

Wabash College **Class of 2013 Update**

June/July 2014

Dear Class of 2013,

Summer is in full swing and great things are happening at Wabash College. It might seem like a lifetime ago, but just last year we graduated and started our journeys in the “real world”. I hope everything is going well for the rest of you, and I am sure that you’ll have some great stories to tell at our first reunion in four years.

I learned firsthand just how strong the Wabash connection is earlier this week. Rashaan contacted me via Facebook and brought me up to speed about his experiences living and working in China. It really meant a lot to me that one of my classmates would contact me out of the blue just to say “hello”. Remember to reach out to each other and stay in touch with your fellow Wabash men. Hopefully this letter helps make that possible.



Some fellow members of the Class of 2013 visited me during a trip home in April

News

Wabash had its 176th Commencement this May. Ryan Adam Cloyd and John Andrew Walsh spoke at the event. Hopefully this photo (below) doesn't make you feel too old.



Wabash started the summer off on the right foot with an extremely successful Big Bash. The annual event attracted 382 alumni, making it one of the largest Big Bashes ever. Alumni flooded the campus, sharing stories from their years as students and catching up with former classmates.



The Class of 1964 is awarded the 1909 Trophy Cup for welcoming back the highest percentage of its class

The college began construction on new independent housing. The new housing units will contain 136 beds, consisting of two 38-bed halls, two 16-bed lodges, and two duplex-style townhomes with 12 beds each. The new housing will make an exciting edition to Wabash's campus.

Wabash named its Lilly Scholars for the class of 2018; Jacob Alaniz, Brownsville, TX, Joe Reilly, Noblesville, IN, and Samuel Surgalski, Traverse City, MI, have been named winners of the annual full-ride scholarship. On behalf of the class of 2013, I'd like to welcome these young men to the Wabash brotherhood and wish them the best for their next four years. Follow the link below to read the profiles of the winners.

http://wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=10296

Thank you to everyone who participated in the *Day of Giving* on April 30th. Alumni, friends of the college, staff, faculty, and students donated \$465,421. The overwhelming success of the endeavor will help finance the educations of future generations of Wabash men. This is definitely something to be proud of Little Giants.

Wabash students continue to find global opportunities for study through immersion trips. During the preceding semester, Wabash classes traveled to Washington DC, Israel, France, German, and some exciting Civil War battlefields. These lucky and hard working students had great things to say about their experiences. Checkout the link to their blogs below to learn more

<http://blog.wabash.edu/immersionlearning201314/>



Wabash students in Jerusalem

Wrestling

Little Giant Wrestling enjoyed an impressive number of team and individual accomplishments this year. Riley Lefever was named freshman of the Year by d3wrestle.com and capped off his first year on the Little Giant Wrestling team with a National Title in the 184 pound weight class. His undefeated season is one for the history books. Some Little Giant!



Undefeated Little Giant Riley Lefever

Track and Field

The Wabash College Track and Field juggernaut spent another year steamrolling the competition. The track and field team won its fourth consecutive NCAC meet, setting a new points record.

Baseball

Senior JT Miller picked up a slew of honors this baseball season, including being named to D3baseball.com's All-Region squad and one from the American Baseball Coaching Association. Much of the team's success came from the efforts of its younger members, placing Wabash baseball on the path to a strong season next year.

Tennis

Senior Wade Miller earned a spot on the 2014 All-North Coast Athletic Conference Men's Second Team. Congratulations to Wade and the entire Little Giant Tennis team.

Golf

The golf team finished sixth at the NCAC Championship held at the Crawfordsville Country Club this year. Logan Burdick, finishing third in the tournament, earned First Team All-NCAC honors.

Basketball

Wabash College has a new basketball coach. Kyle Brumett comes to Wabash from Defiance College where he served as men's basketball and assistant athletic director. On behalf of the Class of 2013, let's welcome the new addition to the Wabash coaching staff.

Swimming and Diving

The Little Giant Swimming and Diving team set 10 records this season. On the academic side, Wabash senior Adam Barnes received a Fulbright Scholarship as an English Teaching Assistant in Spain, demonstrating the importance of success in the classroom and in the pool.

Lacrosse

Wabash's most recent addition to its impressive lineup of varsity sports had an important year. Preparation is underway to transform the Little Giant Lacrosse team from a club sport into a varsity program, starting next season. This year the team improved dramatically as it prepares for the future. Make sure to come and support the team next season.

Classmate Updates

Spc. Jeromy T. Sisk, stationed at U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach in Germany, was named ***Best Warrior Soldier of the Year*** at the 2014 Best Warrior competition in Baumholder, Germany. Jeromy later represented IMCOM Europe at the IMCOM-level competition in San Antonio, TX in May. Congratulations to Jeromy and thank you to Jeromy and all the Wabash men in uniform.



Spc. Jeromy Sisk (right) receiving an Army Commendation Medal for winning IMCOM Europe Best Warrior Soldier of the Year.

Michael Carper won the grand prize of the Power BI Demo Contest held by the Microsoft Executive. His awesome prizes included an Xbox One and Surface Pro. [Click](#)

[here](#) to read the news release from Apparatus, which includes a link to hear Michael talk about and demonstrate his project, “Live Tweeting and Buzzer Beating: A Power BI demo about Twitter and NBA Games.”

John Strieff will marry Cathy Curtis on July 12, 2014. The Class of 2013 wishes them a long and happy life together. Congratulations

Donate to Wabash College

Please donate to the college and help give the gift of a Wabash education. Thank you for your generous efforts this fiscal year and helping make the *Day of Giving* a success. Remember to encourage your Wabash brothers to give back to their alma mater. Click on the link below to make a donation now

<https://www.wabash.edu/giving/give>

Alumni Group

Becoming part of your local Wabash Alumni organization is a great way to stay connected. Make sure to join a Wabash Alumni organization:

<http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/eservices>

Reminder: Login to the Wabash Alumni e-Services page and update your current email address, and ask other members of the Class of 2013 to do so as well.

<http://wabash.edu/alumni/>

Student Referrals

Interested in helping Wabash recruit the next generation of Wabash men? Referring perspective high schools students is a great way to help.

<https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/student/refer>

Interested in putting an announcement, such as an engagement, marriage, or event, in the next letter? Please forward requests to J.J. or me soon.

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