



## WABASH COLLEGE

### *Class Agents Letter*

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### Class of 2003

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Class of 2003,

Simply put, if you weren't there, you missed out. Our **5-year reunion** at the **2008 Big Bash** was a great time had by all, despite the heavy rain and tornadic activity. We had a great group of guys who were able to return, but we expect at least triple the number for our 10 year reunion in 2013, so mark your calendars now!

There are too many stories to reprint all of them, and most of them wouldn't make it past the College's review for obscenity, but here are a few photos from the weekend, all courtesy of the College's public affairs office:



Ryan Smith, Matt Mercer, D.J. Finch, Kip Chase, Scott Medsker, Bogdan Ianev, Ray Gonzalez, Josh Tatum, John Kirk, Maury Raycroft, John West, Sean Salai, Seamus Boyce, Nick Collins, and Jason Scheiderer pose for their class picture.



John West, Matt Mercer, Bogdan Ianev, Seamus Boyce, and Scott Medsker prepared for their round of golf on Friday morning. West, right, follows his Woods-esque drive down the fairway of number 1. The group would finish +3. The “shot of the day” belonged to Seamus Boyce, who stuck a par 3 tee shot 2 feet from the hole. A close second was Medsker nearly killing Mercer and Boyce by running them over with a golf cart.

**Big Bash 2008 – Where Are They Now?** As you’ll see in the brief statements below, our fellow classmates are doing some great and interesting things with their lives. We’ve captured some of the highlights of what the attendees shared during this year’s Big Bash.

- Jason Scheiderer is working on the faculty at Wishard Hospital and is training EMT’s.
- Bogdan Ianev is working as an investment banker in New York City
- Ray Gonzalez is teaching and coaching at Covington High School
- Nick Collins joined Eli Lilly and Company as a Sales Representative
- John Kirk passed the bar exam and is practicing at a law firm in Fishers
- Josh Tatum recently graduated from Law School will clerk for Indiana Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard this fall
- Matt Mercer lives and works in Littleton, Colorado as a Surgical Sales Representative
- Maury Raycroft lives in South Bend, Indiana, where he is pursuing his PhD in biochemistry at Notre Dame.
- Seamus Boyce is an attorney with the firm of Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim in Fishers, Indiana. He has a general law practice and focuses on matters involving education and schools.

- Sean Salai completed divinity school and is working to become a Jesuit Priest
- D.J. Finch lives and works for Anthem in Indianapolis, Indiana
- John West lives in Muncie, Indiana and manages a family owned business
- Ryan Smith continues to work as a Producer for 48 Hours that is broadcast by CBS
- Scott Medsker practices labor & employment law for Jones Day and lives in Washington D.C.
- Kip Chase works for Eli Lilly and Company and lives in Indianapolis, Indiana

**Other weekend highlights included:**

- The Friday night dinner, where 48 Hours producer and '03 alum Ryan Smith was caught red-handed stealing wine from the class of 1988. Way to take one for the team, Ryan.
- The Saturday night class dinner, where—much to the shock and awe of the entire class—Sean Salai admitted that his Wabash College Commentary days were really days of “Conservative Muckraking.” Sean also relayed stories of how similar journalism landed him on the pages of the Drudge Report and other mainstream media.
- Chapel Sing, where the '03 class kept it real by screaming the first line of the Old Wabash. By our own estimation, we finished a solid third, though we all were speaking a little quieter in the afternoon.
- You can see more photos, including Kip Chase and son Jack, at [http://www.wabash.edu/photo\\_album](http://www.wabash.edu/photo_album)

**“Five for Five”**

The Class Agents, along with our Class Annual Fund Gift Chair Bryan Gonzalez, would like to present the “Five for Five” challenge. You’ve likely been contacted by Scott, Bryan, and others about giving to the college before the **deadline of June 30**. As it stands today, we have **less participation this year than we had last year**. To help celebrate our fifth year as alumni, we are asking all alumni who have not yet contributed to **donate a minimum of \$5** (and more is appreciated!) by June 30. Because we were the first class to reach **75%** participation in our Senior Pledge, that is our goal for this year’s giving.

Thanks to those who have already donated:

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| Mark S. Balawender     | Christopher Barry  | Adam Berry       |
| Joseph Bombagetti      | Jamie Bopp         | Nathan Boulais   |
| Seamus Boyce           | Eric Buck          | Derick Busenbark |
| Kip Chase              | Nick Collins       | Peter DeYoung    |
| Jonathan Dilley        | Jeremy Fackenthal  | Steven Fawcett   |
| Andrew T. Ford (H '03) | Alex Fruth         | Christopher Gier |
| Bryan Gonzalez         | Ramon Gonzalez IV  | Jeremy Griffith  |
| Karl Grimmer           | Mark Hannaford     | Lonnie Heck      |
| Jonathan Hoke          | Nikolas Ivancevich | Walter Keeley    |
| Justin Killian         | John Kirk          | Kris Klippel     |
| Jake Knott             | Logan Kuhne        | Daniel Lewis     |
| Jayson Martin          | R. Scott Medsker   | George Milberger |
| Adam Moser             | Jason Palin        | Nathan Parmer    |
| Maury Raycroft         | William Ream       | Sean Salai       |
| Jason Scheiderer       | Andrew Shelton     | Micah Smith      |
| Marcus Spillson        | Eric Spoor         | Michael Straub   |
| Josh Tatum             |                    | Joshua Wilson    |

You can make your gift to the College online [here](http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift) ([www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift](http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift)). Don't be the one who keeps us from making our 75% participation goal – make your \$5 donation as soon as possible!

### **Senior Yearbooks**

Over the Big Bash, it came to our attention that some members of the Class did not receive yearbooks from the 2002-2003 year. If you did not receive a book and would like one, please contact either a class agent or Tom Runge at [runget@wabash.edu](mailto:runget@wabash.edu)

### **Class Groups on LinkedIn & Facebook**

Some classes have begun to rely on on-line networking sites such as LinkedIn (<http://www.linkedin.com>) and Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com>) to maintain Class Groups so that members can stay in touch. There is currently a Class of 2003 Alumni group on LinkedIn. If you are interested in joining, contact Scott Medsker ([scottmedsker@gmail.com](mailto:scottmedsker@gmail.com)) and he will add you to the group. A Facebook group will be coming in the next few weeks.

### **39 Under 39**

As you have probably seen on the College's website, they are featuring "39 Under 39." As the College describes it: "Wabash men make an impact in their communities and many have remarkable accomplishments before they reach the age of 40." We're proud that our own Jake Knott was one of the first six featured. You can read his story at [http://www.wabash.edu/magazine/39/news.cfm?profile\\_id=5881](http://www.wabash.edu/magazine/39/news.cfm?profile_id=5881).

### **Where In The World Is.....**

Sean Webeck? Over the Big Bash, the Class sat together to share news and updates regarding class members who could not be in attendance. Someone asked for an update on Sean and we have been unable to reach him. Sean, if you are

receiving this, please contact any of your class agents. Or, if anyone knows of a way to reach Sean, please forward his contact information to Scott at [scottmedsker@gmail.com](mailto:scottmedsker@gmail.com).

**Do you have a Classmate you'd like to get in touch with but don't know how?**

[That completely sounds like the "Did your wife cheat on your with a one-legged Nascar driver?" kind of question that used to run on The Jerry Springer Show as it went to commercial]. Send his name along to a Class Agent and we'll do our best to get in touch with them.

That's the news as we know it. As you change jobs, move, have additions to your family, or have any other news to share, be sure to forward it to any of your class agents or post it on the alumni database and we'll be happy to include it in upcoming letters.

Yours in Wabash,  
Kip, Karl & Scott  
Class of 2003 Class Agents