

Class of 1985 Class Agent Letter October 2021

Class of 1985:

The Party is ON! We'll be gathering with the guys from '86 (and the other '0, '1, '5 and '6 classes) for a tailgate party on Saturday October 16. Besides being a chance to reunite with the old gang, it will also give us an opportunity to watch the football team beat Wooster in the new stadium. Be sure to register at wabash.edu/bigbash and see who's coming at https://wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/attending-tailgate.

1. Class of 1985 updates:

a) Todd Rowland reports:

My youngest will be going to college this fall, so one step closer to empty nest. I will be going to part time clinical this fall, to allow more focus on social pursuits! I am still working as the Chief Medical Officer for Vitalflo Health and leading the telemedicine effort for the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

- b) It's official! I retired from the IRS last week after a career spanning 6 Presidents, 11 Secretaries of the Treasury, 8 [Senate confirmed] IRS Commissioners plus 7 Acting IRS Commissioners (serving a total of over 4 years) and 17 direct managers. "Enough of all that!" I said. :-{}} ==
- c) So what have you been doing lately? Have you already acted on your retirement plan or are you still working away? What is your post-career plan? Let Kyle (kcarr1@mhc.net) and/or me know what you're up to so we can give our classmates the information! Also, be sure to notify us or the Alumni Office (at alumni@wabash.edu or at 765-361-6360) of any changes to your contact information).
- d) More Class news is available on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/206066189687/

2. Wabash news:

- a) Unlike last school year, Wabash is inviting visitors to the almost fully vaccinated campus. The guidance changes each week as the Healthy Campus Task Force continues to evaluate the course of the COVID virus. As of the start of October, the campus logged no new cases for the previous two weeks. If you're planning on visiting campus, check wabash.edu/covid for the most up-to-date information and guidelines.
- b) President Feller rang-in the Class of 2025:
 - a. This year's ceremony was held on the football field instead of inside the Chapel as a COVID precaution. More information about these new Wabash men and a recording of the ceremony can be found at:

- b. https://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news ID=11774, and
- c. https://www.wabash.edu/giving/class2025
- c) The Admissions Office has noticed a drop in referrals from alumni. If you know any high school students who would be a good candidate for Wabash, you can do a referral at: https://apply.wabash.edu/register/refer
- d) In sports news, the football team is currently 4-0 after securing the program's 700th win last week. The soccer team is also off to a good start with a record of 8-2-1.
- e) In a sad note, another professor from our era has passed away. Former Speech Department Chairman, Dr. Joe O'Rourke died in August. More information is at: https://www.wabash.edu/news/displaystory.cfm?news ID=11773

W.A.F. (fully vaccinated, at a healthy distance, with clean hands, while properly wearing a mask!)

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