

WABASH COLLEGE Class Agents Letter

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Dear Classmates,

Well, our 30 year reunion at the Big Bash has come and gone. Amazingly, this is the first one I've ever been able to attend. It was truly a great time and a lot of fun to reconnect with several people I have not seen in years and spend more time in a relaxed manner with guys I see occasionally. I am going to make a point to try and be at our 35th.

I did catch a fair amount of grief for not participating in the Chapel Sing on Saturday morning. I got lost in good conversation with my pledge brothers Tom Page and Pete Witczak and we simply lost track of what time it was. Plus, I figure since we, the Sigma Chi pledges, won Chapel Sing when it really mattered in the fall of '78, it made more sense to retire on top and stay that way.

It also needs to be known that I did participate in the Fun Run/Walk on Saturday morning and ran, well, jogged slowly the whole distance. Just goes to show that imbibing in TWR's the night before doesn't have to slow us down. I don't have the exact figures on this, but based on my observation, I think the Class of '82 probably had the most participants. But then again, we were always a superior athletic class.

I was questioning the wisdom of the Tommy's Scarlet Nickel (a tent set up on the lawn directly west of Wolcott and Morris) that provided drinks on Saturday afternoon. But it ended up being a great way to wind down Saturday afternoon, sipping on a drink and talking with old friends on a beautiful day on the Wabash campus. The only downer for the weekend was dealing with the news that this will be President White's last year at Wabash. It has been clear to me that he is a man that embraced the Wabash culture and has helped guide Wabash through some difficult times. Wabash has persevered and flourished under President White, even with going through a very tough economy and possibly the worst thing that can happen on a campus, the loss of a student's life.

I think the thing I was most impressed by was the members of the class of '62. This was their 50 year reunion. All of them, and there were a bunch, were having a great time and I hope I'm in as good of shape at our 50^{th} reunion as they were. I think we should all make a point to be at our 50^{th} . Another very impressive thing was that their class made a donation in the amount of \$2.67 million. I don't know what that ended up being per guy, but it is astounding.

Speaking of donations, the Wabash fiscal year ends June 30th. I don't expect us to match the Class of '62 this year, but it would be astounding if everyone that reads this donates something. I don't care if it's \$5. I just realized looking back through my records that I myself have not given yet this year, so I am going to practice what I preach and go to: <u>https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift</u>

I hope everyone's summer is going well and this letter finds you all in good health. Please let me know if there is any information you want me to pass on.

WAF, Ned Broadwater