

WABASH COLLEGE

CLASS OF 2005 NEWSLETTER

March 2016

Hello everyone!

We would like to apologize for the radio silence. Some may call it a “record-breaking 10-year reunion” hangover and some may call it mere laziness. Either way, we’re back! Without reunion plans to dominate our content we are here to continue being a conduit between you and Wabash; passing along news and updates from Wabash’s campus as well as any fun tidbits we learn about our classmates. Along the way, we will continue to offer reminders to give back to your alma mater as you deem appropriate.

Cheers,

Michael and Jason

Annual Fund – Class of 2005 has only 18 donors so far. Here’s the quick link for quick and easy donation options: <https://www.wabash.edu/giving/give>

We had a record number of donors last year and we can claim the reunion as a major factor there. Unless Wabash has fallen out of your favor in the last 6+ months we would hope to see the same grateful alumni continue giving back. Think of it as a habit. Maybe it’s just time to set up a recurring gift like I do! You can set up a donation to occur once or twice a year or even spread it out over 12 months to go easy on your household finances. For the non-math majors here are a few examples of how a little each month can go a long way:

MONTHLY GIFT

\$8.34
\$20.84
\$41.67
\$83.34

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION

\$100
\$250
\$500
\$1,000

Help keep Wabash College on the rise as it continues to earn rave reviews: http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=10771

Parker Sawyers – If you haven't yet heard, our classmate Parker Sawyers made headlines this past year with his role depicting Barack Obama for the first time in a feature film! The movie debuted at the Sundance Film Festival and garnered glowing reviews. Just go 'Google' Parker Sawyers. He's famous now. What a great job by Parker and what we hope is a launching pad onto more big screen opportunities.

Lots of articles out there but here's a short one from the NYT:

http://www.nytimes.com/2016/01/28/t-magazine/entertainment/obama-sundance-film-southside-with-you-parker-sawyers-tika-sumpter.html?_r=0



Matt Tanney – 2nd Youngest Athletic Director in Div 1!

Also making major news recently is Matt Tanney. This past fall he was named the Athletic Director at Western Illinois, making him the second youngest AD in Division 1 at the time. What a great story and major congratulations to Matt on this awesome achievement! Official Press Release, and sweet picture, here: <http://goleathernecks.com/staff.aspx?staff=368>



Tom Runge Retirement – Many of you know Tom Runge in different ways, but we wanted to make sure all were aware that Tom is set to retire at the end of March. It would be impossible to quantify the many ways that Tom has helped evolve Wabash College over the years and as alumni we are indebted to him and his efforts. Some of you may think that awesome Big Bash Reunion we enjoyed so much last summer has been going on forever. Actually, it was Tom himself who created the event just about a decade ago. Here is a link from the announcement and we wish Tom all the best in the next phase of his life: http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=10678

Alumni Ballot – It's Time To Vote! The Board of Directors of the National Association of Wabash Men (NAMW) encourages Wabash alumni to vote in elections for Alumni Trustee on the Board of Trustees and for the Board of Directors for the NAWM. Follow this link to do so: http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=10759

Class of 2005 Honor Roll:

Nate Bell
Eric Bright
Beau Browning
Jason Cantu
Nathan Dinger
John Dustman
Ryan Feedback
Brandon Hayes
Bobby Love
Drew McCoy
Brock Medsker
John Meyer
Mark Novakovich
Michael Ruffing
Jonathan Schwarz
Zach Sundstrom
Jeremy West
Brad Williams