

Wabash Class of 1963 Letter (really!)

July 14, 2020

Fellow Classmates:

Happy Tax Day tomorrow! Could you have ever figured? Remember when taxes were due on April 15? It seems like years ago, given the last four months of upside down living. Hopefully you and yours are healthy. Betty and I are healthy and still sequestered as we both have COVID-19 targets on our backs due to age and health histories.

Bruce Polizotto and I had a great call Sunday, and the conversation drifted into all that is messed up today compared to our simplistic times back at Wabash. Linda and Bruce are at their place in Leland, Michigan on the Lake for the summer. He's due for more eye surgery in October and Linda is doing the driving. He is as sharp as ever, but his sight continues to plague him. Call him if you get a chance (231-228-6881).

Tom, Bruce and I apologize for the letter the College sent the end of June in our names soliciting last minute donations! It seems that if we don't get a Class Letter out, they do it for us. Oh well, just a good reason to do it ourselves on time next time!

In another health report, John Doyel had part of his lung removed and is on chemo for lung cancer. He's in good spirits and they believe they got it. Interestingly, he had no pain but his coughing got increasingly difficult. John and Carolyn are in Crawfordsville, and he would welcome a call, too (765-362-2753).

How about an email or call from you? It would be great to catch up and share information in another Class Letter (or no-share, if you prefer). Peter Toll emailed late last year when he was in Cincinnati with relatives and hoping to get to Wabash during the trip. I don't know if he made it, but he's leading most of us in grand-parentage – a quote from his note: *"P.S. I'll be a great-grandfather for the second time in February. (I tell people I started breeding when I was 12.)"*

Here's an update from me. Betty and I are in our 57th year of marriage, and at 79 I'm heading for the Fountain of Youth as soon as the pandemic clears! Daughter Stacy, with Jeff have 3 sons, 25, 22 and 17. Mac, the 25 year old, played baseball at Michigan and the NY Mets then retired with a shoulder issue. With his love for baseball, he joined the LA Dodgers baseball operations management and is now in player development – with technologies that make *Money Ball* look primitive! Alan, at 22, just graduated from the Farmer School of Business at Miami of Oxford, Ohio, and is starting in finance at Salesforce in Indy this month. Scott, their 17 year old baseball player, will be a senior at North Central in Indy. Son Scott, with Nina moved from SF to LA last year for better climate and for their two daughters, Chase, 17, and Chloe, 15,

to attend Brentwood school. They don't miss the out-of-control street mess in SF at all. His VC firm, Acme Capital (renamed from Sherpa Capital), is still in SF, and everything is virtual. Betty is handling the marketing for our minority partnership in our restaurant, OAKLEYS bistro, and serving on the board of Teachers' Treasures, a NFP that provides school supplies to teachers for their students and classrooms so they don't have to use their own money. I'm still working full-time as founder and CEO for Sherish (www.Sherish.com) that is focused on keeping seniors and their families together through photo technology. BTW, it would be great if you would take a market research survey at the end of this letter as we are preparing to expand beyond senior living communities to seniors living at home soon.

Now how about a paragraph like the preceding from you? No more from me for a while!

With a new president and the pandemic, much is happening at Wabash. It appears to be all good compared to sister institutions. We'll send more information on the College in future letters along with continuing reminders to include Wabash in your giving plans.

I'm going to close to get this out today. For sure, let Bruce, Tom or me hear from you, and the best to you and yours to stay healthy and happy.

Best,

Alan, for Bruce and Tom

Alan's market research survey: [Photo Sharing Survey](#)