

## **Class Agents Letter**

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**Class of 1969** 

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Gentlemen of Class of 69,

After a very warm August the lazy, hazy days of summer are slowly giving way to the cool days of autumn as we look forward to beautiful fall colors in Indiana. The Wabash campus is now home to 870+ young gentlemen pursuing their liberal arts education. Having been rung in by President Feller on Saturday August 21, classes began August 26 for 219 freshmen for the Class of 2025. This is a little less than the 240 freshmen in 2020. This year's freshmen came from 17 states and 7 countries, and have a GPA of 3.85. Nine were valedictorians, 14 were Eagle Scouts. We wish the 219 men of the Class of 2025 all the best over the next four years in their pursuit of a fine liberal arts education.

Phil Allen '69 There will be a memorial service for Phil Allen on Sunday, 12 September, in the Chicory Event Center in Mishawka, IN located at 114 W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street. The service will begin at 1130. If you are within a reasonable driving distance please consider attending the service. Phil's family will greatly appreciate any classmates who can attend. In the "In Memory" section of the Spring 2021, Wabash Magazine, I wish to thank John Burrell, Gary Wade, Dave Pancost, Richard Elson, Jack Brown, Steve Mihalko, and Tom Brambrey for their thoughts and kind words in remembering Phil. Having set the Wabash record in the 100 and 220 yard dash, Phil set a new Wabash record in the 440 yard relay with Milhalko, Fisher, and Brambrey in 1968. Phil then broke the 440 relay record again in 1969, and still holds the Wabash track records in the 100 and 220 and 440 relay today, 52 years later. Amazing! Phil is truly "Some Little Giant"

**Dean Moore Scholarship** As they did last fall the Scholarship Committee is in the process of awarding to students of need our Dean Moore Scholarship for tuition assistance, which should be accomplished by October. At this time we do not have the names of the recipients nor the amount of scholarships that will be awarded. Last year four students, one in each class, shared a total of \$25K in scholarships. It is worth noting the amount of donations to our Dean Moore Scholarship Fund this past fiscal year and on the 4.08 Day of Giving has raised the book value of our fund to over \$700K. I wish to extend a very special thanks to all of you who made a gift to Wabash College this past year and who gave on the 4.08 Day of Giving. We greatly appreciate all who have given and continue to give to our Dean Moore Scholarship Fund.



Homecoming 2021 On 18 September Wabash will celebrate Homecoming. Wabash is playing Allegheny in what should be an exciting game. Game starts at 2:00. During halftime the Little Giant Stadium and the Frank Navarro Field will be dedicated. Homecoming halftime is traditionally the Drag Queen contest, so I assume the Drag Queens will be part of the dedication ceremony. That should be interesting! We hope many of you can make it back to the Wabash campus for homecoming. It will be a big day at Wabash College. I will be there and hope to see many of you back home again at Wabash. Register here: https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/homecoming

Class of 2021 On 15 May in Wabash College's 183<sup>rd</sup> Commencement President Feller awarded diplomas to 178 graduating students in the Class of 2021 in the new stadium with beautiful spring weather. 98 members of the Class of 2020 were also in attendance to take part in their graduating ceremony. Their graduation last year for 178 was virtual. President Hess led the Class of 2020 through the Senior Arch, followed by President Feller leading the Class of 2021. They all assembled on the steps of the Allen Center to sing "Ol Wabash" one last time as students. We wish them all well in their new fields of endeavor and hope they will always come back home to Wabash.





The beautiful Wabash campus on a quiet summer day.

I received an email from Gene Schofield with the sad news that Tom Hunter '69, Sigma Chi, passed away last Thursday after three years with multiple myeloma. Services for Tom will be held Saturday 9/11, at the Central College Presbyterian Church, 975 S. Sunbury Rd. Westerville 43081. Calling hours are 1-3, and the service is 3-4. Our thoughts and prayers are with Tom and his family.

Despite the challenges with a surge in covid I hope all had a wonderful and safe summer. As the months and years pass I sincerely hope you will be able to make it back to Wabash to celebrate homecoming, the Monon Bell game, and any of the many sports and cultural events.

Remember: Wabash is always your home!

Keep Wabash on your mind!

**WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS!!..** 



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