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Anon(ymous) Opens to Fanfare



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Dei'Marlon Scisney '21, as Naja, and Benny Wang '22, as Anon, perform a scene from the Wabash Theater Department production *Anon(ymous)*. There will be performances of the play tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at www.wabash.edu/boxoffice.

Lilly Scholarship Hopefuls Flock to Campus

ALEX ROTARU '22 | ASSISTANT COPY EDITOR • The Lilly Scholarship, one of the most competitive scholarships the college has to offer for domestic students, covers a student's full cost of tuition, room and board for all four years at Wabash. For the class of 2024, 15 finalists, who have been selected from over 100 applicants from across the nation, came to Wabash for the final round of the process. Of the 15, 3 will become Lilly Scholars.

"The finalists are coming from all over," Julia Wells, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions, said. "So, we have two flying in from Texas, one from New Mexico, two from Illinois, and the remainder from all over the state of Indiana." The Indiana finalists truly do come from all over the state. "We have one from Mount Vernon, in the southwest corner," Dean of Admissions Chip Timmons '96 said. "We have one from Garrett, which is near Fort Wayne. We have one from Valparaiso, in Lake County, and also two from Montgomery County - so near and far."

To be considered for a Lilly Scholarship, students must have first been accepted to Wabash. They must be within the top 10% of their graduating class, have a 3.5 GPA, and an SAT score of 1240. "These guys tend to be great students, but they [also] have to demonstrate great leadership," Timmons said. They also need to list the top three to five things they're most proud of, and showcase how they live out the Wabash mission statement in an essay that is part of the application, in which they must showcase how they reflect one of the four pillars of standing TALL. "We want to make sure that they're thinking about how they fit in here, how they can be leaders here," Wells said.

Finalists are invited to campus for a 90 minute interview with a committee comprised of Wabash alumni and faculty, as well as for a

classroom discussion, for which they have to do a reading ahead of time. "We like to think about how strong our applicants are in three areas: on paper, in person, and working in a team environment," Timmons said. Aside from the competition side of the Lilly Scholarship process, finalists can also sit in on classes, meet with professors, and learn more about organizations they are interested in. "They just get a day tailored to their specific interests, to tell them more about what Wabash can offer them," Wells said.

The program got started in 1974, when the Board of Trustees established this scholarship in recognition of philanthropist Eli Lilly's contributions to the college. "[This scholarship] was established to recognize outstanding students and potential leaders," Timmons said. The class of 1979 was the first to receive these scholarships. With changing times, the scholarship changed and adapted to the process going on this past weekend. Yet, "at the heart of it all, it's still just about trying to identify who we think are the best potential leaders in the entering class," Timmons said.

At any point in time, there are at most 12 Lilly Scholars on campus. However, they can be difficult to identify, as the requirements for maintaining the scholarship are simply maintaining good progress toward graduating from Wabash. "Our hope is they would continue to lead at Wabash in ways they did in high-school," Timmons said. "But there's not a standard that we hold them to that says, there's a number of hours, number of clubs you participate in, and the like."

The Lilly Scholars for the class of 2024 will be decided this week. The Bachelor congratulates all 15 finalists for making it thus far in the process, and hopes they will all enroll here as freshmen in the Fall.



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Bust of Eli Lilly, for whom the Lilly Scholarship is named, located in the library. Each year finalists compete for a spot in this prestigious award.

Parking Action to be Taken

JAKE VERMEULEN '21 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • Parking has become a hot button issue on campus over the last year. As students have started to bring more and more cars to campus, the College has found out that it currently does not have enough parking spaces to accommodate all of the cars on campus. As a result, a number of students have started parking illegally.

According to a press release from the College, “On Friday, February 21, there were 45 cars parked in tow zones, including 16 illegally parked in areas with disability signage and blue pavement paint.” As a result of these issues, the Wabash Safety Committee is planning to begin having cars towed at the owner’s expense, and create a new temporary lot to try to fix campus’ parking issues.

This towing will begin on March 17 - the Tuesday after Spring Break. Cars parked illegally in disability spots or in fire lanes will be towed at the owner’s

expense. In a statement, the College noted, “This is not a Wabash policy; it is mandated by state and federal law.” They further elaborated, “State law requires the availability of reserved, identified parking spots for persons with disabilities... It is illegal for anyone to park in these spots without a specific license plate or hang tag indicating they have a disability.”

The College will create a temporary grass lot on Milligan street to provide legal spaces for the cars that are currently parked illegally. The lot will be covered in gravel until they can start construction on a permanent parking lot.

The hope is that this will bring at least a temporary solution to the campus parking problems, which have led to dozens of illegally parked cars every day and an all campus email war over dissatisfaction and even dismay with the current situation.

How to Spend Your Leap Day

DAKOTA BAKER '22 | PHOTO EDITOR • Like the Summer Olympics, a US presidential election, and a palatable meal at Sparks, Leap Day occurs only once every four calendar years. The extra day is injected into every fourth year as mathematical way to compensate for the temporal lag between Earth’s 584-million-mile orbit and our insufficient human calendars. While some academics argue for other calendars that abandon this “bonus day” (take, for example, a pair of Johns Hopkins professors cited in a recent Washington Post article), we bold thinkers in The Bachelor seek to defy these nerds and prove that the quadra-annual “Bonus Day” is what the people want and what they deserve. With that in mind, below are our Top 3 ways to spend your rare Leap Day in Crawfordsville this year.

First off, you can prepare for midterms. To be sure, we’re not starting off strong with this one. The last thing

we want is for you to feel forced into the same dull routine you’ve been trudging through this semester. That said, we know you could use that extra day to catch up on some of the work you’ve been neglecting (looking at you, EQ students).

Second, be a good Wabash Man. There are plenty of opportunities to spread some Wally love this Leap Day. Check out the wrestling meet, baseball double-header, track meet, or the final showing of Anon(ymous) to fill all that extra time you’ve been gifted. Circle K is also doing Wabash proud by walking dogs at the Animal Welfare League if you’re feeling especially giving.

Or maybe you’ve been a good Little Giant – all your work is done, you’ve been an active student, and you’ve given back to the community. In that case, sit back and drink a cold one with your brothers. Or two. Or three. Or... well, who’s counting? Maybe the best way to treat our extra day is to throw it to the wayside in a blur.

Court of Appeals to Argue on Campus

COOPER SMITH '23 | STAFF WRITER • Drunk driving, nudity, and civil rights combine next week for a truly exciting event: an on-campus Indiana Court of Appeals oral argument. Three judges will hear *Ramirez v. State of Indiana*, an intriguing case about the admissibility of statements made before officers read Miranda rights. You already know these rights – every cop show uses them (“you have the right to remain silent...”). The eye-catching facts of this case would also fit such a TV show – and this event will certainly be fascinating to watch.

In 2017, a Jennings County police deputy investigated a suspicious white Chevy Malibu on the side of the road

with its lights off and engine running. The deputy observed two undressed passengers sleeping in the car with an empty six-pack of beer. After the passengers awoke and dressed, the deputy began to question them – even before he had read their Miranda rights. The driver, Jackelin Ramirez, told the deputy “that she’d had too much to drink and had pulled over to sleep it off,” the appellant brief explains. At the trial, the defense argued that Ramirez’s statements should be suppressed – the deputy should have read her Miranda rights to her before questioning. Yet the trial court still found Ramirez guilty.

The Indiana Court of Appeals will now

hear her case. The Appellant Brief lists the three main issues: “(1) Whether there was enough evidence to convict Ramirez of operating a vehicle while intoxicated; (2) Whether the trial court erred in its admission of blood test results... and (3) Whether the trial court erred in its admission of Ramirez’s pre-Miranda statements. For any Wabash student interested in law, criminal justice, or Constitutional rights, this will be a fascinating case.

The event will take place in Salter Hall next Tuesday, at 11:15. It is part of the court’s “Appeals on Wheels” program, which includes oral arguments of real cases at various high schools and colleges in the state. “It’s

about building goodwill between the community and the court,” Dr. Jeff Drury said. Dr. Drury also explained that all Wabash men would benefit from attending the argument – we all need to know the details of our Miranda rights. And of course, a close-up look at our judicial system can’t hurt either. Following the oral argument, the judges will answer non-case-specific questions from the audience. This event is just one of the many ways Wabash achieves its educational goals; a true liberal arts institution promotes civic engagement. This event will be an excellent opportunity for Wabash students to engage the criminal justice system -- but in a positive manner, of course.

Purinton Delivers Hadley Lecture on History of Brewing

JAKE VERMEULEN '21 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • When Wallies think about beer, it’s usually in the context of what borderline-piss-water they’re going to down a case of the next weekend. During the annual Hadley Lecture on February 24, Malcolm Purinton provided the campus with a much more informative look at one of the world’s most popular drinks. In his lecture, titled, “The World in a (Beer) Glass,” Purinton traced the history of beer and its brewing and its connections to the history of the world. Purinton traced the brewing of beer back to at least 8,000 years ago, but noted that it may have been brewed as far back as 13,000 years ago. He then traced its development and spread from the ancient Egyptians, who brewed 36 types of beer, up through monks in the Middle Ages, who were among the first to actually sell beer as a commodity, and on to the globalization of beer and the craft revolution.

Purinton teaches courses at both Northeastern University and Emerson College in the Boston area, and he earned his doctorate in World History from Northeastern. His doctoral dissertation focused on the Pilsner’s emergence as the first truly global beer under the title “Empire in a Bottle: Commerce, Culture, and the Consumption of the Pilsner Beer in the British Empire.” He traced the Pilsner’s development in the Pilsen region of the Czech Republic to it becoming the most widely drank beer in the world. At one point, it practically monopolized the beer market, until the Craft Beer Revolution began in earnest in the 1980s.

Purinton also traced how the evolution of beer has been intertwined with world history. As an example, he noted how the Temperance Movement

in the United States originally advocated for the drinking of beer, believing that it and the beer garden culture that was brought to the United States by German immigrants would actually decrease drunkenness. They saw that a person could drink a couple of beers over the course of the day without becoming overly intoxicated, something that was nearly impossible with other, harder alcohols. However, these movements shifted their tone after the outbreak of World War I in 1914. They began to advocate for outright prohibition, partly as a result of newly energized xenophobic fears of German immigrants and their culture.

Purinton also analyzed the impact of the Industrial Revolution, which British brewers used to take a stranglehold on the market for beer from the 1700s until the late 1800s. British brewers were able to use technology to control the temperature and fermentation process of their beer far better than their competitors in continental Europe. This dynamic shifted when continental brewers took advantage of a more collaborative environment to develop better beers in the latter half of the 19th Century, including the aforementioned Pilsner.

Beer is also a useful analog for the globalization that has characterized much of recent world history. As the world economy has become more globalized, beer companies followed the lead of other companies. They became bigger and bigger, with the largest handful of companies dominating the market, and their products became more and more similar.

Purinton’s lecture gave Wabash students a new lens through which to look about beer in a broader context than just next weekend’s party.



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Be Bullish on Traditions

Sebastian Garren '14

I met a recent graduate at the 2019 Monon Bell viewing party in St. Louis. On the heels of introducing himself, he exclaimed with glee, “I’m part of the last class to get a sheepskin diploma!” Certainly this Wally valued the symbol of a sheepskin diploma (inked in flowing Latin, mind you) for more than its monetary value. I thought if this former student, a systems engineer at Washington University, thinks the diploma is a point of pride, then it probably is. The principal of Chesterton’s Fence states that if one comes across a fence in the middle of the road, one should not just tear it down, until you know why the fence was put there in the first place. “It’s our tradition,” a frequent statement at the most hallowed institutions is a shorthand for a much more complicated network of reasons and feelings. Traditions provide guidance as to what we should value. Kissing your grandmother on the cheek might be inconvenient in a crowded room, but you still better damn do it when you see her, no matter how many “excuse me’s” it costs.

Remember diplomas are entirely symbolic in the first place. One doesn’t need a physical diploma to graduate at all. Humans, though, love symbols, reason through symbols, do their politics (too often) through symbols, and honor real goods by honoring symbols. A crappy plastic American Flag feels embarrassing but thick fabric for a richly colored American flag feels authentic. It’s the same way with sheepskin. The sheepskin is a physical symbol of a cornucopia of cultural goods, namely a traditional liberal arts education based upon an understanding of the past and the human condition. Sheepskin is an emblem for carrying on the spirit of ultimate inquiry that began in 12th century universities. It’s both aspirational, as we hope to imitate that life long spirit of inquiry, and a prestige item, associating ourselves with a deep rooted tradition. For those who really know this tradition, preserving the sheepskin means preserving a symbol for the education of the whole person, mind and spirit. It’s a symbol of our

authenticity. Now certainly there is a price that has to be paid for preserving the sheepskin. It costs around \$20,000 each graduation. And it’s true that Hess’ administration is zoning in on a long term goal to save money and not draw on the endowment. That’s why even though the new stadium looks like a lavish expense, both the tax write-off for constructing the asset and the expected bump in donations from sports-loving alumni should allow him to at least break even. So I don’t think complaints about it are valid. Last year, the college was over 3.3 million dollars in the black, a very impressive feat, one that I am certain CFO Kendra Cooks and Controller Douglas Smith are anxious to maintain. Nonetheless, the objections to the sheepskin diploma have been lackluster at best. 1,074 people signed a petition to keep it. Alumni offered to start a fund to preserve the tradition. Once started, an earmarked fund of 280k raised over the next five years would be enough to sustain the tradition indefinitely with Wabash’s highly

talented investment subcommittee. On quality, if it’s a real issue, there are other vendors we should check out. From what I can tell, the quality issue is not the skin itself but the vendor’s reliability. I’m not sure here. If I were President Hess, I would put an alumnus in charge of running the tradition. If they failed to raise enough funds to sustain the tradition, then cutting it would be fair. In a market with imperfect information, some things get undervalued. The President and his 5.5 committee has undervalued the symbol of our diploma. He should offer a route for us to save the tradition. Historical, authentic, and cool, the old diploma represents a deep idea - that our aesthetics should reflect our ideals. Sebastian Garren ’14 is Dean of High School at St. John Paul II Preparatory.

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On the Efficiency of Duck-Powered Transportation



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Before I got my beautiful 2013 Honda Civic, the kind of pure white rivaled only by the pretty walls of the Phi Delta Theta house, I drove a weathered green 1994 Ford Thunderbird. A T-Bird, if you will. Some of you may remember her from my all-campus email titled “RIP to a Campus Legend,” when we all had to say goodbye to her for the last time as her lonely car-cass (see what I did there?) was towed away to be scrapped. I had many fond memories with this car, such as driving down to Georgia one day to pick up a fraternity brother. Those hours spent breezing through the backroads of Tennessee will not be forgotten. It was during this long drive that I began

to question what was really going on under the hood of my American-made beauty. 140-Horsepower engine, the manual states. But what does that number really mean? What is it in terms of something I’m more familiar with. . . like ducks? Thanks to some complicated math on the internet, we know that one horsepower is equal to the strength required to move 75 kg 1 meter in 1 second. Using common Mallard ducks for the conversion, which fly at approximately 1 m/s and can lift about 250 g [1½ lb], we see that it would require about 300 healthy, adult male Mallard ducks pulling 250 g each to equate to one horsepower. In terms of the 1994 T-Bird in question, that baby cruised at around 42,000 duckpower. Thanks to metzerfarms.com, we know that the bulk purchase of more than 50 healthy, adult male Mallard ducks will run you about \$15.25 per duck, equating our cost to roughly \$640,500. For simplicity’s sake, we’ll assume that no hutchies are required, due to the ducks needing to be kept in one’s garage space, as that’s where cars go. No brooding equipment is required either, because the ducks will be fully-grown adults.

Now one of the necessities you will need to look out for is food. This will be a big cost. bestfarmanimals.com suggests that the average adult duck will consume about 150 lbs of feed per year. Buying from your local feed and tack store, Country Feeds All Flock Feed has a 50 lb bag that will only run you \$16. This appears the cheapest cost for duck feed, and the quality is still on par with other brands such as Purina. At \$48 per duck per year, the whole raft of Mallards will cost you about \$2,016,000 per year in food upkeep. Calculations for water intake and electrical requirements are a bit too tricky to tackle in such a specific way as my other calculations, so we’ll just assume that it’s going to be a lot. You’ll probably need to set aside some money to expand your garage to house all of your fluffy lil’ engine components, and for the onslaught of animal rights violations and traffic tickets you’ll incur during this time. With all of this in mind, let’s look at practicality. I had my T-Bird for two and a half years. The initial cost was \$700 and I put roughly \$2,000 into it for general repairs and such over that time. Adding the cost of gas (it took about \$25 to fill the tank and I filled it every other week), the total cost of my T-Bird for two and a half years was

roughly \$4,325. To maintain a 42,000 duck-powered engine for the same length of time (two and a half years), one would need to pay roughly \$5,680,500, plus other incalculable expenses (incalculable because I’m lazy and don’t want to calculate them, of course). As you can see, it would be more financially efficient to stick with a normal car, but maybe one day in the future, the Mallard Mobile could be an eco-friendly alternative to gasoline powered cars. As you can probably tell, this was an exercise in general silliness. Obviously, there is currently no legitimate substantiation to the possibility of duck-powered transport, and there is likely not to be any in the near future. Instead, this served as a way for me to escape the mundane drudgery of the college school week and have a bit of silly fun. It may be stupid, yes, but it was completely harmless. Some people may actually enjoy this. That is the hope. If not, it is very simple to leave well enough alone and ignore it. But to those people who do appreciate it, I thank them for not having let the harsh realities of the world strip them of the joys and wonders of being a child. Take stock in the little things, gentlemen. You don’t know how long they’ll last.



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For many people, gazing into the evening sky is a source of catharsis. The rich darkness of the cosmos allows the mind to quietly retreat to a place of wonder, away from the tumult of life. And for millennia, wandering eyes painted their gods onto the twinkling canvas of the Milky Way, exploring the nature of existence through myth and story. However, the warm glow of our universe hides a violent, entropic nature manifested only through time. For us, our threat lies just beyond sight from the remaining debris of the universe’s birth: asteroids. Asteroids - clusters of frozen rock seized into orbit by the Sun’s gravitational pull - orbit around the Solar System along elliptical paths. Ranging in size from a few meters to hundreds of kilometers, the

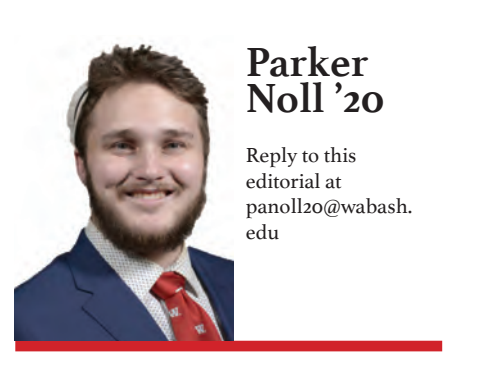
Why Asteroids Matter

velocity of these deep-space projectiles continuously astonishes any enthusiast of astronomy, with one such asteroid (called RG2) passing Earth at 80,000 kilometers per hour in 2019. However, while RG2 was only 20 meters in diameter, the asteroid Ceres, now considered a dwarf planet in the asteroid belt between Mars and Jupiter, touts a length of 940 kilometers. Earth’s collision with one of these celestial missiles could drastically alter the natural landscape of the planet and potentially hit the reset button for human civilization. While most asteroids burn up rapidly in the atmosphere, David Morrison of the NASA Ames Research Center worries about a more significant concern. Asteroids estimated between 1-2 kilometers in diameter could introduce a series of global complications, causing the degradation of the global climate and the chronic shortage of food and natural resources. Currently, more than 1,500 of these asteroids orbit the Sun and hurdle across the Earth’s elliptical path. The severity of global change incurred by these cosmic collisions continues to fuel debates within the geological and anthropological communities about the effects of past impacts, as seen through the Younger Dryas Impact Hypothesis. The hypothesis posits that multiple

airbursts from the disintegrating fragments of an asteroid nearly 4 kilometers in diameter struck the Earth 12,800 years ago. Peak concentrations of platinum and nano-diamonds have been uncovered at approximately 50 impact sites around the world, with some scientists speculating these collisions potentially triggered a brief ‘impact winter’ and changed the global climate. But only continued debate and research will either corroborate or reject the validity of this hypothesis. However, the vast majority of the scientific community agrees that an asteroid larger than 5 kilometers will cause the mass extinction of biological life. Such an event occurred 66 million years ago, with a 10-15-kilometer asteroid ending the Cretaceous period and the despotic reign of the dinosaurs. The risk of species-ending asteroids is an omnipresent threat, but increasing global awareness has inspired collaborative projects among international space agencies. An early solution for disposing of Earth-bound asteroids consisted of a highly aggressive, “George Patton” style approach to the problem: blow them up with nuclear warheads. Undoubtedly, I would not protest to witnessing my tax dollars spent on such brilliant spectacles, but cooler heads prevailed in global think

tanks. Detonating nuclear weapons against asteroids amplifies the problem by creating thousands of smaller asteroids hurtling toward Earth with a peeved resolve to annihilate their terrestrial assailants. Instead, the pacifistic researchers at NASA established the Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART), which changes the motion of an asteroid by kinetic impact deflection: the crashing of a high-speed aircraft into an asteroid to push its trajectory away from Earth. NASA plans on testing the effectiveness of this strategy with a launch in July of 2021 and intends on striking the asteroid Didymos in late 2022. Asteroid collisions on Earth pose a continuous threat to the longevity of human civilization. Thousands of these objects whip through the solar system with little regard for our threats of nuclear retaliation and continue to cross our orbit. Occasionally, larger asteroids barrel through the atmosphere but generally crash in remote areas. However, asteroids over 1 kilometer in diameter challenge the stability of our climate and our existence as a species. These collisions have occurred historically and remain responsible for our own ascent to the apex of the food chain. However, another one will come, and our survival requires preparation.

Live with a Smile



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I challenge those reading this to help me make a change on campus, and throughout our lives after Wabash. Here’s my testament. It was early July 2019, and I was getting ready to board a plane to Hong Kong at 1 in the morning. I have never been out of the country before, and my final destination was Maumere, Indonesia. I was one in a group of 12, with only knowing my older brother, Ryan. I met my team a day earlier for the first time, who I was going to be spending 3

weeks of my summer with them in the island country of Indonesia. Some of you may have heard about this trip, but this past summer, I went on a mission trip to Indonesia for 3 weeks. It was a significant learning experience for me that it has transformed me into the man I am today. I was nervous about starting out on this trip because it was overwhelming to embark on this experience without knowing anyone but my brother. People in the town where we stayed struggled to get into contact with Americans, so they treated us like celebrities. Everyone wanted a picture with us, they cooked for us, danced for us and even sang for us. These people showed us genuine hospitality as we had never seen before. It was truly inspiring. For example, I lost a water bottle at a beach that was four hours away from our town, and one of our hosts offered to drive all the way back to the beach to try to find my water bottle. I told him that it was a ten dollar water bottle

from Walmart, but they kept offering until I had to beg them not to leave. They taught me a life lesson that was needed, especially in our society. Here in America, we need to take notes on the Indonesian ways of kindness, thoughtfulness, and hospitality. Everywhere I went, people smiled and waved at me. They value the lives of guests and strangers so highly in the town of Maumere. My mental health was at an all-time high due to the number of care people gave me. I didn’t even speak their language of Bahasa, but they tried so hard to talk to me in English, to get to know me, asking me where I was from, what I do here at Wabash, and other such things. Even strangers who I met at the market greeted me with a smile and a “Selamat Pagi,” which means “good morning.” They were overjoyed all the time, even though they had no clean water, barely any plumbing, and they had little money. They brought an energy to my life that I will never forget.

With this being said, I think that we need a fist to the face to wake up from our cultural norms. Society is so individualized and so reserved. It seems like in bigger cities, and sometimes here on campus, people often keep to themselves and don’t try to notice others. Here in America, we have so much, and so much to be grateful for, especially with us at Wabash. However, we walk around campus, acting like we don’t know anyone, and we have way fewer problems than those in Third-World Countries. I say we should make this change. As a campus, and as a brotherhood, we should greet each other with smiles, good energy and thoughtfulness in order to try to bring down the individualism of our country. It’s 2020, and it’s time to value the lives of the people we come into contact with daily. Today on campus, try greeting people with a “Good Morning!” and a smile. This little drop can make a resounding ripple. People need people. Let’s not forget that.

Black History Month at Wabash

ALEX ROTARU '22 | ASSISTANT COPY EDITOR • Across the United States, February is Black History Month. It is a time to look back on America's oppressive past, reflect on present-day discrimination, and look for ways to make a future that lives up to the constitutional ideal of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness for all.

In this spirit, The Bachelor sat down with Professor of English Timothy Lake, Professor of History Sabrina Thomas, Director of the Malcolm X Institute Steven Jones '87, current Chairman of the Malcolm X Institute Malcolm Lang '21, and former Chairman of the Malcolm X Institute and Art major Marlon Lewis '20.

Many of the same racial issues from centuries ago still prevail in America to this day. "I think the challenge that African Americans have continued to face for the past two hundred years in this country is racial inequality and social injustice," Thomas said. "If you picked up a newspaper in 1893 and 1923 and 1963 and 2013 and 2020 you would see some of the same headlines: police abuse and brutality against African American men and women, voter suppression and demands for equal funding and resources for public schools. While I am very grateful to live at a time when someone who looks like me can earn a PhD and work as a faculty member at an institution of higher learning, it is very frustrating to see the perpetuation of these kinds of systemic inequalities and injustices in 2020." And, unfortunately, in many places, there are few African-American voices that can make themselves heard, and Wabash is no exception. "I find most issues when it comes to us (African Americans) on this campus occur in

the classroom, when we are the only voice or representation to any topic," Lewis said.

Much of African-American culture revolves around these struggles, as "[humans] create culture out of the landscape, labor regime, and political system in which we find ourselves living in," Lake said. So, just like American culture and customs differ by region, political affiliation, and lifestyle, among others, so does African-American culture. "I think one of the big misconceptions is that African American culture is monolithic," Lake said. "In America, when we think about African American culture, by and large, what comes to mind is really Black Southern culture. When we talk about dialects or folk wisdom, we are actually talking about Southern Black culture. But, Black people have found themselves spread out all over the US, and, when you think about it, you can think about regionalisms emerging."

Everyone is born into a culture that is given to them. "I want to say culture is a constraint, among others," Lake said. "And, so, in a sense, the way in which we negotiate all of these constraints in order to make a life for ourselves, is the same way we negotiate these other kinds of constraints - like race, class, and gender." However, according to Lake, every culture has some sort of override, and some decide that the said culture is incompatible with who they are and abandon it completely - something known as "cultural suicide."

Nowhere is culture, or cultural suicide, more evident than in Art. "No matter who you are, where you come from, or what you do, [your history, heritage, and experiences are] going to be expressed in the way you create art," Lewis said. "A lot of Black art revolves around

oppression, or freedom and liberation and inclusion. It revolves a lot around stereotypes, too."

Society cannot address African American discrimination and oppression without looking at the issue from an intersectional perspective. "Intersectionality works for African Americans as it does for every American," Thomas said. "You cannot disconnect race from class or gender. We are all intersectional beings and so when people argue that the issues in our country are not about race, but about jobs, opportunities, etc., they fail to recognize that, in America, race dictates the kinds of economic opportunities, housing, education, etc., an individual has access to. Every major system in this country has been created with the purpose of limiting African American advancement and achievement. Hence, our challenge to overcome those systems is bigger than any other group in this country I would argue except Native Americans."

Black History Month is an opportunity for everyone to learn more about how they can support and empower African Americans on their quest for equality. "As students, regardless of ethnicity, the desire to learn more should be intensified during Black History Month," Dean Jones said. "This introduction or 'refresh' will, hopefully, stimulate more interest and a deep passion to read more, attend lectures and ask questions. There is so much to learn." And learning does not limit itself to activism and improvements brought by protest during the Civil Rights Movement. "I think it is imperative that the African American experience, African American history and African American lives are valued in this country and that every American

is educated to understand that this country was built by black bodies and with black blood," Thomas said. For this reason, the history of slavery that built the United States has come to the forefront of discussion, particularly in terms of figuring out reparations for slavery. "I think we just cannot understand the world, unless we understand slavery," Lake said.

On Wabash's campus, there are two opportunities to learn more about Black History beyond the month of February: the Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies and the Black Studies minor. "I feel like the Black Studies Department is taking great steps to educating all students about African American studies, as well as the social activism that has to take place in order for us to progress as a nation," Lang said. "But I also feel like the Diversity and Inclusion Committee and the Malcolm X Institute work towards creating more of a unified campus."

The Black Studies minor serves to formally educate men about the African-American struggles. "Black Studies is liberal arts to the core," Lake said. "It's interdisciplinary, and it's cross-disciplinary. Some people might say it de-disciplinizes, meaning that it actually upturns the entire idea of disciplines."

There is so much to learn about Black History that a month, while useful to raise awareness on related issues, is not enough to encompass African-American history, traditions, oppression, and culture. Still, that does not stop Wabash from being able to stand TALL for African Americans: think critically about the core issues African-Americans face, act responsibly by leading change effectively, and live humanely by listening and embracing the stories of African-Americans.

The Real Best Spring Break Locations

SIMON DECAPUA '23 | STAFF WRITER • If you are anything like me, this is the time of the year that you find yourself running full force towards the finish line that is Spring Break. Many college students always struggle to find an exciting spring break location that their selves and friends can afford to go on. With the days remaining until spring break dwindling into the single digits, students that have yet to plan their trips are beginning to run out of options. Sure, you and the boys could just go hitch a ride down to Frat Lauderdale to go and 'relax' on the beach for a few days, but where is the enjoyment in that? Not to mention the cost associated with such a trip. You could go to Florida and see the beach, but you could save a lot of money by seeing the beach through the hundreds of Instagram posts that are certainly to come. Make this year different and go on vacation where you and the boys will have a genuinely good time. Here are my top three 2020 Spring Break Locations.

Number 3, Mt. Vernon. Instead of going to the home of the nation's capital, travel a half marathon south of it to visit the summer home of the first President of the United States. If you ever wanted to learn more about the face behind the man on the one-dollar bill, look no further than the place where he was peer

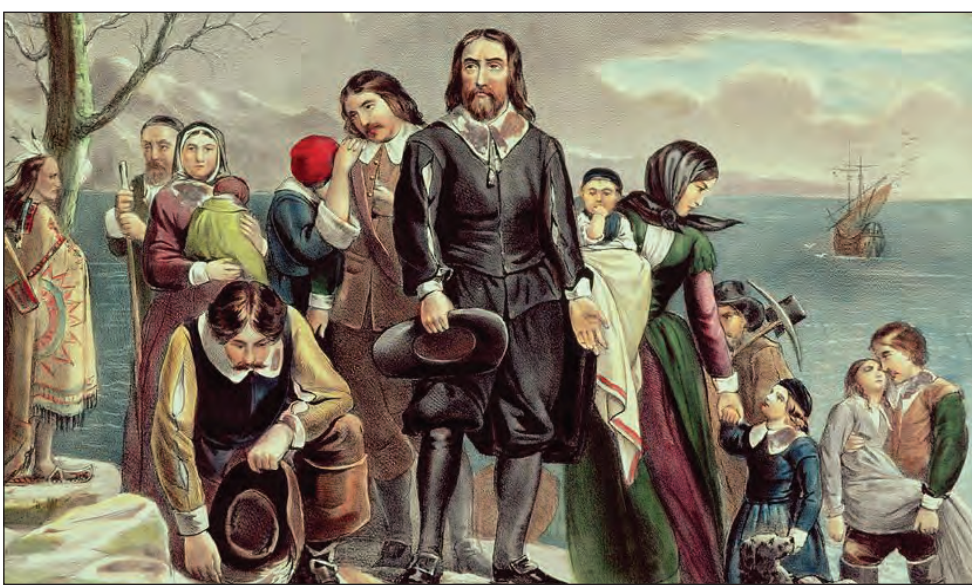
pressured into running for President. At this incredible vacation hotspot, you can visit the farm that George Washington had his food grown at. Additionally, you can also get lasered with the squad and head out onto a cruise that will show you the Washington residence, but from the water. With so many things to do at this historic place you and your friends will have tours to go on for over three hours. Going to Mt. Vernon is a once in a lifetime experience that can't be passed up.

Number 2, Colonial Jamestown.

If you think that the home of a single man is too 'quaint' for your taste, why don't you try visiting an entire colony. Instead of being home to one-person, colonial Jamestown was home to almost one hundred people over 400 years ago. Get together with your friends and light up some stogies in one of the first places in America that exported tobacco. While visiting, you can swing by the nearby Native American colony where it still looks the same way it did when the tribe left it.

Number 1, Plymouth Rock.

If Jamestown is too 'basic' of a location for you then consider Plymouth Rock. You can be assured that the party scene here will be above average this year considering it is the 400-year anniversary of the site's historic event. If you go to the beach looking for the rock you won't find it, as it had been



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Spring breakers have been vibing at Plymouth Rock since 1620.

moved back in the 18th century, however the rock is still visible to the public in town. Additionally, if you go looking for the rock in its entirety, you will be disappointed as the rock broke apart while they were moving it

to said location. Regardless, Plymouth Rock will be a huge party scene this year like it always is, and it should be number one on your list for best destinations to visit for spring break.

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Highlights From Local Act



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Wabash hosted the first Local Act last Saturday in the Experimental Room in the Fine Arts Center.



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Local Act featured Ra’shawn Jones ’20 and DJs Nate Bowman & Matt Johnston.



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Wabash’s own Lil’ Bill (Ra’shawn Jones) brought the energy Saturday night.



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Nguyen Delivers Cotton Lecture

AUSTIN HOOD '21 | NEWS EDITOR • Each spring semester, the Wabash College Philosophy Department sponsors a distinguished academic to deliver the J. Harry Cotton Lecture in Philosophy. Sponsored by the J. Harry Cotton Fund, established in 1977 primarily to grant an award to the member of the senior class who has done the best work in the department over the course of the year and who best exemplifies Cotton's qualities, the lecture series once occurred only once every few years but has recently been established as an annual event.

C. Thi Nguyen, Associate Professor of Philosophy at Utah Valley University, delivered the 2020 Cotton Lecture on February 20. Nguyen, who received his PhD from the University of California, Los Angeles, is internationally renowned as a leading thinker in the philosophy of art, games, and technology. He is the author of an upcoming book from Oxford University Press entitled *Games: Agency as Art*, in which he focuses on the intersection between rationality and society in the computer age.

The title of the lecture, which lasted just over an hour, was "The Seductions of Gamification." Philosophy Department fliers distributed prior to lecture summarized it in the following way: "Games occupy a unique and valuable place in our lives. Game designers do not simply create worlds; they design temporary selves...and the fact that we play games shows something remarkable as us."

The lecture covered a surprisingly large amount of ground in that hour, with discussion ranging from the effects of Twitter's design on public discourse to structure of 21st century capitalism. Nguyen's thesis, in brief, was that gamification (defined as utilizing the elements of a game, e.g. points and goals, to get

individuals to engage in non-game activities) is a harmful trend that threatens to undermine the very things that it seeks to enhance. For example, the professor sees *US News* and *World Report* as harmful to higher education institutions, as they force schools and students to play by a limited set of metrics to determine success within the ranking system, taking away from the broader, unquantifiable aspects of a successful educational experience.

"In the end I think that gamification is terrible and games are great," Nguyen said. "You might think that's weird because they work on such similar technology. But you play a lot of games and you step back from all of them. With gamification you're stuck in a metrified system. In a lot of gamified systems, like GPA, the stakes really matter, and so you're almost forced to internalize the rules and the outcomes."

The namesake of the lecture, James Harry Cotton, lived from 1898 to 1982. He earned a Bachelor of Art's degree from the College of Wooster and a PhD from Princeton University, as well as honorary degrees from Wooster in 1929 and Wabash in 1938. Cotton taught courses in the Philosophy Department at Wabash from 1947 to 1968. Prior to his professorship at the College he pastored a Presbyterian Church Columbus, Ohio and was President of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago.

"The first Cotton Lecture was given by Gregory Vlastov, a scholar in Ancient Philosophy at Princeton University," Adriel Trott, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Gender Studies and Philosophy Departments Chair, said. "Since that time every few years we've invited a philosopher to our campus to give this lecture thanks to the generosity of our alumni over the past 40 years."



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Thi Nguyen, Associate Professor of Philosophy at Utah Valley University, delivered the 2020 Cotton Lecture. Nguyen is a respected thinker in the fields of aesthetics, epistemology and philosophy of games.

HI-FIVES

FIVE THINGS WORTHY
OF A HI-FIVE THIS WEEK

DEADLY DRAMATIC IRONY

Hi-Five to Iran's Deputy Health Minister for contracting Coronavirus only days after denouncing quarantines during a press conference. Looks like instead of chanting Death to America the Islamic Republic needs to focus on bringing Death to Bacteria.

HIGHWAY TO HELL

Hi-Five to the tanker truck carrying gallons upon gallons of jet fuel that flipped over on I-465 in Indianapolis, causing a massive fire. Luckily, this was only slightly more catastrophic than normal rush hour traffic on that demonic freeway.

MADBUM THE COWBOY

Hi-Five to Madison Bumgarner for signing with the Diamondbacks just to be closer to his horses, which he rides for his recently-revealed side hustle in Professional Rodeo Competitions. What does it say about the future of the MLB if a star pitcher is looking for other ways to entertain himself.

BSKETBALL

Lo-Five to the Basketball team for losing in the first round of the NCAC tournament to Denison. The Little Giants beat the Big Red by an average of 16.5 points in their two regular season meetings, and we're mostly disappointed for them. Congrats on a great season. Could've done with a better ending.

PREPARING FOR EASTER

Hi-Five to the scores of Wallies taking part in our favorite Spring Tradition: giving up Catholicism for Lent. Maybe Sam Hansen and the Newman Center will be able to coax you back with stogies.

CORRECTION: In last week's issue we published a story titled "Coronavirus Raises Concerns about Planned Immersion Trips," in which we misidentified Eric Wetzels, Norman Treve Professor of Biology, as Dr. John Roberts. We sincerely apologize for the mistake and will strive for better accuracy in reporting.

SPORTS

Basketball Falls to Wittenberg, Win Streak Ends at 7

BLAKE LARGENT '22 | SPORTS EDITOR • The Wabash basketball team moved to 16-8 and 12-5 in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) after a 91-79 road win over Kenyon College on Saturday and a 78-69 loss to Wittenberg University on Wednesday's Senior Night game.

The Little Giants entered Saturday's game winners of six straight and battling The College of Wooster for the second spot in the NCAC standings. "We knew we were playing well, we needed to continue that," Head Coach Kyle Brumett said of the team's mindset entering Saturday. "We have been better at home, but at this time of year you have to play through the highs and lows of the game, whether you are at home or not. I thought we did a good job of that."

Wabash opened the game hot on offense. The Little Giants pulled to a 16-8 lead after a jumper from Tyler Watson '22 with 15:20 left in the first half. After Wabash pulled to an 18-10 lead, Kenyon began to respond. The Lords tied the game 19-19 with 10:19 left in the first half. The Little Giants managed to control most of the first half, though, and took a 10-point lead into the halftime break.

In the second half, Kenyon continued to chip into the Wabash lead. An Alex Cate free throw cut the Little Giant lead to 50-44 with 16:10 remaining, and the Lords continued to hang around for much of the second half. A Jack Davidson '21 three pointer put Wabash's lead back into double digits, putting the score at 58-46 with 13:30 remaining. Despite some back-and-forth action, the Little Giants never looked back. Wabash closed out the game, winning 91-79 for its seventh-straight victory.

"We did not play great, but we had some really good stretches," Brumett said. "We missed some uncharacteristic free throws, and put them on the free throw line too many times to really extend the lead. Road wins in this league are hard to come by. I was happy with the result."

Davidson led all scorers with 27, shooting an impressive 6-8 from three in the game. In total, the Little Giants shot 12-20 from behind the arc, well above their around 37% season average from three point range. "We have some extremely good shooters, led by Davidson and Watson," Brumett said. "Our offense does try to take advantage of our shooting, but most importantly we want to get great shots, high-percentage shots, that give us a chance to get to the free throw line and make the defense work. The threes will come when we are sharing the ball and

running good offense."

After the win, Wabash turned its focus to Wednesday's game: Wittenberg. Much was on the line entering the game: Wittenberg defeated Wooster 88-81 on February 15, which opened the door for Wabash to cement itself as the second seed in the NCAC. Wabash was also undefeated in home conference games entering Wednesday's game. In addition to this, Wednesday was Senior Night for the Little Giants' three seniors: Harrison Hallstrom '20, Colten Garland '20, and Alex Eberhard '20. This created a game with massive implications for Wabash. Brumett agreed. "This is a big game," he said prior to the game. "The top two teams in the standings. We did not feel like we played well at Witt. We have cleaned up our rotation. Our older guys are playing well right now and are healthy. It is exciting to be able to measure ourselves against a top-five team in the country. That is what we are striving to become. It isn't really pressure, it is what we have worked for. We will see if we are ready." Brumett also acknowledged that Wednesday's game would be big moving forward. "We need our best players to play well," he said. "This is a big game. It sets the table for the conference tournament, it also will be looked at nationally. We want to be in these situations. We need to win the game to reach some of our goals that we have for ourselves."

The Little Giants certainly opened the game looking ready. Wabash began the game on a 5-0 spurt, and pushed the lead to 7-2 after a Hallstrom layup. Wittenberg slowly began to claw back. After several minutes of defensive basketball, the Tigers tied the game at 12-12 with 11:37 to play in the first half. The remainder of the first half continued to be a defensive game. Wabash forced Wittenberg into nine turnovers, which is what the Tigers average over the course of a game. The Little Giants entered halftime with a 32-29 lead.

In the second half, both teams continued to battle. Wittenberg regained the lead 33-32 after a James Johnson layup with 16:56 remaining. Neither team could separate itself from the other, and with 7:18 left, the game was tied 59-59. Wittenberg's Jake Bertemes nailed a three on the ensuing possession, and the Tigers' Jordan Pumroy increased the lead to 64-59 on a jumper. Davidson responded for Wabash, hitting a three to put the score at 64-62. Wabash cut the lead to 66-65 after a Watson three with 4:51 remaining, but the Little Giants could not regain the lead despite their best



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Jack Davidson '21 attempts an acrobatic layup in Wednesday's game vs. Wittenberg.

efforts. Turnovers, controversial calls, and free throws sealed the game for Wabash, and Wittenberg escaped the game with a 78-69 win. There were 15 total lead changes in the game and five ties. Davidson again led all scorers, posting 29 points, five assists, and four rebounds. Hallstrom, in his final regular season home game, finished with six points and 14 rebounds in the loss.

Despite the loss, the Little Giants played the Tigers down to the final seconds. This effort will go far in terms of the end-of-season NCAA regional rankings. If Wabash is unable to win the NCAC Tournament, the Little Giants will have to rely on the NCAA regional rankings to gain entry to the Division III tournament. Prior to the game, Wabash was sixth in the regional rankings. "Witt is a great team," Brumett said of the opponent. "They have really good players, older players. Wabash, Wittenberg, and

Wooster [...] that is the company that you want to be compared to in DIII basketball. That is why the NCAC is one of the top basketball conferences in the country."

As for conference standings, Wabash is now back to the third spot in the NCAC behind second-place Wooster and first-place Wittenberg after Wednesday's loss. The Little Giants' seeding destiny now lies in the hands of Wooster and DePauw. Wabash will end the season No. 2 in the NCAC with a win in the final regular season game against Oberlin College and a Wooster loss to DePauw. If there is ever a time to root for a DePauw victory, tomorrow will certainly be the case. Wooster (18-6, 12-5 NCAC) and DePauw (13-11, 10-7 NCAC) will square off tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. Wabash will play its final game of the regular season against Oberlin (14-10, 8-9 NCAC) tomorrow in Oberlin, Ohio at 3 p.m.

Schurg Returns, Wrestling Expecting Big Results at Regionals

CHRISTIAN REDMOND '20 | OPINION EDITOR • The Wabash wrestling team is preparing to compete in the first round of the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships this Saturday in Adrian, Michigan. In the Regionals, teams enter their top wrestler for each of the ten weight classes. Wrestlers then face-off for a chance to qualify for round two, colloquially known as 'Nationals.'

Athletes who place in the top three for each weight class on Saturday qualify for Nationals. Wabash is in the Central Regional with 17 other schools. Each weight class for the 2020 Regionals contains at least one returning All-American, or someone who placed in the top 8 in last year's Nationals. Wabash has four returning National qualifiers: Carlos

Champagne '22 (125), Owen Doster '20 (133), Kyle Hatch '21 (165), and Darden Schurg '20 (174). Champagne and Hatch are returning All-Americans and Schurg is a returning national champion. The regional is of impressive caliber with two returning national champions in the mix (Wabash's Schurg included) and five returning wrestlers currently ranked No. 1 in the nation (Wabash's Champagne and Hatch included).

The team battle for the Regional is looking to be a fiery one. Wabash won last year's regional tournament as a team, followed by Baldwin Wallace and then Mount Union. This year, the three teams are ranked No. 4, No. 6, and No. 12 respectively in the National Team Rankings. Wabash and Mount Union both return with three returning All-Americans and a returning national

champion. Baldwin Wallace also has two returning All-Americans.

Currently, Wabash's lineup is as follows: Champagne at 125, Doster at 133, Brailen Harrington '22 at 141, Alex Barr '22 at 149, Andy Posledni '23 at 157, Hatch at 165, Schurg at 174, Daylan Schurg '21 at 184, Jack Heldt '23 at 197, and Max Bishop '21 at 285.

Concerns were circulating about several members in the lineup. It was unknown whether Darden Schurg's medical situation would permit him to wrestle in his last Nationals run. But, as the lineup shows, Darden is positioned to wrestle at 174 this weekend and looks to win another National title in a few weeks. It also seems Bishop will wrestle in the tournament rather than Wade Ripple, previously ranked fourth at 285. The

team entered the season with a No. 1 ranked team in the country and seven returning national qualifiers. However, the team is entering the postseason with only three athletes that have participated in a regional. This weekend is Harrington's, Barr's, Posledni's, Daylan Schurg's, Heldt's, and Bishop's first time wrestling in a regional tournament.

Some may see this as a hindrance for Wabash, but the men feel ready to compete. The seven wrestling this tournament for the first time have consistently been in the lineup throughout the year. The regular season has shown that they are capable of handling their own in this tournament. Keep an eye out for the scoring results of this NCAA Regional in next week's *The Bachelor*.



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Brailen Harrington '22 prepares for a takedown in the Mid-States Invitational on February 15. Harrington will be one of 10 wrestlers in Wabash's regional lineup.

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Track Takes Second Place at NCAC Multi-Event Championships

JIM DALY '23 | STAFF WRITER • After taking on a total of 15 different teams in the Steamer Showcase at Wittenberg University last Saturday morning, Wabash track and field sent their top three athletes into the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) Multi-Event Meet. Competing in this two-day event trickling into Sunday, these three men worked collectively in pushing the team to 2nd place, with each athlete also making Little Giant's top-ten honors.

The day began at Wittenberg when RaShawn Jones '20 broke the 60-meter hurdle fieldhouse record by 0.03s with a time of 8.16. As a result, Jones earned his ranking in the top ten of national Division III hurdlers. "The biggest thing was not preparation; the big picture [was] we didn't shy away from a normal

routine and focused on our specific events even though we were going into the championships," Assistant Coach Emile Conde said. "[We] tried not to overthink it too much."

Later that afternoon, Hunter Baehl '20, Max Bigler '22, and Ballard Suiter '20 traveled to Oberlin College to participate in the multi-meet heptathlon. On Saturday, Bigler became the runner up for this event and got third place overall on Sunday, where he completed his 60-meter dash in 9.06s, his pole vault at 3.25m, and his 1000 meter race in 3:02.76. On day one, however, he went 7.51s for the 60-meter hurdles, 5.94m for the long jump, 10.21m for the shot put, and 1.94m for the high jump. "[...] Bigler had personal records for all those

events," Head Coach Clyde Morgan said. "[He] earned top-ten honors as well."

In addition, Suiter provided further aid to the team, placing 5th officially with an exact score of 4,127 points. On the first day, he placed in seventh, getting 7.37 for the 60m hurdles, as well as 5.82m for the long jump, 10.03m for the shot put, and 1.61m for the high jump. The next day, he progressed to fifth place overall, with scores of 9.55 for the 60-meter dash, 3.85m for the pole vault, and a considerably impressive time of about 3 minutes for the 1000 meter race. "Ballard had a great performance moving up to Wabash's top ten list," Coach Morgan said.

Thirdly, Baehl put on quite a performance as well, especially since he

was coming back from an injury. In his initial race, he finished in eighth place, with 7.72s for the 60m, 5.73m for the long jump, 10.32m for the shot put, and 1.64m for the high jump. Furthermore, Baehl followed this up with a seventh-place overall finish on Sunday. This improvement accounts for 9.80s in the 60-meter dash, 3.15m in the pole vault, and, finally, 3:03.32 in the 1000 meter race. "Hunter getting seventh and doing all those events [...] being a senior and doing that for his team [...] I thought was phenomenal," Coach Morgan Said.

Wabash will proceed further into the conference tournament this weekend, beginning on Friday at noon and Saturday at 10 p.m., both of which will take place at Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

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Connor Rotterman '21 drives past a Denison defender en route to a layup. Rotterman finished with 10 points, three steals, and an assist in Tuesday's season-ending loss to Denison in the NCAC Quarterfinals.



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Jack Davidson '21 prepares to shoot a floater in the first half of Tuesday's game.



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Kellen Schreiber '22 rises above a Denison defender for a shot attempt.



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Harrison Hallstrom '20 makes a move on a Denison defender in the paint.



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Colten Garland '20 attempts a layup in the second half against Denison.

Baseball Begins 2020 Season

NICK CAPUTO '22 | STAFF WRITER
• Wake up! It's baseball season. The Little Giant baseball team will be traveling to Westfield, IN this weekend to officially kick off their 2020 season with games on Saturday and Sunday. For those of you who don't already know, Grand Park can also be considered an athlete's heaven. This 400-acre complex has just 25 baseball and softball diamonds, alongside 31 multi-purpose fields mainly used for football, soccer, and lacrosse.

The last time they traveled to Grand Park was two years ago for their season opener, as well. The Little Giants split a two-game series against Transylvania and defeated Wisconsin-Oshkosh on that weekend.

"February baseball in the Midwest is so great because the games are chock-full of 'gritty baseball,'" said first-baseman Jackson Blevins '20. Blevins went on to say that, "these teams that we're playing are cold-weather teams and will more than likely be

experiencing some growing pains, as well." The Little Giants got on the field last weekend for two scrimmages where they split with Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. This was the first time they've stepped foot on a diamond since October.

The game scheduled for today was meant to be played against the University of Wisconsin Stevens-Point, but it had to be cancelled due to frigid temperatures. As of Wednesday night, the game against the Pointers had not been rescheduled or postponed. Wisconsin Stevens-Point is coming down south with just over a seven hour bus ride for them. The Pointers struggled a little bit last year, ending their season with a record of 14-24. But what can Wabash actually expect from them if the game is made up? They are a very aggressive team that likes to steal a lot of bases. Last season, they attempted to steal 70 bags and 49 of those attempts were successful. The Little Giants can also

expect a lot of key contributions from a tandem of Pointer junior outfielders, Payton Nelson and Aaron Simmons. The duo combined for 113 hits and 75 RBIs last season.

The Little Giants will also be taking on Hope College and Albion College starting on Saturday at 11 a.m and 2:30 p.m. The Hope Dutchmen hail from Holland, Michigan near Lake Michigan. What can Wabash expect from the Dutch? Hope had a terrific season last year finishing with a record of (31-11). The Dutchmen are renowned for their outstanding offensive numbers and consistent upperclassmen hitters. They are known for hitting the ball around the park combining for a team average of .316 and hitting 29 home runs. The Little Giants can expect them to steal, considering they swiped 133 bags last season. Overall, this is a very talented team and the Wabash will have a chance to showcase its solid defensive and pitching play.

The Britons from Albion College will be traveling down from Albion, Michigan, approximately an hour east of Ann Arbor. Last season they ended their season with a 22-20 overall record. Their statistics from last year don't jump off the page, but the Little Giants can expect a lot of solid baseball from the Britons. They have an extremely young roster and only one returning senior, so the Wabash will look to be moving aggressively on the basepaths and stealing free bags.

Overall, the Little Giants should be expecting battles this upcoming weekend from some hard-nosed, cold-weather teams. Wabash has a very talented freshmen class with lots of fresh arms for the pitching staff and a few key position players. Every team this weekend may be experiencing some growing pains, but that is February baseball. The Little Giants will open the 2020 season against Hope College tomorrow at 11 a.m. and Albion College at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.