



An Analysis of Class On Campus

COREY LEUTERS '19 | STAFF WRITER • When President Greg Hess rings in an incoming class, there is an assumption that everyone is on equal grounds with each other, that there is no distinct division, no barriers for individuals, no limits for their abilities. Students are in class with each other, they live with one another, they interact with each and every student passing by. At face value, Wabash is amiable—beyond, the price is clear, and further beyond is a small silver lining.

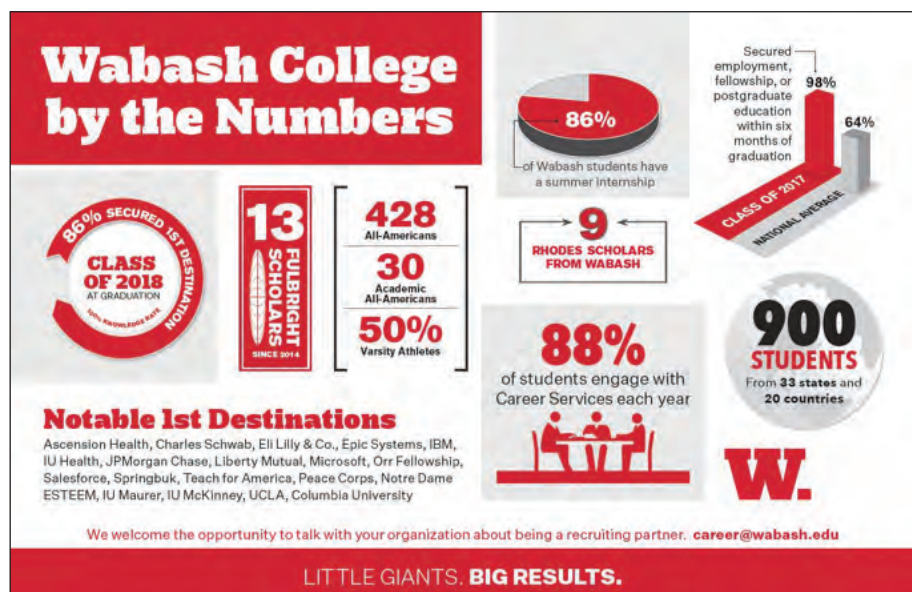
Miguel Aguirre-Morales '19 understands the struggle under-privileged students have to live through. "I have to work quite a bit to pay for college," Aguirre said. "I pay for my education, apart from the scholarships I have received, because my parents are not able to help me financially." *The Chicago Tribune* reports, "[l]ow-income students, especially low-income African-American and Hispanics, experience the worst effect of working during college...[t]hey work full time because they're afraid of taking loans, and consequently their studies suffer..."

It is not only the studies of these students that suffer, but also their opportunities to participate socially and academically in college life. "The first few years here, I would work through the entire school day," Aguirre said. "I could not go to office hours, I was not involved much socially, I missed a lot of lunch talks, among many other things." Aguirre is one of many students who face this burden. Students who work copious hours do so because they need to pay for school. Though there is no data of students on campus, the anecdotal accounts are staggering. Many pirate their books online because the cost of a textbook is too high. Many lower their meal plans because it is a couple of hundred dollars cheaper. Students face reductions at many levels to afford and make it through the College. We, as a community, should recognize this.

Not every student at Wabash is on equal grounds. Suggesting that each

student is afforded the same opportunity as the next would be erroneous. The *New York Times*' "The Upshot" places the median family income of a student from Wabash at \$104,900 "and 45% from [...] the top 20 percent." 23.2% of students come from the bottom 60% of household incomes - less than \$65,000/year. Of that, 10.7% of students come from the bottom 40% of household incomes - less than \$35,000/year. The Census Bureau reported in 2017 the median income for a household was \$59,039. There are a lot of numbers, and it may be challenging to piece them together. The point, however, is clear: Wabash students are not equal. If anything, they are heavily fragmented when it comes to socio-economic status. Why does this matter? Because the support at home and the ability to access resources privileges much of the College can leave the bottom 10.7% of students struggling to succeed.

There is a silver lining on campus among the many struggles that low-income students may face, and that is Career Services by and large. Roland Morin '91, Director of Professional Development and CIBE, would like all students to know: "Career Services aims to make sure that cost and resources are not limiting factors for our students to participate in professional development opportunities. For example, students who apply and are selected to participate in a PIE trip will have all meals, transportation, and other costs covered. We provide transportation to a great selection of off-campus career fairs, grad school visits, and networking events throughout the year. We ensure to the best of our ability that any unpaid internships posted in WabashWorks are clearly labeled as such, and that the descriptions always point to Wabash funding that would be appropriate for that particular opportunity. We work directly with employers and grad schools who recruit at Wabash, to make sure any scholarships or financial support available to Wabash applicants are promoted. It is important to our staff that



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Wabash's Career Services Center is consistently rated as one of the best in the country, and plays a large role in providing students with opportunities to succeed after graduation.

we try to anticipate possible roadblocks, and exhaust all resources available, to any opportunity or experience a student might like to take advantage of during his time here."

Engagement with Career Services can make or break a student at the college. They provide resources that are nearly inaccessible for students from low-income families. Utilizing them early can maximize each student's results. It is important to engage with Career Services because they have life-changing tools. By graduation, the Class of 2018 had 86% of students secure their first destination after Wabash. Six months after graduation, 100% had secured their first destination. The national average at six months is 64%

Post-Wabash outcomes are important. They show the work done on campus and how effective and ineffective the college is for its students. More data from "The Upshot" shifts many numbers of entering students after Wabash. The College ranks among the highest nationwide of upward mobility: 17% of students moved up two or more income quintiles, and

1.7% of students moved from the bottom income to the top income quintile. What's more, the college is among the lowest nationwide in terms of students who are in the bottom 20% of earners.

Comparatively, the college is doing well but could still do better. Of the 578 selective private colleges in the country, Wabash ranks 75th in odds of a poor student becoming a rich adult—a 40% chance. The numbers are good, and the success rate at Wabash is high, but there is still a gap that needs to be addressed. Affordability is important: the Class of 2019 has witnessed a nearly \$5,000 increase in cost over the last three and a half years. If this trend continues, Wabash may not be on the radar for many students who cannot afford the cost of an expensive, private, liberal arts education. The College has done a lot of legwork at enhancing the experience of students while they are on campus. The Giant Steps Campaign is the most vivid example of active invigoration for the students at Wabash. Unfortunately,

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

CAN WE EVER HAVE A GOOD NATIONAL ACT?

Hi-Five to National Act for once again being an absolute cluster last weekend. Despite the performance being overall decent, there were other questionable actions around the event that made the overall experience a weird one. Better than expected? Sure. Just as weird/crazy as the others? Sure. Should we do it again? Who knows.

AVENATTI BUSTED

Hi-Five to Michael Avenatti for pulling off an early contender for “Most On-Brand Move of the Year” earlier this week. Avenatti, one of the slimiest human beings on the planet, tweeted on Monday about a coming scandal involving Nike, which he would be unveiling on Tuesday. Less than an hour later, news trickled out that Avenatti was in custody for attempting to extort Nike. To say we weren’t surprised would be a massive understatement. Death, Taxes, and Michael Avenatti eventually getting arrested are the only things we could truly count on in this life.

ONE DEAF NCAA

The NCAA might need to consider pulling the ad it ran about student athletes during March Madness. The ad received multiple complaints from former and current student athletes about not properly showing the dedication to their respective sport and undervaluing the amount of time the athletes actually have. We will see during the games this weekend if the organization adapts to it.

CONGRATS TO DEAN JONES

Hi-Five to Dean of Professional Development Steven Jones for winning the S. Henry Bundles Jr. Award for Service from the Center for Leadership Development last weekend. We are all very appreciative for all you do at Wabash College and for the community around you!

ALL THE PARTIES AT ONCE

Hi-Five to all the Fraternities for all throwing parties on the same weekend. We’ve had very few parties on campus so far, and now we decided to jam all of them on the same day this weekend. We are excited that it’s that time at Wabash where the parties are overflowing, but a little bit better planning would be appreciated.

Alumni Panels Provide Guidance for Students

ALEXANDRU ROTARU ‘22 | STAFF WRITER • Starting last Friday, Career Services has organized three panels of alumni in order for students to learn more about life after Wabash. Each panel had a specific focus - alumni with majors that did not match their careers came in on Friday, March 22; the alumni athletes panel was on Monday, March 25; and the panel on former student leadership concludes the series today, March 29.

“Here, in the Career Services Office, we wanted to give students more opportunities to engage with alumni in meaningful ways,” Eric Moore, Associate Director of Professional Development, said. These panels are a recently created event, and serve to help students learn more about the transition from Wabash to real life, as well as about how to use the skills learned outside the domain they are working in, like those honed on the sports field or while leading any of the organizations on campus. “For many students, [transitions] can be very challenging,” Moore said. “If you think about Wabash, it’s a small, tight-knit community where you have a lot of resources and a lot of support. [...] When you graduate, when you move away, especially somewhere that you’ve never been to before, you don’t have those kinds of resources easily at hand. At first, it takes a while to figure out how to navigate that. Where do you make friends? How do you transfer what you’re learning in the classroom to an actual career? And how do you navigate just building your life in a new city or town?”

In choosing who to bring in for these panels, Career Services settled on bringing in successful recent graduates from the Indianapolis area as well as those who are working on campus. “We were trying to look for alumni who had that combo of compelling stories to tell, as well as the ability to get here,” Moore said. Also, with most panelists being recent graduates from the classes of 2010 through 2018, they most likely experienced similar challenges to those current Wallies will face after Wabash.

The first panel covered people who have careers that do not match with their majors. For instance, Shane Evans ‘12, who was on the panel, graduated with a B.A. in Chemistry, went to law school, and is now the mayor of Delphi, Indiana. “When we say [majors] don’t match,” Moore said, “[we mean] sometimes students and parents, when they’re thinking about college, think about what

major can the student choose, that will then directly lead to a career.” Here, at Wabash, men are taught many valuable skills, such as critical thinking, empathy, leadership, time management, and budgeting, both through extracurricular activities and through the distribution credits they are required to take. This makes Wabash men “able to work in a wide variety of places,” Moore said. “We want students to think big and use their imagination to think about all the different ways they can use what they’re learning here in a wide variety of careers.

One of the key myths this panel is trying to debunk is that, once Wallies choose a major, they are stuck in it and have to get a career that aligns as well as possible with it. “Sometimes, students don’t have a lot of information [about what they can do with their major],” Moore said. “So, [for instance,] they’ve taken several classes in Biology, but then they realize they don’t like Biology, and then feel stuck because that’s all they’ve ever done.” They could also choose a major based on strengths in the field or because of outside pressure, among others.

The next panel was on former student-athletes, and how they managed the transition not only from Wabash to real life, but also from competitive sports to careers. It’s like “going back to square one,” Connor Ludwig ‘17, one of the panelists, said. A major transition for former athletes is not having practice from 4 to 6 p.m. every day. To counter that sudden separation from a routine deeply-rooted in more than half the campus, panelist and former Sphinx Club president Marcus Kammarath ‘16 suggested to “Find something you can do every day,” that can act like an anchor for well-being. For Holten Warriner ‘17, it was adaptability that saved the day, as well as knowing how to use a digital calendar.

At the same time, sports have set them up for thriving in the business world: while Ludwig found the competitiveness he had as a football player in weightlifting, Kammarath used it actively in his sales job, in order to constantly evolve and improve. Also, the mindset they learned while on the field helped them more easily overcome obstacles in the workplace. Some of the things the panelists wished they did as Wabash men were to study abroad, to know that what they’re doing is challenging, and, most of all, to go more often to Career Services.

The last alumni panel will be today at noon, and will include former leaders of the campus.

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The Mothers' Fund, established by Trustee Jennifer Evans and her husband, Jack Tankersley, will focus on improving the student experience on campus.

Trustee Jennifer Evans Establishes Mothers' Fund

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING • Wabash College President Gregory D. Hess and Trustee Jennifer Evans have announced the creation of the Mothers' Fund at Wabash College—an endowed fund allocated at the discretion of the Dean of Students with the aim of improving the student experience.

Evans and her husband, Jack Tankersley, who live in Denver, have made a six-figure commitment to the fund with the long-term objective of seeing it grow to one million dollars or more.

Their hope is that mothers—and even grandmothers, aunts, spouses, and friends—of current Wabash students and alumni will support the fund to ensure that future students will benefit from the same positive student experience as their sons. Alumni and friends are also encouraged to contribute to the Mothers' Fund in tribute to or in memory of their mothers.

“When Jack and I asked ourselves what impact we wanted to have on the College, we wanted a fund that would be allocated with a mother's touch, with an eye for ‘this is what mom would do.’” says Evans. “The Dean of Students can say, ‘The Mothers' Fund is looking out for you.’”

“As the mother of a recently graduated Wabash man, Jennifer Evans

knows about the experiences of our students on a level many members of our Board of Trustees do not,” said President Hess. “Their Giant Steps gift to establish the Mothers' Fund will reach students when they need it most—and provide the kind of financial assistance that can keep young men enrolled at Wabash and on a path to a bright future.”

Jennifer and Jack are hopeful their gift will inspire Wabash-minded men and women to take their own Giant Step. “We want it to be a community effort,” says Jennifer. “Every Wabash man has a woman in his life. We think that this is a place for men to honor those women, and a place for women to honor the men in their lives too.”

The Giant Steps campaign is the largest comprehensive fund-raising campaign in the College's 186-year history. The campaign seeks to raise \$225 million by 2023 with the goals of further endowing generous scholarship programs; funding faculty professorships, chairs, and academic programs; supporting capital projects and the Annual Fund; and providing immersive learning experiences for all Wabash students.

For more information, including the College's progress to date and ways to give, please visit the Giant Steps website.

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that invigoration may only work so well; it may work best for students who have no burden coming to the college, but it may not situate those who work 30-40 hours a week in a place they could be.

In November 2018, Michael R. Bloomberg donated \$1.8 billion to Johns Hopkins University. “I want to be sure that the school that gave me a chance will be able to permanently open that same door of opportunity for others,” Bloomberg said in his op ed, knowing Johns Hopkins has a focus on socioeconomic diversity and is striving for that ideal each year. Top-ranked colleges, like Johns Hopkins, and, in many regards like Wabash, have left the minds of many young middle- and lower-class students. Bloomberg writes further, “...until recently, by some estimates, half of all high-achieving low- and middle-income students have not even been applying to top colleges — largely because they believe they can't afford it, doubt they'll be accepted, or aren't even aware of their options.” Awareness and accessibility are two of Wabash's largest hurdles when recruiting: people either are unfamiliar with the

institution or they're uncomfortable with the all-men atmosphere. They are also subject to sticker shock: Wabash is expensive, there is no denying that.

Students who graduate from this institution are forever grateful. There is an understood comradery for the college cross-generationally, and the love runs deep. There are students that love this College as much as the next person, but whose financial limitations or resource limitations keep them in a bind. President Elihu W. Baldwin said in his Inaugural Address on July 13, 1836: “I shall devote myself to the instruction of the youth [...] Our hope is that no sacrifices in this noble cause will be lost, and that we shall enjoy the privilege of seeing our institution realize the expectations of its patrons and the friendly public [...] Our purpose is, never to rest while Wabash College shall lack any advantages for the student, which are offered by the highest class of American colleges.” Our purpose is never to rest. Our purpose is never to give up on those who need help. Our purpose is to carve a pathway for young men to become thoughtful, humble, considerate leaders in the world. It is important that together we pledge ourselves to the Wabash of today and to the Wabash of tomorrow.

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Taylor Named American Council on Education Fellow

Wabash College Professor One of 39 Honored Nationally

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING • The American Council on Education (ACE) announced today that Wabash College professor Ann Taylor has been named one of 39 ACE Fellows for the 2019-20 academic year.

Taylor is the Haines Professor of Biochemistry and Chair of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. As the first biochemist in the Wabash Chemistry Department, she created the courses and curriculum for Wabash's Biochemistry major.

In serving as Division Chair, she participates in all tenure track hires, reviews and promotions, and serves on the Academic Policy, Faculty Development, Trustee's Academic Affairs and Dean's Advisory Committees.



Ann Taylor

She has served on two accreditation steering committees, ad hoc committees on Philanthropy and Childcare, was a Teagle Assessment Scholar, and served as

Chair of the Chemistry Department.

"I'm thrilled to be selected as an ACE Fellow," said Taylor. "Participating will provide me with perspective on the range of leadership opportunities in higher education and the opportunity to see how other institutions foster leadership development among both faculty and students. I am particularly

interested in the transition from receiving tenure into a faculty member's first significant leadership role, and models of developing student leadership through course-based activities."

Taylor is also active in pedagogical research. She serves on the Editorial Review Board for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Education (ASBMB), and was named an Education Fellow for her work on the ASBMB national accreditation exam. She received a grant from the National Science Foundation to study how students integrate knowledge from prior classes as they learn biochemistry. The materials from this grant were integrated into a commercial online learning system. She has presented workshops on teaching college science to graduate students at the University of Tennessee, and regularly publishes case studies in the National Center for Case Study Teaching.

Established in 1965, the ACE Fellows Program is designed to strengthen institutions and leadership in American higher education by identifying and preparing faculty and staff for senior positions in college and university administration through its distinctive and intensive nominator-driven, cohort-based mentorship model. More than 2,000 higher education leaders have participated in the ACE Fellows Program over the past five decades, with more than 80 percent of Fellows having gone on to serve as senior leaders of colleges and universities.

"The ACE Fellows Program epitomizes ACE's goal of enriching the capacity of leaders to innovate and adapt, and it fuels the expansion of a talented and diverse higher education leadership pipeline,"

said ACE President Ted Mitchell. "Each year I am impressed by how many former Fellows are named to prominent leadership roles, which makes it even more exciting to meet each new cohort. I'm left wondering, 'Where will these Fellows end up?'"

The program combines retreats, interactive learning opportunities, visits to campuses and other higher education-related organizations, and placement at another higher education institution to condense years of on-the-job experience and skills development into a single year.

During the placement, Fellows

observe and work with the president and other senior officers at their host institution, attend decision-making meetings, and focus on issues of interest. Fellows also conduct projects of pressing concern for their home institution and seek to implement their findings upon completion of the fellowship placement.

At the conclusion of the fellowship year, Fellows return to their home institution with new knowledge and skills that contribute to capacity-building efforts, along with a network of peers across the country and abroad.

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Dei'Marlon Scisney '21 sings a solo during the concert with the University of Indianapolis' Women's Choir.

One Tasty Burger



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Despite approaching nearly a quarter century in age, the film “Pulp Fiction” remains highly regarded in pop culture. In fact, it is considered one of the best films of all time. Tarantino’s masterpiece isn’t unique in that it is action packed, or even in the aspect that it isn’t told chronologically, so just what is it that makes it so well received? While “Pulp Fiction” can be devoured by the viewer for its action filled chapters, what makes it so savory is the palatable personality packed into every sequence of dialogue. The film implants in the viewer the aspiration to live every moment flavorfully.

In “Pulp Fiction” there is always a movement in plot, but interluding between pivotal sequences are unique and clever conversations. On the way to reprimand some sidetracked drug dealers, two gang hit men discuss fast food in Europe. One remarks how the McDonald’s quarter pounder is called a ‘royale with cheese’ in France,

because France is on the metric system. Another scene finds one of the hit men on an awkward date with the gang leader’s wife, at the leader’s request, of course. On the date there is a silence where she proclaims, “That’s when you know you’ve found somebody special. When you can just shut the fuck up for a minute and comfortably enjoy the silence.” Finally, one of the most memorable sequences is a hit man confronting a frightened drug dealer. The drug dealer is so scared he is no longer responding to questions. “What country you from!”, The hit man

impatiently screams, “What?”, the dealer asks, frightened. “‘What’ ain’t no country I know! Do they speak English in ‘What?’”. Even more frightened, the dealer again says, “What?”. Even louder the hit man replies, “English-motherfucker-can-you-speak-it?”

Just as “Pulp Fiction” maximizes every sequence with unique and witty dialogue, so too can someone maximize their life by capitalizing on every moment. Surprisingly enough, as a college student, I have witnessed fellow students get bogged down in long term goals or expectations that the best is to come. College is a time where the students are young and surrounded by opportunity. There is too much to do, too much to experience, to let fears of landing a job in several years or a GPA at the end of the semester detain one from living the best life they can. Of course long term goals and expectations are important, but there is also no reason to stop maximizing life in the now. While the motion from

college admit to graduate is important, it is the little details, the flavorful experiences caked in between the large plot arcs, that can differentiate a good life and a great one.

While I don’t think that any reasonable person would want to live through the events that occur in “Pulp Fiction,” I believe there is a takeaway that is applicable to life. Originally I asked what made the film so critically acclaimed and memorable. What makes it memorable is that the series of events are unique and bizarre, ingrained into the minds of the viewer. Many films have a nice arc, or a satisfying ending, but who wants to live a life that is just ok, or has a decent progression? Life should be lived to the fullest, filled with interesting and memorable stories. I’m not suggesting that one should join a gang, murder, or do hard drugs. However, an interesting life is one that is unique and wild, one that cumulatively maximizes moments to stand out from the rest.

A Little Bit More and A Little Bit Less



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I’ve always been fond of the symbol of yin and yang. What a great message it conveys: balance in everything. But when I look at today’s world, I see more hatred than love, more sorrow than joy, and more resentment than gratitude. We are all individuals with free wills. So, who am I to tell you what to do? But I beg you to hear my proposal – imagine that every day when you wake up, there is always 50% of all the good and 50% of all the bad. And I propose you to...

Have a little bit more love and a little bit less hatred. We are made in the image of God. Thus, we are all made of love. Love yourself first. Sophocles said, “One word frees us of all the weight and pain of life. That word is love.” Look at yourself in the mirror every morning and tell yourself, “You are loved. You are unique. And you are the best.” You can only truly love the people around you if you are able to love yourself first. Love your friends. An old saying says, “One can have no family, but can never have no friend.” In college, we are away from home. Friends have become even more crucial in our daily lives. When you are down, your friends are there. When you are happy, your friends are there. And when you are angry, your friends are there. Love your friends with all your heart, because without them, how boring

your life would be! Love your family even more than you thought you have before. Your parents gave you life. No matter how unfortunate your family’s situation might be, love it! Because at least you have a family to love. And believe me, your family loves you, too. Love strangers. Love those who you see on campus every day. Love is like a warm stream. It flows into people’s heart with warmth, and it brightens people’s days. Look at the world. Everything bad is caused by the absence of love. If every person could put in 1% more love into their daily lives. There would be 51% love in the world, and we could claim that love wins today. I know, it is hard to achieve, but should you give up? No! be the person that chooses the side of love! A little bit more love can change you and the world.

Have a little bit more joy and a little

bit less sorrow. Have you ever wondered why some people seem happy all the time? It is not because their life is perfect or that they don’t care. They choose joy over sorrow. When you have an exam, take joy in studying it. I mean, you have to study for it no matter what. Why make yourself feel even worse when you can choose joy and enjoy it? We all focus on the negativity way too much. You know why we feel uncomfortable when we are sad, resentful, angry, etc.? It’s because we are made of joy, love, and positivity! Choosing joy is to be in harmony with the universe or God if you prefer. We are meant to be happy. J.D. Salinger said, “Happy is a solid and joy a liquid.” My high school teacher interprets it as that joy changes all the time. You might have it at one time, but you might soon lose it. But I disagree. I think that joy is a liquid because it fills every aspect of your life. No matter how deep the abyss is, joy can still reach the bottom of it – only if you choose joy, even if it’s just 1% more every day.

Have a little bit more gratitude and a little less resentment. Everything is worth being grateful for. The sky, the sunshine, the lady that swipes your ID card at Sparks Center or your fraternity chef, the professors, and the simple fact that you are alive. I know these are cliché. But trust me, if you cannot give

thanks to these simple and insignificant things, then you don’t understand gratitude. There is nothing too small to be grateful for. If you think about ten things that you are grateful for right now, I promise you that you will definitely feel much better immediately. Even be grateful for the people who hurt you, for they have taught you a lesson.

Forgiving is another form of gratitude. Buddha said, “Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one getting burned.” Have just 1% more gratitude than resentment; your world will certainly become a better place.

As the person who has been trying to do what I have proposed, I assure you that it is difficult. But as Saint Augustine of Hippo said, “Faith is to believe that which you do not yet see; and the reward of this faith is to see that which you believe.” I believe we all can and want to live a life that we can enjoy and have no regrets when we pass away. If you want to be the light that lights up the darkest abyss, I offer my proposal to you. I hope your day, my day, and everyone’s day has a little bit more love than hatred, a little bit more joy than sorrow, and a little bit more gratitude than resentment. I look forward to a day when the world has a little bit more yang than yin.

Flowers



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In my last opinion piece, “Are you certain that you are certain?”, I spent an entire page talking about how certain we can be about our own knowledge. Given that it was a long and difficult read – even for myself when I was proofreading it –, I will further explain the principles in there using a short story about flowers. While Mr. Keith Owen '20 did a wonderful job last semester talking about the significance and symbolism of flowers, I will be using them just to explain how fragile knowledge is, through a short thought experiment.

Imagine you are observing an island through a camera [the locals gave consent after their questions were answered, if you are worried about that]. Some of the locals have found a new kind of flower. When everyone on the island gathers to admire the blossoms, most say that the flower's petals are red. However, there are a few that say that the petals are, in fact, white. The majority dubs them hallucinating, and they wind up in the island's hospital for treatment. With time, more and more claim the petals to be white, and the hospital gets more and more patients, until more

than half the island's population is hospitalized. Then, the few that still see the petals red are hospitalized with hallucinations. Their number goes down, until a person who saw the petals white starts seeing them red, and gets hospitalized. The same growth of people seeing red petals happens until they go back to square one and repeat the sequence.

The question is: who is right? And, more importantly, on what basis? I mean, the Earth won't become a cube if everyone believes it to be so – therefore, the many might not be the right. So, what if you bring someone from the outside? Someone who has never been on the island?

That's what the islanders do: they

bring in three experts in botany to see the flowers. The first says the petals are blue, the second that the flower is a terracotta soldier, and the third says that there is nothing in that spot. Everyone gets into a huge argument.

Perhaps, a truth may not exist. Our senses can be wrong, since hallucinations exist. In fact, the whole world might be a hallucination. Even science is flawed – anything involving measuring has some kind of error; remember significant figures? So, what is real? Can anything be called real? Philosophers bypassed this issue a long time ago with the concept of *umwelt*, or surrounding world. It may not be reality, it may not be fantasy, but *umwelt* is basically anything that you can sense.

This concept of *umwelt* fascinates me because it offers us a way to express what we see without making the assumption that it must be real. In fact, many things happen independently of others. It doesn't matter if you will choose to buy a blue car or a red car – you will still choose to buy a car. Everything that remains once all assumptions become irrelevant to its existence.

So, there you have it – the truth in all its fragility. Truth might be like Freudian happiness, or perfection: unattainable. But that does not mean that we shouldn't strive for it: look how far society has come due to it.

Right now, you may be wondering, What happened to the islanders? In the end, everyone agreed with scientist three, not because they stopped seeing the flowers, but because, in the middle of the huge argument, someone picked the flowers. That person sold them for a fortune to a collector back home and lived the rest of their days in a mansion on a tropical island. Sometimes, it doesn't matter who is right, but who makes the most out of the situation.

For the people who still wonder what color the flowers were... I can't remember... It's been two years since I first wrote this thought experiment, and the notes are somewhere, lost, most likely seven time zones away from Indiana. I will leave it up to you to debate and decide. Just make sure you don't get a 0 on any assignments while you're at it, alright?

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Wallies Favorite Spring Activities

What students do as the weather starts to warm

ALEXANDRU ROTARU '22 | STAFF WRITER • Spring is officially back, after the Equinox on March 22. Now that the days are starting to get longer, the weather warmer, the drinks colder, and the deadlines hotter, it's time to get the good old Spring pastimes back out of the mothball-filled closet. Now, given that papers, exams, and projects have taken up 110% of our mind, let us, The Bachelor staff, present you our choices for what to do during the renaissance of our archaic campus.

BONFIRES

While the cold of winter is, in theory, behind us, that is not an excuse to not have a lovely bonfire with friends, fraternity brothers, fellow club members, or the people down the hall. Even though this is not November 6 [check out the British Bonfire Night], there's nothing like a nice on a warm, starry night, and cooking burgers, now that rhyneship is over.

BASKETBALL, BRACKETS, BINGE-WATCHING

March Madness is back and taking over the 50 United States, as well as the American diaspora spread across the seven continents. Most have completed some sort of bracket in basketball. We, The Bachelor, provided you with the toughest major bracket. Also, check out the American Chemical Society's web page for the brackets for the best element. Pity Tellurium and Darmstadtium did not make it. The finals are looming for all three, so, place your bets, ye merry gentlemen. You could also just sit back, relax, indoors or outdoors, and binge-watch the basketball extravaganza, alone or with friends, perhaps over a bonfire, making s'mores.

LITTLE GIANT BASEBALL, LACROSSE, AND RUGBY GAMES

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take down opponent after opponent. It doesn't have to be the striped hooligans from the next county down south in order to bring us together to get the dub home. Even if you may not like those sports, let us remember that our brothers, with whom we break bread, drink water, suffer, relax over bonfires, and watch basketball with are putting all their time and effort into the sport. Plus, it's an amazing study break.

CROQUET

For many Americans, croquet might seem like a pretentious game from old, royalist, stuck-up England, that is now falling apart under its very own leadership. For the rest of the world, the sport is known as cricket, but we will give you a pass, again, like we did with soccer (football) and the Imperial system (tip of the pot for understanding how on Earth yards, gallons, bushels, and knots work). But, that's beside the point. Every week, on the Mall, there is always an opportunity to learn one of the most prized sports in the Commonwealth. Just drop by and relax. We still need to forget about the stress of papers, exams, projects, and homework.

PROBLEM OF THE FORTNIGHT

Gentlemen, the Math department is coming up with new, exciting problems every other week just for you. Just try them - it's an amazing study break. And you'll get commended whenever you get a solution right.

FRISBEE

Another sport on the Mall, there's nothing like throwing away your stress by flinging a frisbee. And seeing it come back when it gets stuck in a tree. Perhaps you have felt the dread of watching the small piece of plastic enter the classic halls through closed windows. Anyway, this is a surefire way to forget about academics, and you have a club for this sport. Just make sure you have the endurance to run after the flying disk.

RELAXING ON PORCHES

Finally, the time has come to relax outside on porches, with our favorite (hopefully non-alcoholic) drink in hand.



BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 / PHOTO

Students got to enjoy some nice weather this week and played frisbee on the mall.

Doing nothing can be so satisfying on a beautiful, sunny evening, watching the sky turn scarlet, just like it was described in "Old Wabash" more than a century ago.

STUDYING OUTSIDE

Sometimes, deadlines can be jumping in front of you, coming out of the dark corners of the Armory, jumping from the bushes of the Arboretum, and catching up to you while you're running on a treadmill in the Allen Center. Sometimes, the Library can seem too stuffy, so you can just go study outside. I'd personally recommend Petty's Patch, between Hays Hall and the entrance, the benches between Center Hall and Baxter Hall, and the benches on the path between Trippet and Hays, just outside Detchon.

Soon, studying at Petty's Patch can become a nightmare, as, when the heat hits, it will turn into Mosquito's Patch. Therefore, I invite you to take the opportunity to study at my favorite place on campus. It just gives a feel of serenity before those mosquitoes come back out to play.

So, there you have it: these are the activities we recommend doing this spring. The season just got started, and we certainly hope the weather won't give us feet of snow in April, like two years ago in Bucharest, RO. If there is any activity you think is missing from this list, or if you'd like to propose activities for the upcoming seasons, feel free to write and send your opinion piece at aghood21@wabash.edu.

Wallies Enjoying Spring Weather



BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19/ PHOTO

George Azar '22 reels in a frisbee after classes on Wednesday



BENJAMIN HIGH '22 / PHOTO

Petty's Patch still carries the remnants of fall's passing, but the benches will be surrounded by foliage in a few short weeks.



BENJAMIN HIGH '22 / PHOTO

Wallies can be seen sporting shorts and T-shirts more often as the weather warms.

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A Message from the Environmental Concerns Committee

Making transportation greener in America

ALEXANDRU ROTARU | GUEST WRITER •
DISCLAIMER: This feature makes use of the fact that climate change is real, and that it happens because of greenhouse gases, which are generated by pollution. If you disagree with this statement, I invite you to e-mail me to set up a time to have a conversation on the topic, perhaps over an iced brew, in the library. I am really curious to see why people would oppose this point of view.

Transportation is one of the biggest pollutants in the world. Just think about all the cars waiting in gridlock on the interstate, all the gas-guzzling school buses and American trucks, and, of course, all the airplanes just burning the fuel that took millions of years to form in the Earth's crust in mere seconds. So, what can we do, here, in the United States of America, to change that; to change the way we consume transportation in a way that becomes greener and more efficient?

Europe and East Asia came up with the solution of public transit. But, gentlemen, let's face it: public transportation in America is a joke. From Crawfordsville, you have one train going towards Chicago at around 7 AM and one towards Indianapolis at 9 PM. The Monon line is out of service. There are no buses or shuttles for commuters to hop on between towns. And, of course, many depots, railway lines, and subway systems lie in disrepair. The result? Americans must use cars to move around. And since few of them are hybrid, most run on fossil fuels, thus contributing to global warming.

Given that people did not have any other way to

travel from point A to point B than the car, American culture adapted, and everything is convenient for cars to travel around: the interstate system, drive-throughs, enormous parking lots, and wide, straight roads, to name a few. So naturally, people would be more reluctant to use a shuttle service than to use their cars. As Mr. Mosak mentioned in his opinion piece, "American Apathy," "America has become a country of self-imposed apathy," which results, among others, in people looking for the most convenient way to achieve something. Also, let us not forget the saying "Old habits die hard." In this sense, preference of a car over public transit is the result of an ongoing vicious circle: nobody wants to use something because it is terrible, therefore it does not have funds, and just keeps deteriorating, pushing away customers.

The reason Americans abandoned public transit in the first place? Convenience. In Europe, it is actually more convenient to use public transit than cars. There's few parking spaces anywhere – and it takes dozens of minutes to find one –, the route can be, in the city, a sheer maze of one-way roads that stretches potentially for miles more than the one for walking – just try navigating, on your GPS, through the city center of Milan by car, and you'll see what I mean –, and the traffic is a nightmare. None of this happens in America: wide, open roads, with houses spread out across the landscape and county roads as alternatives if the highways and state roads get congested.

So, how can we make environmentally-friendly transportation convenient for the average American?

One answer might be carpooling: setting up routes to pick up your work/school/activity buddies on your way to work. You only use one car – meaning less fuel consumption, a little less gridlock, and, of course, more fun while in traffic. However, this might just work in the nation's mega-cities, or if you all live on the same roads. I don't think carpooling would be effective, at least in Indiana, if one would come from White County, one from South Bend, one from Bloomington, and one from Greencastle, and your final destination were Crawfordsville. Also, being so heavily used, the car can also become the place where one goes to relax, so imagine having to deal with 5 annoying workers every day on your commute. At the same time, the distance might be so short that it did not matter what you took.

And this brings me to another possible solution: walk. It's clean, it's green, and it's healthy. For short distances, you almost always have some sort of sidewalk. And you never know who you might run into. Then again, you never know who you might run into – so, walking in the rough areas of town might not be such a good idea, as is walking on an Interstate, or Highway outside a town or village.

In the end, there is no easy solution to transportation in the United States. Public or private, it's still going to pollute. Even electric cars pollute – where do you think the bulk of the energy we use comes from? So, the question is then not how to minimize fossil fuel use, but how to minimize energy use. I think the person who can figure out the solution to America's transportation crisis will become one of this nation's future billionaires.

Vermeulen named Editor-in-Chief for 2019-2020 school year

The Bachelor is proud to announce that Jake Vermeulen '21 will be Editor-in-Chief at the start of the 2019 school year. Vermeulen will be taking over for Bryce Bridgewater '19. Vermeulen joined *The Bachelor* staff at during his freshman year at Wabash College and served as News Editor for the

2018-2019 school year. Jake is also heavily involved in the Pre-Law Society and served as Treasurer of the organization.

We are very excited for Jake to continue representing the voice of the students at Wabash College and for his leadership throughout the school year.



YOUR SMALL TALK BRIEFING

Pass interference now reviewable

After a controversial no-call in the NFC Championship game, the NFL adopted a rule where referees can review pass interference calls in game. Despite the exact language and officiating of the rule being unclear, owners rejoiced at the change.

-ESPN

Mueller said no collusion

Special Counsel Robert Mueller sent his report to the Attorney General on if President Trump colluded with the Russia government to win the 2016 Presidential election. The A.G. sent a summary of report to Congress, which came with approval and dissent from both sides of the aisle.

-CNN

May to step down if Brexit passes

With her popularity at an all-time low, Teresa May, Prime Minister of United Kingdom, announced that she will resign from the position if the Brexit deal passes the House of Commons. The Brits have until April 12 to have a plan in place to leave the E.U. As of Wednesday night, the U.K. rejected all eight of May's Brexit proposals.

-CNN

Mayor Pete rises in polls

South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg soared to third in the recent Democratic Iowa Caucus poll. The Indiana candidate, considered a longshot by most, gained considerable momentum after strong T.V. and Town Hall performances. He trails only Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders.

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Baseball Sweeps Edgewood

BRYCE BRIDGEWATER '19 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • Wabash baseball started the year with hopes of back-to-back NCAC Championships, and another run at the NCAA Regional Tournament. After the first two weeks of the season, their dream run seemed bleak to repeat, after opening 3-6. Still, since spring break, the Little Giants are 7-1 going into conference play.

“I think spring break was a bit of a wake up call,” Eric Chavez '19 said. “I think we were a little hungover from last year still, and playing good teams early really humbled us. Since spring break, we have been playing with a little more of a chip on our shoulder, and I think that just upped our intensity.”

The Little Giants started their hot streak after a thumping from Hanover College two weekends ago. Since the 8-17 loss, the Little Giants have outscored their opponents 66-40 in seven games.

This past weekend, Wabash swept Edgewood College. In game one, the Little Giants had 14 base on balls and 11 hits to rack up 17 runs. 17 different Little Giants went the plate during game one. Game two yielded the same strong offensive output as the Little Giants put up 12 runs in six innings. Despite scoring 29 runs in the first two games, game three presented a challenge, as the weather took a turn for the worse. Going into the bottom of the seventh inning, Wabash and Edgewood were tied at 2-2. After back-to-back walks and hit-by-pitches, Andrew Jumonville '21 roped a single to left field that brought the team a win.

“This weekend, we had a few different types of games, and just being able to battle the adverse conditions, and the ups and downs was big,” Chavez said. “It’s always fun

when we can walk someone off at our home field, so that was a big plus.”

Still, the Little Giants need to sharpen their pitching, going into conference play this weekend. The Little Giants have a 6.33 ERA through their first 17 games. Wabash had a 3.70 ERA all of last season. Despite this increase, the Little Giants are heading to an offensive shootout this weekend at Allegheny College. Allegheny pitchers have an ERA of 8.01 as of Wednesday night, but Allegheny hitters are batting .313 to start the year.

After the conference doubleheader on Saturday, Wabash heads to Berea, Ohio to face Baldwin Wallace. The Yellow Jackets present a different challenge to the Little Giants, batting only .249, but pitchers have an ERA of 2.57.

“We just need to keep what we have rolling,” Chavez said. “Our lineup has been really strong and is improving every day, especially with runners in scoring positions. Our pitchers always give us a chance to win, and I’m positive that they will show up again this weekend. There is an added buzz because of conference play. The games seem to mean more, and we really like to play in meaningful games. It’s going to be fun.”

The quest for another conference championship starts tomorrow, and the team is poised for another run. A seven-game winning streak is something very special for any team. The team accomplished this feat twice last year, both before conference began and during the heart of conference season.

The Little Giants return to conference action on Wednesday against Wittenberg for a midweek doubleheader before hosting Kenyon College and Rose Hulman next weekend. Go Bash!



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Sean Roginski '19 throws a ball in field after a strong hit from the opponent.

UPCOMING GAMES:

Saturday, March 30 at Allegheny 12 p.m.

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Sunday, March 31 at Baldwin Wallace 12 p.m.

Wednesday, April 3 at Wittenberg University 12 p.m.

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Jackson Blevins '20 attempts to tag out a baserunner.



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Canton Terry '21 fist bumps a teammate after scoring.



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Logan Butrum '21 throws a pitch in their last game.



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Track starts outdoor season, Pine '22 and Whaley '22 named NCAC Players of the Week

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | STAFF WRITER • After winning the North Coast Athletic Conference Men's Indoor Track and Field Championship, the Wabash track and field team began its outdoor season on Saturday, March 23, at the Indiana Wesleyan Polar Bear Invitational. The Little Giants achieved 23 top-seven finishes in the event.

"It was up and down," head coach Clyde Morgan said about the outdoor opener. "The weather ended up being a lot better than we thought it was going to be. We had some guys perform well, and we had some guys deal with adversity and shake themselves out of it. But, overall, I thought it was a good opener."

"It's a different batch of young guys. They're hardworking, they're fun, and they're coachable."

COACH MORGAN

In the 100-meter dash, Leon Ivy '21 earned a fifth-place finish after posting a time of 11.35, while Josh Wiggins '21 and Brady Gossett '19 finished in sixth and seventh, respectively. In the 200-meter dash, Wiggins grabbed a first-place finish with a time of 22.59. Preston Whaley '22 followed suit, finishing in second with a time of 22.66. Ivy finished fifth with a time of 23.00, and Jose Franco '22 ended with a seventh-place finish after posting a time of 23.17. In the 110-meter hurdles, Wiggins placed again, grabbing a second-place finish with a time of 16.16, while Leo Warbington '22 finished in seventh with a time of 16.41.

In the long jump event, Whaley earned a first-place finish after posting a

length of 6.66 meters, and Gianni Minor '22 ended in third with a distance of 6.38 meters. Ethan Pine '22 earned first place in the 1500-meter run after finishing with a time of 4:02.04, while Joe Deiser '21 ended in seventh and posted a time of 4:09.02. Whaley grabbed his third placement of the event in the 400-meter dash as he finished in second with a time of 50.27, while Andrew Young '21 grabbed a sixth-place finish with a time of 51.68. The 4x100-meter relay team of Ivy, Wiggins, Franco, and Gossett finished in second after posting a time of 42.94.

In the pole vault event, Lucas Bender '22 finished in third place after clearing 4.20 meters, while Ahmaud Hill '21 finished in fourth place after clearing 3.90 meters. Hill also placed in the triple jump, finishing fourth with a top leap of 12.71 meters. Hunter Baehl '20 grabbed a third-place finish in the javelin event with a final throw of 50.62 meters. In the 400-meter hurdles, Max Bigler '22 finished in fifth after ending with a time of 58.86, while Rogeno Malone '20 earned a seventh-place finish with a time of 1:00.39. Bigler also captured sixth in the high jump event after clearing a height of 1.87 meters. Donnie Mader '22 rounded out the top-seven placements for Wabash, finishing seventh in the discus event after throwing for a length of 44.50 meters.

Out of the 23 top-seven finishes, 21 included underclassmen. "I think it's been pretty good," Morgan said. "It's a different batch of young guys. They're hard working, they're fun, and they're coachable. We have that mixture with upperclassmen who see how special they are. I think it's pretty cool to watch them all get along and support each other."

With that youth in mind, Morgan also spoke of the challenges of transitioning from the indoor to outdoor season. "[One of them is] just reloading mentally and not being complacent," Morgan said. "I told [the team] yesterday that it was indoor that we won. We won in outdoor in 2017, so we're not the returning champions. We're hunting, we're chasing now. So, I'm just trying to get them to take pressure off of themselves. Our motto is to get better every day and we have to be mentally tough in the process."

The team will return to action today, March 29, and tomorrow, March 30, at Bellarmine University, with today's events beginning at 1 p.m. and tomorrow's events beginning at 10 a.m.



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Brady Gossett '19 races hard in a team relay event.



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Ra'Shawn Jones '19 competes in a competition.

DIII Week at Wabash

PATRICK MCAULEY '20 | SPORTS EDITOR • Wabash College Athletics will partake in Division III Week beginning next Monday, April 1, and running until Sunday, April 7. The week includes many events put on by this year's SAAC Committee. Funds raised throughout the period will go to benefit Active Minds, which is a mental health awareness organization started by a college student from the University of Pennsylvania.

"It is just a week when the NCAA encourages and gives some ideas to help recognize the accomplishments of athletes," Nikko Morris '21 said. Morris' involvement in the planning of next week's events has been a main focus this semester. He is in charge of social media outreach to better shed light on SAAC as a whole. DIII Week is a huge part of creating that light.

DIII Week creates a spotlight for Division III programs across the country. The event started as part of a larger initiative to show why student-athletes, athletic faculty, and other contributors partake in Division III sports. It is an opportunity for schools across the nation to focus on outreach programs in their communities and campuses. Additionally, the NCAA has set up a link on their website which allows participants to share their experiences, which further adds to the overall point of making society more aware of DIII athletics.

"SAAC is a really important tool because it is a student-driven organization," Morris said. "One part of the culture that we have, especially here at Wabash, is the SAAC being

a tool for creating that exposure. I definitely think there are a lot of things we can do moving forward."

One of the more prominent events taking place during the week is Change Wars. This competition-based event will give student-athletes on participating teams a chance to raise money for Active Minds. SAAC will have jars set up in locker rooms outside of Chadwick Court and inside of Sparks for students to put their spare change. SAAC members will also be at the lacrosse game on Monday, April 1, and the baseball games on Sunday, April 7, for more collection opportunities.

There are many other events taking place throughout the course of the week. On Sunday, March 31st, SAAC will be hosting a special Olympics event to kick off the beginning of the week. The school's very own Joey Karczewski '20 will lead a campus-wide yoga session beginning at noon in Chadwick Court. Additionally, many student-athletes will go to Hoover Elementary School on Friday, April 5, to participate in a reading program, which gives student-athletes a chance to connect with kids in the surrounding community. The event will also give Wabash guys a chance to go outside and get some exercise with the young students, which encourages outdoor activity for young people.

Division III Week at the College will be full of interesting and exciting events on campus. It is a chance for student-athletes to give back to the community and celebrate their own success on and off the field at Wabash College.

Golf struggles at Mount St. Joseph, Now looks to Rose Hulman Invite

CLARK TINDER '20 | STAFF WRITER • The 2019 Wabash Men's Golf season is in full swing. The Little Giants are coming off a tough weekend in Cincinnati where they faced very good competition at the Mount St. Joseph Invite. The team is hoping to learn from last weekend as they gear up to compete in Terre Haute at the Rose Hulman Invitational. The team is lead by former Wabash Basketball Coach Mac Petty. Petty is able to bring a caring attitude to the golf course but still expects the best from each and every one of

his golfers. The golfers enjoy how he is always ready to coach but most importantly, they like when he chooses to coach. Golf is a difficult game especially from the mental side of things, and Petty has done a great job teaching the team how to handle this side of the game. Petty does an amazing job letting his golfers play their games and only steps in if something major is wrong.

Golf is an individual sport but this team is a tight-knit group of guys. Ben Kiesel '20 attributes their Spring Break trip to Arizona as a



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Player Profile: Owen Doster '20

JOHN WITCZAK '21 | STAFF WRITER • If you ever find yourself thinking that your schedule is too busy or that you have too much work to do, taking one look at the daily routine of Owen Doster '20 will put things into perspective. Majoring in Biology, qualifying for nationals in wrestling, presiding over the Public Health Organization, acting as chair of the Mental Health Concerns Committee, being an RA in Morris Hall, and being an SAAC Wrestling Representative certainly makes for a busy guy. The Bachelor sat down with Doster in order to get a closer look at the life of a Wabash wrestler, future doctor, and campus leader.

Doster first started wrestling in the third grade but, like most eight-year-olds, he had no idea what competitive wrestling actually entailed. "I was pretty sure wrestling was what you saw on TV, with The Rock and Steve Austin and all of that, because that's what I grew up watching," Doster said. Even though his hopes of wielding a folding chair as a weapon were dashed about as soon as his first practice began, Doster enjoyed himself and instantly knew wrestling was going to be a significant part of his life. He went on to wrestle for the next several years, before choosing to permanently pursue the sport over basketball after finishing eighth grade - a tough choice at the time, but one he does not regret. During high school, Doster excelled in the sport, and eventually got a call from Wabash. He was offered a tour of the campus and information about the wrestling program. Soon, Wabash would go on to be the only school he sent a college application to.

Like many athletes here at Wabash, Doster's decision to attend the school was based on academics as much as it was athletics. "I always wanted to go to an institution with good academics, but I also wanted to be able to

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great opportunity the team gets to bond. When asked about how easily they have grown together, Kiesel said, "Since there is a lot of waiting

"There is a lot of competition...that brings out the best in us."

JUSTIN KOPP '21

and walking in golf, this gives us a lot of time to talk and get to know each other." These conversations while walking golf courses can be really about anything and that's how the team likes them. Building this comradery has attributed to the

players enjoying the game more, even when one of them is having an off day.

Leading the charge for the Little Giants this year so far has been Justin Kopp '21. He posted the lowest score for the team last weekend and is looking forward to this weekend at Rose Hulman. Kopp has attributed his strong play to Petty and Coach Steve and of course his teammates. "There's a lot of competition within the team that brings out the best in us," Kopp said. This competition always remains friendly as the team prides themselves on being one of the most fun teams in the conference.

The team is always ready to compete. As they continue to grow this year together they know they will do their best to compete strongly at every invitational or tournament they compete in. The team knows that they have a lot of room for growth but they are still ready to compete for a title.

compete in wrestling," Doster said. "Wabash was a perfect storm of wrestling, academics, and proximity to home." His plans of excelling academically and athletically certainly seem to be working out, as the junior has been a part of three different wrestling teams that have placed in the national top ten. At the same time, he has earned medical school quality grades in Biology, Chemistry, and Global Health classes. When asked how he felt about finishing ninth in the country this year in wrestling, Doster said, "I think it's tricky to talk to some people about this because we have such high expectations for ourselves. You see us place top ten in the country and it looks really good from the outside but, on the inside, we're not really satisfied with that. We train every day to be national champs."

Playing a sport while taking classes at Wabash is exhausting enough, but Doster goes the extra mile, serving as a Residential Advisor, while also running two clubs. When asked how he juggles his workload while remaining sane, Doster said, "It's pretty crazy. My sleep schedule is erratic sometimes. But I'm pretty analytical when it comes to real-life situations, so I can plan out my day effectively. I know what my class schedule is, I know how long my work or practice will take me, but I'm never afraid to take a break to decompress. For me, it's balancing my priorities. If I get to bed before midnight, it's a good night." Though Doster is usually working during the day, and has little time for superfluous activities, he is able to squeeze in rest and recreation. His favorite spot for doing so is Yamato Steak House of Japan. So, if you ever want to ask Doster how to better manage your time, make someone tap out, or relieve some stress, you can bet he's either studying in the library, working in the wrestling center, or slamming some sushi.



Zach Podl '20 lines up a put with extreme focus.

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