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Dear Class of 2003:

It's been awhile since we have written to you, so there is a lot to report.

Big Bash 2013!

The most important item is that our <u>10 Year Class Reunion</u> will be held Friday, May 31 through Sunday, June 2, 2013! Currently, we only have a few people signed up. We are hoping to have a great turn out. Please go to http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/bigbash/ to see what's planned, sign-up and see who else is already committed to going. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, May 22, 2013. This is going to be a fun weekend, and we hope to see many of you there with us!

We need a few volunteers from each living unit to help with the recruiting effort. If you are interested in helping out, please let us know. Any time you can give will help to make this event a memorable reunion.

So much has changed since we left our Alma Mater. Here is a short recap of *new things* to see at Old Wabash! (Just a few more great reasons to sign up early for the Big Bash!)

- The new fraternity houses. These will be open for tours during The Big Bash Weekend.
- Completed Hays Hall. Just one of the many new or updated buildings on campus.
- **Updated Sport Facilities.** Including the new Soccer Stadium in Mud Hollow and the soon to be dedicated (March 16) Goodrich Ballpark.
- All of us! We have all had many great accomplishments since graduation. Come to the Big Bash and catch up with your classmates!

President White's Departure from Wabash College



As many of you know, President Patrick White, the 15th President of Wabash College, is leaving us at the end of this school year. President White helped to land three large grants; kicked off a \$60 million fund-raising campaign to develop new teaching, learning, and career development opportunities; negotiated a new dual degree engineering program with Purdue; and worked to bring a new biochemistry major to the College. President White is an honorary member of the Glee Club and Sphinx Club, and he almost never misses a student recital, presentation, or art opening. Everything President White does

for Wabash he does for its students. He and his wife, Chris, have been *Some Little Giants* during their time here. Please help us in congratulating them for their exemplary work.

The 16th President of Wabash College, Dr. Gregory Hess



We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce the new President of Wabash College Dr. Gregory D. Hess. Dr. Hess, who is currently the Dean of the Faculty and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Claremont McKenna College (CMC), will begin his responsibilities on July 1, 2013. Dr. Hess is a native of San Francisco; he earned his bachelor's degree with high honors from the University of California-Davis, his master's degree, and Ph.D. in economics from The Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Hess has previously worked as an economist for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as a consultant for Honda Motors of North America, and as a member of

the Ohio Governor's Council of Economic Advisors. He has served as a visiting scholar for the Federal Reserve Banks of San Francisco, St. Louis, Cleveland, and Kansas City, the International Monetary Fund, and the Bank of Japan. Please help us in welcoming Dr. Hess, his wife, Lora, and their two daughters, Abigail and Meredith. We know that great things are in store for Wabash College under Dr. Hess' leadership!

Donating to Wabash is one of the important functions we, as alumni, provide. As of September 30, 2012, the value of Wabash's endowment was approximately \$320 million, which places Wabash among the highest colleges in the nation in per-student endowment. While we encourage you to continue donating your time, June 30, 2013 is the end of Wabash's fiscal year. Please take a moment to *renew your pledge to giving*. We have all benefited from our Wabash education. Giving to Wabash helps ensure that the future generations of Wabash men will have even more opportunities. Please visit https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift to donate. Many of our classmates are on the Honor Roll of donors (https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/honorroll#class2003). Please help us to continue this great legacy of giving prior to our reunion weekend!

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Class Notes Update

Name: Ish Ishman

Note: Wishing a very special new year to all of my Wabash brothers! This is our 10th and I

can't wait to celebrate this anniversary with you all. My wife and are celebrating our

4th year of marriage this July. We are making beautiful music together at musISHan.com Can't wait to visit the Alma Mater and party with you guys!!

Name: John Bramfeld

Note: On August 13th, 2012 John and Kristin Bramfeld celebrated the birth of their second

child, Henry Martin Bramfeld. He's at home now, getting to know his parents and big

brother.

Name: Jonathan Hoke

Note: Serving in a new position: Principal at Attica Jr.-Sr. High School, beginning in July

2012.

Name: Jon Warner

Note: On February 5th 2012, Super Bowl Sunday, Lisa gave birth to our wonderful son,

Marshall, here in Indianapolis. Lisa and Marshall are both healthy and happy. Marshall arrived just after noon and stayed up to watch Peyton's little brother beat

Peyton's arch nemesis in the house Peyton built with his old man.

In Closing

We hope to see many of you at the Big Bash. Please continue to send us your updates! You'll be hearing from us again, soon.

In Wabash,

Karl, Kip and Scott