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Dean Edward Gaffney shows off his new Trumanesque management philosophy in his office.

Law School. I'm not going to be looking over people's shoulders," he said. "But I am going to be going to people and saying, 'Are there things that you need to be a good librarian? Are there things you need to get the kind of job opportunity you seek as a student going into the practice of law?' And I'm going to do my best to see that those goals get implemented..

Gaffney has instituted informal weekly teas, and a faculty retreat has been scheduled for Sept. 22, he said, to "broadly explore the goals of higher education and legal education." Gaffney also anticipated scheduling a town-hall type meeting later this semester at which all law School students will be invited to comment "openly and honestly" about their concerns. "That way," said Gaffney, "the administration can be informed of areas in which students think improvements can be made, and get input not just from the student representatives who attend faculty meetings, but from any student who cares to attend a town hall meeting.

Gaffney has already received feedback regarding one student concern—the lack of lockers for about 80 students. He said the school had a locker problem before winter, if feasible, by adding additional lockers.

Gaffney said he is impressed with the Law School building. "It's a wonderful facility," he said. "The building seems to be one that meets the requirements of a modern law school quite well. I was particularly impressed with the library."

But Gaffney does acknowledge that the Law School is pushing the limits of its intended enrollment capacity. "The building was designed for a capacity of 425 to 450 students," said Gaffney. "We're a little under 500 now. We're pushing the desirable space right up. We're okay in terms of classroom and library capacity, but we should take a

Gaffney would also like to encourage an increase in the number of faculty, particularly with an eye to the Law School's possible application of grants to the Coil, the distinguished honor society of American law schools. "Membership in the Order is open to about 150 at some schools," said Gaffney. "There's really no job opportunities for many of our students," said Gaffney. "Before law school, the faculty will be engaged in an effort to really strengthen their commitment to publication.

"I think a lot of my colleagues are committed to the life of scholarship," said Gaffney, "but you need to have a fair bit. This list of publications at the end of the bulletin is really quite impressive. And I want to stimulate that and enable it to grow as much as I can. That is going to take some money, and I will probably have to go out and increase the number of dollars that are available for research grants and for ways of recognizing those who do publish.

Gaffney would also like to see the Law School's endowment grow so as to reduce the pressure to increase student tuition.

"We need to build up a new grant program to help us give greater flexibility in achieving educational goals and will get us out of this path of having to continually look to tuition revenue as the only place where we can generate income," said Gaffney. Student tuition presently accounts for the vast majority of this budget," Gaffney stated. He added that a proposal has been considered by the faculty for a student's tuition for three years. But that is only a proposal. For the present year's budget, "in an institution that is almost completely tuition-driven, I don't think it's a real goal that the education said Gaffney. Student tuition presently accounts for the vast majority of this budget in an institution that is almost completely tuition-driven, I don't think it's a real goal that the

"There was not a desire on the part of the administration to get as large a number as actually came," said Gaffney, who explained that a much higher percentage of students accepted their offer of admission to VU Law School for this year than had traditionally done so in the past. In response, Gaffney said the school may adjust the target size for next year's first-year class when that goal is set next spring.

Gaffney said Valparaiso has a reputation for turning out graduates who can write well, and he wants to make the school's writing program even stronger by stressing rewriting. "We have to get used to the fact that something is not even as good as it could be," said Gaffney. "I hope that it's not just something that students do because they have to do it," said Gaffney, who said students should understand the importance of rewriting briefs, but "movements, supporting arguments in favor of a motion at the trial level, or a letter to a judge." To emphasize rewriting, Gaffney said the school is "exploring the possibility of greater use of computers.

Support Program Begins

By Ken Siskin

Assistant News Editor

In an effort to help students who may have academic difficulty with their first year of law school, the law school has initiated a new program to help potentially disadvantaged students.

The Academic Support Program is headned by Kathy Wehling, assistant to the Dean.

An invitation into the program is extended by the admissions committee. The criteria the committee uses in determining which students will be asked to participate are a combination of lower LSAT scores and lower undergraduate grade point averages. Only students who are invited into the program may partake in the series. Also, participation in the program is not mandatory for invitees.

The program is a new idea to the Law School. During the 1970's, there was a tutorial program but no support programs during their first year. The faculty advisor program began in the 1980's and the tutorial program was discontinued. The current program is viewed as giving more structure and assistance to students who may have difficulty during their first year of law school.

The program is implemented in two parts. The first part takes place during the week before Orientation Day. The purpose of this period is to prepare the incoming students for the hard work ahead. This period consists of a computer room a daily course on legal methods. In Bernet's class, see Siskin, page 3

Celebrate

Homecoming

October 6
Chicago Job Fair Held

By Alex Moskovic
Managing Editor

The job search began early this year for law students who attended the Chicago Job Fair hosted at the newly built Chicago Bar Association building on Saturday, Sept. 25.

For the past three years, this event has been organized by MELC of Valparaiso University School of Law. The original Chicago Job Fair, held four years ago, was organized by both VU and Northern Illinois Law School. Law Schools in attendance at the job fair were: University of Wisconsin, Marquette, Saint Louis University, Washington University, Northern Illinois University, and Indiana University—Indianapolis.

Gail Peshel, coordinator of the job fair and director of Career Services and Alumni Relations at VU School of Law, expressed three reasons why students find the job fair to be beneficial. First, students have the opportunity to meet with several employers in one day instead of driving back and forth to each interview. Second, interviews are automatically provided to any student who signs up for the job fair and reasonably meets the firm’s qualifications. Thus, students have the opportunity to impress a firm with whom they may not have ordinarily received an interview. Third, the job fair often provides students with back-to-back interviews. This allows them to “fine tune” their interviewing skills.

Most of the firms that participate are Chicago based, however, firms from other states also attend. This year, anywhere from 25 to 30 firms expressed an interest in attending, but unfortunately, only 13 showed up. This was an unusually low turnout, however. In previous years, the number present has exceeded 30.

Overall, this year’s Chicago Job Fair was a success. Although the turnout seemed to be a disappointment to Peshel, she felt the number of interviews each student received as well as the number of call-backs already reported by students was reassuring.

Scott Kozlov, a 2L, who attended the job fair, agreed that the number of interviews available per student was extremely benefical. “I was really happy with the number of opportunities I had to meet with future employers,” said Kozlov.

“The job fair provided Chicago firms with the opportunity to see some schools that are within driving distance of Chicago,” added Peshel. To date, Peshel believes VU will organize next year’s Chicago Job Fair.

By Judy Massa
MELC Secretary

The Midwest Environmental Law Caucus (MELC) held its organizational meeting on September 23. MELC President Paul Jesseviu announced an agenda of note for the fall semester that will ensure that MELC remains one of the active student groups at the law school. The events are calculated to blend social and academic overtones as MELC works to achieve its long and short term goals for the year.

Gaffney received a B.S. degree from St. Patrick's College in Menlo Park, California, in 1967 and the J.D. degree, cum laude, from the Gregorian University in Rome, in 1967. He received the J.D. degree in 1974 from Catholic University of America and earned an M.A. in legal history from that institution in 1975. Gaffney received the L.L.M. degree from Harvard Law School in 1976. Most recently before coming to Valparaiso, Gaffney was the permanent residence at Stanford Law School and an associate professor at Loyola Law School of Los Angeles.

Gaffney lives in Valparaiso with his wife, Anne-Marie O’Healy, and their three daughters, Margaret, Elizabeth and Deirdre.

ABA/LSD Convenes

By Jim Zieba
ABA Representative

Chicago was the site of the American Bar Association (ABA) annual meeting which was held from August 2 through August 8. ABA President John W. Kasenber of Illinois and ABA Representative Jim Zieba represented VU at the ABA Law School Assembly (LSA) Assembly.

The LSA Assembly was composed of two representatives from each ABA accredited law school. Issues discussed by the Assembly ranged from whether ABA accredited law schools should be required to implement a public service requirement to whether Washington, D.C. should be allowed to become a state. In all, 35 resolutions were considered by the LSA.

The most controversial resolution dealt with the issue of abortion. By a vote of 108 to 98, the Assembly adopted a resolution to urge the ABA House of Delegates to repeal the ABA's year-old pro-choice stand and return to a neutral position on abortion. On August 8, the House concurred with resolutions submitted by the LSA and the Senior Lawyer Divison, thereby adopting a neutral position on abortion.

Other controversial issues addressed by the Assembly included resolutions regarding sexual orientation, race and gender discrimination. If you would like to review the resolutions passed by the Assembly, please visit the SBA/ABA office.

Among the various legal and political issues considered, the Assembly adopted six resolutions relevant to VU law students and faculty. One resolution urged the ABA to support adoption of Legal Services Corporation Admissions to require all accredited law schools to make the results of faculty evaluations available to all students in that school. The second resolution was that this would allow students to inspect law school admission decisions before deciding whether to sign up for a course taught by that professor. Another resolution urged that ABA law schools be required to "devote no less than 5 percent of their law student tuition revenues toward services "directly associated" with the educational needs of "their J.D. students. This resolution attempts to restrict universities from using law school tuition to support undergraduate campuses.

Propositional representative believed that many law schools inflate law student tuition in order to subsidize their undergraduate campuses. Propositional representatives spent the day in the Assembly voting on legal, political and educational issues. Evenings were spent dining in the hospitality suites and discovering the Chicago nightlife.

There are many national ABA positions which will be filled within this school year, and 1L and 2Ls are eligible to apply. Among the possible positions are "faisons," who sit on one of the many sections of the ABA. As the only law student on the committee, you would be working hard in your section's particular area of the law. For details, contact Jim Zieba and come to his desk in the SBA/ABA office.

Unlike recent years, this year's 1L ABA/LSD representative will be appointed. This system is used by local and circuit school and has worked rather well. Interested 1L's should submit a letter of intention to the ABA/LSD office by September 21. Candidates will be interviewed by a small committee of ABA/LSD members.

Patent Law Job Fair

By Doug LaLone
Editor

If you are a law student interested in the practice of intellectual property, then you should have been at the 1990 Chicago Patent Law Job Fair on August 17 through the 18. The fair attracted over 250 representatives from 51 employers from throughout the Midwest.

Law schools were represented at the job fair. The event is one of the largest shows for students majoring in engineering and science majors interested in the practice of law. VU Law School was represented by four law students.

The events began on Friday night with an informal reception held at Loyola University. There were about 30 employers and 90 prospective representatives at the reception. The purpose of the reception was to provide law students with the opportunity to get to know the various employers before their formal interviews that weekend. A large display of hors d'oeuvres and beverages were on hand for our pleasure.

For any law student interested in gaining employment in the area of patent, trademark, and or copyright law (otherwise known as the practice of intellectual property), we would strongly suggest participating in next year's Chicago Patent Law Job Fair. See our very own career service specialist, Gail Peshel, for more information.

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something of a distinction. Gaffney is currently doing pinch-hit service for Cheryl Stults teaching remedies. Next semester, he will teach a seminar on the law of church and state. “I’m going to be teaching about constitutional litigation focusing on the first amendment protection of religious freedom.”

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By Tim Williams
Assistant News Editor

If one gets the impression walking down the halls of Weseman Hall that there are more first years around than in the past, your impression is right. This year’s first class is composed of 188 full-time students and 13 part-time students. In comparison, last year’s class included 155 full-time and 13 part-time students. According to Kathy Wehling, Assistant to the Dean, the rise in this year’s class can be attributed to several factors. First of all, the trend over the past few years in applications to all law schools has increased.

China Slide Show Planned

By Jack Hiller
Professor of Law

On September 19 at 3:40 p.m., the Forum, Mr. Hiller will present a slide show and lecture in Room B about their visit to the Chinese universities and also about tentative plans for a summer program there in 1991.

Professors Blonquist and Hiller went to China as part of a delegation from VU to visit educational institutions in Zhejiang Province to explore the continuing and growing links between these schools and VU, which is one of the five Indiana universities that are taking part in the State of Indiana-Zhejiang link scheme.

Ningbo University is the first comprehensive university in the People’s Republic of China located in Ningbo, Zhejiang region of China south of Shanghai. The first phase of construction of this completely modern university was completed in October of 1988. The university, largely financed by a wealthy Hong Kong shipping magnate, in its first phase occupies 66,000 square meters of floor space on a vast campus which has excellent outdoor athletic facilities.

The general plans for the summer program include the teaching of two courses from our standard curriculum, lectures on Chinese law and culture, training in the Chinese exercise technique, qigong, and travel to places of interest including the city of Hangzhou, site of China’s famous West Lake. It is hoped that arrangements can be made so that at the end of the program students who wish to do so can stay in China and continuing to visit sites in that city and to take a side trip to the Great Wall.

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By Mike King
Contributor

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Third Place

Class A
1989ABA/LSB Best Overall
Newspaper Competition

The Forum

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Newspaper Competition

By Mike King

Contributor

Beginning last March, a number of students and alumni began making plans for VU School of Law to develop a new Journal publication. The tentative title was Summer Journal and the concept simple and old-fashioned: that those of us doing "doing" law as students, clerks, young lawyers, etc. have a duty to report to our community the things we do and the things that happen to us.

Despite the predictable administrative balderdash that slowed progress, the Journal went forward over the summer and attracted articles of note from various students, professors, and alumni. The next step in the Journal’s development is to set up a typical administrative process that will further develop the material, send it to the printer, and make arrangements for distribution.

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From the Editor

Is Prayer Causing Struggle?

By Michael Swart

Viewpoints Editor

When people ask me what I think of law school, I tell them what law school is one of the most frustrating yet rewarding things I have done. Frustrating because it takes a great deal of time and discipline and at times this tediousness never manifests itself into tangible knowledge. Frustrating because of the satisfaction of obtaining knowledge. This in turn becomes something that may be utilized in theory and in practice.

Ultimately, it extends to the pursuit of truth. The other dividend of law is the struggle itself. The satisfaction of climbing a mountain is not met by actualizing the peak, but rather by engaging in the struggle to get there. The point being in the struggle itself. When people stop intellectually struggling and just settle to a comfort zone, they end up with societal ill they become intellectually disingenuous.

Nowhere was this more apparent to me then the other night while watching "Firing Line". A movie star, engaged in a debate, was lamenting our educational system. His solution to the educational system was to get ignorance out of the schools and put knowledge in. The absurdity of this statement speaks for itself.

The education of a student is not the pouring in and mixing of "knowledge." Rather it is a steady stream of interaction between knowledge and ignorance which enables students to reformatulate raw ideas into usable data. What was yesterday's hypothesis may possibly be today's realization of a point, is this person had never really struggled with the issues he was writing about. One person who appears to be struggling with the educational process is Prof. Viewpoints.

This summer Stith traveled to California to take graduate classes in Byzantine Theology with Byzantine professors and monks. This was the first time Stith had done anything but work as a student in two years. His reaction was the following: "I soon came to the realization how difficult the learning process is. As a result I thought that when I came back to teaching I would try to point out to people that teaching as helpful to students as possible." This resulted in Stith deciding to make a very special prayer before each of his graduate classes in Byzantine Theology. The purpose of the prayer is to remind us of the ultimate significance of what we are doing and to give us a sense of humility.

A sense of humility because the problems we wrestle with, like Mark B. Schewin in his article "Religion and the Life of Learning" that there is little evidence that what is correct for the system was to get ignorance out of the schools and put knowledge in. The absurdity of this literalness or the proverbial 'lack of motivation' among today's students really involves a lack of humility, stemming in part from a lack of piety or respect for that aspect of God's ongoing concern for the work of his works of genius." This largely symbolic prayer for Stith then reminds people that we are not the center of the universe, and sets the stage for the proper learning process. Reaction from Stith's students varies. 3L Chris Stride says I personally don't have a problem with the prayer, but don't think it should be forced down people's throats. If he wants to be on his own he should have a moment of silence. But being a religious person myself, I can understand the importance of what he is trying to accomplish."

3L Melissa German states that "I don't think anyone can argue that they are being subjected to participating to something that is totally inappropriate. The fact that VU is affiliated with the Lutheran faith should have made people aware that they may encounter something like this. From a pegagogical standpoint if there is any doubt about this is the way he wants to teach then that is fine with me. Maybe he is right and everyone else is wrong."

Other students have written a petition to Stith objecting to this practice, and one stu" not so offended that he dropped the class.

What does this mean? The point is once again struggle. Before overreacting to this issue there is some type of infringement on one's rights or just some type of bizarre conduct to get a reaction, remember this: here is someone who it appears has struggled with his role as a professor in the context of the educational process and is committed to facilitating the struggle.

Coming full circle then the question must be asked are we ready to honestly struggle with the issues of today or would we rather be intellectually disingenuous.

Solution to the Attorney Stigma

By Angelo Spyridos Staff Writer

After two years of law school I was looking forward to starting my third and finishing law school. The summer was a much needed break where I could spend time away from the legal profession and other lawyers. I could spend time with my family. As I started law school, being a lawyer was a distant thought. What do we do? What knowledge and power would mean once I started practicing law. Certainly the professors taught me of the requisites of being required in an attorney in class, but not until the work I was doing outside of the classroom affected another human being did the responsibility and gravity of my legal work become apparent.

At the law school orientation in 1988, one of the professors told us that the degree is the most powerful degree one can acquire in today's society. Yet, with that knowledge comes the duty and responsibility.

Society consistently vilifies the legal profession and their contempt for lawyers is at an all time high. Lawyers are perceived as greedy and self-absorbed individuals who cannot be trusted. I have even noticed a rise in the amount of jokes which rip lawyers. If you haven't heard them yet, you will. Jokes like "How do you know when a lawyer is lying? His lips are moving." Some of us might find this type of humor offensive, but it nonetheless points to a negative perception that much of society harbors for lawyers. In certain circles the legal profession is not only weakly founded. But for the most part, I believe that this negative perception of lawyers is unjustified. I believe that a majority of lawyers are trapped with this nasty reputation.

Law school is the constant, unfounded attacks on our profession—so here's how I handle it. I ask the critic how many attorneys has met or been associated with (TV doesn't count). The answer will be a low number, if not zero. Then I point out to this person that the United States has approximately 800,000 lawyers and that number is rising. I charge him to when he has met over 400,000 then he can make a valid conclusion about the "majority" of our profession. He will usually be at that point.

In further rebuttal my reputation I believe that lawyers, and we as law students, must realize that our power should be coupled with responsibility and leadership in our communities. The only way to improve the images of lawyers in society is for each attorney to see that his or her duty as an attorney extends beyond their nine to five job at the office. Our work as lawyers cannot end with our work for our firms. We should be leaders in our communities. Let us participate. We can improve the image of our profession by doing pro bono work for the needy or serving on a city board or even being a leader in our local PTA or church.

Further, we must consistently maintain a level of ethics in our profession because that is required by law. In this way, society can benefit from our skills as lawyers and the much maligned reputation of attorneys will be on the road to rehabilitation.

People who do not know lawyers would now see us as leaders and concerned citizens—not as greedy, self absorbed jerks.

Welcome, and welcome back! I hope you enjoy this issue of the paper. We're looking forward to publishing more issues this year, and we could certainly use your help. If you have a suggestion, idea, or gripe, send it along, and we'll try to get it printed.

To on Cheers and Jeers:

Cheers: To the Valparaiso Registrar's office from the Loyola legal assistant. Not only is she one of the friendliest ladies in the law school, she is also one of the most competent. It's amazing how much she one of the friendliest teachers were learning the law and how to think like an attorney, but I never considered what this knowledge and power would mean once I started practicing law. Certainly the professors taught me of the requisites of being required in an attorney in class, but not until the work I was doing outside of the classroom affected another human being did the responsibility and gravity of my legal work become apparent. At the law school orientation in 1988, one of the professors told us that the degree is the most powerful degree one can acquire in today's society. Yet, with that knowledge comes the duty and responsibility.

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New Budget Procedures Outlined

By Terry Boesch
SBA Treasurer

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, the SBA Board was capricious, tortious, and showed a considerable amount of respect for the views of no one. Our student members were just not rewarded for their energy or for their lobbying for groups to be funded. The Board of Directors oftentimes resembled a popularity contest, with Board members voting for each group on a personal basis. The President of the Board, without any objectives guiding his decisions, would prent its recommendation to the entire SBA Board to meet in an attempt to consider the requests under consideration as if they were new administrative costs to be financed. The SBA Board members were typically not guided by the students, and they certainly did not respect the students. The SBA Board members were not guided by the students, and they certainly did not respect the students.

The actual budgetary process is one where the SBA budgetary process is scarred with abuse, neglect, and incompetence. With the exception of last year's SBA Board, and especially Allen Fore, SBA, the process used in the past has amounted to nothing more than a joke. Let me outline the process. It begins with the SBA Board's approval of the SBA budgetary process. The Board, and especially Allen Fore, SBA, has approved the SBA budgetary process. The student groups are required to submit their budgetary requests to the SBA Treasurer. The Treasurer, with the exception of last year's SBA Board, and especially Allen Fore, SBA, has approved the SBA budgetary process. The student groups are required to submit their budgetary requests to the SBA Treasurer. The Treasurer, with the exception of last year's SBA Board, and especially Allen Fore, SBA, has approved the SBA budgetary process. The student groups are required to submit their budgetary requests to the SBA Treasurer.

In talking to several students about the lack of control they get over their own money, one gets the distinct impression that they feel that if they are going to pay $2200 for the tuition of their students, they will at least have a locker. The complaints range from backaches due to overstaffed backpacks, to just plain frustration with the inconvenience. The reason for this phenomenon is really quite simple. That would not only be beneficial, but it would also be appreciated by the students.

I am not expecting much response to this editorial. However, I would just like to note that when we all become hard-working members of the real world we will not be having two days off, but instead of paying $3000 for something we can wear white shoes and pants with proper etiquette! That is what about our poor professors? I think I am starting to sound like Rosanne Rosanadina.

SBA, 400, but Locker Not Included

By Stacey Smenz
Contributor

A fair portion of the 1Ls this year are without lockers. None of the students, according to whom I was told, can wear white shoes and pants with proper etiquette! That is what about our poor professors? I think I am starting to sound like Rosanne Rosanadina.
No Pretenses, Just Simple Fun

By Charles E. Timmerwille

COLUMNIST

"You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore, gentlemen, this is my last press conference."


Nixon failed to abide by these ill-fated words and directed himself to a bizarre tour through American politics for another 10 odd years, inevitably drawn like Orpheus to his rendezvous with destiny. My own ill-fated words were uttered three years ago to the editor of my college newspaper:

"You won't have me to kick around anymore, because, Joe, this is my last column."

So, time makes liars of us all... and here I am hammering out some halfcrazed gibberish for another "you haven't even started your column yet!" editor... hoping that my readers don't anger and run me out of town in a cattle car full of angry steer. But enough of this weak, G o o - i i a - p h i l o - g o s s introduction... and now, ladies and gentlemen, direct your attention to the center ring, the main event will begin.

...Every fall the Valparaiso Popcorn Festival promises a week of mad-cap fun, culminating in a Saturday parade down Calomet Avenue.

Hints from Helen

Dear Helen,

I am a 2L with a heavy load of classes. I have Con Law, Evidence, T & E, Legal Process and Family Law. Prof. Moskowitz seems determined to focus on the Con Law issues as opposed to the Family Law issues and I do not learn them until second semester in Con Law. Will you actually test us on Con Law and how do I prepare for the exam if I do?

Confused and Frustrated

Dear Confused 2L,

This same phenomenon tends to happen in various upper level courses with 2L's and 3L's. It happened in a class I had last year and we were tested on Equal Protection and Due Process concepts. I've never taken a class and you make him aware of this problem he may try not to exacerbate the problem by testing on these issues. I definitely sympathize with your plight.

Dear Helen,

I am a nice, non-threatening, 1L male. Why are these law and policy and administrative law professors treating me like I'm offering to take them home at a night in later at a Siemens? What is the deal? -1L with a Bruised Ego

Dear Bruised Ego

You should check your approach or opening line, maybe it's the way you invited women out that turns them off. Or do you inquiring the wrong women. I'm sure there are lots of law school male friends that are holding all the cards. Try again, don't be discouraged.

Editor's Note: HELEN NEEDS MORE LETTERS TO ANSWER. PLEASE LEAVE LETTERS FOR THE EDITOR TELLING OF ALL ASPECTS OF LAW SCHOOL LIFE IN THE FORUM MAIL BOX IN THE SABA OFFICE.

By Jen Nelson

SABA President

After a relaxing summer working in Estherville, Iowa, I was jolted back into the world of ABA/SBA by attending the national meeting for the Law Student Division. I had reservations about the trip until I arrived. I had expected a dull week and was pleasantly surprised to be part of a lively debate in the General Assembly meetings.

Two of the hottest issues facing the Assembly were 1) Gay Rights and 2) the ABA switching to a neutral stance on abortion. Both issues were highly contested. Another highlight of the convention was a meeting I attended of all the SABA Presidents across the nation. We discussed topics such as 1) gaining student input on faculty tenure and hiring committee 2) budgets 3) honor codes 4) how to maintain a good relationship with the Administration of our respective schools.

Thankfully, Jim Zieba (ABA Rep.) and I were able to fit in some time to enjoy the Chicago Bulls and other deals in our circuit.

By the way, I hope most people have had a chance to meet the new Dean, Ed Gaffney. I can't say enough positive things about him because he has been receptive and fair to all the student concerns which I brought to his attention. I'm not trying to earn brownie points, I don't have him for seminar!

The Administration has truly acted quickly and affirmatively to solve the 1L locker crisis. Dean Gaffney is interested in implementing a mentor-peer program with students and alumni. Please inform your respective class reps if you find this an interesting idea. The Dean is also willing to hold "town meetings" open to students and faculty on topics such as grades, honor code and jobs. Look for signs on upcoming meetings.

Now, to butter up a Prof. whom I do currently take a class from (and no need to redeem myself after being asked in Environmental Law what the Sierra Club was and if it was a national or local club—to which I answered "An environmental group I think!" Professor Blomquist has laid down a challenge to all of our faculty v. students softball game (See Sports Section). Let's all go in full force on Oct. 19 and play or be a spectator in this fun event.

Thanks 1L's for being a politically active class. Thanks 2L's for coming back this year. Thanks 3L's for attempting to attend as many classes as you can stand.

Lifestyles

September 19, 1990

MOVIE SCHEDULE

FALL 1990

UNION BOARD

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MOVIE SCHEDULE

FALL 1990

Sept. 21 & 22
- "Blue Steel"
- "Harold and Koders: Red October"
- "Steel Magnolias"
- "Fnik"
- "In the Name of the Father"
- "To Catch a Thief"

Nells Auditorium, 2 pm

Oct. 26 & 27
- "We're No Angels"
- "Die Hard"
- "The Chosen"
- "Miracle on 34th Street"
- "Young Guitars"
- "Music Box"

Nells Auditorium, 2 pm

No FOOD OR DRINK

"We're No Angels"
- "Die Hard"
- "The Chosen"
- "Miracle on 34th Street"
- "Young Guitars"
- "Music Box"

* Sunday movie shown in Union Great Hall

Additional movies at Nells Auditorium:

Fri. & Sat. 7:00 & 9:30 pm - Admission: $2.00
Sun. 2:00 pm - Admission: $1.00

All other movies at Nells Auditorium
Student Profile:

1L Glenn Champion

By Allen Fore
Editor in Chief

A native of Jonesville, MI, twenty-two year old Glenn Champion graduated this past spring with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Marketing from Hillsdale College in Michigan. He selected the VU School of Law after speaking with a roommate's parent who are VU graduates. He wanted a law school that provided an atmosphere similar to Hillsdale. In particular, he was attracted to the open door policy that enables students the opportunity to become acquainted with professors on a personal basis. He also wanted to be close to a major metropolitan city like Chicago.

Champion originally had planned to pursue a career in pharmaceutical sales before going to law school. He went through the interview process but decided to go to law school instead.

"I decided to go to law school because I had the opportunity in Valparaiso. It is pretty much what I expected, but I've only been here three weeks and I'm still not sure about classes," he explained. "In college you take a lot of different things but here it is all the same. I don't know what the girls expect out of me," he added.

Champion is still perusing the extracurricular activities that are available. "I wanted to get a feel for what was going on before I started getting involved in anything. I do want to get involved. That's the whole idea of going to a small school. You can be involved in any organization you want, but I haven't committed to anything yet," Champion stated.

In addition to member of Sigma Chi fraternity as an undergraduate and served as the Vice-President his junior year. He also served on a Men's disciplinary council overseeing student affairs.

Champion is interested in pursuing a career in corporate or patent law. His college mentor encouraged him to pursue a career in patent law. However, his background has prepared him for a career in the field of biotechnology, the exploration of developing new aspects of life. Champion is confident that the field of biotechnology will be booming within the next twenty years. He also has sufficient credentials that prepared him for a career in medicine, but Champion does not like the impending role of socialized medicine.

Champion would like to go to the East coast after graduating. He has a particular interest in North Carolina because of the large number of biotechnological firms there. He hopes to become a senior partner in a law firm or be employed as a corporate attorney at a biotechnology firm. He also likes the picturesque beauty and climate in North Carolina.

Champion is the son of Glenn and Donna, who live in Jonesville, MI. His father is a purchasing agent and his mother is a secretary. His two older sisters are Tandy and Sonda. While his parents never finished college, Champion and his sisters are going to college. His parents are involved in professional schools. Champion credits his parents with providing the motivation and encouragement to succeed, both in school and in life.

In his spare time, Champion enjoys a game of golf and working on his classic car, a 1967 Mustang. As for evening activities, Champion prefers the intramural football. He also enjoys going to the open door policy that the college organization you want, but I haven't committed to anything yet."

Faculty Profile:

Gail Peshel

By Scott Kozlov
Co-Lifestyles Editor

Due to the hard work and dedication of Gail Peshel, VU School of Law has an active and successful career service center. Ms. Peshel is the Director of Career Services for the Law School and she coordinates job placement and interviewing efforts for students. One fundamental part of Peshel's job entails organizing and conducting various seminars pertaining to job search skills.

Although she was born in Chicago, Peshel has lived in Valparaiso for 23 years. She attended Ball State University for one year before transferring to VU where she received her Associates Degree in computer programming and her Bachelor's Degree in business administration. Peshel enjoys the atmosphere at VU, and she has worked for two other businesses in town prior to her employment with the law school.

As the office administrator for Hoover and Hart, a law firm in Valparaiso, Peshel began creating many of her connections to the legal field. Her other business experience includes managerial work for the Coral Amusements Corp. which is now involved in operating the Holiday Star Theatre.

Gail Peshel was hired as Director of Career Services under the administration of Prof. Al Meyer, who was Dean of the law school at the time. She has been instrumental in creating many of the career service programs at VU, including the Chicago Job Fair, but she also finds time for her family life. With a daughter in sixth grade and a son who attends Santa Fe University, in addition to her husband Larry, Peshel has done an amazing job with the career service center at the School of Law.

Peshel is especially encouraged by the expansion of the career services staff over the last few years, and she hopes that the extra help in the office will be reflected in successful student job placement. Four years ago, Peshel had only the aid of a part-time secretary and now Career Services employs a full-time secretary and a recruitment coordinator, all under the direction of Peshel.

The only frustration that Peshel seems to be encountering is the lack of attendance at seminars. She thinks these are important for student success and does not want to dispose with such projects, but she is finding difficulty in increasing student attendance.

Despite this discouraging point, however, Peshel is pleased with the progress of the Career Service Center at VU and looks forward to continuing success.

Herd in the Halls

BY TAMMY WALZ
STAFF COLUMNIST

...WELCOME BACK! ONLY 9 1/2 WEEKS UNTIL THANKSGIVING BREAK (LETAL WRITING WILL BE OVER BY THEN).

...NEW 1L'S ARE A HYPER BUNCH—THEY ALL THINK BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY IS REQUIRED READING (BUT AT LEAST THEY STILL REFUSE TO BUY JACOBSIEIN).

...TAX GETS A "4 PILLOW" RATING.

...START BBD HUNTING—ONLY 7 MONTHS TO GO!

...PITY THE 1L'S WITH THE TA WHO'S A COMBINATION OF ATILLA THE HUN AND BOBBY KNIGHT.

...ENJOY THE DUNES WHILE YOU CAN—VALPARAISNOW, WINDIANA WEATHER WILL SOON ENGULF US.

...WHICH GAME WILL BE THE MOST POPULAR THIS YEAR—ROSE BINGO OR STRIP-LEGALBORDOM?

...HEY ALEX, ANY SIGN OF THE BOTTLE WOMAN?

...GRANDPA GROMLEY'S RECORD FOR CHANGING THE FACTS "JUST ONE WAY" IN JUST ONE PROBLEM IN JUST ONE CLASS PERIOD IS 37.

...WANTED BY SOME DESPERATE 1L'S: A DRAGONSAYER.

...CONGRATULATIONS TO DAN AND SARAH ON THEIR WEDDING (AND A GREAT RECEIPTION) AND TO AMY AND JOHN, AMY AND JEFF, KIM AND CHUCK AND JULIE AND CHRIS ON THEIR ENGAGEMENTS!

...LIBRARY OLYMPIC TRIALS ARE UNDERWAY—SEE PJRED AND JEFF FOR DETAILS.

...NEW 1L'S ARE REAL KEEVERS—SOME TOOK NOTES AT THE PIZZA PARTY.

...PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE ABOVE DOES NOT GO TO THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER ASSERTED.

BYE!!

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Denise Murphy

Feature Athlete:

Denise Murphy before being edged out by some younger folks.

by Drew M. Dillworth
Sports Editor

As a youth, Denise "Kin to Dale not Eddie" Murphy bounced around the United States, inhabiting in such esteemed places as Wisconsin, Iowa, and Michigan. I venture to guess that it was in the confines of America's greatest city, the Big Apple, that Murphy discovered her athletic prowess and killer attitude. In high school, Murphy starred on the track, basketball and volleyball teams, making her the kind of triple threat even Bo would admire. Reluctantly, though, at Illinois College, Murphy had to decide on one sport in order to balance a healthy academic and social life. Murphy chose volleyball. This turned out to be a wise decision as Murphy went on to lead Illinois College through four successful volleyball seasons before moving on to law school. I hear you, "but what have you done for me lately?" Am I right? Well, just last year Murphy broke into the VU Intramural Volleyball circuit on behalf of the law school. Her team advanced to the finals.

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T-SHIRTS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS
FRUIT, JUICE, and MUFFI N S for all in the Student Lounge following the race.
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- for age group top finishers (team members are eligible)
TEAM RULES: - each team composed of 4 people
- at least one woman per team
- team members must be from same class (1L, 2L or 3L) with the exception of:
- 1 faculty member or 1 alumnus/na may be a team participant.

Entry forms are located at the Circulation Desk, Intramural Bulletin Board, or see Joanne (Registrar). For additional info see Joanne, Mike Straubel, or Cyndi Oppiger (3L).

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Friday 5-11 p.m.
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Sunday 1-5 p.m.

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