

Class of 1995

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Classmates:

We hope you are doing well as the Indiana weather starts to get warmer. Here is a look back at 2022 and news for 2023.

Dr. Brian Dillman

We lost one of our own in 2022. Dr. Brian Dillman, 49, of Indianapolis, passed away on May 19, 2022.

Dr. Dillman was born in Indianapolis to Peggy and Scott Dillman on October 3, 1972. He attended Perry Meridian High School, graduating third in his class of 1991. He attended Wabash College where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and graduated summa cum laude in 1995 with a Bachelor of Arts in English and a minor in Biology. He earned his Doctor of Medicine from the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1999 and completed his residency in emergency medicine at Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 2002.

Dr. Dillman practiced as an emergency room physician for Emergency Physicians of Indianapolis at Franciscan Health for twenty years. In 2013 he took a full-time position at Eli Lilly where he worked in Global Patient Safety for nine years while continuing to work part time in the emergency room at Franciscan.

He was well liked within our class and will be missed. Our thoughts are with his family.

Lyle Schmidt

We are sad to report that Honorary Alumnus Lyle Schmidt passed away February 18th, 2023. He was 85 years old. Born in LaPorte IN, he was the son of Norman & Eunice (Glassman) Schmidt. He graduated from Laporte HS and received a Bachelors' Degree from Indiana State. He was awarded the Wabash Honorary Alumnus for the class of '95.

Lyle was involved in many community activities. He helped found the Sugar Creek Ducks Unlimited Chapter, and he joined Judy in starting the "Community Friends" International Student Program at Wabash College in 1985 and it continues to successfully aid many international students at the college. Lyle's seasonal occupations were The Strawberry Festival (signage and advertising), The Covered Bridge Festival (Parking/Security) and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (Yellow Shirt Security).

Lyle's career started in management at Kroger and in 1965 he started at R.R. Donnelley's. He retired in 1996 as a Senior Customer Service Representative. Lyle was Some Little Giant and will be missed.

News From Campus

Sign up for Big Bash!

Big Bash is June 2-4, and while we're not in a reunion year, all alumni and families are invited to attend. You can see the schedule, who's coming, and register at wabash.edu/bigbash.

More Information to Know

- Wabash's 10th Day of Giving is coming in April, and the theme is Always Wabash celebrating what's always been part of our experience as students, alumni, and friends of the College. Last year, we raised \$1,744 per student. This year, a group of leaders is putting up \$510,000 when we reach 5,010 gifts. If the Day goes well, Wabash could reach \$10 million over its 10 Days of Giving.

-Speaking of Giant Steps, we are closing in on the conclusion of the campaign. With less than 90 days to go in the five-year comprehensive campaign, Wabash has raised over \$241 million from more than 11,325 donors.

-He's already earned a Truman Scholarship and been accepted into Yale Law School, so what can top that for senior Cooper Smith '23? How about snagging a Marshall Scholarship, one of the most coveted competitive international fellowships? He's the fifth Wabash student to win one and the first since Thomas Halverson '87 was selected in 1989. Typically, fewer than 50 Americans receive the award annually, selected from nearly 1,200 nominated students.

<https://www.wabash.edu/news/story/13024>

-Be sure to check out Whenever. Wherever. Wabash. Whether it's a fairly tough campus photo quiz, a profile of Jonathan Walsh '98, an After the Bell session on Teaching the '90s as a Freshman Tutorial with Dr. Jim Cherry, or a Wabash On My Mind podcast with Wall Street Journal Correspondent Ben Kesling '02, this is your hub to bring campus to your living room. Just go to wabash.edu/www to explore.

-Admissions is surpassing deposits from this time last year for the Class of 2027.

Mini Marathon Tent

Are you running in the Mini Marathon in Indianapolis on May 6th? Stop by the Wabash College tent in the park after the race! We hope to see you there.

Wabash Always Fights!

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