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Class of 1954

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Dear 1954 Classmates,

Come join us on Sugar Creek and at Wabash June 6 and 7. Some of us will meet Friday at 12:30 at the Creekside Lodge on Sugar Creek, so please join us. At 3pm on June 6 we'll go on campus to hear new President Gregory Hess talk about future Wabash plans. Friday eve is the banquet to honor the 50 year reunion class, and I may go to the reception, not the sit down dinner. Saturday noon, June 7, we'll have a 1954 class lunch at the Creekside Lodge at 12:30 or you can go to the picnic lunch on campus. Saturday night, June 7, is the important function with a reception at 5pm, we think at the Trippet Hall, followed by a nice dinner and time to talk personally. We hope the enjoyable Dean Gary Phillips will be there with interesting information about Wabash and answer questions. No long speeches but we will go around the room and acknowledge everyone in our class and you can make comments if you wish.

Stan and Sylvia Huntsman called from Austin and will stay with us Thursday night and be with us June 6 and 7. They were just back from being wined and dined by the University of Tennessee as Stan was honored for his years as Track Coach and maybe he received an official Tennessee rocking chair. For their 50 year wedding anniversary they took their kids and grandkids on a Disney cruise for a good celebration.

Some news about the college: Wabash track team won the conference for 4th year in a row and the Owen Huntsman relays was a fun event. The Lilly scholar competition is a huge success as two thirds of those who experience some Wabash life decide to attend Wabash. The Delt case is 6 years old and still unsettled. Controversy has arisen with the SAE frat initiating new members without pledgeship due to adverse publicity nationally. The Bachelor was named Newspaper of the Year by the Indiana Collegiate Press Association. Loved the article by the Senior class agent urging classmates to buy a beer for Wabash but really making it a contribution.

Talked with Herb Bunch who just returned from a trip to visit a daughter in North Carolina. Herb is a retired Principal and has been active in New Castle town projects and good causes. Herb and Judy will join us at Wabash.

Jim Cronin called with a treatable health report. It requires some high powered meds and treatment for several months. Jim was his usual positive self but sorry to miss the reunion. Jim, we are thinking about you and wish you a good recovery and curly hair.

Called Dr. John Goffinet inVermont. He is active but gave up skiing at 80. Still plays golf, walks and says his 3 wood needs re-gripping often as he seems to lose 10 yards every year since 70. John and Sally had a nice trip to a place on the tip of South America.

Dick Glassmeyer called from Oregon to firm up plans to join us at the reunion. His first trip back in sometime and looking forward to it. Bob Franklin will be with us with his rhynie green pot and lead yells--"Give me a Ooh- Waa -Waa". Wife Joann has a Ben Rogge story I want to hear. Bill Garrard is coming and contacting the Phi Gams. Vic Lindquist will contact the Delts and Dick Rose the Phi Delts to urge their return. Charlie Moody's telephone doesn't answer but hope he comes as Helen would miss seeing him. Ed Gallagher said he will join us. Dick Rose, Don Smith, and Bill Glascock have also indicated attendance so a good group so far.

Jim Twomey emailed from Costa Rica and sorry Jim won't make it as he adds some humor and always full of ideas.

Dick and Kay Rose were in New York City for the revival of "Rhapsody in Blue" concert which was a replication of the 1924 introduction to the world by the Paul Whiteman orchestra. It was wonderful. Dick's book is doing well with several newspaper articles and radio interviews. He is negotiating on a screen play version and if you want to read a thriller try his book "The Lazarus Conspiracies".

See you in June!!

Long in our hearts,

Bob and Helen Johnson 54