

Class Agents Letter

Class of 1985

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Dear Class of 1985:

First a couple notes directly related to our class:

• Dan Stockton reports:

We have a group of alumni in the St. Louis area that gets together periodically and I try to see them when I can. Unfortunately my schedule doesn't always allow me to do so. At any rate, here is what I've been up to. I am still working and Shelterlogic is a company that produces outdoor storage sheds. I work in the steel products and schedule the steel production for a facility in Illinois and one in Connecticut. These are the sheds you see at Home Depot, Lowe's, and Menards.

The other part of my life that keeps me busy is performance. Particularly acting. My wife Jodi is a full time actress and we both are spending a lot of time on stage or in film. I won't bore you with all the shows but will tell you that we rarely have a lot of down time. As for movies, we have a premiere coming up in St. Louis for one we wrapped last fall and I am about to start filming as the star of a feature film that hopefully will be out next year. Jodi is in a movie titled, "The Gift of Grace" that can be seen on Amazon Prime, Tubi, and other streaming channels. It's a really great one that you should check out. She comes in about halfway through due to story establishment. She plays Grace.

We have two cats at home and live in a lovely neighborhood in O'Fallon, Illinois just east of St. Louis. The people of our subdivision have started calling me the Mayor. I organize a block party every year and help out with odd jobs like sharpening lawn mower blades, plumbing repairs, car repairs, ceiling fan installations, and so on. Others have started ladies bunco nights, movie nights, play dates for the kids, and I've even had bourbon tastings. We have a very active subdivision that for some reason people seem to think I am the leader. LOL.

Way to go Mayor Stockton!

On Friday September 26 (as a part of the Homecoming Weekend events), the college officially dedicated the Latino Community Center. One of the highlights of the event was the granting of an honary doctorate degree to our very own Hipolito Rafael Chacon! You can find more information about the event (including pictures), and the LCC at these links: https://bachelor.wabash.edu/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Final_Pages_10-03-2025.pdf
https://www.wabash.edu/news/story/13509?photo_album_id=6071

So what about **YOU**? Please feel free to share news of your life with me at: < milgils@sbcglobal.net >.



News from Wabash:

• When I was on campus last month, I took some pictures of a view that did not exist in the 1980's. This is what you currently see if you look west from Center Hall and east from the midway point between Morris & Wolcott! (There is **no Sparks Center** to block the view!)





- The 131th Monon Bell game will be on Saturday November 15 in Crawfordsville at 1:07 EST. Currently, both teams have only a single loss in conference. Wabash lost at John Carroll University 31-28 and JCU won in Greencastle 31-27. This has the makings of another close game. Most likely, the winner of the Monon Bell will be second in the NCAC and have a chance to advance into the NCAA D3 playoffs with an at-large bid. All the tickets are sold, but the ISC Network will once again stream the game live on their network (https://www.iscsportsnetwork.com/) and through the ISC Facebook Live and YouTube channels. The Wabash College Video Network (https://sports.wabash.edu/wcvn) will also broadcast the ISC Network feed. There will be alumni gatherings across the country to watch the game. You can find the list of telecast parties at: https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/mononbell/
- While I was on campus last month, I got to meet new Dean of Students, Scott C. Brown. Dean Brown brings a lot of experience from similar roles at a diverse collection of other colleges. He will be giving the next Whenever Whenever Wabash "After the Bell" online lecture entitled "The Pillars of Student Life at Wabash." The talk is scheduled for Monday December 8 at 7:30 8:30 pm EST. You can register at: https://www.wabash.edu/events/afterthebell-scottbrown
- <u>Wabash Magazine</u> editor Kim Johnson is seeking answers to the following questions for future articles:
 - What's the biggest chance, risk, dare, bet, or challenge you have taken? What was the result? What did you learn?
 - Do you work or volunteer in the public service sector? Tell us about what you do.
 - Tell us about your favorite holiday and/or family/friend tradition you celebrate every year.
 - If you ran into a college friend you hadn't seen in years, what would they be surprised to learn about you?

Feel free to answer one or all of the completely unrelated questions above. Photos welcome! Respond to: **johnsonk@wabash.edu**.

More Wabash news is available at www.wabash.edu or the Class of 1985 Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/206066189687/

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p.s. Here's a class picture from the 40th Reunion. I am looking forward to our 45th Reunion which is coming up in June 2030. Let's see if we can get a big enough turnout to fill all those bleachers.



1st row left to right: Greg Estell, Melissa Butler, Scott Powers, Tom Moone, Todd Rowland, Mike Gilvary

 2^{nd} row left to right: Scott Himsel, Wes Dennis, Malcolm Douglas, C. Davies Reed, Chris Burgess, Chris Striebeck, G.B. Landrigan

3rd row left to right: Jason Dyer, Tim Grusenmeyer, Jim Davlin, Cory Olson, Nick Crnkovich, Steve Hoffman

You can also download this picture at:

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