

WABASH '99

Class Agent Letter

December 6, 2015

Gentlemen:

Happy Holidays from your friendly Wabash Class Agent. I hope you and yours have a safe and happy Holiday Season.

I actually started this letter a couple weeks ago with flashbacks to freshman year and cheering on the sidelines. "Albion, Albion, Albion...a snowy football field in November for the playoffs"...or something like that—I can't be sure. After thrashing DePauw in the last week of the regular season, the Little Giants made the playoffs again. And on a snowy afternoon, the Little Giants prevailed over Albion and then beat Thomas Moore the next weekend in the second round of the playoffs. Their season ended this weekend in a quarterfinals loss at St. Thomas. Congratulations on a great season.

When I was back on campus for Homecoming I was fortunate enough to Learn about the Liberal Arts Plus Initiatives. Students in these four programs are getting some unique opportunities and doing some pretty amazing things. The focus of these programs is on academic innovation but provides a lot of outside the classroom experience in an interdisciplinary fashion. For more information and opportunities to be involved in these programs please go to <https://www.wabash.edu/plus/> to learn more.

There is video of the new housing construction on campus:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3Vidi5t-NQ>

Since it's been a while since my last letter, I realized I haven't had the opportunity to thank everyone who donated to the annual fond last fiscal year. We had a good showing on the day of giving in March as well as the year overall. On behalf of the College, thank you for your generosity.

John Altman
Dave Bowen
Aman Brar
Gary Campbell
Mark Cevallos
Troy Clark
Dave Coates
Chris Cotterill

Eric Dieter
Mark Elrod
Jack Fenimore
John Festa
Brandon Gall
Chris Gegg
Jared Hall
Daniel Hartnett

Craig Higgs
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Ryan Holmes
Bill Hoover
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James Mann
Steve Mathys
Jim McHugh III
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Derek Nelson
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Josh Patty
Nick Prihoda
Tony Reyes
Adam Salon
Tom Sarver
Scott Schroeder
John Sowers
Jason Stair
Rob Walker

Marc Welch
Ben Whitehouse
Matt Whitmire
Alex Will
Ryan Will
Patrick Wright
Matt Zopel

Class Notes

Earlier this year, **Dave Bowen**, MM4 CEO, and Managing Director, Xchanging Procurement Americas, has won two executive awards. Bowen won Gold in the “CEO of the Year – Globalist” category of the **CEO World Awards**, as well as winning Bronze in the “Executive of the Year – Small Companies” category of the **Best in Biz Awards North America**.

Chris W. Cotterill, the former chief of staff for the city of Indianapolis and an attorney specializing in public-private partnerships, now serves as general counsel for the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC). After Wabash, Chris earned his JD from Maurer School of Law at Indiana University in Bloomington.

In October, **Jared Hall** became the president of the Bloomington, IL market of Commerce Bank. After Wabash, Jared earned an MBA from the University of Notre Dame.

Sam McCrimmon, has been selected to lead The University of Toledo’s Advancement Division. Sam’s fundraising career began at Wheeling Jesuit University and he served as director of programs for the Executive Service Corps of Western Pennsylvania. In 2004, he joined the University of Detroit Mercy, where he advanced to leading the major and planned gift programs, providing strategic direction that resulted in record fundraising in fiscal 2010-11. He joined the UPMC Health System in 2011 and has overseen growth both of fundraising and infrastructure. After Wabash, Sam earned a juris doctorate from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and a master of theological studies degree from Duke University.

Adam Salon is now the head Lacrosse Coach at St. John’s Jesuit High School Academy.

Please keep sending updates, so I can keep the letters interesting.

Yours in Wabash,

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