Welcome to all of the WC parents that are new to the mailing list of the Post!

Enjoyed seeing all of the parents that stopped by the Parents’ Reception held at Homecoming last weekend. Hope to see everyone back for Family Day ’05 which is Saturday, November 5, 2005

- **2005-2006 Academic Calendar**
  - **Fall Semester**
    - October 13-16: Midsemester Break
    - October 17: Classes Resume
    - **November 5**: Family Day
    - November 10-17: Registration for Spring Semester
    - November 12: 112th Monon Bell Classic @ DePauw
    - November 19-27: Thanksgiving Recess
    - November 28: Classes Resume
    - December 12-17: Final Exams
    - December 18-Jan 8: Christmas Recess

- **Future Dates**
  - Homecoming: October 7, 2006
  - Commencement: May 14, 2006
  - Family Day: November 5, 2005
  - September 29, 2007
  - May 13, 2007
  - September 20, 2008
  - May 11, 2008

**Parents’ Corner**

Got a hot tip that may be of interest to other parents? Had a recent experience from which other parents can learn? Have a concern or question that you would like to voice? If so, “Parents’ Corner” is the place to share your news. Send your submissions to parents@wabash.edu.

**-FYI**

In case anyone is interested, this year's ringing in ceremony (President Ford's last one) from Freshman Saturday, is available on DVD. You can find it in the bookstore and they will take care of distributing the DVD's. The price with shipping will be $13.95 plus tax.

A list of books appeared in the August issue of the Parents Post, quite a few dealt with the Empty Nest Syndrome. Below is a response I received from a Wabash Mother.

Who knew there were all those books about dealing with our sons going off to college and the resulting empty nest? Who knew we needed them? Actually, I maintain that the nest isn't empty until they take their stuff. As the parent of a married son (Wabash '01) and another who is a senior at Wabash, I can tell you I'm a long way from a true empty nest!

And what's not to like about an empty nest anyway? What comes to my mind (what's left of it) is this:
- there are no large shoes left on the family room floor to trip over
- the second bathroom is off the EPA Superfund list
- I can set up my sewing in his room since he won't be home until Thanksgiving (shh---don't tell him I've taken over the "shrine")
- I can skip whole aisles in the supermarket since I no longer buy Easy-Mac or chicken fingers
- we can get a full night's sleep without lights left on or worse, finding that he failed to come home or call
- I can read the comic "Zits" in the newspaper and engage in the laughter hindsight brings
My advice to parents facing that empty nest? Enjoy it!!

This from Dick Ristine on Student Housing option:

One of the better choices our family made regarding our son's Wabash education was to purchase the house he's lived in for the last two years. It is located at 210 Jennison Street, with the backyard adjoining the Fine Arts Building parking lot. We purchased it from the Claxton brothers, both of whom lived in it and graduated from Wabash. While this approach to student housing may not be the best alternative for all students and their parents, it has worked well for our son. Because we want to sell the house as soon as our son completes his Wabash education, I would appreciate the opportunity to describe the experience to other Wabash parents and let them know that it will soon be available. If you would like to hear more from Dick you can reach him at dristine@hotmail.com.

Campus News and Events

What's Happening on Campus? Visit the College Calendar: http://www.wabash.edu/calendar/ and/or http://www.wabash.edu/calendar/announcements.cfm

Save-The-Date! Family Day 2005 will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2005. You will be receiving an invitation in your mail box the first week of October.

The inaugural Wabash Day (national day of community service) will be held on the weekend of October 29-30. Wabash Day: Wabash Alumni Benefiting And Serving Humanity; is a specified day (actually a weekend – you choose which day) for Wabash regional associations and other alumni family, and friends to organize and perform acts of community service under the auspices of the NAWM. Please mark these dates on your calendar and watch for more information regarding this ambitious aspiration. Read more about “Wabash Day” at www.wabash.edu/news/2588

Current Student News

Simkus '08 Spent Part of Summer in Lithuania

Wabash College sophomore Gary Simkus had a summer of experiences which would take most people three or four years to complete. He returned to his family’s native roots, played international basketball, and had experience with a professional soccer franchise. Read the complete story by Howard W. Hewitt at www.wabash.edu/news/2727

Faculty, Staff, and Student Profiles

Be sure to visit the Wabash College homepage www.wabash.edu and take a look at the profiles of our faculty, staff and students, you might see someone that you know.

Fall sports schedules
http://www.wabash.edu/sports/football/schedule
http://www.wabash.edu/sports/soccer/schedule
http://www.wabash.edu/sports/cross_country/sched
http://www.wabash.edu/sports/swimming/schedule

112th Monon Bell Classic - November 12, 2005

The Monon Bell Game will be on DirecTV (Channel 321) again this year at several locations across the country. To see if there is one in your area go to: www.wabash.edu/alumni/mononbell/
Campus Building Profile

Caleb Mills House

South of Hovey Cottage is the **CALEB MILLS HOUSE**. Mills was the first professor at Wabash and is in large measure responsible for the status of Wabash as an independent college. He also is considered the father of the public school system in Indiana. In 1836, Mills built this house, where he lived for 43 years. The house was privately owned until 1926, when it was deeded to the College and briefly became the President's home and later the home of several directors of development. After renovations in 1993, it now serves as the guest house and entertainment site for many campus visitors.

College Archives

With football season in full swing it seems like a good time to share the story of the naming of our sports teams. Wabash was especially known in the early 1900’s for playing tough, competitive athletics, particularly in football. The schedule included the best and the biggest in the state, and in the nation. The Wabash teams were always on the small side and in previous years they were referred to in the press as “the big little team” or “the good little men.” The first Wabash men to carry the name Little Giants were the members of the football team of 1904 with a record of 4-4. It was not their impressive win-loss record that earned the team this name; it was the way they stood up to teams from schools with much larger enrollments.

The coach of the 1904 team, Francis M. Cayou, is a Wabash legend. Some Little Giants, an athletic history, says of Cayou, “His four-year football record was 20-12-1...His teams beat the likes of Purdue 2-0 and 11-0, St. Louis 12-11, Notre Dame 5-0 and tied Illinois 0-0.” Byron Trippet spoke of this team in a chapel speech, “It was Cayou’s first football team in 1904 which won the name ‘Little Giants.’ I am told by one who should know that Cayou himself coined the term when he was praising the team for out-fighting their heavier opponents.” This comment was overheard by a reporter from an Indianapolis newspaper who used it in an editorial. The name was quickly adopted and from that time to this Wabash teams have been known as the Little Giants.

-Beth Swift
Archivist

![1904 Original “Little Giants” Football Team](From Ramsay Archives at Wabash College)

**1904 Original “Little Giants” Football Team**

New changes have brought fresh ideas and innovative energy to the Career Center, including three new staff members. In addition, the e-recruiting system, Wally Power, has been renamed to WabashWorks! This new name reflects opportunities for students to make employment connections as well as explore exciting internships and wonderful job opportunities. Next month, WabashWorks! will feature an Alumni Mentor component that will allow students to directly contact alumni to ask questions about their careers, companies, graduate school options and much more.

**Ben Hewitt** graduated from Wabash College in May of 2005. Currently, Ben is the Career Services Intern and Assistant Swim Coach. He will be consulting with students who wish to gain a quality internship experience. Over the summer, he participated in the Margaret and Franklin Steele Internship Program at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, New York.

**Jill Rogers** is the new Pre-Health Advisor at Wabash College. Her role is to help your sons as they navigate their way toward medical, dental, osteopathic, optometry, veterinary, or other health-related graduate schools. She works closely with the chair of the faculty pre-health committee, as well as the professionals at the career center, to manage information about course requirements, standardized testing, interviewing skills, internship possibilities, application processes, and vocation.

Jill will spend a great deal of time getting to know your sons, so a bit about her. She is a genetic counselor and most recently practiced at the IUPUI Medical Center. Before moving to Indiana, she worked at The Children’s Mercy Hospital in Kansas City and was an Instructor in Medicine at The University of Missouri Medical School for six years. She completed her graduate training at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver, which is where she grew up. She is delighted to be working with your sons this year and invites you and your sons to contact her with questions, concerns, or simply to introduce yourselves at (765) 361-6171 or Rogersji@wabash.edu.

**Stephanie Hopkins**, the center’s new assistant director, recently completed her graduate work at Purdue University receiving her Masters in College Student Personnel. She has worked closely with students through Freshman Orientation programs to Residence Life to Academic Learning Communities and brings an energetic student-focused approach to career services. She looks forward to assisting your sons in pursuing their educational and professional endeavors. She is excited to assist men in career exploration, graduate school exploration and visits, student career trips, and building our new Alumni Mentor program in WabashWorks!

Do you know of a possible internship or employment opportunity? Send us the pertinent information and we will post it on WabashWorks! for all of Wabash’s young men and alumni to view. Email us at crawfors@wabash.edu or hopkinss@wabash.edu today!

**Admissions**

If you think of a young man with whom we should establish contact, please contact your area admissions counselor. If you’re not certain who that is, you can check our staff listing at http://www.wabash.edu/admissions/visit/counselor

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**Wabash College Annual Fund**

Gifts to the Wabash College Annual Fund directly support the College’s mission to “educate men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely.” Wabash applies Annual Fund gifts to a variety of areas with the greatest need:

- Student scholarships and financial aid
- Teaching and learning opportunities
- Academic programming including immersion learning trips
We hope you will consider making a gift to the Annual Fund during the 2005-2006 fiscal year which runs through June 30, 2006.

Gifts can be made in three easy ways:
1. MAIL—Wabash College, Annual Fund, P.O. Box 352, Crawfordsville, IN 47933
2. PHONE—877-743-4545
3. ONLINE— https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift

Help “Spread the Fame...”
Parents and current students with vehicles registered in the State of Indiana are also eligible to participate in the Indiana Wabash College license plate program with a gift to the Annual Fund. Visit http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/plates for more information.

Please contact me (Michele Tatar) at tatarm@wabash.edu or 765-361-6369 with questions or comments.

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