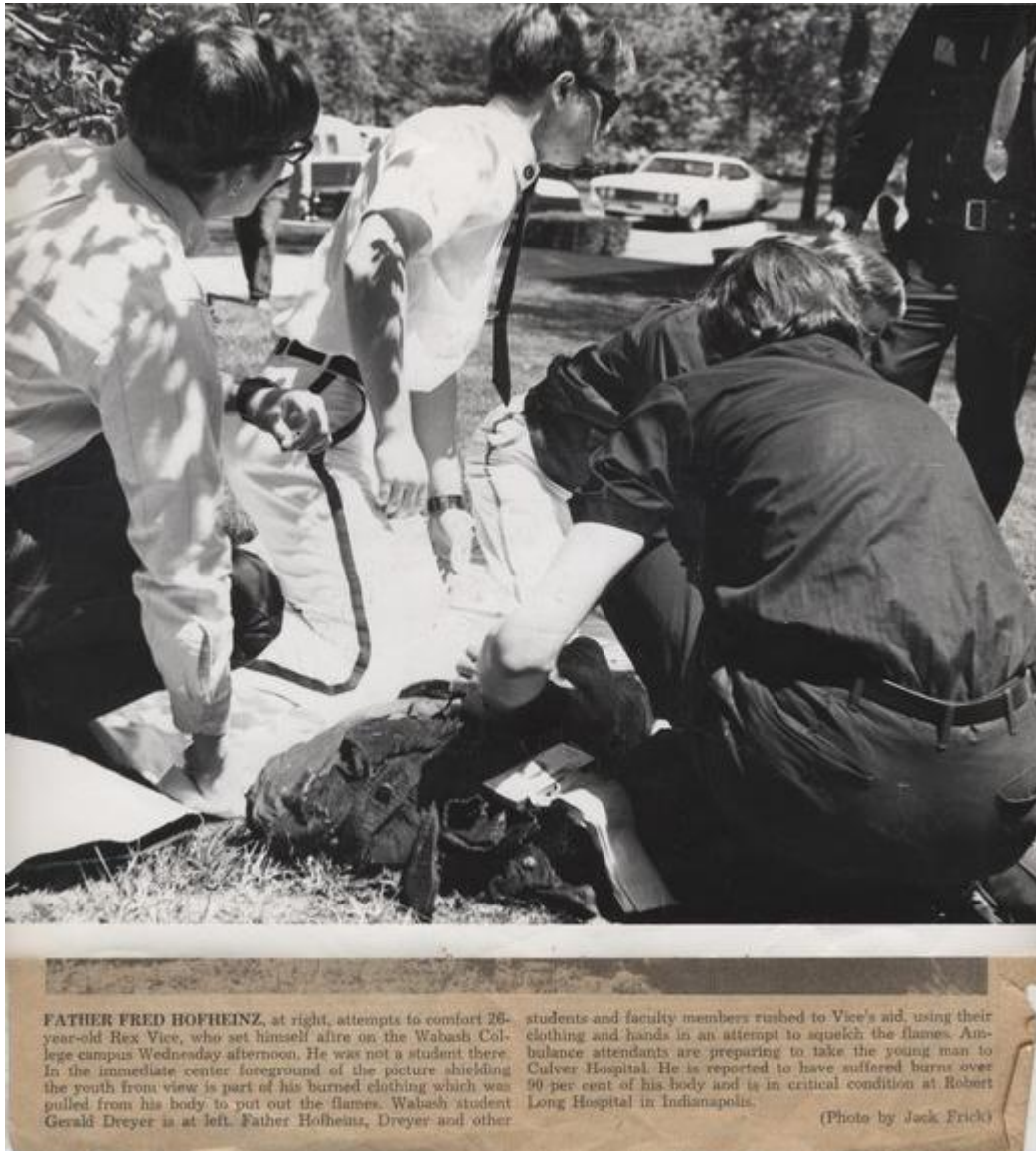


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Greetings, Class of '73,

I imagine you're surprised to be getting another class letter from me in such a short time. The main reason, of course, is for one final plea for everyone to make a financial gift to Wabash before the end of their fiscal year on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the 54 of you who have already made contributions:

John Albrecht  
Pete Allen  
George Angelone  
Chris Aul  
Greg Bartels  
Paul Bisset  
Jim Braddock  
Tom Buek

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John Busch  
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Ken Cornacchione  
Dennis Dean  
John Feick

Jack Foos  
Douglas Freeman  
Steve Ganson  
John Gastineau  
Ted Grossnickle  
Bruce Guebard  
Guy Guthrie  
Joe Haklin  
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Lynn Thomas  
Tim Whiteman  
Dave Worrell  
Charles Young

I did get word a while ago of the death of Dr. David Stout and thought I'd pass the news along to you, especially those who remember him from the Delt House. Here's the obituary from the Seymour, Indiana newspaper:

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McClatchy-Tribune Regional News - The Tribune

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## THE CALL OF HOME

Seymour 's Dr. David R. Stout never wanted to do anything else with his life besides practice medicine.

Now, 30 years after he began doing so in his hometown, Stout has been named 2010 Doctor of the Year at Schneck Medical Center.

"It's an honor that I really received very humbly because I think the rewards we get in medicine are more the results we see in patient's lives, not in personal accolades," Stout said during a recent interview at his practice in the Family Medical Center .

"It's just an honor to work for my patients. I think that after 30 years I'm really very close, I mean my closest set of so-called friends are my patients that I see here every day, and that for me makes medicine for me still very incredible," he said.

Stout, who grew up in Seymour, said he likely would have been a farmer if he could not have been a doctor.

"Being a doctor is all I ever wanted to be. When I went away to school, I kind of had tunnel vision, and if things would not have worked out for me to go into medicine, I have absolutely no idea what I would have done in my life," Stout said. "Probably my second choice would have been to be a farmer."

He attended **Wabash College**, Western Kentucky University and Indiana University School of Medicine before he completed his residency at St. Vincent Hospital in Indiana.

After his residency, he was in private practice for a year in the city before moving back to his hometown.

"I was a small town boy and grew up here. My heart was still in a small town. It was in a wonderful practice, the practice was wonderful, just living in the city was not for me. In 1980 I came back here and have been here ever since," Stout said.

Outside of his practice, Stout is involved at his church and has taken several trips to Haiti for a medical ministry. "I go to Haiti several times a year," he said. Stout said he is blessed to be able to practice medicine.

"I just feel very, very blessed to be afforded the opportunity to be able to practice medicine. Just very blessed to come back to a wonderful town, practice in a great hospital, be surrounded by other peers and physicians that are extremely competent and caring in a climate sometimes today is not that friendly in medicine," he said. "But we truly have a very, very unique medical community here that is afforded to us, I think, largely through the work of the hospital and their administration, the board of trustees there and especially by the medical staff."

Stout and his wife, Debby, have two grown daughters, Emily and Megan, and several grandchildren.

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Also, here's a link to a story about Ted Grossnickle. The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University has honored him with the Spirit of Philanthropy Award.

[http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news\\_ID=8028](http://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news_ID=8028)

Keep checking the college's website for updates on the progress on the football and baseball fields. Here are some new photos from Kyle Bender, '12.

[http://www.wabash.edu/photo\\_album/home.cfm?photo\\_id=16802&photo\\_album\\_id=2404](http://www.wabash.edu/photo_album/home.cfm?photo_id=16802&photo_album_id=2404)

Now, about the photo at the top of this newsletter. I received the picture from classmate Wes Allardice, a fellow resident of the TKE house during his time at Wabash. Wes is the person in the middle of the photo wearing the white shirt and tie; he was working for Shipley's Ambulance at the time. The men in the picture are bending over Rex Vice, a local teen who decided to protest the Vietnam War and the Kent State shootings by covering himself in gasoline and then igniting it, in the same way Buddhist monks were demonstrating their opposition to the war. May 1970. Crazy times, weren't they? Reliving those days in my mind still brings on a wide range of emotions. I know I could write volumes about my thoughts/feelings of those times (but I'll spare you men and won't do that right now).

I thought that maybe we could use the photo as an impetus to get some feedback from you. What do you remember of those days? How did the war and the threat of the draft affect you? (I know I would have preferred using the year after high school graduation to serve in the Peace Corps, but that wasn't an option.). What are your thoughts concerning the actions of the students and National Guard at Kent State University? Much of what was done in the 60's and early 70's by those of our generation radically changed our society and country forever. Was it for the good or bad?

Let me know. Give me a call, send me an email, or message me on Facebook. Do you have photos of our time at Wabash? Include those so they can be added to upcoming class letters.

The others in the photo are Gerry Dreyer ('72), Wes' partner Bob Devitt, and Father Fred Hofheinz from the Newman Center.

Let me share a nice experience Patsy and I had last weekend. On Friday night, we attended the wedding Jenni Gould and Jeremy Burton ('08, who works for Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita, '92). It was held at the Salt Creek Golf Retreat in Brown County, on an outside deck overlooking the golf course and the hills of Brown County State Park. Even though we've had rain almost every day for the last couple weeks, the weather cleared and the sun broke through the clouds five minutes before the ceremony began. Perfect!

The reception was held in the adjoining dining room. We ended up at a table with Jesse James ('08), his girlfriend, and his parents, plus President and Chris White – very Wabash! Beside the large, traditional wedding cake there was a small Wabash cake that the eight Wabash men at the dinner got to share. Jeremy even led us in "Old Wabash" (Judging from the looks we received, most of the guests are now convinced we're a bit crazy. They're probably right.).

We had some noteworthy discussions at our table. We found out that Jesse is running for state representative from Indiana's 45<sup>th</sup> District. He's running against the incumbent, Bruce Borders. It turns out that Mr. Borders' notoriety comes mainly from being an Elvis impersonator (and evidently rather good at it based on testimonials from people like David Letterman). But what a contest – Elvis vs Jesse James!

Jesse mentioned that he has someone in his class at Indiana University School of Law who had had President White as his baseball coach when the Whites were still in South Bend, before they came to Crawfordsville. That led to President White explaining how he got volunteered to help coach baseball, how he checked out all the books from the library that he could find on the sport, and soon found himself elevated to the head coaching spot. He was kind enough to share his #1 motivational speech that he used for his team of elementary kids with us. We have titled it the "Dairy Queen Speech" and it goes like this...

"If we win, we go to Dairy Queen! If we lose... we will probably STILL go to Dairy Queen, but it will taste better!" (Maybe you had to be there to actually hear President White's presentation.).

Finally, and appropriately, we discussed financially supporting Wabash. Jesse, also a class agent, expressed that anyone who has benefited from their time at Wabash, especially those who had received any financial assistance from the college for their tuition, needs to recognize their obligation to give back, as they are able, to the school.

You have just a few days remaining until the college closes its financial books for the 2009-2010 year. Check out how you can do it quickly on-line at <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift/>, and be sure to ask your employer if matching gifts are available.

So, be sure to send me anything you feel would be profitable for us to include in our class letter, especially any personal news or updates.

Have a terrific week,

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