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Hello gentlemen (and your lovely wives),

When it came to our attention that we had been slacking a bit, we decided to kick it up a notch, as Emeril Lagasse would say. With that in mind, we bring you a bit of a campus update and over 50 class updates, including several new spouses, amazing locations and your own classmates. For those curious why they weren't contacted, check your facebook! We hope you enjoy this letter, and please remember as you read it that it wouldn't be possible without the support that alumni give Wabash!

Yours in Wabash, Andrew McGlothlen '05 Jon Schwarz '05

WHO IS SHE?

Before I get too far, there are some ladies with whom you should become familiar. The following is a list of previously unannounced (and some announced) spouses of the members of the Class of 2005:

Mrs. Andrita Brown	Mrs. Kimberly Jorgensen
Mrs. Michelle Cottom	Mrs. Rob E. Love (and Baby Love)
Mrs. Amber Faust	Mrs. Jeanette Reifenberg
Mrs. Natalie Gard	Mrs. Annie Schap
Mrs. Leann Hetrick	Mrs. Kelsey Yates
Mrs. Ashley Iocca	·

In addition, Christy McConnell will become **Mrs. Christy Kaminski** this August, and Lindsay McMahan will become **Mrs. Lindsay Weaver** in the summer of 2008. Congratulations to all the happy couples! If you have a name to add to the list, please submit it either through the Class Notes system at *www.wabash.edu/alumni* or contact us at *classagent05@yahoo.com*.

PHI PSI, SWEET PHI PSI

In case the brothers of **Phi Kappa Psi** are wondering why they're not as well-represented in this update, it's because we wanted to make sure they had a chance to see photos of their renovated house first. The house was rededicated in late February 2007. Enjoy these photos and await our calls! For all members of the class, let these photos serve as reminders of one way our donations are used to improve campus life.











OTHER CAMPUS NEWS

In spite of the fact that we reported to you just one month ago and spring break was in effect shortly thereafter, life at the College never slows down during the academic year. Sources tell me that comps pass levels were about comparable to the numbers to which we've become accustomed, and as with every year, there is a small number anxiously awaiting a second chance after spring break. Pan-Hel was in progress as we wrote this letter.

The most high-profile speaker since our last letter would certainly be John Ashcroft, whose speech was well-attended. Accounts of the Q&A session spoke highly of Wabash students for the majority of the session with few exceptions. In addition, Honor's Scholar was a big success with fraternities launching new uniform (to an extent) Web sites and getting marketing assistance from the College. Finally, Parliamentary Union netted a national championship in competition at the University of Mississippi as well as "several high finishes." In progress as we wrote this letter, so we have no figures on winners for that. For more news updated regularly, check out *www.wabash.edu* and *bachelor.wabash.edu*.

Since Andrew is adamant about sports updates in every letter, a couple of the biggest stories were **Patrick Millikan '07's** NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship and **Geoff Lambert '08's** 2nd place at Nationals for the 800-meter run in addition to **Adam Petro '10's** and **Tony Caldwell '07's** 13th place finishes at Nationals for the 200 butterfly and 100 backstroke respectively (Ben, take credit where necessary). For up-to-date stats, schedules and stories as well as a number of new team-oriented blogs, check out *www.wabash.edu/sports*!

STATISTICS FOR THIS EDITION'S UPDATES

For those curious as to why the numbers of updates are where they are, here is this issue by the numbers:

1 person contacted outside of the United States – Jason McClure, whose letter is being held over for the next issue – I assure you it's definitely worth reading!

2 very tired Class Agents

4 fraternity rosters and four Independents contacted by phone

6 brides recorded through updates

7 phone numbers that no longer work

21 expired Wabash e-mail addresses

22 outstanding voicemails at this moment

32 facebook updates in addition to the "focus" houses this month

55 classmates we tried to contact by phone

100+ facebook messages sent

That being said, let's get to the updates!

UPDATE-MANIA (AMBROSE TO ZAMORA)!

Wes Ambrose is working as a case manager at Ladoga Academy, an at-risk center for teenage girls ages 11-19. He says the treatment is more than just correctional and includes one-on-one counseling and anger management.

Steve Andrews said he is still at Allen County Community Corrections teaching ESL and GED programs, but he was accepted to Columbia Theological Seminary in Georgia. He is starting classes this summer and preparing for ministry in the Presbyterian Church. (Steve was the first of three updates to mention "Columbia" in his update with as many different schools referenced.)

Corey Asay relays that he is in his 2^{nd} semester of law school at Ohio Northern University. His first semester went well, as he was first in his class fall semester.

Brennan Aschleman received his Bachelor's degree from Calvin College in 2005. Anyone with updated contact information (**Nick Myers**), please forward it to us. Thanks!

Shay Atkinson wrote "I'd say my only real update is that I'm unemployed. You can include in my piece that if there is anyone willing to throw money at me to please send it ASAP because I have to eat. But Columbia College is still going strong (that's CHICAGO, not New York as commonly misunderstood). I'm doing performance art and actually have been getting lots of creative work/shows. My only other update is that I was recently published in the Wabash Magazine. Im sure you saw it. So creativity is high. Money is nonexistent. The true life of the artist. take it easy, shay"

Nate Bell writes "Life's been treating me well. I've been at Ball State the last few years working on my Master's degree in Sport/Exercise Psychology and Sport Administration. I'll graduate at the end of the summer. Then I guess it's off to the real world! In Wabash, Nate"

Tyler Bernet did not have much new to report and was confused by my note, replying "So when do we sign up for classes again? I never heard so I've just been hangin' out playin' video games. They keep sending me alumni stuff...weird." A quick phone call sent Tyler into a state of shock, from which he quickly recovered after being told he could stop taking out student loans.

Matt Boston writes "Things are going really great. The company I am working for is public now. CareGuide is our new name with the acquisition. Other than that just trying to live the dream..."

John Branecki writes "Things are going well, In terms of what's new, not much - I'm working for an investment bank in NYC (since Dec. 2005) and spending time drinking, relaxing with the nieces, and sleeping on my time off."

Jon Button writes "I'm still in physics grad school here at A&M. I really enjoy being a TA, and the people are very friendly. By next year I should be done with my classes and hopefully will start doing research full-time. My area of research will be in either nuclear or quantum optics. Ha, and if I'm really lucky, I'll be finished with my PhD by the time I'm thirty. You may remember Beth Sugrue; I'm still in a long-distance relationship with her. I get to see her about once a month, so it's actually going pretty well. She's in grad school at IU but will be spending the summer down here with me. So I'm looking forward to that. We went to the Bell game together this past year. A lot of my pledge brothers made it back, and I was really glad to see them after such a long time apart. I still think about Wabash all the time. In fact, Beth developed some historical photos of Wabash off of the PALNI site and framed them for me. They're hanging up on my bedroom wall. A&M and Wabash are both largely conservative and tradition steeped institutions. Coincidentally, both don't have female cheerleaders at their football games. I guess I really know how to pick 'em. At any rate, I can't wait to hear how the rest of the class is doing as well. Jon"

Rick Cantu writes "Life is awesome/crazy/fast/exciting in Houston. I'm having the best time pursuing a long time passion for architecture. I don't sleep, and I'm not eating well, but I can't get out of the studio. In fact, I'm there now studying for a structures exam tomorrow. Last night I

didn't go home because I had to complete plans for, of course, a boat house for a Houston rowing team. I'm fortunate that I have great classmates and the best professors. I got into some really good schools - The Art Institute of Chicago, Pratt, Cincinnati, Catholic in DC, etc., but I think I made a fantastic choice in choosing The University of Houston. As far as Jaime, he loves Wabash and the Kappa Sig house. He was pledge class president. He had a rough first semester being away from home, but he's doing really well now. I'm sending him a care package in about a week. T's for spring break and stuff because I'm not going to be able to see him over break. I'm going to NY with one of my classes. We're taking an architectural tour of the city = AWESOME! Hopefully I'll have a chance to meet up with **Branecki** when I'm there. I'll be in Austin this weekend at an Architecture lecture but for the most part on the road. My professor is speaking at UT Austin and asked me if I wanted to go with him. Later. Rick"

Andy Cartwright writes, "I am an English grad student at IU Bloomington, ready to finish my first year at the end of the semester. It's not too exciting, to be honest. I just read a ton and write papers. On the personal side, I've been dating a girl from my high school graduating class for going on 10 months now. We're traveling to Spain for a month this summer. Hope all is well for you...Best, Andy"

Brandon Clifton: Well I'm still working for the Bennett Boehning & Clary law firm here in Lafayette, Ind. I serve this firm as a law clerk: courthouse several times a day, different attorneys offices to deliver paperwork, research (if I ask for it) but the main thing is I'm here to understand what the general, full-service law firm provides to the community so that I might be better prepared to enter into law school. My applications are in and I just took my second LSAT a few weeks ago, so I'm waiting for a few replies. I'm doing well I guess, it's always tough to go from the top (Wabash) back down to the bottom as a rookie in an office. But, we all go through that. I can't really think what else is new, there isn't really much right now – so I am kind of in between things.

Brendan Clougherty writes "Things are going pretty well. I'm living in Boston and trying to finish up film school. By the end of the summer I will have my MA in Media Arts from Emerson College, and begin looking for a job. WAF, Brendan"

Judd Crowgey communicated that he was living in Columbus, Ohio, but moving to Raleigh in a couple months for better job market and better weather.

John Dustman added that he's "still attending Stanford, working on my PhD in chemistry. There's not much else of note going on with me. I haven't seen many Wallies recently. Cheers, John"

Dan Faust writes "I worked for Sallie Mae for the first few months after Commencement, and then I interned for 3 state reps during the 2006 Legislative session. I was married last June, and my wife, Amber, and I are living in Bloomington. She works at Baxter Healthcare, and I'm about to finish my first year of law school. It's pretty interesting, and they keep us busy."

AAron Flagg writes "Everything is going well out in California. Recently, I joined the Sealy Mattress Sales team in November of last year in an effort to put my Speech major to use. Currently, I'm living in San Diego but I'm relocating at the end of March one hour and a half northeast of San Diego for a job promotion to a territory manager. I'm looking forward to being able to do some kayaking out on the lakes this spring in quest of a big fish and spend some time on the Colorado River and Vegas."

Steve Garcia is now living in Indianapolis doing IT work with OnApps and doing Web development for non-profits around Indianapolis while taking classes at IUPUI in computer science.

Jon Gard writes "Married life is treating me well - Natalie and I got married in July of 2006 and are loving living in NYC with our two dogs. I've been working on Wall Street in Investment Banking since graduation. In July, we are moving to Chicago as I have accepted a position in private equity with Madison Dearborn Partners."

Nick George moved back to Lafayette, Ind., after spending the winter in California. He is with the lead sales team for Club Stay Fit, an upscale health and fitness center in Lafayette, Ind. After its grand opening this May, he will assume a management position at the club.

Tony GiaQuinta writes "My life is pretty consistent these days, which means everything revolving around medical school. I am currently living in Bloomington with fellow '05 Wally **Colin Smith**. We are finishing up our second year of medical school, and are prepping up for our first board exam before we move to Indy for our third and fourth year. Not much else to report. We are currently involved in IU's legendary intramural basketball league, where we are 3-0 in the playoffs so far, helped by fellow medical student Kyle Hornsby, who played for IU's National runner-up team in 2002."

Bill Goff lives in downtown Indianapolis across from IUPUI and is rooming with **Eric Yungbauer '03**. He says he is "just working, getting ready to apply to business school in '07." Bill is shooting for the Kelley School in Indy as he is qualified for tuition reimbursement through his job.

When asked about living in Lafayette, **Draik Hecksel** replied, "This semester I actually moved down to Bloomington. I am doing my research at the Midwest Proton Radiotherapy Institute. I'm taking some neutron measurements there. I'm still a TA at Purdue, so I do a lot of driving back and forth. I will be around a lot this summer because I have to take anatomy."

Mike Hetrick and his wife Leann can be found at 611 South 500 West, Hebron, Ind. In addition to updating all his contact information, **Chris Kaminski** writes "I am doing alright, living in Indianapolis with my fiancée, Christy McConnell. I got engaged on Halloween and plan on getting married in August. I am working for a beer and wine distributor (Monarch Beverage) and like it with hopes of moving up in the company. My territory is the southeast side of Indy as well as Shelbyville. As far as other things go there is not a lot else - just working, working out and doing the necessary preparations for this wedding. Sorry I have not kept in touch with all of you but if you ever need anything please let me know. Thanks and have a good one. Chris"

Josh Iocca wrote, "I haven't been up to much...but here it is. I married Ashley in Dec. '05, bought a house and am currently working for Flowserve as a Production Planner. Sorry nothing too juicy, just enjoying life!"

Jason Jablonski is living in Indianapolis, "working for Enterprise Rent-a-Car and looking for a new job ASAP. I'm currently just looking for a career that suits me better."

Chris Jorgensen writes, "Let's see, where to begin...the summer immediately following Commencement I worked for a lodge in Alaska, and I also used that opportunity to do some traveling within the state. After returning from Alaska in August of that year, I began work on my master's degree in Health Finance & Management at the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland. Last Spring (2006), after finishing nearly all of my academic coursework at Hopkins, I got married to Kimberly Cannon, in June. Our wedding was in Winston-Salem, NC. Soon after getting married in June, I began an 11month field placement/administrative residency with LifeBridge Health in Baltimore. After completing my residency in May (2007), I will graduate from Hopkins and look for a full-time position in the Baltimore-Washington D.C. area."

Sandeep "Sunny" Lakhan writes "I am working as a chemist at Firestone Building Products and enjoying life before med school starts. The name of the medical school is Rosalind Franklin."

Rob E. Love writes, "Greetings and Salutations, I was browsing the Wabash Web site and found this class notes sections. So I figured I would give an update. I got married last year and had a baby girl in November. Now living in NW OH."

Rob R. Love writes "I'm actually teaching in Nap until August and then I will be starting Law school at Valpo. Kant wait... But other than that **Milton Turner** and I are living here in Nap until then on the west side. Milton is also starting Law school this summer at IU Indy."

Drew McCoy writes "I went to San Diego and did my first year of law school there and then transferred back to IU. I'm going to IU-Indianapolis and I'm in my second year. For the most part I'm working during the day, school at night. It's going well."

Brock Medsker writes "The Medskers have in fact left DC for the time being. I am now in the med school in Indianapolis. It has been keeping me as busy as I thought it would. I am enjoying Indianapolis though. **Scott Medsker '03** got married in August and moved to Lincoln, Nebraska, for a one year law clerkship. I believe that he will be going back to DC in August to start working for a law firm out there. I have been trying to keep an eye on campus by reading the Bachelor when possible. It sounds like things are changing a bit but I see some good coming out of it. Brock"

Joe Motuliak writes "After graduation, I spent a little time in Spain and then moved to Indianapolis to work for Airtron and do new construction sales. After working there for about 8 months, I took my current position with Craft Mechanical Contractors in Lafayette. I help manage our service department and am in charge of service sales. Other than that, I bought a house when I moved up here, where I live with my dog Marley. This March, I went on a backpacking trip through Italy for the better part of two weeks and traveled around most of the country. Things have been going well for me and I hope that is the same for the rest of the Class of 2005. I hope you write this in your own words and don't use mine. Thanks bud." Sorry, Joe!

Dane Musil insists he is "boring and update-free."

C. Matt Myers has a new job at the Aldi in Columbus, Ohio, and runs weekly Hero Clicks events at a local game store. He recently bought a red Ford Escort (Tom will be glad), and bought a Nintendo Wii.

Mark Novakovich writes "Life's been kind of boring, to be honest. All I do is pretty much work and sleep. I'm living in Chicago with one of my old Wabash roommates, **Steve Dewart '06**, and I'm working as an assistant trader for a derivatives trading firm at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. It's a crazy intense business, and I'm on the verge of burning out already. Because of the 24 hour markets, and since I'm the low guy on the totem pole, I end up working 12-13 hour days and I have to be at 110% at all times. All work and no play. When the weekends come around, I'm too exhausted to party and just end up catching up on sleep. I was actually back at Wabash last weekend; it was so great to back, and I can't believe it's been almost two years since we graduated. And believe it or not, I was really excited to see Crawfordsville again. I never thought I'd feel that way, but every day I wish I was back in college. Biggest mistake I made was graduating in four, but then again, it's Wabash and it would've been frowned on to stay for a fifth."

Joey Olson mentioned that he has retired from his former role in order to become Director of Operations for a small company while trying to get into graduate school.

Tom Reifenberg writes "Work and married life has been good. It's definitely crazy at Ford with the number of major changes, but it makes it more exciting."

John Schendel Rose writes "For the past 1.68 years, I've lived in Manhattan, working as an assistant editor at an academic journal. Life is good. And to tell you the truth, I haven't heard much from my pledge brothers. Everyone is so busy. By the way, tell that punk-ass-bitch 'Clarence Shelton' he'll leave town if he knows what's good for him."

Michael Ruffing writes "All remains well up here in Chicago. I have actually become more involved with the Alumni up here, even joining Dean Klein recently at a high school recruitment fair hosted by one of the former Trustees. Job-wise, I am still at the same firm (Johnson & Quin), and am the sales rep for most of the Midwest as well as PA and NY (lots of traveling!). Danny Creasap and I still live with Dave Weglarz '03 two blocks from Wrigley Field, and we're

looking forward to Cub season to start filling up our sidewalk with foot traffic. Other than that, all is well. My girlfriend lives down in Lincoln Park so I have become accustomed to the bar and restaurant scene down there, as well. A well-rounded Chicago socialite, if you will. Hope all is well with yourself and your endeavors. Take care – Michael"

David Rusirare Mwizerwa is currently living in South Africa and working with a company called Ameki Color.

David Rusk writes "I bought my own house in Indy on the North side in August of 2006. I hang out with my pledge brothers quite a bit: **Zach Eichel**, **Michael Einterz**, **Brock Medsker**, and **John Rentsch**. I also spend a lot of time hanging out with **Dave Stockwell '03**."

Martin Schap is working at Wabash Valley Hospital as a case manager, which I'm told takes quite a while to properly explain. He and his wife Annie are living in downtown Lafayette with their dog.

Evan Schmit writes "I am in the depths of my second year at Marquette University Law School. I will be in Milwaukee for this summer. The interview process for internships actually starts next week, so I can't tell you exactly where I will be working. Cross your fingers for me. I can tell you that I will be following the Brewers and awaiting another glorious season with Brett Favre."

Dan Schubert is currently studying at Miami University – Ohio.

Jason Sprague writes "I haven't been up to much lately. I'm unemployed and live in my parent's basement. I'm just waiting around until I hear from some grad schools and looking for a job to pay the bills."

Zach Sundstrom was unable to be reached for comment, mostly on account of I don't know how to dial Japanese phone numbers to see how his teaching gig is working out for him. If anyone talks to him, please have him fire an update our way.

Ryan Thornberry writes "I am currently the manager of a snowboard shop in Telluride, Colorado, called Alternative Edge. It is owned by the biggest ski and snowboard rental and retailer in the U.S., Specialty Sports Venture. I started with them a little after I moved here in Oct of '05 and went through their main store Telluride Sports and then I was the assistant manager at The North Face store for the summer. In under a year I landed the manager gig. I have been snowboarding, mountain biking and rock climbing a lot. Living out here is great – a little small but fun."

Milton Turner writes "I'm now living on the north side of Indy, studying at IUPUI to get my MA in biomedical ethics, where I've done a research paper over Eugenics and standardized testing in the 1920's in Indiana. Also I'm currently working on a research paper over the intellectual property concerns of biobank construction in Kenya at Moi hospital. I will be starting law school at IU-Indy this fall. I have been working at a law firm in downtown Indy for a little over a year, and have really been enjoying it. I'm getting ready to move to Castleton and am getting pumped for law school. I'm applying to become an ICLEO fellow with the state Supreme Court over the summer too."

David Wagner writes "Things are going great down here in south Texas. Life on the border is always different. I plan on staying here for a few more years because the people are very warm and the culture is one in itself. If I don't get this summer job with Teach for America, I plan to try to start a summer b-ball league for my students. They have no summer leagues to play over the summer, and I would love to get something started. Not to rub it in, but the weather has been in the 80's and 90's here. Peace. In Wabash, Wags"

Nick Williams writes "Things are well down in Missouri. I am coaching at Missouri Southern State U. I am on track to have my Master's in May. It will be a Master's of Education. I intend on continuing to coach college ball. Not sure where all that will take me. I miss everyone back home, but I am doing something I love. I have been doing a lot of bass fishing and I love that. Like the weather down here better too." **Ryan Yates** writes "We (me, Kelsey, and my 1.5 year old son) moved to Davenport, Iowa, a little over a year ago. I just completed my first year of five at Palmer College of Chiropractic. I am going to school year around so I hope to finish by November 2009. Upon graduation, we hope to return to Utah or Idaho to open a practice. No new additions to report of as of yet."

Rob Zamora is enjoying being back in the United States at Fort Hood and is currently planning a visit to Indiana for mid-April.

INFORMATION, PLEASE!

Information we would love to have sent to *classagent05@yahoo.com*: Mohamed Abdullahi's e-mail address Constantine Alexander's e-mail address Kevin Casey's e-mail address Scott Christian's e-mail address Demitrian Cook's e-mail address **Danny Creasap's** e-mail address Dustin Deno's e-mail address Grant Griffith's e-mail address Matt Hagen's e-mail address Mike Hetrick's e-mail address Phu Hong's current contact information John McCall's e-mail address Josh Mills' phone number James Schroeder's e-mail address John Serak's phone number

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