



Class Agents Letter

Class of 1970

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Fall 2019

It's fall. So, the days in Crawfordsville are shorter and the leaves are showing more color than they had back in September. Like you, I enjoyed walking through campus on the clear, cool fall days. It's a sweet thought.

2020 Big Bash - Hold these Dates June 5, 6 and 7, 2020

Let's all plan to share this weekend together in Crawfordsville. It will be great to see all of us back on campus together 50 years on.

Hotel info coming soon.

Class Updates

In September Aaron Koseki and I got together in Honolulu to catch-up with one another. Aaron and I had been roommates during our Sophomore year. Aaron, actually Dr. Koseki, returned to Honolulu over 30 years ago after getting his doctorate on the mainland and working as a hospital administrator in Danville, Illinois. In addition to looking after his widowed mother, Aaron and his wife raised their family there. Aaron continues to work as a professor at the University of Hawaii. One of his three children and three grandchildren live in Honolulu. Aaron hopes to join us in Crawfordsville next June.

Tom Petska writes that he retired in 2009 after 36 years in the federal government, including 28 in IRS. Tom and his wife, Barbara, sold their house on the Chesapeake Bay and bought condos in seaside towns in Solomon's, MD and Sebastian, FL. They now split time between the two locations.

Looking Back - 1969

The Fall of 1969 was our last fall at Wabash as students. There was a lot going on at Wabash, and in the world around us.



October 10, 1969 - President Seymour Inauguration

Thaddeus Seymour, who signed our diplomas, was sworn in as President of Wabash.

"I want to see Wabash continue to excel as a small, independent, undergraduate, liberal arts college for men. That forthright definition will be the text for my remarks this morning...the convictions of one who believes with all his being that our type of college, that our own College, continues today the special mission of service which motivated its founding; that Wabash will best serve by producing men of balanced judgment, broad knowledge, and good character – 'Scientiae et Virtuti,' know-how and guts."

President Thaddeus Seymour Inaugural Address October 10, 1969

I am saddened to report that President Seymour passed away last week.

"Thaddeus led a full and rich life, and Wabash was blessed by his leadership and humor," said Wabash President Gregory Hess. "He navigated the College with wisdom and humor during the Vietnam War era and the economic dislocation in the early 70's. He made us better during times that weren't." A service of remembrance will be held at Knowles Chapel on the Rollins College campus at 2 pm on Nov. 3.

Monday, December 1st, 1969 - 1st Draft Lottery

December 1st was the night of the first draft lottery in the Vietnam era. We all remember that night, I'm sure. If you have any photos of yourself on campus from the fall of '69, please share it with us. We'll get it in our December newsletter. Here's one of me sitting near the flag pole in '69. Thanks to the yearbook folks for sharing this photo.



Please update your contact information on the next page, if you haven't done so recently with Wabash.

See you in Crawfordsville.

Ron

“Where Are You Now?”

Wabash Class of 1970

Take a moment to fill it out and send it to:

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Family Information

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Latest Employment and Education Information

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Working toward a (degree) _____ in (field) _____

Writing a book on _____

I'd really like to hear from (classmate/s)

Any other interesting news?
