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# WABASH CLASS OF 2005

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January 2017 | Winter Newsletter

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## CALENDAR

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Happy 2017, everyone! Below are dates you're going to want to write down.

### January

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#### **01/21 @ 8 AM - 9 PM: TEDx**

**Wabash College** (Fine Arts Center: M114, Salter Hall)  
TEDx Wabash College is the first TEDx event on campus. The theme will focus on "Appreciating the Overlooked." A group of speakers will present on the theme of "Outside the Lines, But on the Page." The event will showcase a variety of types of acts and will include lunch for attendees. Tickets TBD. For more information please contact: Roland Morin  
765.361.6096  
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#### **01/21 @ 1PM - 5 PM:**

**Celebration of Student Research** (Detchon Center: 100, International Hall ) Free and open to the public.  
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Gentlemen,

We hope you all are staying warm! Below is a short blurb about Wabash's new campus housing with some photos of Martindale Hall, some class member updates, and our class' giving information. Long story short: we're awesome!

Now that 2017 is in full swing, please continue to let us know how you are doing and send us your photos.

Wabash Always Fights!

Jason Cantu & Mike Ruffing



## February

**02/02 @ 6 PM: Annual Cincinnati Dinner** (The Montgomery Inn, 9440 Montgomery Road, Montgomery, OH 45242) The Greater Cincinnati Association of Wabash Men's Annual Dinner will host special Guest Steven Jones '87, Dean for Professional Development. Reception begins at 6 PM - Dinner at 7 PM. RSVP by January 28, 2017. Call Michele Ward at 765.361.6369 or email her at wardm@wabash.edu. Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express accepted.

Cost: \$37 per person or \$20 per person for alumni from classes of 2007-2016 and their guests.

## March

**03/24 -25 @ 8 AM - 4 PM: Scarlet Celebration Weekend**

Free and open to the public.  
Contact: Matt Bowers  
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## Campus Updates

### *New Housing at Wabash*

While at Homecoming this fall, I was able to tour the 4 new residences that comprise the new Residential Life District (Butler House, Seymour House, Rogee Hall, and Williams Hall) as well as the recently renovated Martindale Hall. Without boring you with architectural jargon and criticism, I'll just say it is good. The new buildings appear to blend in with the rest of the campus while integrating the latest sustainability technology.

For those of you that make it back to campus, I encourage you to especially stop by Martindale Hall. Our classmates, **Beau Browning**, **Bill Hecker**, and **Joe Heller**, made a gift towards its renovation and the reading room has been named in their honor.



## April

**04/12 @ 8 PM: 143rd**

### **Baldwin Oratorical Contest**

(Fine Arts Center: M120 Korb Classroom) The 143rd Baldwin Oratorical Contest will feature student finalists presenting their speeches for the community. The Baldwin Oratorical Contest is a gift from Judge D. P. Baldwin, long time Wabash trustee, and is the oldest continuous public speaking contest west of the Alleghenies. Contact: Jeffrey P. Mehlretter Drury 765.361.6296 druryj@wabash.edu

**04/26 @ 10 AM: Indiana**

### **Court of Appeals Oral**

**Argument** (Fine Arts Center: M114 Salter Hall) The Indiana Court of Appeals returns to Wabash to conduct an oral argument of a pending legal matter. Stay afterwards for question and answer with the judges and lawyers.

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## Class Updates

### *Corey Asay*

On April 13, 2016, Corey and his wife, Laura, had their first child, Anna Elizabeth. Everyone is healthy and doing well and they're settling into being new parents. He writes: "Life is good in Cincinnati."

### *Kevin Casey*

Kevin married Annie Cudahy on October 22, 2016 in a regal ceremony in the Indianapolis Scottish Rite Cathedral. The newlyweds celebrated their nuptials by traveling to the Amalfi Coast of Italy and have since welcomed a new puppy into their family.

### *Danny Creasap*

Danny married Laurie Brogan on November 18, 2016 at Our Lady of Mt. Saint Carmel in Chicago, Illinois. The couple will be celebrating their marriage in Spain later this year.

### *Brandon Hayes*

Brandon finished up his fellowship last summer in lower extremity orthopedic surgery at Harvard. He and his wife moved back to Westfield with their boys, five and one, and he is currently practicing at Community Hospital. They are expecting a little girl next month. They are enjoying being back home and running into Wabash guys all over town.

### *Phu Hong*

Phu and family welcomed their newest family member, Louis, on December 16th, 2016. Baby and family are all doing well!

### *AJ Lyman*

AJ's 2nd child, Dean Joseph, was born on June 28, 2016. He, his mom, and sister are all doing great! The family is still in the Denver area and loving it. Currently, he is back with FEMA (this time at Region VIII) working on disaster response operations.

**04/27 @ 7 PM: Awards**

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**May**

**05/14 @ 2:30 PM: 179th  
Commencement Ceremony**  
(The College Mall)

**Athletics**

Visit [http://  
sports.wabash.edu/](http://sports.wabash.edu/) to view  
the 2017 Sports Calendar

**Thank You**

The following men have  
made a donation to Wabash  
during this fiscal year:

**Nate Bell, Eric Bright,  
Jason Cantu, John  
Collier, Jefferson Crew,  
John Dustman, Justin  
Jannuzzi, Paul Jansen,  
Bobby Love, Abraham  
Lucas, Drew McCoy,  
Brock Medsker, John  
Meyer, Josh Petruniw,  
David Pryzbylski, John  
Rentsch, Michael  
Ruffing, Jonathan  
Schwarz, Nathan Storey,  
and Zach Sundstrom.**

*Drew McCoy*

Drew was named Partner at the Faegre Baker Daniels' downtown Indianapolis office. He is a member of the firm's intellectual property group, with clients ranging from entrepreneurs to Fortune 100 companies. He also maintains an active pro bono practice in Southern District of Indiana and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. After Wabash, he earned his JD at Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

## Giving Back

Last year our class did really well! Our class ranked **#14** with **80 total donors**. The Class of 1966 was first with 138 donors and the Class of 2003 rounded out the top 15 with 79 total donors. The range for the Top 15 in giving percentage was 43% to 75%. Our class was calculated at 39.2% (80/204). This is awesome! Further, our class surpassed its number of donors goal by **15** people!

As we move into 2017, Mike and I would like for all of you to consider 2 things regarding giving this year:

- 1) Mark your calendars for the Wabash Day of Giving when we e-mail you with the date. The Day of Giving has been so successful the past few years that we expect for it to continue. That being said, while 2005 has been one of the top giving classes that day, we'd like to be among the top three. This can actually be really easy for us if we all wait and give that day. Prepare to be barraged with e-mails, texts, and calls from me and Mike when that day arrives.
- 2) While many of you prefer to wait for an e-mail or a phone call from me or Mike, we would like for you to consider contributing to Wabash by setting up a recurring gift when you make your next donation. Mike and I both have this set up and its budget friendly and convenient. The *site* will allow you to set up a recurring gift that you can customize by amount, how often a gift is made, and on what day of the month. My reoccurring gift is set up to kick in before the end of the calendar year (taxes) and at the beginning of the college's fiscal year (honor roll). Click *here* to give back today!