



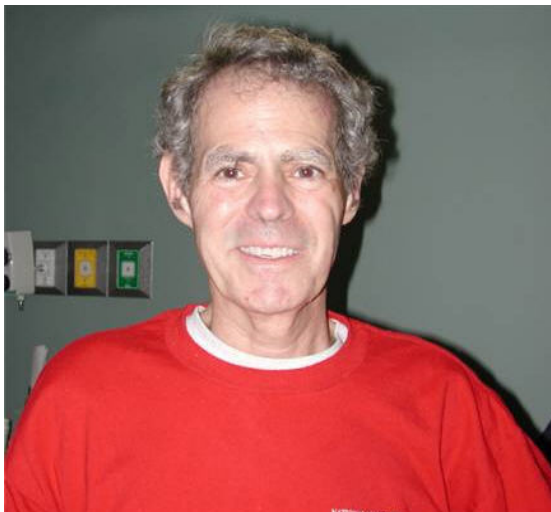
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Gentlemen of the Class of '69,

Two weeks ago Joe Raiser arranged a short visit with his Dad. Our meeting was wonderful. Charlie seemed to be “on top of his game”. His voice is clear and his diction perfect. We talked about poetry. We talked about the problem of “compartmentalizing” one’s life – do not do it. We talked about how proud we all are of how Joe Raiser has responded to his family’s tragedy.

Charlie walked me around his Rehab floor to show me where he has physical therapy. He showed me his chart with 5 or 6 sessions of intense therapy every day. It is clear that Charlie knows that he has limitations, but that he is committed to working through them.

You could see that Charlie’s legs still hurt – or at least provide some distress. He constantly shifts back and forth between his right and left legs. None the less everyone is very encouraged by Charlie’s progress. The Rehab staff was super.



I spoke at length with Joe Raiser’s local support network. Some are neighbors, other’s are Jill’s associates. One said that Jill was strongly being considered to run for the position of Mayor of Kirkwood, MO and NO ONE has really been able to come to Terms with what has happened.

Charlie said he is frustrated that he has not been able to properly respond to the out pouring of Support he has received. He asked that we please understand that his primary focus is to work With the Rehabilitation Institute staff to regain his strength. Charlie asked that we communicate this to to his Wabash friends and others.

Charlie is looking forward to more interaction with friends, however at a future date as his recovery begins to take hold. Charlie is not yet ready to receive phone calls, visitors, or feel he needs to respond to notes or letters.

As a class we have a number of friends who are also facing major life changes - health - career- and family.

It is important that we all hang together.

I cannot tell you how wonderful it was to walk into Charlie's room and see him wearing his Wabash College shirt. We are all part of a special family!

I would like to help facilitate our class's continued interaction.

For the near term, I will be happy to help Tom Runge assemble information for our Class. We really do need to find a class mate who can serve as our official CLASS AGENT.

All the best to you all

Sincerely



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