June 20, 2005

Dear 49ers,

**Around Campus**

During commencement weekend, President Ford announced his resignation from Wabash at the end of 2005-2006 academic year. A search committee has been formed with Trustee John Fox, '64, to lead the committee and hope a candidate will be in place by January 2006. Anne and Andy have made a significant contribution to Wabash College over their 12 years on campus, and will certainly be missed in the Crawfordsville and Wabash community.

I mentioned in my May letter, that Dean of the College, Mauri Ditzler, '75, will leave Wabash to be President of Monmouth College, which is the bad news. The good news is Raymond B. Williams, Emeritus Religion Professor, has been appointed interim Dean of the College by President Ford. He joined the faculty in 1965, rose to full professor in 1977, and retired three years ago. One highlight of his career, Raymond founded the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion through a $5 million grant from Lily Endowment. He is an Honorary member of the Wabash Class of 1968.

There were over 250 alums back for the Big Bash weekend, and by all reports everyone had a good time. Plans are being made for the Bash of 2006.

The Wabash Admissions Office reports 256 students have committed to Wabash for the Class of 2009. The goal was 250.
The campus is a very busy place this summer, according to Jim Amidon (Public Affairs Director). Over 2000 visitors will be on campus from OLAB (Opportunities to Learn about Business) program, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion hosts six week-long conference for teachers from schools like Duke, Princeton, Emory, Chicago, Yale and Harvard, to baseball, football, and basketball camps.

**News from Our Class, etc.**

Had an E-mail from Francis (Mac) McIntyre. He just returned from 5 weeks in Italy and Croatia, with his fourth grandchild and reported he has taken all four grandchildren, as they became 13. He is still in family practice in Austin, and just had his 82nd birthday. Except for Frank Beardsley, he has lost touch with our class, but is looking forward to our 60th reunion. Great to hear from you, Mac.

Let me hear from other members of our class - E-mail post card, or whatever.

As of May 23, the following 49'ers have made a contribution to Wabash: Robert Baur, Dr. Frank Beardsley Jr., H. D. Cherry, Dr. W. Dale Compton, Dr. Jerome Fink, Mrs. Joyce Haywood, Dr. Frank Hines, Rev. Raymond King, Mrs. Ellen Luse, Dr. Francis McCormick, Dr. Francis McIntyre, Kelsey McKay, Dale Milligan, Donald Pine, Robert Pugh, Robert Ragan, Karl Romaine, Warren Wagner, William Wagner, George Dale Welch, Dr. Walter Wosilait, F. W. Zipp.

Thanks for your continuing support to Wabash, and once again let me hear from our great class. Dale

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