## WABASH COLLEGE



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**Class of 1954** 

## Class Agent

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Dear 1954 Class:

Stan Huntsman passed away in November 2016. He lived a good life developing young people for life as a Track Coach for 39 years at the Universities of Ohio, Tennessee and Texas. Many visited Stan thru the years and he remembered each, their improvement in race times and always interested in their lives. Jim Cronin remarked that Stan was a genuine nice guy. Helen and I were fortunate to be close friends with Stan and Sylvia and cherish that. Remember many stories with Stan working on kitchen crew, playing football and learning the game of Indian. Then thru the years all of his achievements and honors! He was some Little Giant!!

Talked with Judge Bill Garrard in Arizona. He had just taken wife Linda to the Airport for one of her business trips. They had a cooler than normal winter out west but still enjoyed it. Bill plans to be back in Indiana for the April 24 Peck dinner. Dwight Brainard called and made my day. Nice to talk to friends we haven't seen for a while, Dwight is positive, full of life celebrating a few more birthdays. He has Pulmonary Fibrosis and is on oxygen. Wife Gwen and he have lots of kids, grandkids and 7 great grandchildren they adore and keep everybody busy. Dwight says the weather in Stone Mountain, GA is so nice they decided to sell their beach Condo near us.

In talking with Jim Cronin he raised a good question--"Is Wabash as liberal as Middlebury and California Colleges"? My take is from reading the Bachelor every two weeks and I would say the views express all sides. There are more Liberal articles than Conservative but I believe they welcome open discourse. Politics is not the focus but learning about life, your lifelong friendships and a demanding four years are talked about more and what your future opportunities are. Cronin said it was snowing in Detroit area on March 29. In March, they flew to San Francisco to Cruise down California and Mexico Coasts, the Boat Casinos were not kind to him but the Cruise was very nice. Cronin always has a story. When I mentioned talking to Bill Garrard, Jim was at a Fraternity parent's day at DePauw visiting his son. He turned to the person next to him and introduced himself as Jim Cronin. The reply was "the heck you are, I'm Bill Garrard." Their sons were Frat Brothers. Jim lamented his golf game disappeared somehow. Join the rest of us.

Dick Rose is amazing as he still works with investment clients and has joined a team at Wells Fargo in Chicago. He still plays in a Jazz Group. He has written Screen Plays and just published his second book. It is called "The Gumshoe" about a detective involved in 1947 crime mystery in Chicago and it is exciting. He has a book signing March 30 and wife Kay is handling lots of the publicity and marketing. We plan to meet Dick and Kay at the Bash June 3 and we finally got a reservation at the Quality Inn as everything is booked. Dick gave me the number and it is 765-362-8700 if you care to join us. We meet for lunch at Creekside Inn on Sugar Creek and dinner at the college usually in Trippet Hall on June 3. We hope Bill Glascock and Vic Lindquist can join us on June 3 as they are such loyal Wabash guys and always look forward to being with them.

Looking forward to being back in Indiana April 18 and lunch with Ed Gallagher. He is doing fine and works out 3 days a week.

Wabash is having the annual day of giving and it is April 19 so support if you can.

Long in our hearts ....., Bob and Helen Johnson