

TOP MOMENTS FROM OUR 20s

DON FEENEY

10. Graduation from the greatest collegiate institution that has ever existed in the 47933 ZIP Code.

9. Playing everything except drums for the semi-talented cover band The Whiskey Biscuits (including playing Ryan Stephens' wedding reception).

8. Traveling all over North America and making three trips to Europe.

7. Sand volleyball and Keystone Light at the Delta Shelter.

6. Lake weekends at Van Kirk's lake house.

5. Colts winning the Super Bowl.

4. Learning of the locking mechanism on Saran Wrap and aluminum foil boxes.

3. Delt reunions in Gatlinburg.

2. Discovery of Keystone Sports Review's Cajun Dry Rub wings.

And the number one moment of my 20s, especially on the small chance that my wife sees this list?

1. Tricking a girl way out of my league into marrying me last August.



JOSH COONS

Top Moments:

6/20/09 - Getting Married

9/21/10 - Alexis was born

6/28/13 - Brooklyn was born

COLE MCGUFFEY

Top Moment:

Realizing I have been in school for the entirety of my Twenties. Every day I get to teach.



FRANK KNEZ

It is hard to rank the top moments, but if I had to pick three they are:

1. Marrying my wife Lindsay (5 years coming up this June 20th!)

2. Finding out on January 1st this year that we are expecting a baby boy in early September!

3. Starting a company w/ Lindsay (in 2008) and being able to work together to positively impact hundreds of families w/ kids with special needs and create over 100 new jobs in the past 3 years.

JAKE LUNDORF

Top Moments:

1. Philosophical exploration and self discovery

2. Finding the person to share life with

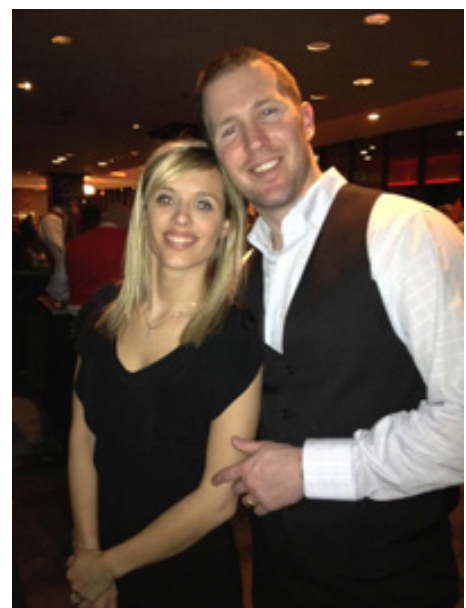
3. Travel and living abroad while young and free

4. Firsts: pets, house, career, car

5. Wabash

6. Bonnaroo 2005

7. Wedding/bachelor party!!



07R: We've been out of Wabash for about seven years now. Give us a little background on what you've done since graduation leading up to your role in My Crazy Roommate.

I'd say 7 years of getting crushed and obliterated and feeling totally lost like I had no idea who I was or what I was doing, how I ever even could have thought I knew what I was doing, how everything is wrong . . . and then this slow process of solid core re-building. Wabash was like this idyllic world that set a beautiful foundation, but I had no idea what I was embarking on afterwards. We talk about being a "Wabash Man" but I feel that's really come in the last 7 years from real world hard knocks, and from USC. ...

I've done over 20 different jobs since I graduated USC, all un-related to anything I studied at USC or Wabash, in order to make rent. From getting dressed as Optimus Prime and doing magic shows at a 40 screaming children birthday party to bar-backing 12 hour shifts up and down 4 flights of stairs in one of the busiest restaurants in Beverly Hills to babysitting paranoid schizophrenics to bouncer at seedy clubs to catering parties where every single dude catering looks like you, is trained and represented and still catering to you name it...

My dad was always like you're the goofball in the family, do that. I had just signed with this new manager who was only taking clients with lots of credits but decided to work with me and in a month I was on this sitcom MCR (My Crazy Roommate). The character was as the cast is fond of calling him "tall glass of dumb". So I found a real niche for the inside and outside of my casting. It was like putting on a glove I never even knew I had tried on but which I'd been wearing my whole life. It was so effortless. ...



07R: Tell us a little bit about the show and your character and when and where we can tune in to see our classmate on TV.

The show I always say is the black version of "2 Broke Girls". It follows Brooke and Chloe, two black chicks – one real "white" or "valley girl" and the other all Brooklyn hard core - as they try to build a life for themselves in Silverlake, a really hipster area of Los Angeles. My character, Carson, is one of the studs who works in the coffee shop that Brooke also works at. Carson is like the "Joey" of Friends. He's lovable for his innocent stupidity but somehow has these moments of divine brilliance totally unexpected like a Kenny from SouthPark. There are 5 more main characters who also live in this world and have these adventures together. ...[The Show] is on a national broadcast channel . . . that's digital...and different based on the city you're in. In LA it's channel 13.2. In Chicago it's different. In Crawfordsville, hell I don't know.

07R: What are some unique or interesting aspects of producing a situation comedy that we (the uninitiated) may not realize while we're laughing along from our couches?

I had NO IDEA how completely liberating and fun it was to do sitcom, and specifically multi-cam sitcom. The first day of production Bentley Kyle Evans - creator of the show who has worked on Jamie Fox show and Martin show - said "This is not work. This is play. Consider this script like a roadmap. Do what you want. I wanna see what you got." We were all like challenged and dared and soon when we got our feet wet it was all about one upping the other guy and keeping each other on their feet. We stayed to the main story but there's a lot of improv. ... Every show is different. But the environment Bentley created is definitely more unique. The writers even were giving us stuff to do which would be surprises for the other actors. It made for very real moments. ...

07R: Any current or upcoming projects that you are able to share?

Two indie films, comedies, coming out later this year "Come Simi" and "Like You Mean It" both replete with make-out scenes. The first I am a German porn star, the second I am a gay jock. Type cast again damn it!

[I am] also appearing in two web-series, "Dementia's Doorway" and "Ghost Shrink" in featured roles. You will be able to see the last two on the world wide web. The movies most likely will screen at festivals and then on demand. I will [also] be seen as the toga guy in a Dannon yogurt commercial starring Neil Patrick Harris coming out later this year. I'm also in Nicki Minaj's perfume commercial "Minajesty" which gets around. And lastly if you ever watch the TLC channel I just did this goofy new show called "Outrage 911". Other than that just waiting for Season 2 of My Crazy [Roommate]!

07R: Any closing thoughts, comments, or reflections?

Wabash means to me this idyllic fictional world that I ever really reach again when I stay at a monastery for a week of silence reflection and reading; but which I am blessed to carry with me in the way I can see the world as a result of an amazing and patient chance I had to study stuff. Especially the Spanish - from that study abroad stuff - really has served me in getting a job in restaurants, who would have thought?!

THE LATEST

TONY CALDWELL >

Lots of great things this past year. Highlights include: attempting to grow my first mustache for a NFL Playoffs weekend in Las Vegas with Kyle Long, Luke Odom, Ben Thrall, and George Mavrelis; Mackinaw Island & Bells Brewery in Michigan with Zac Benedict & Kaizad Daruwala; climbing our first 14,000 ft peak in Colorado with Blaine Cooper-Surma; and plenty of exploring Denver's finest drinking and eating establishments with Mark and Eric Shreve.

I transferred law schools to the University of Arizona, focusing in intellectual property. Let me know if you are ever down in Tucson.

I also got engaged last September to Whitney Denning. We are getting married in Denver on August 2nd. Whitney is a first-year employment law associate in Denver. Kaizad and Zac will be groomsmen, Andrew McKone will be playing violin during the ceremony, and we look forward to a full contingent of Phi Psis at the wedding.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.



NIC BITTING ^

On October 6, 2013 I got married to my longtime sweetie Jessica Armantrout. The wedding was held in the bride's home state of Michigan. There were a lot of Wabash connections at our wedding, Nate Mullendore '07 was one of my groomsmen, Dan Gillespie '06 played music for the ceremony and led a square dance at the reception along with his string-band Can I Get An Amen, and our officiant was Laura Conners (current Wabash gallery director and wife to Doug Calisch). It was an incredible celebration.

Jess and I are living in Seattle currently, where I do custom woodworking and she manages a Community Supported Agriculture program for an urban farm here in the city. We're contemplating a move to Grand Rapids, MI in the near future, if anyone has reflections on the city or connections to share please pass them along, in the meantime stop by for a visit next time you're in Seattle. bittingn@gmail.com 317.345.0834

JAKE LUNDORF v

Once again I hope this update finds y'all in good health and high spirits. I am writing from my new home in Raleigh, North Carolina. This year has brought about a number of changes, including graduating from nursing school and becoming a certified RN, moving to Raleigh with my lovely lady Laura and our pup Zuzia, getting hired at Duke Raleigh Hospital on the neuroscience unit, and purchasing our first house. I have been at Duke Raleigh since November and have settled into the work culture there quite well. I take care of folks mostly who have undergone neurosurgery (spinal, cranial), as well as strokes and the many neurological disorders. With this patient population, my psych degree from Wabash comes in handy for sure. I truly enjoy working as a nurse and look forward to seeing which paths my career will take me down. Laura and I also purchased our first home, in the city, but with a big backyard. Already put in a decent garden and beautifying the front yard. Now is the time of saving hard and paying off this house so we can buy some property in the country in a few years and start a permaculture homestead. We have been camping both on the coast and in the mountains and look forward to the summer, exploring much more of NC. Apparently this was the worst winter in NC in 30 years, but still the best of our life! We have two extra rooms in the house and our schedules are very flexible, so I urge anyone looking for respite or adventure to give me a call or send me a message, as all are welcome in our home :-). Thankfully my sister had a baby last year too, taking the heat from my parents off us. We are starting to have serious conversations about having kids, so my update in 2 years or so may have news of new life. But for now, still absorbing the wonders of life and this new place, enjoying the moment, brewing beer, making music, running, gardening, and trying to take everything a little less seriously. Love to you all and look forward to everyone's updates!

Attached is a pic from my bachelor party, organized by Meara, of camping and canoeing at Turkey Run. Guys in the photo are Andrew McKone, Jay Leatherman, Gabe "Cheese" Smith, Ben Froedgeman.



COLE MCGUFFEY

Still working on a Ph.D in Rhetoric and Public Culture at Indiana University. I recently passed comprehensive exams and I am currently working on my dissertation prospectus.

DANIEL PETRIE

Well.... In the past year I've seen the birth of my son, been made partner in my firm, and bought a charming little house near campus in Crawfordsville.

I'm trying to get myself as involved as possible in town to try and make this a charming town for everyone to come back to every homecoming and Bell game. All in all, I'm kicking ass and working on taking some names.

KEVIN PAZOUR >

It is hard to believe, but 2014 marks my sixth year as Executive Director of the Porter County Museum. Last year the museum received the distinction of being awarded the Indiana History Outstanding Project of the Year Award for the Central Stories Project exhibit. I am currently working with my Board of Trustees to organize the first capital campaign in the museum's 98-year history. The end result will be a beautiful 10,000 square foot expansion that will bring the PoCo Muse into the 21st Century.

Everything else outside of work is great. I bought my first home last October and enjoy walking to work every day (even throughout the brutal winter). I just returned from a ten-day visit with my brother Korey Pazour '10 who now resides in Las Vegas, Nevada. Other than that, I am looking forward to catching up with former classmates and other Wallies this year at the Big Bash.

Note: Picture is from the award reception at the Indiana Historical Society back in December.



ADRIAN STARNES >

It's been a nice little decade!

I got married to my beautiful wife, Megan; I helped build some houses; we had our first child this year - a little girl named Charlotte; and I'm currently in grad school at IU, studying Arts Administration and trying to keep it real. WAF.



CHARLIE HOOGLAND

Not much new to report; I recently got my first two publications and am working on revision and re-submission for my third (and first first-authored). I will be teaching my first full class (Intro Psych) at Eastern Kentucky University in the fall.



< BEN CUNNINGHAM

I am currently working as a school psychologist in Fort Wayne Community Schools. My main focus is on completing comprehensive psychological and educational evaluations on children with learning disabilities, autism spectrum disorder, and/or emotional/behavior difficulties. This past fall, I was awarded the Exemplary Early Practitioner Award in the field of school psychology - from the Indiana Association of School Psychologists. I also work as a consultant for Indiana Diagnostic and Evaluation Center - where I complete psychological evaluations for adults who are looking for Vocational Rehab Services or Disability.

A couple years ago, my wife Jenni and I purchased a beautiful home in the historic district of downtown Fort Wayne. Hope this letter finds everyone doing well. WAF!

CHRIS GREISL >

Alexander Paul Greisl was born on April 7, 2014 (Wabash picture attached).





< DREW WEINTRAUT

I think I can sum-up My 20s as simply an amazing ride. From graduating Wabash, to getting my first real job, to leaving my first job for my current job which has provided me the opportunity to see things like where F-22s are built, step onto an oil rig, visit the HQ of the largest MMORPG video game in the world (Blizzard Entertainment), be blown away by how much engineering goes into a Fritos Scoop corn chip, while also traveling to places like Europe, China, Alaska, and all across the United States. Then personally getting married to the love of my life, buying a home, restoring my 1925 home, and having my beautiful baby girl Audrey. I can't believe all this took place in my 20s! What a whirlwind!!! If my 30s are anything like my 20s I guess I'll understand the saying "you can sleep when you die" LOL. Hope all the fellow Wally's are doing great and I hope to see everyone very soon.

2013 Has been a very good year for me. I've received 2 awards and was nominated to participate in an exclusive manager program at Purdue

I received the 2013 Staff Awards of Excellence, Professional Achievement Award, Purdue College of Engineering, in November 2013, "For his high performance leadership and holistic and innovative approach to building and leveraging internal and external relationships to the benefit of all constituents, ultimately motivating others to strive for excellence."

I also received the 2013 Tippy Connect Top 10 under 40 Young Professionals Award, Greater Lafayette Commerce / Tippy Connect, in June 2013. Tippy Connect recognizes the top ten young professionals under the age of 40 for their professional and philanthropic work in the Lafayette community. Nominees are taken from coworkers, peers, friends and family in the community. Nominees are then reviewed and ranked by a panel consisting of community leaders, past winners, and peers and selected based on professional achievement and philanthropic dedication.

I was also selected to participate in the Purdue Council for Manager Development. Only 20 people ever year (from a pool of over 15,000) are selected to participate in CMD. The Council for Manager Development (CMD) is a unique and long-standing professional development program that has served Purdue since 1956. The program requires a commitment of approximately 200 hours over the course of two years and is for administrative and professional employees with the potential to contribute significantly to the success of the University. While on the Council, participants meet with key officers of the University, probe current issues, and prioritize them for further study. In addition, participants discover project management tools, understand data analysis, participate in team building activities, and learn about organizational leadership. They finish the program with a project requiring them to investigate, analyze, and devise recommendations before presenting findings to key University officers and interested members of the Purdue community. Upon Successful completion of the CMD program, participants will earn an Applied Management Principles certificate, also known as a "mini-MBA" from the Krannert School of Management. Additionally you will be given a world-class 360 degree manager assessment and management development plan.

< CHARLES JACKSON

This past year I have spent with my best friend, and on March 5th I proposed to her and she said yes. I have provided a picture. It was at the Pacers game. So I will be tying the knot next year.



Don't see your update here?

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<ZACH FOUGHTY

Big events in my life: got married last July (to Dana, a teacher in Ft Wayne Comm Schools), and then in August I started medical school at IU School of Medicine - Fort Wayne. Attached are pics of both!



Thanks to everyone who has donated to Wabash this year!
Please remember, participation matters - make a donation by 6/30 and
join this group with a gift of \$10, \$50, or \$100 today at wabash.edu/egift.

GIVING UPDATE - 70 from '07 and counting...

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