August 14, 2006

Mid August, the “sophomore house clean” installment.

Greetings from the heartland, gentlemen! I hope, as always, that this letter finds you in good health, good spirits, and in close proximity to reasonable gas prices.

Classmate Updates

From Adam Homo: “Nicole and I have been blessed with the birth of our daughter, Madelyn Marie. Madelyn weighs 8 lbs. 9.5 oz., is 21 inches in length, and has feet well over 3 inches in length. Mother and daughter are doing just great, and dad is learning how to cope with a Wabash-like sleep schedule. Oh, those of you who know me will be delighted to know that Madelyn received most of her mother's attributes—thank God for small favors, huh?”

From Andrew Anderson: His contact information is updated on the Wabash Website – he can be reached at okedoky@gmail.com, or at 55846 Short Hair Drive, Osceola, IN 46561.

From Chris Carpenter: I have started my own company - Carpe Multimedia, LLC. My company makes videographic tools to help transition folks into nursing homes, function in care based living with dementia and Alzheimer’s, and bridge biographical gap between patients and their caregivers. I produce similar tools for children (at Riley, for example) who are hospitalized with serious illness or injury. www.carpemultimedia.com.

Homecoming ‘07

For those of you who were unable to attend the Big Bash Reunion this summer, try to make it back for homecoming on October 7th. If anyone has any ideas of a forum to get us all together on game day, please let Jon or I know and we’ll see what we can do.

I know that Tommy’s or Creekside are the obvious choices for post-game, but I’m talking about a tailgate or something similar (family friendly). Think about it and let us know. Mark your calendars and plan to come back and hang out for homecoming and the Bell game.
What can we do to help Chip Timmons?

Many of you know that Chip Timmons is an Associate Director of Admissions at the college. Through the Admissions team’s efforts, Wabash has continued to beat the odds of an increasingly competitive college market. With college tuition continuing to rise, the presumed need for specialized education, and the ever-present pressure on single-sex institutions to cross the line, it would appear that both the quality and quantity our applicant pool would dwindle.

Thanks to the diligent efforts of our Admissions staff and involved alumni, our applicant pool is the strongest that it’s ever been. For those of you who are curious, one of the key reasons that the co-ed debate surfaces is the viability of a single-sex institution in today’s market. Wabash is living proof that an all-male institution is not only viable, but that it still draws from a pool of top performers nationwide and worldwide. Dr. Patrick White will ring in 274 members of the class of 2010 this Saturday, August 19th.

What can you do? If you know of a solid young man who would do well at Wabash, let the Admissions office know. They will be happy to follow up with him. If you get the opportunity to talk to him over a Coke or coffee or something, that would be an excellent opportunity to see what his vision is for his future. From there, you can help the Admissions office personalize their approach to a good candidate. Without a doubt, it makes a critical difference in his decision. For more information, visit http://www.wabash.edu/admissions/.

Little Giants’ Legacy

Many of you are starting families and structuring your financial planning for the long haul. Creating a Will is a part of that process. Wabash has put out an interesting article on financial planning for the future and how to include Wabash in that plan, yet still be responsible to family. Please check it out at http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/newsletter_3_page2.htm.

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.

One of the biggest news pieces has been the start of three new administrators at Wabash College. Dr. Patrick E. White began his tenure as the 15th President of Wabash College, Dr. Gary A. Phillips began as the new academic dean, and Larry Griffith was named CFO and treasurer.

Wabash website search function. The search uses Google technology, which we think you will find it returns much better matches. You can search the Wabash site by typing a word or phrase in the "Search" box at the top of any Wabash web page, or by going to: http://search.wabash.edu/ More information on effective searching is available here: http://search.wabash.edu/basics.html
New Faculty Members for 2006-07

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Wabash College Annual Fund

As we prepare to welcome another group of new students to campus and kick-off a new academic year, we also begin a new Annual Fund year. By making a gift to the Wabash Annual Fund you directly support Wabash’s mission to educate men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely. Annual Fund gifts benefit students through scholarships and financial aid, teaching and learning opportunities, technology, and general needs of the College. Please consider making a gift online at [https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift](https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift) or by phone at 877-743-4545. The 2006-2007 fiscal year runs from July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007.

2006 Indiana Wabash License Plates – Pimp Your Ride

Alumni, parents, and current students with vehicles registered in the State of Indiana are eligible to participate in the Indiana Wabash College license plate program with a gift of $25 or more to the Annual Fund. Visit [www.wabash.edu/alumni/plates](http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/plates) for more information.

What can we do to help Brian Flanigan?

The National Association of Wabash Men (NAWM) is the Alumni Association of Wabash College – Brian Flanigan is one of the directors at large. Membership in the NAWM is mostly automatic, has no dues, and lasts a lifetime. The NAWM includes all alumni of the College, all tenured members of the Wabash faculty and emeritus faculty, all members of the Board of Trustees and emeritus trustees, and any other persons who have rendered service to the College and been accepted for membership by the Board of Directors of the NAWM.
Mission and Goals of the NAWM

The Mission of the National Association of Wabash Men is to support the interests of Wabash College through encouragement and development of relationships which will help the College achieve its mission of "educating men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely."

The Goals of the NAWM shall be:

a. To advance the interest in the College through the support and participation by members of the Association;
b. To cultivate and maintain support and participation through the organization of graduating classes and alumni in geographical areas; and
c. To encourage and guide support of the College, to:
   1. "Spread the fame of her honored name . . ."
   2. Assist in bringing young men of high promise to the College as students;
   3. Promote vigorously the program of annual giving to the College;
   4. Ensure the flow of Wabash information to Wabash men;
   5. Critically support the standards of the College’s operation;
   6. Render service to the Board of Trustees, Administration, or Faculty as needed; and
   7. Assist students in the planning and establishment of careers.

The NAWM holds one general membership meeting annually at the College, usually at the Saturday Chapel during Homecoming Weekend. Consider getting involved with one of your regional associations.

Save-These-Dates

Homecoming '06 - October 7, 2006
Family Day '06 - October 28, 2006
Monon Bell ’06 – November 11, 2006 (at Wabash)
Commencement '07 - May 13, 2007
Big Bash Weekend '07 - June 1-3, 2007

*The 113th Monon Bell Game scheduled for November 11, 2006 in Crawfordsville will air nationally on HDNet. If you cannot return for the game, plan now to attend a telecast party in your area. A list of locations and hosts are now on the college’s web site at: http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/home.cfm?pages_id=178

Well, that’s about it for now – a fair amount of information for a summer letter. It just goes to show you that there’s always something going on with Wabash worth talking about. I’ll pass on more stats and stories when they come my way. As always, thanks for your ongoing commitment to giving Wabash a good name and a good future.

Carpe