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Gentlemen,

I wanted to touch base with all of you, reporting on the **Big Bash 45th Weekend** a few weeks back, and the Annual Fund.

Hope you are all enjoying the summer so far. I'm teaching one summer class at North Central College (Naperville, Illinois), an 8 week class term which keeps me out of trouble, as well as up to date with business news during these summer months. I continue to enjoy teaching, with most emphasis at North Central, and a few classes at Elmhurst College. Hard to believe we are almost through June already!

45th Reunion

We had 9 guys from Class of '72 come for all or a part of the Big Bash Weekend. Obviously a little disappointing, but I heard from a number of you expressing regrets not being able to make it. I take much of the responsibility for our low turnout. I probably should have started earlier than I did. A number of you stepped up and did help with making calls, which I greatly appreciated! Our Class continues to be a major contributor to the Annual Fund (one of the best classes), so I know the interest and enthusiasm is there. It was just a tough weekend for many of you to attend. Maybe the 45th in itself is an "off year"...

Special Thanks to **Hugh McClelland, Tom McShane, Dennis Kurth** (came all the way from Phoenix!), **John Mynsberge, Bill Nielsen, Keith Nightenhelser, Clint Rigg,** and **Gordon Vogel** for attending. We all ate dinner together at the College Banquet on Friday night. Great visiting with everyone! Unfortunately, I had a family issue come up (nothing too serious), so I could not attend the Saturday and Sunday festivities. (If I missed anyone who came later, my apologies...please let me know). Hugh and Tom informed me that despite small numbers, our Class distinguished itself at the **Alumni Chapel Sing** on Saturday.

Because of our smaller numbers, our Class joined the Class of '77 for the Class Receptions and Dinner on Saturday night.

Moving forward...Obviously, our goal and challenge is to have a huge turnout for our **50th Reunion**, 5 years from now in 2022! Whoa, seems like an eternity from now, but why not put the thought in all your minds now. The **Class of 1967** had about **80 Alumni** show up for their **50th! Think of it...80 Classmates!** I am positive that we can meet and break that record! So, let's do it in 2022. Many of us at the Friday night dinner reflected on the fact that as we all get older, life changes, our health changes, everything changes...and we shouldn't put off attending our 50th.

So, please keep this in mind as we all aim for a healthy next 5 years, and a wonderful chance to get together in 2022!

I wanted to specifically thank those of you who offered to help, but couldn't attend, including **John Bridge, Mike Tipton, Dan Grube, Jerry Dreyer, Kerry Wilson** and **Don Lawton**. I hope I didn't miss anyone!

See you all in 2022 (if not before!!)

FY '17 Annual Fund

As the College's fiscal year comes to a close, please consider giving to the Annual Fund. Our class has always been a leader in giving. The dollars we give really help support the school, its mission, and its students. Many of the tangible results of our giving can be seen as you walk around campus these days. Absolutely beautiful facilities, and up to date, innovative programs available to the students to get them ready for post-graduate life.

Please give to the fund; **any dollar amount** is encouraged. You can make your gift by June 30 online at www.wabash.edu/egift, by phone ([877-743-4545](tel:877-743-4545)), or by mail (P.O. Box 352, Crawfordsville IN 47933-0352).

Ok, that's it for now. Have a great rest of the summer. I'll touch base with you all in a few months.

All the best,
Rick