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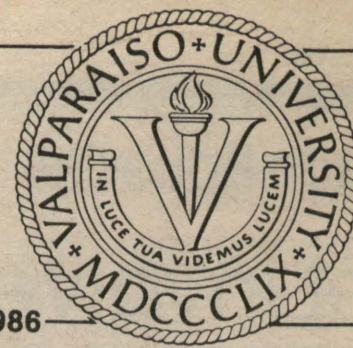


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## First year enrollment reaches 130; up slightly

By Kathy Fox, Editor

Joanne Albers, administrative assistant for the law school, said that this year's first-year class is slightly larger than last year's.

According to Albers the first-year class contains 130 students, which includes 122 full-time, one transfer, and seven part-time students. The class is composed of 61 percent males and 39 percent females.

The class also includes five minority males and four minority females. Minorities make up 7 percent of the first-year class.

The law school received 1,933 inquiries and 375 applications for admissions. The law school extended 287 admission offers. 176 people made their first tuition deposit installment, and 136 made their second tuition deposit installment.

For the entire class, the average

grade point average was 3.05, the average LSAT score was 29, and the average LSAT percentage was 45. The average age of the first year class is 26.

Of the males in the class, the average grade point average was 2.99, the average LSAT score was 29, and the average LSAT percentage was 44. The average age of the men in the first-year was 25.

Of the females in the class, the average grade point average was 3.14, the average LSAT score was 29, and the average LSAT percentage was 47. The average age of the women in the class is 27.

Albers also offered a profile of the minorities, which there are nine of them in the first-year class. The average GPA of minorities is 3.11, the average LSAT score 26, the average LSAT percentage 31, and the average age 28.

The first year class includes five

minority males. Their average GPA is 3.27, their average LSAT is 28, their average LSAT percentage is 39, and their average age is 27.

The first year class also includes four minority females. Their average GPA is 2.91, their average LSAT score is 23, their average LSAT percentage is 22, and their average age is 30.

In the first year class, 19 home states and one foreign country is represented. 54 percent of the class claimed Indiana as its home state, Illinois was the home state of 13 percent of the class and 11 percent claimed Michigan as their home state.

29 different majors are represented by the first year class. In the first-year class, 25 percent majored in Political Science, 11 percent majored in Business, 11 percent majored in History, 8 percent majored in Social Science,

and 7 percent majored in English.

The first year class represents 65 different undergraduate colleges and universities. 15 percent of the class graduated from Valparaiso University, 10 percent from Indiana University at Bloomington, 5 percent from Purdue University at West Lafayette, and 4 percent from Indiana State University.

On religion, 34 percent of the first year class identified itself as Roman Catholic, 15 percent as Lutheran, 11 percent had no preference, 11 percent identified itself as Methodist, 6 percent as Protestant and 6 percent as Christian.

Albers said the school looks first to grades and test scores. If those two are high, the person is qualified to attend law school here at Valp. The school also looks at whether the person has been out of school for a while and if he did poorly in undergraduate school but

worked in the legal field. Even if the person did poorly in undergraduate school, if he worked in the legal field he might be qualified to come to law school.

Albers said the School of Law used to receive up to 800 applicants a year, but could only let in a small amount at the old law school building because of space.

Albers added that the ideal number of students would be 125-130 first years based on the faculty size here at the school. She said there is no set amount let in each year; the school simply lets in only those it feels are highly-qualified.

The number of applicants was not so much a problem this year as it had been in previous years, Albers said. She added that more students could be admitted this year than they could last year because the new building has more space and more rooms.

## Spanish professor visits as Distinguished Scholar

By Kathy Fox

Professor Antonio Pereira spent two weeks at the law school as VU's Distinguished Scholar in Residence.

Pereira normally teaches comparative constitutional law at the University of Navarra School of Law in Pamplona, Spain.

Pereira lectured to law students on September 4 about study abroad. he told the students that in Spain, for example, there is no bar exam for lawyers. Admission to the bar is practically automatic once the student completes his law studies.

Also, the law schools in Spain have no internship-type programs where students can work for lawyers, Pereira stated.

Pereira added that classes in Spain's law schools are practically all lecturing by the professor. The professor talks for approximately 40 minutes, then the students can ask questions during the last five minutes. He added, though, that most of the time students were too anxious to get out of the classroom to ask questions.

Very little arguing about cases occurs in Spain's law schools, Pereira noted.

at Navarra, Pereira said, the

law program comes under the Liberal Arts Institute of the university, and students often take philosophy, geography, and other humanities courses at the same time.

Classes in Spain start in October and end in June, Pereira noted. Pereira said the courses in Navarra are naturally taught in Spanish, but a one month intensive Spanish program is given one month before classes start for those students who want to freshen up their Spanish.

Pereira said some of the advantages of studying law in Spain would include learning about the European common market system and to have a better chance to earn more money once the student is out of school, besides learning more about Spain's law.

Professor Richard Stith, who attended the lecture, said the VU Law School has been considering setting up an exchange program with Navarra. Stith said VU already has a similar program set up with a university in Germany. The proposed program in Spain is under study right now.

If such a program were set up, the student could take law classes in Spain for a semester, Stith said, but would not get any academic credit.

## Advice for first year students

By Kathy Fox, Editor

As the year begins and students start getting into the ole VU rut again, upperclassmen have volunteered some advice for the first year law students.

Becky Grogg said, "Don't be nervous. Learn to relax." Many other third students also noted that first-year students tend to worry too much about their classes and that the first years need to learn to take everything (including Legal

Writing) in stride.

Jennifer Jewell pointed out that the first years need to take time from their books, "...as long as they don't get behind. Study enough to keep up in class, but don't overstudy."

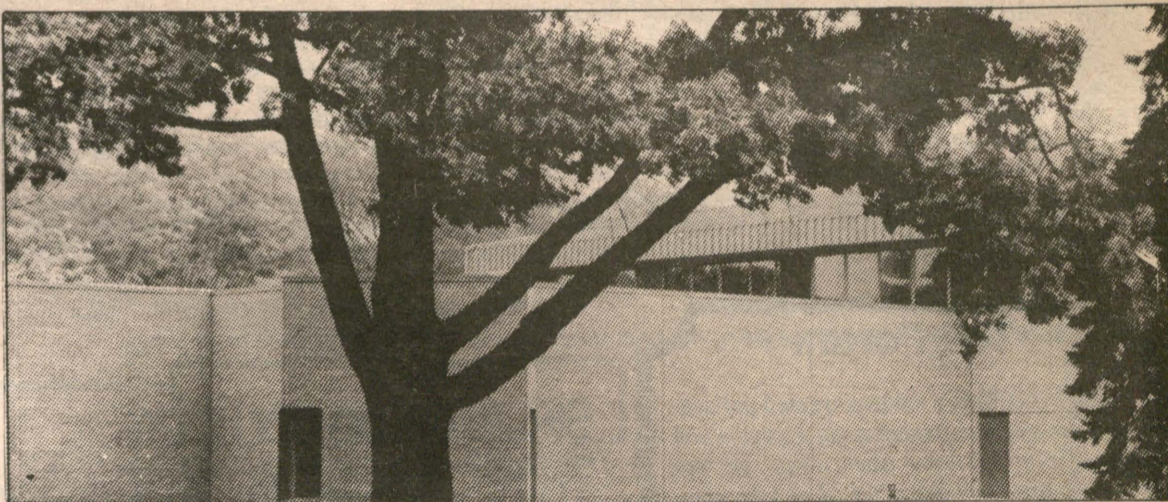
"Remember that Legal Writing is only a two credit hour class," Jewell said. "It's important to learn how to write well, but you have to keep the work they give you in perspective."

Marilyn Vasquez suggested that

first years buy good outlines, especially for tough classes like property and civil procedure. That way, if points didn't quite come across in class, the student can pick them up from the outlines.

Vasquez also jokingly said, "Don't take any of it too seriously."

Cindy Coldiron suggested that the firsts go to parties and other outside activities. Many other upperclassmen also felt that the first years study too much and don't relax enough.



VU's newest building: Wesemann Hall, the new home of the Law School. See pages 4 and 5 for more pictures.

## SBA appoints Constitution Committee for by-laws

By Matt Pappas

With a new building things take time to get accustomed to even with Marge. Along with the new school the Administration has bestowed a lot of new and exciting duties on the SBA. The smoking situation was the first "hot potato" we received. I am happy to announce that the SBA is not responsible for ashtrays! Seriously, the new building will bring the law school some added distinction. Also, the SBA hopes to be active in bringing more national recognition to the school.

This year the SBA is setting lofty goals for itself. While I was in New York for the ABA/Lsd national convention I met with and learned

a lot from SBA presidents from other schools. One of the things I learned was that our SBA is not as effective as it should be. So this year we are forming a Constitution Committee to draft by-laws to provide direction for making committee appointments, budget criteria, election procedures, etc. This should enable SBA to be more active.

The SBA is looking for students to help out with Law week, Social, Placement and Admissions so please stop by the SBA office and volunteer.

We do need input from the student body so that we can help the school. If there are any problems, suggestion or by chance compliments let the SBA know.

## New internships offered For 1986

By Kathy Fox

The McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California has opened several new law internships for 1986 graduates in Asia and in Europe.

The Asian positions are with law firms in Taiwan, Singapore, Korea, Hong Kong, and Japan.

The law school has offered positions across Continental Europe and in Great Britain and Ireland for several years. New positions have been established in Italy and in Spain. The law school has openings for up to half a dozen young lawyers in Spain and Italy in the 1986 Fall term.

The internships may be done in the context of an academic program leading to an LLM degree in Business and Taxation-Transnational Practice

or the Diploma in Advanced International Legal Studies.

Host firms provide stipends to the participants to meet their living expenses during the term of the internship.

Professor Dennis Campbell, director of the program said the work varies from office and from year to year on the internship program. However, the intern works like a law clerk in some offices or like an associate in others, Campbell said.

The intern work emphasizes research and drafting and advising on transactions involving American Law or International Transactions. The interns are expected to have substantive legal work of at least 25 hours per week.

The internship program consists of

nearly six weeks of seminars and an internship of at least 12 weeks. About half of the interns are invited to extend their stays by two to four months each year.

Most of the internships require only a command of English.

Campbell said the school looks for law graduates with a good background in American law, particularly the business and commercial areas. The school also stresses academic records and prior practical experiences.

Campbell could not state whether any Valparaiso graduates are currently participating in the program.

For more information, students should contact the International Programs Office of McGeorge School of Law, 3200 5th Avenue, Sacramento, California 95817 or call [916] 739-7195.



Forum Editorial

# Get involved: Take advantage of opportunities

**Get involved!**

When was the last time you attended one of the seminars offered by the law school? Or have you attended any of the seminars at all since you've been here?

Very few people tend to show up to most of the seminars and presentations the law school offers. Professor Antonio Pereira, for example, who teaches law in Spain, was here at V.U. for two weeks. He gave an open lecture at the law school on study abroad a couple of weeks ago, yet only a handful of students attended. Last week, Career Services offered one of its many seminars, this one on "Careers Within a Law Practice." Again, only a dozen or so people showed up.

The only thing that really seems to attract crowds of law students around

here is parties where free booze is served. There's nothing wrong with free booze, but there's got to be more to law school than just studying and drinking. If you believe that's all law school is about, then you are missing out on a major part of what the school is offering to you.

First, going to these seminars can be a learning experience. Professor Pereira could tell you how different law school is in Spain. For example, Spain's constitution, unlike the United States', is not really considered enforceable law. It is considered more an abstract idea of what an individual's rights are. It is difficult to really understand or appreciate what the American legal system is all about until you have heard it contrasted with another country's system.

Also, the Career Services seminar

featured attorneys from various types of law practices [government, corporate practice, and practice in medium and small-sized firms]. The attorneys talked about the advantages and disadvantages of the particular types of practices they were in, which would be useful to any law student who is uncertain about what type of practice he wants to go into.

Secondly, the law school cannot continue to draw quality speakers if no one goes to these presentations. If high-quality speakers such as David Miller from the Attorney General's Office who was here last week see only a dozen people [from a student body of over 300 law students] interested enough to show up and hear him talk, he isn't very likely to come back here to speak again.

Many law students complain that the school never has anyone come to lecture that is interesting enough to go see. The only response to that is, if no one goes to these presentations in the first place, how do you expect the school to draw very many top quality speakers?

Finally, you should remember that a part of your tuition often goes for bringing in lecturers. If you don't go to the seminars, you are effectively wasting your own money. You are paying for these people to come here and speak, so you might as well take advantage of what's being offered. The speakers may not always be the most exciting, thought-provoking people you've ever listened to, but they are here because they believe they have something to offer to the law school.

## Dear Third Year:

The column with the answers to everything

Dear Third year,

Is there something I'm not being told, or is Marge a branch of the CIA?

She's still checking people as they buy food from the vending machines in the lounge just to make sure they don't take it to the library.

Please tell me—if I have a new Mother, I want to know why I had no choice. If she's the CIA, I'll watch my P's and Q's.

A Third Year, too

Dear Third Year,

You know, I think you've got something there. Except I don't think it's the CIA behind all this—it's the KGB. Who else would think it's not only natural but absolutely mandatory that anyone should sit in that walk-in freezer...er, library... and not have something to drink?

But take heart, fellow third year, I suspect Marge is but a mere tool

for a secret someone.

Maybe your new M.O.T.H.E.R.?

Dear Third Year,

It's 2:45 am and I'm still trying to find a law review topic. Is this going to be worth it?

Distraught Aspirant

Dear Aspirant,

First of all, I wouldn't let anything disturb my sleep, but then, I was never invited to law review either.

Secondly, where would one look for a law review topic at 2:45 in the morning? Thirdly, if you feel compelled to waste valuable sleeping time stewing about something, I'll give you something to stew about. Think about this: Tuition this fall is over \$7,000; multiply that times six, add interest payments on your loan, tack on rent and utilities for three years, the costs of textbooks, food, gas, beer, entertainment—

then note the current glut of lawyers. Then ask, is all this going to be worth it?

I look forward to your next letter.

Dear Third Year,

Am I going to have to spend all my beer allotment on long johns and earmuffs so that I can study in the library this winter?

Nanook

Dear Nanook,

Obviously you're a first year and haven't been around for the mid-November thaw. Just when people show up in spiffy new ski suits, someone jacks up the temperature in the library. Don't worry, though. All survival clothing will come in handy when, because of the attendance policy, you're forced to swim your way through man-sized snowdrifts to get to classes.

Dear Third Year,

As a first year student, I find law school to be a very challenging experience, not unlike a football game. The game has been a tough one, though. Whenever I manage to do an end run around Ivan's reading assignment, Ruth flies up and floors me with a new writing assignment. So far, I've managed to stay in bounds and gradually gain yardage. Do you think I can score?

Piggy Skin

Dear Piggy,

You'll have your opportunity to score on the final. Whether you can be successful depends on how well you've covered your assignments this semester. Keep plugging away and you should have no problem passing the exam. Also, don't watch too many Bear games or you may never make it to the second semester.

### The Forum

THE FORUM is a student created publication designed to present in an accurate and objective manner the news of the Valparaiso University School of Law community. To this end, the editors welcome comments and suggestions from the student body and faculty.

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John Viscounte Morley  
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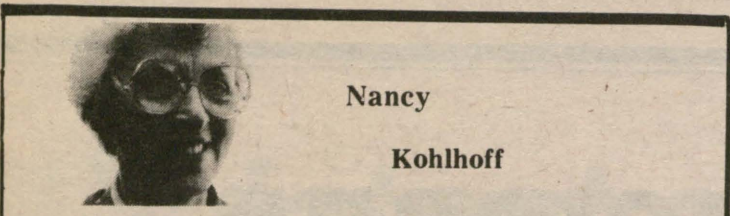
SIR.. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT A COUNTRY WHERE THE MAJORITY IS TREATED AS 2<sup>ND</sup> CLASS CITIZENS BY A MINORITY?..

NO...IM TALKING ABOUT COMPARABLE WORTH.



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## The serious symptoms of law school hype

It happens every Fall. During the first week of school, numerous students come down with symptoms of law school hype. These included loss of speech, sight, and hearing, uncontrolled weeping, palsy in various limbs, facial tics and continuous knee-jerks. The etiology of law school hype is mindless terror, either self-inflicted or acquired from an infected classmate.

I remember many such victims. One stands out in my memory was a young man who testified that the gripping fear which paralyzes a law student would most certainly interfere with his searching the Holy Scriptures, and, since he felt less frightened of God than he did of law school, he was going to withdraw.

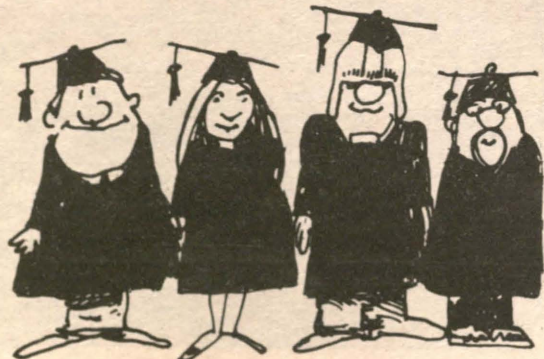
One has only to listen a conversation in hallways, classrooms and lounges to understand how this infectious ailment spreads. Recently, I asked, "How are things going?" and got the response, "They're killing us!" A first year student who overheard this began whimpering.

As final exams approach, law school hype takes on epidemic proportions. Stories I could tell about students suffering from the hype could cause you spasms. One young lady spent the night before her first exam in the ER -- throwing up. In my office the next morning, she tearfully asserted that nothing like this had ever happened to her before. Half a box of Kleenex later, she took a couple sips of 7-Up to settle the tummy. One needn't be too imaginative to guess what happened to the 7-Up. I think the stain is still on the carpet at the old school.

I guess law school hype breaks out in other law schools, too. Last Homecoming, two former VU undergrads, then a third year student at Creighton and a first year student at the University of Illinois, bumped into each other in my office. Having been acquainted as undergrads, they had barely finished shaking hands when Creighton told Illini of the excruciating agonies endured while getting a legal education. Creighton's eye gleamed wickedly and an iniquitous smirk appeared on his face as he watched the beads of perspiration pop up on Illini's brow. I finally had to tell Creighton to cut it out.

In the struggle against law school hype, last year's 1L's performed better than the average in controlling its symptoms before the first exam. Standing in the corridor while awaiting the Torts test, most students quietly, if rigidly, concentrated on the shiny spot at the back of Louie's head as he carried the bluebooks into the Courtroom. There may have been one or two minor outbreaks. Margaret, I believe it was, cartwheeled all the way into Room B for Smokers, and Christina Joy stopped giggling for a second. All in all though, the group appeared to be handling the hype quite well.

Imagine what a great place this will be when students are finally rid of law school hype forever. I can visualize students actually going to class instead of being afraid to. Possibly, students might even take to studying instead of just worrying about it. During the examination period, students could most likely eat and sleep properly and no longer suffer from dry heaves, blurred vision, trembling limbs, and muddled minds. Gee...gosh...golly, won't it be swell?



Gail  
Peshel

## Career services offers numerous opportunities

Welcome back to school and a busy placement calendar! Lots of exciting things are happening at the Career Services office, whether you're a 3L, 2L, or entering law student. Keep your eye on all of the career services bulletin boards, located in the hallway across from the student lounge - vending machine entrance, for job notices and general placement news. In addition, watch the boards and look for signs announcing placement seminars to be held throughout the year, especially during this busy fall recruiting season.

### Career Services Office Registration

All students should register with the placement office. A file will be opened for you in which you can keep extra resumes and transcripts. Keep your file up to date at all times by letting us know when you have taken a job offer and with whom.

### On-Campus Recruiting

Sign ups are underway for the fall, on-campus interviewing season. At this time of the year, law firms and other legal employers come to campus on designated dates to interview second year students for summer clerkships and third year students for permanent positions upon graduation. Check the listings on the career services

bulletin board for interview dates, read the descriptions available in Career Services, sign up for those employers that interest you, and turn in a resume for each interview as soon as possible and no later than one week before the scheduled interview.

### Other Career Services Activities

A host of other activities are being planned for this fall that should help you learn about legal career options and prepare yourself for the practice of law. In addition to the three seminars already held, the following seminars are planned: Careers in Government September 26 at 12:40; Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan September 30 at 2:40; Judicial Clerkship Seminar (clerking after graduation) October 22 at 12:40; and Judicial Internship (clerking in the summer after one year of law school) in November. Notices will be posted on the Career Services bulletin board.

Additionally, Ambassador Cohen was on campus Tuesday, September 17 to answer questions regarding the Foreign service exam. Reid Huey, Office of the Chief Counsel, IRS, will be in the Career Services office September 29 to answer and assist in application completion for the summer honors program and full time positions. A sign up sheet for individual time with Mr. Huey is available in the Career Services office.

## Faculty spotlight:

### Kaesebier joins VU law program

By Kathy Fox, Editor

Professor Kaesebier is one of the new full-time faculty members this year at the law school.

Kaesebier said she was familiar with the Valparaiso area before she came here to teach.

She did her undergraduate work at the University of Illinois, where she majored in textile research and minored in chemistry. Then she got her J.D. degree here at Valparaiso.

She and her husband have lived in LaPorte for the last seven years.

Before coming to VU, Kaesebier worked at the firm of Barnes and Thornburg in South Bend, where she worked on tax law, corporations law and estate planning.

She added that her husband works in the agricultural field, which made it difficult for her to find a job in textile research in agricultural communities. She thought if she learned the law she



### The latest addition to the faculty: Professor Kaesebier.

could practice anywhere.

She said she always thought she might like to teach. "I like the academic setting," she said.

She thought a little practical experience of working in a firm first would be helpful. She said it wasn't an easy decision for her to go into practice first.

This semester Kaesebier is teaching the Land Transfer course, which she described as a basic real estate course. Next semester, she will be teaching Corporations and Estate Planning.

She said she enjoys teaching third years, who are more experienced with the law.

"I can get more detailed with the material and make some basic assumptions about what they know of the law," Kaesebier said.

Also, Kaesebier said she liked the fact that some of the students could apply what they learned to what they want to practice when they graduate.

Kaesebier said she uses a modified Socratic method of teaching in class. She lectures briefly, then uses problems and examples to make the point clear.

Kaesebier said she gets good voluntary participation from the students in class, and is pleased that the students are so well prepared.



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# The new Wesemann



## New Law School offers...

By Rollie Norris

What has 60,710 square feet of usable space, 345 students and not enough furniture or ashtrays? Answer—Wesemann II, the new, bigger law school building.

For those of you who spent time in Wesemann I, all this space might seem a little foreign. You might miss breaking your nails trying to extract a book from the overstuffed shelves, or miss that intimate atmosphere that came from having no space to maneuver in the halls. But sacrifices must be made in the onward march of progress.

The design for the new law school building appears to be based on the Celtic meeting halls of 5th century Europe. It comes complete with an oak grove and is updated, of course, for modern legal needs. It makes one think of those days in the ancient misty past when property law was developing.

There are still a few bugs to be worked out with the new facility. The one that springs most readily to mind is the air conditioning. The building is designed to be self-contained and the environmental controls are self-regulating. A couple of the controlling micro pro-

cessors haven't had time to thoroughly work out the temperature controls, but as time goes by the bugs should be worked out. Interestingly enough, only one of two air conditioning units is working. God help us if the other one kicks in.

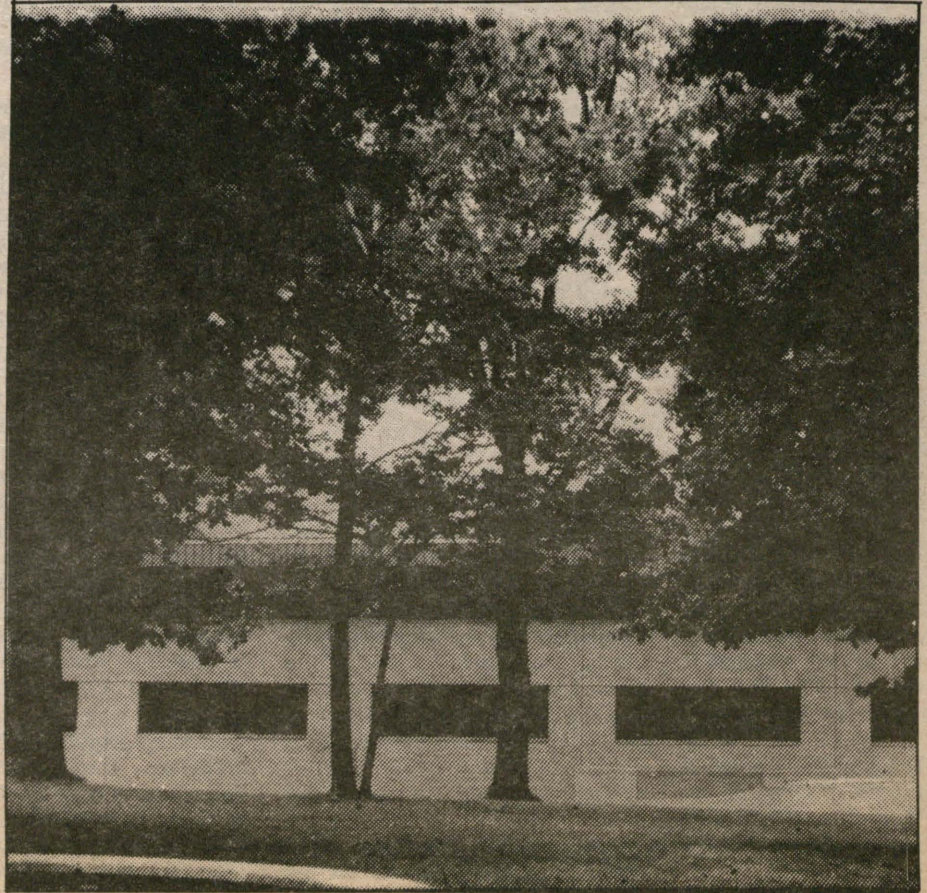
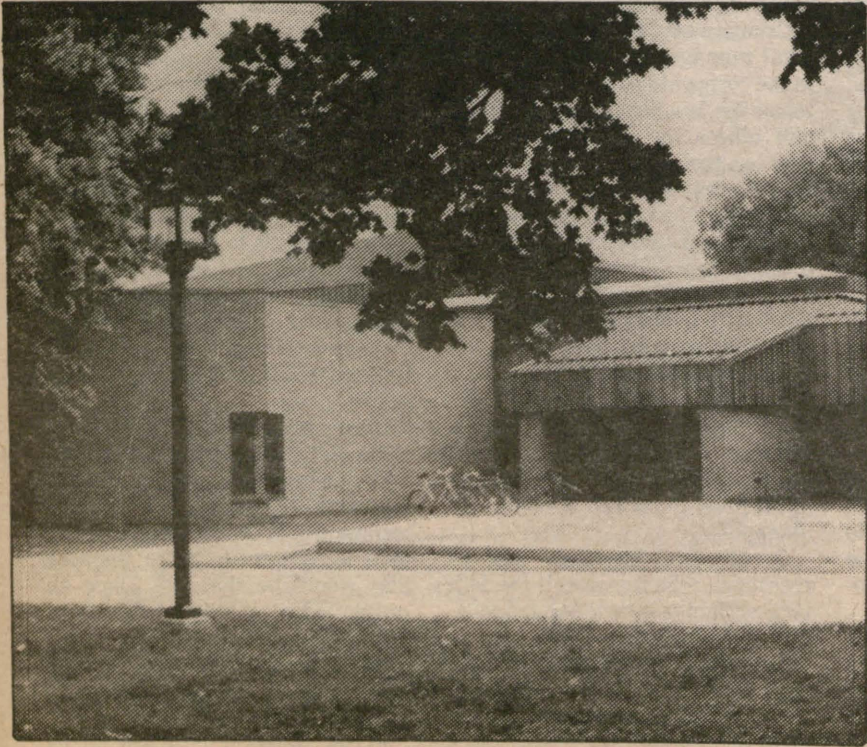
New furniture for the school is coming in on an ongoing basis. By the end of September the chairs originally ordered for the classrooms should be in and will replace the folding metal ones currently in use. Also in this time frame, cluster seating should be arriving for the atrium to dress it up a bit. Potted palm trees are also planned.

One of the major concerns of Associate Dean Bruce Berner is the physical isolation of the faculty in the upstairs corridor. The school has always prided itself on faculty-student contact and the old law school's layout afforded plenty of opportunity for informal contact.





# VU's latest addition



## ...long awaited relief

In fact, there was no way to avoid it. Various schemes to make the faculty corridor more inviting and accessible are being discussed. Try just dropping in and chatting—you'll brighten their day immensely.

On the up side, noted Professor Berner, is the extra classroom and meeting space. And, of course, not just the space itself but the quality of the space and the flexibility of scheduling that it allows. Finding a place to meet with a group is no longer the problem it was at the old building. Storing of personal items and books is also much improved with the addition of student lockers.

The advantages of space are also readily apparent in the library. People may notice immediately how much quieter it is compared to the confines of the old building. Public services librarian Tim Watts noted that the shelving capacity almost doubled with the

move, and current volumes were shelved so that no major moving will be needed for about ten years. The library was also able to make accessible over 200 boxes of books previously stored at Moellering and in the elevator shaft of the old building.

The additional space will also allow the library to do things such as opening up a temporary learning center this spring of additional Westlaw and Lexis terminals for training purposes. Anyone who remembers trying to squeeze into the reserve room at training time last year will appreciate this.

Another significant addition to the library is the security system. This should come in handy for reminding those absent-minded types that that volume you desperately need to complete your research has to remain inside the library.

The new building cost \$7.5 million, and with it the learning environment at the school of law has taken a great step forward. We now have a more economically sound and less stressful facility designed to meet the needs of the law school well into the future. Let's hope we all get better grades for it.



# Seminar explores various careers in law field

By Kathy Fox, Editor

The "Careers Within a Law Practice" seminar sponsored by the Career Services office last Friday offered an interesting look into various types of law practice available to students after they graduate from law school.

One of the guest speakers was C. Rex Henthorn, who works for a small firm in Crawfordsville, Indiana. He received his law degree from I.U.P.U.I. School of Law in Indianapolis.

Henthorn has been practicing law for nearly 25 years. He said that he decided to work in Crawfordsville partly because he was from that general area and knew the clientele in that community. He also felt he had a good understanding of the people in that area and the types of problems they have.

Henthorn said a practice in a small community has several advantages. One is that the cost of living is lower in small towns. Henthorn added that most small-town lawyers live close to their office. He stated that he himself can walk to work in ten minutes, which he wouldn't be able to do if he lived in a large area such as Chicago or Indianapolis.

However, Henthorn pointed out, lower fees are usually charged in smaller towns.

Henthorn said lawyers have to generalize more in small practices, too. He added that lawyers in small firms tend to know all the other attorneys in the firm well, which wouldn't occur in a large firm.

Henthorn added that in a small town the attorney sees the clients more frequently. "In one sense you

never leave the office because you live so close," Henthorn stated. "People expect you to be on call, even when you've already gone home for the evening."

Henthorn added that in a small firm, the attorney can be more independent—he can run the practice almost any way he wants.

Henthorn pointed out that the personal life of a small-town attorney is more of an open book, though, because of the way the community is so closely knit.

Another speaker at the seminar was David Miller, who also graduated from the I.U.P.U.I. School of Law in Indianapolis. Miller is the Chief Deputy of the Office of the Attorney General in Indianapolis.

Miller said one of the advantages of a government job is that the attorney never gets to pick clients. "There are certain types of clients that we have to represent," Miller said.

Miller said his office includes 95 lawyers at the present. This includes some expansion since Miller has started his job, and much more specialization. For example, ten years ago, the office had only one attorney specializing in environmental law, and now the office has ten attorneys in that field. The office had one attorney working on consumer fraud when Miller started at the office, but now the office has thirty attorneys working in that field. There was no working on Medicaid fraud when Miller started, but there are quite a few now.

Miller added that his office represented 350 agencies on the state level and handles all criminal appeals. "It's a very specialized office. Some attorneys only know

how to handle certain types of cases."

Miller said his office has about five lawyers a year (out of the 95 working there) leave. The office generally hires 50 law clerks, and is the number one hirer, in the state government, of attorneys.

Miller said lawyers in his office start at around \$20,000 a year. Miller also said lawyers starting out in his office can argue before the Supreme Court of Indiana and the Court of Appeal, which they wouldn't get to do in private practice.

Miller's office handles very complex cases, and often hires specialists to assist in the case. Miller's office also hires local counsel, since it has cases in every jurisdiction in the state. "We're often viewed a little suspiciously since we're outsiders, so we hire local counsel who won't be viewed hostilely."

Miller said 60 percent of the office's work is defense-mode as opposed to 95 percent of the work being defense mode when he started working there. Miller encouraged students to take trial advocacy types of courses if they are interested in working for his office.

Michael Grisham also got his J.D. degree from the I.U.P.U.I. School of Law of Indianapolis. He is now an attorney with the Mayflower Corporation in Indianapolis.

Grisham pointed out that in a corporate practice an attorney doesn't have regular office hours. In fact, Grisham pointed out that since he started with Mayflower in 1983, he has worked overnight on cases on a couple of occasions.

Grisham also pointed out that Mayflower, like most other cor-

porations, does not hire students directly out of law school. "Everyone had experience somewhere else before they came to the corporation."

"The corporation doesn't have the resources to devote to training lawyers, so we usually hire people who have had experience."

"Most of our attorneys have never seen the inside of a courtroom. We do have trial attorneys who came to the corporation with trial experience, but they haven't seen the inside of a courtroom since they've been with the corporation," Grisham said.

Grisham said he deals more with legal management. The attorneys in the corporation rarely have time to use the law library; they simply call others for legal advice and then use that information to handle the corporation's legal problems.

Grisham said Mayflower employs six attorneys. The attorneys learn lots of different areas of law quickly. Grisham deals with every aspect of the law short of admiralty, patent law, and domestic problems.

The final guest speaker was Daniel Byron, who got his J.D. from Indiana University in Bloomington. He works with the law firm of McHale, Cook and Welch in Indianapolis.

Byron said his firm has 20 members, which makes it the 10th largest firm in size in Indianapolis. He said attorneys start out as associates and make partner in the firm in about six years. Attorneys usually obtain a managerial role in eight or nine years.

Many attorneys start out as associates but get discouraged and quit or get drawn away by other firms. Some associates also get

told during their fifth year that they had better start looking for another job because they won't be offered a partnership position by the firm.

Associates start at \$37,000 last year Byron said, and will probably be offered \$40,000 this year. Attorneys in large firms tend to specialize, such as in litigation or real estate.

"The attorneys can expect to see the clients rather frequently, in a firm our size, but you wouldn't if you were working for the government," Byron said.

Byron pointed out that the work for such a firm is pretty hard. "I work three nights a week and one weekend a month. You have to be a hard worker to be successful."

Byron also pointed out that the Engagements Committee of his firm has to approve new clients—the attorney cannot choose which cases he wants to handle.

Byron said his firm does not require experienced attorneys. The firm would rather train new attorneys within the firm, so they try to hire attorneys right out of law school.

Byron said some of the advantages of working in a metropolitan area include the range of forums available. In a small town, an attorney would have to get along with a particular judge because that would be the only place he could file his case. In a large town, however, the attorney can avoid filing his case in a particular judge's court because numerous other forums are available.

Byron stated it typically takes him half an hour to get to his office. Once he's home, he doesn't have to worry about clients calling him up at home and wanting him to go back to his office.

## VU Law student interns for Human Rights Commission

By Cindy Coldiron

While working as a legal intern this summer at the Human Rights Commission of Michigan City, second year law student Cindy Penns' duties ranged from interviewing potential clients to participating in investigative fact-finding hearings for the local Probable Cause Committee.

"Ideally we like to have our interns act either as investigators or as a community coordinator who visits local schools and makes the community aware of what we are doing," stated Executive Director Pam Allison.

"During the Commission's fact finding hearings, which Ms. Penn participated in, we question both sides regarding the basis or denial

Ms. Allison remarked that although the Commission only gets "statistical credit" for about fifty cases a year, they actually receive initially as many as a hundred and fifty cases per year of which the majority are referred to agencies like the Indiana Civil Rights Commission.

"The public is sometimes unaware that forty percent of our cases deal with what is often incorrectly referred to as reverse discrimination or cases where a non-minority ahas been discriminated against on the basis of race," stated Ms. Allison. "We do take these cases but we simply refer to them s pur discrimination cases and eal with them in the same manner."

Ms. Allison stated that although

*...although the Commission only gets statistical credit for about 50 cases a year, they initially receive 150*

of the alleged employment discrimination, record the proceedings and have each side's version of the facts transcribed and sent to the Probable Cause Committee," Allison said.

Composed of three members selected by the mayor, this committee determines whether any basis exists for a legitimate cause of action.

Organized under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race or sex, the Human Rights Commission was established by local ordinance in Michigan City in 1976 and receives its only funding from the city budget.

eighty percent of their cases do deal with race-related discrimination, she has seen a definite increase in cases regarding sexual harassment in the work place for both men and women.

As for the future of the Human Rights Commission, she stated that currently they are in the process of attempting to obtain what is referred to as an "equivalency" from HUD which would greatly increase their current level of funding.

Although the Commission is presently not able to provide any sort of compensation for their interns, they do need law students to volunteer whatever time they can afford which can then be arranged into a flexible work schedule.

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# Campus Organizations

## PAD

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity began the year with a successful rush party on August 23 at the home of our faculty advisor, Professor Brockington. Although the weather was on the chilly side, approximately 70 people came to enjoy swimming, volleyball, food and drink.

Rush will continue until September 24. Applications can be obtained from and returned to anyone on the executive board. Board members are Joan Dufault, Justice; Barb Drews, Vice Justice; Dave Christiansen, Treasurer; Perry Browder, Clerk; Jeff Wehmuller, Marshall; Mark Colon, Executive Director; Leslie Hagen and Sue Matyus, Rush Chairpersons. To date, about 13 applications have been returned. Over 50 students indicated an interest in joining PAD. Don't miss this opportunity to become a member of PAD!

PAD has tentative plans to host the District Convention on Friday and Saturday, October 23-24. Friday activities will include the initiation of our new members, followed by a cocktail party at Williamsburg on the Lake. Saturday will be busy with morning workshops, a luncheon and afternoon workshops. The luncheon will feature a keynote speaker.

Regular meetings are held every other Wednesday with the next one scheduled for September 24. We would like to encourage all old and new members to attend all meetings so any decisions that are made reflect the members' wishes.

On Friday, September 26 a Wine and Cheese Party will be held at Williamsburg on the Lake to welcome new members into the Fraternity.

Faculty and staff are invited to join us.

## DTP

Delta Theta Phi held its first White Castle Sliders Sale on September 10. DTP also had an information table set up in the atrium of the law school during the week of September 8-12 to inform students about the fraternity. Rush is going well, with plans for initiation underway. DTP also held its rush party on September 12 behind the Green House.

## CLS

The Christian Legal Society has set its agenda for 1986-87. Among its various activities will be its bi-weekly meetings with discussion topics on using Christian beliefs in law. CLS will also be sponsoring mini-seminars aimed at aiding 1Ls make a smooth adjustment to VU Law School. The culmination of the year will be the co-sponsoring with the Law School, a panel discussion on the Sanctuary movement. All are welcome at CLS meetings.

## WLSA

On Thursday, October 2, 1986, at 3:40 pm in Room A, the Women Law Student Association (WLSA) will present its first speaker for the semester. Sgt Sue Yodavia of the Michigan City Police Dept. will speak on "Polygraph Examinations." The speech is open to the

entire school.

Tentative plans for future activities this year include: a speaker from The Caring Place who will speak on "Domestic Violence," an Evidence Seminar in November with Irving Younger's NEW videotapes, a panel discussion on Comparable Worth and a speech on the Child as a Victim.

WLSA encourages people interested in becoming a member of WLSA to pick up an application from our bulletin board or from one of our officers. WLSA is a NON POLITICAL organization open to both male and female law students whose purpose is to distribute information to the law students and law community in general on a variety of issues, many of which are of particular interest to women.

WLSA's officers for 1986-87 are:

President: Robin Smith  
Vice-President: Charlotte Weybright  
Secretary-Treasurer: Tammy Tideswell  
Dues are \$5 a year.

## ATLA

The Valparaiso student chapter of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA) will present its first speaker on Thursday, September 25, 1986. On that day Attorney Don Rice of Rice, Rice and Handlon of Portage, Indiana will speak at 3:40 pm in Room A on "Defending the Criminal." Attorney Rice's speech is open to non members as well as members of ATLA.

Tentative plans for future speakers and presentations this semester include a speech by

Judge Richards on "Divorce and Child Custody" in October and a videotape of Irving Younger's speech on "The Ten Commandments of Cross-Examination" in November. Plan now to attend these events.

ATLA will also be holding a membership drive this semester. At the present time ATLA has only 36 members due to the graduation of 24 of its members. If anyone is interested in joining ATLA, please pick up an application from our bulletin board or contact any of ATLA's officers. ATLA's officers for 1986-87 are:

President: Robin Smith  
Vice President: Greg Brown  
Secretary: Charlotte Weybright  
Treasurer: Jim Dalsanto  
Parliamentarian: Ann McGuffin  
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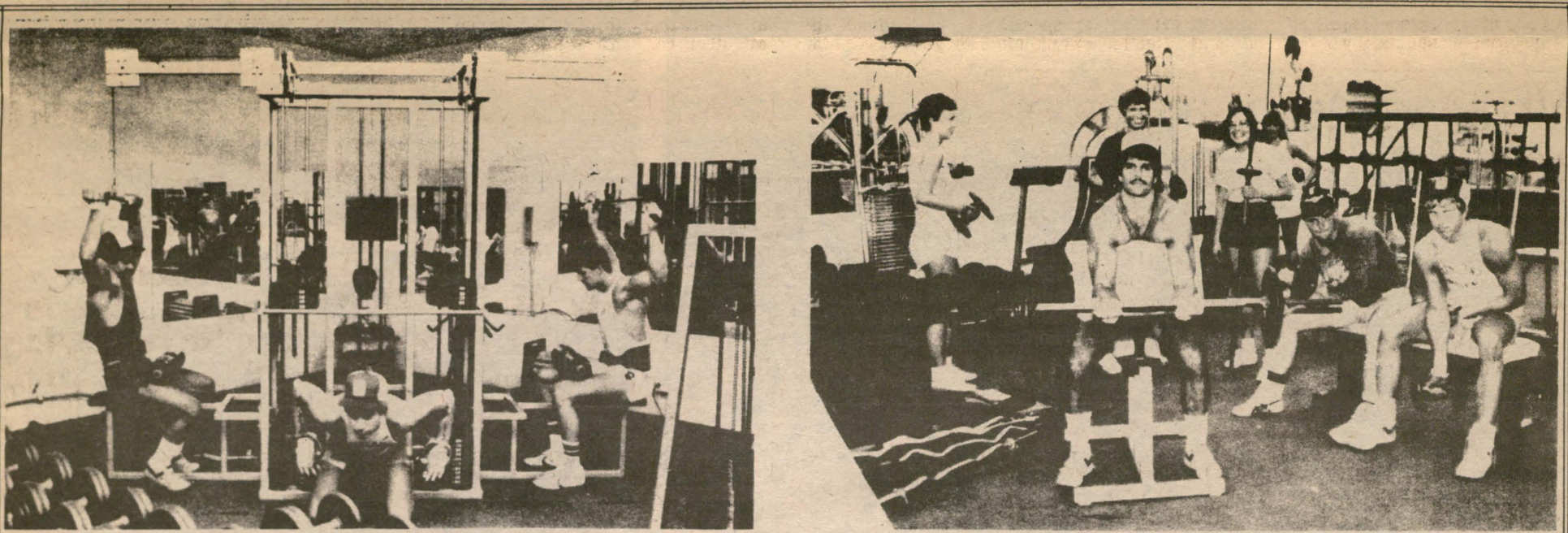
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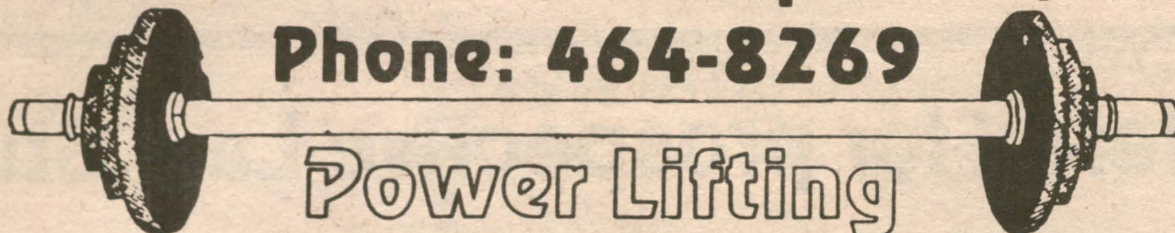


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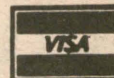
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<b>COUPLE</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>	<b>School Year</b>	<b>\$190.00</b>





# Forum Sports

## A preview of the year in Law school athletics

By Troy Swanson

The 1985-86 season was the year in sports for Valpo law students. These athletes accounted for five University championships in the intramural league. Cross country, football, swimming, waterbasketball and badminton were the crowns of victory in the 1985-86 season. Once again Valpo law students do prove that brains and athletics do coincide.

The 1986-87 season looks even better for championship trophies in the intramural league. Returning starters will definitely shape the season of the Law Student Dynasty.

### Golf

Golf—the law students teed off the intramural season with a fourth place finish in golf. Tom Reitz and Jeff Sanford contributed to the team's effort with scores of

45, Doug Batt shot a 44, and Jim Thiros shot a one over par 36. Troy Swans, followed suit, by winning the complimentary award of closest to the pin.

The highlight of the law school team was Christine Maschal. Christine shot a 41, winning the women's division. Christine also won two complimentary awards, longest drive and closest to the pin.

### Cross Country

Cross-country—the ever dominating presence of Professor Michael Straubel will ensure another victory for the "Depraved Heart" cross country team. As strong as they were last year, and with the force of the second and third year class, Depraved Heart should have no trouble in clinching this year's meet.

### Football

Football—without the returning

third year champions, Valpo law students will be looking at a new team headed by 1L Rich Babcock. The team is silent to their strategy but, the talented team shows an optimistic chance for a championship.

### Soccer

Soccer—managed by Bruce Scott, the "Depraved Heart" soccer team is sure to be a great success and possible champion for this season. Composed of primarily first years who have not yet been subject to long inactivity, this physically fit team should be quick as well as talented for the 1986 season.

### Basketball

Basketball—who knows? The talent is there, but can we recruit it? There are so many good basketball players that competing teams within the law school may cancel

each other out. However, Mr. Notre Dame, Mike "Digger Phelps" Burton has mentioned that he is looking to form that All-American team for this season. If Burton can form that team, Valpo Law School will be able to chalk up another university championship.

### Swimming

Swimming—no contest, the "Establishment Claws" will continue their dynasty for the third year in a row. With the great talent in the first year class added to our fine squad, law students will again remain supreme in swimming.

### Waterbasketball

Waterbasketball—no contest, the "Establishment Claws" will remain unbeatable in water sports. This Valparaiso unique sport will again be dominated by such high scorers as Troy Swanson and John Hallacy. However, it's the defense

that makes this team. Composed of the strengths of Andy Phila, Rick Fox, and Kurt Prange, the Establishment Claws will be looking for their first shutout game.

### Badminton

Badminton—don't tell Scott Skillman Badminton is a sissy sport. The active Rugby player is also a skillful artist in the sport of shuttlecock. Last year Skillman won the singles and double championships. His return this year will surely yield the same results.

### The outlook

The overall overlook for championships in the intramural league is fantastic. I predict that we will clinch five if not six championship trophies this year, a record number for any one group. Be sure to check the intramural board to register for your favorite sport.



## Forum offered for prospective Law Students

Prospective law students will have an opportunity to talk one-on-one with representatives of more than 100 law schools at the Third Annual Law School Forum to be held in Chicago.

Scheduled October 10 and 11 at the Palmer House and Towers, the free 1-1/2 day recruitment forum is sponsored by Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services (LSAC/LSAS), the national organization that administers the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT).

The Law School Forum is an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in attending law school—especially those not now enrolled in college—to learn firsthand about what it takes to get into and succeed in law school,

what specific law schools have to offer, and what careers are available, according to Sharon Kenble, Assistant Vice President.

More than 105 American Bar Association-approved law schools from across the nation have agreed to send representatives to the Chicago forum, with more than five from the greater Chicago area, according to Kenble.

The forum is designed to provide up-to-date information about law school admission policies and financial aid to a broad spectrum of prospective applicants. Since 22 percent of all law school applicants are between the ages of 27 and 33 and another 10 percent are 34 to 40 years old, then the schools can appreciate their tremendous

need for accurate information about admission policies, financial aid and career opportunities, Kenble says.

Of the approximately 1,500 persons attending the first Law School Forum in Chicago last fall, 71 percent indicated they were employed full- or part-time and 30 percent said they were members of a minority group, according to Kenble.

In addition to talking directly with law school representatives and securing a wide range of admission materials and catalogues, all forum participants will have a chance to view specially-produced videotaped programs that will run concurrently throughout the 1-1/2 day forums.

The videotapes outline applying to law

school and include information on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), as well as suggestions on how to evaluate law schools and how to identify key discussion topics to pursue with law school representatives. Particular attention has been given to the needs of minority group members and to career opportunities available to law school graduates.

The Law School Forum has been scheduled at a time and place to meet the needs of the broadest possible spectrum of forum participants. Doors will be open on Friday, October 10 from noon to 7 p.m. and on Saturday, October 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Other forums will be held this fall in Boston, Los Angeles and New York.