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Greetings Gentlemen,

Big Bash is upon us! In two weeks many of us will be back on campus, rediscovering Wabash, seeing what has changed and, thankfully, what has stayed the same. There is still time to register and join us for a great weekend; you have until Wednesday, May 22nd to complete your registration online. If you have any issues with, or questions about, the registration process, or the timing thereof, please contact me directly and I will see what I can do to help.

Things to know for Big Bash 2013:

- We are in the running to set an attendance record at a 25th Reunion. The current record is 54 so we need 55 to break it and we are going to be really close. We currently have 40 guys registered with another 20-30 who are probable attendees. The record is in reach; we just need a little more help getting there, so come to the Reunion and put us over the top.
- **Whether you are registered or not you must sign "The Book" at the registration table in Chadwick Court on Friday or Saturday between 8am-5pm to count towards the attendance total, and by extension, our shot at the record.** The Alumni Affairs rules are pretty straight forward on attendance totals for awards and records at the Big Bash, "**if they don't sign, they weren't here**". Simple as that, sign The Book.
- Everything you need for the weekend will be in your registration package. You will need meal tickets and name tags to take advantage of the luncheons and dinners throughout the weekend. If you don't have a ticket there won't be a meal available, so pick up your tickets at the previously mentioned registration tables between 8am and 5pm on Friday and Saturday. **While you are there, sign the book.** If you have issues with making it to registration during the 8-5 window please let me know ahead of time so that I can work something out.
- Those who ordered Reunion Shirts, they will be available for pick up at a table in Chadwick Court by the registration tables (**sign the book while you are there**), for most of the day Friday and Saturday. I will be there most of the time but would like to get out and about a bit myself so I could use a few volunteers to pull a shift manning our table, please let me know if you can help out. If no one is at the table and you need to pick up your shirt, contact me via my cell phone and I will get you your shirt, my contact information is below.
- Wabash has gone green! Instead of having bottled water on hand, they will be providing water bottles with your registration packets in Chadwick, **sign the book while you are there.** They will have water stations available in Chadwick, Lilly Library and Hays Hall (where the Colloquiums are being held) and at Chapel Sing so you can stay hydrated all weekend long in an eco-friendly way.

- **We have an open bar at dinner on Saturday night.** Thank you again to everyone who made a gift to Wabash and made this possible. Two things to know about dinner Saturday night. They are making enough dinners for those registered for the dinner, if you crash dinner we would love to see you but they won't have a meal for you so get registered. **Free drinks will only be available to those with official Big Bash nametags.** Make sure you pick up your registration packet from Chadwick Court prior to dinner Saturday night so you have your meal tickets, your nametag and the location of our dinner that night. **While you are there, sign the book.** No nametag, bring cash, they have to control it somehow and this is the rule.
- The bar at dinner on Saturday night will be open from 5:30-7:30 regardless of the duration of dinner. Wine will be served with dinner. This is done for liability reasons, additional beverage time will occur at our hospitality suite at the Holiday Inn Express following dinner each evening. Our hospitality suite is the meeting room on the first floor, by the lobby and is reserved for us for the entire weekend.
- Our hospitality suite is BYOB so please bring something for yourself and to share with your friends; you don't want to be "that guy". Our goal is to keep folks safely at the hotel to enjoy the evening so please, plan ahead. We don't need people making beer runs after they have already had a few. Please play safe. We could use coolers so if you are able to bring one, or more, that would be appreciated. We will be providing some sodas, bottled water, light snacks, ice, cups, napkins and the like to stock the suite. If there is anything you would like to contribute to the party that would be great.

Important schedule highlights:

- **Registration in Chadwick Court – 8am-5pm Friday and Saturday (sign the book)**
- **Friday 10am** – Wally Wabash Golf Outing (Rocky Ridge Golf Club)
- **Friday 12:00-12:45pm** -- Welcome Back Luncheon in Knowling Fieldhouse
- **Friday 2:00-2:45pm** -- Colloquium: **Life's Battles and Triumphs: Wabash Prepared Me Well.** Presented by **Dr. Garrard McClendon '88**
- **Friday 5:00-6:00pm** – Reunion Reception in Knowling Fieldhouse (cash bar)
- **Friday 6:00-8:00pm** – **Big Bash Banquet** in Knowling Fieldhouse (tickets required)
- **Friday 8:00pm-????** – Hospitality Suite for Cocktails and Conversation (Holiday Inn Express meeting room)

- **Saturday 8:30am** – Fun Run/Walk in Hollett Stadium
- **Saturday 10:00am** – Colloquium: State of the College. Presented by President Pat White
- **Saturday 11:00am** – **Alumni Chapel Sing on the Chapel Steps (wear your Reunion Shirt)**
- **Saturday 12:00pm** – Picnic Lunch in Knowling Fieldhouse (tickets required)
- **Saturday 1:00-1:30pm** – **Class Pictures (Class of '88 at 1:15, in Knowling Fieldhouse, wear your Reunion Shirt)**
- **Saturday 3:00-3:45pm** – Colloquium: **Life as a Buddhist Monk.** Presented by **Jotipalo Bhikkhu (Don Sperry) '88**
- **Saturday 5:30-8:00pm** – **Class of '88 Reception and Dinner** (tickets and nametags required, location TBA)
- **Saturday 8:00pm-????** – Hospitality Suite for Cocktails and Conversation (Holiday Inn Express meeting room)

- **Sunday 8:30-10:00am** – Continental Breakfast in Sparks Center
- **Sunday 9:45am** – Chapel Service in Pioneer Chapel
- **Sunday 11:00am** – **Big Bash Awards Brunch** in Knowling Fieldhouse (tickets required)

Important Notes:

- Dr. Brooks, Dr. Dallinger and Dr. Herzog, along with their wives, will be joining us for dinner on Saturday night
- Spouses, Partners, Significant Others and possibly pets are welcome for one of the Class Pictures

- The Bookstore will be open Friday 9:00am-4:00pm and Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm
- The Scarlet Inn will be open Friday and Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm
- Class of 1952 Fitness Center will be open Friday 10:00am-4:00pm and Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm
- Tommy's Scarlet Nickel will be open Friday and Saturday 1:00pm-5:00pm for TWR (tent by Wolcott and Morris)
- Contact Info for Greg Teague: Cell 317-727-2303 Email teague_greg@comcast.net
- **Dress Code for the weekend is CASUAL**, perhaps business casual for dinner, so **please leave the ties at home!**
- **Chapel Sing** requires us to sing and knowing the words helps, see below for links to Old Wabash and Alma Mater
- **SIGN THE BOOK!!!!**

Important Links:

- **Big Bash Registration:** <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/signup>
- **Big Bash Schedule:** <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/schedule>
- **Who is attending the Big Bash:** <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/attending>
- **Holiday Inn Express (preferred hotel and location of our Hospitality Suite):**
<http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/crawfordsville/cfjex/hoteldetail>
- **General Lodging Info:** <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/lodging>
- **Make a Gift to Wabash (we need 8 more to hit 88 by May 31):** <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/egift>
- **Old Wabash and Alma Mater (expect to sing both):**
<http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Old%20Wabash%20and%20Alma%20Mater.pdf>

Who is currently attending:

Gary Bacon (Delt) Brad Baldauf (Lambda Chi) Jotipalo Bhikkhu (Delt) Adam Brazus (Phi Delt)
 Ed Broecker (Fiji) Erik Dove (Beta) Jeff Eslinger (TKE) Mark Fritz (Sig Chi) Mark Gilbert (Phi Delt)
 Ben Grisemer (Sig Chi) Lee Hargitt (Kappa Sig) Dave Hawksworth (Indep) Terry Jackson (Delt)
 Booth Jameson (Beta) Chris Janak (Beta) Rob Jones (TKE) Jim Lewis (TKE) Garrard McClendon (Indep)
 Jim Minatel (TKE) J.C Morgan (Delt) Tim Morrison (Indep) Bob Oppman (Lambda Chi) Adam Price (Indep)
 Steve Prince (Lambda Chi) Scott Quick (Beta) Ali Raheem (Beta) Jon Reitz (Beta) Doug Roepke (Beta)
 Jeff Short (Fiji) Scott Smalstig (Phi Delt) Tim Smith (Sig Chi) Kurt Spoerle (Fiji) Jeff Stahly (Phi Psi)
 Eric Stark (Phi Psi) Greg Teague (Indep) Jon Scott Uloth (Indep) Eric Walts (Fiji) Joseph West (Indep)
 Jim Williams (Sig Chi) Jon Zink (Delt)

Attending (registration pending):

Loren Anderson (Delt) Greg Redding (Lambda Chi) Chris Whitfield (Indep)

That puts us at 43 once Loren, Greg and Chris process their registrations. The record for a 25th Reunion is 54 guys. We need 11 to tie and 12 to break the record. We have a lot of guys that we are still waiting to hear from who we think are, or might be attending. Time is running out gentlemen, the registration window closes on Wednesday the 22nd, please do not wait any longer, get registered today. There are 31 names on the possible attendees list below, if we get half of you

back to the 'Bash we break the record, if we get more of you we shatter it and you will have a great weekend in the process.

Who we think might be attending but have not registered yet:

- Beta: Todd Bailey, Rob Quirey and Eric Weber
- Delt: Working on Rick Burgett, Jeff Fetterer, Doug Lockwood, Mark Ratekin, Ralph Russell and Brett Zimpfer
- Independent: Brock Berta, Dave Mares and Joe Masner
- Kappa Sig: Doug Mawhorr and Tom Quackenbush
- Lambda Chi: Working on Jeff Bluethmann, Joe Folkening and Mark Walker
- Phi Delt: King Lumpkin, Scott Schrader and David Weir
- Fiji: Brian Beesley, Tom Plake, Jeff Qualkinbush, Roger Rhodes and Nick Roth
- Phi Psi: Joe Bentivoglio, Mike Simmons and Jon Smith
- Sig Chi: Marvin Massey
- TKE: Matt Parlmer and Steve Simms

We have done everything we can, or will have done so in a few more days. The ball is in your court. The House and Independent Reps have been calling you, emailing you, hitting you up on Facebook and talking to you in person, all in an effort to get you to come back to Wabash for our 25th Reunion. I have been writing letters, making phone calls and sending emails for the better part of a year. There is little more we can do now, it is up to you. Wabash is a very special place. We spent a lot of time there, we learned a lot about both academics and life there, we made some of the best friends of our lives there and we took countless memories away from there when we left 25 years ago. Isn't it time to relive old memories, revisit familiar places, reconnect with old friends and sing our favorite songs?

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.

Isn't it time to come home to Dear Old Wabash?

See you at the 'Bash,

Greg Teague '88