

Class of 1990

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Dear Classmates of 1990,

I'm not entirely sure where November went, so before the end of year escaped me, I wanted to be sure to send some campus news.

As I was opening a Word doc, two words came to mind – thankful and proud.

During this time of year, we are reminded to be thankful. Well, I'm thankful that I attended Wabash and had a chance to meet all of you (and I hope you are, too!).

Recently I was thinking about comps. The seniors on campus will have the 'opportunity' to experience this within the next few weeks. Believe it or not, I am even thankful I had the chance to go through comps!



Here's a question for you, do you remember who was on your comps board? I apparently erased that from my memory since I don't remember anyone. I wonder if this is tracked anywhere. I'd love to find out.

While looking at the Wabash homepage, "We might be the best school in America" is emphasized. Having experienced Wabash, all of us surely have a lot to be proud about. Here are some recent 'moments' that may not have hit your radar:

- Wabash College received top 10 rankings in 10 categories in The Princeton Review's 2025 college guide. For example, we were ranked:
 - 2nd for Best Internship Opportunities
 - 3rd for Best Health Services and Most Active Student Government to go along
 - 4th for Best Alumni Network
 - 5th for Best Financial Aid
 - 5th for Best Career Services
 - 5th for Best Campus Newspaper, and
 - 6th for Most Accessible Professors ([story](#))

- More than 97% of the Class of 2024 have secured their first professional opportunity or acceptance into medical, law, or other graduate school programs. The national average, by the way, is 85.7% in six months.
- Wabash set a record for freshman-to-sophomore retention at 93%, and the freshman class is the largest since 2018, which is extremely important as we experience an enrollment cliff with far fewer young men attending college today.
- The Art Department celebrated Professor of Art Emeritus Greg Huebner H'77 with a retrospective exhibit titled "Imagining Balance Amid Chaos & Harmony." ([photos](#))
- Two US Army Blackhawk helicopters landed in Mud Hollow on October 24 to pick up six Wabash ROTC Cadets. (Didn't have that when we were there!) This was a ceremonial gesture by the Army to honor their service. The Wabash cadets train at Purdue. ([photos](#)) I thought this was incredible and had to add it to the list.
- Brayden Curnutt '25 captured the North Coast Athletics Conference Cross Country Championship, earning Men's Runner of the Year and First Team All-NCAC honors. At the 2024 NCAA Division III Great Lakes Region Men's Cross-Country Championship he once again crossed the finish line in first place to claim the individual title. At the NCAA DIII National Championships, he finished 18th, earning All-American honors. ([story](#))
- On November 11, the campus transitioned from the Sparks Center over to a temporary dining facility, which has already met with a very positive reaction from students, faculty, staff, and visiting diners. With a nod to historic Mud Hollow, this new space dubbed "Grub Hollow," includes a dozen mobile units that have been connected on one set of the outdoor tennis courts.
- On November 21, Wabash celebrated Founders' Day. Our Bicentennial is now fewer than 2,900 days away (8 years)!
- After Final Exams, the baseball team will travel to the Dominican Republic, led by Head Coach Jake Martin '03 and Professor of Spanish Dan Rogers H'12.
- More than 150 prospective high school students, along with parents and counselors, recently visited campus for the first of two Scarlet Honors Weekends.

There's a definite overlap between being thankful and proud - so be both and be sure to thank those who have helped you.



A doctor friend of mine recently had a visit from a gingerbread man complaining of a sore knee. "A sore knee?" the doctor said. "Have you tried icing it?"

P.S. This summer is our 35th reunion (!). This year, **[Big Bash](#) will take place on June 6-8, 2025**. Mark your calendars! Registration will go live at the end of January/start of February.

Thank you for all you do – big or small – doing something is what matters! (If you'd like to learn more, here are [five ways you can support Wabash students](#)),

What are you fighting for?
Keep up the good fight because
Wabash Always Fights!

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