



## WABASH COLLEGE

### *Class Agents Letter*

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### Class of 1960

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Dear Men of Sixty and Significant Others.....

The fiscal year report from the College is good. For the first time, Wabash went over the 4000 contributor mark, exceeding \$3Million. We are currently listed as having 123 members of which 60 supported the Alumni Fund. That's down three from last year, but we still managed 48.8% participation. That compares to '58 at 46%, '59 at 57%, '61 at 60% and '62 at 59%. The class of 1965 had 102 donors for 57%, the largest number from a class in memory. With the Tom Hays Challenge, the dollars rose even higher! No word yet on our competition with the Dannys.

Once again Wabash College is a Best 368 College in America. The Princeton Review ranked Wabash as a 99 – Financial Aid rating; 95 – academic rating; 90 – Quality of Life rating and an 89 – Admissions Rating. “Students Say” again gave high marks: 3 – Most Accessible Professors; 3 – Best Career/Job Placement Services; 3 – Jock School; 11 – ‘School Runs Like Butter!’ 125,000 students filled out an 80 question survey.

With another successful year of recruiting, Freshman Saturday saw 258 new freshmen, class of 2012. Some interesting facts: About 10% of the class is International, of which 10 are from China; 44 are legacies; 7 had perfect Math scores on the SAT; 18 are Eagle Scouts; includes a cancer survivor and two men who have performed life-saving rescues, one in water and one in a fire; one has restored a '79 Vette, while another is a state ranked Motor Cross racer. One is an accomplished ballet dancer, while another is a self-employed detective who solves around 15 mysteries a year. One young man was drafted by the pros in hockey, but chose to come to Wabash. For those of you who are Hoosiers and remember Boys State held at Indiana University in our day, there are 20 members who attended. This seems to be a particularly creative, brave and caring class of new Wabash Men. Now is a very good time to start checking with grandchildren of friends, and local young men who are outstanding to look to Wabash in the next two years. Alumni referrals turn out to be better students so do your part!

Legacy photo taken this year of classmate Bill Birch



Brett Birch '12, Bill Birch '60, Bill Birch '11

Football fans who want to see new coach Erik Raeburn's first year as head coach of the tradition-steeped Wabash College Little Giants can check the schedule:

\*North Coast Athletic Conference

9/13 at Denison\*

9/20 University of Chicago

9/27 at Kenyon\*

10/04 Allegheny\* (Homecoming)

10/11 at Washington U. of St. Louis

10/18 at Wittenberg\*

10/25 Wooster\*

11/01 Oberlin\*

11/08 at Hiram\*

11/15 DePauw (115<sup>th</sup> Monon Bell Classic)

There will be a Sphinx Club reunion during Homecoming weekend (October 4) and even if you weren't a Sphinxter, you can join in the fun!

This is a little different schedule but it provides lots of opportunities for those of us in the Midwest. I will be on campus for the Chicago game during the Class Agents' Forum. For a really great article, go to [ncaachampionmagazine.org](http://ncaachampionmagazine.org). Click on the summer edition to see Wabash senior Brock Graham and Little Giant Stadium on the cover. The article is about his trip to Botswana with 19 teammates over spring break. While each guy paid \$3000 for the trip, I'll bet some of your Alumni Fund dollars helped somewhere. It is really great to see some of the things that are being funded for young Wabash men to have fantastic experiences!

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