



## WABASH COLLEGE

### *Class Agents Letter*

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## Class of 1968

### Class Agent

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April 7, 2015

Dear Class of 1968,

### **SAVE THE DATES**

***May 15-17, 2015***

**Commencement Weekend**

***June 5-7, 2015***

**Big Bash Reunion**

***August 22, 2015***

**Freshman Saturday**

***September 5, 2015***

**Football at Hampden Sydney**

***October 3, 2015***

**Homecoming- Hey, Naptown guys! Let's make it to this one!**

***October 10-11, 2015***

**WABASH Day**

***November 7, 2015***

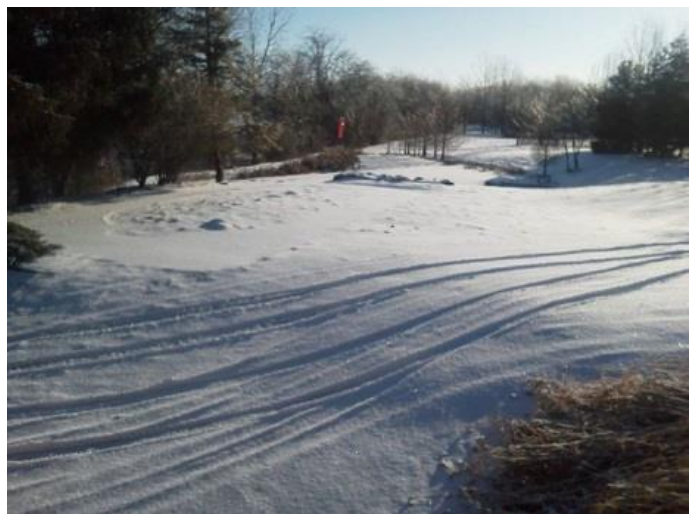
**Family Day**

***November 14, 2015***

**122nd Monon Bell Game**

"Funnybone" **Jim Dashiell** on FB:

My winter wonderland. I love the ice on the limbs. Hope that shows up. I've obviously been playing with my ATV.



**WHERE the Class of 68 stands with Donations to Wabash as of 1/22/15— Goals—by June 30—are ninety-one donors and a 40% Rate**

Solicitable	174
Graduate Donors	54
Nongraduate Donors	1
Donors Total Alumni Donors Giving %	55
Unrestricted Giving "The Annual Fund"	31.6%
Restricted Giving	\$87,918
Unrestricted Total Dollars	\$46,793
	\$134,710

Alumni and friends can make a gift:

Online: [www.wabash.edu/egift](http://www.wabash.edu/egift)

Phone: 877-743-4545

Mail: Wabash College / Annual Fund / PO Box 352 / Crawfordsville, IN 47933

To view the **January 2015 Wrestling Newsletter** click on the link below.

It features a terrific story about the career of one of my heroes, Max Servies.

[http://attachment.benchmarkemail.com/c52838/Wrestling\\_Jan\\_News.pdf](http://attachment.benchmarkemail.com/c52838/Wrestling_Jan_News.pdf)



**Jim Funnybone Dashiell on FB sez:**



Just returned from Florida. Kennedy Space Center was great. This is where they assembled the shuttles

"Those who build roofs are so inclined." FB near **Terry Schuck '69**.

**Steve Klein Leaving:** Steve will be reunited with Mauri Ditzler '75 at Albion this coming July. Mauri is Albion's president and Steve will be the VP for Admissions and Financial aid.

**The Gentlemen's Classic:** Here are some of the logistics for the Hampden-Sydney game on Saturday, September 5, 2015. [http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Hampden-Sydney\\_Travel\\_Information.pdf](http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Hampden-Sydney_Travel_Information.pdf)



### NCAC Record Wabash Passes 1,000

Wabash swimmers became the first fourth-place team to score more than 1,000 points at the NCAC championships. Coach Brent Noble was named Coach of the Year.

[http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Wabash\\_article.pdf](http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Wabash_article.pdf) Control/Click for an article in Splash Magazine featuring Wabash.

**And on a personal historical note:** Once upon a time I flew this thing—a one-holer called the Warthog—and loved every minute. From RAF Bentwaters, England, via Jever and Norvenich AB, GE, the 509<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron lined up against the 8<sup>th</sup> Guards Tank Army, just across the Fulda Gap in East



Germany. Cold War days. The huge wing is 17 inches thick at the root, giving low speed but truly amazing maneuverability, the A-10 can do just about anything other fighting airplanes can do, but what it does best is support troops on the ground. Gotta love the 'Hog.

(This image came from the A-10 Thunderbolt page on Facebook.)



Jim Williams FB Page.

Spotted this Navy EOD patch on the



From FB, **Mike Gallagher**:

Back to Paradise again in Zihuatanejo. (Mexico)

(Looks just like the view from a brand new hotel where I spent a week on the island of Penang, Malaysia, in 1974. The British influence there resulted in a Guinness Brewery nearby. )

Places like this are Magic!



This appeared on Facebook, posted by our **Steve Johnson**. Check it out. Some great Western scenery on his FB page!

Where daughter Gwen and her family ranch in Wyoming. The Hole-in-the-Wall is in this valley, where Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid hid out from the law—it's "across the street" from our ranch.

From The Saddle Photography-Gwen Shepperson



Life is tough in Big Sky. This is how we start our day at Lone Mountain Ranch ..

Hey, Mike, I love the beach, but I think I'd have to split my time between your paradise and Steve's. Both are amazing!

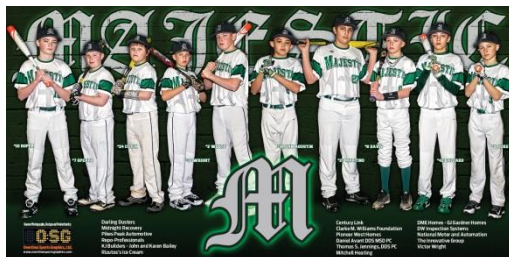




What's the best thing about Switzerland? I don't know, but the flag is a big plus.



Live Webcam of the New Housing construction? [Right Here.](#) **Control/Click and be patient!**



That's my son **Josh** on the left end. P, C, SS, 2B.

Bat: Easton Mako, Drop 8: \$349

Playing Shortstop for 12U Majestic Baseball: Priceless!

This is the dugout banner. Tournaments are underway. If you have a 1 minute and 42 seconds, paste this link in your browser:

<https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=867641746610433&set=vb.137310539643561&type=2&theater> Then slide over to 7:49 to meet Josh.



Speaking of baseball—hey, I know these guys! That's Dinger in the middle, mascot of the Colorado Rockies. And who else but our own **Mary and Van Butler**. This picture appeared on Facebook on the day of the first pre-season game at Talking Stick in Phoenix, where the Rocks lost 6-2 to the Diamondbacks. (We watched the Rocks beat the Brewers, and Josh got Cargo's autograph here in March!)

"He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key."

### Wabash College .

"It will be worth it." turns up on a lot of Wabash PR. Want proof? [Payscale.com](https://www.payscale.com) announced Thursday Wabash is No. 50 in nation for return on investment. Wabash offers better return in 20 years of salary vs cost than Purdue, Indiana, even Notre Dame and No. 667 on the list - DePauw. Story on website. The hard work in the classroom, studying abroad, and even jumping in a creek pays off.



*Another Facebook hit.* **Chuck and Becky Kraft** with maternal grandchild.

Two dramatic endings gave Wabash a split over two nationally-ranked baseball teams. Clint Scarborough drilled an 11th-inning walk off grand slam for a 15-13 Wabash win over 16th-ranked Marietta. A late rally by Baldwin-Wallace was capped with a walk off single in the bottom of the ninth







## Little Giants Take Third at Nationals With **Two Champs**, Four All-Americans

For all the details and next year's schedule, please click here:

<http://attachment.benchmarkemail.com/c52838/WrestlingMarchNews.pdf>



**WAYNE KORNAS**—HAMMOND GAVIT GRAD—HAD A BIRTHDAY. LISTS HIS STATUS ON FB AS “UNEMPLOYED.” ARE YOU REALLY RETIRED OR JUST DOING PART-TIME ER DOCTORING??



Wabash announces **3 Fulbright Scholars!** While details are being finalized (one winner was also named an Orr Fellow and may have to choose) and a formal announcement is in the works, please feel free to

offer your congratulations to: **Ben Finley** – English Teaching Assistant (ETA) to Argentina (also named an Orr Fellow), **David Gunderman** – ETA to Germany, **Patrick Rezek** – ETA to Poland.

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[Michael Dybel](#)

I enjoyed the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra on April 3 with my son, Matthew, and Yvonne. Nadja Solerno-Sonneberg performed the Shostakovich violin concerto No. 1. We had a great day together.

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This class letter was a different approach to the process. *Almost all of the information and photos came from Facebook.* If you like the style and would like to join in, find me and friend me on FB. Otherwise email works fine. Click [jimroper@ropersbooks.com](mailto:jimroper@ropersbooks.com) and send a newsy note right now!

Get those health screens, and do take care,

**Jim Roper '68**

