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BKT Assistant Professor of Biology Brad Carlson's biology class spent their spring break conducting research in the Everglades.

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

WELCOME CLASS OF 2020

Welcome to Wabash! We're very excited to welcome the future members of the Class of 2020 to our beloved College. We hope you'll take this weekend to make memories and friendships which will last a lifetime - all the while undergoing high-stress testing for scholarships which could shape the rest of your entire life. But seriously, good luck, and have fun this weekend.

BYE-BYE BETA BENCH

Hi-Five to the souls who will do battle with the horrid Beta paint job on the bench. At press time, it was uncertain if the IFC or the Sphinx Club would take up the cry of battle and fix the disaster that everyone had to stare at over the winter. We certainly hope so.

MOVIE EVENT TURNS HEADS

Next Tuesday, March 22, there will be a screening of *Concussion*, the major motion picture starring Will Smith. The night promises to be a true Wabash evening, with a panel discussion about the effects of concussions in sports. The panel will be led by various experts, including professors, physicians, athletic trainers, and even Wabash's own head football coach, Erik Raeburn. The only thing that seems anti-Wabash is that the event will not be catered by Johnny P's, but by... Kentucky Fried Chicken? Well that's a first.

LAX BROS BOAST WINS

Way to go Lacrosse! What a difference a year makes. The lacrosse team has already won more games than last year after 6 games. Keep up the good work guys, and "Wabash Always Fights."

CAMPUS BLOSSOMS

High Five to Campus Services for their excellent refurbishment of the grounds after winter. Now that the putrid fresh mulch smell has largely dissipated, everyone can begin to fully enjoy the flowers and small plants that were recently placed in the ground. Luckily they did not have to spraypaint the mall this year, as the rains brought out the vibrant green in the grass on their own.

INAUGURAL PARENTS COMMITTEE CREATES NEW ASSET FOR RECRUITMENT

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 |

STAFF WRITER • Honor Scholar Weekend has once again come to Wabash. The mall will be full of eager high school seniors and attentive mothers for the rest of the weekend. While the weekend focuses on the students, this Honor Scholar Weekend brings a new committee. For the first time, the Parents Advisory Committee will meet.

"The overall goal of the committee is to reach out to parents to offer them opportunities to be involved in the life of the College," Tom Runge '71, the Director of Alumni and Parent Programs, said.

The committee aims to add parents who will become more involved in the recruitment of new students and aims to expand the Wabash connection beyond alumni. In addition, the committee will look to increase philanthropic support for the College.

"If parents and possible prospects of the college see the results of the College through the alumni, they will make that investment into the College," Runge said. "That's the idea of the committee."

In addition, the creation of the committee is not in response to the events of the weekend. It has always been in talks for the College, and the hope is for the continuation of the committee in years to come as relations with parents continue to grow.

"This has been the end of the road of talk between parents. It is now the beginning of the next phase," Runge said.

The next phase is the expansion of the committee. It will start small with eight couples of parents of current students ranging from seniors to freshman. These parents will discuss a wide range of topics that will benefit both the College and the parents of future students.

"We will get the parents together to think about the College and how

to talk about how we engage other parents," Runge said. "We want to offer a menu to parents. We will use parents to help give them some way that they can help in a way that they will enjoy."

The parent committee will be led by a group of volunteers on campus that helps support the committee.

"The co-chairs of the committee are Heather Thrush and Steve Hoffman, the future Director of Alumni and Parent Programs," Runge said. "They will have an on-campus committee that supports this group. In addition, Bob and Sue Black are the parents that will be the first committee chairs. They will organize the group using support from the on-campus committee."

Despite being during Honor Scholar Weekend, the actual effect on incoming prospects and parents is minimal. The committee's only role during Honor Scholar Weekend is to get parents to start thinking about the various topics of discussion.

"The idea is to share their [parents of current Wabash students] experiences of Wabash with other parents," Runge said. "I think it creates a level of comfort. Some of these parents of the committee are involved in the Q and A."

"There are a couple parts that will compose of the meeting," Runge said. "The first part will be laying

the framework. Dean Thorp, Dean Janssen, and Dean Hill will set the stage for what they are doing in their areas."

With the inaugural meeting of the parent committee,

the College aspires to improve its recruiting efforts in the upcoming years. It hopes to add more information to parents that might be skeptical about the College. By receiving feedback from parents of current students, the College should build on what parents learned through their experience of the college's recruitment of their sons.



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WALLIES OF THE 500: DR. JIM NOSSETT '84

PATRICK BRYANT '16 | BUSINESS MANAGER • Whenever there is an accident during the Indianapolis 500, the wreckage left behind often resembles a plane crash rather than a car crash. For the safety team at the Indianapolis 500, responding to a crash requires split-second decision-making. Dr. Jim Nossett '84, a member of the IndyCar medical staff, knows first-hand what a crash at 230 miles per hour can look like and what it requires.

"It's a dream come true for a guy that loves emergency medicine and is also a lifelong race fan," Nossett said in a telephone interview.

How it got started

A biology major, Nossett said it was May 1991 and during his third year of emergency medicine residency at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis that he had an opportunity to take an elective course that would allow him to work in the track hospital at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. He had been to the facility many times before as a spectator, but to work out there as a physician was a dream come true.

In addition to doing what he calls his "real job", practicing medicine in central Indiana, Nossett said he treated spectators and drivers in the track hospital until 1996 when he became a member of the on-track crew working as a physician in an ambulance. Four years later, IndyCar's medical director asked him to travel full-time with the series.

Nossett vividly remembers his first on-track response during the final lap of the 1996 Indianapolis 500. Alessandro Zampedri, coming out of turn four, crashed and flipped coming off the fence. He suffered massive leg and foot injuries.

"Rolling up on the scene it was quite impactful," Nossett said. "It was one of those things where you go 'wow.' You look where you are, look at the fence, look at the driver, and look at his injuries."

More recently, this past May, Nossett was a part of the team that is credited with saving the life of James Hinchcliffe after his suspension impaled both his legs in a vicious

crash during practice for the 500. Hinchcliffe suffered tremendous blood loss and in interviews since the crash has called the members of that team "heroes."

"It was a lifesaving event and it was really awesome to be a member of that team to experience that," Nossett said.



JIM NOSSETT '84 / PHOTO

Dr. Jim Nossett '84 at the Indy 500 with his son, Michael Nossett '11. This May will be Nossett's 21st as an on-track physician.

How Wabash has helped

Nossett credits Wabash, beyond his exposure in the sciences, with developing his interpersonal skills and how he works in a team.

"A big piece of (success) is the relational value, the ability to build relationships and be serious about having a good ongoing relationship with individuals and a team," Nossett said.

"That's really key in IndyCar. For instance, when a car crashes at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway you have no less than about 15 to 20 people that respond to that crash, both

right to the car and around the car. When going to the driver, extricating the driver, picking up the parts, there's a whole lot of interaction that's important to having good rapport and good communication skills to work through a situation like that."

When decisions and handling of catastrophic accidents can be questioned and scrutinized, there's certainly a public relations component to the work. Nossett sees that in how he communicates with fans at the racetrack during breaks in practice, qualifications, and the race itself.

"There's a lot of public relations communication and experience as a safety team, you are under the public eye, you're on TV with a million plus people watching you," he said. "You become a representative of the IndyCar series and you learn to represent the series well. Just because I was a biology major and a pre-med major didn't mean I was always a science guy. We learned to work with people."

State of safety in IndyCar

The IndyCar series has made tremendous advances in safety when it comes to track construction and car safety technology. One piece of technology has revolutionized the way Nossett and the medical team treat traumatic head injuries is an accelerometer that fits in the drivers' earpieces. In a crash, data points like the measure of G-force and angle of the crash are collected and compared against other crashes that particular driver and others have experienced in the past.

"We can evaluate that information to learn how hard a driver is hit to help us decide whether we need to hold that driver out for a little bit," Nossett said. "It allows the team to be more conscious with drivers and make a more informed decision with how we take care of them."

That technology proved important last Sunday at the IndyCar season opener in Florida where polesitter Will Power was not cleared to race after suffering what was eventually diagnosed as a mild concussion in a practice crash.

Concussions have received a lot of attention lately, especially as it relates to the National Football League. Nossett said IndyCar has taken concussions very seriously for a long time.

"I would say that IndyCar has been really at the forefront of the whole concussion issue," Nossett said. "IndyCar has really been way up there and certainly not putting the NFL down, but I would say the assessment a driver gets after a crash has been pretty aggressive for years and years."

Despite the accolades and reputation for fast response and good medical outcomes, Nossett said the team always strives to get better and take care of the drivers, so many of which like Hinchcliffe the team members know personally.

"There's always a conversation about what we could do differently, do better, and it's a constant ongoing dialogue we have."

"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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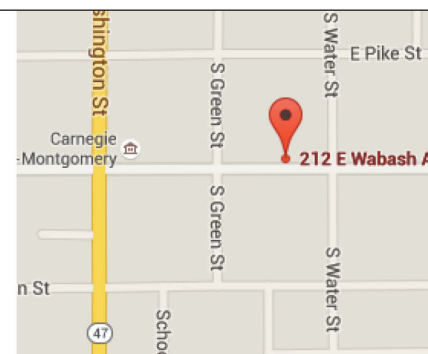
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STEVEN BAZIN '18 | STAFF WRITER • High school sophomores and juniors across the country begin their college search each year, but only a handful of them make it Wabash College. The Wabash Admissions Department began the search last Monday by sending 96,000 e-mails to sophomores and juniors across the country. In an effort to make the Wabash brand more compelling, the Admissions and Communications Departments have been working to update the current recruitment strategy from the current “#SeriouslyWabash” campaign that has been plastered across campus for the last few years. The new marketing strategy, dubbed ‘900 Ways to be a Wabash Man’, aims to use current Wabash students to sell the college.

“We sent out our first e-mail a week ago, and I can say that we’re pleased with the results,” Chip Timmons, Associate Dean for Enrollment, said. Of the 96,000 e-mails, about 20% were opened, and approximately 700 prospective students followed the attached link to learn more about Wabash College. The campaign appears to be well on its way to producing the desired numbers of new inquiries into the college.

The immediate success of ‘900 Ways’ can be attributed, in part, to its homegrown origins. The most recent marketing strategies were developed by a professional firm, but ‘900 Ways’ has been developed entirely in house by the Admissions and Communications department. “We usually spend thousands of dollars to have a [private] firm come in, and talk to our people, and make sense of our different plans,” Timmons said. “We haven’t done any of that. What we’ve done is try to capture what we’re hearing from current students and faculty and staff.

The bulk of the search process is being done in-house at Wabash, but the physical mail is still being sent by another firm. While there are obvious economic advantages to using an in-house platform, Timmons and his team are able to make changes to the material as they see fit, and are able to make their message more effective at any point in the search. They would be unable to do this

if they had opted into a contract with an outside marketing firm. In addition to the obvious benefits, ‘900 Ways’ was conceived by people who truly understand and appreciate the Wabash community.

A collegiate institution is nothing more than a bunch of buildings and books without its students. ‘900 Ways’ was conceived by an alumnus who applied the same simple line of logic to the challenge. “When the process started this year, we talked about some of the basic tenants of how guys end up at Wabash College,” Howard Hewitt, Director of Digital Media, said. “Generically speaking, they end up here one of three ways: an alumni, a family member, or coming to campus for an overnight visit... Even if they’re predisposed to attend Wabash, when they get here, and interact with our students, it seals the deal.”



Howard Hewitt

“We tend to do our best work during our one-on-one visit days or our large visit days when our students tend to do the talking,” Timmons said. “Our prospective students will spend more time with them in the four years they’re here than with faculty, coaches, or alumni. Those people all have key roles here at Wabash, but [prospective students] want to know who they’ll be spending most of their time with.” One of the main goals of the ‘900 Ways’ strategy is to incorporate student voices sooner and with more frequency than previous campaigns. “We’re trying to find a clever way to let our students do the talking sooner in the process because we have to start earlier to get their attention,” Timmons said.

Part of the rationale behind using students in recruitment was the possibility of creating a more realistic view of Wabash College. Wabash only tells one outright lie to prospective students (busloads of woman), but the rest of the information is accurate, if not slightly idealized. ‘900 Ways’ offers a more honest view of the College by its use of student

voices. “You cannot, whether you’re selling dish soap or a liberal arts college, be dishonest,” Hewitt said. “You won’t sell much dish soap and you won’t enroll many sixteen-year-olds.”

The latest group of prospective groups were greeted by the question “What kind of man do you want to be?” in the e-mails sent last week. Even for current Wabash students, that question can be difficult, yet it strikes at the very heart of

Wabash’s educational goals. “It’s a much more important question than ‘where am I going to go, and what’s my major going to be?’” Hewitt said. Although the words may have changed, Wabash is still sending the same message to its future students. The use of current students is perhaps the simplest and most effective way of showcasing our commitment to education. “There’s more than one way to be a Wabash man – there are 900 ways,” Timmons said.

900 WAYS TO BE A WABASH MAN

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MR. POWELL: BUILD THAT WALL!

There's no doubt that right now, only one presidential candidate embodies the American principles of honesty, hard work, and positive public discourse. Donald Trump is a man who speaks only the truth, started with nothing, and now stands as a bastion of liberty. Like respected founding father Aaron Burr, we can learn a great deal from Mr. Trump. So much so, in fact, that I believe it's high time that Wabash went ahead and implemented his most popular presidential aspiration.

This is a call for the current Student Senate administration to construct a wall between Crawfordsville and Greencastle. I'm personally surprised that this has not happened in years past with the historic rivalry and previous diplomatic actions between the respective student bodies. Unwelcomed members of their people have long defaced our home every other fall and are known for acting aggressively against our culture the moment they cross into our territory.

The irreconcilable differences and the need for a wall are made manifest away from athletic contests, as well. We all recall Brother Jed and his fashionably dressed crew, a group which we dealt with and engaged responsibly. This is



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quite similar to the way Donald Trump himself has dealt with groups engaging in free speech. As demonstrated in Chicago, he is a liberty-loving champion of all opinions and is not too sensitive to hear criticism. When our good friends with Campus Ministry USA went forth to spread the word in Greencastle, they were faced with aggression; law enforcement officers were called in to remove the protest group. What kind of violent, oppressive culture would attempt to silence those who peacefully express their opinions in the public sphere? This is something we simply cannot stand for.

Many argue that excluding DePauw students from the Montgomery County will have adverse effects. This, of course, is a complex and multifaceted issue. On

one hand, workers from the neighboring school tend to work in professions which do not attract Wabash students or graduates (due to our general refusal of being underemployed). As undergraduates, we generally do not take on minimum wage labor such as cooking in local fast food joints; locations where one can find high school students and Dannies working side by side. This continues post-matriculation. The benefit of the current situation is that one can always rely on staffed restaurants, landscaping crews, and gas stations in Crawfordsville without relying on Wabash student and graduate labor.

But what's the tradeoff? Can we trust these services provided for us by those who were educated at DePauw? Are we willing to give up our Wabash way and accept that there are many in our community who do not think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely? If we don't stand for something, we'll surely fall for anything. It is prudent to isolate ourselves from all things DePauw moving forward.

Look no further than a March 10 article in *The DePauw* to see that they need us much more than we need them. The article, reminiscent of Bill O'Reilly and Bill Maher's approach

of juxtaposing the two most extreme sides of an issue to frame an issue, is an example of the "us vs. them" mentality on the DePauw campus. It reported on the recent transgender issue voted upon by the Student Senate and made Wabash seem like a campus divided into two extreme, opposing sides. I do not condone this "black and white" logical fallacy, and neither should we as a campus. Let us show them that they can obsess over our campus from behind an exorbitant barrier, and let it be a message to them that we do not return the favor.

I propose that the wall goes just north of State Road 36. We can't afford to give up the valuable tracts in the regions south of town, nor could we ever surrender our stronghold at Turkey Run. This also preserves our lucrative trade routes along Sugar Creek and potential naval bases on the northern shores of Raccoon Lake. If they still remember that the Monon Bell exists, this wall would serve as another line of defense between the enemies and our beloved trophy. Above all else, it is imperative that we avoid the depletion of our treasury as our Senate and AFC attempt to finance campus events. Fear not, Wabash. DePauw will pay for that wall.

I WILL SPEAK FOR ME

One of the most dehumanizing things a person could do to someone is take away their narrative. A narrative is a story, a tapestry, and a timeline. It is the way people construct themselves, and the way they present themselves. Your narrative is your story – an amalgam of causes you believe in, people, places, or events you enjoy, or what you like to study. A narrative is largely the non-corporeal part of you. If you were made of words, and those words were the things that were most important to you, that would be your narrative. Narratives are vital to our very beings because they are our very beings. They are the essential versions of ourselves that we cultivate, nurture, to present to the world for its viewing pleasure.

So why, pray tell, would you want to yank that beautiful power of self-



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definition from someone? One could argue that narrative take-over is an important piece of the colonial project, the task the colonizer has undertaken to colonize, oppress, and subjugate. If the colonized can't construct a sense of self, then the colonizer has much more control in telling them who they are, and it's usually not a good thing. Others could

argue differently. The one thing that any other argument would have in common with each other is the end result of narrative take-over is that you either strip someone of their sense of self, or you negatively essentialize who someone is, reducing them down to parts and pieces, and make them a one trick pony.

Sometimes these happen in tandem. It's the worst feeling on Earth, and it has happened to me. Someone once told me that I embody "black queer feminism" because I study gender here at the college, and those three words are all I care about. Sure, my study of gender has included black women and feminism, but I haven't even done any queer studies outside of reading a single book by Jane Ward. My narrative as a gender studies minor and as a person was taken out of my control by someone who though they knew me better than me because I study

something off the beaten path.

When you belong to a community that isn't the powerful majority, people tend to think that gives them carte blanche to construct what that means. No – that's garbage. Stop doing that. We all bring different colors of stained glass to the giant mural of life. Stop trying to repaint other peoples' piece of glass because their color isn't common. We need to let people speak for themselves, on their own terms, and that absolutely does NOT mean we must agree. You do not have to agree, like, or support something that someone does. The other beauty of the stained glass mural of life is that when we step back from it, we may all see different things, and interpret the whole piece in multiple manners. This is ok, and a wonderful thing. Just let me speak, let others speak. listen to them, and let them tell you who they are.

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THE REPUBLICANS' DEMISE

It happened on an unassuming Tuesday night. Storms were rolling through Chicago, the largest city that had voted that day. One native son held serve in his home state that day, keeping his frail campaign alive if only by a thread; the other did not, forcing a suspension of an endeavor many pundits believed would be successful. The early frontrunners had long since dropped out for a variety of reasons: financial troubles, lack of support, general ineptitude.

In all, the citizens of five more states had strolled into their local churches, schools, town halls, and civic centers to cast ballots in their Republican primary. When it was said and done, more than seven million Americans would do so.

But for all the punditry and prognostication, all the promises that this night and these states would be different, it was largely unlike any other set of primaries that spring. In spite of millions of dollars in ad buys, a mildly coordinated effort by the party establishment, and even a damning speech by a former presidential nominee, a certain billionaire demagogue won four of the five states up for grabs and all-but solidified his stranglehold on the nomination. It was the night the Republican Party cannibalized itself.

Donald Trump does not represent a



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sudden shift in the political ideology of the Republican Party. Rather, he is the culmination of a decades long shift to the right. Beginning with Barry Goldwater, the party of Lincoln began to creep towards the peripheral of the American political spectrum. I remember watching the returns during the 2010 midterm election and feeling a distinct sort of horror when it became clear that the Tea Party had swept the nation. I thought that it could get no worse then. I was wrong.

Now, we as Americans are faced with the likelihood that one of our major parties will nominate a man who marks a new step in this progression rightward. Trump is not a standard Republican; no one seems to be able to pigeonhole his true ideology. However, we can be certain that his brand of conservative populism marks

a new low for the modern conservative moment. His campaign is built not on legitimate policy proposals or personal experience, but rather unrealistic (stupid) suggestions and an air of 'strength' that is farcical.

I make no bones about my distaste for Trump. He is an egotistical, megalomaniacal, racist, sexist, ignorant fascist. He is a danger to America's standing in the international community; a peril to her stability at home; a threat to the values she holds so dear. Trump is laughing in the face of decades of progress, both domestically and globally, and capitalizing on the unfounded frustrations of a small subset of the American electorate – only 7.5 million people out of a roughly 120-million-person electorate – on his way to the Republican nomination.

In reality, Trump purports a type of white nationalism hardly seen in this country since the days of George Wallace's failed bid for the White House in 1964. The two men, and their presidential bids, share a great deal in common. Both built their success on attacking members of unpopular minority groups – African-Americans for Wallace, Mexican-Americans and Muslim-Americans for Trump – and through divisive policy suggestions – racial segregation for

Wallace, systematic deportation and the erection of a wall for Trump. For all their similarities, the American people had the good sense to deny Wallace the nomination; the opposite appears true now.

I have, in my twenty-two years of life, never been accused of being a Republican. Perhaps unsurprisingly, supporting marriage equality, being pro-choice, and abhorring the death penalty will earn you the reputation of a progressive. Frankly, part of me is giddy about the potential disintegration of the Republican Party into small factions themselves incapable of securing the White House.

But on other front, I find myself oddly shaken and upset by the fall of the Republican establishment. Their death marks the end of an era dominated by party apparatuses and centralized committees. Now the political world, at least on the right, is run by renegades, each trying to run farther to the right than the other. It is a world where Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio, two former Tea Party candidates, are no longer conservative enough. It is a world where the fringe of the Republican Party, a fringe no one had foreseen before the rise of Trump, has taken hold of the reins, with no intent to release them. And for that, God help us all.

DO LEADERS HAVE MORAL OBLIGATIONS?

In the midst of eventful presidential primary races, I would imagine that most of us are thinking about politics more than we ever have before. While I could definitely criticize any of the candidates in either party, I think a much more interesting, challenging question may be slightly more productive: Do leaders have moral obligations and, if so, what are they?

My answer is a strong yes (but I will leave exactly what those are up to you). Regardless of where in the world we are speaking of, I fully believe that the leaders there should be acting in the favor of the people. This comes with a host of issues, many of which I realize. The most glaring is that it is difficult to make decisions that will please everyone. However, that does not change my opinion. Leaders are chosen, at least those who are elected democratically, for a difficult job because their supporters have faith in their ability to navigate these rough waters and this makes them even more morally obligated to act in the best



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interest of the people.

In our two party system, it is easy to see exactly where the lines are drawn on issues, but I also believe that there are issues elected leaders are responsible for confronting regardless if it is part of their party platform. A good example of this is the clear difference in equal rights for people of different races between the extreme left and right in this primary race. While I do not think that Republicans are inherently racist in any way, I do think that Donald Trump is. However, either

party elected will be morally obligated to deal with the issues that our country still has with race regardless of who the next president happens to be and, I would like to hope, that our institutions will force them to handle these issues what will not harm any group as I feel that it is their responsibility to act in the best interest of all of the people who call America their home as they have helped to make America what it is today.

Now, assuming that we can all agree that the job of a leader of a country is difficult and that leaders are responsible to those that they lead, I struggle with the idea that a leader should be able to relate to me. Perhaps I am interpreting this phrase (which I have been hearing quite a bit since the beginning of the primaries) as something more concrete than people mean it to be. They may mean that they want their leader to be morally obligated to act on their behalf, a stance I clearly agree with, but I cannot subscribe to the idea that, in our case, the President of the United States should be able to directly

relate to me, which is the way that I think most people mean. First, I simply doesn't make sense that each person supporting a candidate would like for them to personally relate. We are all different people who have had different sets of circumstance in our lives. There should be things we don't understand fully. I personally, don't understand what it feels like to be Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Why should they understand what it feels like to be me. And secondly, if we were all able to relate to world leaders so easily, then it would seem that we would all be much more qualified for the job ourselves than I would imagine most of us feel that we are. A leader can act in my best interest without understanding or relating to why it is necessary again because he or she is morally obligated to.

So, as the primaries carry on and the general election nears, keep this question in mind: Who do you think will actually be willing to act on our behalves as the American public and just how obligated are they to do so?

COVER STORY



ADAM ALEXANDER '16 / PHOTOS

Top left: Brian Wittman '16 examines the tomb of Michelangelo in the Basilica di Santa Croce in Florence, Italy. The church also held the tombs of Galileo and Machiavelli, among others.

Top right: Assistant Professor of Political Science Alexandra Hoerl walks her students around the streets of Siena, Italy.

Bottom left: Students enjoy authentic Italian pizza with Professors Lambertson and Hoerl on their last night in Florence on the steps of Santo Spirito.

BRAD CARLSON / PHOTO

Dr. Carlson took his BIO - 313 class to the Everglades to do hands-on work with their advanced ecology focus.

HONOR SCHOLAR WEEKEND FAQ

JOSEPH REILLY '18 | CAVELIFE EDITOR • As a welcome to campus

for all prospective students, the Bachelor staff decided to answer some of the frequent questions visitors tend to have. This FAQ list is not intended to answer all questions any of this year's visiting Honor Scholars might have, but it should clear up some initial confusion.

The tests finish Saturday afternoon, do I need to stay Saturday night?

Saturday night is important for several reasons. Saturday is a good time to decide if the school is a good fit for you. You'll have a second chance to rush fraternities, visit with clubs, and relax on campus once the exam stress have worn off.

Saturday will be also be a good time to meet some of your future classmates in a non-competitive environment.

I know I don't want to join a fraternity, why should I rush?

Wabash's fraternity system is non-traditional. While both independent and fraternal life have their own distinct advantages, don't go into either with preconceived notions. You may find a fraternity that fits you well and that you want to join. Even if you don't find a house that fits your personality, the rush process provides a great opportunity to interact with potential college classmates.

What are the Fraternities looking for in new members?

Like you, fraternities are just looking for a good match. Each house has its own culture, and each house values different characteristics in future members. It is impossible to generalize characteristics that all houses want.

How does rush work?

Rush is the process that fraternities use to recruit prospective new members.

Houses hold rush events to get to know prospective members. The rush process opens during Honor Scholar Weekend and will close within the first few weeks of the next academic year. During the rush process houses can give a prospective member a bid, or invitation to join their fraternity.

The bid process should be organic, you should never feel the need to ask for a bid or feel the fraternities should give provide them. Each house knows what it's looking for and asking for a bid may come across as needy.

Once given a bid, you have three options: to accept, to hold, or to decline the invitation. Each person can only accept one bid. To hold a bid means to wait and choose to accept or decline at a later date.

Rush should be enjoyed. Visit as many houses as possible to find the best fit.

How do I prepare for the tests? Should I study this weekend?

No, these tests serve to assess current knowledge in the core subjects. This weekend should be fun. Studying will not improve your scores, as the scope of each exam is too broad for any last minute study. Just arrive to each exam well rested and with a clear head.

So what's with the no girls thing?

Don't be put off by the lack of female students. During the week, many students don't find the lack of female students to be an issue. Like all colleges, Wabash has a social environment. It is not hard to meet women on the weekends, and both Purdue and the school down south are close enough for easy weekend trips. In some ways, having a significant other is easier at Wabash than at large universities.

What else should I know about the Weekend?

Don't freak out, stress can ruin this experience. Ask questions, you will find current students happy to help address any concerns you may have. Ditch the letterman jacket if possible. College is a place to develop, and letterman jackets attach you to your high school experience.

Speaking of college, Wabash College is a place of cherished Tradition. Try to immerse yourself into the idiosyncrasies that make Wabash unique. Don't walk under the arch or on a crest. Try to envision yourself attending classes, relaxing with new friends, and taking pride in our traditions.

Be yourself; don't drink, and live the Gentleman's Rule. Be respectful, but don't feel the need to suck-up to the current students or faculty. Hopefully, you'll be joining this institution in the fall and you should consider this weekend to be the first of your collegiate experience.

What else should I know about Wabash?

Know that everyone here is excited to have you on campus. Don't hesitate to ask for directions or for information on anything that comes to mind. The gentlemen of Wabash College are happy to help you. All of us chose the College as our institution of higher learning for a unique reason. While many of the stories of how one arrives at Wabash have similar themes, each has a singular twist that varies from student to student. Get to know these reasons, and you might find that something that you originally thought was a turn off actually provided someone with benefits they would not have gotten somewhere else.

Just like rush, you should chose a school that fits you. The uniqueness and traditions of Wabash, combined with the rigor and character development provide boys with that special place they are looking for to develop themselves in to men.

WABASH BOASTS NATIONAL RANKINGS

NICHOLAS VEDO '19 | STAFF WRITER

• Recently the Wabash College Career Services team was honored on a national scale. In rankings conducted by both Business Insider and The Princeton Review, Wabash College was ranked fifth in internships and alumni network strength. Business Insider also placed Wabash as the only Division III school in the top 30 most fun colleges in America.

Of course, one of the main selling points for Wabash College for prospective students is the promise of a job upon graduation, and the statistics show this is well proven. It is also proven that the sooner students contact Career Services, the more likely they will be to gain internships and future careers.

All one has to do is step inside the door of the Arnold House and they will be amazed by the level of activity and passion in the building. All of the workers are very friendly, and drop whatever they are doing to work with you. The building is even furnished like a home with a multitude of soft chairs just waiting for the next student to stroll in.

"We are a very open and easy to access office, I don't believe in a lot of barriers. We are one of the only career services in existence that does not require appointments at any time. We are open in the evening even, just to make things as easy and accessible for students as possible" Scott Crawford, Director of Schroeder Center for Career Development, said.

This method results in hundreds of Wabash men finding internships and post graduate employment through Career Services. "Wabash students who complete one internship are three times more likely to have accepted a job offer or grad school offer upon graduation" Cassie Hagan, Assistant Director for Experiential Programs and Alliances, said.

By getting students involved in various careers through externships, internships, and PIE trips (professional immersion experience) Career Services hopes to guide students in the discovery process. Through being exposed to different careers in a wide range of disciplines students are able to see what it is actually like to work day-to-day at a certain job and

therefore figure out whether it is truly for them. In the modern economy most people will hold at least five different jobs over the course of their life so Career Services also helps to broaden the minds of students, and make them more flexible.

Career Service works to keep their internship opportunities up to date with the current economic movements and student interests. They are open to any student, freshman through senior.

"Career services has really helped me to broaden my horizons, and showed me how to polish my resumes and cover letters. It also helped to see what kind of opportunities are out there even for me being a first year student. The PIE trip especially aided me in making valuable connections with alumni." George Pippin '19 said.

It is truly never too early to begin planning for the future, and Career Services can help Wabash men do just that. Wabash College provides its students with a plethora of opportunities, but they must make the conscious choice to pursue them.

ARMORY LOUNGE WRITING CONTEST COMPLETE!

WINNER: ANDREW POWELL '17

SECOND PLACE: PATRICK JANKE '18

THIRD PLACE: ARTURO GRANADOS '16

THE SECRET OF THE SPHINX

ANDREW POWELL '17 | GUEST CONTEST WRITER • The story of the armory is a tragic one filled with mystery, intrigue, and a little Wabash man named James. The armory used to be a glowing place filled with all sorts of fun things. There once was a basketball court, but after the gym moved over to the Allen Center things changed. Dean Bambrey created the 2nd floor lounge to be a safe-haven for students, little did he know what would become of the room on that tragic spring day.

It was a warm spring day last April. The sun was glowing, and James was looking forward to the ever-blessed weekend. National Act was coming up and James was hyped because he had some friends coming to visit. Naturally, he was looking for things to do with him so he went exploring. He had never spent much time in the armory, but had heard that there were some secret rooms on the second floor from some fellow Wabash-men as the ever-curious boy longed for adventure. As he got upstairs he heard some rumblings but didn't think much of them. He was extremely disappointed that all the eye could see was gross outdated furniture and old gaming tables/systems. But, he reckoned it would be a good stopping point after showing them the arch so he vowed to come back just for funzies and the free sweatshirts left over from the prior year's Monon Bell.

Finally Friday rolls around, it is a dark stormy April day, the kind that makes

you want to hunker down inside and never venture the 3 minute walk to Sparks. His friends Kimmi, Kerstin, and Nick arrive just as the sun is beginning to set. After grabbing dinner the friends set out on a tour. James shows them the senior bench, the chapel, the arch, and then he arrives at the armory. Now this was an interesting time because the armory was closed down and locked. There were no students frantically playing games in the Armory computer lab, and there were no Organic Chemistry students wasting away going over reactions like their little pre-med lives depended on them. But, just like every resourceful Wabash man James had a way around this, he knew of a secret entrance back by the football field and so with haste he and his friends set off to tour the armory and most importantly grab the free Monon Bell attire.

As James and his friends enter they begin to feel cold, but not to fear as they quickly grabbed a couple of sweatshirts and set out to go check out the rest of the building. As they enter the second floor they are able to see their breath and Kerstin complains that she is hearing noises. The girls protest and want to leave but Nick and James vow to go onward and see where the noises are coming from. As they enter the armory lounge the friends shudder because they feel extremely uncomfortable. James headed toward the noise and realized the noise was

coming beneath one of the couches.

He and Nick quickly moved the couch and see a small handle in the floor. Upon lifting the handle up they see a hole, and the voices begin to get louder. The four friends then made their fatal mistake...they entered the tunnel. Upon entering the tunnel they begin to head toward the noise, and they begin to see a bright, shining light in the darkness. As they head towards the light they hear indistinct chatter and upon getting closer James realizes the sound of Old Wabash filling the air. As they enter they are astonished to see loads of Wabash memorabilia including the lost words of the Master Sphinx. They begin to hear

footsteps behind them and see old men with white pots. Little do these children know they have discovered the Sphinx Club's chapter room, as they try to flee they are caught and given a choice.... never speak of this encounter to anyone and live or speak of it and be at the mercy of the master sphinx.

They hastily agree, and get away as fast as they can, later that week James took some friends up to the room but it was locked, and upon breaking in he sees no handle. Little did James know then, but come next winter he would fail comps and never graduate. Some say the tunnel still exists, but will forever be protected by the locked door.

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DYNAMIC DICKERSON

MATTHEW DICKERSON '16 CONTINUES TO STAND OUT AS TRACK AND FIELD FINISHED ITS OUTDOOR SEASON; NOW LOOKS TO OUTSIDE COMPETITION

TUCKER DIXON '19 | STAFF WRITER • While most of the Wabash student body was closing their spring breaks with sun-filled days on the beach, one Wabash man was becoming an All-American. On Friday and Saturday, the 11th and 12th of March, Matt Dickerson '16 was at the Bear Athletic Center on Grinnell College's campus located in Grinnell, Iowa competing in the NCAA DIII Indoor Track and Field Championship. Dickerson is the first Little Giant in history to advance the Indoor Championships in the heptathlon.

“This was good for me because it allowed me to just have fun with it and compete.”

MATTHEW DICKERSON '16

This year's heptathlon was something special because all of the All-American spots were still contested as the athletes headed into the final event on Friday: the 1000m run. Dickerson pushed his body to its limits and pulled off a personal-best time of 2:57.35 to earn 690 points, giving him a spot in the top five with a new Wabash record of 4,857 points. "It isn't very often that the heptathlon comes down to the 1000m run to determine every single All-American spot, so the 1000 was

definitely the biggest event of the weekend," Dickerson stated. "We all had very similar seed times and it was all a matter of who had the most guts and the biggest heart to finish."

Dickerson would agree with the old adage that the underdog has an advantage in competitions. Heading into the meet, Dickerson was seeded 10th, meaning that NCAA officials didn't expect him to claim All-American status. "Going into the meet there was no pressure on me to do anything spectacular," Dickerson said. "This was good for me because it allowed me to just have fun with it and compete. 90% of a successful heptathlon is how well you can stay focused and not get too caught up in the points and places. This is why I believe I came out of the weekend in 5th and several guys who were expected to do so much better were unable to do so. It is a tremendous honor to be an All-American and to represent this college. Being the first Wabash man to qualify for nationals in my event was already an accomplishment and to bring home some hardware was just icing on the cake."

Unfortunately, Dickerson was the only Little Giant to qualify for nationals, but the team as a whole learned a lot from the NCAC Conference Championship in which they finished in second place behind Ohio Wesleyan. Runners Colin Rinne '18, Mason McKinney '17, Fabian House '16, and Dominic Patacsil '19 all had strong showings. Rinne was named the Men's Middle Distance/Distance Athlete of the Year. Though this was the first time in five years the team did not secure a conference title, heads and hopes are high as the team turns their focus to the outdoor season, where they hope to continue to build upon past success. "For me specifically, I knew I was in shape to potentially win two of the three events I was entered in, those being the 5k, Mile, and 3k," Rinne said. "In indoor competition, those are the three longest events run, so going in I knew it would take a measured, thoughtful, but bordering on unrestrained effort to score as many points as possible."

Next up for the Little Giant Track Team is the J. Owen Huntsmen Relays held here in Knowling Fieldhouse on Saturday, March 19.



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Matthew Dickerson '16 competes in an indoor meet early in the indoor season.

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LITTLE GIANT GOLFERS SUCCESSFULLY TAKE ON ARIZONA IN A COMBINATION OF HITTING THE LINKS AND MEETING GENEROUS ALUMNI

JOEL JANAK '19 | STAFF WRITER • As the Wabash College Golf team continues to prepare for the upcoming season, recently, the team traveled to Mesa, Arizona for a Spring Break trip. The team played at some of the top courses in the country and was hosted by great Wabash alumni. The team played at the Ocotillo Golf Club and were hosted by Mike Rapier '87, Desert Forest Golf Club hosted by Rick Dexter '60, Wigwam Golf Club hosted by Roger Colehower '65, Dobson Ranch Golf Club, Dove Valley Golf Club hosted by Terry Kilgore '60, and Augusta Ranch Golf Club hosted by George Collett '82.

One of the teams Wabash competed against this Spring Break was Mesa Community College, with Wabash coming up on the losing end of that contest as MCC shot a course record of 16 under par. When asked, Head Golf Coach Petty said about the break, "We had a great time. The golfers who went were able to play some really nice golf courses, thanks to six Wabash alumni who hosted the team." John Janak '19, who also went on the trip with the team, spoke highly of the generosity of the alumni, saying, "It was very generous for six Wabash alums to host us like that. We are honored at Wabash to have such a rich networking system." Janak also said that the team was practically treated like a Division I program for the entire week.

With the packed schedule of the trip, down time was not really an option for any of the guys. The only downtime the team really had was at night, which was a chance for the younger guys to get closer to the more veteran members of the team. One free-

time experience the team did have was during Friday afternoon, when the team was able to tour the Ping Center. Coach Petty said about the visit, "The team and I were very gracious for the opportunity. Very cool experience for us." Janak also said of the trip, "We visited the Platinum Putter room in the Ping facility. It had...golden putters for all the winners of major PGA tournaments. It was an experience like none other."

As of now, the Little Giants are preparing to kick-off their spring season on March 23rd. This week, the team is preparing for their opener against the Fighting Engineers of Rose-Hulman. The team travels to Terre Haute next week to play in their annual stroke match at Hulman Links. The team will then turn around and play in a two day tournament on that Friday and Saturday at Rose-Hulman as well. The first week of April, the top six golfers of the team get the chance to play at the famous Crooked Stick in Carmel, Indiana. "That seems to be the favorite tournament of the year for the team," Janak said.

Coach Petty did have time to talk about some of his expectations for the team. "We want to improve on last fall's team and individual scores," Petty said. "If we do that, then our team position in our matches will be better. It would also be nice to have individuals in the top 10 of each match if possible. Last fall, Mason Asher '18 was in the top five at Franklin College's invitational."

Finally, the team welcomed three new freshmen this year: John Janak '19, Heath Whalen '19, Michael Trebing '19. Coach Petty and the rest of the team has high expectations for each freshman. "As the team struggled a little bit in the fall, it will be interesting to see how the team bounces back from adversity," Petty said. "With a few of the freshmen having some experience under their belt, and several guys coming back, I believe the team will be successful."

The Little Giant golf team will kick-off its Spring season on March 23rd at the Giant Engineer Match play at the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Wabash Golf lost to Mesa Community College in Arizona by a score of 324-272.



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STARTING A NEW TREND



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Cole Harlacher '18 takes a cut in an away contest in 2015.

MICHAEL LUMPKIN '18 | SPORTS EDITOR • The Little Giant Baseball team brought back four victories from their trip to sunny Fort Myers, Florida. The team resurrected what had been two previous tough trips down south, starting their Fort Myers trip with a 1-4 record. The turnaround came at a great time. The team now comes back to Indiana for a four game home stand. The first two will occur on Saturday and Sunday against Robert Morris University. The team will then be off for Easter weekend before welcoming North Coast Athletic Conference foe Ohio Wesleyan University to town on April 2nd and 3rd.

Taylor Canter '18 spoke highly of the experience the team had in Fort Myers. "The team played well and went 4-2 and we saw lots of good things out of our young players and our pitchers," Canter said. Canter and the rest of the team understood the importance of the trip as a jumpstart to the NCAC Conference season. "The Spring Break trip is very important to start the season because it gives us much needed game experience that we can't get from the climate here," Canter said. "It shows us our strengths and what we need to improve upon." Relief pitcher Cody Cochran '18 echoed the words of Canter. "I think the trip was very valuable in helping the team grow and develop as a unit," Cochran said.

Canter was one of the great reasons for the success of the squad in Fort Myers. Canter had an electric weekend and now leads the team with a .409 batting average and although he went into the trip not yet solidified into an everyday starting role, this might change soon as a result of such a stellar

week of play.

The team played a different brand of competition than it will see in the North Coast Athletic Conference that is a short distance away. "Our opponents weren't quite as strong as our conference opponents will likely be, but I think that was beneficial so we can gradually transition into conference play," Cochran said.

Cochran was cautious about the confidence gained from the wins in Florida because he knows the incredibly challenging path that lies ahead. As a freshman, Cochran saw the Little Giants garner a 4-15 North Coast Athletic Conference record. That abysmal number was the main contributing factor to the team finishing with an overall 12-26 record. The Little Giants went down to Florida in 2015 and went 5-3. The similar record to the current year hopefully doesn't indicate further similarities to come.

Both Cochran and Canter were both excited to finally get to play on their home field in Crawfordsville. They both did acknowledge that they will miss the predictable South Florida weather, but nothing beats the comforts of home. Canter knew that last year's home record of 5-7 wasn't good enough. Canter promised that at home the play "will be a lot better than last year." Cochran looked forward to the fellow Wabash students coming to the games and cheering the team on. "Hopefully we can perform well enough to keep the outfield lined with students cheering us on and harassing the outfielders," Cochran said.

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the second period on bottom and was quickly turned by Pike for two nearfall points. Down 4-1, Broukal reversed Pike and rode him out the rest of the period. Broukal started the third on top and hit Pike in successive tilts for two nearfall points apiece to make the score 7-4. Pike managed to escape midway through the third but could manage nothing against Broukal. When the final buzzer sounded, Broukal added a riding time point for an 8-5 final score and a national championship.

"My reversal and rideout in the second was a big turning point in the match," Broukal said. "Had I not gotten that, he probably would've chosen neutral, and I wouldn't have gotten those tilts that won the match. I was really confident after I got that second tilt because I could just feel him break mentally underneath me."

To earn his spot in the championship match, Broukal knocked off fourth-seeded and three-time NCAA All-American Jesse Gunter from Baldwin-Wallace in overtime by a score of 5-3. Gunter took Broukal down only a few seconds into the match, but Broukal escaped to make it 2-1. In the second period, Gunter started down and escaped to make it 3-1. Down 3-1, Broukal began to push the action and ended up getting a penalty point for stalling to make the match 3-2 at the end of the second period. He chose down to start the third and got a quick escape to tie up the match. The two weathered each other's attacks the rest of the third, and the match went to overtime. In overtime, Gunter snapped Broukal into a front headlock. But when Gunter tried to circle around for the takedown, Broukal reshot underneath Gunter and hit a cutback finish for the takedown to secure his spot in the finals.

Riley Lefever became the fifth NCAA champion in Wabash wrestling history with a 12-4 major decision over third-seeded and four-time All-American Josh Thomson from Messiah. With his championship, Lefever became only the 16th wrestler in NCAA Division III history to win three consecutive national titles. He was also named the Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament by the Nationals Wrestling Coaches Association and earned the NCAA Most Dominant Wrestler Award for the second consecutive season.

"There were no nerves out there," Lefever said. "The whole goal was to go out there, have fun, and put on a show. That's what I did. It was honestly just a blessing to be out here to compete with my teammates for a national title. I'll take the team trophy over an individual title any day."

Lefever dominated 184-pound

fourth seed AJ Kowal from Stevens Institute of Technology in a 15-6 major decision to secure his third consecutive championship match appearance. Lefever pushed the action from the start of the match firing off leg attack after leg attack, which was too much for Kowal to handle. Lefever scored three takedowns in the first and built up a 6-3 lead. In the second period, he got another takedown sandwiched in between two Kowal escapes. With the score 8-5 heading into the third, Lefever chose down and got an escape. He added two more takedowns, a penalty point for stalling, and a riding time point to reach the final score of 15-6.

Nick Bova dropped his first match of the day to Larry Cannon of Messiah by a 16-3 major decision to put him in the seventh place match. Bova dropped an 8-3 decision to Grant Parker from Augsburg in the finals to finish in eighth place. Parker got a couple of early takedowns, but Bova battled the entire time, throwing Parker at the end of the match but was unable to keep Parker on his back.

"I definitely came here to do better than eighth, but I'm still really happy to be up on the podium and to help our team win a trophy," Bova said. "I know I can use this experience going forward to next year and get higher on the podium, while also helping some more guys make the jump to nationals, as well."

Despite their careers being over after tough losses on day one of the NCAA tournament, seniors Michael Venezia and Ethan Farmer were so proud to be a part of this team this year and for the past four years.

"It obviously didn't end the way I wanted it to last night as far as my individual accomplishments, but I could not have been prouder to get another team trophy this year and contribute to the team points," Venezia said. "We just laid it all on the line and walked out of here with a team trophy. It's really a fantastic feeling."

"It's awesome, and it speaks volumes about the program," Farmer added. "From the national qualifiers to the rest of the team to the coaches to the managers, it was a complete team effort this year, and it paid off with another trophy. Looking at where this program was when we got here as freshman to where it is now, it's pretty unbelievable. We helped to set a standard of excellence, and I'm just happy to have been a part of it."

The Little Giants ended the season ranked second in the team dual ranking, behind only Wartburg. It was another great season filled with many accomplishments. The 2015-16 wrestling team epitomized the "Wabash Always Fights" motto and is truly Some Little Giants.

Make sure to congratulate your Little Giants on such a great season!

A GIANT WEEKEND

WRESTLING CAPS OFF A SEASON OF DOMINANT PERFORMANCES WITH A FOURTH-PLACE FINISH AT THE DIVISION III NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

SAM MATTINGLY '16I SPORTS

WRITER • The Wabash College wrestling team crowned two national champions as part of three All-America performances to capture fourth place at the 2016 NCAA Division III National Championships.

Devin Broukal '18 captured 133-pound All-America honors for the first time in his career by winning his first national title, Riley Lefever '17 captured his third title in as many years, while Nick Bova '17 garnered All-American status for the first time as well, placing eighth.

This is the second top-four finish in as many years for the Little Giants after their third place finish a year ago. This marks the sixth NCAA trophy in school history (1981-82 Basketball-1st, 1977 Football-2nd, 1995 Cross Country-3rd, 2015 Wrestling-3rd, 1994 Cross Country-4th).

"I'm really proud of this team," Wabash head coach Brian Anderson said. "We had a bad day yesterday, especially last night, but really turned it around today. Every point mattered in getting the team trophy. With (Conner) Brummet '17 knocking off



JACOB FERGUSON '18 / PHOTO

Wabash College Wrestling capped off a season of dominance with a fourth-place finish at the Division III National Championship out of 58 possible teams. The Little Giants finished with two National Champions and three All-Americans on the week.

the defending national champion and Venezia majoring the four seed yesterday morning, it really was a full team effort to get the trophy. Winning back-to-back trophies is a great way to solidify your program as one of the best in the nation. It shows that we can be competitive year in and out with the best of them. Honestly, I think this trophy is a very fitting way to end this

season for this team. Their hard work was rewarded today."

Broukal, unseeded at 133 pounds, stormed through the bracket and captured the fourth individual national championship in Wabash wrestling history with an 8-5 come-from-behind victory over second-seeded and returning All-American Nathan Pike from New York University.

"It's something I've worked all season for, and to finally see it come to fruition is just unbelievable," Broukal said. "I came in knowing I could win it, and I went out there and did just that."

Broukal gave up the first takedown but quickly escaped to make it a 2-1 score, which remained the score for the rest of the first period. He began

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