PRIZES AND AWARDS

The American Institute of Chemists Foundation sponsors an annual award which goes to a senior chemistry major in recognition of the student’s academic ability, leadership, and professional promise.

The Angus-Scientech Award made by the DJ Angus-Scientech Education Foundation in recognition of excellence in science, mathematics, or social sciences goes to a student who has shown exceptional improvement in academic performance over the last year.

Baldwin Prize in Oratory. The late D. P. Baldwin, L.L.D., gave the College a sum, the interest from which is awarded annually to the three students who “compose and pronounce the best orations.”

James E. Bingham Award, established by members of the law firm of Bingham Summers Welsh & Spilman, in memory of James E. Bingham, Class of 1911, given each year to one or more distinguished seniors who will enroll in an A.B.A.-accredited law school for the next academic year. The cash award is presented at the Peck Award Banquet each spring with a member of Mr. Bingham’s law firm participating in the selection process.

W. N. Brigance Speakers Bureau Award, established by May and James Ching, Class of 1951, in honor of W. N. Brigance, long-time chairman of the Speech Department and founder of the Speakers Bureau. It provides a cash award for the student who has done the most for the Speakers Bureau during his college career.

Edgar C. Britton Award, a cash award given annually to a senior chemistry major selected by the Chemistry Department faculty for his promise in graduate study. The award was established in memory of Edgar C. Britton who attended Wabash as a member of the Class of 1915.

John Maurice Butler Prize for Scholarship and Character, a cash prize established by Mrs. Alpheus Henry Snow in 1923 in memory of her brother, John Maurice Butler, Class of 1887. It is awarded to “the senior having the best standing in scholarship and character.”

Ernest G. Carscallen Prize in Biology, given in memory of Ernest G. Carscallen ’34, son of Professor and Mrs. George C. Carscallen. The income from the fund is awarded to an outstanding major in the senior class.
George E. Carscallen Prize in Mathematics, given in memory of Professor Carscallen (W1906), who taught mathematics at Wabash from 1924-1956. Income from the fund provides an annual prize to a senior mathematics major selected for his outstanding achievement.

F. Michael Cassel Fund provides awards to political science majors of great promise. Scholarship awards are made to seniors for graduate study in political science. Project awards are made to juniors to promote independent research.

Louis Catuogno Prize in Piano, made possible by a gift from Mrs. Edward McLean in memory of her brother who was chairman of the Department of Piano at Texas Technological University at Lubbock, Texas, awarded to that student who, in the estimation of the chair of the Music Department at Wabash College, demonstrates ability and appreciation of piano as a medium of musical expression.

John F. Charles World History Prize, awarded annually to the senior history major who is considered most outstanding in a field or fields of history other than American. It is presented by the History Department of the College in memory of their friend and colleague, John F. Charles H’52.

Thomas A. Cole Alumni Prize in Biology. In 1998, following the death of Thomas A. Cole, Class of ’58 and long-time Norman E. Treves Professor of Biology at the College, the Eliot Churchill Williams alumnus prize was renamed the Thomas A. Cole Alumni Prize in Biology. This prize is in memory of Professor Cole and his encouragement of research by Wabash graduates. The income from this prize will be awarded to a graduate who is involved in further study in the area(s) of biology, environmental science, or medicine.

Community Service Award for Outstanding Work. This award will be given annually to the student or students who, in the judgment of the committee, have embodied the spirit of selfless community service to Wabash College, Crawfordsville and Montgomery County. Its purpose is to highlight and reward humanitarian actions, on a night when Wabash honors its finest. The students will receive a plaque with their name and the year won, plus $100 will be sent to the charity of their choosing. A large plaque will be maintained in the Dean of the College’s Office.

J. Harry Cotton Prize in Philosophy, given to that student judged by the Philosophy Department to have done the best work in philosophy during the year.
Joseph Johnston Daniels Awards in Philosophy of Law and Constitutional Law, established in 1974 by Katherine D. Kane in memory of her father, Joseph Johnston Daniels, Class of 1911. The Daniels Award for the best paper in philosophy of law is given to the student whose paper most effectively provides understanding and evaluation of the philosophical bases on which the Anglo-American legal order was constructed. In constitutional law, the Daniels Award is given to the student whose paper most effectively evaluates the effect of the United States Constitution by a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Fred N. Daugherty Award, established by the Directors of H-C Industries, made, at least once every four years, to a student from Montgomery County who has shown significant intellectual and social growth and achievement as a result of the Wabash experience.

The Randolph H. Deer Prize for Outstanding and Continued Work in Art is made possible by a gift from Randolph H. Deer, an Indiana native and life long supporter of the arts. The prize is set up to reward and encourage art majors for exceptional work during their freshman and sophomore years. The recipients are selected by the Art Department faculty based on their achievements in the art department. The prize will be awarded in two installments: half before the junior year, and renewable before the senior year.

Robert S. Edwards Creative Writing Award, a memorial to Robert S. Edwards, Class of 1943, in recognition of his deep faith in the power of language—especially the written word. This cash gift is given annually to that member of the junior or senior class who demonstrates the greatest skill and originality in creative writing in a course offered by the English Department.

Ruth Margaret Farber Award in English, made each year from a fund established by John Farber, Class of 1915, of New York in honor of his mother, whose keen intellect, sound judgment, and generous hospitality made her home in Mills Place a beloved second home for students and faculty. The award goes to that member of the junior class who has shown the most promise as a student of English or American literature.

Walter L. Fertig Prize in English, given annually to a member of the senior class who, in the judgment of the English Department, has accomplished distinguished work in his study of English and American literature. It takes the form of a cash award derived from a memorial fund established in 1977 by Mrs. Catharine Fertig, Paul Fertig (Class of 1941), and their families with monies contributed by the friends of Walter L. Fertig (Class of 1938), long-time Milligan Professor of English Literature and chairman of the English Department.
**Walter L. Fertig Prizes in Freshman Writing**, given annually to three members of the freshman class for distinguished pieces of expository or creative writing nominated by the members of the faculty and judged by the English Department. First prize is a partial scholarship applicable the sophomore year, supplemented by a cash award. Second and third prizes are cash awards. They are derived from a memorial fund established in 1977 by Mrs. Catharine Fertig, Paul Fertig (Class of 1941), and their families with monies contributed by the friends of Walter L. Fertig (Class of 1938), long-time Milligan Professor of English Literature and chairman of the English Department.

**Harold Q Fuller Prize in Physics**, presented annually to the junior physics major who is judged by the Physics Department to be most worthy. The award was established in 1979 by Harold Q Fuller, Class of 1928.

**Glee Club Senior Award**, awarded annually to those seniors who have made the most valuable contributions of effort and talent to the Glee Club while at Wabash. Selection is made by the active membership of the Glee Club.

**Theodore G. Gronert Scholarship**, given annually to a senior who has demonstrated excellence in the study of United States history and government. It is presented by Byron Cox Post No. 72, the American Legion, in memory of Theodore G. Gronert H’59, a long-time professor of history at Wabash College and a former commander of the post.

**Nicholas McCarty Harrison Essay Award**, made each year from a fund established in 1944 by Mrs. Nancy E. Harrison in memory of her husband, Nicholas McCarty Harrison, Class of 1895. Income from the fund is to be used for awards to students who submit the best essays in the field of American studies.

**Robert S. Harvey Journalism Award**, presented annually, on the vote of the Board of Publications, to the chair of the Board of Publications and the editors of the member publications. This award recognizes the fact that the editors, above all others, had to make a sacrifice to make the publications successful. Mr. Harvey ’28 taught English 1941-79, Librarian 1941-42, Acting Dean 1942-44, and Registrar 1946-72. He supervised the college News Bureau, ran the Board of Publications, wrote citations for alumni awards of merit, and became the college archivist.
Lloyd B. and Ione Howell Scholarship Endowment for Chemistry Majors, established in 1948 by former students of Dr. L. B. Howell (W1909) and his wife. The Scholarship is awarded to an upperclass chemistry major.

Dr. Paul T. Hurt Award, made by his family in memory of the late Paul T. Hurt, M.D., Class of 1909. The award is in the form of a cash gift to be given in April of each year to a deserving freshman student in recognition of all-around achievement in his first year at Wabash College. Selection of the winner of this award is made by the Dean of Students from among nominations submitted by all living units.

Paul J. Husting Award for Outstanding Work in Art, a cash award given annually to the art major who, in the judgment of the Art Department, has accomplished distinguished work in art. The award was established in 1983 in memory of Paul Husting, Class of 1937, by his daughters Betsy Husting and Suzanne Husting Hutto and friends of Paul Husting.

Indianapolis Alumni Student-Athlete Award, given annually to a Wabash senior who has made a significant contribution to athletics at Wabash and who has achieved a respectable grade point average.

Irwin-Garrard Prize, established by the Honorable William I. Garrard, Class of 1954, to honor his grandparents, William A. and Grace S. Irwin, and his mother, Doris I. Garrard. The Irwin-Garrard Prize will provide a cash award to a Wabash College student who has accepted admission to the Indiana University-Bloomington School of Law. The Dean of the College will select the prizewinner each year.

Robert Augustus King Prize in German, consisting of the income from an endowment given by Mrs. R. A. King, awarded each year to a student of the graduating class who has an exceptionally fine record in German and who will continue his education after graduation from Wabash College. This prize is established to honor the memory of Professor King, who as teacher and registrar served the College from 1881-1919.

The Kenneth W. Kloth Design and Technical Theater Award, presented annually to a Wabash student for outstanding achievement in the area of scenic, lighting, costume, prop, and sound design and/or technical theater. This award in memory of Kenneth W. Kloth (1952-1995), Wabash College Scene Designer from 1979-1984, has been endowed by members of the Theater Department staff and Ken Kloth’s family, friends, and former students.
**Jack Kudlaty Endowment Fund**, established to honor and extend Professor Jack Kudlaty’s life-long commitment to teaching and scholarship in Spanish language and literature. The specific uses of the Kudlaty Endowment Fund shall be: to honor the outstanding senior Spanish major at Wabash College with a prize to be known as the Kudlaty Prize for the Outstanding Senior Spanish Major; to fund the acquisition of books of literature and poetry (or other teaching materials), originally written in Spanish, for the permanent collection of the Lilly Library at Wabash College; and to fund a portion of the salary and expenses of interns from the Institute for International Studies (or similar outside agencies) who come to Wabash College to assist in the teaching of Spanish language courses. Dr. Kudlaty was the Class of 1959.

**Jim Leas Outstanding Student-in-Journalism Award**, endowed by the Crawfordsville Journal-Review, is a cash award given to that student who, in the judgment of the Wabash College Board of Publications, best exemplifies those standards of journalistic excellence which Jim Leas demonstrated in his 20 years of sports writing. The name of the recipient will be inscribed on a plaque to be permanently placed in the College gymnasium.

**Erminie C. Leonardis Theater History Award**, presented annually to a student who, in the estimation of the Theater Department faculty, has done outstanding work in the study of theater history, dramatic literature or criticism. The award has been established in memory of Erminie C. Leonardis (1915-1994) by her cousins, Lucille Gentile and Lucille Fraumeni, and her life-long friend, James Fisher, Wabash College Professor of Theater.

**George A. Lipsky Memorial Award**, designed to recognize that student who most closely represents the characteristics of excellence that were possessed by George A. Lipsky, chair of the Political Science Department from 1967-1971. The award will be predicated on the student’s breadth of learning, not merely in the field of political science, but in the disciplines within the liberal arts curriculum as well; the student’s commitment to humane and civilized values; and the student’s ability to analyze and evaluate contemporary social issues.

**George D. Lovell Award**, presented annually to a junior or senior who has exhibited significant academic achievement in social studies. This award is provided by income from a fund established in 1986 by family, friends, colleagues, and former students of Dr. Lovell, long-time chairman of Division III, chairman of the Psychology Department, and Beesley Distinguished Professor. The recipient is chosen by the Chair of Division III and the Dean of Students, with preference, when appropriate, a minority student with financial need.
Mackintosh Scholarship Award. In making its selections the committee considers the nominees’ academic performance and potential for graduate or professional study.

**George Lewes Mackintosh Memorial Fund**, established by the late James Putnam Goodrich in memory of the sixth president of the College, provides scholarships to six graduating seniors each year, without regard to need, who will be going on to graduate or professional schools. The recipients of the scholarships are designated as Mackintosh Fellows. Selection is made by a committee of the College upon departmental recommendations.

**Malcolm X Institute Merit Award**, given annually to those seniors who, in the judgment of the Director, have made significant contributions to the Malcolm X Institute during their tenure at Wabash College.

**McLain Prize in Classics**, endowed in 1965 by a gift from an anonymous friend of the College and of the Classics, provides an annual cash award to the member of the senior class whose achievement in Greek and Latin or in the Classics has been the most distinguished. The prize honors the memory of Henry Zwingli McLain, a professor of Greek and Secretary of the Faculty, 1874-1907.

**Caleb Mills Teacher-in-Training Excellence Award**, honoring the memory of the founder of the public school system, Caleb Mills, awarded annually to a member of the graduating class whose achievement and contribution to teacher education and student teaching have been the most distinguished. The recipient is usually committed to public school teaching.

**John N. Mills Prize in Religion**, in honor of her husband, John N. Mills, Class of 1878, Mrs. Mabel M. Mills established a fund, the income from which is to be awarded to the three students of the junior class who rank highest in an examination of the English Bible. The awards are given to those who have done excellent work in religion courses, including courses on the Bible, in the Department of Religion.

**John N. Mills Fellowship**, an award to be used for graduate study, made to a senior who has done excellent work in the Department of Religion.

**R. Robert Mitchum Glee Club Leadership Award**, an annual award to a member of the Glee Club who, in the judgment of the Director, demonstrates leadership qualities in the efforts of the Glee Club. The award is derived from the R. Robert Mitchum Glee Club Endowment established
by former Glee Club members to remember his great contributions to the Wabash Glee Club. Robert Mitchum H’59 served as Director of the Glee Club for twenty-two years starting in 1947.

**Joseph O’Rourke, Jr. Prize in Speech** recognizes the best senior project as determined by the faculty of the Speech Department. The senior project program was initiated by Professor O’Rourke H’65 in the 1970s, and the prize, funded by members of the O’Rourke family and friends, honors this program and other contributions by Professor O’Rourke to teaching and learning during his 37 years of service to Wabash College.

**Patterson-Goldberger Freshman Journalism Award**, established by Professor of English Thomas P. Campbell and his family, is presented to the member of the freshman class who, in the opinion of the Board of Publications, has contributed most significantly to journalism in his first year at Wabash College. The prize honors Thomas McDonald Patterson, 1865, who owned Denver’s *Rocky Mountain News*, and Alexander Goldberger, 1925, who as chairman of the Board of Publications while a student at Wabash established the College as a member of Pi Delta Epsilon national journalism society.

**David W. Peck Medal**, awarded each year by the President of the College to a Wabash senior and to a practicing attorney to recognize “promise or eminence in the law.” The Peck Medal is made possible by a gift of John P. Collett in recognition of Mr. Peck’s distinguished career as lawyer and judge. Mr. Peck was Class of 1922.

**The Robert O. Petty Prize in Writing**, established by Dr. W. Franklin Harris (Class of 1964) in memory of Dr. Petty, Professor of Biology at Wabash from 1959-1990, is given annually to encourage and recognize student writing that draws on the fertile boundary of the sciences and the humanities. An ecologist, as well as a poet and nature writer, Professor Petty held that “only at the margins of knowledge can we discover some essential, critical perspective of the field we labor in, and come to a better definition of what lies at the center...” His quest for a truer perception of our place in nature and nature’s place in us was what mattered most.

**Phi Beta Kappa Prize**, established to encourage original work of high creative and scholarly merit, as distinct from proficiency in normal course work. It is a cash prize given annually by the Wabash chapter of Phi Beta Kappa to that undergraduate who is judged to have produced the most original and meritorious piece of work, whether artistic or analytical. Nominations of student contributions are made by the members of the entire teaching faculty, and the entries are judged by a special committee of the Chapter.
The J. Crawford Polley Prize in Mathematics is offered annually by the mathematics department for meritorious work by a student in mathematical writing and problem solving. The prize honors J. Crawford Polley H’33, who was professor of mathematics at Wabash from 1929-1966. Work considered for the prize includes short articles and interesting problems with elegant solutions. Entries are judged on their mathematical content and expository style.

Distinguished Senior in Psychology Award, given to the senior Psychology major who best represents the department’s ideal for outstanding research, scholarship, and service.

Richard O. Ristine Law Award, presented each year at the Peck Awards Banquet to one or more individuals in recognition of their contributions to Wabash and the practice of the Law. The Award is named in honor of a man whose service to both Wabash and the Law are inspiring. Ristine graduated from Wabash, summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa, in 1941. He attended the Columbia University Law School and received his degree in 1943. The recipients of the Richard O. Ristine Law Award shall be honored for a love for the Law and a love for Wabash that Richard O. Ristine has spent a lifetime upholding.

Benjamin A. Rogge Memorial Award, an award to that academically outstanding member of the senior class who best articulates the free-market philosophy and ideals of Ben Rogge H’53. The winner is selected by the Economics Department and the Rogge Memorial Committee.

Lewis Salter Memorial Award, established by the Class of 1990, the award is given to that member of the junior class who best exemplifies the characteristics of scholarship, character, leadership, and service Dr. Lewis Salter H’57 embodied as a Wabash faculty member and as Wabash’s twelfth president.

Stephen Schmutte Prize, awarded for the outstanding student paper in economics. The prize shall be awarded each year to the student paper which, in the judgment of the department, best reflects the qualities of cogent analysis and clarity of exposition which were the hallmarks of Stephen Schmutte ’66, a dedicated and very effective teacher in the department since 1968.

Senior Award of Merit is awarded annually by the Student Senate in conjunction with the National Association of Wabash Men to the senior who, throughout his years at Wabash College, has demonstrated outstanding achievement in scholarship, service, and extracurricular activities. The award is particularly meaningful in that the entire nominating process and final selection of
the recipient are performed solely by Wabash students. The honor is truly a reflection of the beliefs of the recipient’s peers.

**N. Ryan Shaw II Award**, a Wabash captain’s chair, presented annually to the senior chosen by the Political Science Department as the Department’s outstanding major. The award is given by Virginia J. Shaw in memory of her husband, Class of 1953.

**Warren Wright Shearer Prize in Economics**, presented annually to that student who, by vote of the faculty of the Economics Department, has the best command of economic theory. This prize is established to recognize the contributions made by Warren Wright Shearer ’36 in his long years of service to Wabash College. As an economist and a teacher of economics, he demanded of himself and his students a thorough mastery of the analytical tools of the economist.

**Frank H. Sparks Award**, given annually to a senior “who has done much during the past year to promote the true spirit and purpose of Wabash College.” Selection is made by the Dean of Students and the Dean of the College. Such factors as general attitude, participation in extracurricular activities and athletics, scholarship, and all-around personal achievement are considered.

**Dean Stephens Award**, a memorial to Dean Stephens, a member of the Wabash College coaching staff who was killed in an airplane accident in October 1958, given annually to that member of the junior class who best reflects the broad intellectual and personal interests, the high moral courage, and the humane concerns of Dean Stephens himself.

**Stephens-Hall Senior Scholarship**, established in memory of Waldo Stephens H’72 and Scott Keith and Andrew David Hall, presented each spring to a deserving senior of demonstrated worth who plans to continue his education.

**The Ryan Champion Theater Performance Award**. This award is given annually by the Wabash College Theater Department to a student demonstrating excellence in the areas of acting and directing. The award honors the memory of Ryan Champion, a member of the Class of 2007, who died in an automobile accident in 2004. Ryan’s participation in theater production work in the musical *1776*, produced in October 2004, set a standard of quality and commitment recipients of this award will be expected to achieve. The endowment for The Ryan Champion Theater
Performance award was established through a gift from Mr. Gregg Theobald, Class of 1992, and Ryan’s friends, family, and classmates.

**Norman E. Treves Science Award**, an annual award to a member of the senior class concentrating in Division I, selected by the faculty of that division, who has shown the greatest progress academically and as an individual during his junior year. It was established by Dr. Norman E. Treves, Class of 1915.

**Underwood Award**, presented annually to the junior student majoring in chemistry who, in the opinion of the department, is most deserving. The cash award was established by Mr. J. E. Underwood, Jr., and is in memory of his mother and of his father, Class of 1911.

**Pete Vaughan Award**, presented annually by the National Association of Wabash Men to the outstanding athlete of the year. This award recognizes the thirty years of distinguished service that Robert E. (Pete) Vaughan H’54 gave to Wabash College as a coach and athletic director.

**Wall Street Journal Award**, given annually to the senior economics major who has exhibited the best analytical ability in his major field. The recipient is selected by vote of the Economics Department faculty. The award consists of a one-year subscription to the *Wall Street Journal* plus an appropriate engraved paperweight.

**William Nelson White Scholarship Award**, established in 1998 by Luke White ’34 and W.N. White Farms Inc. to honor the memory of Luke’s father, William Nelson White, a lawyer in Covington, Ind. The recipient of the scholarship shall be a senior selected by the College on the basis of scholarship, personal integrity, and an understanding of the professional requirements of the practice of law.

**Eliot Churchill Williams Fund** is an endowed fund established by family and friends in memory of Professor Williams H’53 who served the College and the Biology Department from 1948-1983. The endowment supports the Eliot Churchill Williams Undergraduate Prize, awarded to an undergraduate student who is majoring in biology.

**Honorary Societies**

**Alpha Psi Omega**, a national honorary fraternity for students who work in college theater. The Wabash College chapter, the Scarlet Masque, was established in 1955.
**Delta Phi Alpha**, a national honorary society for outstanding students of German. Eligibility depends upon the completion of four semesters of German with a grade of B+ or better and evidence of continued interest in the German language and culture. The Gamma Alpha chapter at Wabash was founded in 1947.

**Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha** is a national intercollegiate forensic organization. Its purpose is to recognize excellence in public speaking and to promote interest in forensics.

**Eta Sigma Phi**, a national classical honorary fraternity which recognizes outstanding students of Latin and Greek and promotes interest in classical study. The Wabash College chapter was established in 1954.

**Phi Beta Kappa**, the oldest American fraternity was founded at the College of William and Mary in 1776. The Wabash chapter was established in 1898. See page 38.

**Phi Lambda Upsilon**, a national chemistry honorary fraternity. The DePauw-Wabash chapter was installed in 1985.

**Phi Sigma Iota**, an honorary society for students interested in classical and modern languages. The Wabash chapter was founded in 1979. Students are initiated into the society based upon excellence and evidence of continued interest in classical or modern language.

**Psi Chi**, a national honorary society whose purpose is to stimulate and encourage scholarship in psychology. Academic excellence in psychology and in other subjects is required for election to membership.

**Sigma Xi Club**. The DePauw-Wabash Sigma Xi Club was established in 1944 under the auspices of The Society of Sigma Xi, a national graduate honorary scientific society. Its regular membership is composed of Wabash College and DePauw University faculty members who are members of the national society. The club may elect to local membership college graduates of the community whose training has been in the field of science, and elect to local student membership a limited number of senior science students of outstanding scholarship.