



Class Agents Letter

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Registration Is OPEN!

Our 50th Reunion: 31 May – 2 June 2019

Gentlemen of Class of 69,

A hard winter has descended here in the mid-west and northeast with frigid arctic clippers, sub-zero temperatures (-45 wind chill in Kokomo, IN), and blowing snow. Those of you in warm southern states and sunny California miss all this and do not have the enjoyment of a snowman in your front yard. Life goes on and... **Wabash Always Fights!!...**

As a New Year begins and we look forward to 2019 (hopefully a better year), we continue to focus on our **50th Reunion** with the goal of having as many classmates as possible return to the Wabash campus for **Big Bash 2019** the end of May. Details below.

With written and oral comps completed the week of 7 January, students returned to class the following Monday, with 856 students enrolled to begin their spring semester. This is a -3% change from 882 students enrolled in the fall semester. The College makes every effort to minimize student attrition and works closely with those students who consider dropping out.

Our 50th Reunion

With planning for our **50th Reunion** moving ahead, we are actually now into the reunion execution phase with **Registration OPEN** on the Big Bash website. By going to the website you are just a click away to register for a great three days on the beautiful Wabash campus in the warm days of late spring.

<https://www.wabash.edu/bigbash>

Time may be moving quickly, and we are perhaps moving a little slower, but hopefully you are planning on returning for our **50th Reunion** and will move rather quickly (soon) to register. We have eleven registered so far. You can see who has signed up by going to “Registered” in the right column of the website.

If you register before February 28 the \$10 registration fee is waived. What a deal!

Unit reps will continue contacting you to promote our **50th Reunion** and to generate interest in attending. We really look forward to seeing you back on campus the end of May for our **50th Reunion** and **Big Bash 2019!** If you are not sure at this time if you want to attend I recommend you give some thought about returning to campus again. You received a “Save the Date” card earlier from the College. In the spring the College will send you a Big Bash invitation, but why wait. With my letter here I am sending YOU an invitation now to come back for **Big Bash 2019!** (I’m a step ahead of the College!). Go online and register!

Reunion Shirt

In our phone conference 8 January, the reunion committee selected two shirts, one cotton, one polyester, for our **50th Reunion**. Both shirts have the same logo on the front and left sleeve. The order form is enclosed with this letter. If you would like to have a reunion shirt, please select Option 1 or 2 and your size and mail the form to me in Bloomington, IN with your check. I will confirm to you receipt of your order. I will send one consolidated order to Imagewear the end of April. Shirts will be handed out when you sign in at Big Bash, or Imagewear can UPS the shirt directly to you. Just give a UPS address and add \$19 on the order form.

Note: For our **50th Reunion** you can also wear the red shirt we purchased for our **40th Reunion**, and sew a **50th Reunion** patch on the sleeve. Let me know if you wish to have a patch.

50th Reunion Memories Book.

We are making progress on assembling our **50th Reunion Memories Book**. A lot of work! In addition to your bios, for the years 1965 through 69, we will have articles from the Bachelor, pictures of our professors and living units, a section on significant news events, and a special “In Memoria” section remembering those in our class who have gone before us. Kim Johnson is helping us compile the material for the book. Once the draft book is completed I will be asking several of you to review and recommend changes if needed.

I emphasize the need for you to get your bios submitted on line as soon as you can. You still have several weeks to submit. Kim is working with us. We recommend you write your bio off line in a word document and then paste into the sections on the “50reunionform” on line. Once you begin filling in the form online you have to complete the form and submit. You cannot save the form online and go back to it later. Once submitted, if you wish to add or make a change to your bio later, submit a new “50reunionform” under your name with a “Note to the Editor” in the

first section detailing your change. The editor will make the change in your bio. Do not forget to submit a photo, or photos, of you and yours for your bio.

Again, here is the link: <https://www.wabash.edu/50reunionform>

Hotel Reservations

The 20 blocked rooms (Hilton limited us to 20) for the Hampton Inn are taken, 18 from our class. They still have rooms available at the normal price. If you want to stay in the Hampton Inn, close to our hospitality room, call the front desk (765) 362-8884 and ask for their best price. Thursday night is around \$115. If you go to the Hilton website to book the Hampton Inn your price is around \$147.

Blocked rooms are still available in the other three hotels. If you know you are coming to our **50th Reunion** I recommend you make your room reservations sooner than later. Details and reservation codes are again attached to this letter.

Annual Giving

By mid-January we had 53 classmates on our 2018-19 Honor Roll. We sincerely thank those who have given to Wabash College this year. Your gifts mean a lot to those on the receiving end of your generous donations. As always, you can give by going on line to www.wabash.edu/egift, phone in a gift at 877-743-4545, or mail a check to Wabash College-Annual Fund, 301 W Wabash Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. There is still plenty of room on our Honor Roll and everyone is welcome to join!

Wabash News

The 19th Annual Celebration of Student Research, Scholarship and Creative Work was held on Friday, 25 Jan, in Detton Center, with 39 oral presentations and 28 posters by 79 students presenting their research and creative work. As Dean Feller says “the impressive breadth and quality of student creative work is evidence of the challenge and change that mark the Wabash experience”.

The Wabash basketball team is doing well, now at 17-2, and 11-1 in the NACA, ranked #14 in Division 3 hoops. **Some Little Giants!...**

The Wabash College swimming and diving team has been honored by the College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) as a Scholar All-America Team for the 2018 fall semester. The Little Giants were one of 118 teams named to the Scholar All-America Team (GPA above 3.0) selected from 713 teams from 460 institutions. Wabash reported a team GPA of 3.13 for the 2018 fall semester

President Greg Hess revealed a new logo for the College purportedly to eliminate the confusion with the Wisconsin W..... the Wabash **W** is now **W**.

Let me know if I am forgetting anything in our reunion planning, or if you have any questions or wish to add something to the agenda. I always enjoy hearing from you!

Wishing everyone the Best in 2019! Let's come together for a great **50th Reunion!**

WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS!

With warm wishes to all! from a very cold Indiana!..

Ken

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Local Hotels with blocked rooms for Big Bash - 2019

Hampton Inn & Suites *Location of our **Class of 1969 Hospitality Suite***

Crawfordsville Phone : (765) 362-8884 Push 0 to reach front desk.

Unfortunately the 20 blocked rooms are taken.
Call the front desk and negotiate for a best price.

Best Western Plus

Crawfordsville Phone: (765) 307-3999 Push 3 to reach hotel front desk

You can also reserve a room online at: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.15114.html?groupId=F93CL6P6

Use Group Code **Wabash College – Big Bash** when making your reservation:

Room Rate: King Bed \$95, or King Bed with pull out sofa \$105

Blocked rooms are available to 30 April.

Comfort Inn

Crawfordsville Phone: 765.361.0665

Use Group Name: **Wabash Big Bash**

Deadline for Reservations: April 26, 2019

Make Reservation Online: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/QF67V2>

Room Rates: \$126 - \$129+tax, depending on which room you reserve

Holiday Inn Express

Crawfordsville Phone: 765-323-4575 Make reservations with the front desk.

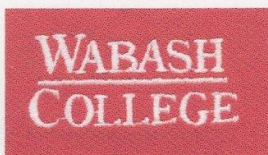
Use Group Name: **Wabash Big Bash - Room Block.**

Room rate is \$129.00 plus 10% tax. \$135 for King Suite room.

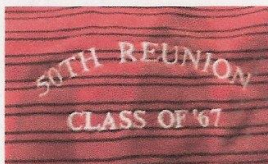
Room rate good 30 May to 2 June. Blocked rooms are available to 10 May

WABASH COLLEGE CLASS OF 1969 50th REUNION SHIRTS!

OPTION 1



Left Chest Design



Left Sleeve Design
(*67 will be '69)

OPTION 2



- 3.8 oz., 100% **polyester** double knit mesh
- Double-needle arm seams, shoulders, and hem
 - Taped neck, flat knit collar
 - 3-button placket
 - Open hem sleeves, side vents

- 6.1 oz., 100% combed **cotton** pique
- Active fit, wicking technology
 - No-pill, no-fade, no-shrink, no-wrinkle
 - Matching flat-knit collar with contrast tipping
 - Three-button placket with contrast inner detail

OPTION 1	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X		
* Wearer's Chest Msmt.	35-37	38-40	41-43	44-46	47-49	50-53	Total # Shirts	Total \$
	\$29	\$29	\$29	\$29	\$32	\$35		
Quantity								
OPTION 2	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X		
* Wearer's Chest Msmt.	35-38	39-41	42-45	46-49	50-52	53-56	Total # Shirts	Total \$
	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$37	\$40		
Quantity								

* NOTE: Both shirts have extra width; please use your actual chest measurement for size selection,

TOTAL FOR SHIRTS # _____ \$ _____

**If you will not attend, but would like shirt(s) sent to you, please add \$19 UPS \$ _____

Name _____

(UPS Shipping Address _____)

TOTAL ORDER AMOUNT: \$ _____

FIRM ORDER DEADLINE IS May 1, 2019 (Sorry, no late orders)

Send check to: Ken Crawford, 1273 S. Barnes Drive, Bloomington, IN 47401