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**WABASH COLLEGE CLASS OF 2013  
SEPTEMBER 2022**

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Dear Classmates:

Rudy, here. Classes are underway, fall sports are in full swing, and the campus is buzzing. It's a bigger freshman class to start with than last year's, at about 270, a good sign as the pandemic winds down into becoming endemic. And the fall promises to be action-packed on campus and beyond.



My cousin Dr. Renée Altergott will begin teaching in French with the Department of Modern Languages on campus this semester. A graduate of Northwestern and Princeton, she recently and successfully defended her thesis at the latter a few months ago. Besides her Wabash connection through me, her uncle **Jim McQuillan '72** just celebrated his 50th class reunion at the Big Bash. Renée has told me she is excited to teach at Wabash and knows not only how important my alma mater is to me but also the impact it has on young men's lives. Though I admit my bias, Renée is as kind and funny as she is brilliant and will certainly have an impact herself.

I am headed back to campus **Friday night, September 9 through the afternoon of Saturday, September 10 for the annual Class Agents forum**. In July 2021, I agreed to sign on as co-chair of the Class Agents executive committee alongside Chris Carpenter '96 which simultaneously gave me a seat as a Class Agents representative on the board of directors of the National Association of Wabash Men through July 2024. The main focus for the last year for what I call ExComm — as well as a big focus of NAWM — is disseminating and scrubbing the alumni directory to ensure we have the right information. (If you would like to update your contact information, please let me know!) This would enable us to come closer to our goal of 45% alumni giving participation which would officially put us ahead of other undergrad institutions. The forum will coincide with a much-anticipated football game against the **North Central College Cardinals**, a team we know and have fought on the gridiron before. I also plan to be back on campus for **Homecoming on Friday, September 23-Saturday, September 24** which will primarily entail NAWM board meetings.

We are also beginning to prepare for **our decade reunion in early June**. While I and a few others graduated a bit later, what is nice is that we can choose our class affiliation. I, for one, am proud to be a member of the Class of 2013 which has a wide range of talent, men who have gone traditional routes like finance and law and medicine and higher education, not to mention the military and law enforcement, while others have pursued entrepreneurship or the arts or gone their own way. Our Wabash education has undoubtedly played a role in shaping us, in giving us the critical thinking skills of a liberal arts education to be able to tackle complex problems by taking a walk all the way around the problem itself. While we know how busy everyone is at this phase of life, we hope you to see you at the Big Bash and to learn more of what your journey's been like since May 2013.



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## CLASS NOTES

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**Ethan Wilson** was promoted to Sergeant First Class and re-enlisted in the United States Army on August 1, achieving senior noncommissioned office rank in nine years. He and his wife Sarah also celebrated the first birthday of their daughter Charley.

**Jeromy Sisk** began his Army career like Wilson right after graduation, in his case in the Military Police Corps, and has been in the Criminal Investigation Division for a few years now. He is a warrant officer and plans to transition to one of the Army's cyber units. Jeromy and his wife Simone are the parents of Zoey who is now five years old.

**Charles Hintz**, a fellow world citizen of mine, has been a mainstay in the D.C.-Maryland-Virginia regional alumni association of our alumni and has become an international trade specialist. He recently applied and was invited to participate in Foreign Service oral interviews through his current employer, the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Charles considers **Steve Fox '69**, a retired Foreign Service Officer and fellow TKE, one of his mentors. They have been friends for over a decade, no doubt from Charles' undergrad days.



Meanwhile, up in Maple Grove, Minnesota, **Zach Thompson** (bottom right) is back at it teaching at Parnassus Preparatory School. Among his co-workers is Katie Dyer Good, sister of our own **Rob Dyer**. I have been enjoying following Zach on social media specifically for his typewriter collection (Rob's watch collection is equally impressive).

Speaking of which, for Indianapolis Instagrammers (is that even a word?) or those like me simply intrigued by urban history, check out **Dan Sandberg's** [@indyunstuck](#) profile covering Indy throughout the ages. It can also be found on [Facebook](#). The title is almost certainly a reference to one of the city's most famous former residents, Kurt Vonnegut, whose *Slaughterhouse-Five* (1969) features a protagonist unstuck in time. Dan currently works in the logistics industry and lives on the Near Northside with his bride Emily.



### **'WHERE'S WARNER?'**

Our classmate **Dr. Rick Warner** recently held a memorial in his home state of Vermont with his family for his late mother, the inimitable mother **Martha Warner**, a lifelong advocate for a fairer, more just society whose example continues to inspire her descendants and others. One can see where Rick gets it from! He called it a very soulful and positive experience. May this incredible woman's memory be a blessing. We are lucky to have her jolly, avuncular, sagacious son as one of our own. Indeed, as you may have noticed, I always try to showcase him in our class letters, and maybe the section title will stick!

## **WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS**

### **Annual Campaign**

The Day of Giving and the 2021-2022 fiscal year have come and gone. Yet it's never too late or too early to give back! Make sure to continue donating to the Wabash College Annual Fund. Wabash gave us a wonderful education and it's important to pay it forward to future generations of Wabash Men.

[wabash.edu/give](http://wabash.edu/give)

### **Alumni Group**

Becoming part of your local Wabash Alumni organization is a great way to stay connected. Make sure to join a Wabash Alumni organization!

[wabash.edu/alumni/regional\\_groups](http://wabash.edu/alumni/regional_groups)

Need to look up classmates or alumni? Use the online directory at

[wabash.edu/alumni/eservices](http://wabash.edu/alumni/eservices)

### **Student Referrals**

Interested in helping Wabash recruit the next generation of Wabash Men? Referring prospective high school students is a great way to help. Follow the link below to refer a student:

[wabash.edu/refer](http://wabash.edu/refer)

**Interested in announcing an engagement, marriage, or event? Put it in the next letter! Please forward your request to either of us.**

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**In Wabash,  
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