

Class of 1985 Class Agent Letter December 2017

Dear Class of 1985:

- 1. I hope everyone is having a delightful 2017 and will have a better 2018.
- 2. Class of 1985 updates (passed along by **Jim Dreher**):
 - a) **Chris Ruble** was recently promoted to President of Forward Air. Forward Air has a market cap of almost 2B dollars.
 - b) John George was promoted to Vice President of Strategy at Hallmark.

Please feel free to share news of your life with Kyle Carr (kcarr1@mhc.net) or me.

3. A little Monon Bell news:

a) A group of Wabash students, in bipartisan inspired disguise, attempted to liberate the Bell from Greencastle a month before the game. Got to love their creativity! http://www.bannergraphic.com/story/2454783.html

b) The football team recovered the Bell with an exciting 22-21 victory, including a 2-point conversion late in the 4th quarter and some razzle-dazzle. Only the Dannies could fall for the fake field goal trick twice in the same drive!

https://www.indystar.com/story/sports/college/2017/11/11/monon-bell-2017-wabash-beats-depauw-thrilling-22-21-showdown/835150001/

4. More Wabash and Class news is available at www.wabash.edu and Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/206066189687/</u>

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p.s. (from your classmate at the IRS): As you may have heard, the leaders of Congress have decided this would be a good month to add hundreds of new pages to the tax code. They make minor tweaks to the tax laws every year, but this time they want to do the biggest rewrite since at least 1986. We won't know exactly what has changed until after it goes into effect, but we do have some information on their goals. You may be thinking, "Mike, I don't want to read all that garbage over the holidays, I still have C&T reading assignments on my to-do list!" So, I'll give you a quick tip about the proposed changes. Like the 1986 rewrite, the current proposals would *drastically* reduce the number of folks who "itemize deductions." The result is that *many folks who can deduct charitable contributions (like to Wabash) made in 2017, won't be able to deduct contributions made in 2018. So you might want to contribute before the end of the year.*

pps. In case you're wondering how you can beat the 12/31 deadline, alumni can make gifts in three ways:

- a. Online at <u>www.wabash.edu/egift</u>
- b. By phone at 877-743-4545
- c. By mail to:

Wabash College Annual Giving PO Box 352 Crawfordsville, IN 47933