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Class Agent's Letter
For The Wabash College Class of 1971
September 3, 2015

***Death Takes Two Classmates**
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An Oldies But Goodies 45th Reunion, June 3-5, 2016

The theme of our 45th Reunion is "An Oldies But Goodies 45th Reunion," June 3-5, 2016. Plan now to attend then.

Come whether you let the sun shine or whether raindrops keep failing on your head because everything is beautiful at a Class of 1971 reunion.

We aim to beat the Big Bash record for a class having its 45th reunion. That number is 49. We also aim to have at least as many of our ladies as we did at the 40th—26—join us for this celebration.

More details will be forthcoming. For now, you need to save the date and plan on coming. Registration for Big Bash usually starts in January.

I promise that I will do my utmost to make the 45th reunion a record-setting reunion.

Keep on spinning.

Nationally Ranked Wabash Football Team Starts Season

Football Team Is Ranked In Top 10 In Preseason Poll by D3.Com. We can watch Wabash football over the computer. It is easy. Go to the Wabash website for directions. All games start at 1 p.m. except for Homecoming, which starts at 2 p.m.

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

News Of Classmates

Ed Corley died on August 18. He was an independent. After Wabash, he attended Washington University and earned a doctorate from Miami University of Oxford, Ohio in 1998. He was an associate professor of education at Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio. He was selected to represent his school in Heidelberg, Germany, for the University Grand Founding Ceremony. He was a visiting professor for Miami University. He travelled to China twice to teach conversational English to Chinese English language teachers. He was one of the top 10 finalists in the state of Ohio for "Teacher in Space" on the Space Shuttle Challenger. He was a founding member of the Ohio Valley Civil War Association and enjoyed doing "Living History" demonstrations. He was active in recovering artifacts at the Confederate prison on Johnson Island in Sandusky. His parents predeceased him. He was survived by a sister.



Gary Hansen reports that he has started his 40th year in diagnostic radiology. "I am grieving (mildly) over the end of 50 years of Grateful Dead concerts, following the live broadcast of their last performance from Chicago on July 5th. After attending about 350 live concerts with them, I guess they became a part of my life. I was happy to take my older daughter to a couple of live concerts (of Further) in Los Angeles a year or so ago. She finally understood her father a little better, although she couldn't help but wonder how I had emerged from such chaos to become an upstanding physician in my community. Life is good in Southern Oregon."

Bob Harlan passed away unexpectedly on August 30. He was a Sigma Chi. He received his Ph.D. in philosophy at The New School University for Social Research in New York. He began a 33-year career at St. Bonaventure University in New York in 1979. He started as an associate professor in the philosophy department. He received a master's degree in computer science at the State University of New York at Buffalo and later became a full professor in the Computer Science Department and its chairman. He retired in 2013. Survivors include his widow Bernadette, a daughter, and two brothers.

Peter Hawley, New Hartford CT, writes in the third person that he "kept attempting pickup basketball until 1984. Then in an early mid-life crisis he acquired a running dependency. Absorbing what he could from brother Tim '75 (a steeplechase All-American for Rob Johnson in 1974), Peter has now completed 41 marathons. He is president of the Hartford Track Club, a masters chair for USA Track & Field CT and a member of numerous race committees. His employer continues to suffer from the delusion that Peter knows something about information technology and retains him as a system analyst to coach fellow employees in using various software applications. During the winter, while running does not stop, there is emergency care to teach to ski patrollers. Working my way out to Crawfordsville next June,

Yiannis Roubatis was appointed as the head of Greece's National Intelligence Service by Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras, according to stories on the internet. His background was as a journalist although he has had stints with the Greek government. He earned a Ph.D. in International Relations from Johns Hopkins University.

Thanks To Classmate Jake Fisher

Classmate Justin "Jake" Fisher referred freshman Charles Frey of Frankfort, IN to Wabash. Thanks, Jake, for referring a promising young Wabash man to our college. I speak from having been with Charles three or four times in the past year.

Jake has recently retired after 43 years as an ordained minister in the Methodist Church, but he has not retired from helping Wabash. Wabash needs more students like Charles. We are never too old to refer students. To refer a student, simply mail the name and contact information of your recruit to the Dean of Admissions, P. O. Box 352, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or go online at wabash.edu/alumni/alumni/refer.

News From Campus

Delta Tau Delta. The Delt chapter was suspended after a death of a freshman in the fall of 2008. The litigation over the death ended this spring. The end of the litigation removed an obstacle to the Delts' return. Both the national organization and the college have to grant approval for its return, and I am not expecting any great lag time for that approval. 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 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.

Phi Gamma Delta #1. Phi Gamma Delta won a prestigious national honor from its national organization. It ranked first in scholarship among the 139 chapters and received the Jordan Bowl. It was the seventh time the chapter has won the award since the award's inception in 1948-1949. The Wabash chapter will celebrate its 150th anniversary on campus next spring.

Dr. Raymond Williams And Dr. Ben Rogge Honored. Two professors of our era Dr. Raymond Williams, a professor of religion, and Dr. Ben Rogge, a professor economics, are being honored with the naming of new student housing, one being named Williams Lodge and another Rogge Hall. Another new unit will be named Butler House in honor of Dr. Melissa Butler, professor of political science. She came after our graduation, but she graduated from college in 1971.

Wabash Theater Program Recognized. *The Princeton Review* named Wabash as being in the top 10 of colleges in quality of their theater programs. It polled students at 380 colleges. It ranked Carnegie Mellon at number 1. I am not capable of ranking the theater departments, but I can say as a regular attendee of Wabash productions that the Wabash productions are outstanding in terms of acting, staging, lighting, and other technical features.

Dean Feller Receives NSF Grant. Scott Feller, professor of chemistry and dean of the college, was awarded a National Science Foundation grant to study a protein involved in the initial steps of vision. The five-year, \$511,500 grant covers the research work to examine the effect of lipids containing polyunsaturated omega-3 fatty acids on the membrane-protein interface. Receipt of this grant ensures 22 years of continuous NSF support for this project, which coincides with Feller's arrival on campus in 1998. The support covers work and new equipment in laboratories and allows for students to travel to professional meetings and conferences. The research has produced more than 50 peer-reviewed publications so far.

Magazine Names Wabash A Best Buy. Wabash College was one of just 41 schools to be ranked as a "best buy" for quality academic offerings and affordability, according to the *Fiske Guide to Colleges Best Buys of 2016*, which was recently released. The list includes three schools from the United Kingdom and Canada and is built of data from more than 2,200 four-year colleges in the United States. Wabash is one of 11 liberal arts institutions to make the list, and the only private school in Indiana to do so. The Fiske guide has been published annually since 1984.

Thanks for reading *Pactoracles*. It is my honor to serve the Class of 1971.
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