

Class of 1976

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Dear Gentlemen of the Great Class of 1976:

I truly hope that this note finds you and your families in good health. We continue to experience highly uncertain times with no definitive end of this pandemic in sight. Our schedules are all up in the air as we begin to head toward the Fall of 2020. I hope that you are safe and doing everything possible to stay out of the mainstream and out of harm's way.

The biggest news from area code 317/765 is that Scott Feller has been appointed Wabash's 17th President. Scott has been in Crawfordsville since 1998 with several years as Chemistry Department Chair, Division One Chair and Dean of the College from 2014-2020. Scott has done everything there is to do at Wabash..and done it well. Congratulations indeed to Wendy and Scott Feller.

Good news from the Basketball Courts that the 2019-2020 Team received NABC All Academic standing. Five players were named to the Coaches Ass'n [NABC] Academic Honor Court.

Updates are available on the College Athletic website to see the progress of the rebuild of Little Giant Stadium.

Wabash Football has renewed the "Gentlemen's Classic" Football game with Hampden Sydney College of Farmdale, Virginia. You will remember that HS and Wabash are the last two remaining All Male Non Sectarian Liberal Arts Colleges in the United States. The Games will be played in 2022 and 2023.

The College had a wonderful experience with the Annual Day of Giving last month. 6,051 participants in 24 hours with a preliminary giving total of \$1,214,420. While we're on the Development front, the "Giant Steps" Campaign has reached \$194.4 million of the \$225mm goal. Endowment seems steady at \$344mm.



It seems wise to remind ourselves that our 45th Reunion is scheduled for June 4-June 6, 2021. Interestingly, the Men of 1975 will celebrate their Reunion that same weekend due to this year's postponement. You may want to organize with Wabash friends and colleagues from 1975 for some part of the June 4-6 weekend next year. I am sure that Rick Cavanaugh and Rob Matthews would be happy to organize something formal with 1975 if there is interest.

Sad news that Shaya Petruniw has died in Indianapolis. The <u>obituary notice</u> appeared in the Indianapolis Star. Shaya was, among other things, a top wrestler and lived in the Phi Gam House during his time at the College. We shall miss him.

Lastly, I note that we have 21 Members of the 1832 Society from the Class of 1976. I think this is a new record for our Class...Thank you. As always the Giving Portal on the Wabash website (<u>wabash.edu/give</u>) is available for your use.

Monon Bell Weekend is tentatively scheduled for November 13-15th this fall. Stay tuned for schedule updates...

Cheers to each of you,

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