

VIEW FROM THE VALLEY

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“Like the
emerging blooms
of spring, may
your journey be
filled with **growth,**
beauty, and the
joy of **new**
beginnings.”

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EDITOR'S NOTE

As we near the end of the school year, we're reflecting on the recent solar eclipse, a memorable moment for Mount Carmel and its surrounding area as part of the path of totality. Though the eclipse has passed, its wonder lingers, reminding us of the magic around us.

With graduation on the horizon, let's channel that energy into finishing strong. Whether student, faculty, or staff, let's make these final weeks count as we prepare for what's next. Here's to celebrating our achievements and embracing the journey ahead!

Warm regards,

Quanna

I would say the weather is warming up and getting nicer, but lately it has been all over the place. Rain, wind, and then the eclipse. All sorts of crazy weather in addition to that nice warm sunny feeling. It's time to get to work though! I know there's not a whole lot of classes left but enjoy it! It goes by way too fast. Just hang in there for a few more weeks and then it'll be time for summer!

Read on!

Ryan Hill

89.1 THE BASH IS 50 YEARS OLD

BY RYLAN ROBB

The Wabash Valley College radio station, 89.1 The Bash, turned 50 years old this year! The station celebrates 50 years of being on-air as a 50,000-watt station and rocking the tri-state with alternative music! The radio studio is in the science building within the radio and television department. To commemorate the event, there will be special promotions for the year, including voices of alumni on The Bash! There is also a documentary in the works from the 89.1 crew to show the history and stories of the station. Students in the radio/tv program can go on air and talk over the radio while jamming to alternative rock music! Students can also produce their own radio shows if they so choose. The two currently airing radio shows on 89.1 are The Road Home Show, hosted by Rebecca Barker and Rylan Robb (Thursdays 2-4 p.m.), and Members Only (Fridays 4-6 p.m.), hosted by Zane Spivey. If you're interested in going on air yourself, be sure to contact Kyle Peach (peachk@iecc.edu).



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Meet Madison Farmer! Madison is from Evansville, IN and a sophomore at Wabash Valley College. Madison says "the home like feel of the school brought me here I felt that coming right out of high school this would be a good start instead of a big university."

Madison is studying Sports Management and graduates in May. Her plans after graduation are to continue both athletic and academic careers at a 4 year university. Maddie is part of the volleyball team. Go Warriors!

Q&A

Q: What is your favorite movie?

A: "It has to be Grease!"

Q: Did you see the eclipse? What was your experience?

A: "This being my first time seeing the total eclipse was definitely a surreal experience. Definitely one of the coolest things I've ever seen!"

Q: What has been the most memorable experience at WVC?

A: "My most memorable experience was my freshman year were my team and I played Lincoln Trail, it was a really close game but we ended up winning and the whole school was there cheering us on and they all ran onto the court. It was a really great moment!"

Q: What will be your biggest takeaway being at WVC?

A: "My biggest takeaway is to appreciate the little things because Wabash has given me a lot even though it's just a little school in a small town I will never regret my decision of starting my career here!"

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Luke Scheidecker, the Athletic Director and Head Women's Basketball Coach at Wabash Valley College has had an eventful journey since coaching in Mount Carmel.

He worked at WVC for two years, left for two, then came back. He also helped out at Indiana State for a while.

One of Luke's best memories? Last year's signing day, when 10 talented young women committed to their next sports adventures. It's a moment he'll always treasure.

Juggling the roles of athletic director and head coach isn't easy, but Luke handles it well. He loves making a positive impact on students' lives. Luke's hard work paid off—he was recently named the 2024 Women's Basketball College Association (WBCA) Two-Year College Coach of the Year. He led the Lady Warriors to win the 2024 GRAC conference then off to new heights making it to the final four of the NJCAA national tournament. The Lady Warriors completed their season 12-0 in the conference and an 29-3 overall showing he's a top-notch coach and leader.

Cheers to Luke Scheidecker, making a difference at WVC both on and off the court!

Q&A

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: Reece's Peanut Butter Cups

Q: What is your favorite past time?

A: Games - football, basketball, baseball, etc.



REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

BY BRYCE THOMPSON

After a few exciting days in Casper, WY at the NCJAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship, the Lady Warriors have done what no Lady Warriors team in program history has done! For the first time in program history, the Lady Warriors have reached the NJCAA Final Four! In order to get to the Final Four, the Lady Warriors had to defeat the (18) Dodge City Community College Lady Conquistadors in the second round as Wabash Valley had a first round bye as they were awarded the two seed in the tournament.

On March 27th, in a game that the Lady Warriors trailed for most of and at one point trailed by 18, something clicked with about 2 minutes left in the third quarter. Wabash Valley went on to outscore Dodge City 26-7 the rest of the ball game to advance to the Elite 8. A familiar face stepped up against Dodge City as she did most of the second half of the season. Freshman Madison Lewis led the way for the Lady Warriors with 14 points, with 9 coming from beyond the arc. Dodge City made a late push in the fourth quarter, but Chloe Dallas stepped up defensively and had a few key blocked shots late in the quarter to help secure the win over Dodge City by a final of 69-68.

On March 29th, the next obstacle before the Lady Warriors were the (7) Odessa Lady Wranglers. The Lady Warriors came out of the gate on a 9-0 run, which forced the Lady Wranglers to call a timeout. After the timeout, the Lady Wranglers went on a 4-0 run to cut the deficit down to five and make it a 9-4 ball game. The rest of the first quarter consisted of runs by each team to bring the first quarter score to 22-16 with Wabash Valley on top. The second and third quarter was all Wabash Valley. At the start of the 4th, the Lady Wranglers started with a 4-0 run before the Lady Warriors answered. Both teams traded baskets back and forth for most of the fourth quarter. As the game came down to the wire, Aaliyah Smith hit a step back jumper to put WVC ahead by 3. The Lady Wranglers tied the game at 79 with 26 seconds left, but Smith came to the rescue again with a go ahead 3 with 10 seconds left to put Wabash back on top 82-79. With six seconds left, the Wranglers made it a one point ball game with free throws. The score was 82-81, but Madison Lewis was fouled and made the trip to the free throw line where she only made one, making it 83-81 for the Warriors. The Lady Wranglers had a chance to win it at the buzzer, but after review the shot was waived off and the Lady Warriors escape with an 83-81 victory! Beautiful Waheed put up a quiet double-double with 26 points and 14 rebounds. Chloe Dallas, Madison Lewis and Aaliyah Smith scored in double digits as well.



WHATS GOING ON AT WVC?



On March 27th, our PTA students were able to gift the residents of Oakview Nursing & Rehabilitation with flowers! (photos taken from Oakview Nursing & Rehabilitation Facebook Page)



The WVC Learning Commons had a Trivia & Lunch and a Bingo Night for Students, Staff and Faculty



Our students participated in a NBA 2K Tournament where student Gabe Byrd came out as winner! Our students participate in one of many Intramural Sand Volleyball events on campus. For the 2nd year in a row, WVC was proud to receive a donation from the Mt. Carmel Elks Lodge for our FRESH Program (photo taken from the Mt Carmel Elks Lodge Facebook Page).



photo posted by Samantha Scott



photo posted by Candy Smith

The Mt. Carmel Community shared their Path of Totality (total eclipse) experience in photos. Many came from all over the world to see this phenomenon (visit our Facebook page for more).

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 18, 2024

Intramural Sand Volleyball

April 23, 2024

Early Childhood Education & Behavioral Health Services Town Hall Meeting

April 24, 2024

Spring Fest

April 28

Cielito Lindo (WVC Arts Council)

May 1-2

Grad Fest

In season sport schedules can be found at
wvcwarriorathletics.com

Be sure to follow us on social media for event reminders, game schedule changes, student activities, and more!



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