

Wabash College Class of 2013 Update

June/July 2015

Dear Class of 2013,

It's been quite a while since our last newsletter, and many great and wonderful things have happened. Wabash College graduated nearly 230 men during its 177th Commencement Ceremony. Tough to believe it has only been two years since we graduated, but time keeps moving faster. William Richard McManus and Joseph Matthew Mount spoke as the representatives from the class of 2015, making great speeches that you can find of the college's website. Let's welcome these fine young men from the class of 2015 to the Wabash family.



Billy Rosson and John Haley in Harbin, China

Lately I have met up with several members of the Class of 2013 during my travels around Asia. In December Billy Rosson and John Haley traveled to Beijing for a few days before continuing on to the northern Chinese city of Harbin for the annual Harbin Ice Festival. The above photo shows the two globetrotters in front of a Russian-style building in Harbin, China. Just last week I had dinner with Neffario Emer in Shanghai. Though we didn't know each other well at Wabash, he extended some Wabash hospitality while telling me about his new venture as a baked goods entrepreneur in Shanghai. Let's wish him the best of luck, and if you want to check out his business it's called *NE Cakes*.

Like Neffario told me, “Wabash Always Travels.”



Neffario Emer and me in Shanghai

Though traveling far from home, many of us haven't had a problem staying tied to Wabash in some way. Make sure to reach out to your Wabash brothers whenever you're in their neighborhood and stay connected. Also feel free to post photos and information on the Class of 2013 Facebook page.

It isn't just the great feeling of comradery that has kept us linked to our alma mater post-graduation. The generosity of our fellow alumni has certainly helped. Our class had a strong showing among classes participating in donation campaigns for the college. Please donate to this worthy cause if you haven't already. The second Wabash Day of Giving was a great success, showing the world Wabash Always Fights.... and gives generously. Overall the state of the college is strong gentleman. And that is certainly something to be proud of.

WAF,
Trevor R. Poe

News

Three members of the class of 2015 earned postgraduate fellowships. John Davis, Pierce Velderman, and Luke Walker will represent Wabash

College teaching at their respective programs. John Davis will stay close to home, working in Indianapolis as part of the Woodrow Wilson Indiana Teaching Fellowship. Pierce Velderman will return to Austria after studying abroad there last year, serving as a teaching assistant. Like Verlderman Luke Walker will return to the country he studied abroad in, traveling back to France. Please wish these Little Giants luck in their endeavors working in the noblest profession.

Robert and Elizabeth Allen made an extremely charitable gift to the Fund of Student Housing. The Allen's contributed \$2 million as an outright donation. They have also made a challenge gift of an additional \$2 million that will match gifts from other donors on a dollar-for-dollar basis.



Housing Under Construction!

In early May President Hess led a ceremony honoring former President Pat White, during which President White's presidential portrait was unveiled. On behalf of the Class of 2013, let's wish former President White the best. Some Little Giant!

Alan P. Hill will become Dean for Professional Development at Wabash as of July 1st. He will oversee the Schroeder Center for Career Development and the Center for Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship, while assuming the duties of the Director of the Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies (MXIBS). Congratulations to Dean Hill

Wrestling

The wrestling team had another spectacular year. While grappling and overcoming adversity the Little Giants finished third at the 2015 NCAA

Division III Wrestling National Tournament. The team had two national titles with a runner-up and four All-American performances. For the names of individual wrestlers and a list of accomplishments, click the link below.

http://sports.wabash.edu/news/2015/3/15/WREST_0315152053.aspx?path=wrestling

Track and Field

As always the Little Giants Track & Field team had an amazing year, leaving the competition in the dust. The team tied the school mark for the most All-Americans in a single national championship meet. So many Little Giants received honors that it would be impossible to name them all here. Luckily we've provided a link for you to the Track & Field Team's webpage. Run on over and check it out.

http://sports.wabash.edu/news/2015/5/23/TRACK_0523152844.aspx

Baseball

Though the Little Giant Baseball Team finished with a 12-26 record, they made huge strides both on and off the field. Though their record might not reflect it, many Wabash players hit both literal and figurative home runs this baseball season. Three members of the Little Giant baseball team earned All-NCAC honors. Seniors Clint Scarborough and Lucas Stippler, along with junior David Oliger received the honor. For a full rundown of the players' stats please click on the link below.



[Clint Scarborough, Lucas Stippler, and David Oliger were all named to the 2015 All-NCAC Baseball Team](#)

http://sports.wabash.edu/news/2015/5/12/BB_0512151719.aspx?path=baseball

Tennis

Wabash Tennis finished the spring with a sixth-place finish at the NCAC Tennis Tourney. Senior Daniel Delgado capped off an impressive year by finishing second in doubles victories and tied for fifth in career singles victories at 56, and he captured the all-time wins record in doubles play with 75 victories. Some Little Giant!

<http://sports.wabash.edu/archives.aspx?path=tennis>

Golf

Wabash Golf enjoyed some great finishes at golf tournaments throughout the season, including finishing second at the Big Four Classic and tied for fourth at the Elmhurst Golf Invite. Wabash finished eight in this year's NCAC Golf Tournament to end the spring portion of the year. As always things look bright for the Little Giants next year! For a list of news stories about the golf team, click the link below.

<http://sports.wabash.edu/archives.aspx?path=golf>

Basketball

Wabash basketball finished the season with 18 wins and 9 losses. Former Wabash basketball coach Mac Petty received the honor of coaching the East team at the Reese's Division III All-Star game. Also the basketball program will keep busy in the off-season by running youth camps and serving the community. For a full list of stories about the Wabash Basketball, click the link below.

http://sports.wabash.edu/news/2015/2/27/MBB_0227151341.aspx?path=mbball

Swimming and Diving

Though swimming and diving finished way back in March, we haven't given you the results yet. The season ended with some spectacular individual accomplishments from two of the team's seniors. Seniors Carter Adams and Jake Childress competed in their final races at the

2015 NCAA Division III Swimming & Diving Championships back in March.

http://sports.wabash.edu/news/2015/3/21/SWIM_0321152752.aspx

Lacrosse

Wabash Lacrosse completed its first conference season this year, and there are many reasons to be optimistic about Wabash's newest varsity sport. Junior Scott Purucker was named to the 2015 All-NCAC Men's Lacrosse Team, becoming the first Little Giant in the school's history to earn the distinction. His return to the Little Giant squad next season ensures high hopes from the Wabash Faithful for an even better season next year. If you're like me and don't know the first thing about this sport, make sure to check the webpage for some general information. It's certainly worth your time.



Scott Purucker (#44), Austin Jarrett (#10), and Todd Hoogland (#33)

<http://sports.wabash.edu/archives.aspx?path=mlax>

Classmate Updates

Congratulations to Sam Spoerle who married his longtime girlfriend Natalie Cappucci this past fall. The Class of 2013 wishes you two a long and happy life together.

Congratulations to John Dykstra on his new job as a news reporter at *The Daily Journal* in Kankakee, IL.

If you have a big event coming up, please send Trevor or J.J. an email or post on the Facebook page. We would love to hear from you!

Donate to Wabash College

As of right now, 68 members of the Class of 2013 have donated to the college this fiscal year. That's roughly 30% of the class. Get out there and encourage your peers to donate. Help make Wabash College even better for future generations of Wabash men.

Please donate to the college and help give the gift of a Wabash education. Thank you for your generous efforts this fiscal year and helping make the *Day of Giving* a success. Remember to encourage your Wabash brothers to give back to their alma mater. Click on the link below to make a donation now

<https://www.wabash.edu/giving/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:

<http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/eservices>

Reminder: Login to the Wabash Alumni Services page and update your current email address, and ask other members of the Class of 2013 to do so as well.

<http://wabash.edu/alumni/>

Student Referrals

Interested in helping Wabash recruit the next generation of Wabash men? Referring perspective high schools students is a great way to help.

<http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/workshop>

Interested in putting an announcement, such as an engagement, marriage, or event, in the next letter? Please forward requests to J.J. or me soon.

Keep an eye open for our next letter. We'll be tweaking the format and want to know what you think. Please let us know.

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