

June 15, 2015

# Class of 1992:

I hope you all are doing well. It's been 23 years since we graduated, which means one thing: Be sure to keep the first couple of weekends in June of 2017 clear on your calendars for our 25-year reunion! Just two weeks ago <a href="Big Bash">Big Bash</a> was celebrated at Wabash, with record turnouts. Let's make sure we have great attendance in two years.

## **Commencement 2015**

Wabash held its 177<sup>th</sup> Commencement Ceremony this year, with 229 young men (the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest class ever) receiving their degrees. The class is highlighted by a Rhodes Scholar (from my current city of residence, Mishawaka, IN!), three Fulbright Scholars, and 29 members of Phi Beta Kappa. More information, photos, and videos may be found here.

# 4/22 Day

You probably were inundated with information related to Wabash's 4/22 Day of giving a couple of months ago. A huge THANKS to all who participated in this phenomenal day that saw more than 2,500 alumni, students, faculty, staff, parents, and friends make gifts totaling more than \$500,000. Final totals and details are posted here.

#### **Admissions**

As of mid-May, the College has received 253 deposits for the Class of 2019 (with several prospects still in the pipeline). The new Dean of Enrollment Management is Michael Thorp, '86.

# **Spring Sports**

The track team had an exceptional showing this spring, with records and All-America honors at the 2015 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Details about these achievements are <a href="here">here</a> and <

In other news, note that the Monon Bell game will be played in Greencastle on November 14.

#### **New Student Housing, Campus Growth**

Two 12-bed townhomes will be available for students this fall, and two halls and two lodges will be completed later in the academic year. See the <u>details and video updates</u>. Efforts are being made to renovate Martindale Hall. Design work is underway, and the actual renovation work is expected to begin in January or February of 2016. Also, the College is pursuing plans to develop a new wrestling practice pavilion (connected to the Collett Tennis Center) to accommodate the increased roster size of the wrestling team, which now exceeds by three times the capacity of the wrestling practice room in the Allen Center.

#### Wabash in the News

President Hess shared with the Board of Trustees in May the results of the most recent "Return on Investment" report compiled by Payscale.com, an organization that measures the average compensation of college graduates in their 20th year after graduation. According to the report, among the institutions surveyed, Wabash ranked 50th out of 1,223 colleges and universities and 3rd out of all national liberal arts colleges!

### Class of '92 Notes

Some items of interest regarding our classmates:

- 1. Kenyatta Brame and his wife, Tracey, received the Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award from the Boy Scouts of America, which highlights outstanding service in the development of Scouting for rural or low-income urban youth. They lead a pack and a troop in Grand Rapids.
- Steve Campbell, former deputy mayor of Indianapolis, has become vice president of communications and oversees media and public relations at the Indianapolis nonprofit The Mind Trust.
- 3. Greg Coy has joined the expanding intellectual property practice group at Taft Stettinius Hollister in Indianapolis.
- 4. Ryan Gabel has been stationed at Kunsan Air Base in the Republic of Korea, and will head to RAF Lakenheath in the UK this summer for a two-year assignment.
- 5. Trent Scherer is a 1<sup>st</sup> Secretary at the U.S. Embassy in Harare, Zimbabwe.
- 6. Chris Worden is the new vice president for public policy for the Sacramento Metro Chamber.

Congratulations to all for these outstanding achievements and advancements, and please continue to send personal news and notes to Michele Ward at <a href="mailto:wardm@wabash.edu">wardm@wabash.edu</a>.

### **Class Donors**

As of June 10 we have the same number of donors from last year at this time (62), but we are four behind the goal of 66 donors that the College has for the Class of 1992. Note that a gift of any amount is better than no gift at all. Please **consider making a gift** to Wabash in one of three ways:

- 1. Online at <a href="https://www.wabash.edu/egift">www.wabash.edu/egift</a>;
- 2. By phone at (877) 743-4545; or
- 3. By mail to: Wabash College, Annual Giving, P.O. Box 352, Crawfordsville, IN 47933.

Very truly yours,

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