



WABASH COLLEGE

Class Agents Letter

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Class of 1996

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Late May, the "Another class has graduated and" installment.

Gentlemen,

Greetings again from the Midwest. I hope this letter finds you in good spirits and good health. As always, there is a lot going on within our class and at the college, so I let's get down to business.

Classmate Updates

Erin and I just celebrated our 8th anniversary on May 27. I am working for Beckman Coulter, Inc. We live in Carmel, IN and have a 2-year-old daughter.

Encountering Wabash in the Day-to-Day

Many of us run into Wallies in random places. Maybe it's downtown, or at the grocery store. Sometimes it is just seeing a license plate that reminds you that Wabash isn't just a part of your resume. Interestingly enough, it happened for me with my Grandfather. I was informed by my mother that during a recent stay in the hospital, my Grandfather was given care by a Wabash guy. It was our own Tom Short – nice! I'm thankful for Wabash for a lot of reasons – none the least of those being the trust that I have in the men that it turns out year after year who are living into the same charge of excellence.



Big Bash 2008

While it is not our reunion year (not that I would complain if it were), I wanted to give you an interesting stat from this year's Big Bash. Tom Runge has been sending out the attendance numbers for those registered and the class of 1968 has something like 85 men registered to return to the reunion! That's amazing. It's great to see the Big Bash weekends taking off and becoming successful. I'm looking forward to our 15 year 2011. Until then, though, there is always homecoming, the Bell game and any other random reason to get back.

Our Communications



As I had mentioned in my last letter, I was going to explore alternate ways of getting information in your hands and getting you guys in touch with the college and with one another. Two venues have come to the forefront in those regards: Facebook and LinkedIn. Facebook is social networking that is based on confirmed connections. LinkedIn is centered more on professional networking. Both are solid. I have created a group on Facebook for our class. There are several Wabash communities in there already, so you may want to look into those as well. I will still continue to write letters, but I think a few additional opportunities to connect and share information not a bad thing.

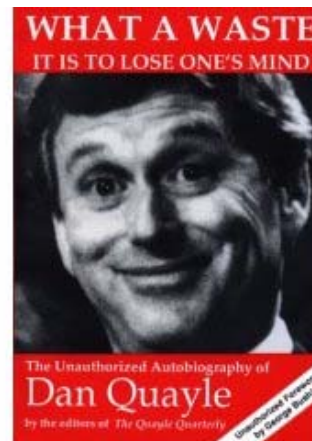


Admissions – Timmons' World Referral Reminder

We're already working on the classes of 2013, 2014, etc. If you find other young men who are Wabash material, refer them to the Admissions Office. You can refer a student online at www.wabash.edu/alumni/student/refer. Additionally, why don't you drop Chip a line and say hello.

Giving - Laying the Smack Down on DePauw

For the last several years, Wabash and DePauw have had a friendly competition for alumni participation in annual giving. It is not a competition over amounts of money, but over percentage of alumni who participate. Last year we tied. This year is again close, but I'm sure we can come out on top – statistically, we should be spanking them because our donor pool is smaller and our percentages can easily jump multiple points with one or two additional people. Please take this opportunity to tell DePauw that they are still second best. Our fiscal year ends at the end of June, so please get on the Wabash website and make your contribution by the end of June.



So why is giving percentage important anyway? Wabash is not just a college, it is also a business. When we solicit funds from endowments, grants, etc., they look at our academic profile and all as well as our investor base. If we have solid participation in alumni giving, co-contributors (like the Lilly Endowment) see Wabash as a good risk for their money and are more likely to award grants. I never really thought about Wabash as a business until I talked with Chip about it during our Big Bash a few years ago, but it makes sense.

What are my options? I put a credit card on file and have a nominal amount deducted monthly over the course of a year. What happens is that I end up increasing my overall giving for the year (and my tax credit) by about 4-fold, but my monthly contributions cost me as much as one lunch out. If you don't want the hassle of a one time gift and feel like the financial pressure of that one time gift is just too much, you might give it a look. It has made my impact bigger and has made the giving process MUCH easier. <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift> option D.

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>

Career Services – Updates on the Newest Crop of Wabash Alumni

I got an update from Tom Runge on what's going on with Alumni Services and it's pretty amazing. Here is a quick look at what Scott Crawford and crew are doing for our recent graduates:

Faculty/Staff:

To keep you in the loop, following are the acceptances (students have officially accepted offers) since my last email. We continue to get excellent opportunities in (unusually good for this time of year) and many of the students still seeking are applying/interviewing heavily. If you know of a student who is just lost out there who needs assistance, feel free to encourage him to connect with us - we're here throughout the summer. By the way, if you know of any recent grads (06 or 07) who might be interested in Investment Banking in Chicago or Pharmaceutical Research in NJ, let me know!

Scott Crawford

GRADUATE SCHOOL

- Joshua Vaughan, Jeremy Paul - School of Law, Florida Coastal University, Jacksonville, FL
- Austin Faulkner - PhD Religious Studies, Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN
- Feng Mai - M.S. Math/Statistics, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- Shenil Shah - Indiana University Medical School, Location Not Set

- Samiul Haque - PhD Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
- Blaken Wamsley - M.A. Counseling, Adler School of Professional Psychology, Chicago, IL
- Lincoln Smith - MD/PhD Medicine, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Princeton/Rutgers Universities, Princeton, NJ
- Cory Norman - School Of Medicine, Indiana University , Indianapolis, IN
- Thomas Elliott - M.S. Journalism, Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

FULL-TIME

- Phillip Merriett - Logistics Supervisor, Yellow Freight, Indianapolis, IN
- Scott Gallant - Recreational Trail Building, Southwest Conservation Corps/AmeriCorps, Alamosa, CO
- Josh Bellis - Non-Profit Development Officer , The Love Community Center, Fort Wayne, IN
- Ryan Morris, English Language Educator, Peace Corps, Niger, Africa
- Brandon Neighbors - Sales and Finance Manager, Kendall Truck Sales, Inc., Rockport, IN
- Christopher Esser - Sales Representative, Plaza Motors, St. Louis, MO
- Michael Schultz - Assistant Baseball Coach, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN (part-time)
- Kyle O'Keefe - Financial Advisor, Waddell and Reed, Indianapolis, IN
- Wesley Jinks - Financial Advisor, Northwestern Mutual, Denver, CO
- John Chuang - English Language Assistant, L'academie de Lille, French Ministry of Education, Lille, France
- Boyce Evans - Account Executive, Des Plaines Office Equipment, Chicago, IL
- Haris Amin - Web Developer, Sagebit, Indianapolis, IN
- Filip Drambarean - Middle School Math Teacher, Teach for America, Rio Grande Valley, TX
- Earl Rooks - Business Analyst, Banking, Capital One, Plano, TX (update)
- Tim Ulrey - Bilingual Agent/AccuCheck, Roche Diagnostics, Fishers, IN
- Richard Roomes - Credit Manager, Wells Fargo, Indianapolis, IN
- Zach Webb - 8th Grade U.S. History Teacher, Anderson Academy, Anderson, IN
- Nathen Hoff - Claims Representative, The Hartford, Indianapolis, IN
- Gabe Guerrero - Coach/Director, Skyhawks Sports Academy, Indianapolis, IN
- Larryjoe Brown - EJOT, Bad Berleburg, Germany
- Aaron Parrish - GPS Troubleshooter, Telamon, Carmel, IN
- Brian Matras - Account Representative, Tribune Media Group, Chicago, IL
- Josh Harris - Operations Manager, District Title, Washington, DC
- Matt Walter - Assistant Examiner, Office of Thrift Supervision, Indianapolis, IN

INTERNSHIPS

- Jonathan Edwards - Legal Aid Society, Indianapolis, IN
- Jay Brouwer - Erosive Potential Acidic Beverages Research, Oral Health Research Institute, IUPUI Dental School, Indianapolis, IN
- Richard Kavaluaskus - Arts Administration - Kemper Grant, Chicago Opera Theater, Chicago, IL
- Bobby Wade - Purchasing Department, Total Interior Systems America, Princeton, IN
- Filip Lempa - British Consulate, Katowice, Poland
- James Pannell - Office of the Mayor, Indianapolis, IN
- Brian Secrest - IT Services, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN
- Jake Huston - Kemper Arts Administration Intern, Chicago Opera Theater, Chicago, IL
- Rob Fenoglio - Kemper Arts Administration Intern, Navy Pier, Chicago, IL

New Sheriff in Town

Mike Raters '85 is the new dean of Students. This is good news for Wabash men! Jim Amidon has an excellent write-up about it on the Wabash website. I would encourage you to check it out at:

http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=5914



THAT'S enough information to ingest in one sitting. I'll cut it short for now. There is always more to report on Wabash, but out of respect for your time, I'll save it for another day. Thanks again for all you do for Wabash as alumni – continue to spread the fame. **REMEMBER**: Make your contributions before the end of June to be counted towards this fiscal year and the DePauw Challenge. Also, please send me some updates on where you are and what you're doing. If they don't start coming in, I'll start making stuff up.

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