



WABASH COLLEGE

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Gentlemen,

Greetings to all of you! It is my hope that this letter finds all of you in good spirits, good health, and in a good stage in your lives. Many of you have undergone significant changes in your lives over the past 8 years (yes, it has been that long!) and our alma mater has followed that trend as well! If you have not been back to the school in a while, I can only describe the changes as physically amazing, financially audacious, fantastically forward thinking. I'm going to walk you through some of the changes, fill you in on a few of your classmates with some information that is long overdue, and provide you with some tools to continue to *spread the fame*.

When I say that the campus has changed, I'm not kidding. The buildings on campus are systematically being remodeled and renovated to accommodate future needs. This change has been brought about by generous giving in the Campaign for Leadership, the Greater Wabash Foundation, and the Lilly Endowment, to name a few. At the heart of the giving is the Alumni who have chosen to give back so that each new generation of Wabash men can forge their mark on the college as it reciprocates in the same way it did for us.

On that note, we have two matters of business. First, one of our own loyal sons, Chip Timmons, has been making a strong effort at getting Alumni involved in the recruiting of promising young men to carry on the tradition. Please be active in pursuing men who will contribute to a strong Wabash legacy. A short phone call, letter, or lunch may sway a decision that could make a vast difference in many lives (as it undoubtedly did yours). This year's class alone has a staggering number of referrals that were more than just incidental mentions of Wabash being a "good school." Wabash is a great school and several of you contributed to leading young men to believe that. Thanks! Second, if you're looking for other ways to give back to the college, there are plenty! Gifts to the college can be made online at <http://www.wabash.edu/giving/>. President Ford has made a bold statement in the amount of money he has committed to bring into the campus (and delivered on) to renovate campus buildings **AND** fraternity houses. Thank you all for your gifts thus far, and please keep at it; we're moving along at a sick pace to continue to secure Wabash's future as the best choice for those men who choose to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively and live humanely. More on the next page.

Here are the numbers:

Annual Fund

2004-2005 fiscal year goal: \$3M...we did \$2.66M in the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

Campaign for Leadership

Our goal was \$132,500,000. The final total for the Campaign was **\$136,121,982**.
NICE!!!

On behalf of the College, the Alumni, future Wabash Men, and myself, THANK YOU!!!

The 111th Monon Bell is November 13th. It is at Wabash. Get your tickets quickly, they are going fast! Kickoff is at 1:00 pm. It will be broadcast on Direct TV channel 321.

Your classmates

The most current information on your classmates is available online in the class notes. Please take some time to visit the Wabash website and check in on all the updates; making a few yourself! Here are a few updates:

Dr. David Boulware married Dr. Greta Chen in July. He is working on anti-inflammatory agents to slow the progression of AIDS/HIV in resource-poor countries.

John Bordenkecher has been teaching in Indy for the last few years and will be moving to Washington D.C. and pursuing a master's in international education and development at American University. johnmbord@hotmail.com.

Andrew Brannon is back in the mortgage business again; First Indianapolis Mortgage Corp. on the northwest side of Indy. He is continuing to raise his family (first one going to middle school already).

Michael Czerwiec II provides this update: I just moved to Long Beach CA and putting the finishing touches on a screenplay. I had been teaching high school English and theatre in Iowa for 4 years. I am dating someone.

Darren Cambridge provided the following: After receiving my Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin, I moved to Washington, D.C., where I've served as Director of Web Projects at the American Association for Higher Education and as a Fellow with the National Learning Infrastructure Initiative. In the fall, I'll begin a faculty position in New Century College at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA. I'm active in the Washington Interfaith Network; a group of 55 congregations building power in DC's neighborhoods, and am learning to play the mandolin.

Tony Basch had this update: I'm practicing law in Richmond, Virginia at Williams Mullen law firm and specialize in health care and corporate law. My college girlfriend, Ellie Elyawati and I have been married for almost seven years now. We'll both be back in Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin from October 10-16, 2004 to run the Chicago Marathon and visit our colleges, and we'd love to meet up with Wabash friends on our trip back. If anyone's in our neck of the woods, feel free to drop us a line. My contact information is below.

Jon Bradley provided this update (I wanted to preserve the original text for your entertainment):
Turbinator,

I always enjoy hearing the news of classmates such as: new jobs and growing families, sex changes, etc.. I am emailing with my updates and our latest addition: Avery Marie Bradley born on August 18, 2003 and she is doing quite well. I was serving as a Human Resource Consultant for Delphi Automotive in West Lafayette since 1999, moved in 2003 within the Lafayette borders but (closer to my favorite fishing hole by chance). Wife Stacey, daughters Avery 9months, Sydney 3 years old are doing great. Work is great, the family is wonderful, and the smallmouth are biting....what more can a guy ask for? My Delt brothers now call me Librarian Jon instead of Party Jon as life has mellowed. I am throwing a big cookout this weekend and will try to instigate some hedonistic activities. Please print my contact info of: jonbradley@iquest.net, 765-449-9946.
-Dean Hadley Bradley

nice...some things never change ☺

See this and many other updates in your Class Notes section of the Wabash Website.

My wife Erin and I were married in 2000, live in Carmel, and I'm a writer for a company in Fishers. I also am pastoring a house church that is part of Common Ground Christian Church in Broad Ripple. I can be reached at Chris.Carpenter96@Wabash.edu.

Big Bash

It has been 8 1/2 years since we left Wabash with Hall Peebles' blessing. Soon, we will be looking at 10 years. Reunion plans will be getting underway soon – it's never too early to start making arrangements.

That's all for now. Get back to the school for a visit – if you haven't seen it for a while, it will blow your mind!

Wabash Always Fights!

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