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Class of 2000

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Dear Classmates,

About a week ago, I emailed everyone in our class asking for personal news. The response was so good that I'm able to create an entire class agent letter compiled solely of news. It was about this time last year that I did this as well, and everyone seemed to like it. I'm starting to feel a Class of 2000 tradition forming...

Without further ado, here are the responses I received, completely unedited so that you can read how our classmates are doing directly from them.

Yours in Wabash,

Pat

P.S. If you didn't receive an email from me, it's because it wasn't listed on Wabash's alumni website. If you'd like to be added, just send me a blank email at patrick.east@hanapinmarketing.com with the subject line "Add Me!".

Dave Fish, dafish@iupui.edu

I do have some news to share. I was married to Kimberly Heidorn of Evansville, In on 4/8/04 in St. Lucia, West Indies. Graduated from IU School of Medicine on 5/9/04 and was promoted to Captain in the US Army Medical Corps. I start my Anesthesia residency at Eisenhower Army Medical Center in Augusta, GA and will finish at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington DC. My wife and I are expecting the birth of our daughter, Allison in early August.

A lot of news I know but life happens fast sometimes.

Adam Packer, Adamfpacker@aol.com

always have news... I feel a little like I am jinxing my wedding by writing about it before it actually happens, but oh well.

Adam Packer and Caryn Glawe (Butler '01) were married on May 22, 2004 in Newburgh, Indiana. Adam's groomsmen included J.P. Claybourn '02, Albert Kovacs '99, and Andy Rankin '98, and several other Wallies were in attendance at the ceremony and reception. Adam and Caryn now live at 1930 N. Talbott Street #2, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Chad Cleaver, cleaverc@yahoo.com

I recently graduated from the University of North Carolina with an MBA in Corporate Finance.

Dave Wallick, dave040101@yahoo.com

I am not sure what I sent to you about my life changes last year if anything at all but I guess here are the recent changes. I moved to Fort Collins, Colorado from Lincoln, Nebraska last July. I am very close to graduating with my Master's in Urban Planning from the University of Colorado at Denver and I have started a Ph.D. program in Forest Fire Ecology at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, although my expected graduation date for that is a long while off, perhaps 2009 or so. Other than that I have no news, no plans to marry anytime soon, no new kids, and no new job that is worth mentioning.

Jon Haug, HAUG_JON@LILLY.COM

Here's some news and updates on those that I know about.

Myself - will be leaving Lilly this summer and moving to Chicago with my wife, Amy, to pursue a JD/MBA program at Northwestern. We will be living downtown (Ontario and Michigan) so for all you guys in Chicago - drop me a message and we'll grab a beer. Future email - jon_r_haug@yahoo.com

Mark Fryman - married to longtime girlfriend Heather Davidson on April 19th in Indianapolis. Groomsmen included Mario Massillimany, Matt Garten, Mike Biberstine, and Jon Haug.

Mario Massillimany recently passed the Indiana Bar and is practicing as a public prosecutor in Hamilton County.

Josh Thompson, jthompson@nm.k12.in.us

I got married last August to Lee Ann (Williams). We recently moved to a new home in rural Montgomery County. I am still teaching mathematics at North Montgomery High School (I have been here since graduation). I will also be the new defensive coordinator here at North Montgomery this coming fall.

Mike Shelbourne, mshelbourne@hotmail.com

I graduated from IU Law School in May and took a job with a defense contractor, Booz Allen Hamilton, located in the Washington DC area. I am currently assigned to work with a major defense agency and the Department of Homeland Security. I have found my work to be interesting and rewarding, but exhausting at times. Also I am looking for any other Wabash grads who live in the DC/Baltimore area.

Corey Barnard, Corey.Barnard@upbna.com

Just wanted to give you an update. I'm still working for Union Planters Bank as a commercial lender and I just finished my first semester of MBA school at Purdue University.

Jeremy Overton, jeremy.w.overton@aexp.com

I am a financial advisor with American Express Financial Advisors in Poseyville, Indiana.

I will be marrying Tara Hipp on November 6, 2004.

I am president of the Haubstadt Chamber of Commerce, a group of men who take on a variety of projects, including a bierstube, a 5k race, and a town parade to generate revenue for community projects. Last year we built a building for the little league to store their equipment, a playground at the community park building, and gave scholarships to three local high school seniors.

Charlie Roy, charlie_a_roy@yahoo.com

I was recently named the Peoria Notre Dame High School Teacher of the Year.

It's called:

The Russell F. Peters Outstanding Teacher of the year Award. It is voted on by the other teachers in the building.

Other than that I am still coaching baseball and teaching religion at Peoria Notre Dame High School in Peoria, IL. I am married to my wife Aimee and we have twin two year old sons named Jacob and Gabriel. I am also a semester away from completing a Masters in Education Administration from Bradley University.

Matt Busse, bussem44@yahoo.com

I'm in my third year of graduate school for Biology at the University of California at San Diego. It took a little while to adjust to having girls in my classes, but after I dated a couple of them, I got used to it. The weather here is nice and the surf is good, that's about all the news I have.

Adam Boushie, boushieadam@hotmail.com

My wife Michaela gave birth to our son on March 17th (St. Patrick's Day). His name is Aiden Tyler Boushie. He weighed 8lbs 0oz and was 21 inches long.

Also, I currently work for Iron Mountain Records Management. We are the largest information management company in the world. I was a sales rep for 1 year and have been the Manager of Sales Development for the past 1 1/2 years. I am responsible for training and developing all new sales reps in the midwest and western Canada.

Andy Reitz, areitz@indiana.edu

Thanks for your email. Sorry I haven't responded sooner. So far, everything remains the same in my life. I graduated from IU School of Law--Bloomington in May 2003. I started working as an associate attorney at Faruki Ireland & Cox, a commercial litigation law firm, in Dayton, Ohio. That's about it.

Chris Huffer, hufferc@hotmail.com

I think this has already been reported somewhere, but I married Sara Decker (Depauw '01) on 9-6-2003. Wabash graduates in attendance were Ryan Tipps, Jason Switt, Charlie Roy, Jeremiah Crouch, Mike Dickerson, Greg Thomas, Allen Clingler '02, Adam Christensen '03, Nick Roersma '03, Jeffrey Smith ('74?).

This has not been reported: I have graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine and will begin Residency in Internal Medicine at Indiana University Medical Center this summer. Sara and I have a new address: 2620 Sunningdale Court, Indianapolis IN 46234.

Drew Watters, wattersa@hotmail.com

I am starting my three-year residency in Emergency Medicine this July at the University of Arizona in Tucson. Medical school went well, not as bad as they say. I'll be living there with my wife, Melissa, and our dog. My contact information is: phone 520-820-2495, e-mail wattersa@hotmail.com, and address 4281 N Rillito Cr Pl, Tucson, AZ 85719. If anyone is looking to escape the winters, come on out!!

David Sharp, davemsharp@hotmail.com

The news from the homefront would include the birth of our new son, Addison Montgomery Sharp. On the 13th of January 2004, my wife, Amy, gave birth to an 8 lb. 8 oz. and 20 inch baby boy! We named him Addison after Amy's great-grandfather and Montgomery after her deceased uncle. He was born on the birthday of my deceased father, which made the event even more special and spiritual. Life is good and the family is great! Thanks!

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Michael Kessinger, canegrande@hotmail.com

I'm still working at a small law firm in Lewiston, Idaho. We just had our first son, Thor Michael Kessinger, on April 10, 2004. Thor is healthy and keeping us busy. I spend most of my time trying to get sleep!

Ryan Vaughn, RVAUGHN@Indygov.org

Anyway, its 11:10 and all is well with Vaughn. The wife and I are putting the finishing touches on a seemingly ever lasting home remodel. Work is going well. I'm no longer in the municipal division putting away the hookers and crack addicts. Now I'm after the true criminals, the white collar folks who steal from the poor (please don't let me run across any of your names).

Ryan Mills, millsr@amber.biology.gatech.edu

As for me, I got my M.S. in Biology last year and am now working on completing my Ph.D. in Bioinformatics. I've gotten a few publications out and am hoping to write my dissertation around christmas. After that, I'm aiming for post-doctoral work either at the CDC or some other local research group. I'm also doing some web consulting on the side with Consumer Building [www.consumerbuliding.com], I do a lot of their web updates and scripting for various clients, including Emory's Goizueta Business School. I'm really not supposed to be doing this while as a graduate student, however it pays really well and so I can pad my very small stipend a little bit.

We are still living in Atlanta, GA; we have a condo downtown which is nice since my wife works out of the house and it's 5 minutes from Tech. Other than that, not much has really changed.

Jeff Rice, JRice@crowechizek.com

I am still with Crowe Chizek and Company LLC in the Government Finance area. Received a promotion last fall and I am working on another one. Our financial work helps build the jails, courthouses and municipal buildings where Vaughn used to work with the hookers but now works with the white collar criminals. I am still dating Courtney and I make several trips to South Bend where she works. Oh and I recently bought a boat. Other than that it is pretty much the same ole same ole.

Brad Prather, bprather@iupui.edu

As I think I've already said, Jackie and I have been engaged for about 5 months, I am a Doctor along with Dirty Dan [Reithmiller]. Jackie and I will be moving to Louisville where I will be doing my residency in Orthopaedics starting July 1. And this email message is coming to you as I am drinking a beer in London.

Cheers, (Only saying this while in London)
Prather

Ben Anthony, ben0713@hotmail.com

Since graduating from Emory last May ('03) I've done a bit of soul-searching--something of a wilderness period so to speak--some freelance writing, and now, I am the youth director at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in downtown Atlanta. My desire to work in and for the Church has not always sat easily with me; as it is, I've feel like I'm finally comfortable enough with this vocation that I can handle the stormy doubts that seem to come and go. I will be ordained to the priesthood within a year or two and though I can't imagine myself in a collar, I can imagine finding satisfaction as a minister. And though it's taken the balance of four years to say this, I love Atlanta (but not grits) and the life I find myself living.

Justin Burdick, jburdick@iupui.edu

Justin Burdick here. Let me see what I have. First, I am just starting my fourth year of med school here in Indianapolis at IU. Second, Ben Krakowka's e-mail address is bkrakowka@co.yellowstone.mt.us and Isaiah Kalinowski's is IsaiahKalinowski@go.com.

Jon Allen, joncalle@iupui.edu

Like a boatload of my classmates, I graduated from the IU School of Medicine

this year. My wife, Meredith, and I, along with our two four-legged "children", are a couple of weeks away from moving to Augusta, Georgia, to start my residency in emergency medicine. We'll be there for at least three years. Our new address will be:

4387 Quail Creek Road
Martinez, GA 30907

That's really all that's new with us. If anyone plans on going to the Masters next year, look us up while you're in town.

Louie Cogswell, louiecogswell@excite.com

Pat, I have been married to Alyssa for a year and a half now and on April 12th she gave birth to my new son Louis Anthony Cogswell. I was not there however because I am deployed in Iraq and have been going on a year this October. I am serving in the Army with the 1st AD. I was TIME person of the year in case you didn't hear and I will be getting promoted in two or three months to Sergeant hopefully. When not in Iraq, we live in Wiesbaden Germany which is just outside of Frankfurt. Hopefully I will be leaving home by September!

Jason Harvey, jason_daniel_harvey@yahoo.com

Jason Harvey and Anne-Michele Williams were recently engaged. The wedding is Nov. 13 in Savannah, Ga., where the two now live. Jason has resigned from his job as a newspaper reporter to start PolitiCorp LLC, a corporate and political communications company. (912) 692-8942 or jdharvey@politicorpllc.com

Pat East, patrick.east@hanapinmarketing.com

As for me, I'm still in Bloomington. In September, Jamie and I bought a house right off 37 on the south side. It's surprisingly quiet for being right next to the highway. We've got about a third of an acre of woods for our back yard. My big summer project: build a pond in the woods, which, of course, is easier said than done.

In February, I left 1stBooks to start my own company, Hanapin Marketing, which launches and manages search engine campaigns for other companies. In short, I make sure that companies are ranked at the top of search engines and that their potential customers can easily find them. More visibility = more traffic = more sales. The business is doing fairly well so far. I have 10 clients who keep me extremely busy. I still work from my home but expect to get an office within the next six months. As much as I like having the flexibility that comes with working from home, I'm there 24/7 and need a break. If anyone needs help getting more traffic to their website, you know who to contact...