

Descriptions Of Projects For 2007 Wabash Day--Wabash Alumni Benefiting And Serving Humanity

Below are the projects for Wabash Day projects around the country for October 6 and 7. This list will be updated periodically. It was last updated on September 27, 2007.

To volunteer or to ask a question about a project in your community, contact the Wabash Day Leader for the project. E-mail addresses are provided below, but their phone numbers and addresses can be found elsewhere on this Wabash Day website.

California

San Francisco (Bay Area). Alumni of the Bay Area with family and friends will be working at the thrift shop of the Clausen House from 10 a.m. to about 3 p.m., on Saturday October 6, 2007. The specific work they will do will depend upon the number of volunteers. Clausen House creates opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to gain competency, develop relationships and join the community with increasing command over their own lives. It is a non-profit corporation serving more than 180 adults from the San Francisco Bay Area. See, www.clausenhouse.org. Jonathan Walsh '98 is the Wabash Day leader. To volunteer, contact Jonathan at walshjd@hotmail.com.

Colorado

Denver. The Colorado Association of Wabash Men and their friends and family will continue their Wabash Day relationship with the Karlis Family Center in Lakewood on Saturday, October 6. The Karlis Center is a domestic abuse safe center for families to receive supervised visitations and counseling. This will be their third consecutive year working with the center. The specifics of the work will not be finalized until mid-September but will likely include expanding the landscaping started last year with more flowers and bushes. They will also be doing some tree & bush trimming, cleaning gutters and possibly fence repair and touch up painting around their grounds. John Panozzo '89 is the Wabash Day Leader.

Georgia

Atlanta. The alumni, family, and friends of Atlanta will volunteer at Café 458 on Saturday, October 6. This site is associated with Samaritan House, a project designed to assist homeless men and women gain self-sufficiency. Here's a link to their website to see the possible activities: samhouse.org/help/volunteer.cfm. The exact schedule will depend on the number turning out. It will probably run from about 8:00 a.m. to noon. Tim Doyle '86 is the Wabash Day leader, and he will have more details later. To volunteer, contact Tim at TDoyle@Oglethorpe.edu.

Illinois

The **North Suburban Group of Chicago Alumni** will return to St Francis Woods on Saturday, October 6, in the Independence Grove Forest Preserve for its Wabash Day service project. The group's activities will begin at 8:30 and end by 11:30 and include seed collecting, brush cutting, trash pickup and trail maintenance. St. Francis Woods is a

100-acre parcel within the Independence Grove Forest Preserve of the Lake County (Illinois) Forest Preserve District. St Francis Woods had a long history of summer camp use by hundreds of children. Trails and a few artifacts remain from those active years and countless ghost stories hover over the site and its large iron gates. Tom and Ethel Tincher of Lake Bluff are the stewards for St Francis Woods and our hosts for this event. Mark Dewart '74 is the Wabash Leader for this project. To volunteer contact Mark at mark.dewart@abbott.com or at 849-937-3718.

The **West Suburban Group of Chicago Alumni** will travel to Dick Young – Nelson Lake Marsh on Saturday, October 6, in Kane County Forest Preserve (2s326 Nelson Lake Road, Batavia, IL). They will begin at 9:30 and end by 12:30 and include some seed collecting, some weed removal, and fall cleaning of trails. Families are invited to bring the kids and friends, too. This is an opportunity to learn about and serve in a Kane County Forest Preserve. A picnic will follow the morning activities.

Dick Young – Nelson Lake Marsh is one of the largest (983 acres) and finest natural areas in Kane County. Here reside the County's largest and most diverse collection of wetland plants containing at least five State endangered species and correspondingly; here reside other rare and endangered birds and wildlife.

Charlie Bell '66 is the Wabash Leader. To volunteer and to get directions, contact Charlie at cbj1s@hotmail.com.

Indiana

Bloomington, Monroe County, IN. Alumni be volunteering at the Red Cross' annual book fair on October 7. This is a major community event (and a great source of funds for the Red Cross), drawing thousands of people over that weekend. They'll raise about 1/2 of their total funds for the year from this event alone. The alumni will be helping them sort books, haul books, package books, and in general, just getting them ready for the fair. Pat East '00 and Dan Faust '05 are the Wabash Day Leaders. To volunteer, contact Pat at patrick.east@hanapinmarketing.com or Dan at rdfaust@iupui.edu.

Crawfordsville, IN. The alumni, family, and friends of Crawfordsville and Montgomery County will be having a couple of projects on Wabash Day. The details are being worked out. To learn more or to volunteer, contact Mike Warren '93 at warrenm@wabash.edu.

Evansville, IN. Evansville will help Holly's House on Saturday, October 6. Holly's House is a Non-Profit Organization that will provide a single location for the Domestic and Sexual Violence and Child Abuse Departments of the Evansville Police Department. Due to the nature of the construction, which is all volunteer, it will not be known exactly what they will do until closer to Wabash Day. Thom Liffick '73 is Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Thom at LIFFICKT@southwestern.org or at tliffick@aol.com.

Fishers, Hamilton County, IN. The alumni of Hamilton County, Indiana, have two projects: Fishers and Noblesville. They will work at Mudsock Camp in Fishers where they will rejuvenate trails and prepare the camp for autumn activities in a family-friendly project. The camp puts special emphasis on developing core values, leadership abilities, appreciation of diversity, improved relationships and skill development – all while having

fun and getting dirty! Seamus Boyce '03 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Seamus at spboyce@cchalaw.com or at seamus.boyce@gmail.com

7 Indianapolis Project on Saturday and Sunday

1. [Keep Indianapolis Beautiful](#). Saturday, October 6, 2007 from 9 a.m. to noon. They will work on a planting project at [338 South Arlington](#) in Irvington. The city provides all materials. This is a rain-or-shine project unless there would be lightning. The project allows for 15-20 people, including children. David Johnson '04 is the captain. To register to volunteer contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

2. [Second Helpings](#) (*project 1*). Saturday, October 6, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Second Helpings collects donated food, prepares nutritious meals for thousands of Hoosiers and distributes these meals through more than 50 local social service agencies in Indianapolis. They will staff its kitchen by chopping, peeling, stirring, and packaging meals. This project allows for 10-15 people, 16-and-older. It is located at [1121 Southeastern Avenue](#). Mark Shreve '04 is the captain. To register to volunteer, contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

3. [Second Helpings](#) (*project 2*). Saturday, October 6, 2007 from 9 a.m. to noon. In the second project, depending upon the number of volunteers, they will wash vans used to transport the food. This project is especially good for younger children, 8 and older. Mark Shreve '04 is the captain. To register, contact Jon Pactor '71 at pactorlaw@iquestnet.

4. [Gleaners Food Bank](#). Saturday, October 6, 2007 from 9 a.m. to noon. They will pack boxes of food for seniors on Saturday, October 6 from 9 a.m. to noon. They will take a tour of Gleaners' food distribution facility, and then the volunteers can work the assembly line until noon or so. They need about 24 volunteers. With adult supervision, children over the age of 10 are welcome to work the line. John Bridge '72 is the captain. To register to volunteer, contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

5. [Partners In Housing](#). Sunday, October 7, 2007 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Partners in Housing, a non-profit organization, owns and manages housing facilities for homeless and people with special needs. They will paint, seal, and grout to complete a new playground at [Colonial Park](#) at 4421 E. Washington Street. Frank Hagaman '72 is the president of PIH. This project allows for 15-20 people, 16-and-older. Roger Neal '04 is the captain. To register to volunteer, contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

6. [Villages](#). Sunday, October 7 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Villages is a valuable agency that assists abused children. They will do fix-up work at the site near Decatur High School. Linda Adams, wife of Skip Adams '71, is its director of development. This project allows for 15 people, including teens. Kevin Benefiel '81 is the captain. To register to volunteer, contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

7. [School On Wheels](#). Alumni, family, and friends will head up a school uniform drive for Indianapolis Public Schools. They will be at the Wal-Mart near 75th and Keystone Avenue to collect new and used school uniforms on Sunday from noon to 6 p.m., but alumni can volunteer for shifts. They will have tables set up outside of the Wal-mart to collect used and new school clothes. Wal-mart will have special package deals inside the store. A Wal-Mart grant has been applied for to have a matching donation of clothes from the store. All clothes will go to School on Wheels, an organization that tutors homeless children in Indianapolis Public Schools. This project will

be suitable for children. Depending on volunteers, the same project may occur on Saturday, too. Tim Craft '00 is the captain. To register to volunteer, contact Jon Pactor '71 @ pactorlaw@iquestnet.

Marion, Grant County, IN. Alumni, family, and friends will be preparing and serving meals on Saturday, October 6 from 9 am – 12 pm at Kay's Kitchen, which is located at the St. Martin Center in Marion. It averages 136 meals per day. It provides nutritious home cooked meals in a welcoming, clean, and respectful atmosphere. Thanks to the dedicated service of numerous volunteers, Kay's Kitchen served over 34,800 meals in 2006. Craig Miller '97 and David Callecod '89 are the Wabash Day Leaders. Dave can be reached at david.callecod@mgh.net, and Craig at cmiller@progressivecancer.org.

Muncie, Delaware County, IN. Alumni, family, and friends will be doing clean-up and maintenance on the Cardinal Greenway Trail on October 7. They are starting at 1:00 p.m. at the Depot Trail Head in downtown Muncie. Jim Williams '88 is Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Jim at jwilliams@Defur.com.

Noblesville, Hamilton County, IN. The alumni of second project will be in Noblesville for the Hamilton Centers Youth Service Bureau, which is a facility for pregnant and parenting teens. The HCYSB is a private not-for-profit agency founded in 1975 to provide shelters for abandoned, neglected, abused, homeless or pre-delinquent youth in Hamilton County. Today it provides programs to meet the physical, social, emotional, and educational needs of troubled and at risk youth and families. The Pregnant and Parenting Teens program offers a residence assuring a structured, stable, supportive and safe environment for pregnant and/or parenting teenagers. WABASH Day projects include interior and exterior painting, landscaping, and basic carpentry work. This project is best for volunteers 13 and over. Greg Estell '85 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Greg at rgestell@theestellgroup.com.

Rochester, Fulton County, IN. Alumni, family, and friends will be painting the interior of the Fulton County Community Resource Center, which serves as the home for the Fulton County Council on Aging, on Saturday, October 6 from 9 a.m. to about 1 p.m. The building serves meals to seniors and also provides a central location for other resources and activities, including public transportation. Andy Perkins '97 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Andy at andy@peterson-waggoner.com.

Shelbyville, IN. Shelbyville will work on construction of a home for a local needy family located at 537 W. Franklin St. (corner with Elliot St.), Shelbyville, in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity on Saturday, October 6. It is anticipated at this point that Wabash Day volunteers will be doing insulation work, subject to the development of the project. Curt Johnson '94 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Curt at hajohnso@hotmail.com.

South Bend, St. Joseph County, IN. The alumni of South Bend and St. Joseph County, along with family and friends, will work with the Families First Center for the second consecutive year, an organization operating since 1991 and dedicated to providing children in foster care (usually due to neglect or abuse) with a safe, supervised and home-like setting in which they can regularly meet with their parents. The Center moved to 605 Portage Avenue, South Bend (two buildings north of Welsheimer's Funeral Home), two years ago and still is in need of some work. Peter Trybula '77 is board president of the Families First Center. Their work includes several projects: (1) digging post holes for the board fence that runs along the property line at the end of the parking area (roughly 80'-100' in length) and setting them in concrete, and (2) building and

attaching fence sections to the fence posts; and (3) digging out an area overgrown with weeds and filling it in with landscaping rock. Other smaller projects may be available. It will be a full day of service, beginning probably at 9 a.m. and going through 2 or 3 p.m., but it is fine if volunteers are only able to work part of the day. Additionally, spouses and children are invited to participate. Peter Horvath '92 is the Wabash Day Leader, and you can contact him at horvath.50@nd.edu.

Michigan

Grand Rapids. The alumni of Grand Rapids, along with family and friends, will provide very needed help to the Michigan Veterans Facility located in Grand Rapids from 9:30 a.m. to about 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2007. The facility has a small maintenance budget with no ability to hire needed personnel. Its covered shelter house (about 20 by 30) has a deteriorating shingle roof. The alumni will remove the shingle roof, put new underlayment down, put new shingles on which will resist moss (it is in a wooded area), stain the pillars and stain the under roof area brown to match the other area buildings, and have a picnic in the process. The alumni will also open their picnic to vets who can come. In any case on October 6, Wabash Grand Rapids will be celebrating WABASH DAY shingling and painting to the rhythm put out by the boombox with picnic munchies. Jay Fisher '66 is the Wabash Day Leader, and he has enlisted a couple of guys who he has made "Wabash Men For the Day" who have carpentry/shingle knowledge (and special equipment) to keep the workers on the proper construction path. To volunteer, contact Jay at wjf@fisher-dickinson.com

Mississippi

Laurel. The alumni of Mississippi and their family and friends will gather in Laurel for landscape work at the two locations at of the Domestic Abuse Family Shelter in Laurel, MS on Saturday, October 6. In addition, they will prepare the facilities for winter weather. They will work from 9 a.m. until 1 or 2 p.m.. They will retire to the Cline Home for food and more fellowship after their project. Lee Cline '66 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Lee at clineld@c-gate.net.

Missouri

St. Louis. The alumni of St. Louis will repeat their somewhat unique Wabash Day Project of the past two years and again gather wild seeds that will be used to support the Shaw Prairie Restoration Project on Saturday, October 6, 2007. They will meet at the Visitor Center, which is just inside the entrance of the Shaw Nature Reserve. The Shaw Nature Reserve is on the south side of I-44 in Gray Summit (exit # 253), approximately 22 miles west of the I-270/I-44 interchange. Detailed directions and maps can be found at <http://www.shawnature.org/visit/directions.aspx>. As in previous years, they will be instructed by Dr. James Trager with regard to identification of desired plants and techniques to gather the seeds. They will work until about noon, but participants should feel free to leave earlier than noon if they have competing commitments. Jim Thomas '73 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Jim at james.a.thomas-iii@boeing.com or at jathomas3usa@netscape.net.

Ohio

Cincinnati. Alumni, families, and friends will work at Stepping Stones in Indian Hill where they will join with over 200 volunteers from the Procter and Gamble

corporation to complete a variety of projects to beautify and maintain the agency's grounds. The project will take place on October 6 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Volunteers that day will be staining buildings, painting woodwork, landscaping, building benches, replacing flower boxes, and repairing a split rail fence. Our actual Wabash Day project will be determined later. Stepping Stones mission is to increase independence, improve lives and promote inclusion for children and adults with disabilities. It does this through preschool, adult day habitation, and a unique adaptive aquatics program. Mike Baker '00 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Mike at mike.baker@uwgc.org or (513) 762-7208.

Tennessee

Knoxville. The alumni of Knoxville will be working at a Habitat for Humanity project from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm on October 7, 2007. They will be at Lenoir City. Jerry Blossom '66 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer or to learn more, contact Jerry at 865-966-0044.

Texas

Dallas. The alumni of the Dallas-Ft. Worth area will be working at Central Dallas Ministries at 409 N. Haskell at 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, October 6, 2007. They will be working on a storage area for a food pantry. This agency serves the poor and homeless population in Dallas. Ray LaDriere '78 and Mike Gregory '70 are the Wabash Day Leaders. To volunteer, contact Ray at RLaDriere@lockeliddell.com or contact Mike at mmg48@verizon.net.

Houston. The alumni of Houston, along with family and friends, will work with the Hermann Park Conservancy, www.hermannpark.org, from 9:00 a.m. – noon on Saturday, October 6, 2007. They will work at the focal point of the park--the flower beds around the Sam Houston Statue at the entrance to the Park. The alumni are planning a post-project lunch. Greg Birk '77 is the Wabash Day Leader, being assisted by Davis Hull '04. To volunteer, contact Greg at greg.birk@kinkaid.org or at greg.birk77@wabash.edu or David at davishull@hotmail.com.

Washington

Seattle. The alumni of the Puget Sound region, along with their families and friends, will be volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House of Western Washington from 2:00 p.m. to about 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 7, 2007. The Wabash group will clean the group kitchens, bake cookies, and do other household chores. The house is located at 40th Avenue NE, Seattle, WA 98105 (University District). Andrew L. Naugle '98 is the Wabash Day Leader. All participants are invited to join Andrew and Corley Hughes at 361 Garfield Street, Seattle, WA 98109 (Queen Anne) for food and drinks after the event. To volunteer or to learn more, contact Andrew at anaugle@yahoo.com or (206) 504-5707.

Washington, D.C.

D.C. The alumni, families, and friends of National Capital Association of Wabash Men will be working in the food kitchen for Bread for the City (BFTC) on Saturday, October 6. Since 1974, BFTC (<http://www.breadforthecity.org>) has been providing

vulnerable residents of Washington, D.C., with comprehensive services (i.e., food, clothing, medical care, legal and social services). BFTC services 11,000 residents each month for free. Jefferson Crew '05 and Jonathan Dilley '03 are the Wabash Day Leaders. To volunteer, contact Jeff at Jefferson.crew@gmail.com, or Jonathan at Jonathan.Dilley@bakerd.com.

West Virginia

Wheeling. The alumni and friends of West Virginia will be spending the morning at Oglebay Park working on erosion prevention along the nature trails and removing invasive species on Saturday, October 6. Oglebay Park is a 2,000-acre municipal park with more than 3 million annual guests. Erik Janelsis '02 is the Wabash Day Leader. To volunteer, contact Eriks at ejanelsins@oionline.com