



WABASH COLLEGE

CLASS OF 2005 NEWSLETTER

A NOTE FROM YOUR CLASS AGENTS

November, 2014

Gentlemen,

We hope this newsletter finds you all well. Albeit early, we would like to inform you that this spring is an important year for our class. This May will mark **10 YEARS** since we each received our Wabash sheepskins. We encourage you to clear your calendar and plan to join us for **Big Bash 2015** on **June 5th – 7th**. As the date draws nearer, we will provide you with further details for events that weekend.

Attending events like Big Bash, giving to the college, and visiting our younger brothers on campus is important to maintaining our national ranking as a top-tier liberal arts college. According to U.S. News & World Report, this year Wabash continues to rank high among the best national liberal arts colleges - 61st nationally. This places the College in the top-30 percent of all 236 ranked schools. U.S. News rankings are based on a weighted breakdown of the following criteria: graduation and retention (22.5%), assessment of excellence (22.5%), faculty resources (20%), student selectivity (12.5%), financial resources (10%), graduation rate performance (7.5%), and alumni giving (5%). As we approach our 10 year reunion, if you haven't been as involved as you had liked, now would be a great time to start.

To facilitate your involvement, we aim to connect you to each other and the college through our class blog, Facebook, and these seasonal newsletters. However, to do this, every once in a while try and keep us updated, too. We enjoy hearing your stories and, in turn, sharing them with the rest of our class. We look forward to your e-mails, Facebook posts, or phone calls. You may reach Jason at (956) 358-2008 or e-mail us both at WabashClassof2005@gmail.com.

Wabash Always Fights!

Jason & Mike

Christopher Beymer recently joined Marklund, a nonprofit organization that serves infants, children, teens and adults with serious and profound developmental disabilities and special healthcare needs, as its new Director of Adult Services. Chris will oversee client services at the Marklund of Mill Creek campus in Geneva, IL. After Wabash, Chris earned a master of public health degree from Northern Illinois University.

Beau Browning currently lives in Fishers, IN and married Mary Elizabeth Jolly this year on September 20th. He has been a Financial Advisor for 9 years, the first 5 and 1/2 with John Hancock and the last 3 and 1/2 as an Independent Advisor with LPL Financial. In December of 2010, he and **Jason Pike '04** formed their own DBA, "Browning/Pike Financial Management". They have recently relocated their office in Shelbyville, IN to a bigger space at 42 E. Washington Ste. 201. They also hired an office manager, Jennie Claxton, wife of **Ryan Claxton '01**, last August. She has made an immediate impact to their business. They are excited about their growth and are focused on the future.

CLASS UPDATES

After 7 years of working at a small, independent, nonprofit coffee shop in Mountain View, CA, **John Dustman** has decided to transition out of coffee. He accepted a role as Operations & Outreach Manager at Apropose. Apropose is a young startup in Mountain View building a platform to provide data analytics that can better inform web design. He is looking forward to the new challenges of this role and hopes to see many of you at the Big Bash this summer.

Chris Healy is being inducted into Wabash College's Athletics Hall of Fame! As a Wabash wrestler, Chris was an All-American, a recipient of the Indianapolis Alumni Student Athlete Award, and a Robert E. "Pete" Vaughan Award Winner (Outstanding Athlete of the Year). The award was established by the National Association of Wabash Men on January 17, 1948 in honor of Robert E. (Pete) Vaughan, thirty-one year coach and athletic director at Wabash College. The recipient, elected by the Wabash coaching staff and presented by the President of NAWM, is deemed the outstanding athlete of the year at Wabash College. Below is the date and time for the induction ceremony if you would like to attend and congratulate Chris.

Josh Petruniw was named partner at the law firm of Tiede Metz & Downs in Wabash, IN, focusing his practice on commercial law, employment law, family law, estate planning, and civil litigation. He joined Tiede Metz & Downs in 2011. After Wabash, Josh received his Juris Doctor from the Robert H. McKinney School of Law at Indiana University. During law school, Josh also earned a Master of Business Administration from the Indiana University Kelley School of Business. In addition to his law career, Josh serves on the board of directors for Wabash Marketplace, Inc. and the Community Foundation of Wabash County, and he is an active member of the Wabash Rotary Club. Josh has also served as a public defender and Guardian Ad Litem in Wabash County.

Jason Sprague and his wife, Sarah McNitt, were married last summer on July 13, 2013 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. **Marques Pflum '06** was in attendance. He is currently working on a Ph.D. in religious studies at the University of Iowa. Sarah is a recent five-time Jeopardy! champion and works as a study abroad adviser at the University of Iowa.

BIG BASH WEEKEND | CLASS OF 2005 10 YEAR REUNION | JUNE 5TH – 7TH

Friday, November 14, 2014 - Wabash College Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
Allen Athletics Center, Knowling Fieldhouse, 6:00 p.m. Reception & Cash Bar, 6:45 p.m. Dinner, 8:00 p.m. Induction Ceremony (Cost \$30.00 per person, \$7.00 for children under six. Please RSVP no later than November 6, 2014 at www.wabash.edu/alumni/fame or by contacting Heather Bazzani at bazzanih@wabash.edu or 765.361.6360)

121ST MONON BELL CLASSIC

Thursday, November, 13 - Monon Bell Chapel @ 11:15AM

Saturday, November 15 – Football vs. DePauw, Crawfordsville, IN

If you cannot attend the game in person, we hope you'll be watching and cheering with other alumni and friends at one of nearly 60 telecast parties throughout the country. Visit <http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/mononbell/> and select a state in the drop down box to view details for parties being organized. All parties will be pay as you go from the menu and will be family friendly unless otherwise noted in the details. Wear your Wabash attire and cheer loudly for the Little Giants. If you can't make it to one of the telecast parties, for the ninth year in a row and tenth time overall, AXS TV will broadcast the game nationwide in high definition. AXS TV will begin its live coverage beginning at 1:00 p.m. with kickoff set for 1:07 p.m. (EST). AXS TV is a partnership between Mark Cuban, AEG, Ryan Seacrest Media, Creative Artists Agency (CAA) and CBS.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

GIVE BACK TO WABASH

CLASS OF '05 FAMILY PHOTOS

The network is available in the United States via AT&T U-verse, Charter, Comcast/Xfinity, DIRECTV, DISH, Suddenlink, Verizon FiOS, and other cable, satellite, and telco providers. The network is also distributed in Canada and the Caribbean. For more information, visit the website, www.axs.tv.

Wednesday, December 10 - 47th Annual Christmas Festival in the Chapel at 8:00PM
(free and open to the public)

Before you begin your holiday shopping, perhaps we can encourage you to make a last-minute donation to the Annual Fund. As alumni donations roll in to the college, 60% of alumni make their gift each year by December 31st for tax benefit purposes. Visit <https://www.wabash.edu/giving/give> to make your contribution today.



Kyle Havlik's puppy, Hugo, sleeping next to Wally Wabash



David, Stephanie, & Abby Wagner



Tony, Sarah, and Henry GiaQuinta



Nate, Sunny, & Charlotte Bell