



Dear Class of 2011,

I hope this letter finds you all doing well. Another year has almost come and gone since we were all last together at Commencement in 2011. There has also been a lot going on at Wabash in that time. Wabash won their 5th straight Monon Bell game back in November, Wabash's 16th President, Dr. Gregory Hess, is onboard, Dr. Scott Feller has been named the new Dean of the College and will take over his responsibilities on July 1, 2014, and the search is underway for a new Dean for Advancement. Needless to say, a lot has been going on! If you are interested in reading up more on current news happening around Wabash, [here is the link](#) to the latest issue of The Bachelor.

Below you can find a lot of great information on recent news from campus including a blog update on all of the great immersion trips that recently happened over spring break, updates on some of our classmates, and some upcoming dates to remember – including Monon Bell Weekend 2014. **Please** email us (jagerman@indiana.edu or stipesc@gmail.com) with updates or recent highlights in your lives that you would like to see in the next newsletter. Hope to see you all soon!

WAF,

Jake German & Cody Stipes

RECENT NEWS FROM CAMPUS

Track and Field

The Track and Field team just won their fourth consecutive NCAC meet. They set a new points record in the process.

Lefever Wins Wrestling Title

Freshman Riley Lefever capped off an undefeated wrestling season with an NCAA Division III national title at 184 pounds. Wabash finished ninth in team scoring. This is the first top-ten finish for the Little Giants in their 19 years of qualifying for the national tournament. [Read More](#)

Immersion Trips

Check out the blogs from the latest round of immersion trips that took place in Washington DC, Civil War Battlefields, Israel, and Paris. [Read More](#)

Wes Hauser '15 Earns Research Award

Junior Wes Hauser, performing research at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Facility in Maryland, has earned a research award. [Read More](#)

Wabash Ranked Among Best Schools

Wabash has been ranked among the 100 best colleges and universities. [Read More](#)



Senior Spencer Burk - On Campus Leader

Spencer Burk is a multi-talented young man and he uses all of them to engage our young men. [Read More](#)

Three Wabash Men on IBJ's 40 Under 40

Wabash just might have the corner on entrepreneurship in the liberal arts. [Read More](#)

Princeton Review Names Wabash "Best Value"

Wabash College has again been named one of the nation's "Best Value" Colleges according to The Princeton Review. [Read More](#)

Wabash To Host 4th Annual Summit.

The staff of the Schroeder Center for Career Development is planning the 4th Annual Summit. [Read More](#)

CLASSMATE UPDATES

James-Michael Brazil – “Joined the United States Air Force in October 2012. Spent nearly a year in San Antonio, TX. Currently stationed at Travis AFB, CA, near San Francisco.”

Joel Bustamante – “I’m totally going for a doctorate in "Journalism," which more or less means I’m researching cartoons. ...I didn’t think I’d have to write more than that, but here we are.”

Adam Current – “After graduation, I took a year off to apply to graduate programs. However, while substitute teaching, I got this crazy notion that I wanted to teach. So, in 2012, I returned to Wabash for my teaching certificate. This year (2013-2014) I am the sophomore English teacher at Rensselaer Central High School. Other than that, I try to maintain a book per week reading pace, while struggling to survive through various cookbooks that I have given. The mere fact that I can type is evidence that I can live by my own cooking! Hope life is treating everyone well!”

Andrew Forrester – “I am continuing my work for the City of Madison, IN. I am really proud of a few initiatives that we have started in our community, including a text alert system, information kiosks in downtown, and an information packet for new residents. I am working on my MBA from Indiana Wesleyan University online in my spare time, and have about a year down and a year to go. For six months, I’ve been dating Kendra Morin, a 2013 Hanover College grad, who attends University of Indianapolis now for her degree in Occupational Therapy. This last week, I remembered when we held a cookout at Sparks to protest Bon Appetit’s proposal to cut back their meat servings. Good times. Hope all is well!”



Micah Lembke – “I am currently living and working in Prague, Czech Republic. I currently work with a ministry called Alongside Ministries International (www.alongside.org). I work with a local Czech language church and I coach football with the Prague Lions American Football Club. I coach offensive line for the high school age team and, after three years of playing for the adult team, I will be coaching offensive line there, as well. In addition to ministry, I am helping to start up an organization called Interception Foundation (www.interceptionfoundation.com) to help us resource teams here with leadership training, football camps, and equipment needs.”

Tommy Mambourg – Tommy and Lee Mambourg welcomed their first child, Ella Grace, on March 7th. Congratulations to the happy family!!!

Ian Starnes – Ian has switched companies and now works for Bird Dog Bay Neckwear. Check out Bird Dog Bay’s collection here: <http://birddogbay.com/>

Cody Stipes – “I recently was accepted into the Indianapolis Principal Fellowship and the Columbia Summer Principals Academy at Columbia University in New York. Starting this summer, I will be pursuing a master’s degree in School Leadership from Columbia and will be transitioning into school leadership in an inner-city public school in Indianapolis this fall. I am extremely excited for the opportunity to fulfill my dream of becoming a school administrator and I look forward to furthering my education at Columbia University.”

Dominique Thomas – “Life after The Great Bash has been a pretty awesome adventure. For one, I am now engaged to Aeva Pool of Indianapolis, Indiana and we are to be wed May 17th, 2014. In addition to my engagement I have completed my first deployment as platoon commander in the United States Marine Corps. Throughout the deployment I traveled to Hokkaido, Japan to conduct bilateral training exercises with members of the Japanese Ground Self-Defense Force, took part in a fire support exercise in Crow Valley, Phillipines and spent much to becoming deeply familiar with the island of Okinawa, Japan.

I must say that post Wabash life has been pretty good. Following the wedding I will begin the workup for my next deployment to the Medditeranean as a part of the Marine Expeditionary Unit. Best wishes to my fellow classmates and your continued success. Semper Fi!”

Will Weber – “Working at Eli Lilly as a financial analyst.”

Seth Young – “Has been named to the Perry County, Indiana United Way Board of Directors, which governs the work in both Perry and Crawford Counties. Seth is employed as a buyer for Southwire Company, LLC, a manufacturer of electrical wire and cable. Seth was active in community philanthropic projects during his years at Wabash, including Summer in Ecuador, Habitat for Humanity, Hear Indiana’s Youth Leadership Camp, and Alpha Phi Omega.”



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CLASS OF 2011 NEWSLETTER



KEY DATES

COMMENCEMENT: May 18, 2014

BIG BASH: June 6-8, 2014

HOMECOMING: September 27, 2014

WABASH DAY: October 11-12, 2014

121ST MONONBELL GAME: November 15, 2014

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To inform the Schroeder Center for Career Development staff on an opportunity for a Wabash student or alumnus, [click here](#).

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