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LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

BENJAMIN WADE '17 | COPY EDITOR

Whether they include visiting a Florentine chapel or studying ecosystems in the Florida Keys, immersion courses are an essential part to many Wabash students' college experience. These opportunities, which normally run during the spring or fall recesses, offer students and faculty a chance to see the world outside of a typical classroom. They also offer a chance for students to bond, network, and explore in ways which they might never again be able to, with little or no personal costs. The wide variety of courses this break is no different than the past and truly demonstrates the diversity that a liberal arts college can offer.



Dr. Richard Bowen

One of the traditional immersion trips during the spring break is the annual Glee Club Spring Tour, which gives the club's singers "a chance to spread the fame of her honored name to places outside the state of Indiana," Richard Bowen, Assistant Professor of Music and Glee Club Director, said. Whereas Glee Club alumni of the 60s and 70s only visited nearby Ladoga, Ind., for their tours, the group will be traveling to Nashville and Memphis, Tenn. for a week of concerts, tourism, and even a day in Ocean Way Recording Studios in Nashville. Bowen stressed the positives of the immersion experience, such as "the opportunity to present concerts, to get to meet people, and the opportunity within the group to create some real close and lasting friendships." In addition to the concerts, the group members will get to connect with area alumni during the trip.

In addition to the Glee Club, there are two

THETA DELT SEEKS COLLEGE-OWNED HOUSING

BEN JOHNSON '18 | NEWS EDITOR • It is with great satisfaction that the finishing touches of the beautiful dormitories on the West side of campus are expected to be ready by the beginning of next school year. To go along with that, the renovations of Martindale are underway and Delta Tau Delta will be expected to reside in their old home in a few short years. It seems that everything is right at Wabash. For one organization, however, they continue to hope that they will join the momentum in the expansion of college owned housing. Recently, Theta Delta Chi's alumni association proposed in a letter to President of the College Gregory D. Hess to possibly begin a new project for a college owned Theta Delta Chi house on campus. After being re-chartered in 1992, Theta Delta Chi's alumni association believe now is the time to make moves toward becoming equal to other Wabash fraternities in regards to housing. Back in 1992, then President of the College F. Sheldon Wettack told the newly initiated chapter that the college was in no position to assist in on-campus housing. Members of the chapter started out living in various living units around campus until the house that Theta Deltas currently reside in was bought by Brian Boyce '97 in 2005. The Theta Deltas have been fighting an up-hill battle since their re-charter in 1992, but over time have become one of the most productive and involved fraternities in the Wabash College community. With numerous members involved in campus organizations like Sphinx Club, Student Senate, and consistently winning philanthropy awards within their national fraternity, Theta Delta Chi's alumni and undergraduate members feel that it is time to take the first steps toward the project that has been in the back of the chapter's mind for years.

One of the key people expected to meet with President Hess about the proposal is President of the Theta Delta Chi Alumni Association Jim Leuck '09. "Theta Delta Chi follows all standards of the other nine fraternities on campus, and whereas we aren't necessarily looking to grow in numbers, we do want to be treated equitably by the College," Leuck said. "The undergraduates have demonstrated their ability to recruit new members regardless of the ability to officially host prospective students and there has been no drop in numbers over the recent years. However, we want to host prospective new students and want to be viewed by the administration the same as any other fraternity on campus."

Theta Delta Chi's alumni were actually prepared to meet with President Patrick E. White back in 2012 to propose the project, but decided to hold off on the proposal when the news of White's retirement came about. With Delta Tau Delta being reinstated into Wabash greek life and the new independent housing finishing up, this could bring momentum to help Theta

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY
OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

THE BEST OF THE WORST FOR NATIONAL ACT

After months of planning and careful deliberation, the Student Senate has finally booked Logic for National Act. Logic was selected after it was found that he would produce the least negative response from the general Wabash community. In the days since the announcement, a new record has been set for the least amount of bitching about the artist selection in the history of National Act. Only 46% of students are unhappy with the choice.

GET THE BABY COLORS OFF OF THE BENCH, PLEASE

The beloved Senior Bench seems to have been long forgotten by the pledges that called it 'friend' last semester. The only memory left behind was an atrocious paint job by the Betas, a glaring reminder that the Bench still sits in the same spot that it always has. The clashing colors of baby blue and pink make the poor Bench stick out more than an Independent at a Chapel Talk. Defeated and abandoned, the Bench should be repainted fast before it collapses from bearing the weight of such a terrible paint job through the bitter winter months.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING

The Bachelor has it on good authority that National Act may be canceled due to Logic's failure to complete the event planner training. We recommend it be rescheduled once Logic knows how to use the Scheduler, and undergoes the proper training to reserve Chadwick Court.

SOME RAPPER IS COMING

Rumor is spreading across campus that this year's National Act will be a real treat. Some white rapper, presumably Macklemore, will be coming to campus complete with his sexually ambiguous haircut to yell words at the crowd in a rapid fashion. So please come on out and support this Seattle born artist, or else the crowd will be entirely made up his family like all of his other "concerts."

CANADA SOUNDS NICE

In the spirit of Super Tuesday, we were going to make a joke about Donald Drumpf. After thinking it through, we decided it's no longer funny to make jokes about Trump. Seriously guys, we're moving to Canada if that man is our next president. He makes Prime Minister Justin Trudeau look as good as Winston Churchill. Then again, are there any presidential candidates that don't make Trudeau look good? Mhmm.... Yeah, we think we're moving to Canada.

HONORS SCHOLAR BECOMES MORE GENEROUS

BRENT BREESE '19 | STAFF WRITER
• For many prospective students, Honor Scholar Weekend is either the first time seeing campus or the deciding factor if they will spend the next four years at Wabash. Students from across the nation come to Wabash to compete for scholarships, meet with faculty, tour the campus, and seek bids at fraternities. This year, however, some significant changes are expected and there will be a new dynamic to the biggest annual recruitment event of Wabash's history.



Mike Thorp '86

Honor Scholar Weekend, like many other traditions at Wabash, has remained fairly static for over 100 years. A striking difference, however, is the number of scholarships awarded. "20 half-tuition scholarships and 10 full-tuition scholarships were awarded to potential students," Dean of Admissions, Michael Thorp '86 said. This is a far cry from the much more modest scholarships potential students receive today. Thorp said that as of late, Honor Scholar has lacked "bite in terms of the awards given." The committee that organizes the scholarships awarded has been pushing for many more tackable awards and a maximum of five full-tuition awards.

There is a catch though: in typical Wabash fashion, men will have to earn these scholarships. This is not to say that five will certainly be awarded, but up to five gentlemen may score high enough to win these scholarships. "There has always been a historic remnant that has fallen off the map over the years," Thorp said.

Any new changes coming to Honor Scholar will more than likely not come from within the school, and instead result from some new federal laws. Wabash has been committing very aggressively using some new media outlets. At this point, we have registered more men than last year and they are hopeful for even more in attendance than last year. However, some new changes are not up to Thorp and the rest of the admissions department. Next year, families will be able to apply for financial aid by October 1, which has been pushed up from February. "This is a federal mandate that could very well lead to more students admitted earlier with completed financial aid packages," said Thorp. When a student has this all ready

to go, it might not be best to have them wait all the way until March to come to campus and compete for scholarships. Rest assured, the event will still exist, but it will be aimed towards "making registration easier for students. We may implement tools such as pre-registration at Honor Scholar, or even signing up for tutorials."

Together with financial aid moving up, the first day to fill out applications has been moved up to July 1. In addition, the College is also always ready to review late applications on a case by case basis. Admissions aims to do whatever it needs to do to serve potential students.

Something that absolutely cannot be forgotten is the Rush process. Honor Scholar Weekend is, in many ways, the lifeblood of our 10 fraternities here at Wabash. Men try to squeeze time in between their exams to spend time at houses, get to know brothers, and potentially seek bids for the following fall. "Their absolutely has to be a place in the calendar for fraternity rush," said Thorp, who was a Lambda Chi during his time at Wabash.

After hearing the facts coming from the Dean of Admissions, the next step was to hear a response from a current student. Joey Lenkey '19 still has very fresh memories of Honor Scholar, and saw the new scholarships as exciting. If these new scholarships were enacted during his time at Honor Scholar, he "would definitely have prepared in some way. It's very difficult to study for these exams, but I would have prepared in any way to increase my chances of success." These new full-tuition scholarships put additional "weight" on the weekend, said Lenkey.

Rush was something that Lenkey said could use some modification. Lenkey believes that a large event, much like the kind attendees have several times, detailing the rush process and introducing the students to the fraternities and living units would be beneficial. "For me personally, learning about rush and bids was rough to try and figure out by myself."

We all know that we are very serious about our tradition, but Honor Scholar is something that will have to be tweaked, modified, and adapted to accommodate for factors outside of our College. In ten or fifteen years, we may see Honor Scholar as virtually identical to the one we know today, or something completely different. As always, we at Wabash will think critically, and ensure that men earn their place at our beloved school, rush fraternities, and receive well-earned scholarships.

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classes of students going abroad for the recess. Brad Carlson, BKT Assistant Professor of Biology, is taking his BIO 313: Advanced Ecology course to Florida. Carlson will take his students to the Archbold Biological Station, the Everglades National Park, and the coral reefs of the Florida Keys. "The sites have been selected because they present a broad range of habitat types, are reasonably accessible, and have each been impacted by invasive species," Carlson said. To be fully immersed in the ecosystems and invasive species they are studying, the students will get to hike, canoe, and snorkel through various areas to get as much of a 'hands-on' experience as possible. Carlson said that some of the primary goals of the trip are "to expose students to unfamiliar and diverse ecosystems and organisms... to expose students to the activities or biologists managing and researching ecosystems... and to help students develop their ability to think like scientists and conduct fieldwork."

The other class venturing abroad is PSC 335: History of Political Thought, taught by Alexandra Hoerl, Assistant Professor of Political Science. Their trip to Florence and Siena, Italy will allow students to approach the study of political theory from an interesting angle - through the lense of art and architecture. "It's so important to take students to Italy for this class because of how highly aesthetic this culture was, how much got signaled about politics and power, and how much got signaled about what the city valued through its building projects." Some of the important sites in the cities include the Duomo (cathedral) and Piazza de Campo in Siena and the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence. Hoerl took students to Italy four years ago, and remarked that students were skeptical of some claims made in class, "and it wasn't until they immersed themselves in that type of space that they were able to see what I was talking about." It is Hoerl's hope that students "take some of what they've learned and [use]

it to think about how public space functions in such a different way in the United States."

However, not all of the spring immersion experiences are going abroad. The Center for Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship (CIBE) is holding two courses for students on campus during the break: Fullbridge@



Dr. Jeff Drury

Wabash and the Marketing Immersion Program. Although Roland Morin, Director of the CIBE, created both programs, this marks the first year that Jeff Drury, Assistant Professor of Rhetoric and Department Chair, will be leading the Marketing Immersion Program. "The program is a week-long deep dive into the world of marketing...this is a chance for students to get their feet wet in that world," Drury said. Over the course of the week, students will gain an understanding of basic marketing concepts, in addition to working hands-on with a local non-profit organization to address a marketing or advertising need. Drury said he anticipates that the opportunity will have benefits for any students, not just those going into marketing. "What I hope students can take away from it is the ability to think more critically about the messages that they receive. And whatever field you go into, communication is an important element...and also networking," Drury said.

While there are noticeably fewer trips during this spring break, the immersion courses that are taking place will undoubtedly provide memories and experience to students. As students find out during these courses, the classroom is only half of the story; it is another thing entirely to go out and learn for yourself.

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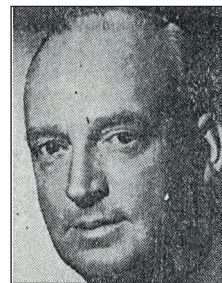
WALLIES OF THE 500: ROGER WOLCOTT '15

PATRICK BRYANT '16 | BUSINESS MANAGER • Roger Wolcott, class of 1915 and namesake of Wolcott Hall, entered a car in his name in six Indianapolis 500s between 1952 and 1959. Wolcott, like his father, was a brother of Phi Gamma Delta and a member of the board of trustees.

His foray into racing came as a part of the HOW Racing team of which he was the "W". The "H" stood for track owner Tony Hulman. Hulman's young daughter Mari, current chairman of the board of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, was listed as co-owner with Wolcott. Together young Mari Hulman and Wolcott's sprint car won the United States Auto Club Sprint Car championship in 1957.

Wolcott, an Indianapolis Chrysler dealer, was working with Chrysler to put

the maker's hemi engines Frank Kurtis-designed cars at the Speedway. Politics



Roger Wolcott

of the series and subsequent rule changes that supported the incumbent Offenhauser engine led Chrysler officials in Detroit to give up.

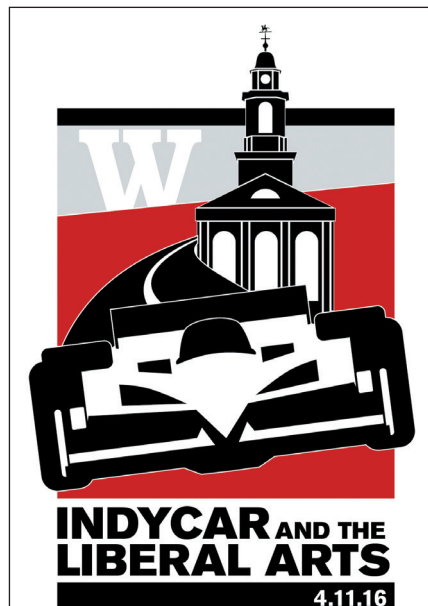
Wolcott's best finish in the 500 was 20th in 1958 with driver

Rodger Ward. He was running second in the Wolcott Fuel Injection Special when his fuel pump failed on lap 93. Ward would go on to win the next week at Milwaukee and win the 500 the following year and in 1962, those two wins coming for another car owner.

Wolcott tragically died when he suffered a heart attack later in 1958. He had no children and left behind \$600,000 of Eli Lilly and Company stock to the College and the Lilly Endowment. At the time it was one of the largest gifts left behind to Wabash.

The Wolcott Memorial Racing Team entered the race in 1959 with driver Len Sutton in the car Ward drove the previous year. Sutton would finish 32nd. A few years ago that Wolcott Special was on display at the Indianapolis International Airport terminal.

"IndyCar & the Liberal Arts" will feature a panel Wabash men associated with the Indianapolis 500, offering stories, advice, and use of the liberal arts in their careers. The event will be in Ball Theater at 7:30 p.m., Monday April 11.



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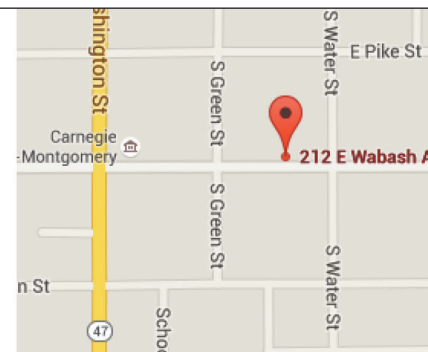
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SENATE IMPROVES NATIONAL ACT PROCESS

STEVEN BAZIN '18 | STAFF WRITER • Any decision made by a governing body will inevitably upset at least a few people. The Wabash Student Senate is no exception to this. Historically, National Act is the decision that draws the most attention and scorn from the student body. Whether the act is too obscure or washed up, the campus always seems to take some issue with the National Act decision. This year, Student Body Vice-President, Jack Kellerman '18, and the Events Committee have attempted to give their fellow Wabash men the best National Act possible.



Jack Kellerman '18

Rapper and singer Logic was officially announced as the artist for the 2016 National Act Monday evening, and so far, student outcry has been limited. The most likely reason for this is the greater amount of student involvement in the decision as compared to previous years. Kellerman and the rest of the Events Committee worked to start the process as soon as possible to encourage involvement.

"We started off early; we started reaching out to different people

using [Andrew Powell's '17] contacts from last year," Kellerman said. "With that, we got a hundred names. We derived that list further, then I took the list, and asked a sample of students what their ten favorite artists would be. These were [students] with a variety of backgrounds. That's how we got a country, rap, and techno for the final list."

The artists on the final lists were eventually voted on by the entire student population. Making use of a direct vote instead of relying on the individual representatives gave a more accurate reading of student preferences. "With the survey results we made our choice, and went down the list one by one," Kellerman said. "Our first choice was Chainsmokers; however, they were booked, so we moved to our second choice. That's how we got Logic."

Student Body President Andrew Powell '17 is happy with the results of the student survey, and is already seeing significant improvements in various stages of the decision making process over last year's. "Last year, we had Student Senate vote on it, but this year it was more of a direct democracy," Powell said. "I think that vote was powerful. I think that showed [the student body] that we're committed to getting what they wanted."

Powell has also helped to make a changes to better streamline

other aspects of National Act. "Having done this the year before, I saw a number of things that could be improved," Powell said. "I think Jack and his guys were instrumental in making those improvements. Looking at it from my end, I think it was a number of things that went into the decision. We wanted to get it at the right cost. I'd hate to see us spend \$75,000 on Chainsmokers for one night. I think it's a combination of thinking about the quality of the act and the cost."

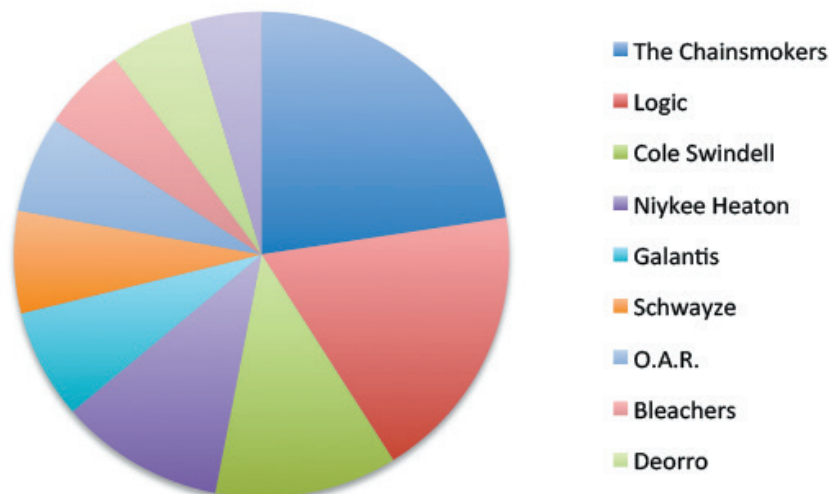
Despite the higher initial budget allocated to the event, the Senate expects to spend roughly the same amount of money on National Act



Andrew Powell '17

this year as they did for 2015. In addition to the budget changes, National Act was also pushed back a few weeks. "Historically, it had always been in late march, but now it's in early April. That buys us a couple of weeks for us to strategize and find more availabilities," Powell said.

"I think there is a lot less negativity [this year], and I think that comes from giving the students a voice. We tried to do that last year, but the means and the method did not work favorably." Kellerman and Powell seem to have reached their goal of providing a favorable National Act; at least the lack of negative Yaks seem to indicate as much. Nevertheless, they remain optimistic about the event itself. "I think it's going to be a great show, and hopefully we'll break some attendance records," Powell said.



COLIN THOMPSON '17 | GRAPH

This graph displays the voting percentage for each respected artist. This year, Wabash was able to book students' second choice for National Act with 'Logic'.

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Delta Chi become a college-owned house.

As far as location of the house, there will not be any indicator of that until representatives of Theta Delta Chi have met with President Hess. "We will see what President Hess has to say when we first meet but we believe there are many viable locations within the College's campus," Leuck said.

The real question of the proposal at this point though comes down to money. "We know that we are here to stay no matter the outcomes of meetings with the College and President Hess," Leuck said. "However, the direction we take in terms of where the money is expected to come will be dependent on the direction of the meeting with the College and President Hess. We do hope to have assistance from the College as we move forward and we are in a very unique position for this. The College does have a strong history of assisting other fraternity in difficult times and also recently with the revitalization or new construction of all nine other fraternity on campus. We are in a unique position because this is the first time I know of where a fraternity owned by a single alumnus has showed interested in transitioning to college-owned housing."

Even though Theta Delta Chi hopes to receive some funding from the college, they are also aware that they will have

to carry their own weight as well for the project to be successful. So far, Theta Delta Chi has been successful in engaging alumni for funds, as they have shown nothing but loyalty towards the chapter. "Our alumni will be a part of funding this campaign," Leuck said. "I officially kicked off our capital campaign over homecoming weekend where I asked all alumni in attendance at our annual Theta Delta Chi Alumni Meeting to donate to the cause with 100% success. We have very young alumni and we have very loyal alumni." The chapter also expects to receive funds from the international fraternity for the project, as there has been much involvement from Wabash Theta Deltas in the Theta Delta Chi International Fraternity like Thomas Mattox '95, Chairman of the Housing Committee and Allen Clingler '02, Chairman of Capital Campaign Committee. Both will be key people to receive the maximum amount funds to make the on-campus housing possible.

Even though President Hess has received news of the proposal very recently, he also believes that the plan could be made possible under the right circumstances. "I think we're just going to try to be good listeners and see what their interests, plans, and thoughts are first," Hess said. "We're going to try

to weave that into our overall campus master plan. There are still some parts of that plan which we haven't done in detail, and so there's some options in different places, whether we go with new or existing housing."

Ultimately, the plans of college-owned housing for Theta Delta Chi will not come into fruition until both

representatives of Theta Delta Chi and the college sit down and deliberate on the plans and obstacles that lie ahead. It does seem at this point that both parties are hopeful that they will come to some consensus in due time. Leuck ultimately hopes that the project will come through in a timeline of seven years.



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After being built in the late 19th century, the house above became home to the brothers of Theta Delta Chi in 1992.

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FRESHMEN GEARING UP

Wabash is a strange place. Most of us don't plan on being here until we show up on the first day and realize we've arrived. We have time. We are freshmen. We have absolutely no clue what college, and especially Wabash, is all about. We don't know what it feels like to be in the library until it closes, to need coffee like never before, to have practice before the sun comes up, or to expand our opinions and interests. And then, without warning, all those things hit you like a freight train.

And you learn to love them. You don't think you will, and you don't necessarily want to, but you love them. If you didn't love them, you wouldn't be here. You wouldn't be the one guy from your high school that applied here, the guy all the way from sunny Arizona, or even the guy who still attended after finding out we're all male during his visit. Essentially, the fact that you've read this far in my article means you love it.

So, as freshman, we have a task set for



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us. We have to survive. We have to put in the work, put in the practice, and put in the time to get the grades. Then, once you know what it takes to survive, you have to push yourself to be better than you ever thought you could be. You join clubs, engage in tough discussions, take unique classes, make new friends, learn how to be a gentleman, and you work even harder at those survival skills. There is no bare minimum anymore.

Whether you have just been initiated in your fraternity, moved into the new

housing, decided to found DTD, or just do your own thing, we are all still freshmen at Wabash College and still carry the weight of the expectations of family members, coaches, professors, society, and most of all, ourselves. So what do you do with those expectations? You drive down the highway towards Lafayette, throw them out the window and pick up a shake from Sonic on your way back. When you get back on campus, you pick your own expectations and start working to exceed them in every way. Keep building on them and expanding on them. They should evolve as you do. We freshman didn't pick Wabash College just to be average. We chose this school to excel, to become teachable, to think in ways other people cannot even fathom, and, most of all, to become men.

Disclaimer: This is no easy task. As freshman there are already things that make life tough. Those late nights? They don't mix well with early mornings. Those early morning practices? They don't

mix well with late classes. Those coffee cravings? They don't mix well with the Brew hours. But you do them anyway. When your class has fifteen guys in it, you have to show up. When you want to start in the playoffs, you have to show up. When you want to get a caffeine rush, you definitely have to show up. These are just things you can't avoid, and you'll be all the better for it. The things we do because we have to are part of what make us Wabash men.

So, to those who are struggling, hold tight. It will get better. It will not get easier, but it will get better. Since 1832, men have been walking under that arch and graduating. They have done it before you, and they will do it after you. When you do walk under that arch, you will be ready. All of those things you were learning to love, they made you better and guided you to who you will be when you leave Wabash College. When you leave, you will be ready to be a man. The best is yet to come, freshmen.

SENIORS WINDING DOWN

The notable scholar, Douglas Hofstadter, while commenting on our understanding of others in an interview with RadioLab, stated, "Knowing Chopin is a very complex thing. It's not one thing. It's a million of different things that are united by analogy into something that we refer to as one thing." For me, this idea pertains to places as well. I mean, after all, it is hard to dispute that Wabash has a character of its own. But how can you really ever know a place until you have been there and learned it? Heard about the history and the stories that call this place home? Conversed with the wonderful people who have strolled along the red brick sidewalks? Found the places that are able to take your breath away and make you feel like everything is going to be alright?

Those are the kind of things that you learn as a senior. These things make this place a second home. But it wasn't always that way for me. Sure, I walked the walk and talked the talk of Wabash men. I left W-less from Chapel Sing and participated in all of the homecoming activities:



Brent Tomb '16

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the quintessential rites of passage that Wabash men navigate. There were times when I struggled to love Wabash. It was hard. I was tired. And for some reason I just couldn't seem to wrap my mind around why everyone loved this place so much – until I embraced it.

Now, as I turn towards graduation, I am preparing to navigate waters that I realize are much more turbulent. I have been coddled here at Wabash. Sure, I have been pushed beyond my limits every day, but by people who care about me. The real world is rough. A place where not

everyone will be looking out for your best interests. And, as a man, that scares me. I am leaving behind people that I have changed my life, a best friend that I don't know what I will do without seeing every day, and a place that still is able to take my breath away when I am sitting on the Chapel steps at night.

So what does leaving mean for me? Well, there are the canned answers. I am going to have to get a job and my own place and "be a grown up" – whatever that means. Those things seem easy though. The things we don't talk about are staying in touch with the people you love, surrounding yourself with new people that make you better, and learning, in a lot of ways, how to love/value yourself when it's you against the world. Now, as Wabash men, we learn to fight and think critically, so I don't fear that any of us will have a problem with any of those things. We will confront the challenges head on; however, I don't think that it makes it any less intimidating. Wabash has this ability to shape you in ways that you can't quite put your finger on. Your parents raise you

and prepare you for the world in ways that no one else can, but Wabash has a way of adding to all of the work that was done before you step foot on campus. Seniors here are some of the luckiest people in the world, in my opinion. I can't even tell you why. It's just something that I know.

So, as I near the day where I will walk across the stage and no longer be a student, I do so with happiness, fear, and a lot of sadness. To all of the freshmen struggling with their first year, hold on. It only gets better with time - as will you with your time here. Everyone has times when they will struggle. Embrace them and look to those Wabash brothers beside you for the realization that they help get you through it. Something that I honestly believe is a trait unique to Wabash. President White quoted Shakespeare many times when he spoke to us, saying "We few, we happy few, we band of brothers." -- a phrase that meant little to me the first time I heard it now conjures up images of the faces of people that have helped make me me. And I can't thank Wabash enough for it.

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A COLLEGE FOR GENTLEMEN

Whether you are an athlete, a member of a fraternity, or living in the fancy new independent housing, you probably have had some interactions with several recruits. And during this interactions we as students always get asked the big question: "How is the whole no girls situation?" Now we probably all have different answers to this question, but I think it is safe to say that most of the answers are along the lines of "Well I don't like girls any less, that's for sure."

Because Wabash is an all-male school, people tend to put the stamp on us students as sex-craved boys, yet I believe this is far from the truth. Yes, having no girls at Wabash just makes us think about them more often, but this doesn't mean that we are animals when it comes to interacting with women. Rather, I believe that this time away from the other sex makes us much more appreciative when we are in the company of women.

Wabash's students pride themselves at being called gentlemen, so when we



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are around other women, we attempt to be as gentlemanly as we can. Numerous times I have had female friends come visit Wabash and be so impressed by the way many of my fellow students carry themselves that they want to come back. In fraternities, I know that many of the brothers always preach to their freshman that you have to be nice to the women that come here, because who on earth would want to travel to a small, all-boys school in the middle of Indiana on a Saturday night?

My experience of girls has been

different from some, for I have been dating the same girl for quite some time now. At first, I questioned my decision of going to a different school than my girlfriend. I thought about her all the time and it made me frustrated to think that many of my friends were attending schools where they were able to have relationships with women just down the hall in their dorm. But now that I am in my fourth semester here at Wabash, I realize how beneficial going to an all male school really is.

Before coming to Wabash I almost took my girlfriend for granted. Seeing her all the time was a natural occurrence, so I never saw spending time with her to be extremely special; rather, it was just like hanging out with my other friends. Yet since spending so much time away from her, I have realized how important she has become to me. I know that at this point in the article some might be questioning my manhood, but what I am about to say cannot be farther from the truth: I now cherish the times I am able to have

my girlfriend come to Wabash for the weekend; I no longer view spending time with her as a natural occurrence, but I think of spending time with her as a privilege. Since becoming more educated and attempting to mature as a person, I have realized that a man should not treat his woman with anything but the upmost respect and gratitude. A significant other is called significant because you are supposed to treat them like the nearest and dearest thing to your heart, and being at Wabash has shown me this.

So when recruits ask me how it is to live at a place with no girls, I respond with that it has taught me a lesson. It is true that a Wabash student does not hold more opportunities to find that special someone as much as a state school student, but being at Wabash teaches us how a relationship should work and how a man should act in the presence of women. Wabash is the college for men, but it is also a college of gentlemen.

SEEING FLINT AS A LIBERAL ARTS ISSUE

We write this week as Black History Month 2016 is behind us (or if you're like Professor Marshall, March is Black History Month Redux) and all of the wonderful events that were put on in that month celebrating Blackness. We write this week in the Black sonic tradition. Think Outkast, or think Common and Kanye West in The Food. what this means is that we are two black men working together to produce something dope.

This past Sunday, we attended the #JusticeForFlint Fundraiser with Dr. Thomas and Prof. Marshall. We met Vic Mensa. We saw Janelle Monae perform. We heard Flint, MI poets perform. We heard the story of a Flint resident losing her twins because of eco-terrorism and environmental racism (we'll unpack that later). We learned that a lot of Latino residents didn't have access to information because they did not know English. We learned that a lot of residents had to cook, clean, and bathe with bottled water. We learned that there were many donations, but undocumented citizens and other folks at the mercy of the carceral state did not have access to those donations out of fear of being deported or incarcerated.

We learned that Flint, MI is the liberal arts problem.

Nearly two years before news media and the rest of the country became aware of the crisis in Flint, the issue of water safety



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began to arise. On April 25th, 2014 the city of Flint changed its water source from the Detroit pipeline to the Flint River in order to save money. As the year progressed, citizens began complaining about the color, smell, and taste of the water and noticed outbreaks of illnesses that were occurring after drinking the water; illnesses like loss of hair, liver damage, nervous system failure, lead poisoning, and in some cases death. Even companies began to notice that the water was corroding their machinery and pipes. After testing the water, the amount of lead present was shown to be at dangerously high levels for human consumption. For months afterwards, people and organizations rallied at town hall meetings in order to get the issue resolved.

However, Flint city officials and Governor Rick Snyder did very little to resolve the problem. It wasn't until the signs of lead



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poisoning and deaths of Flint city children occurred that efforts were made to resolve the issue. But by that point, the damage had already been done. Though this crisis affected the city as a whole, primarily poorer black and Hispanic communities were hit the hardest, as they had lead lining the pipes connected to their communities. This resulted in people's chances of lead poisoning being doubled.

Though efforts are now under way to fix the water crisis and aid the families suffering there, it does not address the deeper problem at hand. The deeper problem is that people are being poisoned for resources -- exploited and violated for capital. That exploitation is the colonial project for Western Europe and the United States. Exploitation and violation for resources is apartheid South Africa. It is Chicago State University's budget being shrunken because

the Governor of Illinois refuses to sign a budget that will fund it. The colonial project is removing the rug from underneath one of the largest settlements of black people in the United States. The colonial project is Manifest Destiny; it is founding a small college for the benefit of white students while Native Americans are being slaughtered for their land.

Again, Flint is the liberal arts project. Not only do you need chemists to determine that the water is poisoned, you need rhetoricians and multilingual individuals to communicate that information. You also need thinkers that understand that Flint is part of the colonial project and that if we truly want justice for Flint, if we truly want to consider ourselves as "...living humanely...", we need to think about how we can abolish and transition our society out of this sort of neocolonialism.

This is where a post-colonial studies curriculum will come in. And though we can't change the past, we can do something to ensure that there is a future for all people, no matter the background. We can ensure that Wabash men have access to a curriculum that gives them a radically different perspective. This perspective, combined with the rest of the liberal arts, will allow Wabash men to be truly prepared for situations like Flint in the future and to head the charge of our mission statement.

FRATERNITIES SEARCHED WITHOUT WARRANTS?

A LOOK AT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WABASH GREEKS AND THE CPD

BRAXTON MOORE '19 | STAFF WRITER • If you browse the news relating to colleges semi-regularly, you may recall a recent and highly debated topic concerning Indiana University's fraternities and sororities being in danger of police searches of their houses without the need of a search warrant. This was first proposed in the wake of a 'stripper incident' at IU's Alpha Tau Omega chapter, and would allow the University officials and IU Law Enforcement to enter housing units that they suspect to be engaging in unlawful activities.

While Wabash does not have an employed campus police department, unlike Indiana University, questions are still buzzing about the possibility of the Crawfordsville Police Department

adopting a similar stance, prompting many students to ask: "How does this affect Wabash?"

"We at the college have a greater ability and responsibility...to maintain order in our housing units," Dean Raters said. "Do we have the right to go in and search? I would say that we have at least some rights to handle certain matters....we have the responsibility, depending on the circumstances, to take action in the interest of student's protection."

Indeed, disputes regarding the rights of college students involving the actions of the authorities is nothing new, even to Wabash College. A similar set of circumstances took place at the Sigma Chi house back in 2012, involving an event where a student's

car went missing, and an accident that took place on Highway 231. According to Rich Woods, Head of Campus Security, a car was involved in an accident, and was found by the police with no occupants. After



Mike Raters '85

running the license plate numbers, the authorities then determined that the car belonged to a Wabash student. A few minutes later, the brothers of Sigma Chi had a number of police officers on their front porch, demanding entrance into the house to search for the owner of the vehicle, to determine the condition of the student. The police barged into the fraternity and found the student to whom the car belonged. After confirming that the car had been stolen, the police left the house, but this event stirred up complaints among the student body.

Today, in the wake of the events at IU, Wabash men are wondering if the Crawfordsville Police Dept. could claim the same rights to search fraternities as the IU Campus Police do.

"If in fact we [at Wabash] were going to alter how we think about or enforce the Gentleman's Rule, there would be great discussion," Woods said. "Here at Wabash, we only live by one rule. When we break this rule, we are doing something wrong. The Crawfordsville police, which is a state organization, has to first have probable cause or be responding to a call to enter a Wabash fraternity house. Since I have been here, I have never witnessed the Crawfordsville Police Department intentionally violate the rights of students."

While it is unlikely that the CPD will assume the same policy as the IU Police Department, students should always be aware of their rights and the duties of the authorities to protect and enforce. So if a situation arises, be respectful and cooperative in accordance with the Gentleman's Rule, but remain informed of your rights as a citizen.

"The one thing that we have at this institution, unlike any place that I've ever done any consulting for, is that we have better communication, and a better appreciation for getting back within our boundaries," Woods said. "At the end of the day, our goal ought to be: 'How do we have fun and not violate the law?'"

While the primary focus has been on fraternities, we cannot forget the tragic events that occurred last week that caused the police force to 'commandeer' our campus for a time while a manhunt was conducted.

Although the police had probable cause to search the campus, and even though the search was carried out in an orderly way by law enforcement, this incident undoubtedly left an impact on students and faculty alike. The question remains if police officers overstep their boundaries when performing their civil duties in regards to the events on Wednesday, February 17th. "I thought that both the Crawfordsville police



Rich Woods

and the college handled the situation well," Deakon Doub '19 said. "We saw heavily-armed police officers running around campus, but honestly, I wasn't terrified for my life."



Deakon Doub '19

So whether police officers are responding to a noise complaint at your fraternity, or are searching your campus with AR's in tow, be assured that the relationship between the Crawfordsville Police Dept. and the college remains a mutual and professional agreement, and that your rights as both a student and a citizen should never be violated without probable cause.



COLIN THOMPSON '17 / PHOTO

The Sigma Chi fraternity house was the scene of an intrusion by the Crawfordsville Police Department in 2012.

WHITNEY'S CURTAIN CALL AT WABASH

GRIFFIN LEVY '17 | STAFF

WRITER • When Donovan Whitney '16 decided to come to Wabash College as a Political Science major he never thought that'd he would be auditioning for a Masters of Fine Arts Degree program or that he would have been involved in nine different productions at Wabash. Whitney is a senior Political Science and Theater double major and a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon here at Wabash. You have most likely seen him onstage in one of the Wabash productions starting in the fall of 2013. It was at this time when he took THE-105 and was featured in one of the Studio One-Acts. It was after this class where Jessie Mills, Visiting Assistant Professor of Theater approached Whitney and said he had a real 'knack' for theater and performance. He recalls that conversation and reflects on what Professor Mills said.

"And that I should pursue it more and so from that and just interactions in class, not just from her but the whole ensemble..." Whitney said. "All that combined it was just able to propel my gut feelings and turn them into something that is refined and meaningful." Donovan was already hooked on performance and acting, he took further steps into theatre with THE 206, Advanced Studies in Acting.

It was around this time he was cast in his first main stage production, Macbeth as well as his second production Stage Lights. While busy with both these productions, Whitney had the honor of being inducted into the Sphinx Club, and pursued campus leadership in his fraternity house and was on the executive board of IFC.

Whitney's acting didn't wait till the fall to continue; he was also involved with the Gentlemen Callers, a comedy troupe born out of the THE 206. While in this group Whitney got the opportunity to write and star in their own production Ten Simple Rules to Become a Gentleman, this production was even put on over the summer of 2014 at the Indy Fringe Festival. It was also at this time Whitney decided to declare a theater major and discovered his true passion for the artform.

"I had come to the realization that I am really passionate about theater, and that I don't I think that I could see myself doing anything else." Whitney said.

When Donovan returned to campus for his junior year, and the fall of 2014, he once again had a unique opportunity in the theatre department at Wabash, he was cast in his first ever musical, Guys and Dolls, as a degenerate craps shooter.

"Musicals are different... But it was fun because in that one I was a dancer, I was a craps shooter, and so we had to learn choreography from a choreographer at Purdue. Kathleen Hickey... So I had to learn choreography. Which to men at an all male campus could be construed as emasculating, but for us it wasn't that. It was embracing our inner dancer." Whitney said.

But Whitney's real time to shine was that winter when Professor Mills put on a production of The Aliens, where Whitney was one of the three lead roles. "That show was a complete 180 from pretty much all the shows we do here because it was a three person show,



LEVI GARRISON '18 / PHOTO

Whitney has been participating in Wabash College theater productions since 2013.

and we were all on stage practically the whole time." Whitney said.

Since then Whitney has continued to be cast as featured roles in plays, from Aimwell in Beaux Stratagem to currently playing the role of The Player in Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead. He also had the opportunity to travel to London in the THE 350 class, The London Stage.

He is currently looking onward to

life after college and plans to pursue an MFA, he is currently going through the process of auditioning and applying for those programs. He's still juggling ideas about what to do with his MFA, but he knows for sure that he wants to pursue acting, no matter if its on stage, screen, or any other medium. Whitney is the perfect example of how Wabash can help you find something that you love, as well as always to pursue your goals.

DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST CLUB SPREADS IDEOLOGY

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 | STAFF WRITER

• The College Democratic Socialist Club is looking forward to this year's election. With Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders having strong support throughout the nation, the club has reason to believe that the next president might be from the party. However, the club's overall goal is not to endorse Sanders.

"The goal over the past year has been getting people registered to vote, especially high school students and those Wabash students who are not registered," Zach Anderson '18, President of the College Democratic Socialist Club, said. "We also want to get them involved in the election process and get them to vote in the Indiana primary in early May."

The club wants students to understand that each person does have a voice in government and encourage them to go out and vote.

In addition, the word 'socialist' might scare away some who might be mislead about the club. The purpose of the club is not to push Marxist ideology upon students on campus; rather, it is to inform students about American civics.

"Another goal that we have tried to establish and to address is the whole idea of education," Anderson said. "Specifically, when it comes to the idea of socialism, we want people to know the facts and be able to come to their own conclusions about issues that affect the political system and that are present in the current issues."

The organization wants to tell the students of Wabash what the United States Constitution says about these issues. By doing this, they try to push students to act as Wabash men and to think critically about situations. The club does not aim to push

its beliefs upon a student, but instead, attempts to educate the public on how the political system actually works.

This education of voters has been adding members to the Democratic Socialist party all throughout America, as well as at Wabash College.

"We started this fall with about five people. Now we have a total of twenty regularly coming to meetings. In addition, we have sixty members following our Facebook page," Anderson said.

Because he is their representative, the group endorses Bernie Sanders and conducts regular discussion about the Senator. However, the club wants to create an environment to look forward to the future of America with policies that benefit all, not

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one specific group.

"Once the election process ends in November with the presidential election, the goal of the club is work with both parties, Democrats and Republicans, to pass resolutions that benefit everyone instead of one way of thinking," Anderson said.

After the primaries are over, the club is looking to improve its research methods over voting habits. They also want to build upon any material and lessons that they learned during

this process. The club hopes to hold events over the summer to continue to support Sanders.

Anderson sees the club using its inaugural year as a stepping-stone. It is looking to build upon 2016 to work towards the next election, as there is always the possibility of a stronger Democratic Socialist candidate. For more information about the College Democratic Socialist Club, you can check out their Facebook page or contact Zach Anderson.

WABASH STUDENT HAILS UBER

NICHOLAS VEDO '19 | STAFF WRITER • Being a college student typically means sacrificing a great deal in the pursuit of knowledge. As many Wabash students can attest to, there is also a great deal of mobility and freedom given up when one enrolls full time at an institution of higher learning. For those who do not own a car it is almost impossible to travel anywhere, even if that location is close. Junior Adam Burtner hopes to remedy this problem by bringing Uber service to the Montgomery area.

As of now, Uber service is available in almost every major city in the world besides in countries that have banned it in order to protect the taxi industry. The process of recruitment that Uber employs is very extensive in order to make sure that only the most accountable people become drivers. "Uber goes through a process where they give drivers a background check for felonies, speeding tickets and other legal transgressions. All cars must be 2012 or newer, and anyone over the age of 21 can do it. To be a driver you go through that process and then you attend a class where they teach you the basics of driving people and safety tips," Burtner said.

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necessary features on their app. To get a ride all a customer must do is request a driver and present the location they wish to travel to. A list of the active drivers in the area will then be shown. The list gives customers a picture of the driver, their car, their driver rating, and their license plate number. This aids customers in locating the correct car, and also gives them more options in driver selection. Payment is simple too. Customers upload their credit card to the app, and all charges are paid in this manner. "There is no cash, the charge is just paid through credit card on the app. The drivers make 60% of whatever the fee was and then uber makes 40%," Burtner said.

The motivating factor for bringing Uber's services to Crawfordsville for Adam Burtner was the lack of any mode of public transportation in the area between Lafayette and Brownsburg. Burtner hopes to let people know that Uber is a viable source of transportation for any destination. He also hopes that more students will join Uber as drivers. With a larger number of workers the service can help combat issues such as drinking and driving.

The Uber app is free to download, and service is open most days of the week. So download the app and start on your journey today.



Adam Burtner '17 stands with his 'taxi'.

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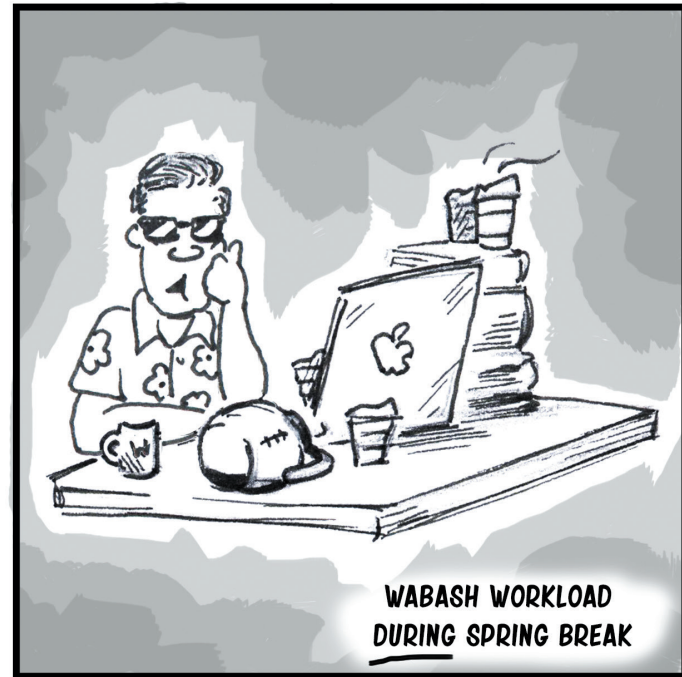


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WRESTLING TAKES HOME ANOTHER DIII MIDWEST REGIONAL TITLE; SIX COMPETITORS ADVANCE TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF WRITER • Another year, another title. The Wabash College Wrestling Team just added another banner to hang in the Shelbourne Complex next to the four others of the same title victory. This year's regional championship victory and the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Wrestling Championship, held here at Wabash's Knowling Fieldhouse, marks the fifth in school history. Others came in 1981, 1982, 1983, and 2005. The team truly embodied our college's war cry of "Wabash Always Fights." They fought hard and battled back from a few early difficult tournament losses to claim another regional title.

When asked what this title means for the team and program, Riley Lefever '17 said, "This win means a great deal to not only the team, but to the program as a whole. It was a collective effort and we couldn't have done it without the support from everyone. This was our first regional title since the new regionals were paired together some years ago and Coach Anderson's second regional title." The team faced some real adversity and walked out the other side as regional champions. This was a definitely a full team victory this past weekend. The guys could have given up and walked away with their heads hung, but with the help of every member of the Little Giants' roster, the starters fought back to bring another title home. "This weekend was a whole team effort," Lefever said. "Even though we only had six go through and qualify for nationals, all 10 guys contributed to this title, as well as all the others who constantly battle with the starters in practice every single day."

Another positive result from this weekend is that alongside a regional title, six of the ten starting wrestlers advanced to the NCAA National Championships. Those wrestlers include Devin Broukal '18 at 133 lbs, Michael Venezia '16 at 141, Nick Bova '17 at 157 lbs, Connor Brummet '17 wrestling at 165, Ethan Farmer '16 at 174 lbs, and Riley Lefever '17 wrestling at 184 lbs.

The Little Giants' first member to claim an individual regional championship victory was Nick Bova with an exciting overtime semifinal victory against Wisconsin-Whitewater's Brandon Arteaga. He finished the day with another overtime victory vs. North Central's Josh Tardy. The final Little Giant to secure a spot in nationals

"All ten guys contributed to this title."

RILEY LEFEVER '17

was Riley Lefever, who defended his two national championships with tournament victories against Trent Hullett from Alma College and James Davis from Adrian College.

In preparing for the NCAA Championships, the six members who made it through are focusing on making sure they are doing the one thing sports are there for: having fun. When asked about the next couple weeks preparations, Lefever saying that, "Nothing but having fun. We have put the work in, we realize what damage we can do when we go out and wrestle our best and lay it all out there, so, you could say I'm just excited to step on the mats in a week and represent Wabash."

Broukal, Venezia, Bova, Brummet, Farmer, and Lefever will be traveling to Iowa where they will hit the mats on Friday, March 11 at the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids for the first day of national competition.



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Ethan Farmer '16 is one of six wrestlers advancing to the National Championships.

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GOLF LOOKS TO KICK OFF SEASON WITH THEIR YEARLY TRIP TO MESA, ARIZONA; COMBINE GOLF AND ALUMNI EXPOSURE

TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF

WRITER • This year, as most of us are traveling to various destinations around the country to enjoy our spring breaks with friends and family, the Wabash College Golf team is headed for a destination of their own: Arizona. The golf team is preparing to travel down to Mesa, Arizona to play a total six different courses and compete against

Mesa Community College on the Wednesday of break.

"We've gone to the Phoenix area for several years," Head Coach Mac Petty said. "The trip is great not only for the golf but the opportunity to meet some great alumni who live in the area. We'll arrive on Saturday, March 5th and play every day thereafter. Over the years the weather has been outstanding and I'm not expecting it to be any different." Wabash has a pretty distinguished alumni network in the area and those alumni have graciously hosted the golfers for the past few years. "The alumni who host us are great Wabash men who really enjoy meeting the golfers," Petty said. "On Wednesday of the week, the team will play Mesa College," Petty said. "Their team is really good and



COLIN THOMPSON '17 / PHOTO

Mason Asher '18 and the rest of the team will play Mesa Community College.

the competition is good for our golfers. The opportunity to play in great weather is really helpful in getting these golfers ready for the spring season. I'm looking forward to the trip."

When asked about the upcoming spring break trip, John Janak '19 said, "Each year we travel to Arizona for Spring Break. This year

"I'm really looking forward to getting outside and knocking the old white ball around."

JOHN JANAK '19

we are playing six different courses and are hosted by alums each day. I'm really looking forward to getting outside and knocking the old white ball around. We are very fortunate to have this experience each year as it prepares us for our spring season. I'm really excited for what this season has in store for us."

Looking forward to the

competition season following spring break, the outlook is pretty positive. "At this point that's a difficult question," Petty said. "Our play in the fall was somewhat inconsistent with several of the golfers. If we can get that cleaned up the team should perform okay. We lost two players; one to graduation and one to not playing anymore. Those golfers were pretty good. Now, we will see who steps up this spring to give the team a boost. We have the potential but I will have to see who steps up."

Coach Petty also spoke a little about the future of the team. "Two to three players who have real potential are Tyler Cole '17, Mason Asher '18, and Collin Bell '17," Petty said. "Tyler is coming into his own and I'm looking forward to him having a really good spring. It's his senior year and his last time to perform for Wabash. That's special in it's self. Mason had a good fall especially at the beginning. He trailed off after a strong start but I'm certain he can play the way he did in the first couple of matches. Collin has had his ups and downs but seems to be getting his game squared away. He works hard and that will pay off for him."

The Little Giants will return from Arizona to play a Match Play Classic at the Rose Hulman Institute of Technology.



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SOUTHERN BALL

JOEL JANAK '19 | STAFF WRITER

• This coming Monday the Wabash College baseball team opens up their Spring Break schedule. The Little Giants already have a 1-5 record, having already played in Georgia and North Carolina the last two weekends but with the season just starting anything is possible for the young ballclub.

Wabash did face two solid teams in LaGrange College and William Pearce University. These two opposing teams had already played in a combined 16 games. This had the young Little Giants at a bit of a disadvantage. Speaking of youth, Head Coach Cory Stevens did mention how young his team was, saying, "We are an extremely young team, during our first trip to Georgia, 12 different players made their college baseball debuts and two additional players made their college baseball debuts in North Carolina."

Despite their relative youth the team has still been able to compete extremely well in every ballgame. A few freshman have had several different roles early on.

That list of freshmen includes: Eric Chavez '19 (2B), Sean Roginski '19 (OF), Jared Wolfe '19 (OF), Nick Chao '19 (OF) and Erich Lange '19 (C). All of these guys are starting out playing a significant role within the Little Giants ball club.

When talking with Coach Stevens, the first thing we addressed is the off-season. The team struggled a bit last year finishing with a 12-26 record, this does not encourage Coach Stevens, his staff, or his players. Stevens wants his team to compete every day. He said, "Our main goal early in the season is to compete as often as possible rather than simply training indoors." With the team being so young, he wants his team to get in as many games as possible before the beginning of the conference schedule. Coach Stevens sees immense progress saying, "Despite the outcome of our first 6 games, our players have been able to put the things we've taught in preseason practices to work in live game situations." Coach Stevens tone indicates that he continues to remain positive. His guys are buying into the system, and believe that they will succeed.

Coach Stevens did emphasize the success of his pitching staff. Last Sunday, Michael Herrmann '17 threw



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K. J. Zelenika '17 looks to make a throw across the diamond in last year's game against Anderson University. Zelenika and the rest of the Little Giants will be heading back down south for the third weekend in a row to take on southeastern teams in more favorable weather.

a complete game shutout to beat the William Pearce University Pacers. Jensen Kirch '17 and Bryan Roberts '18 have also had thrown quality starts too. Coach Stevens feels confident saying, "Our pitchers have given us a chance to win each time out."

The Little Giants also have a set of goals their coaching staff has placed in front of them for the season. The coaching staff wants the team to remain consistent each and every game. Coach Stevens said, "We want to win each NCAC weekend series, win the NCAC West, win the NCAC tournament, set the Wabash wins record, beat DePauw, and compete in the NCAA tournament." With that being said, the team must accomplish their individual game goals to lay the groundwork for the larger goals. That starts with doing the little things correctly. That is what Coach Stevens and his staff is instilling inside their players. If the players do these

things, then the team will see positive results. He wants his guys to compete pitch by pitch, fighting to win every at-bat. Coach Stevens pointed out two things that every baseball player can control and that is their attitude and effort. Without these two essential characteristics a baseball player, especially a Wabash College player will not see success very often.

Finally, the Spring Break trip. The Little Giants will travel to Fort Myers, Florida this weekend to open up their Spring Break schedule on Monday. The team will play several northern teams this upcoming week. The teams include: Bluffton (OH), Defiance (OH), and Rockford (IL). Coach Stevens is anxious to see how his guys play this weekend after their performance the last two weekends. He said, "Many of the teams we will play have not competed live on a field at this point in the season. It should be a good test for our players

to take what they've learned the first 2 weekends of the season and put it to work against multiple opponents in a short amount of time." The team will also play some schools from out east. These schools from out east are new to the Little Giants, but will give the team more opportunities to compete before the beginning of Conference play. Coach Stevens sends a message to the Wabash College baseball fans by saying, "The Wabash faithful should expect a younger, hungry team that hustles everywhere and plays the game the right way. When that happens consistently with every player on the field in a Wabash uniform, the results take care of them themselves more often than not."

The team's first home game is March 19th, against Robert Morris College. The team will play a doubleheader against the Robert Morris Eagles. The Little Giant baseball club would love to have some support for their home-opener!

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• Wabash Lacrosse entered its second year as a recognized varsity sport. The Little Giants are eager to establish themselves in the win column this year. Last year, the team won one match in their first season as a varsity sport at Wabash College and an official Division III NCAA Lacrosse Competitor. Another year has given the Little Giants more of an opportunity to recruit and establish a talent-base to work with to achieve success.

The team will have to overcome a youthful roster in order to achieve the success they yearn for. “We will have 7 to 8 freshmen on the field at a time. It will take time for them to become fundamentally solid to play college lacrosse,” Head Coach Terry Corcoran said. Establishing legitimacy as a program for the 2016 Little Giants is going to require successful tutelage from the presence of returning players on the roster.

The Little Giant Lacrosse team just kicked off their 2016 campaign last Saturday in a thrilling game against Calvin College in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The team lost the match 14-13 in double overtime. Austin Crosley '18 and Steven Starks '19 led the team with hat-tricks, three goals, in the match. The Little Giants outshot the Knights 50 to 33. Coach Corcoran said “unforced errors and turnovers were are demise.” Crosley was optimistic about the team following the loss. “We were up, we were down and we fought the whole way through,” Crosley said. “A true ‘Wabash Always Fights’ mentality.”

The team’s 2016 home opener was Wednesday against Wilmington College. The team will next see action on their Spring Break trip to Texas. Crosley said the trip “should be a lot of fun.”



JACOB FERGUSON '18 / PHOTO

Spencer Sikes '19 winds up in Wednesday’s game against Wilmington College. Sikes had two goals in the team’s first game against Calvin College, and will be one of the freshmen that will have to step up for the team to improve in their second year.

Coach Corcoran said, “We will have an opportunity to practice twice a day as well as play two games.” The opportunity for the team to separate themselves from school, practice in the much more favorable climate, and focus on only lacrosse, will help them become a more cohesive unit and lead to better results on the playing field. Crosley said, “We will come back from it fundamentally better and mentally energized for the rest of the season.”

The team’s two matches in Texas will

be against the University of Dallas and Oglethorpe University. Coach Corcoran said that both teams are alike Wabash in that they are also in the infancy of their time as an organized sport. The team is obviously going to embody the Wabash way and fight hard for victories. As far as other objectives for the trip, Corcoran said the goals are to “create new habits and become aware of how important the fundamentals of the game are to be successful.”

Crosley also feels that he has room

for improvement. His hat-trick to begin the year is “a good start to the season,” Crosley said. “That being said, I have a lot of room for improvement by way of raising my lacrosse IQ and helping improve those around me.”

Coach Corcoran, Austin Crosley, and the rest of the Little Giant Lacrosse players will leave this weekend for their Spring Break trip. The team will then return for three-straight home matchups. The first will be against Defiance College on Saturday, Mar. 12.

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