December 1, 2014

Classmates,

We have much to be thankful for this holiday season. In addition to family and friends, we have a strong alma mater and a great group of classmates who are among the most active and generous with the college.

Highlights from the fall include: outstanding performances by Wabash athletic teams, a classmate returning to campus to speak about his work overseas, and the start of a housing construction project that will soon change the face of the west side of campus. But before we go on, is it time for you to...

Need to Update Your Contact Information?

New home? New Job? Let us know! Keeping up with e-mail changes is important too as we want to make sure the dreaded "e-mail is no longer valid" doesn't keep you from receiving class updates. With four letters a year and a reunion every five, you know our spam is minimal.

Send a note to <u>wabash07@gmail.com</u> to update any contact information.

Highlights

We've got some photo highlights from the fall and of course have a few classmate updates to share. As usual, our annual update newsletter will be published in the spring- it's never too early to start sending in those updates!

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Happy Holidays!

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Wabash successfully defended the Bell at home and racked up its sixth consecutive win against the Dannies. The final score was 27 - 3. The Little Giants advanced to the playoffs, defeating instate rival Franklin College in the first round before ending their season with a hard-fought loss to defending national champion Wisconsin-Whitewater.



But how about this? That's **Wabash Soccer** scoring the winning goal against then nationally #2 ranked Kenyon College at home. The soccer team produced a school record 10 shutouts this season and did not lose a match at home, finishing 5-0-3 at Mud Hollow Stadium. The Little Giants appeared in the NCAC soccer tournament for the first time since joining the conference in 1999. Wabash finished third in the final regular season standings.



Next fall, the west side of campus will look something like this. The small houses that once lined Crawford Street have already been torn down to make way for new student housing.



This artistic rendering looks from the new student housing area back out towards the MXI and Morris Hall. The \$15 million plan includes the construction of two 38-bed halls, two 16-bed lodges, and two duplex-style townhomes with 12 beds each.

'07 Spotted on Campus

Sterling Carter returned to campus this the fall and gave a talk entitled "War Unbroken – Human Rights and the Economics of South Sudan's Civil War".



Carter's talk was a featured story in the September 26 issue of *The Bachelor*. He is currently an International Protection Officer with the Nonviolent Peace Force in South Sudan. Here are some excerpts from the story:

Carter shared the story of his work in South Sudan, giving insight into what he referred to as the four most important resources in the area: cattle, land, water, and oil (not in any particular order). ... Carter, an English and Theater double major, served in the Peace Corps after graduation. It was then he realized his passion for work with peace keeping organizations. ... As a journalist, Carter said one of the [most] important things he can do is educate the west on the issues there, but also give a sense of the real impact of the economic sanctions being imposed there. It's a matter of sanctions being imposed on warlords who are happy to give up the money and maintain their foothold on pillaged land, water, cattle, and oil.

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Carter represented the class well and impressed current students. From The Bachelor:

Seton Goddard '15 attended Carter's talk on Monday. He said the talk helped spark conversations on campus about how a liberal arts education can be put to work and make a difference in troubled regions like South Sudan. "I thought that Sterling Carter brought a much-needed perspective from the Wabash alumni base," Goddard said. "So often, we hear about the pursuits of alumni in business, law, or medicine. These are immensely valuable perspectives, but having the opportunity to hear from someone is on the ground in a conflict-torn developing nation like South Sudan was something that we don't get very often."

News and Notes

Annual Giving is off to a great start for the class this fiscal year. With 24 classmates already on the Honor Roll of donors, you'd have to find an alum who's turning 50 this year before you found a class (1987) with better numbers. Thanks to these classmates who have already made a gift:

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Remember you have until June 30, 2015, for your gift to be part of this year's Honor Roll. Participation is the name of the game – a gift of any dollar amount is always better than no gift at all. Making a gift online is easy at this link: <u>www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift</u>.

Happy Holidays!