Gentlemen:

November is here again, and that means it’s time once again to rekindle the rivalry with our most hated adversary on the gridiron. Yes, the Monon Bell game is just around the corner—November 15th to be exact. This year’s game in Greencastle holds an extra incentive for the Little Giants, as the series is again tied. If you can’t make it to the game in person, be sure to check out the website for a telecast party in your area.

Bell preview
Wabash has looked good in recent weeks. I saw the team dominate NCAC rival and perennial playoff contender Wittenberg at Homecoming a few weeks ago. Since then, they’ve beaten Ohio Wesleyan and Oberlin. Unfortunately, Wooster ruined their playoff hopes with a road loss, making the Bell game all the more important. Depauw has had a successful season as well. They’re 5-3 after a recent loss to Centre College in Greencastle and stand at third place in the SCAC. The Tigers will be trying to pull one out in their coach’s last game. When it comes to the Bell, though, the rest of the season usually doesn’t mean much, and this year’s game promises to be worth the price of admission as the Little Giants spoil the retirement party.

Blast from the Past
Keeping with the Bell theme, here’s a Bachelor shot of Jake Gilbert from our first year after Chris Ings lead Wabash to a Bell victory on the snow-covered field at Blackstock stadium.
News
As if the 41-14 pummeling of Wittenberg wasn’t worth the trip to Crawfordsville, I also got to see President Ford receive a well-deserved degree from the College. After all that’s changed for the better during his tenure, not to mention his efforts to help raise well over $122 million for the Campaign thus far, I think he’s earned it. Mary Ann Salter also received an honorary degree for her years of service and contribution to Wabash.

Parker Lyons ’97, a fraternity brother and now fellow class agent, maintains a website frequented by an ever-growing number of Wabash alumni. There’s Wabash news, events, and old college stories, as well as links, weird headlines, and endless bantering among the staffers. Check it out at http://www.dailypummel.com.

Check out the Bell telecast site nearest you at http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/mononbell_telecast.shtm.

Five Year Reunion
Don’t forget to mark your calendar for June 4-6, 2004. The Big Bash at Wabash is coming. If you have any suggestions for Colloquium speakers from our class or any faculty you’d like to attend our events, send one of us an email.

Admissions
Keep those admissions referrals coming either via the gray postcard or on the web at www.wabash.edu/alumni/referform.shtm. Don’t forget to sign those applications to waive the fee (this also counts as a referral for our class). Speaking of, thanks to Adam Salon, Ben Whitehouse, Jim McCall, Jason Pavey, John Duckhorn, and Tom Sarver (and anyone else) for their referrals thus far.

In an effort to get this out before Bell, I’ll keep this letter short. But a few reminders… Please send us some class notes via email, on the Alumni website, or through the standard “Where are They now Form.” I know there are some good stories out there; let the rest of the class know, too. If you haven’t seen it yet, we now have a page for the Class of 1999 Class Agent letters at http://www.wabash.edu/alumni/Class%20Agent%20Letters/1999%20index.shtm.

Finally, send in your email addresses if you’d like to receive these letters via email.

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