

Class of 1995

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Classmates:

Happy Holidays! We hope all is well. Here is an update as we enter 2025.

30 Year Reunion! Save the Date

It's been 30 years? Hard to believe. Big Bash 2025 will be on June 6-8, 2025. More information will follow but for now, save the date!

News From Campus

- Wabash set a record for freshman-to-sophomore retention at 93%, and the freshman class is the largest since 2018.
- The Glee Club took the stage for several concerts under first-year Director Juan Hernandez.
- Wabash College received top-10 rankings in 10 categories in The Princeton Review's 2025 college guide. Wabash ranked third for Best Health Services and Most Active Student Government to go along with top-five rankings for Best Financial Aid (No. 5), Best Career Services (No. 5), Best Campus Newspaper (No. 5), and Most Accessible Professors (No. 6). ([story](#))
- Carter Bertsch '26 was named top undergraduate of the year at Theta Delta Chi's convention in August. The Upsilon Deuteron Charge earned the Victory Cup, which is presented annually to the top chapter. ([story](#))
- The Art Department celebrated Professor of Art Emeritus Greg Huebner H'77 with a retrospective exhibit titled "Imagining Balance Amid Chaos & Harmony." ([photos](#))

- At Homecoming, Emmanuel Aouad '10, Wes Chamblee '12, Matt Hudson '10, Matt McGuire '00, Evan Rhinesmith '11, Tom Bambrey '68, and the 1972 Soccer Team were inducted into the Wabash Athletics Hall of Fame. ([story](#)) ([photos](#))
- Theater Professor Jim Cherry directed a fun production of Molière's comedy *Tartuffe*. ([story](#))
- The President's Distinguished Speaker Series brought two alumni to campus: Dr. Richard Gunderman '83 for his talk "[You Contain Multitudes,](#)" and Dr. Robert Einterz '77 for his talk "[Personal Reflections on Civility and Community.](#)" ([story](#))
- Jake Weber '25 earned Top Advocate and the Floyd Artful Advocacy Prize in the 31st Moot Court competition. ([story](#))
- Two US Army Blackhawk helicopters landed in Mud Hollow on October 24 to pick up six Wabash ROTC Cadets. This was a ceremonial gesture by the Army to honor their service. The Wabash cadets train at Purdue. ([photos](#))
- Brayden Curnutt '25 captured the North Coast Athletics Conference Cross Country Championship, earning Men's Runner of the Year and First Team All-NCAC honors. At the 2024 NCAA Division III Great Lakes Region Men's Cross Country Championship he once again crossed the finish line in first place to claim the individual title. And at the NCAA DIII National Championships, he finished 18th, earning All-American honors. ([story](#))
- On Election Day, students in Dr. Shamira Gelbman's political science course on polling conducted an exit poll outside a voting location in Crawfordsville.
- On the Wednesday before the 130th Monon Bell Classic, Wabash and DePauw jointly hosted a luncheon titled Rivals, not Enemies. Clay Robbins '79, CEO of Lilly Endowment Inc., and Jennett Hill DePauw '85, President of Lilly Endowment Inc., hosted the event and both received the Raymond "Gaumeys" Neal Award. Wabash Trustee Aman Brar '99 captured the spirit of the occasion best: "We're so incredibly lucky to have this rivalry. 0-10, 10-0, and every record in between. Playoffs or no playoffs. We always have meaning. Something to fight for. Always a reason to be our best. A reason to push ourselves to do more in our community; for our city; for our country. Because a rivalry like the Monon Bell teaches and pushes us to be our best." ([photos](#))
- On November 11, the campus transitioned from Sparks Center over to a temporary dining facility, which has already met with a very positive reaction from students, faculty, staff, and visiting diners. With a nod to historic Mud Hollow, this new space dubbed "Grub Hollow," includes a dozen mobile units that have been connected on one set of the outdoor tennis courts.
- On November 21, Jackson Blevins '20 and Spencer Newmister '19 gave Chapel Talks in Pioneer Chapel in celebration of Founders' Day. Afterwards, the Sphinx Club

introduced Alma Mater to the students with the Glee Club leading those assembled through the verses. ([video](#)) ([photos](#)) ([photos](#))

- Over Thanksgiving break, Dr. Peter Mikek took his economics class to Costa Rica for an immersive learning experience.
- After Final Exams, the baseball team will travel to the Dominican Republic, led by Head Coach Jake Martin '03 and Professor of Spanish Dan Rogers H'12.
- More than 150 prospective high school students, along with parents and counselors, will visit campus this weekend for the first of two Scarlet Honors Weekends.
- More than 97% of the Class of 2024 have secured their first professional opportunity or acceptance into medical, law, or other graduate school programs. The national average, by the way, is 85.7% in six months.
- For those of you who make an end-of-the-year gift, here are [five ways you can support Wabash students](#).

News from the Class of 1995

John South 1995 (john.south95 - jmsouth1526@gmail.com) has submitted the following class note online...

Received a PhD in International and Public Affairs from Florida International University. Currently working as a Health Communication Specialist for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the joint office of National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (NCEH/ATSDR).

Congratulations John!

Happy holidays and best wishes to you and your families.

Wabash Always Fights!

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