



Class of 1985

Class Agent Letter

May 2019

Dear Class of 1985:

1. Class of 1985 updates (including career updates from 2 professors named Bob!):

a) The University of Evansville has announced the investiture of **Bob Dion** as the newest holder of the Igleheart Chair in Political Science. Robert is the chair of the Department of Law, Politics, and Society in the William L. Ridgway College of Arts and Sciences. He has taught American politics at the University since 2001. The Austin Igleheart Chair in Political Science was established to promote the study of government, particularly local government and political science. The chair is awarded to a faculty member who has demonstrated an understanding of the importance of teaching excellence in the field of political science.

b) **Bob Gregerson**, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and senior advisor to the provost at Florida Gulf Coast University, has been named president of the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, effective July 1, 2019.

d) **Dominic Simon** reports:

My wife Heather and I had the privilege of attending the Division III National Wrestling Championships in Roanoke, VA. It was certainly a treat to see quality wrestling especially out of the Wabash men. We are only 3 1/2 hours away from Roanoke, so it was a nice getaway. I was surprised and delighted to see so many Wabash fans especially since they came from a longer distance.

My daughter is graduating from Appalachian State University this month, and my son is getting married soon. My how time flies!

e) Let Kyle (kcarr1@mhc.net) and/or me know what you're up to so we can give our classmates the information! We all want to hear from you.

f) More Class news is available on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/206066189687/>

2. Wabash news:

a) Commencement day falls on May 12 again this year, just like it did for us back in 1985. This year almost 200 guys will be graduating. Career Services reports 87% of these guys already have their "first destination" secured even before they got their sheepskin! That sure beats the national average of 64% 6-months after graduation.

b) Next year we'll have our **35th reunion**. Mark your calendars for The Big Bash June 5-7, 2020. If you don't want to wait a whole year to party, you can go to this

year's Big Bash for practice. That party is Friday May 31 – Sunday June 2. As an added bonus, the Big Bash starts with the "Wally 1st & 10: A Symposium on Football and the Liberal Arts" including a talk Friday afternoon by **Daniel Kraft '85** "Concussion Management in Football: Past, Present, and Future." Details are available at: <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/schedule> {Big Bash} and <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/afs> {Football Symposium}

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p.s. April 10 was the Wabash "Day of Giving." In that single day, the College received 5,238 gifts for a total of \$1,165,444. New records were set for the number of donors, the number of gifts, the amount of dollars raised, affinity challengers, lead challenge dollars, and number of donors for a Class. A big THANK YOU to all who participated! For a little perspective, that "other 'W' college where folks like to wear red" [University of Wisconsin] had their "day of giving" on April 9 and received 5,061 gifts, but give them a break because they only have 33,000 undergraduate students and 450,000 living alumni.
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p.p.s. The Wabash fiscal year ends June 30. If you want to expand the gift you've already given this fiscal year, or if you haven't made a gift yet this year but would like to, then you can do it online at: <https://www.wabash.edu/ecommerce/>

or by mail to:

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