

Class of 1964 Class Agent – Ron Nichols

Class Agents Letter

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Dear Classmates,

If you weren't one of the ten men (and their ladies) who attended our 55th Class Reunion, you missed a great weekend. There were programs and social events that were thoroughly enjoyable. The camaraderie and conversation with fellow classmates, some of whom we didn't know that well at Wabash, or were unaware of their vocations or avocations since college, was an added bonus.

Since its inception by Tom Runge in 2004, Big Bash weekends, reunion or not, have been fun and informative occasions to anticipate each year and a resounding success. Although it is difficult for some to attend, especially those who live far from campus, I strongly recommend you make the trip once in a while.

One classmate I got to know better at this reunion was John Kline and his wife Hiroko. John served in the United States Army during the Viet Nam conflict, and has agreed to share his experience there with his classmates. (See attachments below). Having read Mark Bowden's book <u>Hue' 1968</u> it helped me to relate to some of his recollections. His contact info is: <u>kline-john@att.net</u>

While we were bidding a fond farewell to Dear Old Wabash in 1964 to pursue graduate study, begin careers, and raise families, some of you by choice or chance, served in the conflict in Viet Nam. Whatever your thoughts about that very confusing and misunderstood era of our history, we must pause to honor those brave men and women who bravely served our country in those troubled times.

One final note: For the past 22 years Michele Ward of the Alumni Office has been a tremendous help to the Class of 64' in so many ways. Therefore, I took it upon myself to give her a gift card for her favorite restaurant on behave of all of us. You may reach Michele at <u>wardm@wabash.edu</u> if you'd like to thank her for her kindnesses.



If this letter has reached you after the end of the Wabash fiscal year, be the first kid on your block to mail a check for next year! We are down 5 contributors from last year.

Yours in 'Bash,

Ron

John Kline attachments, click on the links below.

Nuggets of History and 29 January 1968