



Class Agents Letter

Class of 1955

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Dear Fellow Classmates,

It's way past time for another newsletter, so this is it:

The pandemic has been a shadow over all of our lives for too long. Most of us have developed a routine which works for us, however, and are beginning to feel the pressure lessening. We can be very proud of our old College. Wabash took a strong healthy approach to the Covid 19 problem when it appeared. They put together a committee of students, faculty and administrative people (In other words everyone on campus who could be affected) and together they developed a variety of practical plans to enable education to continue at Wabash. While many institutions were struggling with enforcing various edicts, Wabash carried out their plans creatively with a cooperative effort from all. As a result, there was a minimum of Covid problem on campus which was addressed promptly and Covid itself became a learning experience for everyone.

We all received the informative letter from Board of Trustees chairman, Jay R. Allen,'79 indicating the College is in pretty good shape and moving forward in spite of the challenges all small colleges are facing.

Sadly, we've learned two more of our classmates have passed on since those listed in my last letter. Their full obituaries are available at the College.

Robert L. Reinke died January 26, 2021 at his home in Richmond, Indiana. Bob graduated from the University of Chicago law school in 1958 and became a respected scholar of the law. He served as city attorney for Richmond in the late 1970s. He received the Sagamore of the Wabash award from Governor O'Bannon.

Wayne Cecil Broshar passed away on July 1, 2020. Due to computer problems, I was unable to access his obituary. I do know that after Wabash, Wayne went to work for NASA, and a couple of years after that he was back on the Wabash campus, teaching physics, I believe.



Got a nice note from Dave Wright. (perhaps you remember, Dave was an Independent – played in the band) He spent two years in the army after graduation, a year and a half of it in Japan - he says a great experience in retrospect. Back in the USA, Dave got a job with a Public Accounting firm and earned his CPA certificate in 1960. Later, Dave worked for another firm as financial controller. In 1971 he took a job with the Indianapolis Star and it's parent, Central Newspapers, working as Business manager, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Dave retired in 1993. He's been married to Gerry Gray for 58 years. Dave and Gerry have a daughter and three Grandchildren who are the center of their lives now. Their son, an aeronautical engineer, passed away in 2015. Dave and Gerry live in Indianapolis.

Now, my appeal. This letter is short, because I heard only from Dave Wright after the last letter. We are nearly all retired now, so we aren't doing a lot of exciting things. -- But, I'll bet over the last 65+ years we've found ourselves in unusual or interesting situations or involved with unexpected people, and every one of us has stories to tell about those occurrences. I think we'd enjoy hearing your stories: I know I would. (If you were a lawyer, don't tell me nothing funny or interesting ever happened in connection with your job!) (Same to you Doctors) (Ditto Teachers, professors) Your stories will reveal a little about the kinds of things you did or were involved with. --so, let's hear them!

If you send them to me, I'll pass them on in the next newsletter.

So, let's hear from you!

Respectfully,

Bob Kellogg