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Class of '75,

It's time for the first letter of 2008. In order to write these letters, we need information. So, to keep the letters coming, keep us posted on what's happening in your life.

**John Beardsley** is still living in Kennett square, PA. For those of you who may not know, I married Susan Woron on August 26, 2006. (Joe Hockberger and my brother Chris,'81, represented Wabash at the ceremony. We spend a lot of our free time in the summer boating on the Chesapeake. Last summer, we purchased a 28' Wellcraft, which is large enough to allow us to cruise to un-explored ports on the Chesapeake. My daughter Megan recently graduated from Temple University and is employed in the Marketing Department at Kimberly-Clark.

**Jim Hiatt** writes that he recently changed jobs. Jim is now working with Americana Bank. He and his wife Sally celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary last September 17<sup>th</sup>. Jim and Sally never had any children, but they are the proud parents of 2 cats and a puppy. (Jim thinks that having kids might have been less trouble.) Jim quit playing basketball about 6 years ago as a result of a gimpy knee, so now his physical activity is limited to yard work. He says he's thinking about taking up golf. Jim is active in the local Kiwanis, serving several terms in all the leadership positions.

**Bill Llewellyn** writes that it doesn't seem possible that 30 years have passed so quickly. He reports that he gets into the Chicago area about once/month on business. Bill works for a company that sells bingo supplies.

**Bob Fuchs** reports that he is still alive and well in Louisville and still married to his first wife, Martha. They have 3 grown, college graduate children (Lauren, Notre Dame '02, Danny, Vanderbilt '04, and Carolyn, Dayton '05). Bob reports that his son is in law school and that the girls are married and gainfully employed. Bob and Martha have been blessed with a new grandchild that they babysit for regularly. They also enjoy playing golf (Hiatt, get a game going). Martha is a two-time Women's Falls Cities champion.

**Bill Ledbetter's** wife, Maria wrote us a letter because she said that Bill wouldn't get to doing it himself anytime soon. Bill is an orthopedic surgeon who practiced in Nashville until 7 years ago when he moved to Murfreesboro, TN to join his group's practice. Bill and Maria have 2 children, 6 and 8. Since they had children, Maria reports that Bill has lost some of his hair, and what is left has turned gray. He says that he cannot believe that he is 54 years old with a 6 and

an 8 year old. His goal is to live long enough to experience the empty-nest syndrome. Bill is involved in his children's soccer and Cub Scouts.

**Kymn Harp** reports that he had no takers on his essay contest. That could mean a couple of things :1) we've all done so well, we don't need the money, 2) we are a bunch of procrastinators, 3) we've all done so poorly in life that we're embarrassed to admit it, or 4) nobody give's a rat's ass. Not sure which one it might be. Judging from Maria Ledbetter's letter, it sounds like a combination of #1 and #2. Maybe we should directly appeal to the wives of our classmates, since our classmates apparently won't take the time. Kymn had lunch with Bill Llewellyn last fall. Bill has stayed in touch with Mark Mullins and Matthias Mittman. Mullins is a big deal at IBM. Llewellyn and Mullins went to visit Mittman in Washington, D.C. It turns out that Matthias works in the Situation room at the White House. They enjoyed a personal tour of the white House and the outer offices of the Situation Room. Our country's security is in his hands. God save the USA.

Kymn's daughter, Ashley, is getting married this May in Jamaica. His son, Ryan, recently graduated from the University of Iowa and is working in the marketing for the Premier Basketball League.

**Bill Rubenstein** is still teaching in the North Montgomery School District. He gave up coaching a few years back in order to watch his son play varsity athletics. He does the radio broadcasts of the North Montgomery football games, and he was doing the pre-game show for a Crawfordsville radio station when we saw him at the last Monon Bell game.

**Kevin Forney reports** that he received his doctorate in Educational Administration from Illinois State University. Kevin is in his 5<sup>th</sup> year as superintendent of the Oakwood Community School district in Danville, Illinois. Kevin is in his 14<sup>th</sup> year in administration and 31<sup>st</sup> in education. The learning never stops in public education.

**Monon Bell** – for the last 10 years, Hockberger, Healey, Hiatt, and I have gotten together in Crawfordsville to watch the game, catch up on our lives, and drink some beer. We only get together for the home games. I lived in Greencastle for 6 years after graduation and have some ties there. But the boys voted never to go to Greencastle again. They said, "if it was so good Beas, why'd you move away?" Truth be told, Greencastle wasn't that good. Anyhow, plans are afoot for a possible Class of '75 Tailgate Party at this year's Monon Bell game. Of course, the party would be open to all, but we think that it would be a great opportunity to re-connect with guys from our era, the mid-70's. What we need from you is an indication that some of you would like to attend. Hiatt, Hockberger, Healey, and I are going to be at the game, but its extra effort to put together a tailgate party. If nobody is interested in attending, we'll just do out pregame drinking at one of the local establishments. Respond to one of us if you're interested in a tailgate party. I guarantee it will be a great time. It will be great to see everybody again.

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