or the Indiana-Purdue Oaken Bucket. First team to have possession of the ball will be the victor in tomorrow's fray at Greencastle.

Frank Lewis, general superintendent of the Monon railroad, yesterday announced in Indianapolis, that a locomotive bell which has seen service for many years on trains running between the two rival schools, has been mounted on a wagon and will be presented following the game tomorrow to the winning team, to remain in its possession until the next annual clash.

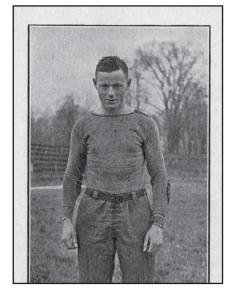
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From 1932 to 2011 Wabash and

DePauw have each won the bell an equal number of times. Each team has brought the actual bell to its respective campus 37 times.

#### **The Forward Pass**

#### WABASH 62; DEPAUW 0

Playing tip-top football, using every variety of plays old and new, Wabash humiliated DePauw, her old rival, by a score of 62-0. This was a red letter day for Wabash alumni, faculty, students and players. For two years DePauw had held us scoreless, which in every Wabash man's heart was virtually a defeat. But carrying a determination instilled by Coach Harper from the first of the season, every member of the squad went into the game to win and not to be tied.





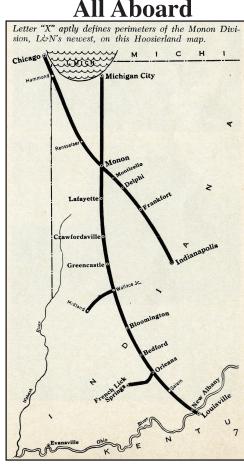
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Coach Jesse Harper (above) and Little Giant Quarterback Skeet Lambert (left).

Twenty years before the bell became a part and namesake of the rivalry the Little Giants were led to a 62-0 victory by Coach Jesse Harper. The team beat DePauw with such a substantial lead because of Coach Harper's use of the forward pass with quarter back Skeet Lambert.

Coach Eddie Cochem at St. Luis University was the first to use the forward pass. Coach Harper gained notoriety for his use of the pass while coaching Notre Dame. Harper began coaching at Notre Dame in 2013 after his four-year career at Wabash. A game against Army served as one of the largest national debuts of the pass.

"The game showed how it (the forward pass) could be used by a smaller team to beat a bigger one," said Harry Cross in an article for the New York Times written in 1913. This certainly held true for Notre Dame and Wabash under Coach Harper's leadership. Harper went on to be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame as a coach in 1971.



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The Monon Railway connected the state North/South and had a spur that led into Indianapolis. The bell donated by the company had been used on a train that traveled a route from Chicago to Louisville, KY. The train connected Purdue, Wabash, DePauw, and Indiana University. The spur leading into Indianapolis also connected to Butler. Much of this section is now the Monon Greenway, a running, walking, and cycling path from just north of Carmel into Indianapolis.

### The Presidents Speak

Dear Members of the De-Pauw and Wabash Communities,

This Saturday, our two nationally recognized liberal arts colleges will meet on the football field for the 119th time in the Monon Bell Classic. This annual rivalry is special; it is something we all eagerly anticipate each November and talk about for years after.

Student-athletes from our two

schools will engage in a game that will determine possession of the coveted Monon Bell for the next year. As we cheer and show pride for our respective colleges, we should also take time to celebrate the thing we share: a long history of educating people who have shaped their communities, their nations, and the world. Together our schools will cheer for our teams, while celebrating what a rare and wonderful rivalry we share.

In thousands of households and establishments across America, alumni of our two great schools will gather to watch the national telecast of the game on AXS TV. Also tuning in will be a great many view-

ers who will be learning about our colleges for the first time — let's give them all a great impression.

Every year this football game matters to both sides, but even more important are the relationship and tradition that the Monon Bell Game embodies. Each of us at DePauw University and Wabash College is charged with the responsibility of enhancing and protecting this noble tradition and this special relationship.

We are sending this message in hopes that you will join us in honoring the tradition that started in 1890. One team will leave Hollett Stadium with the Bell on Saturday afternoon, but all of us should leave with pride in an event that has a long and rich history and is the envy of many other colleges.

We look forward to cheering with you Saturday.

Brian Casey, President, DePauw University

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Pat White, President, Wabash College

### Wabash Explores Gender

### GABE WATSON '13 EDITOR IN CHIEF

As more states begin to legalize homosexual marriages, it seems that awareness about gender and sexuality issues is on the rise. Yet most people know very little about transgender issues. Austen Crowder '07 will speak Monday November 11 about her experience with transgender activism as well as life as a transgender person.

Crowder was an English major and an Independent while at Wabash and wrote for The Bachelor. She will discuss the transgender community in general as well as her own work and experience within it. "I think the most interesting part of the trans community (and the topic of my talk!) is how grassroots the community is," she said. "We have traditionally had little support from large LGB organizations like the HRC and as such have needed to build a network of supporting doctors, therapists, and friendly establishments one person at a time."

Public image is also a concern

of the talk: "media culture is just now catching on that the trans experience exists outside of prostitution and murdered trans folk," Crowder said. In the birth of a public image, "we have had the opportunity to 'write our own rule book' as far as what it means to be trans."

This delay in public awareness still exists, but it is improving. "Trans rights and perceptions tend to lag about 20 years behind LGB rights," Crowder said. While public acceptance is improving for both groups, the roads are neither smooth nor parallel.

Awareness of homosexuality has been publicized dramatically in the media, but transgender issues can be very different and thus misunderstood, if noticed at all. The idea of the homosexual closet is now a cultural staple, but transgender people cannot fall into such categories as "closeted" and "out." Crowder notes that "it is impossible to transition [from one gender to another] 'in the closet,' as the medical treatments make some big changes over a long period of time."

Despite these differences, "we aren't some weird circus act that will shock and awe," Crowder said. "Odds are you've met at least one trans person without knowing it." Progress for transgender acceptance will come with its' rise in visibility.

Crowder will speak about these issues and many more at 7:00p.m. next Monday. Her presentation is sponsored by the Gender Issues Committee.

For more information on transgender issues, check out:

National Gay and Lesbian Task

Force: thetaskforce.org

Andrea James' Transsexual

Roadmap: tsroadmap.com

Gay and Lesbian Alliance

| |against Defamation: glaad.org

### Sandy

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rain from hurricanes, but nothing like this." National speculations on this possible new trend include climate change and the rise in sea level in recent years. This climate change could be the cause of the unusual event that Hannon's family experienced.

In reference to structural damage, the Hannon residence didn't exactly

make it out unscathed. "We had a wooden gazebo in the backyard that got completely flattened, and gutters and shingles were torn off, but nothing too bad," Hannon said. "[My family] followed all the precautions- they boarded windows, made the big rush to the store to get water and everything like that. They tried to make my little brothers eat everything before the power went out."

### Excise

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say 'yes that includes Homecoming, Monon Bell, at Purdue and IU, and on Spring Break. At all times means at all times and on and off the campus means everywhere. It is about being a responsible citizen, following the law, and making good decisions. Think of others first. If you are fraternity man, think of your fraternity. Think of your team, your college, your family as well as thinking about the fun you want to have."

After several alcohol-related incidents early in the semester, Director of Safety and Security Richard Woods believes students will be able to enjoy 'controlled chaos.'

"I think Mr. Woods is saying 'controlled chaos' because he believes that to the student ear, chaos is the fun side

and controlled is the administration side," Raters said. "I think we are officially in favor of fun. We want this to be a very fun weekend and it begins early in the week with guarding campus and guarding the bell and all of those bell game related activities. We define the experience wrong if we think it has got to include drinking and especially drinking to excess."

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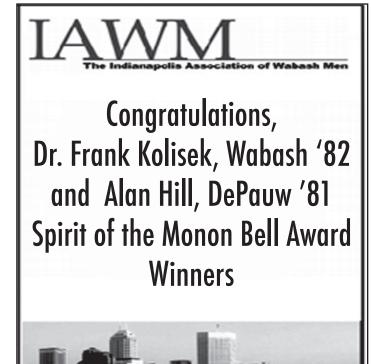
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## A Final Response to Mr. Campbell

## Fight For Women's Rights



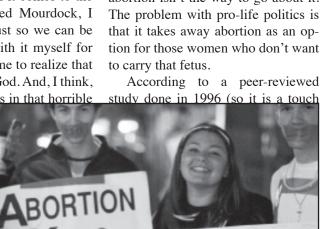
Our esteemed Jacob Burnett was nice enough to allow me a response to my response to my response, so here it is. I'd like to say first that I'm glad we can mutually respect Richard Lugar. If it wasn't painfully obvious yet, I am a very avid liberal, so my support of Lugar stems from understanding of his policies and thinking, but that's very beside the point.

You are entitled to your opinions, Mr. Campbell, but I'm going to disagree. So, first, when it comes to the ideas of the esteemed Mourdock, I will re-quote him, just so we can be clear. "I struggled with it myself for a long time, but I came to realize that life is that gift from God. And, I think, even when life begins in that horrible

that God intended to happen." As you said, Mr. Campbell, "He basically said rape was intended by God, and let's be honest, that's not what he meant," I don't understand how it can be misconstrued. In the last line, Mourdock says "It is something that God intended to happen." That's about as straightforward as it gets. I'd like you to send me an e-mail or something with any other possible interpretations of this sentence because, as far as I can see it, he explicitly said that God intended it to happen.

situation of rape, that it is something

Regardless of that, you are right when it comes to rape being the ultimate solution because it's not and I wasn't trying to say that it is. Rape victims face a myriad of trials when it comes to recovering, and, for some, abortion isn't the way to go about it.



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Pro-Life protestors stand on a busy street to fight against abortion.

dated, I'll admit it) through the National Center for Biotechnology Information, researchers out of the Medical University of South Carolina found that 32.2% of women, out of the estimated 32,101 women that become pregnant as a result of rape annually, opted to keep the child, which proves your point that some women will keep it, but 50% of the women got an abortion, 5.9% opted for adoption and 11.9% had a spontaneous abortion, a miscarriage. But then you even must consider that 32.4% didn't discover that they were pregnant into their second trimester. When in the second trimester, abortion becomes more dangerous and, in some cases, illegal, ruling out a portion of the potential abortion candidates.

The problem with pro-life politics, Mr. Campbell, is that it completely dismisses the needs of that 50% of women; that's 16,000 women that are completely left out in to cold. But you are right, there were that 32.2% of women that didn't get an abortion for whatever reason, but I started looking into your sources, sources that were talking for this 50% that got an abortion but then regretted it, and they are a touch telling.

The WPSA is a pro-life group where women that were raped tell how the abortion ruined their life with literally no mention of women that weren't ruined by their abortion. I'm sorry that this happened to these women, but using them as a marker for every woman isn't fair especially when they have a very obvious pro-



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Pro-Choice people line the street to defend Rowe v. Wade.

life lean. Lifenews.com is a pro-life website, with a bias as well. And your first statistic, that only 1% of abortions are from rape-induced pregnancy, is from a website called Abortionno.com (pretty straightforward there), which you didn't mention but I found on my own.

These are all pro-life groups with their own agendas to follow that make abortion seem completely unpalatable for every woman that's had it. It's an echo chamber. Instead of listening to WPSA like you say, how about we look at the statistics from a peer-reviewed study published from a reputable academic forum. It says that 50% got an abortion. I'm not willing to leave those 50% behind.

What you may be thinking is that I'm clearly favoring the woman over the fetus, and you would be completely right in saying that. Think of it this way, I'd rather value the healing and well-being of a fully grown adult versus a bundle of cells that isn't able to live on its own. I don't have the

space to completely explain why a fetus isn't living, so I'll do the Reader's Digest version.

A fetus, for a large portion of its existence, is completely dependent on the woman. It needs its mother to be viable. When taken from the womb, until about 36 weeks of gestation (it varies from pregnancy to pregnancy, a baby can be viable at week 36, or unviable at week 38), this fetus simply cannot live on its own, and it never has before. It is a potential life, not a life itself, not until it can prove viability, but that is my opinion on the matter alone.

I just don't think that we should be putting weight into a potential life versus a fully actualized and viable life. Yes, I favor the woman and I favor her rights, and, as much as the pro-life spinzone would like you to believe, support alone simply isn't the best option for every woman. It can be 50% of women or 1% or .01% that choose abortion, I will continue to fight for their rights, as I'm sure you,

### Emails Incite Passive-Aggressiveness

A few years ago, I was taking a French class at my high school. I had a great French teacher who left the profession of law to teach, and she was one of the best teachers I'd ever had. However, after taking the class with someone who I deemed to be largely incompetent, I was surprised to learn that he was earning a higher grade in the class than I was. Automatically, I was angry that our esteemed teacher had lower grading standards for this clown than she did for me. So, what did I do? I did what any rational teenager would do: I emailed my teacher and laid out my issues. I eagerly awaited a reply, which I envisioned would be something like, "I had no idea, Seton! You're completely right! I'll reconsider how I've graded your work this trimester! À bientôt!" Well, I was wrong. The

next day, rather than viewing the documentary that the rest of my class had to watch, I spent the entire seventyminute class period sitting in the hallway face-to-face with Madame G (as she liked to be called). It was at this point that I discovered I had made a grave mistake in confronting an issue by sending an email. She expressed to me that my email led her to believe that I was sarcastic and critical of her professionalism. In hind-

sight, these were valid claims



to make. It's for that reason that you will probably never receive a confrontational email from me. However, I have to say that the number of people, faculty included, who send passive-aggressive, confrontational emails on our campus, surprises me. I'm not even referencing email wars here (although it might be worth considering).

When I open my email and read some rude "nastygram" that has been sent my way, I automatically begin to question this individual's tact and maturity. After all, I sent rude, confrontational emails once too. I was fifteen years old, though. So, rather than reply to the email with an equally offensive tone, I offer to meet with the individual so that we sort things out in person. Has this notion been lost on society? Have we lost sight of how to go about dealing with issues? I hope not.

I don't mean to sound like the etiquette expert or the decider of all things appropriate, but it seems to me that in-person conflict resolution would be embraced at a place like Wabash. Is it really necessary for a faculty member to express disappointment in the performance of students on a recent exam or paper in his or her class via email? Couldn't that be discussed in class? Do students really need to express their frustration with professors and staff members by detailing their anger in an email? Couldn't we sit down with the professor or staff member to have a conversation about it? Isn't that what we foster at Wabash?

I understand that in many cases, email is the most convenient form of communication. On top of that, there will be written record of the interaction that was had between you and another individual. However, sometimes, problems cannot be resolved if the involved parties are not sitting across a table from each other, having a productive, meaningful conversation. Does this take extra time? Absolutely. Is it worth the time? Yes, it is. I am far more willing to hear what someone has to say if they're willing to say it in my presence and to my face, rather than if they've composed a degrading email for me to ponder. Even though email has become an essential tool, let's not lose sight of the importance of maintaining person-

al, professional relationships

with others on our campus

### Ignore This Column: Why I Voted Gary Johnson

#### **ADAM CURRENT '11 OPINION COLUMNIST**

Bottom line: While I identify as a Libertarian, I will vote Gary Johnson out of protest. This edito-rial consists of my working-musings and polished rants against our decrepit system--shock lan-guage, sarcasm, Bob Dylan, and all.

1. "We live in a political world/ Love don't have any place/ We're living in times where men commit crimes/ And crimes don't have a face..." (Bob Dylan, 'Political World' et all.) 2. Let's start with the

30-second political litmus test: My conservative tenden-

cies: Welfare? When abused, promotes laziness. The Department of Education? The name alone is a sick, Orwellian joke. Global warming? An anti-human scam aimed at global governance. Healthcare? Let doctors and patients negotiate prices. The government needs to step aside and let private charities work.

My liberal tendencies: Foreign wars? Stop them! Weed? Anti-drug theories are absurd, the laws are racist--legalize, regulate and tax! Marriage equality? It is ultimately a property issue. Simplify the tax code, and let consenting adults debate religion. The environment? GMO's

are ruining our society; local sustainability is the answer.

I refuse to identify solely

as "conservative" or "liberal," because I am neither. Other Mil-lennial echo these sentiments, not content to tow the rigid, irrational party lines of our elders. Many are a mere beer, or two, separated from agreement in many issues. By voting Obama/Romney, I give legitimacy to the system that does not represent me. Why would I do this? Why doth the rising tide stay silent?

3. "We live in a political world/ Wisdom is thrown in jail/ It rots in a cell, is misguided as hell/ Leaving no one to pick up the trail..."

4. Personally, I do not view the main parties as "other." Although we disagree, I believe each is well-intentioned and intelligent. I can work with that. With allegiance to neither, I ask the Wabash Community why must we necessarily demonize and demean the "other" side? Is it so scandalous to find common ground with those whom we disagree?

But what do I know? my opinions Publishing will regretfully make enemies of dear friends and professors. It happens.

5. "We live in a political world/ Under the microscope/ You can travel anywhere and hang yourself there/ You always got more than enough rope..."

6. The truth is we are a single party system with two factions, eternally locked in a strug-gle for how big government should act. This is never debated. Liberals perpetuate the caricature that all citizens should be slaves on the government plantation--dependent for food, rent, cell phones, ad infinitum. Conservatives' dangerous, imperialistic foreign policy thrives on innocent blood as they virtuously "export freedom", an arguable contradiction. Both are well intentioned and mistaken, and yet

we feel coerced to take sides. 7. I resent the idea I should settle for the "lesser of two evils." It encourages the problem. What of my "best interests?" Am I merely a onedimensional demographic. destined to believe the television ads? The truth is we are NOT a two-party system. Other parties exist, yet the Democrips and Rebloodlicans--hat tip Jesse Ventura--bully us to vote for them. "Vote Romney, you hate Obama!" Do I own my vote? Is the system afraid of competition because the people would dismantle the rampant corruption? 8. "We live in a political world/ Where peace is

not welcomed at all/ It's turned away from the door to wander some more/ Or put up against the wall"

## Americans Imbibe Haterade



Hospitals experienced good business all over America on election night. Sources say cardiologists were inundated with emergency surgeries, fixing the broken hearts of Romney supporters. However, not everyone could get treated, so doctors prescribed a very special medicine that could help to cure their symptoms. Every hour patients were supposed to type one status expressing their contempt. As a medical research major, I collected a few of my favorite and decided to further analyze them in hopes one day we could find a cure to help them build bridge to get over their pain.

"Why would America do this to me? Packing my bags tonight." It would appear that this person was suffering from an acute case of runaway-when-the-going-gets-tough syndrome. As if four more years of Obama was equivalent to a nuclear threat, I saw so many unwavering "muricans" frantically rummaging through crowded drawers in search of passports that didn't exist. These soon to be immigrants, fail to realize that very few countries can even boast having true

authentic election voting. I mean even Dannies are smart enough to know that you're threatening to leave the country is both irrelevant and dumb.

"Obama is such a porch monkey." Not only is it devoid of creativity, but incredibly jarring. It's statuses like this that remind us that race is still an issue in America. Words just won't allow for the discussion of such an ignorant post. Furthermore, statuses like "my president is still Black" are equally asinine. Black America has got to stop adulating Obama for his skin color, for educated voters like myself are tired of the "you voted for Obama because he was black" gaze. Both claims should focus more on race as a means to a victory over another, not determine which candidate likes fried chicken more.

"Communism is imminent. This dumb Muslim is taking away all of our rights." What does this even mean? There were a myriad of nonsensical statements that sent my body into spastic convulsions, but this one caused me the most pain. Not only is communism one of the most abused terms in our verbal lexicon, it is simply foolish to be in 2012 and still hurling religious hatred at Obama. And when did Ivy League education become the standard for dumb. We still fail to realize, that becoming President is the highest honor bestowed upon a person after hearing Beyoncé sing live.

Every so often one of my GOP friends would surprise me, "when will people wake up and realize that the Presidential elections are merely



Barack Obama, the 44th President of the United States, and his family on stage before President Obama gives his acceptance speech in Chicago, Illinois.

spectacle. Congressional elections are the decider of America's fate." After a brilliant class by the legend himself, Hadley, I secretly concluded that Congress was more powerful than the President. Like an underground club of men wearing funny stripes and hats, Congress is allusively provocative. The election was a small hurdle for Obama in comparison to an obdurate and unmovable Congress he will again have to face. It's through Congress' power that the nation moves forward, remains stagnant, or is propelled backwards. The president is merely a de-

signer handbag, all flash, but pointless without the cash inside of it.

We are supposed to be the United States of America, but as we saw on that fateful Tuesday, we are most definitely split in twain. Many Americans, especially my GOP supporters. were just haters. Like alcohol, haterade is a dangerous liquid and will transform even the most sensible into a whiny mean girl. Obama has won and although many of you readers are disappointed with the results, we all should strive to be like the best status of the night "humble in

### A Response to Mr. Dettmer

### Life Denies Zero Sum Game

I'm so glad someone has finally stood up for the competitive spirit's right to discriminate. Andrew Dettmer wrote last week that our culture is starting to get soft, and I agree: we can't tolerate any more of that mushy, caring-about-people stuff.

The fuel for Mr. Dettmer's competitive spirit, the idea that "there's no trophy in life for simply participating in life," seems to parallel those wise words Ricky Bobby lived by: "If you ain't first, you're last." If only everyone would live by these rules. Then one person could be really, really proud of themselves while everyone else sees themselves as losers. Now that's what I call democracy. If the values presented in Talladega Nights aren't source of meaning to life, I



don't know what is.

He also asserted that our fear of leaving anyone out means "we're losing that killer instinct Americans used to have." How true. I just wish we could get back to the good old days of America's founding, when we used that killer instinct to wipe out millions of Native Americans and enslave as many Africans as we could. Man, that was a great period in history. If

the poor people can't climb the social ladder, they're clearly just doing something wrong. Recently, we've been caring about how poor people feel – how un-American of us.

Dettmer also claimed that "all men are born equal, but from that point forward all bets are off." I must simply be misunderstanding this statement. What on Earth does it mean to be born equal if in the next second that equality is ignored?

Now that the sarcasm is out of my system, I'd like to note that I do not write here in any authorotative power as Editor-in-Chief. This newspaper would be worth little if students of all views did not feel comfortable writing Opinion articles. I write now simply as a student who is deeply bothered

by the competitive drive that seems to take precedence over compassion in so much of the world. Leaders with killer instincts are dangerous things when others stand in the way of their (widely varying) definitions of success. While humans are obviously unique in the way we frame the idea, all organisms fight for success. We are evolutionarily-engrained to produce competitive offspring to outproduce other others' offspring. That empty drive the aim of any species competition ad infinitum.

Luckily for us, humans are the only species on the planet to have figured this cycle out. We now understand that we are the dominant species on a rock floating through space. Who do we have to compete with?

We don't have to play these stupid win/lose games any more, trying to get ahead of our fellow humans. We can finally stop, look around us, and realize we're killing ourselves and others for an empty idea. All we seem to want to do is to compete against other countries, other races, other groups of people who generally want the exact same things as us. I think it is time we use a little bit of compassion in recognizing the universality of our desires across all people.

Of course, it is good to provide for our families. However, if happiness in life is a zero sum game where we "will always have losers and winners", then I have a great deal left to

## Marathon Runners Speed Up Healing



When it comes to road races, none do it bigger or better than the New York City Marathon. Last year over 47,000 runners toured the city's five boroughs, from Staten Island through Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx before finishing in Manhattan's Central Park, while over one million spectators lined the course.

However, this year's version of the famous race was unique for a different reason. After Hurricane Sandy devastated New York City with less than a week until race day, city officials and race coordinators debated the merits of cancelling. Shortly after, Mayor Michael Bloomberg released a statement announcing that the race would proceed as originally planned. According to Bloomberg, the race would help the shocked city recover by raising spirits and "giving people something to cheer about."

Residents met Bloomberg's decision with in-

stant resistance. To many residents still without power and low on necessities, the idea of using the vital police force as crowd control seemed counterintuitive. Residents began erecting antimarathon signs and calling out for race officials to come to their senses.

With less than two days until the scheduled start time, race officials relented and Bloomberg officially cancelled the 2012 ING New York City Marathon. He conceded that the continuation attempt had been wrong when the city was in such dire need, and he pledged that the marathon would do what it could to help the city regain its balance.

As I listened to these developments stream in over the past 10 days, I was constantly reminded of a similar situation in Wabash's not-so-distant past: On September 15th 2001, the Wabash and Wheaton football squads faced off in one of the only football games that was scheduled to play that weekend. Faced with a decision to cancel or continue after a national disaster, the schools decided to play the game in the hopes of helping life return to normal for a shocked country.

Of course, there are similarities between the two events. Both attempted to raise the spirits of a faltering nation and city by giving them something new to focus on after days of constant



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After prepaering for the race, runners didn't give up on the New York City Marathon after Hurrican Sandy. The participants rinformaly ran the course.

and depressing news reports. Also, both events planned to place special emphasis on the losses and honor those that had fallen.

However, we intuitively know that only one of these was the right decision. It's rather simple: the marathon would have taken vital resources away from a city that couldn't do without, while the Wabash vs. Wheaton game did no such thing.

But let's not leave the issue at that. While the NYC marathon controversy was originally a scandal that had me wondering about Bloomberg's sanity, the week following restored my belief in the citizens of this country.

After the cancellation and apology, race officials immediately set out to make up for their mistakes and the results blew me away. Within hours of the announcement, the Race 2 Recover website was created. The website matched runner's donated hotel reservations to city residents that needed shelter.

A few hours later, corporate sponsor ING gave half a million dollars to relief efforts, followed immediately by the New York Road Runners and the Rudin Family Foundation. Each group donated one million dollars. However, residents felt the immediate impact when NYRR took the race-day food and drink supplies that would have been used for over 40,000 runners and distributed them. Following their example, Saucony, Mizuno, and Asics donated their profits from the Marathon Expo held in NYC on Saturday.

But that wasn't all! For many of the runners who had accumulated months of training, the cancellation wouldn't stop them. Thousands of runners hit Central Park on Sunday to log 26.2 miles unofficially, and then spent the rest of the day staying sweaty by helping local residents clean up and carry on, or by delivering NYRR's donated supplies.

While it's heartbreaking that many runners missed out on an amazing race, the stories of compassion and concern from deep in Sandyeffected New York City have me proud of my country and my runner kin. And above all else, I give thanks that officials like Michael Bloomberg have the courage to admit they are wrong and work to correct their mistakes.



Runners prepare to start handing out food and water to the victims of Hurricane Sandy in New York City and surrounding areas.

## CAVELIFE

## The Illusion of Job Availability

#### ALEX TOTTEN '13 **CAVELIFE EDITOR**

As the stereotype has been developing, it has been known that American unemployment rates have been falling since the economic collapse, while Europe's has been steadily increasing, showing year after year of recession. Poor Europe, the victim of our unending greed, as we sit back and wait for the economy to recover from its flesh wound, but that stereotype may not be as accurate as we'd like to believe.

According to Eurostat, the aggregate of all statistics European, in a release they put out at the end of October, The unemployment rate is steadily decreasing in Europe, down to 11.5% around the entirety of the Eurozone. Now, this is slightly misleading, as it is an average. Austria, claiming the lowest number of unemployed, was at 4.4%, but some countries, most notably Spain and Greece, have astronomically high rates of unemployment, at 25.8% and 25.1% respectively.

But the stereotype does hold true, where the Europeans are struggling while we succeed but the numbers we put out might actually be a touch misleading. While European unemployment rates are falling, they've been increasing for young people, from 21.7% last year to 22.8% this year, and the trend has started to take hold here in the states.

According to Time Magazine, adults under the age of 25 have an unemployment rate of 16%, but that doesn't include people in the age group that are in school or training programs, people like us who may not work while we're in school. When we, the college students, are taken into account like it is in Europe, the stereotype is actually flipped, with U.S. young adults having a higher unemployment rate. And they're the people that are the most unwanted for these jobs, the adults under 25 that aren't in any sort of program. The numbers are



A classic unemployment line circa The Great Depression. This line is probably my near future.

rising for this particular kind of candidate. In 2007, the rate was at 12.1% and it's risen to 14.8%, whereas, in Europe, it rose from 11.5% to 13.2%.

So the idea that young adult unemployment is getting better is somewhat misleading, especially when it's being compared to Europe that has different structures and available workers than the US. For example, according to Time Magazine, countries like Greece and Spain have these hyper inflated numbers, but they aren't entirely dissimilar to the situation here because of the available workforce. For young adults under 25, only 30% of that population in Spain is seeking work whereas it's 55% of the young adult population in the U.S., making the numbers relatively proportional in this context, when less people are seeking jobs because they already have

Even further, the American unemployment rate never takes into account the idea of underemployment and part-time employment, both considered in the statistic; whereas, in Spain, part-time employment isn't included. So the numbers are skewed farther in our favor, making the market seem more attractive for

them, the numbers look more drastic.

We're in the situation where we are a wholly undesirable group of applicants. The "ground-floor job" takes two years of experience, experience that they can find with an applicant that was let go last year by their corporation after ten years of valiant service.

people our age to get jobs. The prob-

lem is that the jobs don't exist for us.

Tragically for the victims of the recession and for us, its new victims, the outlook is bleak and becoming bleaker, as more companies are unwilling to hire us for well-paying jobs. Hopefully we can break away from these euphemistic statistics and find the un-

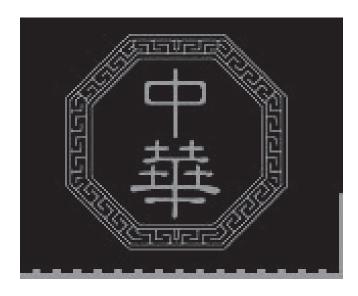
derlying cause of these fleeting jobs. So there is only one way to combat this rising problem. Luckily, here at Wabash, there a quite a few resources we can utilize to give ourselves the edge. Go to Career Services, talk to alumni, and make valuable connections to use in the fight to get a job. If we are able to make the proper connections here, now, before we get into the market-at-large, then it gives us the edge on those who weren't able to, or weren't lucky enough to, make these connections early on.

I, personally, don't want to be a statistic, even though it's getting closer and closer to the time where I will be one, but if you plan ahead, and don't assume that the economy has recovered. you too can avoid unemployment.



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"HOLY SCRIPTURE, READ

headlong-falling messenger from the

Midwest. Cornfields run amok. They

dampen and resist falling tempera-

tures. Stalks pay homage to some-

but something all the same.

thing universal, something particular,

"HOLY SCRIPTURE READ

ALOUD!" Cries the deaf man, the

resonance, incapable of resounding.

Sometimes I walk through

the arboretum and begin speaking

involuntarily. I hear words coming

but I don't make them happen. They

say things like: "What's wrong with

modern civility is..." and they leave

thoughts—I say 'my own' because

they come from my mouth, but they

don't really—I try to finish my own

thoughts and I am not able. I am shut

off by something. Perhaps a Socratic

daimon has my cards in his hands

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READ ALOUD!" Cries the strug-

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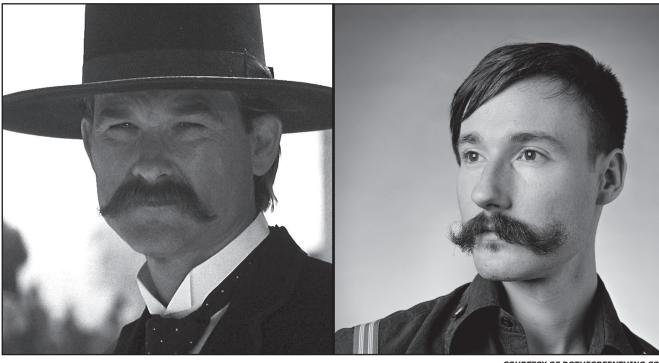
**CAVELIFE EDITOR** 

## Movember in Full Swing

#### FRITZ COUTCHIE '15 MOUSTACHE COLUMNIST

It's that time of year again; the faces of Wabash students should be insulated by proud thick tufts of hair in celebration of not only Monon Bell Week, but for Movember as well. Movember, a month long campaign held each year to raise awareness of issues surrounding men's health, is held in November each year. Men are asked to give up shaving for the month and grow mustaches that are to act as advertisements for the Movember movement, which, in turn, act as advertisements that support men's health. If a thick moustache cannot be grown, stubble still counts, struggle to grow stubble and support the cause.

For those that can grow facial hair, wear it as a stamp of pride. Once substantive follicle growth has been achieved, groom. Research the different styles of moustache, not everyone can look good with the Chevron (think Tom Selleck), or the Dali, but there is a style for everyone that can grow facial hair. Styles of moustaches can be found at www.



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Long since forgotten, Moustaches used to be a sex symbol, but now they are reserved for creepers.

americanmustacheinstitute.org.

Remember, mustache wax is a friend. For those that cannot cultivate glorious facial hair, display stubble for the month. There is no shame in the appearance of con-

stant five o'clock shadow; it has been used as a symbol of masculinity in countless action movies.

If November is too short of a time period to display the glorious of masculinity on the face, prepare for the World Beard & Moustache Championship held on November 2, 2013, in Germany. For inspiration one can travel to this year's competition, hosted November 11, in Los Vegas.

Currently there are nearly two-million people that are registered as participants in the Movember movement. Movember, founded in 2004 is a nonprofit organization. These "mo-bros" have raised nearly 300 million dollars, over eighty-percent of which is donated to Livestrong, Prostate Cancer Foundation, and educational events that support men's health awareness.

During their lives one of every two men will be diagnosed with some form of cancer, but a third of all cancer deaths in males are preventable. Regular exercise, a balanced diet, not drinking to excess and having an annual physical can help decrease one's chances of illness and infection, they

can also help one manage the health issues that he/she has. Although the life expectancy of males is lower than that of women, men are less likely to visit the doctor and often suffer the complications of diseases that could be easily treated if caught early. Disease is not something that necessarily comes with age; testicular cancer is the most common cancer in males that are between 15 and 35. It can often be discovered though annual physicals.

This November, display the facial hair proudly, first to intimidate our rivals down south, but more importantly to spread awareness of the issues surrounding men's health. Start a conversation (yes, it may be awkward) but discussing healthy habits with another man may save a life. Get a physical and be honest with your doctor, catching cancer early can be the difference between a simple surgery and death.

For more information about, or to get involved with Movemwww.movember.com.

The warmth that spreads throughout a man's breast after he's had a long night of drinking—this is the warmth that I strive toward. Something comfortable, maybe, but something at all—THIS! This is the point! The passivity of so many of you! You have such capability yet you say so little! Speak up! Say something worthwhile! But you won't, I lament, and I strive for the warmth anyhow.

"HOLY SCRIPTURE, READ ALOUD! HOWLY SCRIPTURE, READ ALOUD!" As if some poetic Ginsberg were capable of alleviating your worries, your concerns, your existential anxiety. What a word we throw around—existential. This is a word that refers to the body, the corporeal nature of things, I suppose. But it means much more than that. And a phenomenologist could tell you about what the existentialist means before the existentialist ever could. AHA! For that matter, the metaphysician himself could tell you what existentialism meant before the existentialist ever could! But that's beside the point. We strive onward, and we strive backward, on accident, and on purpose. Neither onward nor backward is the obvious route. We come to a Y. We come to a crossroads, as folklore would have it. But we come to a decision, nonetheless. We make a decision, and we continue "onward." Backward could be onward. But onward, we travel, regardless of interpretations and silly

mistakes in cognitive brilliance. I will never be a scientist. This means, of course, that I condemn scientists. You bastards! You seek truth in the clouds! Yet you neglect the worth in your fellow man. I do the same. I cry out to myself, too, "Bastard!" But that doesn't necessarily suggest that you are cleansouled. You're as dirty as I am, the philologosopher! The man of language and the man of thought! You'll perish in your own self-ruin and I will be there beside you—for different reasons, mind you, but beside you all the same. In the end, "HOLY SCRIPTURE, READ ALOUD!" Will be all you can call for, all you can hope for, all you can die for. And once the book of Genesis is opened, and "Lux Fiat!" Is proclaimed, you'll set aside your differences, the love of love will be maimed. For once you speak it, then it's gone. Once you define it, then the boundaries are made worthless. Once you open your mouth, your mouth is no longer capable of spouting truths. This para dox, my friends, this paradox is the puzzle with which we must concern the rest of our lives

# COURTESY OF DAILYELLE.COM The logo of the Movember movement, as if the moustache wasn't indicative

## Hyperpop's New Sensibilities

#### **ALEX TOTTEN '13 CAVELIFE EDITOR**

The obscurities that found Born Gold to me on my illustrious Spotify account comes with it a tale of Canadian trendiness and differing sensibilities. Edmonton, Canada's Born Gold came to me with a wonderful vision of the future, where people where LED lights and cigarettes are cool again. Laden in electric sounds, distorted and cut vocals, and strange guitar, Born Gold was a sweet darling in the newly-dubbed "Hyperpop" scene.

Hyperpop itself is somewhat of a mystery to us down here in the states, as it is movement that is mostly in Canada and mostly not on the internet at all. Trying to find any information on the movement itself is difficult, so most of you, my lovely readership, have probably never heard of it. But that's fine. Hyperpop is a movement that takes the ideas of pop and disproportionally tears them into new shapes. It's a mix of 90's house music, Indie Pop, electronica and Lady Gaga.

Born Gold was this movement personified. From the ashes of Gobble Gobble, the band's former name and persona, Born Gold released a compilation of singles, Bodysongs. Bodysongs was, and still is, the pinnacle of Hyperpop's insane sensibilities, dripping with lush electric sound, Indie styling, and synth beats. The CD is a wonderful listen, with

Little Sleepwalker is good, but for the wrong reasons.



Born Gold, pictured above, on an organic farm in their native Canada. They've been known for light activism on the side.

each track bringing an enormous amount of energy and style, all the while flowing well together to make a completely cohesive sound. It was very polished for something considered to be a mere collection of singles.

So, when Born Gold's new LP, Little Sleepwalker, came out at the end of October,

I was, needless to say, excited. I've listened to Bodysongs to the point of jadedness, so I needed some new content to keep me going. Sadly, and this is a very rare sadly for my reviews, Little walker did not meet the standard COURTESY OF RACKADN.COM had put forth.

Sleep-**Bodysongs** 

their new LP is like listening to a completely different band. Long gone are the hyper beats and mashed melodies, in their place is a smooth and thoughtout dream pop sound, something akin to Cocteau Twins. The record is basically the exact opposite of that I had come to expect with Born Gold, there is no hype, no frenzy, no energy.

From the first track, "Pulse Thief", it's easy to see that there is something quite wrong. The beat is something like an 80's dystopian film soundtrack, with intermittent robot beeps to cut the sound apart. Then the vocals come in and I start to get truly disappointed. Instead of the midrange echoey and spliced feel of their first LP, the vocals are now dropping down to the ground, distorted and low. And It never really changes from that.

It's strange, and it definitely not Born Gold. Listening to this album makes me think that they've taken a weird turn to something more like Pallers circa Another Heaven, all

the while channeling This Mortal Coil and My Bloody Valentine. It's dripping with powerful sound and deeply rooted emotion, but it's a hard shell to crack; it took a couple listens for me to understand what in the world the singer was saying.

A change in sound isn't bad; in fact, I always think bands should try to stay dynamic. The Decemberists flow seamlessly through different sound from album to album, and no one sound is better than the other and Born Gold was able to completely change their sound and stay true to it throughout the album, which is a concept bands in flux tend to struggle with.

But when the original sound was really unique and situational, it should stay the same. If I want Dream pop, I listen to Pallers, if I want Hyperpop, I wanted to listen to Born Gold, but with Little Sleepwalker, I can't. I guess I'll listen to Germany Germany for my fix from now on.

## Wabash Not Taking DePauw Lightly

#### JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15 **STAFF WRITER**

Wabash College (7-2) and Depauw University (2-7) will battle on the gridiron Saturday for the 119th time in the Monon Bell rivalry. Kickoff is scheduled for 1:07 p.m.

The 2012 season has been a disappointment for Wabash; playoffs hopes appear squandered after last week's loss to Oberlin. For Depauw, the season has gone as well as the last few Monon Bell games. The team underwent a coaching change midseason and has only two wins in its first season in the North Coast Athletic Conference. Wabash Head Coach Erik Raeburn is on even higher alert because of the Depauw's poor record.

"The one way they could remedy their disappointing season is to win the Bell game," Raeburn said. "That makes them really dangerous. They'll play harder against us than any other game. We have to match that same kind of intensity."

The Little Giants endured a disappointing home loss to Oberlin last Saturday, which effectively knocked them out of the playoffs, but Bell week doesn't leave time for sulking.

"Just like with a big win, you have to put a disappointing loss behind you," Raeburn said. "If you don't, that will cause you to lose two games."

Wabash will lean on junior running back Tyler Holmes to avoid the two-game skid at the end of the year. Holmes leads the NCAC with 128 rushing yards per game. He also only needs 102 yards Saturday to become the first Little Giant runner to eclipse the thousand-yard mark in nine years. He doesn't have apprehensions about the team losing its concentration this for the Bell game.

"Bell week in general keeps you focus," Holmes said. "The game can define the entire season so that gives us enough motivation to prepare as hard as we can to pull out a victory."

Holmes and the Little Giant offensive line should share success Saturday if they are focused. The Tiger's loose rush defense has given up over 150 yards per game this season. Still, Raeburn and Holmes saw effective players in the Tigers' defensive line.

"Michael McManis is a solid player," Holmes said. "He's their defensive tackle that disrupts plays and always seems to find a way into the backfield."

"Overall, they have an athletic defensive line that is very active," Raeburn added. "We have to do a better job running the ball and protecting our quarterback than we did last Saturday."

Defensively, Wabash will compete against an offense in flux at the quarterback position. Freshman quarterback Justin Murray and sophomore quarterback Drew Seaman have each shared duties recently. The two quarterbacks made it harder for Little Giant defensive back Houston Hodges to get a read on them in film sessions, even though Depauw doesn't use the quarterbacks in different situations or change its play calling.

"It's hard to see what they're reading sometimes," he said. "As the game goes by, we may try to move around depending if they're reading our corners or safeties.

The Wabash defense will still have to key on Depauw's passing game, despite the youth at the quarterback position.

"They're pretty dangerous in the passing game," Raeburn said. "Obviously the last two weeks, our pass defense hasn't been very



After a shocking loss to Oberlin last week the Little Giants approach the Bell Game as their last contest of the season.

good. We need to come out and get that corrected this week and get pressure on the quarterback."

The field generals' favorite targets are wide receivers Nikko Sansone and Taylor Wagner. Also, tight end Bobby Coburn leads the team with 4 touchdown catches.

Saturday will be the first Bell game for many freshmen. It will also be the first Bell experience for junior receiver Jon Laird. The

summer transfer from Diablo Valley Junior College said he's never played in a big rivalry game before.

"I don't think I'll fully grasp what Bell week means until I step onto the field Saturday," he said. "Looking around campus, I can tell the magnitude of the game will be bigger than the team. I'm just trying to approach it as any other game even though it's not. I think when I see the stands filled and all the energy in the stadium

is just as much responsibility, especially in cross country," he said. But

in order to run well, the basic strat-

is when I'll know it's the real deal."

Saturday also represents a chance for history to be made. The class of 2013 has an opportunity to go 4-0 in Bell games; only nine other classes have accomplished that feat with the last coming from the class of 1979.

The game will be nationally televised again. AXS TV (formerly HD Net) will broadcast the game.

## Red Pack Seeks Revenge At Regionals

#### FABIAN HOUSE '16 <u>STAFF WRITER</u>

On Saturday the Cross Country team will run Regionals in Anderson at 1 p.m. What promises to be a cool, autumn morning the will find the Red Pack competing with a goal to advance to the National meet the following week. The Red Pack is coming off of a close loss to Allegheny at

the conference meet two weeks ago, and have rested last week in preparation for their meet on Saturday. The Red Pack has set specific goals haven't ran there, and we should moving forward, the first of which is to advance from the regional meet.

The course is fairly flat, and the Red Pack team has run the meet three times, and they look to make an immediate impact in the meet

Sophomore Shane Hoerbert, who finished fourth at last week's conference meet, said "It's not like we surprise some teams that haven't."

As one of the Red Pack's most consistent runners, Hoerbert feels he has a big responsibility to set the pace for the team together. "I am not watching them and I feel like it



The Red Pack will be seeking revenge against its lost to Allegheny tomorrow. In the process the team hopes to punch its ticket to Nationals.

This Weekend in Wabash Sports

Friday:

Rugby vs DePauw 6:00pm

Saturday:

**Cross Country** @ Regionals 11:00am

Football vs DePauw 1:07pm

@ W. Illinois 8:00pm Basketball

egy is to bring the team together during the run. "I think we really need to, especially these last couple meets, if we want to be successful is to pack it up and run," said Hoerbert. Sophomore Jared Burris finished the conference meet 14 overall and fifth on his team. Like Hoerbert, he also stresses the importance of running as a team. "We've had a couple races where we've ran really well and we've ran as a pack or a couple different packs, and when we didn't do that

The Red Pack will not go into Regionals as the favorite team to win. That distinction goes to Michigan's Calvin College, who is ranked second in the nation and expected to win the meet. The Red Pack has a tough competitor to compete with, and according to Burris that is not a bad thing. Although Burris does not expect the Red Pack to win the meet, he does view the competition as a great way to prepare for nationals. To get better, Burris says, "Our goal is to win second, which would automatically give the team a bid to the national meet."

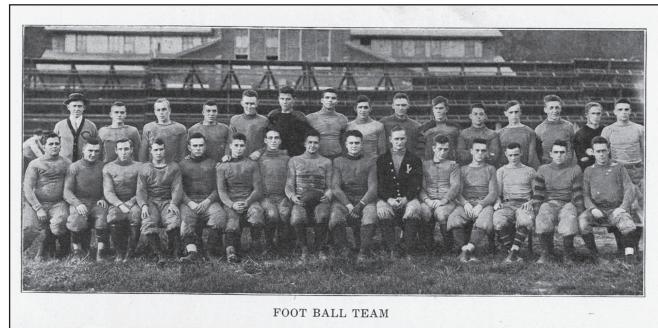
we kind of struggled individually. We have a couple main packs that try to

stick together most of the race," he said.

Burris has set personal goals for the meet in order to run his best. "Our workouts were pretty tough last week," he said. "And this week should be easier and we are dropping down mileage so we're strong and we are also starting to have some lighter legs."

The cross country team has had great recent success at regionals. For the past three years, the Red Pack has won a bid to nationals, and that goal is the same this year. The Red Pack will have seven runners competing at the meet, senior Jacob Waterman, juniors Dalton Boyer and Jacob Ponton, sophomores Billy McManus, Daniel Hoover, Hoerbert, and Burris. The alternates for the meet are sophomore Nick Boyce and freshmen Matt Avenatti and Adam Togami.

The team is going into the meet with a reasonable expectation of what to expect on this course, and a desire to make an impact. The Red Pack have trained all year for this meet, are striving to learn from their close conference loss by running tight as a team and pulling each other along. The expectations are nothing less than to go into Anderson with the confidence that they will advance to the nationals meet next weekend.



**COURTESY OF WABASH ARCHIVES** The traditions of the Wabash football team go back to the days when the players wore leather helmets.

### Wabash Will Prevail In Close Battle If Defense Holds Strong



RYAN LUTZ THE BACHELOR SPORTS EDITOR

Monon Bell
Week is upon us
again. Tomorrow
Wabash and DePauw will square off
in one of the nation's
oldest and most storied rivalries. Despite how the game
looks on paper, this
year's Bell Game has
the potential to be closer than people expect.
For the first time in

recent memory neither team will be continuing onto the playoffs. With this being the last game of the season for both teams, nothing will be held back. We all know how it works with the Bell Game, winning streaks, records and statistics don't matter. All that matters is which team shows up willing fight their heart out for that bell.

Last year Wabash was concerned with being too confident and avoiding an upset by a DePauw team that was coming back off of a shut out the year before. Tomorrow, both teams will try to validate their seasons in just four short quarters, and anything could happen. Especially considering Wabash's play in last week's shocking loss to Oberlin, however, Wabash will right the ship and come out on top. With the return of key starters and nothing left to lose, the Little Giants will win their last game in front of a home crowd.

Offensively the Little Giants have progressed throughout the year, but the outcome of the Bell Game will be determined by which offensive unit shows up. If the Little Giants come out and perform like they did against Wittenberg and Carnegie Mellon there will be nothing to worry about. On the flipside, things could be close if the Little Giants don't pull away early or fail keep the Tigers out of the end zone in the first half. The last few games have shown that a quick start is essen-

tial for Wabash's chances at winning, and tomorrow will be no exception. With DePauw's ability to stick around late in the game an early lead will be the biggest factor in a Wabash victory.

Our secondary was also a glaring weakness against Oberlin. What had been, up until that point, a very sound defensive unit gave up over 400 yards through the air. It was arguably one of the worst defensive games of the year, but the return of senior safety Jonathan Koop will help remedy that problem. And with the secondary back at full strength DePauw quarterbacks Drew Seamen and Justin Murray won't rack up as many yards as Oberlin did.

Perhaps the biggest story for the Bell Game this year is Wabash's class of 2013 going for a 4-0 record in the Bell Game. If the seniors pull out the win, it will be the first time that either school has won four Bell Games in a row since 2000. The seniors are well aware of this fact and will play with everything they have. Now that's something worth fighting for.

With that said,
I don't see either team
going down without a
fight, but Wabash will
come out on top for its
first sweep of DePauw
since 1979. Wabash 3

Wabash 30 DePauw 14

Last weekend, I was ready to become what some believed to be the first sports editor for The DePauw to predict a Wabash College win in the Monon Bell Classic.

In the Blackstock Stadium press box Saturday, however, I experienced a metanoia. I witnessed Oberlin College assaulting the Little Giants' secondary. The Yeomen offense, led by quarterback Josh Mandel, threw five touchdown passes – four of which were more than 45 yards. If there is anything the DePauw offense can take advantage of, it's the Wabash secondary.

This wouldn't take a fundamental change from what the Tigers' offense typically dis-

plays. Sophomore quarterback Drew Seaman and freshman Justin Murray are adept at making quick passes to the sidelines and occasionally downfield to their tight ends.

What they don't do well – and part of this is

well – and part of this is the fault of undersized wide receivers – is make throws for a big plays. DePauw's longest passing play of the year came in week No. 3 against Carnegie Mellon University. Murray found junior Nikko Sansone for 55 yards, but no touchdown.

The longest touchdown strike belongs to Seaman – a 34-yard pass to junior Jackson Kirtley against College of Wooster in week No. 8.

Time after time, I witnessed at Blackstock long passes to the side-

lines soaring out of bounds far out of reach of any wide receiver in the vicinity. Balls thrown down the middle of the field were often times

thrown ahead of receivers as well.

DePauw Learns From Oberlin

Expose Wabash secondary

But it's not as though Murray and Seaman are inaccurate. On the contrary, the duo set a De-Pauw record for pass completions (45) against Kenyon College. The longest of



those was a 33-yard pass from Seaman as he and Murray combined for 366 yards through the air. That's an average of about eight yards per catch.

DePauw ended up losing the contest, 21-19, in game where special teams gave up a 90-yard opening kickoff touchdown, missed an extra point attempt and a field goal.

Wabash's game against Oberlin wasn't the first time a Little Giants opposing quarterback slung the ball around the field at will. Against Ohio Wesleyan University, quarterback Mason Espinosa completed 52 passes for 428 yards. In one of the most bizarre box scores one will ever see, the longest pass Espinosa completed was for 25 yards, and the Battling Bishops were shutout, 28-0.

Ohio Wesleyan proves how short passes don't work against Wabash, and Oberlin shows how long passes do. This is the key for the Tigers, and what I believe coaches and play-

ers will stress this week in practice. It's their only chance. DePauw was beaten by Kenyon, Denison and almost by Washington University in St. Louis. It can't get any worse, why not lay it all on the table? I predict a 21-17 win for the Tigers.

## Basketball To Miss Bell Game For Scrimmage

BEN BRADSHAW '15 STAFF WRITER

After an 18-8 season last year, the Little Giant basketball team looks to further its success in this upcoming season. The team ranked 5th in the NCAC pre-season coaches poll, and looks to boast that rating throughout the season with help from returning starters and freshman talent.

Though the team lost four-year starting guard Brian Shelbourne, sharpshooter Derek Bailey, and swingman Aaron Zinnerman to graduation, they return starting players from last year's team. Second year coach Antoine Carpenter noted that the top returners include center Pete Nicksic, guard/forward Kasey Oetting, guard Jordan Surenkamp, and guard Austin Hawn. Two other key players—Andy Walsh and Houston Hodges—will finish up football season before heading to the hardwood court. Additionally, the basketball team will also miss the Bell Game in order to play a game against Western Illinois University.

The leadership of last year's seniors, all three of which were named All-Conference athletes, will be missed. However, this team's seniors have taken the leadership role upon themselves—both on and off the court. The seniors on the basketball team are Surenkamp, guard Evan Johnson, and center Colten

Craigin. "[The seniors] have done a tremendous job leading our younger guys through fall conditioning and pre-season work. It's wonderful as a coaching staff to have a great group of seniors to lead and continue the expectations of the Wabash Basketball Program," Carpenter said.

In addition to returning players, a talented freshman class will look to make the 2012-13 season a success. Coach Carpenter noted that the staff is happy with the addition of all the freshman players and looks for them to contribute this season and in the coming seasons. This freshman group includes an especially talented trio that will begin to make an immediate impact on the team's scoring and size. The dynamic trio is made up of shooting guard Ross Sponsler from Terre Haute North, forward Daniel Purvlicis from Noblesville, and center Marcus Kammrath from Union Mills. With heights of 6'7 and 6'9, respectively, Purvlicis and Kammrath should strengthen the team's offense and defense considerably.

"I'm extremely excited for the upcoming season," Evan Johnson said. "We've taken a very tough, physical attitude towards the year and I think with our young talent if we can combine those two we can be very successful"

The team picked up a victory at home on Wednesday evening Nov. 7th in a pre-season game versus Anderson,

and looks to continue this streak in an exhibition game Saturday, November 10th at Western Illinois. Though the first official season game isn't until November 17th against Manchester, Carpenter noted that scrimmage and exhibition games allow the coaching staff the opportunity to evaluate individual players and team chemistry.

The NCAC Conference is one of the toughest in D-III basketball, and the spread looks just as talented as least years. Wooster, Ohio Wesleyan, depauw, and Wittenberg were all ranked ahead of Wabash in the pre-season coaches poll and will be teams that the Little Giants will contend against for a Conference title come February. With returning starters from last year's team and the addition of a promising freshman trio, look for the Little Giants to have a successful season this year.

"We expected to play an exciting brand of basketball where our fans will appreciate how efficient we work as a unit on offense and how effective we come together on the defensive end," Carpenter said.

With a young squad a young and exciting brand of basketball in place, there could bee good things to come from the squad this year.

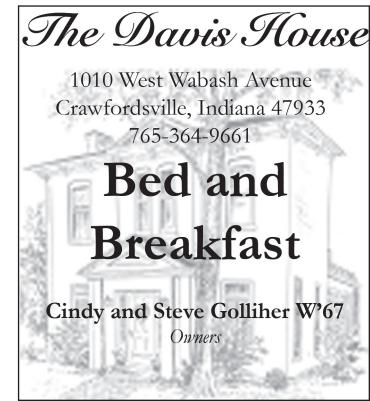


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The basketball team will miss the Bell game for a match against Western Illinois







## Seniors Try To Go Out With A Ring

Class of 2013 Looks To Go 4-0 In Bell Game

#### JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15 **STAFF WRITER**

Only nine classes have secured the Monon Bell every year they were on campus. Seniors will have the opportunity Saturday to become the tenth class when they and the rest of the Wabash College Little Giants battle Depauw in the 119th Monon Bell Classic.

"As a team, we had higher goals for the year," senior corner back Austin Hodges said. "But at the point we're at now, we can hang our hat on winning the bell all four years. It would mean a lot to every one of us."

A playoff spot is out of the equation for the Little Giants. But when the rivals kickoff at 1:07 p.m. Saturday at Hollett Little Giant Stadium with a national television audience, the battle for the 300-pound Monon Bell will be enough motivation for the Class of 2013.

Last week gave guys a chance to think about what a fourth Bell-game victory would mean.

"When we leave here, we'll have a ring from last year, memories, and our Bell-game record," senior left tackle Weston Kitley said. "If we finish 4-0 in the game, it will be our last accomplishment together."

Seniors have realized it's most likely their last week for football. Hodges, Kitley, and special-teams player Kyle Bottos took time to reminisce over their previous four years. They shared memories across a kitchen table on a late night early in the week. Some of their memories go beyond the sidelines. "This is a memory tonight,"

Hodges said. "I don't think I played football for football. I played for this. Weston, Bottos, and I have been hanging out for three hours now. I'll remember nights like this more than I'll remember scores." remembered

more than just games too.

"I'll remember random practices and the different personalities on the team," he said. "Something like standing around during a cold practice waiting for my turn to go back in and having different conversations with guys is what I'll keep with me."

The game still holds an ample amount of memories for the seniors. Hodges witnessed the game's importance when he and other teammates visited the College Football Hall of Fame where the Bell game has its own display.

"A lot of people get to play games, but how many people play a game that is this important," he questioned.

Pressure is another aspect that comes with the Bell game. Each play is magnified and players will sense the heightened pressure.

"It's the one game a year where you're not playing only for your team, but also the entire school," Hodges said. "Either consciously or subconsciously, you carry that weight on yourself."

The personal confrontation for the players is to turn that pressure into motivation. Kitley once had a coach tell him to "turn butterflies into bald eagles." Pride be Bottos's motivation.

"It's a privilege to be out



If the Little Giants win tomorrow it will be the first time Wabash graduating class has swept DePauw in the Bell game since

there," he said. "That makes you to notice the extra seats and fans." play even harder. You just want to cherish every snap of the game."

Hollet Little Giant Stadium will also contribute to the pressure.

"I want to say I'm focused 100 percent of the time, but I catch myself admiring the pride that exists in the stands," Hodges admitIt will only take Hodges until the

"first smack of helmets" to remind him it's still a football game. Kitley, meanwhile, said he never calms.

"I don't think I ever really settle down. There are some games that can lull you but in the Bell game, I get down into my stance and I can't ted. "You'd have to be blind not hear a damn thing. It's impossible to

tune out the atmosphere at the game." Calm or not, Kitley, along with his

senior class and the rest of the football team, will lay it on the line one last time Saturday. A win will cement the 2013 class's place in Wabash lore.

"If I had any other way to go out besides the playoffs," Hodges said, "it would be to dominate Depauw with the guys I came in here with."

## Surenkamp Steps Into Leadership Role

**DEREK ANDRE '16 STAFF WRITER** 

For the Little Giant basketball team, last years graduating class of seniors will be a hard group to replace, especially with such a young team. The Little Giants have freshmen and sophomores on the roster and only have three juniors and seniors. Teams with only three seniors, especially teams where only one of whom has played any significant minutes over the last four years, often have a great deal of trouble with finding leadership. Luckily for the Little Giants, senior Jordan Surenkamp is ready to step up as the leader of the team.

Jordan Surenkamp '13 originally from Indianapolis and is a graduate of Mooresville High School and is currently pursuing a rhetoric major and economics minor. Last season, Surenkamp played in twenty-five of the Little Giant's twenty-six games and was an important player coming off the bench for Coach Carpenter's team. The six foot, four inch guard has played basketball all four years for the team and even won the Freshman of the Year award following his freshman season. Having played for four years, Surenkamp feels that the experiences of past experiences have helped to prepare him for the leadership role he now finds himself in.

"With this being my 4th year in the program I don't feel any pressure at all really," Surenkamp said. "I have been blessed with the opportunity to grow as a player and leader under the 3 great classes of seniors that I have been able to play with. I feel like the leadership aspect, personally, is just



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Surenkamp will be one of the senior leaders for the team as they look to develop and grow their young roster.

coming naturally now from learning and just my experience playing and being in certain situations before."

Over the years Surenkamp says he has accrued a number of fond memories from his Little Giant teammates. Whether it may be the inside jokes, the weekends spent on campus during breaks, or the long bus rides to and from away games, Surenkamp says that these memories are a large part of what has made his experience enjoyable. But while these memories may have made up part of his time

on the team, Surenkamp says the specialness of being a team member for the past four years can be chalked up to the brotherhood of the team.

"One of the best parts about playing at Wabash is the "family" style atmosphere that comes with it," Surenkamp said. "All the guys on the team enjoy not just playing together but also hanging out outside of the gym. This goes back to even my time as a freshman."

Although basketball does play a large part in his life, it is not all that

Surenkamp enjoys nor is it all that he is a part of here on campus. Surenkamp says that besides playing and watching basketball, he enjoys listening to music and spending time with his family and friends. After his graduation this spring, Surenkamp plans on going to graduate school and trying to get a job as a graduate assistant for that university's basketball team. He feels that becoming a graduate assistant would best prepare him for a future job as a collegiate coach.

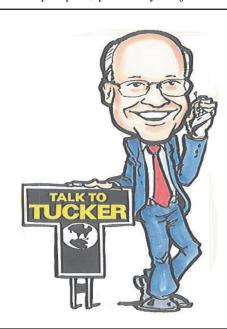
"This is the best path for me as

it will allow me to further my education while also getting valuable experience I will need to find a job in coaching college basketball," Surenkamp said. "Basketball has always been my life. With my interest in being a coach after graduation I spend a lot of my free time away from basketball watching reruns and film of past college and NBA games trying to learn more about the game from a coaching perspective."

Despite the fact that Surenkamp will be seen as a leader on the basketball team this fall, he is quick to point out that he is not the only member of the team. For Surenkamp, the outcome of this season hinges on the play of the entire team and not just him or any other single player. In the opinion of Surenkamp, the Little Giants are poised for a successful season.

"We whole heartedly believe as team that we are going to have successful season and that we are going to be competitive both in conference and nationally," Surenkamp said. "The coaches have really brought a great energy to the beginning of this season and have really raised the expectations for us already in practice. As players we have responded greatly to this and make sure to bring it everyday. Even with the loss of 4 great seniors we have a good core group of guys returning with experience. Our goal is to win conference and make a run in the tournament in the spring."

Surenkamp and the rest of the Little Giants begin their jourtowards conference tomor-Illinois. against Western



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