

# Wabash '91

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Dear Fellow Classmates,

Two decades have passed since President Lew Salter rang in the Class of '91 in the Pioneer Chapel on that August day. Here's the latest from Wabash and from your classmates...



**Let's Beat the Tigers!** No, we'll beat the Dannies soon enough. I'm talking about conference rival Wittenberg. I know that I've pronounced at least twice on the blog that—since the Bell game is at Dannieland this year--our tailgate would be held at Homecoming on Sept. 29. We were alerted to one big fact: We're hosting big conference rival Wittenberg during Fall Break! It's shaping up to be a really big game, and most of the students won't be on campus. So...we thought we should move this year's official tailgate. The game will also be taped for later broadcast on local Indianapolis cable. Therefore, if you have but one Wabash football game to attend this fall, make it this one:

**The Official Class of '91 Tailgate Party  
Saturday, October 13, 2007  
in a parking lot somewhere behind Hollett  
Little Giant Stadium**

Tell a classmate, bring the wife and kids. If anyone wants to help organize this year's bash, let us know.

**To Lead Effectively & Live Humanely.** Those are but two of the edicts laid forth in Wabash College's mission statement. And for the past few years, they have been put to no better use than at Wabash Day. Established by Jon Pactor '71 through the NAWM, Wabash Day is a national day--well, actually two days--of community service planned and carried out by alumni, family, and friends throughout the country.

**This year's Wabash Day is the weekend of October 6-7.**

The College has created a spiffy new Web site ([www.wabash.edu/wabashday](http://www.wabash.edu/wabashday)) to coordinate the activities and where you can locate information on project leaders and locations. There's even a Google map designating Wabash Day sites all the way from Seattle to Boston! Pick a day, pick a project. But be sure to help fulfill Wabash's mission and sign up for Wabash Day.





**Campus Pets Muzzled.** According to the Sept. 13 issue of *The Bachelor*, "In a letter dated August 9th, 2007, Mr. Larry Griffith, the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the college, was informed by our insurance carriers, Gregory & Appel, that...no longer will any pet be allowed in any campus owned living units including dormitories, fraternities, and other housing." The decision has many Wabash student howling (<http://www.wabash.edu/news/4979>).

A brand-new house full of guys is hard enough to maintain—just walk into any of the new fraternity houses. Having a menagerie of pets only makes things worse. Still, there have been the exceptions, and you know as a Phi Delt I'm going to bring up General, the beloved St. Bernard donated by Gen. Earl Johnson '38. (The fourth one is pictured here.)

But it's unfortunate that the decision of which pets stay or go has been wrested from the hands of our College's administrators by its new insurance carrier. But that's the way the world works.

**Framing the Wabash Center.** Builders have been framing the new Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. This is the site where Kingery Hall once stood. Here are the latest pix:



**Old House, New House, Delt House, Teke House.** The Sigma Chi Ski Lodge is no more. The "House that Mike Brady Built" has been demolished and will be the new location for the Tekes, who are living in the old FIJI house. The old Teke house has been renovated as a dorm. Confused yet? Meanwhile, the Delts began Phase I of their renovation. (They're still in the Delt house by the way.)



And now for our most popular segment: Classmate News...

**W** Kip Aitken is a daddy once again. Here's the scoop...

Eleanor Emma was born on July 9th at 8:15 a.m. She was 19" long and weighed 8 pounds and 3 ounces. Both Julie and Ellie are doing well.



**W** Mike Aslin (right) has been back in Indiana for about a year. He has an endodontics practice in Carmel, where he lives with his wife and three girls. Previously, he was a dentist in the Air Force for several years, which bounced him around from city to city. He'd really like to catch up with some of his Sigma Chi PBs like Burt Largura, Erik Daffon, and Mike Cunningham.

**W** Brian Breedlove writes...

I am nearing my eighth year of living in Japan, and last year, after a few years of doing research in the area of coordination chemistry in Osaka, Sendai, and Tokyo, I became the English editor for the Bulletin of the Chemical Society of Japan. As well, I have been doing freelance editing for nearly seven years. I wouldn't mind hearing from anyone. This information is already in the searchable online class notes system.



**W** Greg Mead attended the Franklin Community High School 20<sup>th</sup> reunion.



**W** Luke Messer and his wife, Jennnifer, are proud parents of a bouncing baby boy. Hudson Lucas Messer was born May 31 and weighed 7 lbs, 15 oz. Congratulations, Luke!

**W** Scott Royer is especially good at sending us pictures, especially of spots where he and his family go on vacation. Here's the latest he's sent. Yes, Scott, the girls are really growing!

Attached is a picture of the girls on Little Round Top at Gettysburg. Behind them to the left is Devil's Den and the Slaughter pen. To the right is the Plum Run Valley, or "The Valley of Death." I took the family and my folks to Gettysburg over spring break on the way to visit Evelyn's sister in Maryland. My folks and I went back to Gettysburg to spend more time there. I got a two for one: Ev wanted to stop at the Hagerstown outlet mall and ten miles south of it was Antietam. My dad and I spent a couple of hours there.

**W** Dave Stone sent the following about his 20<sup>th</sup> high school reunion:

Perry Meridian's reunion was about a month ago. Attendees included me, Doug Gaebler (Delt House for a year before transferring to IU, now working with autistic kids), and Simon Bogigian (working for the BlueManGroup in NY). Randy Head (a county prosecutor) was there with his wife, but I couldn't find a picture. Marty Coffey couldn't make it. He's now a chemist in the Rochester, NY area.



*Pictures: Dave and Kristin Stone, Doug Gaebler, and the elusive Simon Bogigian.*

**W** Mathé van Heeswijk sent the following pictures of Eelco, his 9-month-old. Mathé says, "He's crawling, and he's driving his mom Linda nuts already!" Man you really have to keep an eye on young kids, or you don't know what they'll get into! The couple have three wonderful kids and live in the Netherlands.



**W** Hugh Vandivier (yeah, that's me) has started work as a writer/producer for Creative Street Media in Indianapolis.

Send us your updates! We want to know what you guys are doing, and of course, we'll pass it along to your classmates. And keep checking the blog and hitting that Comment button.

Thanks for your help. Thanks again for your support in the many ways you give it. Keep in touch.

Yours in Wabash,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hugh Vandivier". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.