



WABASH COLLEGE

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Greetings Gentlemen,

I hope that the New Year finds everyone happy and healthy, it is hard to believe that it is already March now. Also difficult to believe is that we have another Class Reunion looming on the horizon. Three months from today, running June 1-3, is our next installment of the Big Bash marking 30 years since we departed those classic halls.

I think we have given the other reunion classes a fair enough head start, it is time for us to get in the game. To recap our 25th reunion five years ago, we had 61 of us that returned for all or part of the Big Bash weekend, totally blowing away the previous 25th reunion attendance record.

I recognize that a 30th reunion may not hold the same traditional sex appeal of a 25th or a 50th but to me they are just all numbers. What is important is the opportunity to reconnect with old friends, to share some stories and drinks together, to laugh and smile with our brothers once again.

I am hoping that we can have just as large a turnout, preferably even larger, than we did five years ago. For those of you that attended the last reunion I think you would agree that everyone had a really good time getting back together and catching up. Come back this time and let us share similar good times once again. If you were unable to attend the last reunion for whatever reason, please come back and join us this time around.

Registration for the Big Bash 2018 is currently open, the schedule and agenda can be found at <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/reunion/schedule> while the link for registration is located at <https://www.wabash.edu/ecommerce/bigbash.cfm> and there is information about lodging on the website as well. We have not selected a gathering point as far as a specific hotel yet but I should have that for you in my next letter.

If anyone is interested in being a Colloquium speaker, last I heard there was still one slot open on Saturday afternoon. So, if you have a story or message to share that might fit the context of a Colloquium please let me know and I will get you in touch with the appropriate people.

I tend to be competitive by nature, as many of you are as well, so let us discuss a few things in regards to that about our upcoming reunion:

- Last reunion we had 61 attendees, let us beat that number, set another record and have a lot of fun together. If you were there last time, plan on returning and contact someone you wished was there then and get them to come this time.
- As of this writing we are starting with 4 registered attendees, JC Morgan, Trent Scott, Mike Simmons and myself. I know my fellow Class Agents Scott Quick, Scott Smalstig and Jim Williams will be registering shortly, that means we need another 55 guys registering to meet our goal. Resistance is futile, sign up now.
- Open Bar...do I have your attention now? There is a donor challenge that can earn us an open bar at dinner on Saturday evening while supporting Wabash at the same time. We need to meet our donor goal by May 23rd, which is the Big Bash Registration deadline. Here are the numbers, our goal is 103 classmates making a donation to Wabash, of any amount, and we are currently at 43 donors. So, we need at least 60 of you that have not made a donation to Wabash to get that in before May 23rd. Donations can be made directly at <https://www.wabash.edu/ecommerce/> or, very conveniently, there is a line item at the bottom of your Big Bash Registration page where you can include a donation making it one stop shopping. Please make your gift to Wabash before the deadline and let us enjoy drinks on the Alumni Office, who does not like an open bar after all?
- The Class of 1968 is celebrating their 50th Reunion at Big Bash 2018, they currently have 50 class members registered to attend, which is quite impressive. And, while I do believe in respecting my elders, I just think there should be more of us there to show them that respect. Let us be sure our class is the biggest group returning to Wabash. We will make it a friendly little competition.
- Chapel Sing...we have a score to settle here as a class. Five years ago we had the most men, we were the loudest but, through what can only be seen as some very questionable judging, our class was denied the victory. When my very good friend, classmate and Buddhist monk Jotipalo Bhikku (Don Sperry), a man of peace by his very nature, is highly upset about the outcome of a competition you know something is not right. You can find your homework assignment at <https://www.wabash.edu/alumni/docs/Old%20Wabash%20and%20Alma%20Mater.pdf> so start refreshing your memory now and let us take Chapel Sing.

It has been 30 years since college days are past, it is time to feel that greatest joy once again, it is time to shout the chorus...Dear Old Wabash, thy loyal sons shall ever love thee...it is time to come home.

You are on the clock, see you at the Bash!

Wabash Always Fights!

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