

WABASH COLLEGE CLASS OF 2005

CLASS OF 2005 NEWSLETTER

May 1st, 2012

A NOTE FROM YOUR CLASS AGENTS

Men of '05:

Welcome to Spring-time!

Let's get down to business right away: if you have not yet contributed to the Annual Fund this year you can simply and quickly go here to do so: http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/annualgiving.

Whether you know it or not the College tracks those that pledge their support so we know there are a lot of you still out there. At the time of this Newsletter's release there have been 36 (out of 205) supporters – that's a measly 17% participation rate. Every single graduating class after ours has a higher percentage of alumni giving back. Let's kick it into gear these last few months!

BACK ON CAMPUS

- Commencement is rapidly approaching for new graduates on May 13th
- The Bachelor continues to excel; 18 awards led to an overall second place award for Division III newspaper of the year
- Keep an eye out in the coming months for requests for updated contact info as the College embarks on a printed alumni directory that will be available early in 2013, as well as online
- In March, Wabash crowned its first national title since Tom Puschak in '89 as Kevin McCarthy ('12) won the men's one-mile run at the 2012 NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field National Championship meet
- Professor David Hadley has retired after serving the College for 43 years!

ALUMNI NOTES

- W.A.B.A.S.H. Day is scheduled for September 15th and 16th, 2012
- "big round numbers!"...Homecoming is September 27th-29th, 2012 and will celebrate
- the **100th** Homecoming, **180th** anniversary of the founding of the college and the **120th** anniversary of the Glee Club
- Did we mention the Annual Fund? Are you still proud of your alma mater? Go ahead, get your name on the website's Honor Roll: http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/annualgiving

In Wabash and the Class of 2005,

Your Class Agent Committee

'05 UPDATES

Did you catch our fellow class-mate in the New York Times? <u>Justin Grimmer</u> was mentioned in the following article relating to data world we live in - check it out *here*!

<u>Matt Tanney</u> and <u>Tony GiaQuinta</u> represented the class of 2005 during this year's Admission's Top 10 Visit Day back in February. Matt sat on the student panel and Tony on the parent panel helping to answer questions of candidates for the Class of 2016 and their families.

<u>Nick Williams</u> has been promoted to Regional Manager of Pathfinder's Mud Motors division. The promotion has taken Nick and his family from Midland, TX up to gorgeous Denver, CO where they'll retain their country-livin' while also becoming more accessible to family.

<u>Mark Dietzen</u> moved to Washington D.C. last fall, working as Political Director of a local campaign in Alexandria, Virginia prior to joining the New European Democracies Project at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). His recent publications include *Targeting Peace: Snipers Threaten Compromise over Nagorno-Karabakh* (CSIS) and *Yes, You Can Say 'Genocide,' Mr. President* (Yale Journal of International Affairs).

Brock Medsker is getting ready to start his last year of residency in pediatrics at Indiana University. He is planning on specializing in Newborn Intensive Care which will require another three years of training. Brock's ultimate goal is to work in an academic medical center, working with residents and teaching medical students in addition to clinical duties. To prepare for the role of educator he will be starting a Master's of Education for Health Professionals this fall. This program focuses on training clinicians how to teach evidence based medicine as well as skills for curriculum development and review.

The newest '05 Wally to find himself happily engaged is Phi Delt <u>Chris Healy</u>, who proposed to Adrienne Englert after a candlelit picnic dinner on the shores of Lake Michigan on the evening of April 14th in Chicago. Chris is finishing out his residency in Chicago and is anxious to join his fiancé in Miami, FL at the end of June. A date has not been set for the wedding, but if it's up to Chris, the sooner the better.

<u>Charlie Lopez</u> graduated from IU Bloomington with his MBA. After graduation he returned to work for the Department of Defense where he is in his sixth year as an accountant. Charlie's wife Courtney, who also works at DOD is preparing for her graduation from IU Indy Law School and her upcoming BAR exam. When not in the office, Charlie has been hard at work in the gym. Over the last 16 months Charlie has dropped over 150 lbs, 38% body fat, 12 pant sizes and 6 shirt sizes by following a Paleo low-carb diet and exercising regularly.

Jason Cantu is eager to return to Houston after receiving a Master of Science in Historic Preservation and Certificate of Real Estate Design and Development from the University of Pennsylvania and Wharton School of Business. While at Penn, he was an active member of The Graduate and Professional Student Assembly (the official student government body for graduate and professional students to represent over 10,000 students across Penn's twelve graduate schools) as its Vice Chair for Operations and a member of the Facilities and Campus Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees. His thesis was awarded a grant from the National Park Service to build green roofs on cabins at Bar BC Dude Ranch and once in Houston he will begin work at Eubanks Group Architects (EGA).

<u>Nathan Dinger</u> continues to live in Chicago and was recently promoted to Assistant Vice President of Commercial Lending at Signature Bank. In his spare time Nathan likes to stay active. He recently fought in the 2012 Golden Gloves boxing tournament and was defeated in the semi-finals by a judge's decision. He plans on running the 2012 Chicago Marathon this October. Outside of work and sports, Nathan recently adopted his first roommate, <u>Danny Creasap</u>. While the dynamic has been challenging, it took the adoption to make him realize all that living in the city of Chicago has to offer.

<u>David Rusk</u> and Lauren Schlenk will be wed on October 13th in Carmel, IN at St. Christopher's Episcopal. He is storming ahead in his new endeavors. He quit his job of 7 years at InSource to do insurance on his own but got into mortgage banking within the last few months. He has been there since December and is already on his way to becoming one of the top sales representatives despite being very new. The bank he works for is Royal United Mortgage and he is actively involved with management in forming new ideas and promoting the business, etc. He is also starting community service opportunities with Royal and dilapidated and foreclosed homes.

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