



**A NOTE FROM  
YOUR CLASS  
AGENTS**

February, 2013

Class of 2005 Wabash men:

The past fall and winter months have brought with them many changes that your class agents would like to share with you. On January 26, 2013, the Board of Trustees unanimously elected Dr. Gregory D. Hess as the 16th President of Wabash College and three professors were recently awarded tenure: Professors Patrick Burton (biology); Eric Freeze (English); and Karen Gunther (psychology). Last May the college said goodbye to Dr. David Hadley (Political Science) and this winter to Dr. Melissa Butler (Political Science).

As faces on campus continue to change, one thing remains constant – Wabash will always fight to offer a superior education in the liberal arts. However, in order to continue this mission, your agents ask that you think about how you can give back to the college. Although many of us may not be able to offer much monetarily, we ask that you consider offering something equally as valuable: your time. In recent years, college recruitment has dramatically changed and the pool of students who are ready for college is smaller. Those who are prepared are opting to attend larger universities under full or partial scholarships where they can live resort type lifestyles provided by real estate developers. Other small private colleges, like Wabash, are offering the same amount of money for scholarships, immersion learning trips, etc. Therefore, Wabash admissions is asking that we help in recruiting through alumni referrals and active participation. Your options to assist are:

- a. On-line
- b. Attend a College Fair at a high school in your area
- c. Host or attend a recruitment function in your area
- d. Call students in your area or with career interest similar to yours
- e. Contact Chip Timmons at (765) 361-6054 or [timmonsc@wabash.edu](mailto:timmonsc@wabash.edu)

Last, we would like to remind you that our class has had a Facebook page, a blog, and e-mail address. If you'd like to be in the next newsletter, please e-mail [WabashClassof2005@gmail.com](mailto:WabashClassof2005@gmail.com). Also, subscribe to the blog (<http://ohfivewallies.wordpress.com/>) and feel free to post on the Facebook wall and check it often.

In Wabash,  
Your Class Agents

**Friday, 03/01/13, 6:00PM - Pat and Chris White in Michigan**

This will be a Wabash Evening Honoring President and Mrs. Pat White. Cascade Country Club, 3725 Cascade Road SE, Grand Rapids, MI. Dinner is at 7 PM with Program following. RSVP to Heather Bazzani at bazzanih@wabash.edu or by phone at 765.361.6360 by February 22, 2013. Cost is \$35 per person or \$25 per person for alumni from the classes of 2003-2012 and their guests. For more information contact Tom Runge '71 at 765-361-6371 or runget@wabash.edu.

**Friday, 03/08/13, 12:00PM - Pittsburgh, PA Monthly Luncheon**

The WPAWCM monthly luncheon is held on the second Friday of each month at Soho by PNC Park ( 203 Federal Street, Pittsburgh).

**Tuesday, 03/12/13, 12:00PM - South Bend, IN Monthly Luncheon**

The monthly luncheon is held on the second Tuesday of every month for The St. Joseph Valley Association of Wabash Men at Polito's Pizzeria (401 North Hickory Road, South Bend).

**Thursday, 03/14/13 – Friday 03/15/13 - Fine Arts Scholarship Program**

**Friday, 03/15/13 – Saturday 03/16/13 – Honor Scholarship Weekend**

**Thursday, 03/28/13, 12:30PM - Lafayette, IN Monthly Luncheon**

The Lafayette Association of Wabash Men will hold a luncheon at The Lafayette Brewing Company (622 Main Street Lafayette, IN).

**Sunday, 05/12/13, 2:30PM - 175th Commencement Ceremony**

**Saturday, 06/01/13 - Big Bash 2013**

**Friday, 06/07/13 - 2013 Alumni Trip**

This is an Alumni France Travel Trip set for June 7-17. The group will tour the famed Versailles Palace. After two successful Alumni Travel Trips to Italy, the next trip will be a history, food, and wine exploration of France. Wabash College has organized an alumni/friends of the College trip to Montpellier and Paris, France, June 7-17, 2013. The trip will be a few days less with diverse appeal covering history and French culture. Wabash Professor of History Michelle Rhoades will lead the group as they visit Paris's most famous sites. Director of New Media, Howard Hewitt, will kick off the trip using his experience as a wine writer leading the group through France's Languedoc wine region. For more information contact Tom Runge '71 at 765-361-6371 or runget@wabash.edu.

### **Ryan Feedback**

Ryan has been living and working in Nigeria since August, a long way from his Bluffton, IN hometown. After Wabash graduation, Ryan earned a master's degree in social work at Columbia University. From there he moved up to management level in the Department of Veterans Affairs after working as an inpatient psychiatric social worker. In spring, 2012, he went through a rigorous State Department hiring process to become a diplomat. His first diplomatic assignment in August took him to Nigeria, where he adjudicates visas for entry into the United States, and cares for U. S. citizens who are overseas. He is married and has a baby who was born just last spring. Ryan will be on this assignment for two years and then return to the U.S. to await his next overseas assignment — wherever that may be in the world, it will still be a long way from Bluffton!

### **Corey Asay**

Corey is an associate attorney in the Labor and Employment Department at Dinsmore in Cincinnati. Prior to joining the firm, Asay served as a judicial law clerk to United States District Judge Jack Zouhary and United States Magistrate Judge James R. Knepp, II. Asay's practice focuses on counseling and defending employers in a wide range of employment matters, including discrimination, retaliation, FMLA and ADA compliance, and breach of employment contracts. He earned his J.D. from Ohio Northern University Pettit College of Law and was a Psychology major while at Wabash.

### **Shay Atkinson**

Shay writes: "Sept. 1st 2012 I married the love of my life, Erin Lynn Johnson at Holy Family Catholic Church in Gas City, IN with fellow wallies: **Abraham Lucas, Kyle West, and Josh Levering** in the wedding party. Currently we live in Merrillville, IN with our two girls, Persephone Cecile (2) and Athena Collette (born Oct. 19, 2011) will be celebrating her first birthday. Erin works as a Social Studies teacher for Lighthouse Charter School in Gary and I am Mr. Mom, currently unemployed and loving it!

I finished my 5th summer at Harper College in Continuing Education, teaching 8-14 year olds for the In-Zone program and adults alike the many aspects of Photography, Graphic Design, Photoshop, and Story-boarding. This was my most productive summer yet, teaching 15 classes in total and featuring 3 brand new classes; Stop-Motion Movies, Create a Book, and a recording class called The Sound Studio. I got to work in a brand new Mac lab with all the bells and whistles.

Over the summer also, I was featured in a solo show in Marion, IN at the Community School of the Arts. My show titled, "Space", was a retrospective of the accomplishments in visual art that I have made over the past 10 years. It contained photography, acrylic paintings, a variety of books, and an Audio-graph; a medium that I invented while at Wabash."

**Every \$ Helps!**

Special thanks go to the brave 21 men listed below who have generously made contributions to our Alma matter during the '12-'13 Fiscal year. Please take some time to make a pledge towards this fiscal year (even if it's only \$20). One of Wabash's strengths is its Alumni who, through their contributions, make receiving a first class education possible for many young students.

**2012-2013 Fiscal Year Honor Roll**

Nate Bell, Chris Beymer, Eric Bright, Beau Browning, Nathan Dinger, John Dustman, Greg Fulmer, Tony GiaQuinta, Bobby Love, Brock Medsker, John Meyer, Joey Olson, David Pryzbylski, John Rentsch, Michael Ruffing, Jonathan Schwarz, Jason Sprague, Nathan Storey, James Tsujimoto, Milton Turner, and Jeremy West.

**Please remember, participation matters - Join this group with a gift of \$10, \$50, or \$100 today at [wabash.edu/egift](http://wabash.edu/egift).**

