

Class of 2016

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Hello Good Buddies!

I hope that you are all enjoying the last year or so of your 20s. I recently attended the Wabash Class Agent forum and wanted to follow up with everyone to update you all on a few things. First of all, thank you to everyone who donated the last Day of Giving and throughout the year! Our showing wasn't as strong as previous years, but we were still in the top 10 for participation among all classes. The past 9 years at least 40% of all Wabash alumni have given back to the college in some capacity which is truly phenomenal. It is among some of the reasons that Wabash is ranked so favorably in the U.S. News and Princeton Review's best college's lists.

- [Wabash Tabbed in Princeton Review's Best 388 Colleges List](#)
- [Wabash Shines on U.S. News' Best Colleges Rankings](#)

We reached that 40% number last year literally by 1 alumnus so every little bit helps bring fame to her honored name. [Make a gift](#) here if you'd like to get the ball rolling early or typically find yourself destitute in the month of April when the Day of Giving is going on.

In other news, we had our first baby in June. His name is Blair Richard Norley and he would be in the Wabash class of 2044 should he decide to go there. I'm not sure how Wabash knew (likely social media) but they sent us a certificate dubbing Blair a future Little Giant. It was super sweet, and my wife absolutely loved it. This



is something that the college does regularly assuming they are aware you're having a kid and have your correct contact information on file. If you haven't checked in with the college in a while and need to update your information, please check in with me and I'd be happy to get everything updated! Also, if you have a little bundle on the way or any other important life updates please let Patrick and I know, we would love to hear from you. Shout out to Scott Purucker who recently had his baby girl in July and to Bradon Badger who is expecting his baby girl in October. If anyone else plans to produce a suitor for my son take a ticket and get in line, it is at least 2 deep at the moment.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Homecoming this upcoming weekend (09/24). If you are nearby and available, I would highly recommend that you attend. No, the football team isn't the best we've seen by a long shot, but the College is recognizing many of our classmates by inducting them into the Hall of Fame. I will say that the quarterback, Liam Thompson, is fun to watch, however the defense really needs some work. In case you missed it the article: [2022 Athletics Hall of Fame Announced](#). First up is the 2014-2015 Wabash Wrestling team. Congrats to the Lefevers, the Farmers, Tim Locksmith, Zach Boren, Mike Venezia, Jake Barclay, Robbie Carter, Nolan Fenwick, Jesse Goodnight, Sam Mattingly, Brett Thumm and Abe Hall! If that wasn't enough, the offensive line from the Football team is being inducted as well; congrats to Wes Brown, Tre Taylor, Jordan Culp, Jake Thompson, Christian Beardsley, and of course yours truly. As is typical the trenches rarely get any love, so for some reason they decided to honor the offensive line by giving the award to some blonde guy from Andrean who just sorta walked behind us and scored some points. You might recognize him from football pictures where the aforementioned group is moving bodies out of his way. In all seriousness congrats Mase, I'm excited to celebrate with you with Saturday.

Hope to see some familiar class of '16 faces this weekend!

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