



December 14, 2015

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 new honorary classmate inducted at Homecoming, and the announcement of plans to reactivate Delta Tau Delta. 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 Keeping up with e-mail changes is important too as we want to make sure the dreaded "e-mail is no longer valid" doesn't keep you from receiving class updates.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 wabash07@gmail.com , and one to the Alumni office (bazzanih@wabash.edu), to update any contact information.

Highlights

We hope you enjoy these highlights from a busy fall on campus. As usual, our annual update newsletter will be published in the spring and it's never too early to start sending in those updates!

Happy Holidays!

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Wabash notched its all-time-record-tying seventh consecutive win against DePauw, the first time Wabash has hit a seven-streak in the series since 1921 – 1927, with a 45-17 win to finish a perfect 10-0 regular season on November 14. With the NCAC title in hand, the Little Giants fended off Albion in snowy conditions in front of a home crowd on the heels of senior running back Mason Zurek (pictured above), who would go on to become the first Wabash player to top 2,000 yards in a single season. After defeating Thomas More at home in the second round, Wabash would end its season with a loss to St. Thomas in the national quarterfinals.



Wabash Cross Country had another impressive season, capturing its third consecutive Great Lakes regional title (pictured above) and taking eighth place at the national championships, the team's best result since 1995. Leading the Red Pack's efforts this year were seniors Adam Togami and Fabian House, who placed 51st and 66th, respectively, out of a field of 278 runners at nationals. New head coach Colin Young received the regional Coach of the Year award.



Pictured above is Professor of Economics Kay Widdows receiving her Honorary Alumna award at Homecoming from NAWM President Rick Cavanaugh and Wabash President Greg Hess. Professor Widdows was asked to choose her honorary class and she chose 2007!



Classmates Zach Foughty and Ross Dillard were on-hand at Homecoming to welcome Professor Widdows as the newest honorary member of the Class of 2007. Professor Widdows joins former Wabash First Lady Chris White as the class's second honorary alumnus.

Delta Tau Delta Announcement

Both the Wabash website and The Bachelor have published stories recently discussing the effort underway to reestablish the Beta Psi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta at Wabash College.

RETURN OF THE DELTS

ADAM ALEXANDER '16 | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF - Delta Tau Delta may soon return to campus. Wabash has intensified conversations with its Delt alumni and the national fraternity in an effort to recolonize the College's chapter of the fraternity. A fraternity representative will be on campus Nov. 17 to hold two informational sessions for students interested in learning more about Delta Tau Delta.

The College revoked the chapter's recognition and terminated its lease following the 2008 death of freshman pledge Johnny Smith. Smith's family filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the College, claiming that it shared blame for the death by ignoring hazing and underage-drinking inside of a school-owned building. Multiple years passed, and the College was dropped from the suit earlier this year.

President Greg Hess welcomes the fraternity's potential return, and looks forward to working with Delt nationals to facilitate a recolonization.

"Both sides are of goodwill," Hess said. "It's a matter of when, not if. They've made







proposals, we're supportive, and I think we're still on track. I've told people that the Board of Trustees knows where we stand, and if it works out for them to come back very soon, then I have the authority to approve it."

The national fraternity has a process it follows to colonize chapters at colleges and universities. That process includes general recruitment, the establishment of a colony, the development of leadership within the colony, and various benchmarks before a colony can become a chapter. The first step will be Nov. 17, when independent students will be able to hear Delta Tau Delta's principles, learn about the local chapter's goals, and determine whether they are interested.



The above article was published in the November 13, 2015, issue of The Bachelor. The article states, "President Greg Hess welcomes the fraternity's potential return, and looks forward to working with Delt nationals to facilitate a recolonization." The article contains additional quotes from the deans and cites a goal of establishing a colony in February of 2016. It goes on to state that the ability to return to the original chapter house on campus will take additional time.

WABASH IN TALKS WITH DELTS

• November 12, 2015  Share:     

Wabash College and Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity are advancing discussions to return a chapter back to the Wabash campus. Beta Psi Chapter existed at Wabash from 1872-1879 and continuously from 1894 to 2008.

The process for recolonization for students includes a series of informational meetings, interviews, bids, brotherhood activities, and community service, and culminates with formal pledging and a weekend retreat.



Kyle Yarawsky, Director of Growth for the fraternity, will be on campus on Tuesday, November 17. While at Wabash, he will present two informational sessions for students to learn more about Delta Tau Delta.

This short article appeared on the Wabash homepage in November and briefly discusses the recolonization process.



News and Notes

Annual Giving is off to a great start for the class this fiscal year. Thanks to these 22 classmates, including our newest Honorary Classmate Kay Widdows, who have already made a gift:

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Zach Smith
Greg Strodman
Adam Van Zee
Kay Widdows

Remember you have until June 30, 2016, 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: www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift .

As many of you may already know, our classmate Josh Paul passed away over the weekend due to health issues. We wanted to share information on the services for anyone who may want to attend. The viewing will be this Thursday, December 17th from 4-6pm with the funeral service at 6pm. Both will be held at the Day and Deremiah-Frye Funeral Home located at 4150 E 3rd Street in Bloomington, IN. Please join us in keeping Josh's wife, family, and friends in our thoughts and prayers. Donations to the ACLU of Indiana in Josh's memory are appreciated.

Happy Holidays!