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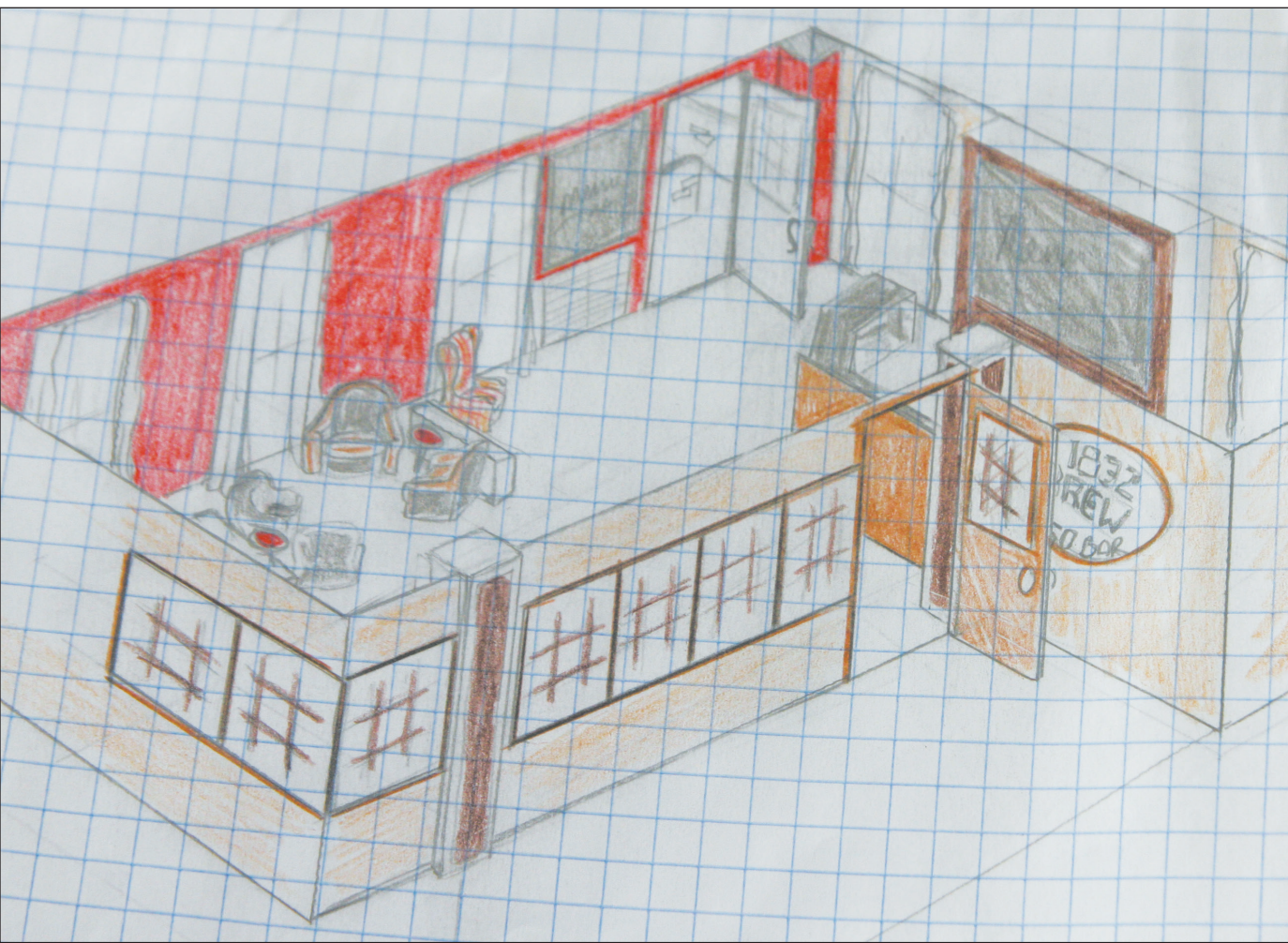


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The 1832 Brew is seeking financial approval to expand the coffee shop to offer more space and seating for the Wabash community.

## 1832 BREW CONSIDERS EXPANDING SPACE AND MENU

**TYLER HARDCASTLE '15 | STAFF WRITER** • The visit of the architectural firm Shepley Bulfinch earlier this month has prompted significant discussion on campus. Independent and Greek students alike have taken an interest in the plans to develop the campus independent housing and speculation as to further development of Sparks Center and other considered projects. These large-scale changes, however, are not the only ideas being voiced on campus.

The 1832 Brew, the “Brew,” is preparing a proposal to expand their physical presence into the library and outside in the form of a patio connected to the Brew. According

to Manager Bryon Lehr, Director of Lilly Library John Lamborn supports the considered expansion. Though a number of different interior expansion plans exists, most of them involve annexing space currently being used as an office and a part of the circulation desk.

“That’s kind of what we’ve wanted since we got the shop, we’re happy with it but the shop is kind of small,” Kemp said. “We want people to be able to come in, sit down, and really just hang out in a cool atmosphere; there’s really no place on campus that has that.”

To that end Kemp would like to see the additional space filled with chairs

and couches to provide a study and work environment. Seating in the Brew also expands the services and menu options available.

“Actually if you drink coffee out of porcelain cups, it tastes better, but we can’t really pass them out through the library,” Kemp said.

There are benefits that can be appreciated by more than the coffee connoisseurs, expanded space would allow the Brew to bring in one of its coffee supplier’s signature items. Julian Coffee, located in Zionsville, is the Brew’s roaster. The company is

## NEW PIZZA PARLORS SET-UP SHOP IN C-VILLE

**TAYLOR KENYON '15 | STAFF WRITER** • If you sit on the mall at noon, you will see the scurry of students scamper into many of the academic buildings. The semester has already wrought a hefty load of interviewing candidates and spring seminars; where presentations are present, so is a ‘light lunch.’ Therefore, a pizza lunch becomes a staple for many during these seminar-dense weeks. Recently, two more pizzerias have entered the town: Marco’s and Brothers Pizza. The next two weeks will provide coverage of each of the two restaurants. This week’s focus is Brothers Pizza.

The original team that started Johnny P’s downtown, Brothers Pizza, aims to enter back into the business.

“We sold Johnny Provolone’s four years ago and thought we were done,” Jack and Luke Lowe, owners of Brothers Pizza said. “...[Yet] we’ve been eating our pizzas our whole lives and decided to open Brothers.”

When asked about the name, the two said, “Well... we were trying to think of a name, and we realized we had many brothers (six brothers total) so Brothers Pizza stuck.”

Both Jack and Luke Lowe assured that their sole, outnumbered sister was supportive as well. Overall, the family decided to try their hand again at fresh pizza.

“As high of quality as we can do,” said Jack and Luke Lowe. This is the mantra of their pizzeria. The brothers boast delicacies with, “fresh home-made sauces with no sauce bases, no bagged spices, in-house baked bread, and in-house cut sausages with no fillers.”

Some of their unique creations include the six-cheese ‘Cheese Boss’ pizza, house-stuffed bread sticks, and cookie dough rolls. In addition to these treats, Brothers aims to connect to the greater Crawfordsville community by hosting a free comedy act.

Comedy in Crawfordsville brings

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# HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY  
OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

## JEAN WILLIAMS 'H53 GIVES CHAPEL TALK

The oldest living alumna of the College came back to the Chapel to impart her wisdom on Wallies. Her husband, the late Eliot Williams 'H53, was a biology professor at the College for 35 years. She raised four boys, as well as many Wabash men she called her own over the years. And she was able to travel to over 100 countries. The College is honored to have such a trailblazer in its presence.



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## WALLY TUNES YIELDS HIGH PRAISES

Alumni such as bluesmaster Gordon Bonham '80 and award-winning composer and singer Phillip Seward '82 joined with faculty such as world music performer and Associate Professor of Music James Makubuya as well as experimental electronic music pioneer and Associate Professor of Music and Department Chair Peter Hulen for a celebration of music at the Fifth Annual Alumni-Faculty-Staff Symposium, Wally Tunes: Music and the Liberal Arts. Their performances came after a series of music-oriented presentations.



## HAUSER '15 EARNS RESEARCH AWARD

While abroad in Australia, Junior Wes Hauser used Geographic Information Systems software to focus on the Lumholtz's tee-kangaroo's habitat. Hauser earned his award working with his research partner Erin Emmonns of Holy Cross while working at the School for Field Studies. His efforts greatly benefited a non-governmental conservation group in Queensland.



## WABASH MEN SHOW SCHOOL SPIRIT

The recent basketball games against DePauw have led to reinvigorated school pride amongst Wabash students. While we may not have beaten the Dannies, students were "loud, proud, and positive" throughout the entirety of the games, even in the face of obscenities and rude behavior from the other team. This spirit was seen after those games at the tennis match on Wednesday, and hopefully will continue throughout the rest of the semester.

## REPAVING POT HOLES EASES CAR TROUBLES

No longer should you dodge one pot hole and hit six more on Crawford Street. The weather has not been kind to the roads. Now, your car won't be subjected to deep dives.



PHOTO BY COREY EGLER '15

Vice-President of the Student Body Carter Adams '15 (left) and President of the Student Body Zach Boston '15 have laid out their goals for their term.

# STUDENT SENATE SETS TERM AGENDA

**RYNE RUDDOCK '15** | STAFF WRITER

Wabash students start every semester with the goal of achieving academically and bettering themselves as students and men. Similarly, the Student Senate and the various committees involved with the Senate have started the semester with some lofty goals. Student Body Vice-President and Chairman of the Student Senate Carter Adams '15 spoke about the Senate's plans for the semester and some of the goals they hope to achieve.

Adams said much of the focus is about better management of the funding and use of allocated funds. Adams said there are a few ways the Senate is approaching the issue. Senate leaders are trying to get clubs more involved with each other, as opposed to clubs holding various individual events and activities.

"We are really encouraging clubs to get involved with each other this semester," Adams said.

Adams used "unity" frequently while describing the senate's plans. The idea is to have unity not only within clubs and organizations, but also between clubs, organizations, and individual students.

"We want to have an open communication line between the Senate and the students," Adams said.

One way Adams hopes to keep the students informed and up to date is by using the Senate's Twitter account, @Wabash\_Senate97.

The Student Senate's various committees are pivotal in making things happen. Patrick Rezek '15 is the Chairman for the Senior Council Activities Committee (SCAC) and described what his role is within the Student Senate and the Wabash Community. Rezek explained trying to promote campus unity and plan for events.

"National Act is the largest and most expensive event we have to plan." Rezek talked about his role in working with the students and budgeting for events such as National Act. "I outline a budget, for such an event like National Act, and work closely with student senators and the SCAC committee to get it passed by the Senate so that a successful event can occur."

Andrew Dettmer '15 is Chairman of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy Review Committee, working alongside the Student Senate. Dettmer provided a brief rundown of his responsibilities on the Committee and within the Student Senate.

Dettmer said his Committee is in charge of "keeping the bylaws and the constitution up to date" and that "much needs changed and reevaluated in the current bylaws and constitution." The Committee plans to completely rewrite the bylaws as they stand now. "We want a better system of check and balances and people to have a better understanding of their responsibilities."

Dettmer said the redrafting of the Constitution "is not a one semester job. We do however, want a new version of the Constitution for the Student Senate next year for the fall semester."

Dettmer plans to meet with members of the administration to discuss some areas of the current Constitution that are not clear or seem unnecessary.

The Senate and its committees believe the changes they have in mind will bring a positive change to the Wabash community. The goals are not arbitrary, having the students and College's best interest in mind.

If students want to keep up to date with the Senate, follow them on Twitter at @Wabash\_Senate97.

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# INDIANA SUPREME COURT DELIVERS OPINION ON PHI PSI ALLEGED HAZING

**ADAM ALEXANDER '16** | COPY EDITOR • The Indiana Supreme Court has ruled that Wabash and the Phi Kappa Psi national fraternity cannot be held liable for an alleged 2007 fraternity hazing. Former Wabash student and Phi Psi pledge Brian Yost suffered injuries in an incident at the Indiana Gamma chapter of Phi Kappa Psi on Sept. 24, 2007. Yost sued the College, the local chapter, and the national fraternity seeking damages for what he deemed to be fraternity hazing. The case is somewhat distinct from other fraternity hazing cases; unlike Purdue and Indiana University, Wabash owns most of the fraternity houses on campus, including the Phi Psi house.

The facts of the case are mostly undisputed, and are explained in detail in the Court's ruling. Yost and other Phi Psi pledges decided to "creek" a brother who had turned 21 on that day in 2007. Creeking consisted of submerging a person in Sugar Creek as a means of celebrating special events. After the initial creeking, the pledges attempted to creek another upperclassman, who resisted their attempts and decided to "shower" Yost after the pledges abandoned their creeking attempt. Showering was the act of running a brother under water, also typically in celebration of a life milestone. Yost flailed and resisted the attempt, and one upperclassman

placed Yost in a chokehold, making him go limp. Panicked, the Phi Psi brothers dropped the unconscious Yost to the ground. Yost eventually withdrew from Wabash.

The Indiana Supreme Court issued its ruling in three parts, separately addressing the question of liability for the College, the national fraternity, and the local fraternity. Chief Justice Brent Dickson authored the opinion.

The Court ruled that Wabash could not be held liable for the incident that led to Yost's injury.

"Even if Wabash, as owner and landlord, retained a limited right of entry (of which there is no evidence here), such arrangements do not serve to 'defeat the transfer of control and possession of a leased premises to the lessees of that premises.' [citing Court precedent]. Thus, any duty that might have been owed to Yost would have been owed by the local fraternity, not Wabash," the Court ruling read.

The Court ruled against Yost's notion that the College had a duty to protect him because of its promotion of the Gentleman's Rule, saying that while Wabash does instruct its fraternities to obey the law and rules of their national fraternities, the College does not directly oversee daily activities of any fraternities.

The Court ultimately ruled that



PHOTO BY COLIN THOMPSON '17

The Indiana Supreme Court has delivered an opinion involving alleged hazing at the Phi Psi house at Wabash.

the College could not be held liable, "because Wabash, as landlord, had relinquished control of the house to the local fraternity, because any duties assumed by Wabash did not extend to direct oversight and control of individual students living in the house, and because

of the absence of any vicarious liability of Wabash arising from any agency relationship between Wabash and the local fraternity."

Next, the Court ruled that the national

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## STUDENTS HEAD TO "THE OTHER AMERICA" FOR BREAK

**JACOB BURNETT '15** | NEWS EDITOR • In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson initiated the War on Poverty in the United States. To promote this new agenda, he traveled to impoverished areas of Kentucky – in areas that would become known as the Appalachia Region. This area has evolved into 420 counties spanning from New York to Mississippi.

The area is plagued with remnants of poor access to healthcare, high unemployment rates, and low real income wages. This spring break a group of Wabash students lead by Seton Goddard '15 seeks to understand the underlying factors affecting this community. They will be, in effect, immersing themselves in a new culture.

"There are a few reasons for choosing Kentucky...Eastern Kentucky happens to be one of the most impoverished regions of the United States, and it's only 300 miles away from us in a neighboring state," Goddard said. "Traveling to Kentucky also presents opportunities to engage with and better understand a culture that is slightly different from what we might be used to in Indiana. Finally, traveling to Eastern Kentucky matches names and faces with some of America's greatest challenges from multiple perspectives – education, public health/ access to healthcare, economic policy, and natural resources."

Many of the areas in the Appalachia region faced tumultuous times due to the economic impact of the coal industry.



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The students attending the trip met before they left to learn perspectives on the problems people living in Eastern Kentucky might face.

"One of the main reasons I was interested in taking this trip...was to see what is being done in eastern Kentucky to help increase economic activity in areas with high levels of poverty," student John Henning '14 who will be on the trip said.

"More specifically, I am interested in what is currently being done to support people in areas that rely heavily on the economic impact of the coal industry."

While the students are in Kentucky, they will be spending time in public

schools, alternative schools, healthcare facilities, community shelters, food banks, and nonprofits that provide housing. Furthermore, the group will be visiting the Appalachian Center on the campus of the University of Kentucky and will be spending time with leaders in the coal industry and local historians. To further experience the lives of the people in this area, the group will face many of the same challenges – eating local diets and constrained food budgets. In all, it will provide the students with an eclectic exposure to issues and problems facing fellow Americans.

To prepare for the trip, the students met throughout the semester to watch the film *Country Boys* that focuses on the lives of two young men living in the Eastern Appalachia region of Kentucky. The students also took time to understand the current and past policy initiatives to target the above defined issues in the area.

"It's my hope that individuals will gain an understanding of not only what it's like to live in poverty, but how easy it is to end up in poverty, and most importantly, how difficult it is to get out of poverty," Goddard said. "Specific to Appalachia, I'm hoping that participants will see how historical circumstances have landed eastern Kentuckians in this "spot," and how incredibly cyclical poverty is a region of the country that has become known as 'The Other America'."



nationally recognized and has a special process for creating coffee on tap. "This is [the roaster's] own system that he's come up with; he's been studying it for years," Lehr said. "He went to Kentucky to and bought the Bourbon barrels and puts the raw bean in the barrel and lets the bean absorb the flavor of Bourbon and then cold brews the coffee into the keg. It's served cold into a glass, that's part of the effect when you pour it like alcohol; it has a head when served."

Though the coffee on tap has a bourbon flavor, it is worth noting that the beverage itself is not alcoholic. The Brew is also pursuing the possibility of adding outdoor patio seating. Though there are a number of plans considered, most use the empty area south of the main entrance.

Expanding the serving area outside also allows the Brew more control over their hours.

"I've spoken to many of the students that have expressed their support," Lehr said. "Students would like to see it open on weekends and in the mornings. Some would like to come before class but they're not able to because their class starts at 8 a.m. and the library doesn't open until 8 a.m."

Adding an exterior door to the Brew would correct this issue allowing students to visit the Brew before the library opens.

its annual shows back to town within Brothers Pizza this Wednesday evening. According to its Facebook page, "Comedy in Crawfordsville is a series with its home room in the Montgomery County seat but with shows all over the Midwest, mainly West Central Indiana."

As mentioned previously within the Bachelor, event host and Crawfordsville native Neil Synder brings comedians from around the country to Crawfordsville to give unique shows that you cannot find elsewhere within this town. This next show's headliner is Carlos Valencia, the Asheville Comedy Festival Stand Out Comic winner and IMPROV/Crackle.com HighWire Contest Winner, via Valencia's bio. The free show will be on March 5 at 8 p.m. More information may be found on their Facebook page.

Since pizza is at the heart of every Wabash student, another pizza restaurant will be warmly accepted. The Lowe brothers aim to stand out in the developed pizza market in Crawfordsville.

Jack Lowe concluded, "10% off for every Wabash student and that we are a fully independent pizzeria, we are not a chain or a franchise. We also post daily deals on our Facebook page so we encourage everyone to check it out."

A strong Wabash approach such as this one is always a good start for a new Crawfordsville business.

fraternity of Phi Kappa Psi could not be held liable, as it merely offers a brand to the local chapter and provides values and goals to which the local brothers should aspire. The Court ruled that because the national fraternity had no control over the management of the local fraternity residents, the national fraternity could not be held liable for Yost's injuries.

Although the Court ruled in favor of the College and the national fraternity, Wabash's chapter of Phi Kappa Psi received a different fate. The Court held that the local chapter had a duty to exercise reasonable care for Yost, and that duty was breached.

"The local fraternity's rules and traditions arguably may have provided the active members of the fraternity with authority over the pledges, including Yost, and the exercise of such authority may have played a role in the events that led to Yost's injury," Chief Justice Dickson wrote. "For instance, Yost's injury occurred when the local fraternity brothers attempted to forcibly place him in the shower, an act which resembles a celebratory tradition of the local fraternity."

Wabash's Phi Psi chapter president Tyler Andrews '15 stressed that the Yost case was isolated to past activities of the chapter, and that the current brothers are not a part of the litigation.

"The Brian Yost case is so old at this point that the seniors my freshman year did not really know Yost," Andrews said.

"The only stories surrounding the case that we know about are the ones that everybody else can read about online. This situation left a negative stigma about our house, one that we have been trying to correct, even though we were never even around to understand the incident."

President's Chief of Staff and Director of Strategic Communications Jim Amidon '87 issued a statement on behalf of the College regarding the Court's ruling.

"We were pleased but not surprised with the decision from the Indiana Supreme Court absolving the College of any responsibility for an incident that occurred in one of our fraternity houses," Amidon wrote. "Still, we recognize as the Court does that ultimate responsibility for governing their behavior rests with our students. It is that principle that lies at the heart of the Gentleman's Rule. The decision from the Supreme Court underscores the need for and importance of that Rule, which will continue to guide our College community."

While the future of the Indiana Gamma chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is uncertain with regard to this case, the ruling is good news for the College. Wabash's efforts to curb hazing and abuse of all forms cannot be used against them. Due to the Court's ruling, the Gentleman's Rule alone cannot be used to hold the College liable for injuries.

"Colleges and universities should be encouraged, not disincentivized, to undertake robust programs to discourage hazing and substance abuse," the Court said.

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# IMMERSION TRIPS SPAN GLOBE

Wabash students will span the globe as spring break ushers in new immersion experiences. These lucky students will be visiting the United State's northeast, Germany, France, and Israel. The experiences also span disciplines from history, rhetoric, and religion. This concentration of exposure will cultivate a wide gamut of cultural, academic, and artistic exposure for the students and faculty. This week *The Bachelor* will be covering the trips to Israel and Washington D.C.

*Contested Texts, Contested Sites – Israel* by Scott Morrison, Editor-in-Chief

Over the last several thousand years, important religious figures have been said to have graced the historic land of Israel. Wabash students will get the chance to see some of the most important sites of the Abrahamic religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

Professor of Religion and Philosophy Robert Royalty is leading a class of twelve students along with Professor of English Warren Rosenberg and Professor of Spanish Gilberto Gómez to explore important places throughout Israel and the West Bank.

Royalty has led classes to Turkey to study the early Christian communities of the first and second centuries, but has never been to Israel/Palestine with a class. "I've studied and taught the Bible for many years and recently have been working on comparison of the Bible and the Qur'an," Royalty said. "My focus turned also to the part of the

world that Jews, Christians and Muslims hold as holy and foundational to their faith—in particular Jerusalem or al-Quds. There are many sites claimed by all three religious traditions and we will see a wide variety of pilgrims and believers."

Over the course of the semester, the class has studied the Torah, the Gospel, and the Qur'an exploring how the figures and the stories in all three are often intertwined but often different. The class has looked at the texts' similarities and differences with respect to narrative, rhetoric, history, and theology.

The class will fly into Tel Aviv and visit the University of Haifa before heading to Acre for a tour of the old city as well as Crusader sites. The group will explore Nazareth and Jericho before heading to Jerusalem to see the Western Wall, the Temple Mount, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and multiple museums.

The final location Royalty will lead the class is Bethlehem and Hebron in the West Bank.

The trip will be very beneficial for the students to be able to really see the cultures on the ground. "I think the farther you get from Crawfordsville the more you can learn about culture, history, and global diversity," Royalty said. "Even in one week there will be some culture shock in the different languages, foods, customs, and geography we will see. I hope the trip will help students see themselves as global citizens and be more aware of their place in the shared histories and politics of the world today."



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Professor of Religion Robert Royalty will be taking his class to Israel.



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Assistant Professor of Rhetoric will be taking her students to numerous hot-spots Washington, D.C. The students will also be taking part in a "Career Test Drive."

*Voices of America, The Rhetoric of the Nation's Capital - Washington D.C. by Cole Crouch, Staff Writer*

This spring break, 14 students will travel to Washington, D.C. to experience the rhetorical and political influences that create America's identity.

Voices of America: The Rhetoric of the Nation's Capitol, taught by BKT Assistant Professor of Rhetoric Sara Drury, engages students to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely. Students will have the unique opportunity to experience Washington, D.C., and to explore the mission statement as it contributes to their journey through Wabash College.

Students are attempting to understand how Washington, D.C. functions as the link between rhetorical artifacts and their greater implications for America.

"Some of the topics include Supreme Court rhetoric, Congressional hearings, media coverage of significant issues, social movements, presidential rhetoric, and even how the architecture of Washington, D.C. 'speaks' particular meaning about history and culture," Drury said.

It is inimitable to do this kind of rhetoric in the classroom.

"The trip is significant because while you can read about Washington as a center of politics, and watch movies and read scholarly articles, it's quite another thing to have meetings with and ask questions of individuals who

are working as elected officials," Drury said.

By traveling to D.C., students will be able to truly perform rhetorical analysis from first-hand perspectives and experiences.

"I have chosen to do a rhetorical analysis of the AIDS Memorial Quilt that was first displayed on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. on October 11, 1987," Dylan Miller '16 said. "I look forward to visiting D.C. so that I can visit the National Mall and further my research for my final paper."

Students will visit and talk to leaders at NPR, the FBI, lobbying groups and PACS. They will tour the National Mall and Smithsonian Museums, the Department of Justice Office of Civil Rights, and even meet one-on-one with Representative Messer.

Thanks in part to Career Services, Wabash alumni and other individuals; students will be able to spend an entire day in a career test drive that should develop their understanding of Washington D.C.'s professional environment.

"Over the course of the trip, I believe that many of our students will think about their current and future contributions to the political process of our nation – how they might use their training in critical thinking to act responsibly and lead effectively, working towards a more humane world for all," Drury said.

This spring break immersion trip will provide 14 Wabash men an experience one-off any vacation before. These students will surely storm the capital with a good Old Wabash yell!



# CHRISTIANITY AND LOVE

This year while studying History of Christianity has sent my faith and my vocation, once again, out to sea. I confess my doubt not because I found the academic studying as any reason to doubt my theological identity. In fact I find the readings from Professor Placher's books on the topic and Professor Nelson's lectures actually strengthen my convictions on theology. However, I look outward toward contemporary "Christianity" with a different perspective than I did before I entered Wabash.

Issues in contemporary Christianity are often the subjects of media attention. It is no secret that some denominations of modern Christianity are often viewed as politically and socially conservative on issues, or, on the other hand, use their faith to justify certainly political positions. Yet, what is most upsetting to me is that much of Christianity, after 2000 years, still views their triune God as a God of judgment. Thereby, they believe it is their's to determine the law of God, who is predestined, and even who God loves. Christianity



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today is so sure of its salvation and self-righteous that it seems that many Christians have lost the Gospel.

Martin Luther noticed this particular phenomenon in 1518 at the time of his Heidelberg Disputation. He wrote, "That a person does not deserve to be called a theologian who claims to see into invisible things of God by seeing through earthly things." Rather, it is the darkness that descended over Jerusalem on the day of Christ's crucifixion and in the shadow of the cross where the Christian experiences God. Luther continues, "But that person deserves to be called a theologian who comprehends what is visible of God

through suffering and the cross." Why then does Christianity wait for God? Is God not visible in our suffering world? Are there not children who are hungry, mothers who are sick, and fathers who are poor? Do not our rivers, oceans, and forests cry out from pollution? Is there not enough suffering and need in the world to say, "I will not wait for God to save them?"

The reality is that if we believe in a creative God, as Luther and many others did, then it is in fact by our neglect of suffering that we neglect our God. Luther writes, "the love of God that lives in man loves sinners, evil persons, fools, and weaklings in order to make them righteous, good, wise, and strong. Therefore sinners are attractive because they are loved; they are not loved because they are not loved because they are attractive." Or too summarize a person is loved not because he or she is beautiful, but he or she is beautiful because he or she is loved. Luther continues, "This is the love of the cross, born of the cross, which turns in the direction where it does

not find good that it may enjoy, but where it may confer good upon the bed and needy person."

I think of Robert Hayden's wonderful poem, "Those Winter Sundays" which begins, "Sundays too my father got up early/ and put his clothes on in the blueblack cold/ then with cracked hands that ached/ from labor in the weekday weather made/ banked fires blaze." Hayden and Luther write of a love that creates where there is suffering and need. To put scholarship and all theological dispute aside, Christianity is about love, but we deceive ourselves when we think that love is a pleasant and happy thing. Love implies giving all of your being to someone else without reservation; it is an act of servitude. When we receive such love, it perplexes us to no end. To paraphrase Hayden, "What do [we] know, what do [we] know/of love's austere and lonely offices?" When I see Christianity, it perplexes me that some individuals believe that they can merit and comprehend the love of God. I believe that such speculation is deeper than I can go.

# QUESTIONING THE TEACHER EVALUATION PROCESS

There's not a lot of debate over whether or not teacher evaluations should exist—they should. The debate is over what should make up these evaluations. For example, should they be based solely on standardized test scores, a principal or administration's evaluation, surveys, goals that were agreed upon in the beginning of the year being met, or some combination of these?

Another point of contention is what to do with the results of these evaluations. Because of the fact every state across the country incorporates testing into their evaluative process to some degree, many question the accuracy and validity of teacher evaluations in their current forms.

Opponents of high-stakes testing say that tests as-is are neither fair nor objective, and that overall the incorporation of tests into teacher evaluations have done more harm to public education than good. Tests have notoriously low standards and they unfairly hold teachers too accountable for bad



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scores—claims that both hold a lot of merit. The evaluative weight assigned to testing data encourages teaching to become more about answers than thinking, curiosity, or inquiry, and one argument is that any attempt to get schools to value learning will be in vain unless we divest teacher evaluations from test scores and allow teachers to take the risks necessary to learn and grow. Furthermore, many factors that affect student achievement, such as diet or sleep, are wholly outside a teachers' control.

To say though, that tying teacher performance to student test scores is

solely to blame for the death of the American school or that eliminating testing from a teacher's evaluation would magically fix everything is asinine. The system was floundering long before the testing boom prematurely took off and the argument that testing, and thus teacher evaluations, produce worse teachers is a pathetic one.

Teachers are not children and the good ones aren't asking to be treated like children. We can't micromanage every aspect of a classroom and we have to give some deference to the professional integrity of the position. When teacher evaluations are done properly—when student test scores play only a fractional role in the evaluative process—you can very simply differentiate and eliminate those who are teaching to the test from those who are teaching to learn. Test data in evaluations use growth data from individual schools to hold teachers accountable, not blanket comparisons saying a teacher from Detroit should be expected to producing the same scores in their first couple of

years as a teacher from Beverly Hills. If a good teacher cannot even inspire some degree of growth through their passion and their skill, in spite of poor diet and sleep, than perhaps we should just eliminate schooling for poor kids and save the resources for rich kids who are actually capable and deserving of success.

Currently, less than 1% of teachers receive unsatisfactory ratings, even in schools where students repeatedly fail to meet basic academic standards. When excellent ratings are the norm, truly exceptional teachers cannot be formally identified; rewarded for their efforts; or even necessarily be retained. Almost 75% of teachers nationwide did not even receive any specific feedback on improving their performance in their last evaluation. This is problematic, because any talented individual in any field presumably still has at least a couple things left they could learn.

The reality is that the extent to

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# THE HIGHEST HYPOCRISY

We know as Wabash men that we live under a microscope sometimes. We stand out in a crowd because we do not fit the stereotypical image of a college aged male that is so often portrayed by our media. It is a sad state of affairs that being a “man” no longer means the same thing as being a “gentleman” in most of society. Our Gentlemen’s Rule is notable not solely for it being our only rule, but also that it holds young men to a standard that society no longer does.

College has been portrayed sadly as a time where you’re supposed to lose yourself in the moment, party, screw up, and emerge on the other side with a degree and a fully functioning member of society. We as Wabash men know that college is and should be about more than that. Whereas some of our friends went off to college and let loose without their parents to watch them, we began to hold ourselves to a higher standard than we ever had. We hear about and sometimes experience ourselves the stories of sexual assault, binge drinking, drug abuse, hazing, and idiocy. Unfortunately, as opposed to examining the entire culture of college in the United States as responsible for these actions, the media usually trots out their go-to scapegoat; fraternities.

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which student test scores even affect teachers’ ratings is blown greatly out of proportion and that pro-reformers don’t do enough to work with educators and fill them in on what’s going on. Admittedly, outside our state, scores are often given way too much power in determining a teacher’s rating, but contrary to popular belief, school corporations and leaders in Indiana have a ton of autonomy in determining their own teachers’ ratings and compensation models—those against reform just don’t want you to know that.

Even after the Bennett-era reforms, at the absolute lowest, 50% of a teacher’s rating is still based on subjective interpretation by local school leaders of a teacher’s planning, instruction, and leadership abilities. For over half of the state’s teachers, that number rises to between 60-75%. At most, students’ test scores are given 35% weight and the relevant portion of the score, as talked about above, is growth data, not comparisons across socioeconomic lines that unduly burden teachers in poorer areas.

Testing is not the quick fix to education and our tests still have a long way to go, but teacher evaluations are far more complex than just translating a students’ score on a standardized test to a rating for a teacher. Hard data must be coupled with hard subjectivity, a growth mindset, and a desire to help teachers, not merely punish them.



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Whether the criticism of fraternities is fair or not, there is a clear hypocrisy in the way news deals with news of college students who are members of fraternities and those who are not. The difference can be seen on our very own campus. Though none of us were here during the tragic incident at Delta Tau Delta (now Cole Hall) in 2008, the impact on our campus can still be seen and felt. The trove of articles that the media unleashed upon the world after descending upon our campus is still just a Google search away. All of the articles implicated the fraternity in the death from the very start, and painted the student as someone who was simply caught up in a system that is broken and dangerous. Whether those allegations were or are true is not at issue here, what

is at issue is that just a few short years later Wabash tragically lost another student over the summer of 2012. However this time, there was no media frenzy, no articles firing allegations at who was responsible and no one blaming a system for the death of this student. What was different? This tragedy took place in a residence hall, and the student was not in a fraternity.

Does the fact this student passed away in a building without Greek letters on the front make it any less newsworthy? Since he wasn’t wearing a shirt with a fraternity crest on it, should there be less public outcry? Both took place in all male housing, both were college students, both had their lives cut tragically short, both had bright futures. The only difference is that the media didn’t have their familiar trope to trot out into the public square.

This past week, *The Atlantic*, published an article entitled, “The Dark Powers of Fraternities,” and while addressing several areas and stories, one story revolves around the sexual assault of a female student in a fraternity house at Wesleyan University. The article seems to quickly move past the fact that this incident, and the other it mentions were both carried out by non-members of the fraternity. It seems strange then that

the blame seems to rest upon the fraternity system. Once again the media is failing to see that there is a root problem and it doesn’t lie in the rituals of fraternities, or their all-male environment, or even in their role as the heart of many college social scenes. The root problem is an erosion of American responsibility and discipline in general.

Americans send their children off to college to learn to be adults and want their children to be adults. However, they often have not prepared their kids to make these decisions and continue to hover over their child’s life even after they have left the house and are ready to blame someone else the moment their child struggles or messes up. America has a cultural crisis when dealing with our youth, but rather than blaming ourselves, we blame institutions which originally and still do help young men deal with the transition to adult hood. Most of the issues on our college campuses can be traced back to this lack of discipline children depart for college with. Rather than placing all of the blame on the groups college students join, the media should begin to look at the morals and values parents instill in their children growing up. Maybe then we can have a frank and open discussion about how to solve these problems for good.

## A PICTURE OF THE LIBERAL ARTS

The statement “a picture is worth a thousand words” is a common one. A simple photo can describe a great deal about a person, place, time, and event. One would wonder, how can such a simple image harbor so much info, or, hypothetically, speak so many words. With a liberal arts education, students are encouraged to think critically, analyze, and attempt to understand deep concepts. When viewing a photo it is almost necessary to use these same tools in order to grasp an understanding of what “words” the photo is trying to speak.

I remember back to my freshmen year in Enduring Questions, currently no one on campus can make the argument that C&T is better so I feel that I can use this example. We were given an assignment to develop a “self-portrait.” Now, this wasn’t an art project where we had to draw a self-portrait of ourselves, but rather to simply bring in a photo of ourselves, or that described us, and to write a paper and give a presentation about it and how it represented our lives: past, present, and future. This gave literal meaning of “a picture is worth a thousand words.” The interesting aspect of this assignment wasn’t just how we analyzed our own photos, but also how other members of the class viewed the photo. This gives a twist to every story



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that a photo can tell. The way one person understands it can be very different than what another does. This is often seen when analyzing novels, poems, and moments in history, too.

On the other hand, sometimes a photo can be simply memorized. Recently, the Wabash College basketball team has played against DePauw University twice within the last week. Being a photographer myself I had the opportunity to photograph both of those games and a few moments I found myself capturing photos of the Wabash and DePauw student sections. These photos display Wabash students cheering and decked out in school colors, rhynies lifting each other and building pyramids, Sphinx Club members doing cartwheels, and an older alum leading cheers. On the other hand, the photos display DePauw students wearing random clothes, bodies painted with “Wabash

Sucks”, raising posters with no substance words, and raising explicit hand signals. The words that these photos speak are pretty clear for if someone with a neutral stance were to view these photos he or she would most likely say that DePauw students have no school spirit and absolutely no class compared to Wabash, which would be the truth.

Currently on our own campus of Wabash College there is a collection of photographs that are considered some of the finest photographic images of the 20th century. These photos tell the story much of the struggle, change, art, and views of the United States during the 1900s from the fight for civil rights to the change in technology, and common life. These photos allows a person to think about how life and could even spark a conversation about history or even the future. If you haven’t been by the Fine Arts Center to glance at these iconic and thought-provoking photos the “20th Century American Photographers in the Capital Group Foundation Collection” will be on campus until March 22.

It seems amazing how such a simple photo can speak words of multiple topics. This is of course the focus of the liberal arts in which the ability to explore endless venues is always present.



## FIVE THINGS WALLIES MUST DO

**MICHAEL WITCZAK | STAFF WRITER** • With so many things to do on campus and in the surrounding area, it can be hard to narrow down your options. Taco Bell or McDonalds? Watch a movie or play video games? These questions are tough, probably impossible, to answer. I thought it might help to compile a list of things every Wabash student should do before they move on to the real world, which is apparently where girls live.

### 1) *Pass Comprehensive Exams.*

You don't graduate if you don't pass, so I'd say passing comps should rank high on any Wally's "must do" list. Comprehensive exams might not sound like a swell time but, then again, neither does Wabash in general. I'd say these tests fit in quite nicely with Wabash, though. They are hard. Basically no other school does them, and they are something you have to work for. In short, Wabash does comprehensive exams because, well, that's what Wabash men do. It's a pretty cool club, if you ask me.

### 2) *Engage in a public debate of zero importance.*

Wabash recently witnessed students organize and attend a public debate regarding an issue raised during an e-mail war. Wabash has also witnessed about twenty thousand other e-mail wars that never should have happened. My advice? Take them as an opportunity to have a little fun, maybe include a picture or two. Just don't let yourself get sucked in for real.

Once, just once, throw your two cents in the mix; the topic will probably read something like "student senate is ruining humanity." Always remember that unearthing anything worthwhile from an e-mail war is damn near impossible. From what I can tell, there is only one hard-fast rule: logic is a big no-no.

### 3) *See a Wabash Play.*

I had to leave our small campus and go to New York City in order to understand how impressive our Wallies in the Theater truly are. From set-design to directing, Wabash produces theater graced by a sense of quality and care

that rivals anything else found in a hundred mile radius.

Not only does the quality meet a high standard, but the students on stage do as well. As is tradition around here, distinguished linebackers act along side life-long theater majors. Our liberal arts education reaches past the classroom, both on the field and on stage.

Come to think of it, you can knock this off the list by checking out Macbeth this week. It should be fresh and innovative with some serious action scenes. It's also a classic.

### 4) *Bomb and Ace two different tests in the same week.*

I'm a senior, and every single Wabash student I've met has gotten rocked by at least one test or paper in their four years here. If it hasn't happened to you yet, get ready. Breathing becomes a little tougher, and you question everything you thought you were: nothing shatters a kid's identity quicker than finding out he is actually an idiot.

When the worst academic moment of your life is quickly followed by a 95% on another test, things get really con-

fusing. Maybe I'm actually not dumb. No, Wait. I'm definitely at least a little stupid... I think sleep is starting to cut into my study time....

Just take a deep breath and keep working. Getting your butt kicked in the classroom every once and a while is a part of this place.

### 5) *Get to know your professors.*

Did you know people, smart people, dedicate their entire skill set and life's work to thinking about books and science? These people are called professors, and Wabash has some good ones.

Sitting across the table from an expert in the field of your interest is a privilege—probably the sort of thing that attracted you to this school in the first place. Don't waste such a sweet opportunity by going through the motions in the classroom.

Try and engage with what you're learning and with the people who are teaching you. A shared passion is a beautiful thing, especially when the person you share it with is a certified expert.

Talk. Ask questions. Get everything you can out of this place.

## VISITING POETS LEAD WORKSHOP



PHOTOS BY COREY EGLER

Professional performance poets, Sarah Kay and Phil Kaye helped Wabash students with the creative and performance processes of poetry. The students were encouraged to write about everyday experiences and craft poetry around them. All Wabash students will be given the opportunity to perform their spoken works on March 6 in the Lilly Library at 8 p.m. courtesy of Sigma Tau Delta.





# YANG EARNS DISTINCTION AS JUNIOR

**FREE KASHON** | STAFF WRITER

What do you get when you mix the ideal Wabash work ethic, six credits for three semesters straight, and the insane ability to still find time to have fun? Well the answer for this seemingly impossible task is Hongli Yang '15, who succeeded in the monumental task of achieving Distinction as a Junior.

Yang, an Economics major and Mathematics minor, has been working diligently these last three years in order to complete his undergraduate degree as a member of the 3-2 program for engineering.

Many students enter into Comprehensive Exams with a sense of foreboding and hopefulness that they will at least pass, and Hongli was no different. "Pass or High Pass it really didn't matter as long as I didn't fail," Yang said. "Honestly I was kind of surprised when I got Distinction because for an Econ major you need 9.5 credits, and I only had 6.5 by the time I took it, the core credits and one elective."

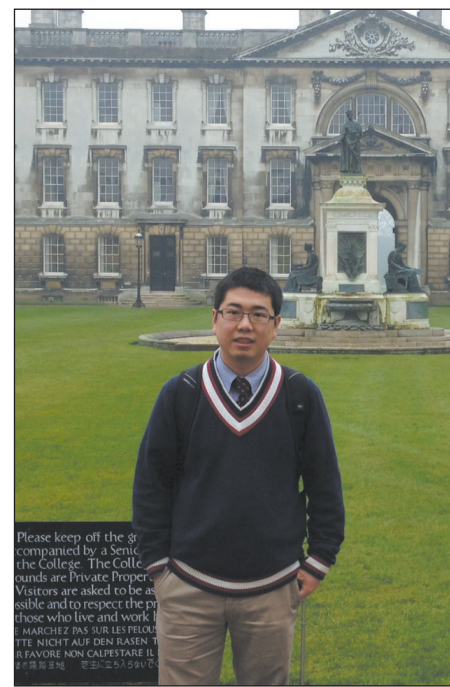
Despite his lack of credits, Yang definitely knew his stuff and was able to do extremely well as a junior. Not everyone who goes through Comps earns Distinction of course, but some of the factors that Yang said contributed to his success were that he had kept all of his binders from previous classes and many

handouts.

The Wabash Economics Department did not hurt Yang's cause. "My professor had written my textbook himself," Yang said. Many of his professors were even expectant of his success, especially Associate Professor of Economics Peter Mikek, who Yang cites as telling him that he had a natural ability for Economics and that he could easily piece different themes from classes together.

Six classes is a load of work, and many students who go into the program do not always find time to do the extracurricular activities that many four year students do, but as "compact" as it was Yang has reaped benefits at Wabash. "It has been rewarding, and I even got to take an immersion trip with Dr. Morillo to England. It's crazy because I think that half of the students who went with me earned Distinction as well."

In addition to Yang's immense class load, he was able to participate in many of the clubs on campus, including the International Students Association, as well being a founding member of the Investment Club. Though always busy, Yang said that he was able to "achieve a balance" between his studies and social life, though he was disappointed that he did not have time to study abroad or take a third language (other than his native Chinese and English).



PHOTOS COURTESY OF HONGLI YANG

Yang has gotten a full Wabash experience from Bell Game to going on an immersion trip.

Yang, who has applied to Washington University in St. Louis and Columbia University, will be continuing his education in the fall. He will be hearing from

those schools this spring. He hopes to spend his next two years in New York, and will undoubtedly do just as well in his next stage of life as he did here.

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# SENIORS SET UP SPRING BREAK

## HOW BENNETT, CAMPBELL ARE PREPARING FOR SPRING BREAK 2014

### FRITZ COUTCHIE '15 |

STAFF WRITER • This is the second part of a three-part series detailing the steps involved with creating an excellent spring break vacation. The first part discussed the importance of creating a strict budget in the planning process. This part will focus on how individual students prepare for their vacations.

Scott Campbell '14 and Kevin Bennett '14

will travel with other students to popular spring break destinations this spring break. Campbell will be traveling with seven other members of Beta Theta Pi of Wabash College to Panama City Beach, Fla.



Scott Campbell '14

Bennett will travel with 16 other members of Sigma Chi to Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

The two groups had similar reasons for choosing their locations. Both groups wished to vacation in Florida. Campbell and the other members of the Beta house decided to vacation in Fort Lauderdale after one of the seniors in the house had a contact who helped them find a bargain. They found an affordable condominium that can house the group and made vacation plans accordingly. The members of Sigma Chi chose Panama City Beach for its warmer weather and spring break culture.

It is no coincidence that both groups are comprised only of members of a particular living unit. Campbell and Bennett find it easier to manage logistical issues with people you live with than it is with others. Campbell is excited to travel with his fraternity brothers.

"I would not want to do it any other way," Campbell said. "The ride down will be more fun because we know every one [going on the trip]. Everyone has each other's phone numbers, knows how each other acts and were all best friends so it just makes sense



Kevin Bennett '14

[to vacation together]."

Bennett finds value in vacationing with fraternity brothers in the planning process.

"Sometimes it can be difficult to collect money, but if you are collecting money

from guys you live with there is a mutual respect that makes it easier," Bennett said. "The planning aspect is easier with guys in the same house, there is a list serve available and people can talk in person."

Timely planning and money collection was especially important for the vacationing brothers Sigma Chi. The group did not secure lodging until one month before spring break begins. Originally Bennett hoped to book a condominium that could hold the entire group, because they were late in planning the trip they had to settle for a cluster of hotel rooms near Fort Lauderdale beach.

The importance of spring break is unquestionable. As seniors, Bennett

and Campbell are using this break as the last adventure with their fraternity brothers before final exams.

"For some of us, this is our first party spring break," Bennett said. "Many of have gone on immersion trips or worked during past spring breaks. As a senior, going to law school next year, it is important to have one more blowout before everyone scatters during the summer."

Neither Bennett nor Campbell expects structured activities during their vacations. Campbell and Bennett look forward to spending their time at the beach and relaxing.

The idea of warm weather and Florida beaches already distracts Bennett.

"[Tuesday] I was in the weight room laying on my back, and could not stop thinking about looking up at the sun, laying on the beach and feeling the sand," Bennett said.

Both are cognizant of the dangers of spring break vacations.

"I'm trying to avoid the horror stories; I am not really a crazy guy. I know spring break has the connotation of everybody drinking a lot. I'm trying to avoid stupid mistakes," Campbell said.



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## WRESTLING READY TO HOST REGIONALS

LITTLE GIANTS HAVE LOFTY GOALS THEY HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AGAINST TOP COMPETITION

**JUSTIN MILLER '17** | STAFF WRITER  
The Little Giant wrestling team started the season with the mantra “one, five, ten, everyone.” The quest for five all-Americans and a top ten national finish will commence Saturday at the NCAA Midwest Regional in Knowing Fieldhouse.

“In order to [have five all-Americans], we have to send more than five people to the national tournament,” Josh Sampson '14 said. “We’re looking to send more than five guys. I think that, realistically, we have a chance to send nine or ten guys to nationals.”

To qualify for nationals, a top three finish at regionals is required. Sampson and teammate Tommy Poynter '15 think that they are poised to fight their way to the top of the tournament.

“I think that every guy that we put out there in every weight class can qualify for the national tournament,” Poynter said. “I have confidence in each one of those guys from me all the way up to our heavy weight wrestler.”

Sampson praised the team’s depth. “We’re strong in every weight class,” he said. “We have the ability to qualify that many, but we’re going to have to show up. It won’t be given to us.”

Everyone at the regional will have to work a lot to succeed. The twelve-team regional features six nationally ranked teams including second ranked Wisconsin-Whitewater, sixth ranked Olivet, and the eighth ranked Little Giants. The field is truly stacked.

“This is probably if not the, one of the toughest regional in the nation,” Sampson said. “I’m ranked sixth in the nation, and it will be a battle for me to make it to nationals.”

Poynter expressed that the team nonetheless feels as though they have a serious opportunity to win the regional. “There is no reason we shouldn’t be top three. If we all go out and perform at the level I’ve seen us perform at, we should win [the regional].”

Each of the ten Little Giants in action Saturday will have to do well.

“Each one of the starters is going to have to place and place high,” Sampson said. “We’re going to have to win the tough matches...we know they are going to be close and are going to be tough.”

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**JOSH SAMPSON '14**

“We have to have all ten of our starters firing on all cylinders. Realistically, for us to win this regional we need all of our starters to place at least in the top five.”

The regional starts at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Knowing Fieldhouse with doors opening at 8 a.m. Admission to the all-day event is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, seniors, and children.



PHOTO BY COREY EGLER '15

Reece Lefever '16 doesn't let a face full of chin strap stop him from dominating his competition. Lefever is ranked fourth in the nation for the 157-pound weight class.

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Track @ NCAC Multi-Events - TBD

Tennis vs. Allegheny - 9 a.m.

Wrestling vs. Midwest Regional - 9 a.m.

Baseball @ Spaulding University - 11 a.m.

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# ANOTHER POOR START LEADS TO LOSS

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**JOCELYN HOPKINSON '15** | SPORTS EDITOR • Last week, Wabash almost overcame an early 11-0 deficit at DePauw in a 75-74 defeat. In the first-round matchup of the North Coast Athletic Conference playoffs Tuesday night, The Little Giants fell behind 13-0 at their rivals, but were unable to mount a comeback in a 73-59 defeat.

“That’s been our M-O the entire season,” center Pete Nicksic said. “We always start out with a 12, 13-point deficit. It does make us a second-half team. I feel like we play 30 minutes a game of competitive basketball.”

Wabash responded with a 15-6 run, cutting the lead to 19-15 on a Houston Hodges layup. Hodges scored a season-high 18 points on the night.

“I think it was him being aggressive,” Coach Antoine Carpenter said about his point guard. “The previous week he was able to see the shot go down in practice. It helps out when you start seeing it go down. He was being aggressive and getting to the rim. That’s always good to get some



PHOTO COREY EGLER '15

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Houston Hodges '15 scored a season high 18 points in Tuesday night's loss. DePauw will play Wittenberg in the semifinal round Friday.

## TRACK STARTS CONFERENCE MEET WITH MULTI- EVENTS

**SETH HENSLEY '14** | STAFF WRITER

The Track and Field team put together a strong performance at the DePauw University Invitational last weekend. As the conference meet quickly approaches the team is focused on improving, maintaining, and peaking at just the right moment.

One individual in particular, freshmen pole vaulter Christian Rhoades, is about to experience his first go around in the conference meet. “In my mind if I don’t finish in the top four in the conference it will have been a failure.” With these high expectation Rhoades is making the most of his opportunities before the conference meet.

“The next two weeks I am going to take it easy. I am basically just maintaining the work I have put in and being smart with my body. I will continue to weight lift, do cardio and abs, but most importantly I am trying to keep up on school work so that I can

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CHRISTIAN RHOADES '17

get good sleep.” Freshmen Rhoades has done a good job managing being a student athlete as he finished second overall at the DePauw Invitational clearing a height of 14 feet 4 inches.

This strong performance was despite Rhoades feeling ill before the meet and not being able to warm up for as long as he usually does. “Because I didn’t



PHOTO BY COREY EGLER '15

Wallington will look to give Wabash an early lead this weekend at the NCAC multi-events.

have much time to warm up I decided to come in at lower heights than I normally do. To help with his mental preparation before Rhoades event

Coach Morgan came over to him and told him to just stay loose and to have

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also sending a high number of wrestlers to the national meet in Cedar Rapids. "The team's two main goals for this weekend are to win the regional and to have as many guys as possible finish top three so they qualify for nationals," Conner said.

**Conner Lefever '17**

Riley faces a tough 184-pound grouping at the regional meet which features three top ten wrestlers and one of last year's All-Americans. "For the regional, I have the number two wrestler and the number five guy as well as another top ten Division III wrestler," Riley said. "I have wrestled all of them except for Eric Twohey (of University of Wisconsin, La Crosse), who is second in the rankings."

In addition to Riley's number one ranking, Conner is right outside the top ten at 174-pounds, and Reece is the fourth ranked wrestler at 157 pounds for the ninth-ranked Wabash squad. Josh Sampson '14 also is a top ten wrestler at the sixth spot in the 165-pound division. "We are looking to win regionals if everyone wrestles to their potential and I think we can if we have a full lineup," Riley said.

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easy buckets to get you going offensively."

Despite Hodges' efforts, the Tigers steadily gained separation and entered the locker room up 38-28.

"DePauw did a good job hitting some shots and we were able to get some good shots but didn't make any buckets," Carpenter said. "Defensively, we had to get some stops and we didn't. We continued to battle and it just wasn't our night."

DePauw kept Wabash at arm's length throughout the second half — the Little Giants trailed by double digits for the final 20 minutes.

A week ago, Adam Botts led the Tigers to victory with 29 points. Tuesday night, Botts failed to score, but DePauw found success in distributing the buckets.

"That's what makes DePauw a special basketball team because it does have so many guys that can score the basketball," Carpenter said. "It's hard to definitively go out there and stop just one person. You have to pick your poison. Tonight, Wilkerson had a great game and Fernitz had another great game."

Point guard Michael Wilkison paced the team with 20 points, making all eight free-throw attempts. Center Tommy Fernitz scored 19, despite over 11 minutes in the first

half due to foul trouble. Wing man Bob Dillon added 14.

"They went small [when Fernitz subbed out] which gave us a different look and ending up working out for them," Nicksic said. "Our goal is to get Fernitz in foul trouble. He's a shot blocker and doesn't wall up on defense. We tried to use a lot of head fakes and get him in the air."

Nicksic found success against the smaller lineup. He scored 12 points on 5-of-6 shooting. Kasey Oetting added 10 for the Little Giants.

Despite the schedule oddity in both teams playing each other in six days, Carpenter didn't think it favored one team or the other.

"I think it's beneficial for both teams because in your preparation for the opponent you have a better sense what it likes to do," he said. "Of course you're going to make your adjustments, but you still have to go out there and compete."

DePauw will play Wittenberg Friday in the semifinal round. The Little Giants were left to reflect on their season.

"I just let the team know I appreciate the hard work it gave us all season," Carpenter said. "It embodied Wabash and fought throughout the whole season. I appreciate the guys' work ethic in practice and always continuing to fight. That's what I'll remember about this team."



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Pete Nicksic scored 12 points in his final basketball game Tuesday night.



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# TURNAROUND NEEDED

**DEREK ANDRE '16** | STAFF WRITER

The Little Giants Tennis team travels to Cleveland, Ohio this weekend for a pair of matches against North Coast Athletic Conference foe Allegheny and nationally ranked Case Western.

After a 3-2 start to the season, the Little Giants find themselves as losers of four straight heading into this weekend's slate of matches in Ohio. This weekend the tennis team will play a double header on Saturday, playing one match in the morning and one in the afternoon. NCAC rival will be the opponent for the morning match and Case Western will be the opponent for the nightcap. While both matches will be tough for the Little Giants, but Head Coach Jason Hutchison hopes that the Little Giants can work on their goals and make progress over the weekend.

"We've got to find that killer instinct," Hutchison said. "We've been talking about really focusing on finishing out games, finishing out sets, finishing out matches, and seizing the opportunities presented to us. So we're really going to push for that. I would like to see our intensity go up as our competition continues to go up. We'll need to get out to a good start in doubles and have that feeling that we're going to get leads and keep them."

The morning matchup for the Little Giants finds them pitted against the Gators of Allegheny. Coming into the match, Allegheny has a seasoned team that is all returning from last season. Last year, Allegheny finished the season in fifth place in the NCAC, and will be looking to improve on that result this year. While Allegheny is a solid team, the Little Giants should be competitive against their NCAC rival.

"The big thing about Allegheny is that they didn't lose anyone from their starting six from last year," Hutchison said. "They're a very experienced squad. They know how to play, they know how to fight, and they're very well coached. So we're going to expect them to come ready to play. Although this is a conference match they're in a different division, so it doesn't count as conference but it does count toward the seeding for the conference tournament. So it is an important match."

In the much more difficult of the two matches, Wabash will look to upset nationally ranked Case Western Reserve. Case Western competed in the preseason ITA Indoor nationals, and finished with a 1-2 record, with the lone win coming against NCAC member and #5 ranked Kenyon. Despite the though results, Case Western has



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**Freshman Michael Makio will try to help the Little Giants regain their winning ways.**

yet to lose during the spring season to an unranked opponent, which does not bode well for the unranked Little Giants. The tough matchup has Coach Hutchison hopeful that the Wabash net men can learn from the experience.

"Case Western is a nasty squad," Hutchison said. "They just beat Kenyon at the DIII Indoors, so they'll be at least a top eight team in the country. They're a really intense group of guys. While they're not demeaning to their opponents, they're just constantly yelling and screaming and excited after points. That's just something my guys haven't seen, especially the young guys. So we're going to have to be able to handle that pressure."


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fun. Rhoades did just that on his way to a second place finish.

This weekend begins the NCAC Multi-Events Championships at Kenyon College. Rhoades explained his goals for the weekend, "This weekend is about playing around with different poles so that I have a plan set for conference. I want to make sure that I leave nothing to chance." Leaving nothing to chance he has done as he qualified for the conference meet in his very first outing of the season.

On the track side of things Adam Wallington and Matt Dickerson are gearing up and preparing for the heptathlon this weekend at the NCAC Multi-Events. For those unfamiliar the heptathlon is a combination of multiple events including: 60-meter hurdles, long jump, shot put, high jump, pole vault, and the 1000-meter run. These events are performed over a two-day period. Both of these athletes are looking for strong performances as the scores from this event carry over to next weeks Conference meet.

The Track and Field team looks to capture another NCAC title so stayed tuned as they compete this weekend in the NCAC Multi-Events and the following weekend in the NCAC Indoor Championships hosted by Denison University.



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## THE LATEST, GREATEST LEFEVER

UNDEFEATED FRESHMAN  
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**BEN SHANK '16** | STAFF WRITER  
The Wabash Wrestling team hopes to capture the Midwest Regional this Saturday on Chadwick Court. The team has been riding a wave of momentum behind number one ranked 184-pound wrestler, Riley Lefever '17. Lefever has dominated top-ten competition all year and has compiled an unprecedented 34-0 record this season.

"This year has been fun," he said. "It was a transition year from preseason to post-season compared to high school. It's definitely a longer season than in high school so it is more of a grind on the body, but it's been a blast with everybody on the team from coaches to the guys at Wabash in general."



Riley Lefever '17

The impressive freshman has overcome the usual struggles of the transition to college with help from his two older brothers, Conner Lefever '16 and Reece Lefever '16.

"It was a challenge at first," Riley said. "But it was something that I was able to quickly transition into by having priorities in order."

In addition to facing top ten competition all year in the brutal Midwest wrestling scene, Riley has worked to stay healthy throughout the long year. "I have been dinged up lately from all of the practices," he said. "I have worked to play it safe and just have fun to stay



PHOTO BY COREY EGLER '15

Riley Lefever '17 has followed the footsteps of his older brothers to Wabash. He is ranked third in the NCAA in the 184-pound class.

loose as practices have gotten shorter but more intense as we approach the end of the year."

Conner was not only complimentary, but also highly optimistic about his younger brother's season. "So far he's

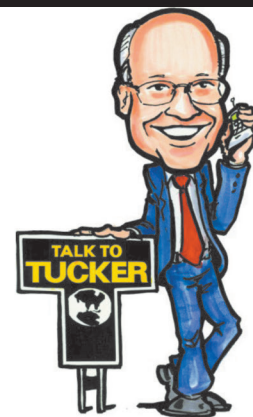
done nothing but win and I don't see that changing," he said. "To be undefeated at this point in the wrestling season shows that Riley is a very consistent wrestler, but I know Riley's main goal is to remain undefeated the rest of the season."

The Lefevers conveyed their high hopes for the rest of year as both mentioned winning not only regionals, but

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