

THE PARENTS POST

A Newsletter for Wabash College Parents



April 2007

Welcome to all of the Wabash College parents that are new to the mailing list of the Post!

2006-2007 Academic Calendar

Spring Semester

April 27	Classes end
Apr. 30-May 5	Final exams
May 13	Commencement

Future Dates

Homecoming

September 29, 2007
September 20, 2008

Commencement

May 13, 2007
May 11, 2008
May 17, 2009

Family Day

October 20, 2007

For those of you that like to plan ahead, here's the link to the complete 4-Year Academic Calendar <http://www.wabash.edu/academics/docs/4yrcalendar.pdf>

When planning a visit to Crawfordsville visit the Montgomery County Visitors and Convention Bureau website at <http://www.crawfordsville.org/>

Information for Senior Parents

This year's Commencement ceremonies will take place on **Sunday, May 13th**. If you haven't already received the official Commencement Weekend brochure it should arrive in your mailbox within the next week.

No reservations are required for the actual Commencement ceremony however, to help us ensure that we have enough food for everyone at the various meals on campus we would appreciate your reservations.

RSVP using the reservation form that is included in your Commencement brochure or by phone to Marcia Caldwell at (765) 361-6288.

Graduation Announcements will be available at the college's bookstore on **Friday, April 27th** you can call the bookstore on Friday at 765-361-6095 to order.

Be sure to visit the Wabash College Bookstore online at <http://store.yahoo.com/wabashbookstore/> for your graduation gifts.

Current Student News

Wabash College Seniors Exhibit Their Art

Wabash College senior art majors **Philip Ramilo, Will Clarke, Nic Bitting,** and **Dustin Beck** exhibited their work on Monday, April 16 in the Eric Dean Gallery in the Fine Arts Center. The Senior Show will be exhibited through May 13.

New Members Elected to Phi Beta Kappa

Twenty-one members have been elected to the Wabash College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa national honorary society. To see who was elected go to: <http://www.wabash.edu/news/4653>.

Campus News and Events

What's Happening on Campus? Visit the College Calendar: <http://www.wabash.edu/calendar/> and/or <http://www.wabash.edu/calendar/announcements.cfm>

Princeton Review Puts Wabash in Top 10 Best Value Colleges

Wabash was sixth on the best value private college Top 10 list. No other Indiana college made the list. Wabash was also named one of 163 colleges named a Best Midwestern College. More than 650 colleges across the country complete the survey for consideration. To read more go to <http://www.wabash.edu/news/4676>.

Would You Like To Be a Volunteer For Wabash College?

You don't have to live in Indiana, or make a trip to campus, to make a difference. To see all the different ways you can volunteer go to <http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/volunteer>.

Faculty, Staff, and Student Profiles

If you don't already, you should set aside a few minutes each day to check out the College's website www.wabash.edu. You can stay up to date on all the College news, check the calendar of events for on campus activities as well as regional events, and read about our students, faculty/staff, and alumni in the "Meet Wabash" section. Plus, you can read the current issue and back issues of The Bachelor, the Student newspaper (<http://bachelor.wabash.edu/>), and the Wabash Magazine (<http://www.wabash.edu/magazine/>).

Immersion Learning Program Receives \$2 Million Endowment

Wabash College will use a \$2 million matching grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to create a wide range of off-campus learning opportunities for students attending the private liberal arts college for men. Read more at <http://www.wabash.edu/news/4614>.

From the Archives

by Beth Swift

Commencement Traditions

In just a few weeks the Class of 2007 will join the ranks of alumni. Our commencement at Wabash is full of tradition, full of excitement and sometimes a bit of sadness as we say goodbye to our young friends.

One of the nicest traditions at the ceremony is that of student commencement speakers. The students have been speaking at commencement for as long as we



In this photo we see the faculty of 1926 marching to commencement which was held in the gymnasium. Note the cars parked on what we know as the mall. In 1926 it was still the "backyard of the campus"

have been graduating men from Wabash. Another tradition is the presentation of sheepskin diplomas, which signifies the end of one journey and the beginning of another. Wabash is one of the few institutions which still present a genuine sheepskin, so when a Wabash man says he “has his sheepskin” he means it.

Over the last 175 years, some traditions connected to commencement have changed and one of these is the location of the ceremony. While we now enjoy a sunny commencement day on the mall, in the first hundred years or so, if the weather was nice, commencement was held in what is now the Arboretum. The campus was built facing Grant Street and graduation ceremonies were held in front of the college. Flags were hung from trees and a platform erected in the woods. Commencement weekend was then commencement week with a number of activities. The week opened with the Class Day where speeches were made, musicians from the class performed, the class history was read aloud and skits entertained the audience. There were sometimes parades through the downtown. It was a full week of excitement in the life of the College.

While commencement traditions have changed, one thing that does not change is the pride we all take in the accomplishments of the newest batch of Wabash men. Congratulations to the Class of 2007!

Schroeder Career Corner



(Wall of Fame displaying information on where Wabash students go for the summer and upon graduation.)

WHERE IN THE WORLD DO WABASH STUDENTS GO?

Students choose Wabash because they have dreams and aspirations to go places and make a difference. Their solid liberal arts education provides them with experiences and opportunities to pursue their careers and dreams around the world.

Below is a sampling of where Wabash men plan to grow in their summer internships, graduate programs and full time employment. This information is continuously updated on our website at www.wabash.edu/careers/employers/results.

INTERNSHIPS

- Adorant Services Group; Chicago, IL
- Agilent Technologies; R & D Chemist; Wilmington, DE
- Allegient; Indianapolis, IN
- Amer. Schl for Classical Studies; Propaganda of Ascendancy; Athens, GREECE
- Amigos de San Cristobal; Chiapas, MEXICO
- Bloomington Hospital; Business Research; Bloomington, IN (2)
- Camp Kanakuk; Leadership Coordinator; Golden, MO
- Citigroup; Investment Banking Intern; Chicago, IL
- Clarian Health Services; Business Office; Indianapolis, IN (2)
- Clifton & Gunderson; Mutual Fund Analysis; Indianapolis, IN
- Dad's, Inc., Indianapolis, IN
- Eli Lilly & Co.; Human Resources; Indianapolis, IN
- Georgetown University; Fund for American Studies; Washington, DC
- Hanapin Marketing; Bloomington, IN
- Harvard/MIT; Health Sciences & Technologies; Bioinformatics & Integrative Genomics; Cambridge, MA
- Indiana Cable Telecommunications Assoc.; Lobbyist Intern; Indianapolis, IN
- Indiana Health Group; Business Research; Fishers, IN (3)
- Indiana Republican Party; Business Office; Indianapolis, IN
- Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis, IN
- JGA Associates; Greenwood, IN
- Journal Review, Crawfordsville, IN
- Legal Aid Society; Louisville, KY
- Liquor Mart; Boulder, CO
- Marion General; Business Office; Marion, IN
- Matthew 25 Health Care; Business Office; Ft. Wayne, IN
- Merchant Securities; Analyst Intern; Beijing, CHINA
- MyOwnExperiment; Business Office; Granger, IN
- Partners in Housing Development; Indianapolis, IN
- Princeton University; Medical Laboratory/Computation Intern; Princeton, NJ
- Radio America; Washington, DC
- Senator Richard Lugar; Washington, DC
- Smith Barney, Cleveland, OH
- St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis, IN
- State Farm Insurance; Customer Access Dept.; Bloomington, IL
- Sullivan County Indiana; Business Office; Sullivan, IN
- Summitt City Radio; Business Office; Ft. Wayne, IN
- Sustainable Indiana; Marketing Intern; Crawfordsville, IN
- U. S. Army Research Institute; Envmtl. Medical Research; Natick, MA
- Wabash American Benefits; Indianapolis, IN
- Wabash College: Biology Dept. / Chemistry Dept. /Economics Dept. /MXI Black Studies/ History Dept. /IT Dept. /Psychology Dept. /Business Immersion Program/Teacher Ed. Dept. /Theater Dept.
- WCBC Radio; Cumberland, MD
- Wediko Child Services Camp; Res. Counselor/Activities Asst.; Windsor, NH
- Wiseman's Appliance; Sales; Ft. Wayne, IN
- WP Global Partners; Private Equity Finance Intern; Chicago, IL
- YMCA of Evansville; Business Office; Evansville, IN

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Ball State University; MS Exercise/Sports Psychology; Muncie, IN
- Cornell University; PhD Materials Chemistry; Ithaca, NY
- Hollins University; MFA Creative Writing; Roanoke, VA
- Indiana University, College of Law (Bloomington & Indianapolis, IN)
 - Dentistry (Indianapolis)
 - Medicine (Bloomington & South Bend, IN)
 - Optometry (Bloomington, IN)
- Indiana University SPEA; MA Public Affairs; Bloomington, IN
- Mary Baldwin College; MFA Shakespeare & Renaissance Lit.; Staunton, VA
- Michigan State University, College of Law; East Lansing, MI
- Nazarene Theological Seminary; Master of divinity; Kansas City, MO
- Suffolk University; College of Law; Boston, MA
- Trinity Evangelical Divinity Sch.; Master of Divinity; Chicago, IL
- University of Georgia; PhD, Plant Science; Athens, GA
- University of Maryland; PhD Ag & Resource Economics; College Park, MD
- University of Notre Dame; PhD Biological Sciences; Notre Dame, IN
- University of Southern California; MFA Theater; Los Angeles, CA
- University of Tennessee; College of Pharmacy; Memphis, TN
- University of Utah; PhD Physical/Analytical Chemistry; Provo, UT
- University of Virginia Sch. of Engineering; PhD Systems & Information; Charlottesville, VA
- University of Wisconsin; PhD History of Medicine/Science; Madison, WI
- Valparaiso University; Psychology/Education Specialist; Valparaiso, IN
- Washington University; Dr. of Physical Therapy; St. Louis, MO

FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT

- ACES Power Marketing; Associate Scheduler; Carmel, IN
- Aerotek; Internal Recruiter; Phoenix, AZ
- AFLAC; Corporate Insurance Sales; Indianapolis, IN
- Angie's List; Orr Entrepreneurial Fellowship; Indianapolis, IN
- Chevron Inc.; Land Representative; Houston, TX
- Correll Company; Retirement Acct. Rep.; Chicago, IL
- Federal Reserve Bank; Research Associate I; Kansas City, MO
- Gatorade Inc.; Supply Chain Management; Indianapolis, IN
- Eli Lilly & Co.; Pharmaceutical Sales; Flagstaff, AZ & Terre Haute, IN
- E-Team; Associate Consultant; South Plainfield, NJ
- Indiana Secretary of State; Outreach & Education Coord.; Indianapolis, IN
- Lead America; Team Leader; Washington, DC
- Lehman Brothers; Analyst; Chicago, IL
- Mayor Bart Peterson Campaign; Strategic Director; Indianapolis, IN
- MS Inspections & Logistics; Logistics Management Trainee; Indianapolis, IN
- Real Time Freight; Account Representative; Chicago, IL
- Signature Graphics; Sales Rep.; New York, NY
- Teach For America; Memphis, TN & Rio Grande Valley, TX (2)
- Willis Re; Casualty Broker; Chicago, IL

Admissions

Lilly Award Winners Announced

The Lilly Scholarship Competition was held April 12-14. To read more about the results visit <http://www.wabash.edu/news/4675>

Colleges That Change Lives Tours

In late August/early September, Wabash College will participate in two *Colleges That Changes Lives* college fair tours. The tour stops are as follows:

"The South Tour"

August 25	Houston, TX	Omni at Westside	10AM - 12:30 PM
August 25	Austin, TX	Renaissance Austin	7-9:30 PM
August 26	Atlanta, GA	Westin Buckhead	5-7:30 PM
August 27	Raleigh, NC	Embassy Suites Raleigh	7-9:30 PM
August 28	Memphis, TN	Peabody Memphis Hotel	7-9:30 PM
August 29	St. Louis, MO	Hilton Frontenac	7-9:30 PM
August 30	Tulsa, OK	Renaissance Tulsa	7-9:30 PM

"The Midwest Tour"

September 8	Minneapolis, MN	Doubletree Park Place	10AM - 12:30 PM
September 9	Chicago (North)	Hilton Northbrook	12-2:30 PM
September 9	Chicago (West)	Renaissance Schaumburg	5-7:30 PM
September 10	Indianapolis, IN	Marriott North	7-9:30 PM
September 11	Kansas City, KS	Marriott Overland Park	7-9:30 PM
September 12	Denver, CO	Colorado Convention Center	7-9:30 PM
September 13	Phoenix, AZ	Marriott Phoenix Airport	7-9:30 PM

Members of the Admissions Office will staff our table at each fair, but we are allowed to have one volunteer staff the table with us. If you would like to join us when we're in your area, contact Chip Timmons at timmonsc@wabash.edu.

Let's Set Another Record in 2007!

It's been well-documented that the Admissions Office had a record number of applications (1441 through April 24), but we're on the cusp of breaking another record. Through April 6, the Admissions Office had received 1068 referrals for this year. The current referral record is 1330 from 2003-04 and that's well within reach. We track referrals from July 1 through June 30, so we have 9 weeks left. It's not a question of if, but when will we surpass 1330.

Referrals remain our best source for applications and with a record number of referrals; the new application record may not stand for long.

You can refer a student online at www.wabash.edu/alumni/student/refer.

The Wabash College Annual Fund

Thank you to all of the parents and friends who have made a gift to the Wabash Annual Fund so

far this fiscal year. Each gift is important—and collectively—our annual support can open more doors of opportunity for Wabash men.

There are about 60 days left to participate in the 2006-2007 Annual Fund campaign. Visit www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift or call 877-743-4545 to make your Annual Fund gift today.

The 2006-2007 fiscal year ends on **June 30, 2007**.

2007 Indiana Wabash License Plates

Parents and current students with vehicles registered in the State of Indiana are eligible to participate in the Indiana Wabash College license plate program with a gift of \$25 or more to the Annual Fund. Visit www.wabash.edu/alumni/plates for more information.

Double or Triple the Value of your Annual Contribution

You might be able to double or triple the value of your gift to Wabash if you or your spouse work for a company with a matching gift program. Use the online searchable database (<http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/matching>) to learn about companies with matching gift programs.

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