

Class of 1968

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Dear Friends in the Class of 1968,

Lots of Pictures this time. **YOU** make the Letter! Read on.



Dr. Jim Dashiell 9-10-25



Dan Vanatter had a Birthday, Happy!



They finished **THIRD**, in the world series. Great job by **Mike Gallagher** and his gang. And Mike hit a grand slam, along with various singles and doubles.



What a great job!!!

Mark Sutton and Dianne



They did what I asked them to do—SEND PICTURES! Here's my Wrestling Buddy. He made a great career of it. C'mon guys !

(Picked up on the Internet) Grew Up In 60s, 70s, 80s & 90s

September 25 at 9:07 PM

Many of our friends are no longer with us. And those of us still here are lovingly called “the elderly.” But what a journey it has been. We were born in the 40s, 50s, and 60s. We grew up in the 50s, 60s, and 70s. We studied through the 60s, 70s, and 80s. We fell in love, built families, or chose our own paths in the 70s, 80s, and 90s.

We settled into the 2000s. We grew wiser in the 2010s. And here we are, still going strong into 2020 and beyond. Think about it. We have lived through eight different decades, two centuries, and two millennia. We have truly seen it all. We went from making long distance calls through an operator to holding the world in the palm of our hands with video calls. We went from handwritten letters to instant messages. From black-and-white TV to 3D. From vinyls and cassettes to streaming music online. From standing in line at a video rental store to watching anything we want on Netflix. We learned on typewriters and punch cards, and today we carry gigabytes in our pockets. We wore shorts and Oxfords, mini-skirts and bell bottoms, Palestinian scarves and blue jeans. We lived through polio, meningitis, tuberculosis, swine flu, and even COVID-19. We went from tricycles to hybrids and electric cars.

We played marbles, checkers, and Monopoly on a table. Today kids play Candy Crush on a phone. We drank lemonade from glass bottles and ate vegetables fresh from the garden. And through it all, we adapted. We are the generation that witnessed the birth of molecular biology, the discovery of DNA and RNA, and the rise of gene therapy. We are the generation that has lived an analog childhood and a digital adulthood. We have faced more change than any other generation in history—and we made it through.

What a life. What a story. What a gift. To everyone who belongs to this very special generation—congratulations. We are, and will forever be, unique.

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Buzz Madsen It's official. Our farm is now protected with a Conservation Easement thanks to the hard work of @highlight the Door County Land Trust. Today the signs went up.

Terry Smith Writes: Again thanks for the class letter and appreciate all the work and time you put into it. Kathy and I are doing fine and are presently in good health and enjoying our life and family. Have been playing a lot less golf and have taken up Pickle Ball and really enjoy it. Went to the Wabash Homecoming a couple of weeks ago and the "Bash" looked really good. Campus hasn't changed much except for the destruction of Sparks Center and building a new book store and additional spaces in the same place. Campus still looks really great. Went to the awards and recognitions that were presented in the Chapel and just being in the place brought back so many memories. As time passes, I am more and more blessed and gratified that I chose Wabash as my college of choice. Remember so many of my professors and people that I became friends with at Wabash. It is so amazing how things turn out and when I look back, I realize that some things are just meant to be and going to Wabash was one of those "meant" to be experiences. Again Jim, thanks for all that you do for the class of "68".

Terry Smith

131st Monon Bell Classic

As of this writing, Wabash and DePauw football teams have suffered only one loss, both to John Carroll which has just joined the conference. So once again the 131st Monon Bell Classic will have a lot riding on it. Whether you're going to the game—it's at home—attending a watch party, or streaming it at home, here's where you can find out more information: <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/mononbell/>.



Wrestling News-Borrowed from the Wrestling Newsletter

After a tough, fun, and exciting pre-season, we are now officially in season! Mandatory team practices started October 6th, and now the team is in full swing getting ready for competitions. While competition is rapidly approaching, your Little Giants are diligently working to guarantee their best performance on that

mat. A normal week consists of 2 hour practices Monday-Saturday, with a mandatory hour of lifting MWF throughout the day.

The first meet the Little Giants will wrestle is the Millikin Open on November 8th, at Millikin University Illinois. We hope to see you there!

That's it.

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