

Class of 69 Agent Letter

Our 45th Reunion - 6-8 June

Gentlemen of the Class of 69,

We are seven days away from the 28 May deadline(next Wednesday) to register online for our 45th Reunion. As of today, 21 May, 40 of us have registered to return to Wabash for Big Bash. Good decision! It will be a weekend with loads of activities, good fellowship, and excellent food and song in a beautiful campus setting. For those who have not yet registered you do not want to miss our 45th Reunion. If you cannot attend the entire weekend try at least to come to our class dinner on Saturday. This will be the main event for our Class of 69. Robin Pebworth is our guest speaker. I am also requesting President Hess to say a few words for us after dinner. At the conclusion of the evening we will discuss the way ahead for our class and lay the corner stone for our 50th Reunion.

We do need to work on singing "Old Wabash", and clearly want to beat the Class of 64. The verses for "Old Wabash" are enclosed for your convenience. You may now practice singing to your wife, or anyone close by. If no one wants to listen sing to your dog. He will be happy for the attention!

We will have our class hospitality suite in the Holiday Inn Express. The room is open Friday and Saturday afternoon and evenings after the ceremonies. Will try to have wine and beer in the frig, otherwise BYOB. I will be able to give you the room number on Friday when you register. For those who have ordered shirts I will get those to you on Friday as you register.

The rate of giving for our Class of 69 in this fiscal year 2013-14 has been good. Today we have 94 good men who have given to the College. We are two short of reaching 96 to have an open bar Saturday evening. There are 14 of you who gave last year but have not yet given this year. 14 others did not give last year but have given within the past five years. I ask each of you to give some thought to what Wabash has done for you and to consider, as you have done in the past, giving a dollar to "Old Wabash" before the 28th to help us meet our class donor challenge. It will mean a lot for our Class of 69 and for the College. We will be honored to have you on our Class Honor Roll.

We especially want to thank all our classmates who participated in making the 4/30 Day of Giving a huge success. As you may have already seen: 2,214 donors made 2,329 gifts for \$465,421, with 877 making a first gift in 2014, and 374 making a first ever gift. The results exceeded all expectations.

Again, please try to **register online by Wednesday, 28 May**. Looking forward to seeing everyone in two weeks for what will be **a great 45th Reunion!** Do not miss it!!.

Best Wabash 69 Regards,

Ken

Providing a better summary of our class giving we have enclosed Dave Pancost's letter as part of this letter. To save time (and postage...) we combined our two letters into one.

A message from the Class of 1969 45th Reunion Gift Chair Dave Pancost,

I've just returned home from graduation at the College, and I can tell you the campus is absolutely gorgeous and ready for us. You have until **May 28** to register, if you haven't already, and I hope you will, because I look forward to seeing you there. Now a few updates on Class of 1969 giving:

- So far this year, 94 members of the Class have given a total of \$123,300 to the Annual Fund.
- We are 6 short of our goal of 100 donors and 2 donors short of getting an open bar at our Saturday evening class dinner. (We will toast the man who puts us over that last threshold at our class dinner.) For a bit of incentive, my wife Paige issued a challenge in the last hours of the 4/30 campaign, and 5 men in the class donated \$2,250. If she can do that, you can do your part.
- The market value of the Dean Moore Fund stands at \$201,322. With \$37,400 additional committed in pledges, we are very close to reaching our goal of growing the Class of 1969 Dean Moore Scholarship Fund to \$250,000 by our 45th reunion.

Here is the information on making your gift by the **May 28** reunion registration deadline:

1. Online at www.wabash.edu/egift (use option D if you want to establish a monthly or quarterly credit or debit card gift).
2. By phone at 877-743-4545
3. By mail to: Wabash College / Annual Giving / PO Box 352 / Crawfordsville, IN 47933

See you in June!

Sincerely,



Dave

Old Wabash

Words by Edwin Meade Robinson, 1900

Music by Carroll Ragan, 1901

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.

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.

*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 unequalled stand.