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PLANS FOR NEW SCHOOL OF LAW COMPLEX REVEALED

In a recent press conference held at Valparaiso University, President Robert V. Schnabel announced that there had been substantial progress made on the proposed plans for a new building complex for the School of Law. The announcement highlighted several important decisions made by the V.U. Board of Directors at their April meeting.

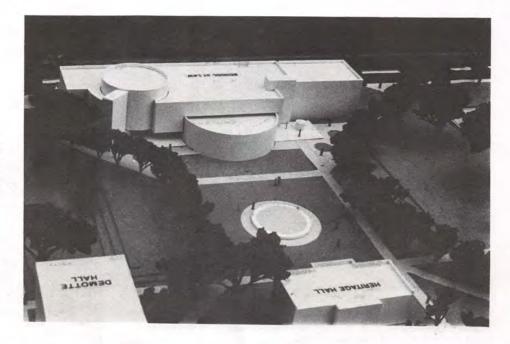
In a key decision, the Board gave their approval to the relocation of the School of Law to the Heritage Park Campus (west campus). Dr. Schnabel revealed the preliminary plans which were developed by Sverdrup and Parcel, Inc., which call for the development of a quadrangle consisting of a new School of Law building, the remodeling of Heritage Hall and the addition of attractive landscaping which will enhance the beauty of the campus while establishing a dramatic emphasis for the remaining older buildings.

In developing the plans, Sverdrup and Parcel responded to the recommendations contained in a report which was prepared by the faculty of the School of Law and submitted to the V.U. Board of Directors. The recommendations for required space are designed to accommodate the School of Law for the next fifteen years. Professor Phillip Brockington serves as chairman for the faculty's building committee. Since plans are still in the preliminary stages, cost figures for the building have not yet been determined.

Among the facilities which will be provided in the new construction are classrooms, seminar rooms, administrative offices, a multi-use courtroom/classroom, and library facilities. Renovation and removal of the annex wing of Heritage Hall will provide new facilities for such student activities as offices for the Student Bar Association, the Forum, and other organizations along with space for a student lounge. Although the model is shown in white, the new building will be constructed in red brick to match Heritage Hall and blend with the lush setting of the Heritage Park Campus.

To raise the necessary funds for the School of Law Complex, a major fund raising drive will be conducted among V.U. law alumni across the country. The campaign which is being chaired by Herbert L. Stride '57 will have its own identity and leadership but will be a component of the Crusade for Valparaiso University, the campaign which is being planned to raise the necessary funds for the University as a whole. A campaign committee, consisting of law alumni volunteers from across the country, has been organized. Special area campaigns are expected to begin shortly and will continue through the balance of 1982.

The architect's model shows the preliminary design of the proposed School of Law complex to be developed on Heritage Park campus. The concept combines new construction with renovation.



I.C.L.E.F. INSTITUTE A SUCCESS

The School of Law's first attempt at sponsoring a continuing legal education seminar was an unqualified success. Entitled "Real Estate Practice in Indiana," the institute was sponsored by the Indiana Continuing Education Forum, the Indiana State Bar Association, the Valparaiso University School of Law and the School of Law Alumni Association. It was conducted on the V.U. campus on March 11 and 12.

Under the able direction of Jack W. Lawson, '61, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, the institute attracted over 130 members of the Indiana State Bar from across the State. The faculty included legal experts such as Lawrence Jegan of Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis, Bruce Bancroft, partner in the South Bend law firm of Barnes and Thornberg, John A. Grayson, partner in the Indianapolis law firm of Ice, Miller Donadio & Ryan, Judge Wesley Ratliff, Jr., '50 Indiana Court of Appeals and Charles R. Gromley, Professor of Law at V.U.

The program included a panel discussion which examined conflicts of interest and ethical considerations when representing more than one, or multi-parties involved in a transaction. Other highlights included a review of the State and Federal Security laws, new federal subdivision registration laws and the new federal Bankruptcy Act.

A cocktail reception, for all registered guests and faculty was held at the Strongbow Inn on Thursday evening. It was sponsored by the Porter County Bar Association, the Lake County Bar Association and the V.U. School of Law Alumni Association.

Preliminary plans have already been made for another institute at V.U. in the spring of 1983.



Wesley W. Ratliff, '50, of Knightstown and George W. Carberry, '77, of Merrillville, exchange pleasantries at the cocktail reception. Judge Ratliff serves as president of the School of Law Alumni Association; Mr. Carberry is treasurer.



Three of the principal characters in the successful I.C.L.E.F. Institute are pictured outside of the Great Hall at the Student Union. Pictured from left to right are Charles Ehren, Jr., Dean of the School of Law, Mr. Jack Lawson, '61 of Fort Wayne, who served as chairman for the institute and Mr. Don Cannaday, Executive Director of the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum.



Professor Charles Gromley (right front), was part of the group that assembled in the Great Hall of the Student Union for Valparaiso's first Continuing Legal Education Institute. Professor Gromley was the faculty coordinator from the School of Law and also served as a panelist.



David A. Butterfield, '71 (left) and Alan S. Morrisson, '62, both of Valparaiso, were among the guests at the afternoon reception at the Strongbow Inn.

JUSTICE ARTHUR GOLDBERG — FEATURED SPEAKER AT LAW DAY LUNCHEON

"The biggest issue today is a vanishing American right, the right of privacy," said former United States Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg. Justice Goldberg was the featured speaker at the annual Law Day Luncheon, sponsored by the Student Bar Association.

Addressing an audience of over 300 people — comprised of students, faculty and distinguished guests, Justice Goldberg added that Americans like to live their lives without government interference.

Speaking of "The New Supreme Court," Goldberg referred to it as both new and "The Reagan Supreme Court," though Reagan has only appointed one justice. "There have been a great many 5-4 court decisions in recent years," said Goldberg. "With that division, Justice O'Connor may well be the swing vote in a large number of important cases."

Appointed to the Supreme Court in 1962 by President John F. Kennedy, Justice Goldberg spoke of a good justice. In his view, he said that a good justice must listen, not always agree, be a justice and be a judge. "There is no escaping the responsibility of deciding," he said. "You will make mistakes with judgments because we are not infallible. But there is one thing a judge must do — make decisions."

Being a good justice also means having the ability to recognize and respect the principal of separation of powers in the American political system. "What greater compliment to the country can there be than that the Court poses such strict attention to the separation of powers?" he said. "This separation," he added, "is a testimony to the independence of the judiciary."

An extremely important role of a justice is to defend the liberties which are guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and the Fourteenth Amendment, he said, "A justice is supposed to do equal justice under the law," he said. "Who better than judges can determine what is a fair trial?" he added.

In addition to time spent on the Supreme Court, Mr. Goldberg has also served his country as Secretary of Labor, United States Ambassador to the United Nations and special counsel for the AFL-CIO.



Justice Arthur Goldberg, featured speaker at the Law Day Luncheon



Ray Merritt, President of the Student Bar Association, addresses guests at the Law Day luncheon. Also pictured, from left to right, are Robert V. Schnabel, President of Valparaiso University, Charles Ehren, Dean of the School of Law and Justice Arthur Goldberg, featured speaker for the luncheon.

FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Recipients of School of Law Academic Fellowships have been announced by the Admissions Committee. Four fellows have been named to receive full tuition scholarships. The four were chosen from a pool of over 60 candidates. Over 300 requests for applications were received from virtually every corner of the nation and from as far away as Sweden and India. Many academic disciplines were represented among the pool of candidates, and the committee was pleased with the overwhelming response and favorable comments the fellowship program has brought from the academic community. It is hoped that the fellowship recipients will contribute an interdisciplinary approach to the study of law at Valparaiso, as well as contribute significant scholarly work to the Valparaiso University Law Review. Two of the four fellows will begin their studies this fall while two have deferred entry until the fall of 1983. They are:

Seymour Byman, an historian, who holds a B.A. from the University of Illinois (1956), M.A. from Roosevelt University (1967) and a Ph.D. from Northwestern University (1971). He has been a Professor of History at Winona State University since 1970. He has published extensively in the field of psycho-history.

Russell Lewis, an anthropologist, who holds an A.B. from Calvin College (1970), and both an M.A. (1972), and a Ph.D. (1974) from Michigan State University. He is a former Vice-President for Academic Affairs at Jordan College and presently is an adjunct Professor of Anthropology at Kendall School of Design.

Robert Fuller (entering fall of 1983), who holds a B.A. summa cum laude from Dennison University (1974), and both an M.A. (1975), and a Ph.D. (1978) from the University of Chicago Divinity School. He is currently an Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Bradley University.

Timothy S. Miller (entering fall of 1983), who holds a B.A. from Haverford College (1967), an M.A. from the University of Michigan (1968), and a Ph.D. from U.C.L.A. (1969). He was a Harvard University Dumbarton Oaks Fellow, 1971-72, and a Fulbright Fellow in 1972-73. His area of specialization is Byzantine History. He is currently an Assistant Professor of History at the University of Washington and has received a National Humanities Center Fellowship for 1982-83 to complete work on a new book.

In addition, two "University Fellows" have been named from the Valparaiso University faculty. The university fellows will receive a merit scholarship to assist in the cost of their law school education. They are:

Continued on P. 5 Mary A. Link, who holds a B.S. degree from Southern Illinois University (1964), an M.Ed. from the University of Illinois (1967), and an Ed.D. from the University of Florida (1977). She has also studied at University College, Oxford University. Ms. Link is an Assistant Professor of Education at Valparaiso University.

Dorothy P. Smith, holds a B.S.N. from Whitworth College (1955), an M.S.N. from Case-Western Reserve University (1960), and a Ph.D. from Yale University. She is the founding (and current) Dean of the College of Nursing at Valparaiso University.

STUDENT CALLS FOR INCREASED ALUMNI SUPPORT

The following letter from a student at the School of Law appeared in a 1981 issue of The Forum. It was directed toward his fellow students. We are reprinting it with the permission of the author.

As the spring semester draws to a close a number of knee-jerk reactions present themselves in vivid form. First-year students murmur about transferring elsewhere. Second-year students express concern about the quality of the education at Valpo and fear about job prospects for the summer and upon graduation. Third-year students discuss future plans and indicate how nice it will be once they finish school. Of most concern to me is the persistent chatter amongst law students about their intentions "not to give a dime to this place" upon graduation. This viewpoint transcends class lines and presents a problem to which I have given much thought. This ubiquitous attitude ought to alarm all of us.

One need not have an MBA from Wharton to recognize the plight of private education in times of near double-digit inflation, persistent unemployment and astronomical interest rates. Indeed, private universities face a challenge of gigantic proportions in the years and decades ahead because of increased demands on leaky budgets that receive relatively little support from state and federal governments. Absent government support, private universities rely heavily upon alumni contributions for unrestricted operating funds to make ends meet — or even, in some cases, just to keep the deficit under control. This is where we, the students of Valparaiso Law School, fit in.

While I am not going to debate that our school is not without its problems and shortcomings, for better or worse, all of us chose to attend Valpo. We have been trained to enter an esteemed, rewarding and, hopefully, prosperous profession. For this all of us ought to be at least a little grateful. It is for this start that all of us should take it upon ourselves to contribute in time, money or both as loyal alumni. While no one should feel obliged to give \$500 per year, \$15 or \$20 a year is not an unreasonable expectation. As fund-raisers at other private universities, notably Notre Dame, have found out, it is high percentage participation that breeds a successful alumni fund; not reliance on the once-a-century-million dollar gift.

My point is simple; its impact direct. If all of us, and our predecessors and followers as well, were to become habitual contributors, a strong alumni fund would result. The increased alumni financial support would ameliorate, at least to some degree, the myriad of problems that result from a budget that relies heavily on tuition income. At the same time, use of precious endowment dollars would decrease. While necessarily simplistic, this scenario highlights the impact that loyal contributions have on private education.

A university is only as good as the students it graduates. Most of us, I am sure, feel at least a bit of loyalty to our undergraduate institutions. There is no need to be any less loyal to our law school. Once graduated, we are all alumni of Valparaiso Law School, like it or not. It is high time that we become proud of it and support it. Increased alumni and student support will make life much easier for those who follow and give all of us an alma mater of which we can be proud. Nothing is better than a personal association with a strong educational institution. Few things could look worse than a degree from a defunct law school — defunct for want of loyal alumni.

Frederich A. P. Seikert '82

FACULTY NEWS & NOTES

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES: Charles A. Ehren's tenure as Dean will conclude July 1, 1982. Dean Ehren will be on sabbatical from the School of Law for the Fall of 1982 before returning to teach beginning the spring '83 semester. Since no consensus could be reached on available candidates for the deanship, President Schnabel has named Prof. Alfred Meyer to serve as Acting Dean for the 1982-83 academic year while the Dean's Search Committee continues to screen candidates. Associate Dean John M. Farago plans to spend next year as Associate Dean and consultant for the City University of New York as they establish a new law school to be located at their Queen's College campus in New York City. Prof. Matthew Downs, Law Librarian, has been named to serve as interim Assistant Dean in Prof. Farago's absence. Lastly, Director of Law Admissions Julie E. Blackburn ('80) will resign as of July 31, 1982, to attend New York University School of Law to study for her LL.M. in Taxation, before entering private practice. No replacement has yet been named.

Prof. Bruce Berner spoke to a group at the University of New York School of Law at Buffalo on "Corporate Criminal Responsibility: Reflections on the Pinto Case," earlier this spring.

Professor Jack Hiller authored a chapter entitled "Revenue Laws as a Stimulent for Food Production and Growth: the East African Experience" for Food, Famine & the Legal Order edited by Lakshman Marasinghe and Julio Menezes.

Speaking before the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, Prof. Richard Stith testified in favor of the proposed "Human Life Federalism Amendment," a bill which would leave abortion up to the Congress and state legislatures to regulate, late last winter. Prof. Stith also addressed a conference on family issues at Governors State University in Illinois in May on the topic "Philosophically Significant Responses to Roe v. Wade," in which he criticized the U.S. Supreme Court for pretending to doubt the actual existence of a child solely because of his or her location in the womb.

Prof. Linda Long received her LL.M. from the University of Chicago in December of 1981. She will be attending the ABA's National Conference on Alternative Family Dispute Resolution in Washington, D.C. June 3-5, also the AALS' National Clinical Teachers Conference in Minneapolis June 19-26, 1982.



CORRECTION: Prof. Paul Brietzke will not be attending the East Africa Group Project in Kenya and Malawi as was previously reported, only Prof. Hiller.

Prof. Philip Brockington will be on leave from the School of Law for 1982-83 to accept a visiting professorship at Touro Law School in NY.

ALUMNI NEWS & NOTES

- 1957 The Honorable Roland A. Herrman has been named Treasurer of the Northern Illinois Alumni Chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity at their January meeting. He is a Circuit Judge in Woodstock, Illinois.
- 1959 Mayor Richard G. Hatcher of Gary, Indiana, has been named President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Mayor Hatcher has also been appointed Vice President of the Democratic National Committee.
- 1964 Philip E. Draheim and Leonard J. Pranschke ('75), members of the St. Louis, Missouri firm of Stolar, Heitzmann, Eder, Seigel & Harris have announced the formation of a new firm, Draheim & Pranschke, in Des Peres, Missouri as of June 1, 1982.

1967



The Honorable Charles J. Fleck, of Chicago, recently announced his resignation from the Circuit Court of Cook County to return to private practice. His resignation will be effective June 1, 1982. He has been serving as Presiding Judge of the domestic relations division since 1979.

Judge Fleck was 36 when he was elected Judge and when he became Presiding Judge in 1979, was the youngest person to serve in that capacity. Kevin M. Forde, president of the Chicago Bar Association called Fleck a great judge and judicial administrator.

Judge Fleck will be returning to practice with the Chicago firm of Schiller & Du Canto.

- 1969 Richard S. Eynon, of Columbus, Indiana, recently moved into a new and larger office building. His new address is 555 First Street, Columbus, Indiana.
- 1970 Indiana Governor Robert Orr appointed Stephen E. Platt judge of the Elkhart County Superior Court.

Thomas G. Walter announced that he is now engaged in the general practice of law in Valparaiso, Indiana. Walter was previously corporate counsel for Kelly Health Care, Inc., Detroit, Michigan and is a former City Attorney of Valparaiso.

- 1972 Karen Hughes is the first woman attorney to be appointed to the Porter County Sheriff's Merit Board.
- 1973 Roy J. Bussewitz has accepted the position of legislative counsel with the American Health Care Association in Washington, D.C.

William E. Alexa, Valparaiso, Indiana is running for the Prosecutor of Porter County on the Democratic ticket. He was victorious in the May primary election and will be facing a fellow alumnus, Daniel Berning, '77 in the November general election. Berning is the incumbant and has served as prosecutor since 1981, when Gary Germann, '73, resigned to return to private practice in Portage, Indiana.

Glenn W. Hagen has returned to private practice in Denver, Colorado.

1974 Gene H. Hennig of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and his wife Kristi, are looking forward to the birth of their second child in August.

Douglas W. Schlak has formed a new partnership, Wirt & Schlak, and is in practice in Chicago, Illinois.

Charles Graddick was named to Chair the 19th annual Life Membership Drive of the Gary, Indiana branch of the NAACP.

1975 Susan Schwandt is now in practice with the firm of Robbins & Haury, in Bedford, Indiana.

Mark O. Ilten of Stevens Point, Wisconsin was named Secretary-Treasurer of the Porter County (WI) Bar Association.

1976 David M. Wells is now practicing with the firm of Marcus, Vande Ploeg, Ruck, Mullaly & Wells, in Muskegon, Michigan.

The Crown Point, Indiana firm of Sendak, Sendak & Luke announced that Jim B. Brown and Paul R. Chael ('81) have associated with the firm.

Bruce B. Prillwitz has become a member of the firm of Robert L. Heritier, P.C. in Detroit, Michigan.

1977 Richard P. Foelber recently moved to Arlington, Virginia. He is employed by the Republican National Committee in Washington, D.C.

George W. Carberry was married to Andrea M. Michalec on February 21, 1982 in Highland, Indiana.

1978 Thomas C. Ludwig is employed by New Jersey Realty Title Insurance Company, Newark, New Jersey.

Steven W. Purtell now resides in Bradley Beach, New Jersey and is employed in the Legal Assistance Office, U.S. Army TAG Corps, Fort Manmouth, New Jersey.

1979 Teresa M. Kerley, is living in Bethesda, Maryland, and is employed by the Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C.

The San Diego, California law firm of McMahon & Nares has announced that John S. Smith has become associated with the firm.

1980 Gene Schoon has joined the Chicago law firm of Sidley & Austin in the general litigation department. He formerly served as clerk to the Honorable Ruggero Aldisert of the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals. He and his wife, Faith Schoon, recently had a son, John.

Donald Cyze has joined the accounting firm of Arthur Anderson & Associates in their Chicago offices. He was formerly associated with CNA Insurance.

Donald Seberger has become an associate with the firm of Jenner & Block of Chicago. He was previously an attorney for Continental Bank.

1981 Michael E. Allen is practicing with the firm of Lockwood & Swock in Alexandria, Indiana.

Tom Storm has taken a leave of absence from Hauser Law Offices in Madison, Wisconsin, to serve as Assistant Legal Counsel to Wisconsin Governor Lee Dreyfus.

Randall T. Hammond was law clerk to the Honorable Alfred W. Moellering and the Honorable Robert E. Meyers, Allen Superior Court in 1981-82 before joining the Fort Wayne firm of Tremper, Bechert & Leonard.

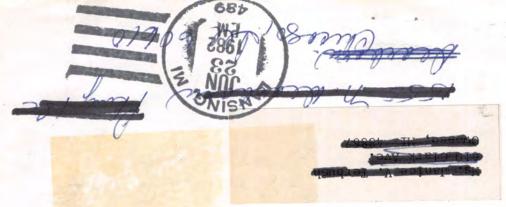
Thomas W. Sheets was a candidate for Indiana State Representative from the 20th District in this spring's primary. Mr. Sheets is in private practice in Decatur, Indiana.

Leslie H. Reed, Jr., is working within the Judge Advocate's Office, United States Marine Corp. He has taken up residence at 3806 East Hills Drive, St. Joseph, Missouri 64503.

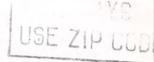
1982 James McCune has been named law clerk to the Honorable Alfred J. Pivarnik ('51) of the Indiana Supreme Court.

Robert Neilson has been named an associate of the Washington, D.C. offices of Kirkland & Ellis. His wife, Lois Neilson, will begin medical school at Johns Hopkins University this fall.

Kenneth Howes will be moving to Holyoke, Massachusetts to join his father's law practice.









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