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Class Agents Letter

Class of 1963

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Greetings from Tom, Bruce and Alan,

We hope this letter finds you and yours well. Many of us are experiencing issues we never anticipated, and our Wabash memories play an even greater role in our reminiscing. (Sounds like someone is getting older! (I confess, it's me, Alan).

The Class Agents held a video conference call recently, so I'm somewhat up to date on what's going on. Some highlights were as of March 30 there were 200 freshman enrollments and deposits (around 135 last year at the same time). The 250 class size is in sight. The census is now around 850 as Wabash seeks to grow to around 1000 students to increase overall efficiency. The Sparks Center is coming down to make room for the new community center that is being planned to be the focus of campus life. And a new Dean of Students, Scott Brown, has been recruited.

There are about 15,000 alumni with about 47% engaged with regular communications and giving. This leaves a tremendous "go get" potential to improve, although Wabash is already very good, our annual alumni giving. Our class is also good, but if everyone who has given would give in the same fiscal year we would be great. The concentrated push to successfully finish the \$3.75 million goal before the June 30 end of the fiscal year is the "Day of Giving" that will be on April 30 this year – the end of this month. There are many affinity groups like our class, fraternities or athletic teams that are double counted, so if you haven't given this year or can add to your gift, it would really help if you timed it to be posted on April 30.



As far as Class News goes, there are only two items to report. We'll add more in the next letter. Bruce Polizotto underwent surgery again on his right cornea, and recovery is touch and go at this time. A call or email (317-431-9376, bpolizotto@hotmail.com) would be welcomed. Also, I was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer early in October last year and have completed 11 of the 12 chemo infusions with the last scheduled for April 23. A CT scan next week will determine what's next. Bruce, Linda, Betty and I get together often to cheer each other up!

Reply to this email with your news, and we'll include it in our next Class Letter. And try to get to Crawfordsville for one of these dates: Commencement 5/17, Big Bash 6/6-8, Freshmen Ring In 8/23, Homecoming (Denison) 9/27, and the Monon Bell game 11/15.

For now, cheers and best wishes,

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