December 2003

Class of ’92,

It’s time for that end-of-year class letter again….so take a moment, put aside your Thanksgiving-leftover turkey sandwiches and turkey soup, and relax with a few holiday season reminders of Dear Old Wabash:

The Bell Stays Home
The Monon Bell returned home to Crawfordsville for the third straight year as the Little Giants beat DePauw 37-20 in Greencastle. This was the 110th meeting between the two schools, and after these years, the Little Giants now have a one-game lead, 51-50-9, in the series. Talk about parity! This year’s team finished 7-3, with another promising season ahead in 2004. Some Little Giants!

Check out schedules for the winter sports season at http://www.wabash.edu/sports.

Admissions and Recruiting Are Up
The December 15 application deadline is less than a month away. Remember that you may waive the $30.00 application fee for a prospective student by simply signing the application. You may even do this over the phone. If your recruit is applying on-line simply have him type your name and class year on the waiver section. Waiving the fee is often enough incentive for a young man to apply. Currently we have 604 applications. We are ahead of last year's pace, but December is a very competitive month in college admissions. Let’s keep working together to encourage young men to consider Wabash.

If you’re already involved in recruiting, please encourage your recruits to visit campus. The College will schedule individually tailored visits, or students may visit on a winter visit day this January 19, 2004. A campus visit is the only true indication of a student's interest, so it’s important to get them on campus. Simply have your recruits call the College at 800-345-5385 to set up a visit.

Please refer any young man you know to the College at either www.wabash.edu/alumni, P.O. Box 352, Crawfordsville IN 47933, or by calling at 800-345-5385.

Wabash Promotes Career Exposure and Networking
The Schroeder Career Center hosted its third annual Career & Internship Fair on Tuesday, November 18, in the Knowling Field House. This year’s fair attracted 33 organizations ranging from the FBI and NSA to Eli Lilly and the Boy’s & Girls Club. Organizations were particularly impressed with the preparedness and professionalism (particularly in attire) of the over 80 students who participated. Comments from students such as “everyone was
“approachable” and “a nice collection of employers” indicate that students were also impressed by the employers. The fair’s goals are to increase student exposure to organizations, encourage networking, and connect students seeking post-graduate employment and internships with employers seeking employees. Additionally, underclassmen use the fair as an opportunity to learn about specific career fields and the preparation needed for them. This is the first year the fair was held during the first semester, and the College is currently in the process of determining an appropriate date for next year’s fair.

To add your organization to our mailing list for next year’s fair please contact Ms. Toni McKinney at mckinnet@wabash.edu or call her at (765) 361-6414.

**Support Wabash Students**
Consider supporting Wabash students with a gift to the GWF. For the year of 2003-2004, the Greater Wabash Foundation has the following goals regarding alumni participation:

- Raise $3 million
- Have 4,258 donors participate in giving to Wabash

Right now (through November 25, 2003, to be exact), the numbers stand as follows:

- $539,979 raised
- About 700 donors participating

The Class of ’92 is participating at the following level:

- $1,758 contributed
- 8 donors participating

Obviously, there is much ground to cover by the end of June 2004, but we are started. The holiday season will likely see a significant increase in donation activity. Let’s be sure that the Class of ’92 is well represented in that activity! Remember, it is easy to make a gift online, just go to www.wabash.edu and click on “Make a Gift.”

If you make your gift before December 31, you can take advantage of tax deductions. For Indiana residents, keep in mind that you get a state tax credit for 50% of your gift up to $200 if filing jointly. (For those of us outside the Hoosier state, well, please check your resident state tax regulations.)

**Living Units Continue to Remodel, Renovate, and Rebuild**
Here’s the latest update on two more fraternity renovation projects:

*Delta Tau Delta*
Having prepared a Program Document and selected architects Lamson and Condon, on November 5 the Delts and the architects presented their first set of schematic designs to the Facility Subcommittee of the Ad Hoc Committee on Fraternity Partnerships. They are to complete their fund-raising plan by December 1, 2003. Chris Baker ’74, Don Caplinger ’57, Jim Dimos ’83 and Steve Hoffman ’85 are coordinating the facility and fundraising committees.
**Tau Kappa Epsilon**
The Tekes met in January 2003 with the Campus Services staff to determine whether they could regain full use of their chapter house or should consider building a new house. In October 2003 after the Trustees had their fall meeting, the Tekes were advised they should consider building a new house with a smaller capacity. The Tekes have prepared a Program Document which the College has approved. On October 28 the Tekes interviewed three architectural firms and are in the process of selecting one of the three firms. Brad Johnson ’71, Jon Pactor ’71 and Ken Schild ’66 will lead the Tekes’ effort as they explore building a new chapter house.

**Find Alumni Activities on the Web**
The newly designed alumni web page is now live! Visit www.wabash.edu/alumni today and keep up to date on all upcoming Alumni Activities. Check out the website calendar at http://www.wabash.edu/calendar/monthview.cfm?interest_id=112 or contact the alumni office at 765-361-6369.

**As Time Goes By**
We’re not sure how many of you took note of this fact, but it has been 15 years since most of us in the Class of ’92 started our Wabash journey, even though the fall of 1988 seems much closer in time than that. With the help of Beth Swift, Wabash’s Archivist, we compiled a few statistics comparing our class that entered in the fall of 1988, with the class that entered this fall, the class of 2007:

In 1988, tuition was $4,000 per semester, room and board was $1,573 per semester, and the student activities fee was $100 per semester. 81% percent of those who entered Wabash in the fall of 1988 obtained a Wabash degree.

In 2003, tuition for the school year will be $20,829, estimated room and board for the school year is $6,717, and the student activities fee is $386 for the school year. For the ’03-’04 school year, the estimated comprehensive cost per student is $29,632. Did somebody say scholarship?

**And Finally . . .**
We do have the pleasure of passing along some news regarding members of the class of ’92. Dan Witte had the pleasure of attending Trent Scherer’s wedding this summer, which was also attended by Todd and Terry Green, Chad Durant and Marc Nichols. Trent works for the State Department in Central Asia. The last we heard from Trent, he was just outside the border of Iran and it was 120 degrees. Jamie Callane also got married this summer, and his wedding party included Ray Colglazier, Todd Rokita, Gregg Theobold, Mark Ostapowicz and Phil Sorak from the class of ’92 and Jamie’s brother Jeff, from the class of ’94, was one of two best men. Jamie began his first year as a principal at Maconaquah Middle School this fall and says it is going great.

Enjoy the holidays, and look for more from your humble Wabash class agents in 2004.

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