

# **Class Agents Letter**

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Class of 1997

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Wabash Class of '97

Our Big Bash Class Reunion – 25 years - is only weeks away, June 3-5! Please sign up at <u>https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/schedule</u> even if it's only for one of the days, it would be great to see everyone!

Here is who is signed up currently Ethan Kirchner Parker Lyons Greg Robinson Eric Borgert Frank Duncan Joe Klen Rex Ryker Craig Miller Justin Rojas-Castle

I want to thank everyone who responded to our "What's Up" form and, I've added the updates to the letter. For those who got busy and forgot.....it happens! Here is the link to the online form: <u>https://forms.gle/TBLodNPKwCvsuKij8</u>. Please take a few moments to fill it out and let us know what you are up to and we will add it to the next letter!

Also, please consider a gift to Wabash if you haven't already by June 30!

Wabash Always Fights,

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# Matt Armentano

Evansville, IN

PERSONAL UPDATE I'm enjoying life in horse country with my wife and 4 kids.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I'm currently serving in the United States Public Health Service for the last 16 years. I am detailed to the Federal Prison in Lexington, Kentucky, where I serve and an Orthopedic Physical Therapist and Mid-Atlantic Regional Chief Therapist.

Jim Brennan Huntingtown, MD

# PERSONAL UPDATE

We have a small farmette in Southern MD, and my daughters participate in the local 4-H program. We raise goats, sheep, and pigs (in the past). The family is doing great.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

Currently, I am an active duty Commander in the Navy. I am assigned as the Commanding Officer of Information Warfare Training Command Virginia Beach at the moment. I will transition to a new position in June 2022. I enjoy reading the newsletters, and I hope everyone is doing well.

Evan Brown Aurora, IL

PERSONAL UPDATE My wife Jill and I are raising our two sons, Austin (16) and Tyler (14).

PROFESSIONAL UPDATE I've been an intellectual property and technology attorney with Much Shelist in Chicago since 2014.





# Frank Duncan Grandville, MI

## PERSONAL UPDATE

My wife, Betzie, and I still enjoy good friends, great food, and delicious drinks. We are doing an admirable job of keeping up with Brant (13) and Avery (11) in all of their school and sports activities. We still enjoy live music every chance we get and are recently turning into Peloton junkies.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I am still serving as the Medical Director of the Emergency Department and have recently taken on the additional role of Chief of Staff at North Ottawa Community Hospital in Grand Haven, MI.

### HIGHLIGHTS

I'm becoming better in the kitchen, surviving the worldwide shutdown, AND not contracting COVID (although encountering it on a near daily basis). I'm glad to see the Class Agent update letter again. Thank you for resurrecting it!

#### Brent Eaton Greenfield, IN

PROFESSIONAL UPDATE I'm the Hancock County Prosecutor.

# HIGHLIGHTS

Last November, I attended Monon Bell for the 20th consecutive year. If you ever make it to the game look for me. I will be there and it would be great to see you.

# Jeremy "Howie" Howerton Mooresville, NC

#### PERSONAL UPDATE

I'm married with 2 kids. My son is turning 14 at the end of December, and my daughter is 12. (Yeah, we got started late.) :) I'm spending a lot of time as their personal Uber service back and forth to basketball practices/games and acting/singing respectively.

## PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I'm currently working as an Enterprise Solutions Architect (Cloud/Kubernetes-focus) at <u>SentinelOne</u>.

HIGHLIGHTS I just can't wait for the C19 junk to be over :)







Jason Jackson Noblesville, IN

PERSONAL UPDATE I'm married to Kelly Jackson, and my daughter Madison is 14. PROFESSIONAL UPDATE I'm practicing criminal defense law in central Indiana, and we're opening a second office in Lafayette in 2022. I'm happy to help out in the metro Indy area.

Steve King Cincinnati, OH

### PERSONAL UPDATE

I'm husband to Annie for 20 years, father to Liam (16), Clara (14), and Thomas (13), and President-elect at the Rotary Club of Cincinnati. I love skiing with the family, singing with an acapella group again, and cultivating a pandemic obsession with fig-trees.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I'm the VP at Wealthquest, having fun expanding our \$1.6B RIA model beyond three cities. Looking for a crypto partner to tokenize our private equity.

### HIGHLIGHTS

I am overcoming a back injury, avoiding surgery, and slowly getting back into racquetball. I'm always happy to reconnect with Wabash friends.

# Ethan Kirchner

Brazil, IN

## PERSONAL UPDATE

I've been happily married for 10 years with two stepchildren (18-year-old son and 16-yearold daughter) and a 9-year-old son. I enjoy spending time with them, playing golf, usually with Jeff Nicoson, and taking sweet care of my yard because we are that old now.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I've been a chiropractor for the last 20 years. I have been practicing in Terre Haute, IN for the last four years. Before that I worked in Crawfordsville and Maryland.

## HIGHLIGHTS

My message would be to try to get back to the big bash or visit the college at homecoming or the Bell game. It's always hard to get away, but it always is worth it once we all get together. These things are great. I love seeing where everyone is currently. Just keep up the good work guys.







# Parker Lyons Westfield, IN

## PERSONAL UPDATE

I celebrated my 21st anniversary with my wife, Michele, in 2021, and I am the proud father of two young men (ages 14 and 12). We travel on family vacations as much as we can. This year we visited Maine, Connecticut, and Arizona. I keep myself busy with typical "dad" activities, specifically playing golf and cooking out on the back patio. I have been writing quite a bit, having finished a first draft of a novel with a writing partner earlier this year.

# **PROFESSIONAL UPDATE**

I am employed at Outside Source in Fishers, IN, as the Director of Product Development. Our company is based out of the Indiana IoT Lab and builds mobile and web applications for companies with "connected" products, such as smart home and wireless audio devices.

### Josh Robinson Evanston, IL

# PERSONAL UPDATE

Jenny and I have two teenage boys and a 10-year-old daughter. We are working hard and doing some traveling again as a family. I still have a regular Thursday night soccer game and watch too much English Premier League. I'm looking forward to seeing some old friends at our 25th Reunion.

# **PROFESSIONAL UPDATE**

I'm still working as a pediatric cardiologist at Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago, a Northwestern University teaching affiliate. Though healthcare during the pandemic has been a stretch, I love my job and am challenged by curious students and clinical fellows all the time. I've been the section head of cardiac imaging since 2019.

# Matthew Stockton Atlanta, GA

# **PROFESSIONAL UPDATE**

I'm still working at CDC with the Division of Parasitic Disease and Malaria as the Deputy Chief of the Entomology Branch. I was deployed with the WHO Global Operations and Assistance Network (GOARN) team for the COVID-19 response.

# HIGHLIGHTS

I participated in as ask the expert panel on Malaria with the CDC Public Health Academy this last summer. (Link: <u>https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=4elEQdeBisM</u>) I look forward to updates from classmates.









# John Upchurch Essex Junction, VT

### PERSONAL UPDATE

I enjoy hiking, biking (road and mountain), golf, and traveling. We have a family trip planned for Europe summer 2022 (which has been delayed for 2 years due to COVID).

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I'm in my 18th year teaching social studies.

# HIGHLIGHTS

We're beginning to look at colleges for my daughter; right now NYC or Europe appears to be her preferred destination.

Roscoe Wilson Hamilton, OH

# PERSONAL UPDATE

I have been married to Cassie now for 16 years. We have two daughters (10 and 8), and a dog (well and various other small pets as well). I am still playing indoor soccer once a week (I'm the oldest guy on the team!). I'm trying to get into mountain biking, but unfortunately there are no mountains in Ohio.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

After completing a 5-year term as the Department Chair for the Humanities & Creative Arts, I am back to a full-time faculty role, teaching more and making art. This past fall, my artwork was included in 6 exhibitions. Check out my artwork at <u>www.roscoewilson.com</u>

# Mike Wisser Hopkins, MI

# PERSONAL UPDATE

My family is doing well. My wife, Terrie, and I have four children: Brandie, Blaine, Zach, and Corrie. Brandie is an elementary school teacher and is married and just welcomed their first child, Emmett Cole Sisson, on Dec 14. Blaine graduated with a business degree and works as an insurance claims agent. Zach is a senior in high school and plans on pursuing an IT degree in college, and Corrie is a HS junior with aspirations for med school. We added to the family last summer with two golden retriever puppies, Sammie and Harlie.

# PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

I am working at Perrigo as a Director of Analytical R&D in the Consumer Self Care Americas business.

# HIGHLIGHTS

Adding a grandchild was a tremendous highlight!



