



WABASH COLLEGE

Class Agents Letter

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OK, this is not a scene from the campus. But summer approaches, and the picture is appropriate. Hopefully you and yours have plans to relax and get away from it all....but only temporarily.

Updates from you...

Effective November 1, 2007, **Mike Gregory** assumed the position of Minister of Office and Facilities for the church he and his family have attended for the past 34 years (South MacArthur Church of Christ in Irving, Texas). His responsibilities include accounting, finance, treasury, human resources, and facilities management. Mike has also served as a deacon and Elder at South Mac. Mike was awarded a Golden Apple in March, 2008, by the Irving Independent School District for his volunteer efforts over many years.



Dave Obergfell and wife Jackie were among 500 lucky souls on hand at Andrews Air Force Base in April to help greet Pope Benedict XVI on his arrival to the U.S. It pays to have relatives in high places. Their son Eric is a major assigned to Andrews and was part of the security team.

Tom Freeman sent the following message:

Dave - Thanks to you and Mike for serving as class agents! I just read the recent newsletter on our classmates and thought I should update my situation. First and most important is my family. My daughter is a vet living in Minneapolis. Her husband will complete his residency in Emergency Medicine in May and will become an ER doc. We don't know where they will settle but they are looking out west. My son, Ryan, graduated from Wabash second in his class and was a Tri-Captain of the football team, Academic All American in football and wrestling and Monon Bell MVP. He worked for Eli Lilly for four years and is completing his second year of MBA School at The Simon School in Rochester, NY. He has accepted a job offer from Lehman Bros. and will work in investment banking on Wall Street starting next summer.

I received a promotion in May. I work for Regions Bank (8th-9th largest bank in US) as an Area Executive/President. I have Illinois, Indiana and Eastern Kentucky that I am responsible for and spend the bulk of my time in Indianapolis even though we continue to live in Lafayette for now. My wife, Susan, and I have been married 38 years in January. She is in her 37th year of teaching elementary school and looking forward to her retirement which could start next summer.

Please encourage our other classmates to update you and Mike! It is interesting to see where everyone is since many of us are in the "red zone" of our careers! I know where several of my pledge brothers are but where are Pete Hatton, Greg Jackson, Mike Henry, etc. and what is everyone doing these days? Come on, guys, it only takes a couple of minutes to email!!!

Tom

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Dave Ault won a contested primary election on May 6 and will be seeking his fourth term as judge of Montgomery Superior Court 1 in the fall election. The campaign website can be found at www.judgeault2008.com. Diane and Dave's son, Joe, works at Roche in Indianapolis and his wife, Krista, is completing medical school at I.U. Their son, Ben, will marry Heidi Holland in Minneapolis on July 19, and they will continue to reside in Boulder, CO, where Ben is with Grey Mountain Partners, a private equity company.

News from the College...

The **basketball team** exceeded early expectations by reaching the NCAC finals, including a victory over nationally-ranked Wooster in the semis, 87-63. Its overall record was 18-10 which included a victory over DePauw, 71-60. Their season included a trip to San Antonio during the Christmas holidays which my bride and I (Mike) were able to attend.

The **baseball team** also visited Texas during spring break, including a doubleheader with the University of Dallas in Irving. I (Mike) spent an enjoyable Sunday afternoon with a neighbor who happens to be the Chairman of the Biology Department at U.D. watching them split the games.

The college was recognized in the latest issue of Forbes Magazine by the Center for College Affordability and Productivity as one of the **top 10 national liberal arts colleges**. Student evaluations, graduation rates, awards achieved by students (Rhodes, undergraduate Fulbrights, etc.) are the primary benchmarks utilized by the CCAP in its rankings. Wabash was the only Indiana school to crack the top 10. For the complete list of rankings, log on to the college website and click on the link included in the story.

As the fiscal year comes to an end, keep a donation to the College in mind. Particularly important to note is **the challenge we have been issued by DePauw**. Seems both have enjoyed a very comparable alumni participation rate, but it is time to differentiate ourselves from the dregs. We have a limited time to do so. Log on to the college website, click on Alumni & Parents, then Annual Giving, and take it from there. To date, the following classmates have made contributions for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 (apologies to anyone whose name does not, but should, appear):

Timothy Backensto
Stephen Butz
Mario Caviglia
Robert Danielson
Steve Davis
Peter Durant
Charles German
Charles Gilbert
Mike Godan
Mike Gregory

Mark Hall
Lester Hearson
Ken Huff
Tom Hutcherson
Bob Long
Ronan Marra
David McSwane
Wayne Middendorf
Paul Moehling
Jeff Nickloy

William Olsen
Tom Petska
Thornton Pitcher, Jr.
Bob Pollom
James Pope
Jeff Price
Tom Roberts
Dave Shane
Tom Topper
Randy Waitman

As always, we sincerely appreciate hearing from each of you who help us write this letter. We would really like to hear from all of you. Our e-mail addresses are listed below, so please shoot us a message. Until next time,

Peace.

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