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Classmates:

In this final Class Letter from me before our 50th Reunion, I want to thank you all for your efforts and loyalty to Wabash; and I want to specifically thank Cal, our steering committees, and our steering committee spouses for all their efforts and for being **Some Little Giants** in the Class of 1966. Our 50th Reunion is poised to shatter old records and set the standard very very high for those who will follow. It is with the utmost pride in OUR Wabash Class of 1966 that I look in happy anticipation to the Reunion gathering on June 3, 4 and 5.

Here are just a few things I anticipate will happen:

- *(As of this writing)* **we are within a few classmates of breaking the Wabash 50th Reunion attendance record!** SO IF YOU ARE NOT AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE INDICATED YOU ARE ATTENDING AND YOU CAN ATTEND, IT IS NOT TOO LATE. Let Wabash know, and COME! You will be with Classmates you will want to spend some time with ... and with whom you may never have the opportunity again. To Register: <http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion>
- *(Again, as of this writing)* **we have the opportunity to set the record for the number of classmates giving during a 50th Reunion fiscal year. AND we are on the verge of setting a new Wabash Class % giving record** (breaking the old record of 70.6 % set by the Class of 1961). SO ... whether you are attending or not ... IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE A DONATION TO WABASH BETWEEN JULY 1, 2015 AND TODAY, SEND ONE TODAY! We all are relying on you for this. You are the classmates who can push us over the top. **IF YOU ARE IN THIS POSITION... PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, DO THIS NOW!!!** We - your friends and Classmates

- ARE RELYING ON YOU. Address: Wabash Annual Fund, PO box 352, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933-0352.

- *(Finally, also as of this writing)*, **our Class is poised to set the all time Wabash 50th Reunion Class Gift Record** (set by the Class of 1965 last year)! **THIS RECORD WILL TAKE CARE OF ITSELF IF YOU ACCOMPLISH #2 above or are moved to increase your earlier gift.** Note: one way - that is painless today – if you have not already done so, is to include Wabash in your will or estate plan. **IF YOU INCLUDE WABASH IN YOUR WILL OR ESTATE PLAN** and notify Wabash of this fact, **A CLASSMATE OF OURS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO WABASH \$5,000 for each such person so including Wabash in their will or estate plan.** Simply do it and send a note or have your estate planner send a confirming note to David Troutman, troutmad@wabash.edu, verifying this fact. He will contact and work with you on this. That is all. The amount of your willed or estate planned gift is not the issue/qualifier. Simply including Wabash for any amount is the qualifier. If you do this, by this action you have caused a gift to be made to Wabash of \$5,000!
- You have received your Memory Book in the mail. Compiled and edited by the efforts of Classmates on our steering committees. We hope you enjoy it.
- You will register when you arrive (Friday and Saturday) ... in the Wabash Gymnasium/Chadwick in the Allen Center ... and pick up your Class shirt, hat and other favors, and other “stuff”. Do that when you arrive.
- OUR Class anticipates ... for yet another Big Bash (besting the 11 competing classes) ... the Class of 1966 will win the Chapel Sing! I know some of you do not fancy yourselves as song birds. But it is OK... come anyway and participate ... It will be fun! We have surprises in store for the other Classes and the Wabash Community. They are all going to remember the Class of 1966! The bar will be set! See the picture attached to this letter. Our song leaders (the “Singing Bills” ... Bill Berry and Bill Cook) will be wearing the outfit pictured with this letter.
- We will have as guests at dinner and otherwise, OUR Wabash President and several faculty members. It should be noted that the bar for this dinner and cocktail hour is gratis to the Class of 1966 because of our commitments to Wabash to date.
- Just after our Class photo on Saturday, Athletic Director Joe Haklin and Head Football Coach Don Morel will address our Class and update us on Wabash sports activities and answer questions you may have.
- During the Reunion weekend, we have a Hospitality Room on the first floor of the Hampton Inn, full of information, goodies, libations (BYOB).... stocked for your use and enjoyment. It will be open to us, essentially at all

hours. The purpose: a friendly meeting place for our Class of 1966 when you just want to relax, meet others, and perhaps eat snacks etc.

All of this is to say that your Class of 1966 Steering Committees have busted it!!! I would expect no less. Now we want you to come on down and bust it!!! We expect no less.

Jay

PS: A couple of housekeeping items:

- 1) If you have a hotel reservation, call and confirm it. While we don't anticipate any goofs, it happens.
- 2) Register with the College if you have not done so. This permits planning. **ALSO BE SURE TO CHECK IN WITH AND SIGN THE REGISTRATION BOOK AT THE REGISTRATION TABLE IN THE GYM WHEN YOU GET TO WABASH...THAT IS** where the shirts, hats, favors and information are.
- 3) Attached are the words to Old Wabash for you to reacquaint yourself and also for practice for the Sing. Also attached are the registrants list as of now for the Big Bash and also for the Hampton Inn.
- 4) If you encounter anything with which you need help, call either Cal or me and we will try to make your day better!
- 5) Link to the video "Where is Wabash?" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PP-TEGbOmJM&feature=youtu.be>
- 6) **AND FINALLY, WE WILL SEE YOU ALL AT THE TOMMY'S SCARLET NICKLE TENT JUST OUTSIDE THE ALLEN ATHLETIC CENTER... WHERE ALL GOOD THINGS ARE POURED.** I am bringing a little game called "What's In The Box" (Google It). Hint... bring some \$1 bills. Winner each time gets 1/2 the pot and Wabash gets the other 1/2. I guarantee you ... You will be hooked.

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Jay

Old Wabash

From the hills of Maine to the western plain, Or where the cotton is blowing;
From the gloomy shade of the northern pine, To the light of the southern seas;
There's a name held dear and a color we cheer, Wherever we find it glowing
And the tears will rise to our longing eyes, As it floats on the evening breeze.

When the day is done and the western sun Is painting in flashing glory
Across the skies with gorgeous dyes, The Color we love so well,
We love to sit as the shadows flit, And praise it in song and story,
We love to shout as the light dies out, A good old Wabash yell.

REFRAIN

Our Prayers are always thine, Our voices and hearts combine
To sing thy praise when future days Shall bring thy name before us.
When college days are past, As long as life shall last,
Our greatest joy will be to shout the chorus.

CHORUS

Dear Old Wabash, thy loyal sons shall ever love thee,
And o'er thy classic halls, the scarlet flag shall proudly flash;
Long in our hearts we'll bear the sweetest mem'ries of thee,
Long shall we sing thy praises, Old Wabash.

And loud and long shall echo the song, Till hill and valley are ringing
And spread the fame of her honored, name, Wherever the breezes blow.
Till sweet and clear the world shall hear, The sons of Wabash singing,
And flying free the world shall see, Our scarlet banner go.
The honors won by each loyal son, In highest rank shall instate her.
Forever more as in days of yore Their deeds be noble and grand.
Then once again ye Wabash men, Three cheers for Alma Mater
What e'er befall, revered by all, May she unequaled stand.

List of classmates currently registered for the Big Bash.

Antibus, Harry	Heiny, Stephen	Ridolfo, Anthony
Ayers, Charles	Herrin, John	Robb, William
Bell, Charlie	Hildebrand, Steve	Rudicel, Max
Berry, Bill	Hixson, Alonzo	Schild, Kenneth
Black, Cal	Holdread, Jon	Smith, Robert
Blossom, Gerald	Johnson, Ernie	Snodell, Walter
Brenner, Steven	Kendall, David	Snodgrass, John
Brissman, Riley	Krattebol, David	Summers, William
Cline, Lee	Launey, Reuel	Taybos, George
Coligan, John	Lawler, Bill	Thies, Roger
Cook, William	Lennes, John	Todd, William
Dick, Lynn	Luce, Ned	Townsend, Rodney
Fargher, John	Lumpp, Roger	Vogel, Stanley
Ferguson, Bill	Machuca, Mel	Walker, Stanley
Fisher, Jay	Main, Bob	Ware, David
Flanagan, John	McNair, Larry	Washburn, Mel
Garman, Greg	Meng, Jack	Whigham, Dennis
Gineris, Jim	Moorman, Tom	Wilhelmus, Tom
Gisler, John	Neal, Edward Squier	Williams, Jay
Gray, Dick	Paulson, Mark	Wood, Jerry
Griffin, Jim	Phares, John	
Hauber, Jack	Pickerill, John	

List of those who have reserved a room at Hampton Inn.

Charlie Bell	Bill Berry	Cal Black	Jerry Blossom
Steven Brenner	Riley Brissman	Lynn Dick	John Fargher
Bill Ferguson	Jay Fisher	John Flanagan	Louise Forsythe
Greg Garman	Dick Gray	Larry Haugh	John Herrin
Steve Hildebrand	Jon Holdread	Rachel Jullian	David Kendall
David Krattebol	Reuel Launey	Bill Lawler	John Lennes
Ned Luce	Roger Lumpp	Mel Machuca	Larry McNair
John Meng	Squier Neal	Mark Paulson	John Phares
Tony Ridolfo	William Robb	Max Rudicel	Ken Schild
Judy Schmutte	Bob Smith	Walt Snodell	Bill Summers
George Taybos	Roger Thies	Rod Townsend	Joseph Trimmer
Stan Vogel	David Ware	Mel Washburn	Dennis Whigham
Tom Wilhelmus	Jerry Wood		

