

## Q3 2011

Dear 06ers,

This summer we were back on campus for our 5 year reunion and wanted to give you and update on what's going on around campus and with our classmates, as well as a list of things we learned while we were back.

As always, please send us updates about what's going on in your life so that Joe doesn't give quarter by quarter wedding planning updates.

Enjoy.

### Campus Updates

**The Wabash Swimming and Diving team** is coming off a successful 2010-2011 season in which the team set four school records, finished 3rd at the NCAC conference meet with two individual NCAC event champions, two All-Americans (Evan Rhinesmith and David Birrer), and a 41st place finish at the NCAA Championships. The team also had an overall team GPA of 3.19 for the year, earning Scholar All-American status both semesters and David Birrer earned Scholar All-American status and Adam Current earning Honorable Mention Scholar All-American.

The 2011-2012 season welcomes the addition of 13 new faces to the squad. The team is looking to move closer towards second place at the NCAC Championships and looks to be headed for a tough battle with new conference foe, DePauw for 3rd place at conference. There are high NCAA aspirations for the team this year with the extra incentive of the meet being held in Indianapolis at IUPUI Natatorium. A number of the newcomers and returning swimmers have a strong chance to setting new school records by years end and making a run at the NCAC Championships. With 20 of the 25 swimmers and divers being freshmen or sophomores, the team is young, talented and hungry. The future looks bright for the Wabash Swimming and Diving program.

**The MXI** celebrated its 40th Anniversary over the weekend of Sep. 17th & 18th. We aren't able to do the amount of coverage justice so here's a link of articles and pictures for you to check out!

[http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news\\_ID=9163](http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=9163)

### Class Updates

**Matt McKay** is teaching Theatre at Grand Rapids Community College, Aquinas College, and for Very Special Arts in Grand Rapids, MI. Thanks to his broad liberal arts education, he is also teaching a public speaking course and continues to work with the Wind Safety Program for GRCC

**Saad Tahir** is still working in NYC as an equity analyst for a small asset management company. It's the same employer since graduation. Other than that, not much has changed. Yes, he has decided to switch to Honey Nut Cheerios

**Dane Fowler** was married to Emila soon after graduation in 2006, and we've been blessed with two children, both girls (ages 2 & 3). From August 2006 to August 2011, he worked for Enkei America in Columbus, IN, as a laboratory technician and laboratory supervisor. In July 2011, he finished an MBA from Indiana University. In August 2011, he took a position as the Lead Engineer of Quality Assurance at Carlisle Brake and Friction in Bloomington, IN.

**Chip Habegger** graduated from IU - Bloomington School of Law in May 2011. In June he moved to Cincinnati, Ohio to study for the bar and to take a job with Procter & Gamble's legal division.

**Phil Ramos** will begin his second season as an assistant coach for the Wabash College baseball team. Wabash will close out its fall season in the next couple weekends with games on Sep. 24th, 25th, and October 1. Players will be on the field at 9:00am each day with games starting around 9:30 or 9:45am. Saturdays are single 7 inning games; Sundays, two 7 inning games. The new stadium, replacing Mud Hollow is located behind the Allen Center.

### **Wabash Day is October 15<sup>th</sup>!**

Here is a link to where and what Wabash Day events are taking place this year. Clear your calendars and help make this year another success.

<http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?msid=202135986251814791942.0004ab41e0fb38fcc7c3b&msa=0&ll=43.786958,-96.965332&spn=11.958398,23.093262>

### **New Website**

Have you seen the new website yet?! It takes a little bit of time to find what you're looking for but there's a lot of neat new content such as the Alumni Voices page that includes blogs by alums on the topics of Law, Religion, Philanthropy, Technology, Marketing and Communications, Political & Philosophical, Travel, Education, Lifestyle & Oddities, Environment, and the Arts. Basically it's an adult blogosphere for those that miss the breadth of the liberal arts!

Our very own Philip Eubanks writes in the Travel section on his experience in Morocco with the Peace Corps. Here's a link to it for those that want to see what Philip is up to!  
<http://mymoroccanworld.wordpress.com/about/>

### **Things we learned at Big Bash**



The three of us were fortunate to make it to Big Bash this year and came up with a list of things that we learned while we were back on campus and in the Crawfordsville area for the weekend.

1. We need to do a better job of recruiting for the reunion and make sure we get enough donors to have an open bar at the class dinner
2. Wabash students are still disgusting (i.e. fruit flies, maggots, and 7 year old carpets at the Sigma Chi house)
3. The TKE's have over 50 members now and an entire room dedicated to Magic and Axis and Allies in their new house
4. The FIJI's hid their smoking jackets a lot better at their new house but their basement gave us flashbacks to certain weeknight activities during Bell and Pan Hell week, the old courtyard is certainly missed
5. The Kappa Sigs have stepped up their game and started stealing traffic lights instead of street signs
6. The new baseball field is amazing, it looks like a legit minor league baseball park now instead of the nostalgic sandlot that it once was
7. Professor Blix had both of his knees replaced and is walking around without a cane
8. The second verse of Old Wabash rolls of the tongue no matter how long it's been since you've seen it (something about flashbacks to Chapel Sing practices with Tabasco will do that I guess)

### **Homecoming**

Homecoming is the weekend of September 29<sup>th</sup>. A schedule of events can be found here: <http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/homecoming>

## 2011 Wabash Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/Result
9/10/2011	Wooster	Wooster, OH	W 19-7
9/17/2011	Ohio Wesleyan	<b>Crawfordsville, IN</b>	1 p.m.
9/24/2011	Chicago	Chicago, IL	12 p.m. (CDT)
10/1/2011	Kenyon	<b>Crawfordsville, IN</b>	2 p.m.
10/8/2011	Washington-St. Louis	<b>Crawfordsville, IN</b>	1 p.m.
10/15/2011	Oberlin	Oberlin, OH	1 p.m.
10/22/2011	Denison	<b>Crawfordsville, IN</b>	1 p.m.
10/29/2011	Allegheny	Meadville, PA	1 p.m.
11/5/2011	Wittenberg	<b>Crawfordsville, IN</b>	1 p.m.
11/12/2011	DePauw	Greencastle, IN	1:07 p.m.

We hope to hear from you all soon!

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