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**OUR HOUSE.
OUR BELL.**



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

The Little Giants (8-1) host the Tigers (4-5) in this year's Monon Bell Classic. The game has a title sponsor this year for the first time, as the Cancer Treatment Centers of America have stepped up to cover the cost of the game's broadcast.

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

OUTMATCHED ALLEGHENY

Hi-Five to the Allegheny football player who tried to fight the entire football team before being ejected last Saturday. Sure, we've all been there. We've all felt we could "totally take that guy and his buddies before." Usually, its after 2 or 3 Cactus cups, but you have to admire the gall this guy had. Better luck next time, Thad Castle.

FROZEN FRESHMEN

We'd like to take this moment to remember the freshmen lost to the cold after guarding the campus the previous two nights. Rumor has it that the press box was a whopping -30 degrees last night. The dearly departed freshmen started writing, "Wabash Always Fi..." on the wall before succumbing to the cold. Thank for your sacrifice, gentlemen. You won't be forgotten...even though we can't seem to recall your names at the moment.

TAXI TO PURDUE?

Hi-Five to the Hail Mary sent out by a freshman at midnight on Friday asking if there was a student willing to drive to Purdue to pick up women. We hate to break it to you, but when they said Wabash buses women in, they did not mean it literally. Next time you're looking to invite girls over, we would suggest using Uber or getting certified to drive a Wabash passanger van.

YOU CAN'T PARK THERE



MERCY, PLEASE

Dear Professors, we know you have a job to do, but can we dial back the homework for Monon next year? The amount of work this week seems a bit overwhelming given the context of the week. Just ease off of the gas pedal next year, and we promise that the week after bell we will be productive... once we sober up.

BOWENS PUT 'STUDENTS FIRST' WITH \$2 MILLION GIFT

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING • Steve Bowen '68 can't help but laugh as he realizes how long he's been connected to Wabash College.

In 54 years, he's been a student, fan, father of a Wabash man, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and now a professor in the religion department.

He and his wife, Joanie, recently made a \$2 million unrestricted gift to the College to continue their commitment to his alma mater for years to come.

Why now?

"I've lived a lot more years than I'm going to live," Bowen said. "I just thought it was time."

The unrestricted gift allows the College's administration, in collaboration with the Board of Trustees, to meet the College's most pressing needs and to invest in innovative new programs.

"I believe in the current administration of the College, and I believe in the Board of Trustees," he said. "I trust the College to spend the money wisely, to put students first, and to give them what they need to succeed."

Bowen was elected to the Wabash Board of Trustees in 1996 and became Chair of the Board in 2007. His son David graduated in 1999, and he met his wife, Joanie, when her son, Paul Heinemann '07, was a Wabash student.

"Steve and Joanie have been exceptional ambassadors for and stewards of Wabash College," said Wabash President Gregory D. Hess. "Though each connected to Wabash through different paths, they have always been strong and consistent in the importance of the College's mission to transform lives."

Bowen is aware that much has changed at the College.

"Traditions in my day, like 'W' haircuts and pole fights, are traditions no longer, and some 'current' traditions, like not walking under the arch, began long after I graduated.

"But there are two things that endure: extraordinary teaching and academic rigor. To me, these are the traditions that matter and must continue."

As Chair of the Board, Bowen helped create the William C. Placher Fund, an endowment that supplements faculty salaries.

"If we need to augment beginning salaries to attract young faculty or otherwise to maintain our competitiveness in the market place, the fund gives the College flexibility in meeting these needs," he said.

When he retired after 42 years of practicing law, Bowen was given the opportunity to teach a religion course during the fall semesters. He started teaching theological ethics and is now helping Professor of Religion Derek Nelson teach a senior colloquium and a freshman tutorial.

"I was a religion student, and theology and ethics have always been my avocation," Bowen said. "My being here allows the College to offer a course it might not otherwise be able to offer. It helps the students, and it extends our academic footprint."

Bowen recognizes the culture of philanthropy is essential to the College's long-term well-being. He also encourages alumni to stay in touch with their classmates and with faculty members.

"I have always benefitted from staying in touch with faculty members," Bowen said. "They have a lot of wisdom about a lot of things, and they're always interested in you and in what you're doing."

When Bowen isn't on campus, he is usually with his wife and dogs at their home in Chicago. He and Joanie do yoga and get a lot of exercise, read, and enjoy seeing good movies. Of course, Bowen is often doing something Wabash-related, like preparing classes or listening to or live-streaming Wabash athletic events.

"That's just me. This is a special place. It's where my life took off."

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WABASH MAN WINS HIGH PROFILE SENATE RACE

CHRISTIAN REDMOND '20 | STAFF WRITER • Mike Braun '76 (R) beat incumbent Joe Donnelly (D) in the Indiana Senate race on Tuesday. Early on Tuesday, FiveThirtyEight.com, a well-respected poll reporter, only slated Braun with a 28% chance of taking over the seat. News networks labelled Braun the winner after he grabbed 54% of the vote compared to Donnelly's 42%. Braun joins Senator Todd Young (R) in representing Indiana in the United States Senate.

Braun is a Jasper High School, Wabash College, and Harvard Business School graduate. Braun was an economics major, served as Student Body President, and graduated summa cum laude during his time at Wabash. After Harvard, he moved back to Jasper and started Meyer Body Company, an auto part company, and Meyer Distribution, an auto part distributor. Braun gained recognition and appreciation throughout Indiana for keeping Meyer afloat during the 2008 recession, then substantially growing the company since 2009. Braun capitalized on his successful business ventures by investing four million dollars into his own Senate campaign.

Braun won the Republican Senate primary by beating out fellow Wabash grads Todd Rokita '92 and Luke Messer '91. He ran on the platform that he is a successful businessman and a political outsider in the primary and general elections. These aspects allowed Braun to relate himself to President Trump, a rational decision since Trump carried Indiana by nineteen points in 2016. President Trump and Vice President Pence held two rallies, one in Indianapolis and one in Fort Wayne, during the last week where they supported Braun.

During the race, Democrats criticized Braun mainly for his stated opposition to the Affordable Care Act. They ran advertisements accusing Braun of not supporting protections for pre-existing conditions and only offering high-deductible insurance plans to his own workers.

However, Braun flooded Indiana media with anti-Donnelly advertisements. He called Donnelly "Mexico Joe" because a report found Donnelly's business used Mexican labor for greater profits. The Republicans also used the name "Sleepin' Joe" for Donnelly after the Center for Effective Lawmaking voted Donnelly the least effective Democrat in the Senate.

Braun's victory was just one of the many that allowed the Republicans to keep control of the Senate. Kevin Cramer (R) beat out the incumbent Heidi Heitkamp (D) in North Dakota. Texas Senator Ted Cruz (R) won over challenger Beto O'Rourke (D) after a tight race. Marsha Blackburn (R) won back the seat in Tennessee after Senator Bob Corker's (R) retirement. In Missouri,

Josh Hawley (R) overcame incumbent Claire McCaskill (D). Former Presidential Candidate Mitt Romney (R) decided to run for Senate again in Utah and won. Jeff Flake (R) opted to vacate his seat in Arizona, which was captured by Martha McSally (R). Rick Scott (R) barely defeated incumbent Bill Nelson (D) in the swing state of Florida.

While the Republicans held power in the Senate, the Democrats took back over the House of Representatives. Sharice Davids (D) in Kansas and Deb Haaland (D) in New Mexico became the first Native American Congresswomen. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D), 29, won her district in New York and became the youngest woman to serve in Congress. Rashida Tlaib (D) in Michigan and Ihan Omar (D) in Minnesota became the first Muslim Congresswomen. Overall, the Democrats flipped many House seats, which included seats in Florida, Pennsylvania, Kansas, and New York. The victory in the House was a vital one for the Democrats because they now have the opportunity to push back against Republican policies, which include continuing funds for the border wall and continuing repeal of the Affordable Care Act. The Democratic recapture of the House also revives talks of Nancy Pelosi (D), the first woman Speaker of the House, taking back her position as Speaker after the retirement of Paul Ryan (R).

The gubernatorial elections also gave Democrats a better outlook than before. There were thirty-six governorships up for election coming into Tuesday. Before the elections, Republicans held thirty-four of the states while Democrats held sixteen. After the elections, Republicans ended with twenty-seven to the Democrats' twenty-three. Seven states flipped to blue: Nevada, Illinois, Michigan, Maine, Kansas, New Mexico, and Wisconsin. However, Republicans won some significant tight races, including Florida and Georgia. These results have important implications for district drawing and gerrymandering for future elections.


Election Night seemed to go as many people had planned. The Democrats took back control of the House and the Republicans kept control of the Senate. However, the Democrats did perform poorly relative to what was expected. An unpopular President loses an average of thirty-seven seats in the House in his/her first midterm according to Gallup. Trump only lost twenty-six seats compared to President Clinton's loss of fifty-three and President Obama's loss of sixty-three seats.

"The Blue Wave" did not turn out to be a devastating blow to the Republicans' hold on power. But, it was large enough to give



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Mike Braun '76 won just a shade under 52% of the vote in Indiana's Senate race, which played a huge role in preserving the Republican majority in the Senate



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SCARLET HONORS WEEKEND INTRODUCES POTENTIAL STUDENTS TO CAMPUS

EVENT STRIVES TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOLERS WITH A ‘TASTE OF WABASH’

REED MATHIS '22 | STAFF

WRITER • As Wabash buckles down for the end of the semester, this time of the year also brings prospective students to the last few admissions events of the fall semester. During the first weekend back from Thanksgiving Break, the third annual Scarlet Honors Weekend will ensue, which will coincide with The Lilly Finalist Weekend, beginning a day earlier.

For prospective students, the weekend brings the opportunity to win extra scholarship money along with a further in-depth visit of what Wabash offers. Per usual, the weekend for the involved students will provide interaction with current students, faculty, and staff along with the ability to explore at different fraternities and housing units across campus. However, unlike other visits, Scarlet Honors Weekend give students an understanding of the community at and around Wabash. This includes events like the “Taste of Wabash” and watching the home basketball game against Denison University that Saturday.

“It is not exactly what would happen for a student in a thirty-six-hour period of time here, but it is pretty close, and prospective students need to see how they would fit on this campus,” Chip Timmons '96, Associate Dean for Enrollment and Director of Admissions, said.

Not alone will this visit be useful for the high school seniors, but it will likewise see that the parents and families of these students have their own meaningful experience. Here, parents and families will be provided their own extensive schedule of activities planned. It will offer them something new to walk away with whether their first time visiting or multiple time at Wabash.

This weekend is much more than just the individuals visiting, but the campus taking a holistic attitude to how they operate the weekend in its entirety. “It is our students

understanding the opportunity, and how it will help the college and not just with recruitment but in general,” Timmons said. The weekend will afford more opportunities in all aspects for the prospective students and in giving so the campus will have a more direct or indirect influence in the experience of every student. “It’s our signature event in the fall semester, and we have been telling students if you can only visit one time, this is the weekend to do it,” Timmons said.

As the weekend becomes more important, there will be more moving parts. “About twenty different classes will be offered, you have the Sphinx Club offering to do tours through our interactive passport experience, along with the hosts of students,” Julia Wells, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions, said. In addition, the admissions team is looking to partner with the IFC and IMA in organizing events and forming an experience more valuable and inclusive.

In only its third year of existence, Scarlet Honors Weekend is still assimilating itself at Wabash. “We don’t know yet, but we want Scarlet Honors Weekend to be a tradition,” Timmons said. Previously, Honors Scholarship Weekend was the premier admissions event. For many years, current high school students had the opportunity to experience Wabash in the spring of their senior year. Unlike that event, the Scarlet Honors Weekend looks to evolve off that and present new, innovative, and unique atmosphere on campus through this occasion.

“I think it’s one of the hallmarks of a visit here that our students, faculty, and staff see someone with a red folder or the lanyard and know they are a visitor and they don’t put their head down and ignore them,” Timmons said. “They stop, greet them, welcome them.”

As another opportunity to present our campus to interested students, it provides for an opportunity

to take part in something we all experienced between one and four years ago. “Students are eager to talk about their Wabash experience,” Wells said.

The Scarlet Honors Weekend continues to expand in awareness and attendance. The admissions staff looks for current Wabash students to be at the forefront of the weekend. With the 213 students attending last year, they expect for

over 250 students this year with the 15 Lilly finalists who can be a part of both events. For Wabash to prosper and extend our range, we as students are again a part of the recruiting process and can reach out to friends and family members about Wabash. By spreading the fame of her honored name, the College will see more short-term success and, hopefully, a long-term positive effect.

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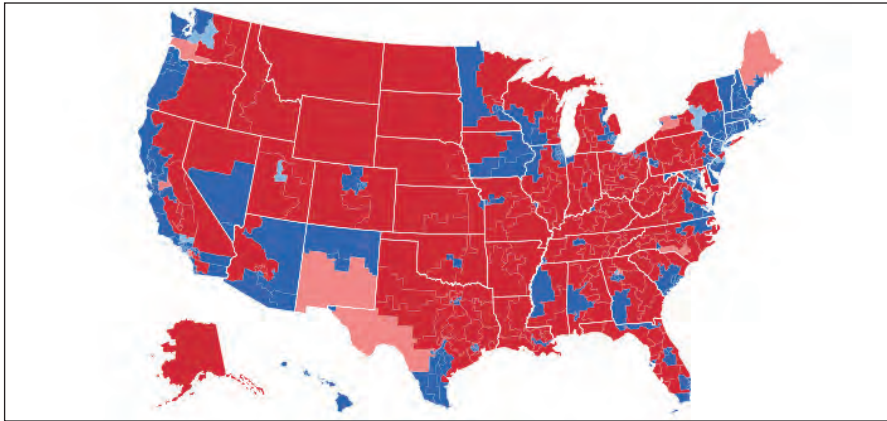
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Democrats back the House after eight years which is absolutely essential to effectively oppose the Trump administration and stir up more Democratic support in future

elections like the 2020 presidential race. Tuesday night was not only an exciting night for politics, but an exciting night for the Wabash family. Mike Braun '76 won an underdog victory in the Senate race, bringing recognition and respect to Wabash's academics, alumni, and students.



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The House elections were especially contentious. As of press time, over 20 incumbents lost their re-election bids.

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The annual blood drive between Wabash and DePauw is a great opportunity to give back during the hectic rivalry week.

WALLIES 'BLEED FOR THE BELL' STUDENTS JOIN WITH DEPAUW TO HELP A WORTHY CAUSE

CLAYTON HUBER '21 | STAFF WRITER • It is that time of year again, Ladies and Gentlemen. Bleed for the Bell is happening this week on campus! Every year, Wabash College hosts a blood drive to restock supplies for the American Red Cross. In recent years, however, the event has been rebranded as Bleed for the Bell to create a competition between Wabash and the school down south. The primary organization that helps set up this event is the Sphinx Club. When speaking with the Sphinx Club President, Sam Hayes '19, he was very aware and knowledgeable about the American Red Cross and the blood drive itself. "Its ultimate purpose is to raise a resource for people who find themselves in undesirable situations, such as those who need blood," Hayes said. "We want to make sure that there is enough blood in the reserves so that people can have access to it." While asking Hayes about the college atmosphere surrounding the event, he produced an optimistic response. "We are on a College campus, there are a lot of people who are willing to donate their blood to save others," Hayes said. "So, making sure that Wabash students have an opportunity to help those in need is the main factor behind

the idea of hosting a blood drive on campus." Discussing the goal of the blood drive was a topic Hayes was very optimistic to share with *The Bachelor*. "I definitely think that the Student Body is capable of shattering the amount of blood we have ever raised," Hayes said. "We are a strong group of students and Wabash is a great place that brings in the best guys. I have no doubts in my mind that we can raise, one, more blood than DePauw and two, as much as blood as we can." Talking about the Blood Drive itself and how it is marketed, Hayes had strong words to describe the goal. "Ultimately, this event is marketed as a competition between us and DePauw," Hayes said. "It is called Bleed for the Bell for a reason. But at the end of the day, both schools are working towards the same goal of increasing the reserves of different types of blood." Bleed for the Bell is an event where the students of Wabash College can contribute back to the community and help save lives. Bleed for the Bell participates in our Wabash motto. Wabash educates men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely. We live in a society that thrives on giving the gift of service to others.

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KEYBOARD WARRIORS

This piece is the first in a series of pieces I intend to do, with the purpose being to simply offer commentary and perspective on issues that affect people in our age range. The subject of this first piece is “keyboard warriors” and the changing debate dynamic. Don’t be a keyboard warrior, make it face-to-face.

There used to be a time, not so long ago, where if somebody had a problem with someone else, they came up and said it to their face. Nowadays, we have apps like GroupMe, Twitter, and Facebook, all of which have great qualities and great potential, but they have also helped foster a new wave of people who live as “keyboard warriors.” This idea of “keyboard warriors” has come about because social media apps (like GroupMe, Twitter, Facebook, etc.) and the internet have created a space where anyone can say what they want when they want to say it, with virtually no consequences. Some of these people find comfort and humor in spewing out vile and disgusting language and content, have no spinal fortitude, and find company among the toxic fan-base of websites like InfoWars and Breitbart News. On the other hand, there are also “keyboard warriors” who simply throw



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out passive-aggressive remarks towards others, trying to make one-liners stick for the embarrassment of some and the enjoyment of many. Let’s be honest: if most of us are either of these examples, we’re the latter. But the latter option is still problematic in its own right.

So, we’ve established that most students at Wabash aren’t spineless, alt-right, conspiracy theory-spewing internet trolls, but simply people looking for a laugh; hell, I’m very much in that second group. But here’s the issue with this group: when you attempt to diminish others through virtual one-liners and roasts, you aren’t participating in genuine democratic discourse or communicating for the betterment of others. Instead, you’ve simply gotten the other person’s hopes up that someone may be willing

to discuss an issue with them, only to cut their knees out from under them. Trust me when I say this, I have been this kind of person. It ruins relationships and forces people that only see that side of you to form incomplete and negative opinions of you. Therefore, let’s shift our focus to the importance of shifting away from this kind of rhetoric and towards rhetoric that promotes patience, listening, understanding, and inclusion.

Over the last three years (give or take), I’ve slowly begun to notice the most refreshing and the most impactful discussions, disagreements, and debates I have had have been in-person, respectful, and passionate. Both of us believe in what we have to say and we both believe in it with a passion, but at the same time, both of us also respect the other person’s beliefs. Despite all this, however, one key dynamic changed the whole tone of the debates: in-person, face-to-face discussion. This made it so that when I argued what I believed in, I couldn’t hide behind the anonymity of a computer screen, and if I said something that was personally offensive to the other person, I had to atone for my words. This kind of dynamic is dramatically different than the norm these days, and it really makes you

think about how you argue for something. Beyond simply talking to someone face-to-face, however, I would go so far as to say that the “keyboard warrior” era has permanently changed the way we talk to one another.

In politics and advertising today, the big thing is social media: how to use it, how to best utilize its features, and why it’s so much more or less effective for inspiring debate and argument. As of late, it seems like every politician is on Snapchat, every politician has a Twitter, every politician uses Instagram or Vine or TikTok or any of the thousands of different websites and apps. But what has also changed is our perception of politics. Many people today talk about how ineffective our politicians are, how partisan and full of vitriol they are, how little they accomplish beyond simply getting elected to office. So that begs the question: are our politics changing the way we use social media, or is it the other way around? I’ll let you decide that one for yourself, but I’ll also leave you with one last thought: the next time you go to roast someone on twitter or send a “savage” one-liner in a group chat, consider how the other person will feel, and instead, make the argument face-to-face. You’ll be amazed at the difference.

KEEP THE SPIRIT RINGING

Ding ding. It’s Bell Week. This week is unquestionably the most exciting and eventful week at Wabash with various activities (primarily drinking games and cookouts) happening every night leading up to the most anticipated football game of the season against the scoundrels from down south.

Personally, this week is one of my favorites at Wabash as the level of activity among campus is at the highest point of the semester, perhaps even the whole year. Nothing is more satisfying than hearing the constant ringing of the bell all day long with the exception of class time and after 11pm because, of course, we are scholars and gentlemen.

It seems the beginning of the semester fixates on this exact moment with everyone’s mind



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keeping a mental tally of how many weeks or days are left until the Monon Bell game. Some professors (unfortunately not all) schedule tests and papers for the week before Bell Week knowing that students will be busy doing Bell related things. As a junior, I have seen the significant difference of Bell Week with and without the bell, and the passion wabash has when this priceless relic is home where it should be. As

campus peaks in school spirit for this week, it does not last forever as there is a noticeable decline in spirit once the week passes.

For as wild and active Bell Week is, it is surprising and even disappointing at the participation in activities for the other weeks of the year. While almost all students attend the Monon Chapel Talk, attendance to the other Chapel Talks is significantly less and only gets even smaller after freshmen are initiated and for Chapel Talks in the second semester. This level of participation applies to numerous other events that happen on campus as there is a spike in attendance for Bell Week that is absent almost every other time of the year. TGIF and pep rallies occur multiple times throughout the semester, but it seems a large portion of students are only interested in attending the ones

during Bell Week.

I understand this week is the height of most campus activity, but that does not justify this discrepancy in student participation. As a campus, we pride ourselves in our passion for this week, but we seem to tolerate the lack of it at other times of the year. Bell Week is successful in unifying campus under one goal; crushing DePauw and keeping the Monon Bell in Crawfordsville, but this unity vanishes once the week ends.

Why can’t Wabash maintain this level of involvement not just for a week, but for the year? Wouldn’t it be impressive to see this huge of a turnout to the various events held on campus as opposed to numbers in the single digits like they have on a number of occasions?

Bring the heat this weekend, but don’t let that fire die out. Sco’ Bash!

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THE BEST BELL HEISTS (AND HEIST ATTEMPTS)

WILL HARVEY '22 | STAFF WRITER • Spirits are high around Wabash as the bell hollers its famous “ding ding” across campus at all hours as we approach the biggest weekend of the school year. Luckily the bell is in proper hands, but reflecting on less fortunate, one cannot help but recollect incredible bell heists of the past.

The first heist, which was even featured in an article in *Sports Illustrated*, depicts a trio of DePauw students aspiring to haul the 300 pound bell from the perch where it rests in the Allen Center. Bolted to the platform, DePauw student Matthew Ingle scaled to the top of the perch with wrench in hand, attempting to lower the bell onto the ground. Two other students quickly alerted him of an approaching security guard, Don Money. They quickly returned to their vehicle in an attempt to escape, but not until Mr. Money was able to gather the license plate number. After reporting the attempt, it wasn't long until police contacted Ingle and shortly afterwards he turned himself in. Unfortunately for him, he faced a prosecutor from Wabash, and the rest is history.

Other heists have occurred in the past, such as when a Wabash student tricked DePauw admissions faculty into thinking he was a prospective student seeking to see the bell. After acquiring the location, that night a group of Wabash men acquired the bell and returned it. However, none will rival the extravagance of Operation Frijoles. In 1965, Jim Shanks visited the president of DePauw,

posing as an important figure from the Mexican-American Cultural Institute. His goal was to establish a scholarship or two and encourage enrollment from Hispanic students. Switching between Spanish and English, he managed to get the president to show him famous landmarks around campus, including the location of the bell. With little to no resistance, the bell was snatched that night and, shortly after the operation, Wabash ended a 10 year drought and returned the bell. Wabash students flooded the field wearing sombreros and flaunting Hispanic ponchos while posters around Greencastle showed the president winning “the No-Bell prize” and “granting \$20,000 in scholarships to needy Wabash students.”

Another incredible story tells of “The march on the SAE house” where some men at Phi Psi, Delt, and Sig Chi nabbed the bell from DePauw. A sorority had assisted them in discovering the location; it was hidden in the SAE house. The men rallied together at the late hours of night as a convoy of Wabash plates headed to Greencastle. A herd of red and white paraded towards the house, others joining in as they advanced. Many were prepared for a full-fledged brawl. The men gathered in their front yard where an entourage of campus security and Dannies awaited their arrival. The Wabash group howled Old Wabash and other chants which might not be appropriate to repeat. The bell was locked down in an impenetrable

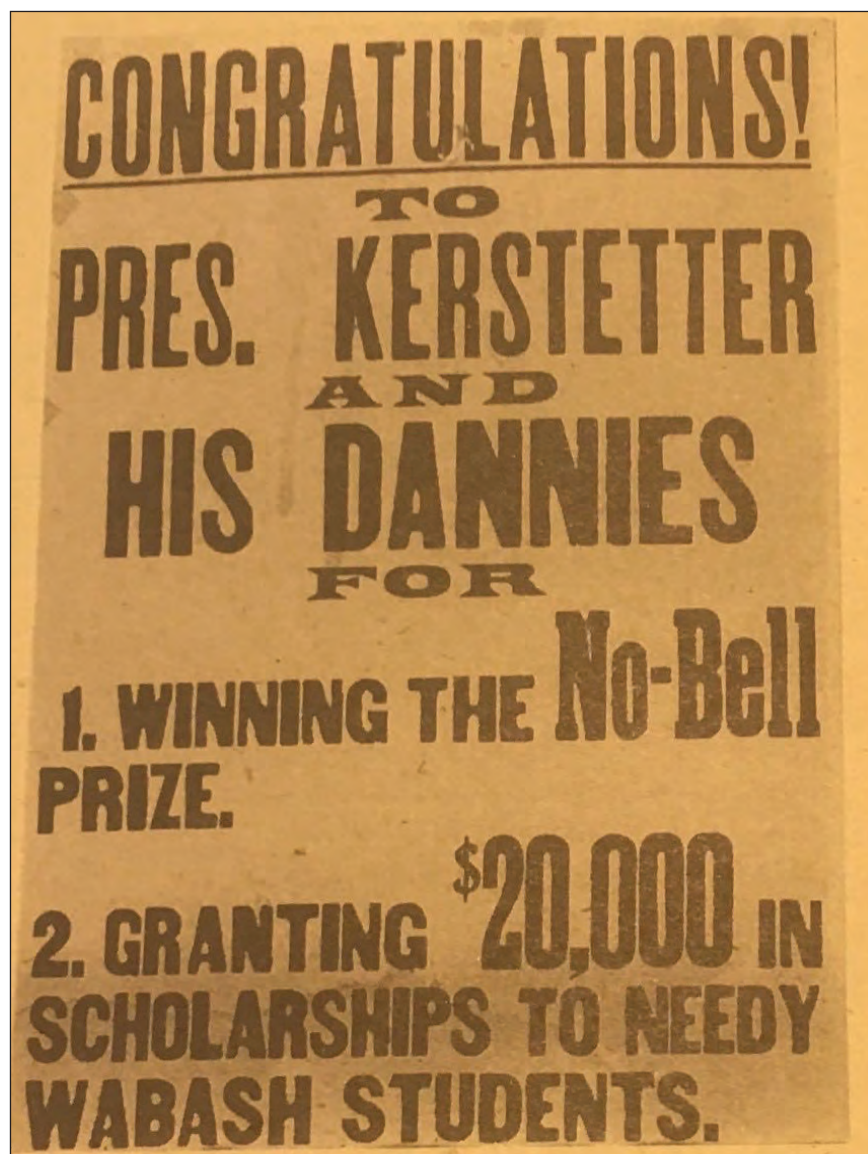


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Heists attempts surrounding the Monon Bell are almost as historical as the game itself.

APO BOASTS STATEMENT OF SERVICE

ALEX ROTARU '22 | STAFF WRITER • “[Community service] fits into Wabash culture with the idea of living humanely”, Ian Songer, chapter president of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, said. APO is just one of the many philanthropic organizations on campus, alongside Circle K and Sons of Wabash.

The coed fraternity was started in the 1910s at Lafayette College, born out of the Boy Scouts of America. After World War II, they helped veterans who had nothing to do to become an active part of their communities. It is now the largest fraternity in the world.

The three Greek letters that form the fraternity’s name stand for leadership, friendship, and service. They foster an atmosphere of brotherhood and moral rectitude, as it helps them achieve their

goals easier through unity. It is also, according to Songer, an opportunity to give back to the Alma Mater, both as students and as alums.

Besides giving a hand to communities in need, volunteering is also beneficial to a student’s character, mood, and experience. “Doing good for goodness’ own sake makes you happier, and, I think, the happier you are, the more receptive you are to studying and doing other healthy activities,” Songer said. “I think that doing service and having additional emotional moral security helps you not be so stressed.”

The Delta Omicron chapter here at Wabash has been working with Habitat for Humanity, Boys and Girls Club, and ASI – a center for service learning – as well as doing highway cleanups on a portion of

US 231 and sugar creek cleanups.

“It’s a very different dynamic here, at Wabash, because APO at a lot of state schools is a replacement for joining a fraternity,” Songer said. “But most of our members in APO are members of other fraternities.” Due to this unique situation, according to Songer, one of the Delta Omicron chapter’s goals is to act as a bridge between the different fraternities.

This year, the brothers of APO have had two community service events: a creek cleanup and helping out Habitat for Humanity build two houses in the Crawfordsville area. This week, they are organizing the Change War event, a donation competition between the fraternities and the independents – where the house who donates the most money in the form of coins in their respective bucket on the

Chapel stairs wins. The catch is that members from other houses can hinder their progress by putting cash in the same bucket and the amount donated gets subtracted from the house’s total. This event was organized in order to support suicide prevention.

This semester, APO is also planning three service events on campus. In the future, they are planning to do an Easter Egg Hunt for Crawfordsville youth, to pair up with other organizations, such as NSLS and fraternities on campus in order to have joint events, and to set a structured calendar with a monthly theme.

So, if you are the kind of person who wants to get involved both on and off the campus and who wants to give back to the Alma Mater, be sure to check out APO at their next callout meeting.



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Alpha Phi Omega change drive buckets sit on the Chapel steps, as the Monon Bell looks over the Mall this past week.

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safe in their basement, but that wouldn't stop them. After a violent battle ensued, diplomats from each side met and decided that the bell would be handed over in a neutral location off campus. Despite not obtaining the bell that night, DePauw was no longer in possession of the bell and that would have to suffice until game day.

With other small skirmishes detailing the history of the heists, there will certainly be more in the future. It's important that we come together this week in unity to celebrate the rivalry and an unforgettable game that will be spoken of for years by players and fans alike. We encourage everyone to attend and spend some time with brothers, meet some alumni and savor the moment. It only happens once a year.



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One particularly interesting Bell Heist occurred before last year's game, involving an entourage of U.S. Presidents.

A DAY IN THE LIFE: PROF. CRYSTAL BENEDICKS

WALKING THROUGH THE WEEKLY CALENDAR OF A WABASH PROFESSOR

BRENT BREESE '19 | COPY EDITOR

Wabash students are well known for their opportunities to form working relationships and friendships with our professors. Students babysit for their professors, play club sports together, have dinner together, and in the past even rented apartments from faculty members. Despite this sense of closeness with our faculty, we don't always have a clear picture of a day in the life of a Wabash professor. Do they live at Backstep? Do they live in the laboratory? Or do they live right here in Crawfordsville, five minutes away from Wabash's campus with three young children and a dog? The latter is the case for Crystal Benedicks, Associate Professor of English Literature and her husband, Jim Cherry, Associate Professor of Theater.

"The two pulls in my life are my job and family," Benedicks said. "Every act feels like juggling those things, and on a good day I feel like I'm equally present in both of those worlds. But on most days, I wish for more time to spend on the things I'm not doing at the moment."

Anyone who has spent time in Benedicks' office immediately notices the Hot Wheels track, the pile of toys, and more than likely a drawing of some point done by her children. "I imagine most working parents feel this conundrum," Benedicks said.

Mornings in her household are usually a scramble. Teeth need brushed, mouths need food, feet need socks (though Benedicks would like to note that "matching socks" are by no means a priority) and about a dozen other things need immediate attention.

"The struggle at this point is not seeing the kids as a series of chores that need accomplished," Benedicks said. "Not looking at them and seeing a checklist. Instead, look at them as humans."

The typical Wabash student does not have this early morning sprint to get the day started, but once the kids get off to school, Benedicks' daily routine begins to take on a tone familiar to most students.

"Spending some time at the gym every day is critical," Benedicks said. "It's the only time in my day that I have just to myself. It functions like

therapy." Wabash students know just as well that exercise is crucial to academic and mental health. "I can wake my mind up for the day," Benedicks said.

"The two pulls in my life are my job and family."

-DR. CRYSTAL BENEDICKS

After the gym, it's time for Benedicks to head to class. "Whenever I walk into my first class of the day, I switch from my family hat to my professional hat," Benedicks said.

"People are going to energize or de-energize based on what I bring to the room." She notes that this shift is fascinating. Benedicks goes from a slightly hectic morning, to some gym time, and then all of a sudden things just sort of drop off and shift.

"It makes me wonder if my students feel like this," Benedicks said. "What are they checking at the door as they walk in?" Even during her "professor hours," Benedicks still faces some curveballs as she moves from a Freshman composition course to a pure literature course. After her two classes finish at noon, she's already had a full day, which is something quite familiar to many of us.

"I allow myself to be stupid for about 20 minutes at this point," Benedicks said. "I do some busy 'not-smart' work while I decompress."

Afterwards, she addresses the things required by an academic, whether that be writing, reviewing, reading (a lot), and working through the "list". "You don't ever get as far through the list as you want to, but it still helps," Benedicks said.

Around 2:30 in the afternoon, the family clock starts once again as the kids come home. The oldest child does his homework, plays video games, and spends some quality time with either Benedicks or Cherry. At 4:30 p.m., they face a full house and really need to balance everything.

One parent might be cooking while the other is taking care of something which has an approaching deadline. However, and this bit will resonate with all of us, Benedicks stress the absolute importance of having a family dinner every night.

"Dinner with small children us just so much fun," Benedicks said. "The community of our family dinner is just so critical."

After that, the parents will again flip-flop their parent/professor roles until the kids go to bed and they can finally relax.

If any of this seemed like a whirlwind to our readers, don't worry, you aren't alone. We asked Benedicks what it was like to deal with any sort of emergency or sudden problem, and how to keep everything from crumbling.

"You can't prevent everything from crumbling," Benedicks said.

"A parent has to have a higher tolerance for chaos."

Responding to chaos requires Benedicks and Cherry to coordinate immediately and prioritize who will respond to said chaos. "We're very lucky to live very close to campus," Benedicks said.

Wabash students can take some lessons from two dedicated parents and involved professors: learn to manage a crisis, communicate effectively with your team (or spouse), use a well-structured calendar (the Benedicks-Cherry joint calendar is seriously impressive), and learn to switch between your hats. By switching gears from work to class to studying or whatever your case may be, you don't completely forget everything else that doesn't necessarily pertain to what you're doing in any given moment.

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JAKE PAGE '21 PROFILE

ERIC CHAVEZ | STAFF WRITER • Jacob Page '21 is a sophomore from Lafayette, Indiana who attended Lafayette Central Catholic High School. At Wabash, he planned on studying Economics while also playing safety for the football team. He is a part of a long line of Pages that have attended Wabash that include two brothers that are here now. Although his family has a history of graduating from Wabash, he said there was no pressure to attend. "My dad was the only one out of all my uncles and

"It is nice to see the hardwork paying off."

JAKE PAGE '21

his family not to go to Wabash," Page said. "He went to Purdue and so there was no pressure at all and it was completely my decision. I'm just really glad I'm here."

After not playing a single play his freshman year, Page has found his niche as a safety on

the football field. A few weeks ago, with a share of the conference championship on the line, he recorded two interceptions and nine tackles to lead Wabash to an overtime victory against a previously top ten ranked Wittenberg University. When asked about this performance Page said, "I didn't even really pay attention to whatever personal things I did. I was just so happy that we got the win the way we did."

The humble Page also gave his defensive teammates praise. "Our whole defense really stepped up that day," Page said. "We had a great game plan and we knew that if we stuck to it, and made plays when they needed to be made, we could get a win and that's all that we were focused on."

His outstanding performance was recognized around the conference and the nation. Page was named the NCAC Defensive Player of the Week while also being named to the D3 football Team of the Week. "It was very humbling," Page said when asked what it was like to be given these awards. "It is nice to see the hard work paying off." Page again showed his humility when he admitted that his teammates knew about the awards before he did. "It's funny, I actually found out because someone on my team just congratulated me and I really wasn't sure what he was talking about. I was just glad we got the

win that week." Page said.

Page and the rest of the Wabash defense looked strong again against Allegheny College last Saturday, holding the gators to 17 points over four quarters. "Our coaches and captains did a really good job of realizing that that was the biggest game of the year," Page said. "Once we lost to Denison, we had to treat every game as a conference championship because if we lose, our hopes of a conference championship are gone." This mentality showed as the Little Giants beat Allegheny 54-17.

With his biggest game still to be played, Page said he is looking forward to playing in the Bell Game for the first time. "It's exciting," Page said. "It's easy to get over-excited now but I know I have to be patient. I know that last year for Bell I was the most excited I'd ever been for a football game and I knew I wasn't going to get in. This year I just have to stay focused on the task at hand."

If Wabash maintains its possession of the Bell, Wabash will hold a share of the Conference Championship and Page says it's the perfect way to wrap up the regular season with this particular group of guys. "We've got a really good group of seniors and I think it's only right that we send them off with a win." Watch Page play in the big game this weekend.



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Jake Page '21 wraps up against a Wittenberg defender in this year's game.



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DIVISION III SPORTS: IT'S A GOOD PATH

PATRICK MCAULEY '20 | SPORTS EDITOR • Many prospective student-athletes pack their bags today in hopes of witnessing a legendary Monon Bell Classic this weekend. For Wabash men, it is a time of joy and happiness after waiting 365 days to watch the bell ring on our field once again. For future college athletes, it is a short period to decide their future, possibly at Wabash.

According to the NCAA, 1 out of every 54 high school athletes participates at the Division I Level. Nonetheless, high school varsity starters still think about the "D1 Dream," the possibility of playing for a program that transcends normalcy in all areas of college life. They crave the scholarship money, the high competition, and the status bestowed upon them as they slip on a jersey. It's all very cool, though, DIII athletics offer just as much.

Christina Egbert, the Wabash Multimedia Writer, recently did a profile article of Jaleel Grandberry '19, a current senior on the Wabash Football team. The article discussed his recent internship working for the NFL Network and the various connections he made with ex-professional players such as Terrell Davis and LaDanian Tomlison. Egbert further mentioned how Grandberry's passion for football at Wabash made the transition into the internship very smooth. He loved it and attributed much of that feeling to his time as a student-athlete at Wabash College.

DIII student-athletes do not have it easy. Amidst the morning workouts, afternoon practices, and coach's meetings, students still manage their time to include rigorous academics. Schools such as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Bowdoin College, and the University of Chicago have athletes playing DIII sports. According to research by Google, the average ACT score at these schools is in the 95th percentile; these students do not mess around academically.

In addition to the strong scholastic setting, Division III environments

provide a range of extracurriculars other than sports. There are clubs, social fraternities, leadership organizations, and on-campus job opportunities. Tucker Dixon '19 is a huge contributor to the Wabash Lacrosse Team. Yet, he also holds leadership positions around campus and is a member of the Sphinx Club. "The benefit that I see of Division III sports is that your life is not run by your program," Dixon said. "There is a lot of freedom to do things outside of athletics." Jackson Blevins '20, who helped the Wabash Baseball Team to a Conference Title last year, is currently the Beta Theta Pi pledge educator and staff writer for The Bachelor. "There is enough time to balance your academics, social life, and athletic commitments," Blevins said. "Once the season comes around, there is time to get closer with your teammates, and I think Wabash finds a great balance of everything." So, want to join a fraternity? Interested in joining a club? These are all options.

Furthermore, the competition in Division III matches the levels of a few DI sports. Eudice Chong, a recent graduate of Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, is a star women's tennis player. Last year, Chong won the 2018 Division III Honda Athlete of the Year Award along with being named an All-American and winning the 2018 DIII National Title in Claremont, California. Where is she now? Chong is on the WTA Pro Tour competing for thousands of dollars in prize money against the top players in the world. She brought a whole new level to DIII Women's Tennis, and it would be great to see more of it.

While living the "D1 Dream" sounds and looks very nice, DIII sports offer a path of excellence and opportunity in all areas of life. Academics are strong, student life is thriving, and the competition levels are high. It's a tough decision and the line is fragile, but saying "yes" to DIII is an excellent choice.

WABASH BEATS ALLEGHENY

AVANT AND REID TEAR UP GATOR DEFENSE

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 AND IAN WARD '19 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND PHOTO EDITOR • This past Saturday, the Wabash College football team welcomed back B.J. Hammer '01 and his Allegheny College Alligators. Led by Isaac Avant '20, the Little Giants throttled the Gators, 54-17. Avant ran for 226 yards, including a 98 yard touchdown run in the second quarter. Avant had two other rushing touchdowns on the day. Jake Reid '21 added 164 yards and two touchdown passes to Ra'Shawn Jones '20 and one to Ryan Thomas '19. After defeating eighth-ranked Wittenberg in the previous week, Wabash came into the week full of confidence. Allegheny, coming off a big win against DePauw in their last game, is showing a resurgence after years of abysmal

play. Despite the Gators' solid play, Wabash is playing its best football of the season. After an embarrassing loss to Denison University back on October 6, the Little Giant football team has not faltered. Wabash's defense only surrendered an average of 11.25 points since Denison, while the offense averaged 28.5 in those few games.

Wabash has one of the most high-power teams in the nation. Reid has not thrown an interception in his previous three games. This tenacity and momentum will surely help the Little Giants as they will now prepare for the 125th Monon Bell game presented by Cancer Treatment Centers of America.

The 125th Monon Bell game begins at 1:07 pm next Saturday at Byron P. Hollett Little Giant Stadium, and can be viewed on FOX Sports Indiana, FOX Sports Midwest, and streamed on FOX Sports GO. For Tickets, visit wabashtickets.com



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Isaac Avant '20 hits a gap against Allegheny last weekend.

2018 MONON BELL PREDICTIONS

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 |

THE BACHELOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • Since September 10th, Wabash has been missing something. Maybe not something, but someone. It's hard to put into words how much we've longed for Evan to be with us today, especially on the most important game in the year. Wabash might only line up with 11 tomorrow, but there will be 12 on the field tomorrow.

The Monon Bell Classic might be the medicine that this campus needs. It won't be a cure, maybe some slight closure to the season. So far, Wabash is 8-1 with more to prove. With Wabash's dominant nature in the previous three games, the team will be rolling into the Classic with an enormous amount of confidence. After a season-defining win at Wittenberg University paired with two commanding wins against Allegheny College and Oberlin College, a Monon win will cap off a fantastic season, being named Co-Champions of the NCAC with Denison University and Wittenberg.

Isaac Avant '20 took over the primary running back roles after Ike James '20 got hurt during the second game of the year. Avant ran for 1,031 yards, averaging 6.4 yards a carry and scoring ten touchdowns. Along with Austin Hoover '19, the running game looks strong going into the game.

Compared to last year, the passing game revolutionized an offense reliant on the running game. New quarterback Jake Reid '21 threw for

1,627 yards through nine games, adding 16 touchdowns with only five interceptions, none in the last three weeks. It is 300 more passing yards through one less game from last year's season. Oliver Page '19, Ra'Shawn Jones '20, Ryan Thomas '19, and Matt Penola '19 each have 300 yards and all of Reid's touchdowns. Coupled with the running game, Wabash will make it hard for DePauw to stop the offense.

Similarly, Wabash's defense is strong. Led by a young and fast secondary; the team only conceded more than 21 points once, its only loss of the season to Denison. A defense that named NCAC Players of the Week three times, they have the talent to stop any team in DIII. They have 23 sacks on the year with 12 interceptions through nine games.

Still, with all the success this team had, Monon is a different game. DePauw will get everything they have. As far as each side is concerned, the season accomplishments account for nothing for this game. Wabash has an NCAC championship on the line; DePauw has their pride on the line. Each team will bring their best.

Wabash will come out flying and fierce with little stopping them. With Evan watching over, Wabash rolls.

WABASH: 28

DEPAUW: 17

THE BACHELOR PREDICTION

CHARLIE NASH | THE DEPAUW

STAFF WRITER • The last time the Monon Bell game was played at Wabash, DePauw broke a seven year long losing streak in the rivalry and took the bell back to Greencastle. The game was one of the most exciting football games that I have seen during my four years at DePauw, and I expect this meeting to be no different.

This time around, the 4-5 DePauw Tigers enter the game as an underdog to the 8-1 Wabash Little Giants. DePauw is coming off of a 38-6 drubbing on Kenyon University, while Wabash rides into the Bell game on a four game winning streak that has shot them up to #22 in the most recent AFCA coaches poll.

For DePauw to upset the Little Giants, they need to stop Wabash's running attack, lead by junior Isaac Avant. Avant, the NCAC's second leading rusher, is Wabash's greatest weapon on offense and will look to have a big day in his third appearance in the Monon Bell. However, Avant will face a DePauw-run defense that has yielded a mere 49 yards per game this season, the lowest in the NCAC. Taking Avant out of the game will force Wabash to throw, which has been one of their weaknesses this season.

On offense, DePauw will need a big day from sophomore quarterback Chase Andries, a dual

threat who has recently earned the bulk of DePauw's snaps at the quarterback position. Andries comes off of a three touchdown performance in last week's match-up against Kenyon, and will look to build off of his breakout game. Andries is surrounded by talent on offense as well, most notably senior wide receiver Andy Hunt, who caught the game winning touchdown during the Monon game two years ago.

For DePauw to pull off the upset, Andries needs to establish his connection with Hunt early in the game, and get DePauw's offense moving. On defense, DePauw needs to control Wabash's running attack, and force Wabash to throw, allowing DePauw's turnover inducing defense to force mistakes.

I believe that DePauw head coach Bill Lynch will be able to fire up his team to play to their fullest potential, and ruin Wabash's opportunity to play postseason football. This game will be a very close, low scoring battle between two great defenses, but the senior leadership of DePauw will be the difference in this match-up. Get up Tigers. It's Bell Week.

WABASH: 13

DEPAUW: 17

THE DEPAUW PREDICTION



IAN WARD '19 / PHOTO

Wabash hoists the Monon Bell after winning last year's game at DePauw.



TOM RUNGE '71 / PHOTO

Wabash runner dives for first down in previous Monon Bell Game.

KNIGHTS TAKE DOWN THE LITTLE GIANTS

JACKSON BLEVINS '20 | STAFF

WRITER • Last Thursday, the Little Giant basketball team took on Division II powerhouse Bellarmine University. The Little Giants traveled to Louisville, Kentucky and fought hard against the talented Knights squad but ultimately fell 58-86. The game also had a unique twist, as Alex Eberhard '20 faced off against his older brother Adam, a senior who is a two-time All-American for the Knights.

"It's a dream come true and I've watched so many games in that gym," Eberhard said. "At the end of the day I'm my brothers biggest fan and I feel blessed that Coach Brumett gave us this opportunity. This is something I'll be able to tell my kids about someday."

The Little Giants got off to a hot start commanding a 6-0 lead but were not able to capitalize on the early lead as the Knights went into halftime ahead 42-28. The Knights shot almost 60% from the field and seemed to fire on all cylinders on Thursday night with three of their players scoring in double figures. Jack Davidson '21 paced the Little Giants with 18 points and Kellen Schreiber '22 scored 9 points in his first collegiate game. Harry Hallstrom '20 chipped in 8 points and 7 rebounds, and Eberhard added 7 points of his own. This exhibition game against a tough opponent allowed the Little Giants

to see what they've got as they approach regular season play.

"We definitely need to limit our turnovers this season," Eberhard said. "Bellarmine was athletic and lengthy and they made some good plays defensively. One thing we did well was winning the rebounding battle. I think that's a sneak peek of how tough we can be this season. Playing a team of that caliber did nothing but make us better and is great for our experience moving forward this year."

"I thought that we played very well, although the score doesn't look as though we did," Hallstrom said. "Overall our ball movement and communication through the game was very efficient and had purpose. I think that once conference play starts out we will be playing at a high level. I think one thing we should improve on is our defense and continuing to help the next man when help is needed and getting down the stretch of the court quickly."

The Little Giants had the week off as they prepare to take on Division I Northern Kentucky University in Highland Heights, Kentucky. The game will be streamed on ESPN+ and this is another unique opportunity to see how the Little Giants stack up against a team that played postseason basketball in the NIT (National Invitational Tournament) last year.



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Harrison Hallstrom '20 goes up to block a Bellarmine defender.

WEBSITE GIVES WABASH HIGH DISTINCTIONS

JAKE VERMEULEN '21 | NEWS

EDITOR • Following a dominant 54-17 win over Allegheny last Saturday, the entire Wabash starting offensive line was named to the D3Football.com Team of the Week. Starters Kyle McAtee '19, Connor Phelps '20, Jake Slager '20, Russell Berning '19, and Dane Smith '22 helped pave the way for an explosive rushing performance for the Little Giants. Allegheny entered last week's game with a stout rushing defense, allowing only 111.4 rushing yards per game to their opponents. Wabash running back Isaac Avant '20 rushed for 229 yards on only 22 carries. He found the end zone three times after running through massive holes opened up by his offensive line, including a 98-yard touchdown toward the end of the first half. Three other Wabash runners added at least 45

yards on the afternoon, as the Little Giants racked up 426 yards against the Gators in the game.

The offensive line also kept starting quarterback Jake Reid '21 clean throughout the day, allowing only one sack against a dangerous defensive line that entered the contest ranked eighth in the nation with more than four sacks per game. Reid used the clean pocket to shred the Allegheny defense for 164 yards and three touchdowns on just thirteen attempts.

Success for the Little Giants started up front last Saturday, as the offensive line paved the way for the offense to gain 590 yards on the day. The newly honored linemen will face a stiff test this weekend against a DePauw defense that has been stout against the run so far this season, but they certainly look up to the challenge.

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NEW SEASON, STRONG START

WABASH COMPETES AT THE DI AND DIII LEVEL, TAKES DOWN WRESTLERS AT THE ADRIAN COLLEGE INVITATIONAL AND THE MICHIGAN STATE OPEN

SAM PIPIRAS '22 | STAFF WRITER • Wrestling Head Coach Brian Anderson was pleased with the results of the Adrian College Invitational this past weekend and was happy to see the freshmen show their ability out there on the mat. The Little Giants took first place out of 12 teams at Adrian. Anderson has the same expectations every year. "We want our guys living a championship lifestyle," said Anderson. Anderson gives his wrestlers the instructions to win the national title everyone desires, but to achieve this, the team must improve every day and have fun while doing it.

This year's practices have been extremely competitive. The team practices Monday through Friday, with a few practices and workouts on the weekend to keep them fresh on their feet. They practice drills that enhance footwork, speed, strength, and hand-eye coordination. It all showed in the invite.

Darden Schurg '19 stood out this weekend, winning the Michigan State Open wrestling at the 174 lbs weight class. He took down the 2018 Division III National Champion and a few D1

starters on his way to the top. Timberman went 4-0 in the season opener at the Adrian College Invitational. Timberman won the 165 lbs weight class individual tournament. Timberman's key to success is putting in hard work and pushing himself in every aspect of life. He does everything he can to put himself and his team in the best position possible. Max Bishop '21 wrestled at Heavyweight and destroyed his last opponent 9-1 in his final match. The freshmen did an excellent job on Saturday proving what they have out on the mat in their first college tournament. Kody Wagner '22 is a 149 pounder and beat some nationally ranked guys showing his strength and potential. Wagner finished 3rd place in his first career tournament. Amberger, wrestling at 197 this year, said "This year we're opposed to have the best year in Wabash history ever."

With a great start of the season across the board, it brings great promise to the future of the Wabash wrestling team. Beating Mount Union, a top tier team in the region, really shows what the team is all about. This success

shows the team is doing the right things and Coach Anderson along with his staff are doing what they can to put their guys in the right position for success.

In year's past, the Wabash Wrestling team dominated teams in their early season meets. In the Adrian College Invite last fall, Wabash walked away with a first place win out of nine other competing teams. Twenty seven wrestlers placed in the top eight in each of their weight classes. This year, the team continued the streak of a strong opening.

Timberman and Amberger would like to congratulate all the freshman saying they did a great job and really exceeded their expectations this early in the season. It took a team effort to compete at a high level this early in the season. The wrestlers have put a lot of hard work leading up to the season and it was great to see it pay off. Wrestling is matching up against Manchester University this Friday at Manchester. Head out there in support of your little giants as they give a beat down to the Spartans. The meet starts at 7 p.m.



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Owen Doster '20 wrestles against an opponent during a meet last year.



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