



December 15, 2019

Classmates,

We have much to be thankful for this holiday season. In addition to family and friends, we have a strong *alma mater* and a great group of classmates who are among the most active and generous with the college.

Highlights from the fall include: the announcement of a new football stadium that will be ready in time for the 2020 season, the opening of the 2019-2020 wrestling season with the Little Giants ranked #2 in the nation, and a couple of classmates hitting the circuit for public office. But before we go on, is it time for you to...

Need to Update Your Contact Information?

New home? New Job? Let us know! Keeping up with e-mail changes is important too as we want to make sure the dreaded "e-mail is no longer valid" doesn't keep you from receiving class updates. With four letters a year and a reunion every five, you know our spam is minimal.

Send a note to wabash07@gmail.com to update any contact information.

Highlights

We hope you enjoy these highlights from a busy fall on campus and beyond. Remember you can send us an update anytime!

Happy Holidays!

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Wabash has announced plans to construct a new football stadium that will open when the Little Giants host Rose-Hulman on September 5, 2020. The \$13 million new stadium, made possible by the generosity of an anonymous group of donors, will include seating for 3,550 fans in the main grandstand, suites, and the W Club Lounge. The new facility will also include game operations and media booths, relocated scoreboard, a new playing surface, all-weather track, and expanded restroom and upgraded concession areas. 2020 should prove to be a good year for a visit to campus!



November 7, 2019, was the last practice (shown above) held at Hollett Little Giant Stadium. The stadium, in its current incarnation, has been the home of the Wabash College football team since its dedication on October 8, 1966. The old stadium has served many generations of Wabash men well and fans and alumni alike look forward to enjoying a brand new facility starting with the 2020 season. Wabash Always Fights!



Wabash Wrestling opened its 2019-2020 campaign on November 9 as the second ranked team in the nation according to the preseason National Wrestling Coaches association poll. Wabash sent six wrestlers to the 2019 NCAA Division III National Tournament with three earning All-America awards. Thirty-four upperclassmen make up the veteran portion of the Wabash roster for the 2019-20 season. Leading the way for the Little Giants is 2019 174-pound national champion Darden Schurg. A two-time All-American and the 2019 DIII Wrestler of the Year, he enters the year as the top-ranked wrestler in the weight class and one of seven Little Giants earning spots in the NWCA preseason individual rankings.



Beyond sports, Wabash men are traveling the world and pursuing a number of interesting endeavors. Ian Finley '19, pictured above, traveled to Kenya with one of Professor Rick Warner's classes and then to Spain and Iceland later in his college career. His story is one of several student profiles featured on the college's YouTube channel (link here: <https://youtu.be/cCc-Tj5Pk6E>). Wabash is currently in the middle of the largest comprehensive campaign in its history; and providing "Giant Experiences" for Wabash students is one of the campaign's key priorities. Learn more about the campaign at www.wabash.edu/giantsteps

Class News



Image courtesy of Petrie for Judge

Classmates:

I'm still here practicing law in Crawfordsville. My oldest son started kindergarten this year and my 3 year old is crazy jealous. Since we live about 4 blocks from campus, we are on campus quite a bit for all sorts of activities and kids sports camps. Crawfordsville is still a blossoming little town and I suggest you all come back to see the positive moves on and around campus. Personally, this next year is gearing up to be a crazy one as I begin a campaign to be a superior court judge in 2021 (info can be found at www.petrieforjudge.com).

-Daniel Petrie '07



Image courtesy of Josh Owens for Governor

Josh Owens '07 announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Indiana in September. According to his website, "Josh is an educator, an entrepreneur, a husband, and a life-long Hoosier. As CEO of Indianapolis-based SupplyKick, one of the nation's fastest growing online retailers, Josh has put Hoosiers first with a minimum \$50,000 salary for all team members at the company, while helping small businesses navigate and thrive in the online retail space. SupplyKick has been recognized nationally for its success by Inc. Magazine, the Indianapolis Business Journal, and TechPoint Indiana." Learn more at www.jshowens.com



News and Notes

Annual Giving is off to a great start for the class this fiscal year. Thanks to these 18 classmates who have already made a gift:

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Adam Kirsch
Andrew McKone
Patrick Millikan
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Steven Rhodes
Joe Rutski
Kyle Sell
Greg Strodtman
Adam Van Zee
Geoff Walker

Making a gift online is easy at this link: www.wabash.edu/giving/give .

Happy Holidays!