



Class Agents Letter

Class of 1969

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Gentlemen of the Class of 69,

Now that March Madness is long over, life can return to normal with time to enjoy the warming spring weather, although it has been cold here in Indiana with hard frosts in March and April. Here in southern Indiana the redbuds are in full bloom with the pink dogwoods close behind. Indiana is beautiful in the spring, as is the Wabash campus, with the large magnolia trees in front of Center Hall.

Seniors had comps the week of 13 January, with classes beginning 20 Jan. For the spring semester 854 students registered, down 37 from 882 in the fall. About a dozen seniors have completed their coursework a semester early. The four classes are made up of 167 seniors, 223 juniors, 214 sophomores, 250 freshmen, with 96.3% of the fall freshmen returning, up from 93% returning January 2024. 188 seniors are scheduled to graduate in May.

Now the spring semester is moving quickly on with less than two more weeks of classes before finals begin 5 May. Upcoming events:

30 April	12 th Day of Giving	#SingThyPraises
17 May	187 th Commencement	
6-8 June	Big Bash	
16 August	Ring in the Class of 2029	

Day of Giving is Wednesday, 30 April. **#SingThyPraises**...when our voices, hearts, and gifts combine, the College we love so well will stand unequaled. Mark your calendars. This is the 12th Day of Giving for Wabash College. It will be an exciting Day and an opportunity give a dollar or two to 'ol Wabash. As the Wabash card said, you can give in advance. Call 877-743-4545, or mail in a check with 04.30.25 or "**#SingThyPraises**" in the memo. The goal for 30 April is to reach 5,000 gifts that will unlock \$625,000 from a group of Wabash leaders. A great effort is being made at Wabash and with alumni to make 30 April a record-breaking day. We hope you will join in the fun and take part in a memorable Wabash Day of Giving.

Big Bash 2025: Big Bash this year is Friday, 6 June to Sunday 8 June. Check out the link to Big Bash on wabash.edu/bigbash. On the link you can see who is registered. Try to register by 28 May if you wish to attend. There is a full schedule of events Friday and Saturday and excellent meals by Bon Appetit. It will be a fun weekend and the spring weather good.

Class reunions: 50th – Class of 75 55th – Class of 70 60th Class of 65 65th – Class of 60

New Student Center: Ground breaking was 25 January in the Sparks Center, with many people attending. (Ground outside was frozen) Wabash Magazine, as you saw, had good



coverage of the event. The US Dept of Agriculture has not yet approved the loan, but is expected to be approved soon. Demolition of the building has not yet begun, but demolition external to the building is in progress. It is anticipated building demolition can begin early summer once the loan is approved.

Center link: <https://www.wabash.edu/communitycenter/> Check out the construction cam.

Dean Moore Scholarship: As I wrote in my 16 Dec 24, letter we have five students who received tuition assistance from our Dean Moore Scholarship for 2024-25.

Andrew J Sinkovics '25 (3)	Independent	Martindale	Bremen, IN
Jacob E. Irick '25 (2)	Independent	Rogge Hall	Tempe, AZ
Austin S. Dalton '26 (3)	Independent	College Hall	Pimento, IN
Evan C. Stonis '26 (2)	Fraternity	Phi Kappa Psi	Naperville, IL
Sawyer B. Lewis '28	Independent	Rogge Hall	Corydon, IN

We have received thank you letters from four of the five recipients. Their letters are attached.

The fund book value as of 1 April is \$905,323. The market value has dropped since 1 April.

Wabash Sports: Wabash has a heavy schedule of sports this spring. Baseball is 18-7 with 15 games left before the NCAC championship on 8 May. Tennis is 11-7 with 5 matches left. Track & Field was 1st with 9 teams twice, 2nd with 8 teams twice, 5th with 10 teams twice, and 8th with 18 teams. On 15 March Will Neubauer earned All-American Honors the at NCAA track and field championship in Rochester, NY. Golf has played a busy schedule with 12 matches Feb to end of April. NCAC Championships are 2-4 May in Columbus, IN.

If your contact information should change, please let me know. Or email Mike Warren in the Alumni Office warrenm@wabash.edu. We always enjoy keeping in touch with you!

Once again, I extend to you on behalf of Wabash College a very heartfelt special thank you for all your support to Wabash College over these many years. Your philanthropy is the cornerstone of the College and significantly helps many fine gentlemen pursue a rigorous liberal arts education.

Hoping to see you at Big Bash 2025 if you are not too far away and can make it to the campus on Friday and/or Saturday.

Be sure to **#SingThyPraises** on the **4.30 DOG on 30 April**.

WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS!!

Kind regards!!

Ken

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February 25, 2025

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crawford
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Bloomington IN 47401-8632

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Crawford,

I would like to extend my gratitude for the financial support to my education at Wabash College. Without amazing people like you supporting great causes, I wouldn't be in the situation I am today. I am extremely appreciative of this and plan to wholeheartedly pursue my interests in Biology and Spanish at Wabash College with this help.

Since my freshman year here at Wabash, I have found an interest in Biology and have conducted research with the SNL Lab on campus to refine my laboratory skills and gain more knowledge for future courses. As well, I have had the opportunity to present local research on Spanish children's books in Montgomery County at the Student Day of Celebration of Research. Through research experiences and academic resources like such, I have been able to expand my horizons and look into furthering my career as a nurse. Without generous donations like this, I wouldn't have found this path that I would like to take in life.

I plan to continue to expand my horizons and grow as a person and student here at Wabash College. I am extremely appreciative and grateful for opportunities like this. Your generosity is extremely appreciated by myself, my family, and all my loved ones. With this act of kindness, I can peruse my dreams and experience the life of a Wabash Man. Thank you for your decision to support my education at Wabash College.

Sincerely,

Andrew Sinkovics
Wabash College, Class of 2025

Martindale Hall
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February 25, 2025

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crawford
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Crawford,

I hope this letter finds you well. My name is Austin Dalton, and I am a junior at Wabash College, where I am proud to be part of the football team. I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the Class of 1969 Dean Moore Scholarship, which is helping me remain at this incredible institution.

Thanks to your generosity, I am able to continue my studies and pursue my athletic goals without the constant concern of the financial burden. Wabash College has been an important part of my personal and academic growth, and the opportunity to be here has already had a profound impact on me. Your contribution is a crucial factor in making this possible, and I truly cannot thank you enough.

Being part of the Wabash community—both in the classroom and on the football field—has been an invaluable experience. The support I receive from the school, my teammates, and donors like you has motivated me to keep striving for success, both academically and athletically.

Once again, thank you for your kindness and generosity. Your support means the world to me, and I am deeply grateful for your role in helping me continue my journey at Wabash College.

Sincerely,
Austin Dalton '26

Phi Kappa Psi – 602 West Wabash Ave
Crawfordsville, IN 47933

April 1, 2025

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crawford
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Crawford,

Thank you for your generosity and support of the Class of 1969 Dean Moore Scholarship. It is a tremendous honor to have received such an award, and it has already made my experience at Wabash College life-changing.

This scholarship has enabled me to join the Wabash community. We've bonded like brothers and established a lifelong network of like-minded people who continuously challenge and support each other. It's a magical place, and I'm beyond grateful to be here.

It has been my dream to continue my collegiate lacrosse career at Wabash. I've honed my lacrosse skills while developing critical life skills such as leadership, teamwork, and determination. The connections I've made and the experiences I've gained will last a lifetime.

Above all, you've allowed me to create memories that'll last a lifetime—whether in the classroom, on the football field, or simply enjoying brotherhood with my classmates. Without your kindness and this scholarship, my opportunity for experience at Wabash would not be possible, which I do not take for granted. You are a role model for the names you've bestowed upon yourself in giving back to Wabash and to this scholarship's future recipients. One day, I hope to be able to give back to Wabash as you have to me and many, many others.

Thank you again for your confidence in me and the possibilities you've provided. I will never forget this experiences you've given me the chance to have.

Sincerely,

Evan Stonis

Dean Moore Scholar

Wabash College '26

Rogge Hall – 322 Union Street
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2/24/2025

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crawford
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Crawford,

I am Sawyer Lewis, and I'm a freshman here at Wabash. My hometown is Corydon, IN, the old Indiana state capitol, in case you didn't know. I went to Corydon Central High School, and I am currently on the track and cross-country team here at Wabash. I remember going on my first college visits and thinking this place was boring or meh. After a few college visits, I found myself at Wabash College. The first thing I did was meet the cross-country team, who were all super nice and encouraging. I then proceeded to be on a tour of the campus. This tour is a huge reason I came to Wabash. I loved the tradition and the interaction between students and the faculty. I fell in love with Wabash, and once I left, I knew this was where I wanted to go.

As I said before, I am on the track and cross-country team here, and I love it. The group of guys I see every day makes each practice worth my while. I love to run, and apparently, I'm pretty good at it too. As of right now, I am undecided on my major, but I am thinking about going into the field of Psychology. Psychology interests me because you can understand why humans behave or think they behave or think. As of right now, I currently work at the bookstore, which doesn't just give me another job experience to put on my application, but it also helps with learning how to use new software, take inventory, and most importantly, talk to people. I came to Wabash hoping to get an advanced education while also feeling a part of a brotherhood and as of right now, I feel I am receiving that.

I thank you for the Class of 1969 Dean Moore Scholarship, as it has helped me with the decision-making process and will continue to help take the stress off my shoulders and the family who supports me. I hope to get into further contact with you to better understand your experience at Wabash and get to know you.

Thank you again for supporting Wabash.

Sincerely,

Sawyer Lewis '28