

Class of 1974

Class Agents

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Greetings to the Wabash Men of 1974:

I (Paul) just returned from the Class Agent Forum in Crawfordsville, Mark had a family commitment in the Detroit area and could not attend. Hereafter this forum will be known as the J. B. Bachman '61 Class Agent Forum, newly named in honor of J.B. as the College's longest continually serving class agent.

Although President Scott Feller said he wasn't going to fill us with numbers and statistics during his presentation, he certainly gave us plenty of each. I will try to summarize:

- **We exceeded our \$225 million Giant Steps Campaign goal back in March, though there was no official announcement of this achievement. The Campaign ends in June, 2023, thus President Feller expects us to greatly exceed our original goal.**
- **We enrolled 265 new students this year of whom 25 are international students, our highest number ever of international students.**
- **Of the current enrollment of 835 students, 66% are residents of Indiana.**
- **Last year's graduation rate was an impressive 83% especially when compared to perennial North Coast leaders Oberlin and Denison.**
- **In the current class, 58% pledged fraternities versus only 42% last year when there no on-campus visitations. President Feller stated the percentage of pledges needs to continue to increase to make the most efficient use of campus housing.**
- **Contributions to the 2021 – 2022 Annual Fund were a record \$3.9 million or \$300K over our goal from 5,291 donors. Alumni participation**

was again a stellar 40%, though just barely, with 4,800 alumni donating. Through extraordinary efforts in June, we made the 40% benchmark by one alumnus!

- Our endowment sits at \$363 million as of August 31, down about 10% from its peak at 12/31/21.**
- Capital projects underway include small projects at the Lambda Chi and Theta Delta Chi houses; a new electrical network moving the lines from tunnels to above ground; and planning for a new campus center to replace the Sparks Center. President Feller said the new campus center will be on the present site of the Sparks Center and not disturb Walcott and Morris Halls.**
- Finally, President Feller said the College's most glaring need was to increase the endowment for financial aid.**

I will not burden you with my usual pleas for financial contributions to the College, prospective student referrals, and student internship opportunities although all are greatly needed and appreciated. However, I will remind you we are less than two years away from our 50th Class Reunion and Mark and I need your help to make this a memorable reunion.

I am asking for volunteers from each living unit to take the lead in getting their pledge brothers and dorm mates and off-campus roommates back to Crawfordsville for BIG BASH 2024. Please contact Mark or me ASAP if you can take on this important responsibility. We are also looking for someone or group of men to lead the class gift campaign.

Lastly, you will find attached to this letter a list of men from our class where we have either no contact information or incomplete contact information. If you are in contact with any of these men or know someone who might be, please share this with us. You can either get these men's consent to share this information with us or we will contact them to get their consent to contact them further.

**Best Regards,
Paul and Mark (in absentia)**

Here's the list of classmates with missing contact info:

No Postal Address

Amadou Taal

No Phone Number

Errett Allen
Hugh Connor
Michael Enyart
Mike Flanders
Derrick Fujisaki
Bill Gardner
Dennis Higgins
Roger Jacques
Roger Li
Chuck Ott
Ben Park
Jim Pattison
Ira Rouse
Erik Schwendeman
Rick Weber
Tony Wolf

No Email

Dan Berning
Bob Black
Rick Brown
Tim Carroll
Jim Claybourn
Barth Conard
John Conner
Mike Craig
Greg Crosbie
Bruce Ferry
Floyd Fetter
Tom Galovic
Ken Gilliam
Jim Hanner
Randy Harmon
Paul Hernandez
Jack Kramer
Richard Kruder
Don Loehr
Bob McGinley
Jim Mead
Dave Neitzel
Mike Nickovich
John O'Leary
Peter Olson
Ray Peterson
Kent Priebe
Mitch Proctor
R.J. Reed
David Ritter
Ron Rogers
John Rogers
Larry Ruble
Toshiyuki Sato
Mark Schnepfer
Bill Schwartz
Brian Sweeney
David Tworowski
Hal Wendling

No Phone and Email

James Alexander
Tom Arndt
Martin Belcke
Robert Cline
Jim Everett
Bill France
Phil Gall
Doug Graham
Don Hodson
Mark Howard
Craig Johnson
John Lauer
Tad Lawrence
Chris Lime
Larry Morrell
Steve Nelson
Ron Pace
Wayne Powell
Tom Robb
Dale Rockwell
Eigel Rothe
Jack Roudebush
Jeff Rouze
Eric Ryan
Harold Schinbeckler
Gary Swim
Fontaine Turner
Larry Walton