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Class of 1963

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Fellow Classmates:

Damn! Here's a short Class Letter to share some sad news about three of our classmates.

John Price died on January 7. Cathy survives him after a 55 year marriage, and Jaco, Costa Rica was their special place for the last five years. A Beta at Wabash, he received his law degree at IU and represented conservative and Christian causes and clients in Indiana for over forty years, retiring recently to devote his time to writing. He authored several books including America At The Crossroads, The End of America, The Warning, and Second Term. He narrowly missed the Republican nomination for the U. S. Senate from Indiana by about one vote per precinct. In 2000 he campaigned for the Republican nomination for Governor of Indiana. Besides Cathy, he is survived by seven sons and daughters and twelve grandchildren.

Woody Stephens died March 7. A Phil Delt, he ran and ran while at the 'Bash.

Following graduation, he made his mark in the high performance alloy industry moving from sales to eventual ownership in specialty metals in the aerospace industry. Tennis and golfing were his pursuits along with a total priority on family until a kidney problem took him through dialysis and eventual transplant with this sister's cherished donation. Kathy is in Covington, Kentucky at 313 East Second Street, 41011, Phone <u>859-261-1868</u> after 21 years of marriage, and is blessed with children in Wisconsin. Her email is <u>woodyandkathy@gmail.com</u>. In addition to Kathy, Woody is survived by four children, three stepsons, twelve grandchildren and one great-grandchild!

And Bill Diener died January 6. Although technically the Class of '64 due to his year's unplanned delay in graduation, he definitely was with us in our Class of '63!

A member of Phi Delta Theta and Sphinx Club at Wabash, his post-Wabash credentials were significant: Indiana University School of Law - Indianapolis (J.D.), George Washington University School of Law (L.L.M.) and Butler University (M.A.) He then taught at the Indiana

University School of Law (Bloomington and Indianapolis) and Irish Literature at Butler University. He served as chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Environmental, Energy and Resource Law.

He practiced regulatory business law for forty years at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, interstate natural gas pipelines in Florida and Utah, Citizens Gas, and Ice Miller, LLP. And to cap his Liberal Arts credential, he served as Chair of the Indiana Horse Racing Commission from 2012 - 2014. Bill mentored and tutored middle school boys at Shortridge Middle School and Tabernacle Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis. Upon his retirement from the practice of law, he was a full - time volunteer at IPS Schools, as well as continuing his volunteer activities at Indiana's security juvenile facilities. Married 51 years to Kaye, Bill is survived by her, their son, grandson, granddaughter, and two sisters.

With this unpleasant task of being a Class Agent done for now, let's commit the rest of this update to moving ahead.

Unfortunately I left my class agent's file in Indianapolis and am writing this in Orlando. So class news will have to wait until the next letter.

The Day of Giving, 4.19, was a great success reported Kevin Andrews who leads alumni giving. The quick report was over \$875 thousand from 3,325 donors, amounting to over \$1k per current student – a record among comparable institutions. This one-day focus, due to its success, will be with us from now on.

Speaking of alumni giving, it's time for everyone to check to see if he has given this fiscal year (ending June 30, 2017). Tax-timed gifts at the end of last year count of course, but a quick check on the <u>www.Wabash.edu</u> website where participation is reported is a good source to check if you aren't sure you're in for this year. And while you are on the website, you can easily make your gift if you're not in yet. Our Class of '63 enjoys a strong record of participation, but it's a push every year to keep it top-of-mind with everything else that competes for our attention.

Another great way to contribute to the 'Bash is by referring a potential student, also through <u>www.Wabash.edu</u>. I've sent in 3 this year, and at least 2 are committed. It's a perfect way to help the admissions staff leverage their important challenge.

Gotta go for now. Please send an email address with your personal update that we can share with fellow Class of '63 members.

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