

Pactoracles Class Agent's Letter For The Wabash College Class of 1971 June 12, 2015



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# Class of 1971—Still Spinning: An Oldies But Goodies 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion, June 3-5, 2016



Our class has a fun time at every reunion. Some of the classmates who may be coming to our 45<sup>th</sup> reunion next summer, June 3-5, are pictured above. On the top left is Dan Holderbaum holding a double dose of chocolate cake at the TKE house at the Big Bash reunion, June 6. In the center photo, Henry Kissinger (who is not planning to attend our reunion) is getting some advice (perhaps) from classmate Kai Chin. Fred Haase is under the mortar board. On the bottom are Beck Hannaford, his wife Christie, and Kai. Cloyce Hedge, the naturalist, is on the right. Come to the reunion and learn how Kai Chin knows so many powerful people like Kissinger and Hannaford. Learn and rejoice from them, Dan, Fred, Cloyce, and the rest of us.

All are welcome. When I say all are welcome, I mean it. At the 40<sup>th</sup>, 26 ladies joined us. Some reunion classes do not even get 20 classmates to return. Hopefully we will exceed that *(continued to the next page).* 

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number of ladies at the 45<sup>th</sup>.

When I say all are welcome, I also mean that all classmates—straight, gay, single, or married, are welcome. I mean even the Phi Delts are welcome.

I promise all my classmates and all who attend that I will do my utmost to make the 45th reunion a smash.

Stay tuned for the details. Mark your calendar June 3-5, 2016, and save those dates for "Class of 1971—Still Spinning: An Oldies But Goodies 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion."

#### Join Wabash Football Fans For Second Sausage Bowl At Hampden-Sydney, Labor Day Weekend

Wabash fans, including the Class Agent of the Class of 1971 and his wife, plan to head to Hampden-Sydney for a rematch of the "sausage bowl" between the country's two liberal arts men's colleges. The schools, however, have dubbed it the Gentlemen's Classic.

Wabash routed the Tigers in last year's game, 34-21 at Crawfordsville. Both teams were ranked in pre-season. Wabash ended 13<sup>th</sup> in the country with a 10-2 record, and H-S finished unranked. D3 Football has not posted its pre-season rankings, but both teams are expected to be tough and talented.

Where is Hampden-Sydney? For me, this is somewhat study abroad. It is located at 1 College Rd, Farmville, VA, about 70 miles southwest of Richmond.

The college and alumni are making plans for a fun time before, during, and after the game for the large number of Wabash fans expected to attend. This year's game is the second of a home-and-away two-game series.

We can watch this match-up and other Wabash games via the computer. Here is the schedule. All games start at 1 p.m. except for Homecoming (2 p.m.).

#### 2015 Little Giant Football Schedule

September 5	@ Hampden-Sydney
September 12	no game
September 19	@ Allegheny
September 26	Wittenberg
October 3	HiramHomecoming
October 10	@ Oberlin
October 17	Kenyon
October 24	@ Wooster
October 31	Ohio Wesleyan
November 7	Wittenberg
November 14	@ DePauw

#### Who Will Be The Next You?

Wabash needs more students like those in the Class of 1971. If not you, then like Dill. If not Dill, then like Long, or Adams, or Chin, or Johnson, or Flynn, or Davnie, or Hubert, or Nelson, or Kirtley, or Young, or \_\_\_\_\_(fill in your name). To refer a student, simply mail the name and contact information of your recruit to the Dean of Enrollment Management, P.O. Box 352, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or go online at wabash.edu/alumni/alumni/refer.

### News Of Classmates

**Bill Davnie** and wife Charlotte live "in Minnesota, now completing seven years -- the longest I have lived anywhere in my entire life. We expect to extend the stay a while, though I am getting a bit of wanderlust. This is encouraged by the fact that our two grandchildren - twin girls, born a bit prematurely in Bangkok on Oct 16, 2012 -- live in Cambodia, where our daughter and son-in-law are posted. Daughter is with US Agency for International Development at the Embassy in Phnom Penh. So, a fair amount of time has been spent over there. I flunked retirement again two years ago and took a half-time position with the Presbyterian Church regional body in the Twin Cities. Keeps me occupied and out of trouble, and I can keep the cats fed and plants watered while Charlotte gets extra time in Cambodia. Other than that, speaking to community groups on foreign affairs topics and the occasional op-ed in the local newspaper seem to fill the days."

**Fred Haase** has retired after 43 years of teaching Latin and economics at Culver Academies in Culver, IN. His wife Nancy and he are locating this month to Louden, TN, which is near Knoxville.

The school asked him to give an address to the graduates in honor of his service to the school. In his address, he drew from both economics and Latin. He told the students about how much economics had changed since his graduation from Wabash. After providing some examples, he said: "The point is that I have had to learn many new things, and to unlearn much of the economic orthodoxy that prevailed when I was in college. . . Don't think that the solutions to problems will always stay the same. Be open to new ideas and keep challenging your beliefs. Much of what you are learning today will prove to be wrong or will become obsolete."

**Cloyce Hedge** has retired after more than 35 years of devotion to wildlife conservation in Indiana. He joined the Indiana Department of Natural Resources as botanist for the Indiana Natural Heritage Program in 1979. In the mid-1980s, he helped lead conservation planning and efforts to evaluate state heritage programs for The Nature Conservancy, which at the time oversaw what was then a fledgling NHP network. Cloyce spent the last 26 years as Coordinator of the Indiana Natural Heritage Data Center, where some of his recent work included managing the natural heritage program, budget and grant management, and assisting in the leadership of the Division of Nature Preserves of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. He was a founding board member of the Association for Biodiversity Information, NatureServe's precursor. He is enjoying golf, birding continent wide, and finishing several home improvement projects.

**Rick Gregory's** son Bryan finished his freshman year at Wabash. He is a fine young man, articulate and thoughtful.

**Dan Holderbaum** retired from full-time teaching and is currently lecturing in Pathophysiology a couple days a week at Bryant & Stratton College. He writes: "My goal, thus far largely met, is to spend more time reading trashy detective novels, puttering around the garden, and searching for lost Titleists in the woods and deep rough."

**Keith Nelson,** who can be seen at Wabash football games and usually can be heard leading an impromptu cheer, lives in Springfield, IL. Last fall, after two years of enjoying retirement and "cleansing my mind" (it took only two years to cleanse it?), he started teaching again as an Adjunct Professor (Richland Community College in Decatur, IL). "I am enjoying re experiencing the thrill of new discoveries through my students on a daily basis. The opportunity to use my observations and life-experiences to provide an additional perspective from which, thru sharing, may serve my students in forming their own opinions, opportunities and social commitments, is heady stuff. As they have their turn in steering our future I have the rare privilege to say "God speed!" . Additionally I am able to spread the gospel of "critical thinking" which I believe was the hallmark of my four years at Wabash and reaffirm my believe that the Liberal Arts are the foundation of any education that contributes to salvaging our world. . .In summation however, the best I can say is that I have continued to be blessed with having the opportunity to contribute to society in a meaningful way and I hope that my small efforts will help make the world better!" (continued on next page)

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**Kurt Unterschuetz** is finishing up his third semester of metal smithing/jewelry at Glendale Community College. He has started *PrimitivElements* and has jewelry on easy.com. His wife Caryn and he reside in Glendale, Arizona. You can easily find him via Google.

**Steve Vieira** died a year ago on June 20 in Hendersonville, N.C. He later earned an MBA and a J.D. from Wake Forest. He served in the U.S. Army before and during Operation Desert Storm. He was a Naval Reservist Attorney at the Pentagon with the Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAG). He also enjoyed a private law practice in Richmond, Virginia until 1992. His family and he relocated to Hendersonville following his retirement and began enjoying his life as a devoted golfer. Mary Thomas Vieira, his wife of 35 years, his son, and two daughters survived him. His sister is Meredith Vieira.

# **Class Of 1971 Chapel Sing At 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion**



Here we are four years ago belting out Old Wabash at Big Bash. We had a great time. We will have another great time at the 45<sup>th</sup> next June 3-5. Dean Moore may be joining with us as he did in 2011. He sang better than some of us.

### **News From Campus**

**Delta Tau Delta.** The Delt chapter was suspended after a death of a freshman in its chapter house in the fall of 2008. The litigation over the death ended this spring, removing an obstacle to the Delts' return. I am not aware of what efforts the Delt alumni, the Delt national office, and the college are making for its return.

The Delts of the Class of 1971 have been a strong component to our class and the college, and it would be nice if the chapter could soon return. I look forward to seeing the mighty Delts of 1971 at our reunion next June 3-5.

#### Martindale To Be Renovated.

Martindale Hall, which was relatively new in our era, has grown old with us. The college is hoping to begin work on its renovation next January or February.

**Rhodes Scholarship.** Jacob Burnett '16 was selected as a Rhodes Scholar. He is the first winner from Wabash since 2004.

**Fulbright Fellowships.** For the second consecutive year, Wabash has three graduating seniors who won Fulbright fellowships. Ben Finley, David Gunderman, and Patrick Rezek won Fulbright Scholarships as English Teaching Assistants (ETA) to work in foreign lands.

Finley from Westfield, IN, was a Spanish major and a member of Beta Theta Pi. He will be educating college-aged students in Argentina seeking teaching licenses.

Gunderman from Zionsville, IN, earned distinction in comps in his majors of mathematics and German. He was a member of Kappa Sigma and the Glee Club. He will be based in Germany.

Rezek of Indianapolis was an English major and member of Sigma Chi. He will be based in Poland working with either high school or university students.

**Bachelor Wins Awards.** Wabash, without any journalism courses, triumphed over schools like DePauw to finish in second place among Indiana Division III colleges Taylor University was first. The Wabash journalists took 19 awards overall.

**Theater.** Wabash continues to put on great theater. In the spring, Wabash actors presented *The Beaux Stratagem*, a rollicking comedy.

The college put on a spectacular production of the musical, *Guys and Dolls*, in

the fall. Everything about it—the acting, the choreography, the orchestra, and the set pleased all the guys and dolls who saw this classic.

**Baseball.** Wabash baseball had a downer year, finishing 12-26 overall and going 0-12 in away games. Weather caused cancelation of the first six games. Because of scheduling, conference teams may play back-to-back doubleheaders on the weekend. Without pitching depth, you may see a score like the 26-20 loss to Wooster on the second game of a double header the end of the season.

**Basketball.** The basketball team rebounded from a dreadful 8-17 season in 2013-2014 to post a 18-9 record under new head coach Kyle Brummett this past season.

**Lacrosse.** Wabash had its first varsity season in Lacrosse this spring.

**Track.** The Wabash track team won its record-tying fifth straight North Coast Athletic Conference Championship.

Wabash has some very fast runners in the 1500-meter. Nick Boyce broke his own conference record with a time of 3:51.05. Teammates Fabian House '16 and Mason McKinney were fourth and fifth with times of 3:58.59 and 3:59.29. Joel Whittington won the 400-meter hurdles at 53.21 seconds. Billy McManus took second in 15:15.33 in 5,000meter run. (McManus gave one of the commencement addresses.)

Senior Grayden Gilmore won the high jump at 1.93 meters (6 feet, 4 inches) and freshman PJ Schaer was third. Derek De St Jean finished second in the discus with a 50meter (164-foot) throw. Other members of the team did well in the conference meet.

The Little Giant coaching staff was named the NCAC Coaching Staff of the Year.

**Lew Wallace Motor Inn**. Don't plan on staying at the Lew at our reunion, June 3-5 next year unless you plan to sleep in your RV. The college has bought the defunct and dilapidated eyesore, razed it, and transformed it into a parking lot.

**Crawfordsville.** Many things are happening in Crawfordsville, One project in the works is the conversion of the old Ben Hur Building into apartments and condominiums. The plan includes a fancy restaurant. I am not sure whether it will be open by our reunion on June 3-5, 2016.

## Join Classmates Who Have Donated To The Annual Fund Before Fiscal Year Ends, June 30

These gentlemen have contributed to the annual fund which will end June 30, 2015. Thanks to each classmate. When we contribute, we say "thanks" for our own good fortune, for our great Wabash professors, and Wabash friendships. If you are not on the list, join the brothers of the Class of 1971 who are on the list. Please contribute by mailing a check to Wabash College, Annual Giving, P.O. Box 352, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or on online at wabash.edu/egift, or by calling the college at 877-743-4545.

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