



WABASH COLLEGE

Class Agents Letter

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Men of the Class of 1977,

I want to follow up to the letter President Pat White sent to all alumni earlier this month. As Pat explained so well in his letter the significant loss in the financial markets and therefore Wabash's endowment value has created an immediate budgetary crisis for Wabash. Since more than 50 percent of the operating budget comes from endowment income, Pat has been forced to make some very tough decisions-freezing all salaries, cutting all departmental budgets, reducing the number of students approved for off campus study, and delaying some construction projects. Your contributions to the Annual Fund have always been important but never more so than right now. Contributions to the Annual Fund go directly into the operating budget. Your gift to the Annual Fund is the equivalent of an endowment 20 times the amount of that gift. So a \$25 contribution would equal the impact of \$500 in the endowment.

President White closed his letter with the following paragraph:

Bright, curious, hard-working young men - men of integrity and ambition - continue to want a Wabash education, and we will be steadfast in pursuing our goal to provide the scholarship assistance for that to happen. Now more than ever, as our resources in the endowment have been depleted by this downturn, the young men of Wabash need the support of the College's friends and especially our alumni, who themselves benefitted from the generosity of generations of philanthropic support. I know you will continue to help make a Wabash education possible for these talented young men.

I encourage you to click on the link www.wabash.edu/gift and take five minutes to read six profiles of current Wabash students. One of the profiles is of our own Bob Einterz's son, Seth '11. I know that all of us have been impacted in some way by the current economic crisis, so it may not be possible for all of us to contribute at the same level we have in the past, but any gift of any amount \$10, \$25, \$50 is important and will count towards reaching our participation goal for our class of 50%. I am including the current honor roll of donors for the Class of '77 for this fiscal year. Thank you so much for your continued support of Wabash.

Class News

I am saddened to report that the College has informed me of the deaths of two classmates since Herm and I last wrote in December. Phi Psi David Williams was the victim of a violent homicide. David was murdered in his home near Dayton, Ohio on February 14th.

Former class agent for the Class of '77, Delt Terry Endsley, lost his battle with cancer on April 14th. Terry was hired by Navistar after graduation and had a distinguished and successful career serving in a variety of leadership positions for the company most recently as Chief Financial Officer. I am sorry to close this letter with such sad news.

Wabash Always Fights,

Greg

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Here's a picture of Bob's son, Seth Einterz '11 at Nationals

