

## WABASH COLLEGE

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### *Class Agents Letter*

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Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to the Wabash Class of '87!



Center Hall

This is a year-end update on some of our Wabash classmates and the Wabash community. As you know, it is that time of the year when most of us look at our donations, forthcoming tax position, and supporting the organizations we care most about. Would you join me and make a donation today to the Wabash Annual Fund? You can do that by clicking [here](#). Participation is still very important; gifts of any amount really do help!

## Wabash Community Updates

- Annual Fund 2013-2014 results. Over 5,200 alumni, parents, and friends made gifts to the Annual Fund for \$3,271,804. The FY14 Annual Fund dollar total was the second highest unrestricted dollar total in the College's history. Alumni participation was at 40.15% in FY14 versus 37.24% in FY13 and 35.06% in FY12. FY14 is the first year above 40% alumni participation since FY03.
- If you are curious how our class does with this, last fiscal year, 63 (37.5%) of our class contributed to the Annual Fund for a total of almost \$37,000. Our participation rate is slightly above the two graduating classes before us and the one right after us. However, the guys who were sophomores when we were seniors support the college at a higher rate than our class. They were a sharp group I remember, but we're better! WAF
- Wabash beat DePauw for the Monon Bell. Again. (To be read with the same tone of monotony as Forest Gump when he said, "And I met the president of the United States 'again.'")
- For the news archives at Wabash, click [here](#).
- For all sports news at Wabash, click [here](#).

## Classmates News—what's New Since July?

- **David Woodward** is a founder and partner in the law firm of Woodward and Blaskovich, LLP in Merriville, Indiana. He reports that his son is a freshman at Wabash this year and pledged Beta. Sorry.
- **Bodie Stegelmann** was appointed to be a judge in the Goshen City Court by Indiana's Governor Mike Pence in September. His son, Andrew, graduated from Wabash this past May.
- I had the pleasure to talk with two others in our class whose sons are currently at Wabash. **George Azar's** and **Mike Mull's** sons have followed in their fathers' footsteps and are Fiji's.
- **Kevin Noll** is now First VP at Old National Investments in Fort Wayne, IN.
- **Ron Recinto** started a new job as Editor-In-Chief of Internal Communications at General Motors in Detroit in September. He reports, "It's a great job. I'll be in charge of the employee-facing website and newsletters and other communications to GM's tens of thousands of employees and retirees around the world."

Ron led the SE Michigan WABASH Day of service in October and shared this photo of the group.



I wish I had more class news to share. And, sure, I could be much more proactive to dig up and research what everyone is doing. But, I am far too lazy and easily distracted. If you are still reading this, how about clicking [REPLY](#) right now and shooting me an update of what you are up to? It could just take a couple minutes. It will be fun! I promise I will save it, keep it organized, and include it in the next letter.

If you are on Facebook, please note that there is a Wabash Class of '87 group you can search for. That is a great spot to get more timely information on stuff impacting our classmates. As you may have heard, Facebook has been taken over by the old people. That is us, gentlemen. Maybe it is time to check it out if you haven't already.

Thanks for reading and continuing to keep Wabash in mind for referring students, hiring graduates, and supporting our alma mater! I hope your new year is overflowing with hope, peace, and love!

Sincerely,

Scott Cougill '87