San Diego U.Law Prof Speaks to VUSL About NAFTA

By Patrick O. McCarthy
Managing Editor

On Monday afternoon, March 29, Prof. Jorge A. Vargas of the University of San Diego School of Law gave a highly informative lecture on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and related environmental issues from the Mexican government's perspective. The speech lasted almost a full hour and questions were taken from the audience at the close of the event.

The S.B.A. and H.L.S.A. sponsored lecture was moderately attended by both faculty and students.

Prof. Vargas was a summa cum laude graduate of Mexico's National Autonomous University Law School and Yale Law School. He has been legal advisor to Mexico's Secretariat of Foreign Relations as well as Director of International Affairs at the National Science and Technology Council. As a private practitioner, Prof. Vargas practiced in Mexico City in the areas of foreign investment, corporate and civil law, and international business transactions. As a diplomat for the Mexican Foreign Office, he specialized in international organizations with the U.N., attending regional and multilateral conferences on science and technology as official member of the Mexican delegation. As a legal scholar, Prof. Vargas has taught in several universities in Mexico City and has lectured throughout Northern and Latin America. He has written eight books, numerous articles and currently is at the University of San Diego School of Law teaching courses ranging from Public International Law to Environmental Law.

In opening remarks, Prof. Vargas outlined his discussion to include an overview of the American perspective on Mexican environmental law, and finally his views on the future of NAFTA. He sought to focus on who would benefit from NAFTA and what price the participants were willing to pay.

Prof. Gaffney noted that the Clinton administration has been trying to negotiate "side agreements" with Mexico over three troublesome areas; the environment, labor, and trade surges. Overall, he felt Mexicans believed these issues would be resolved. Concerns over NAFTA include a loss of U.S. jobs to Mexico, especially in light of NAFTA's provisions on geographic proximity, and a perception of lax environmental regulations within Mexico. Many assembly plant jobs continue to grow on the Mexican side of the border in the largely urban areas of Tijuana and Mexicali. Such industrial zones are called "maquiladoras." Prof. Vargas cited the existence of 2000 such plants currently which are expected to grow to over 3500 by the year 2000. He believed in that same year, over 2.8 million Mexicans would work in those areas given a growth rate of 6%. That Secretary of the U.S. Department from those fully owned plants at about 4.2 billion dollars.

American companies own 87% of the maquiladoras.

Prof. Vargas then turned to environmental considerations. He noted that environmental law was a relatively new discipline within the international community, starting in the late 1960's. In 1972, the U.N. held the first international conference on environmental issues, the Stockholm Conference on the Protection of the Environment.

During this same time, Mexico became increasingly influenced by developments in U.S. environmental legislation. By 1971, Mexico created its first federal act dealing with the control of environmental pollution, the same year the United States created the Mexican EPA - the Undersecretariat for the Protection of the Environment. Mexico has developed four sources of information on environmental law; the federal statutes, developing laws in the autonomous Mexican states, municipal ordinances and international treaties.

One noted that like the U.S., the Mexican government is in favor of decentralization, giving greater autonomy to each of its 31 states. Currently, 28 states have enacted environmental legislation in line with specific needs.

By 1988, Mexico had given great support to the environment through the General Environmental Act. That act created an Attorney General's office for protection of the environment and was empowered to investigate and gafinery all violations. That office can also penalize violators as well as providing legal advice on environmental concerns.

The Mexican Environmental Act of 1988 fell into the

Chief Justice Shepard to be Commencement Speaker

By Deven Klein
News Editor

Randall T. Shepard, Chief Justice of Indiana Supreme Court, will be the keynote speaker at the law school's commencement exercises on May 16, 1993. Mr. Shepard joined the Supreme Court of Indiana in 1985 and has served as the Court's Chief Justice since March, 1987.

Chief Justice Shepard is honored to have the Chief Justice as the keynote speaker because of the fine example he sets for young lawyers. "Justice Shepard is a public servant who has been very encouraging to our law students and lawyers generally in setting standards of professional integrity," the Dean said. Reflecting on Justice Shepard's impact on the Indiana Supreme Court, Dean Gaffney added, "He has brought the Court into a new position, and writes with grace, elegance, and style that distinguishes him as a Justice." Dean Gaffney also pointed out that Justice Shepard is actively involved in the community. Jeffrey Winters, newly-elected President of the Student Bar Association, thinks that the graduating class should be honored to have Justice Shepard as the keynote speaker. "It really is an honor to get someone of his caliber - especially on such a short notice," commented Winters. He adds, "I hope that the graduating class truly appreciates the presence at the law school."

Before coming to serve on Indiana's highest court, Justice Shepard was a judge for the Vanderburgh Superior Court in Evansville, Indiana. He also was Executive Assistant to the Mayor of Evansville, and served as a Special Assistant to Under Secretary of Transportation. In addition to his professional accomplishments, Justice Shepard currently serves, and has served, on numerous Indiana Commissions, Boards, and Foundations.

The Chief Justice received his undergraduate degree from Princeton University in 1969, earning a B.A. with honors. In 1972, he graduated from Yale Law School. Justice Shepard was born on December 24, 1946 in Lafayette, Indiana. He is a seventh generation Hoosier.

Gaffney Advises Russians on Religious Freedom

By Mike Thompson
Editor

Almost forty years ago Nikita Khroushchev promised that 1988 would be the year he would display the "last living person," a number of international scholars traveled to Russia to counsel its government on principles of religious freedom. Among those scholars was VUSL Dean Edward Gaffney.

Gaffney, along with about twenty other legal scholars and religious leaders, spent the week of March 20-27 in Moscow at the invitation of V.S. Polosin, the Chairman of the Soviet's Committee for Freedom of Conscience, Religion, Mercy and Charity. Their primary purpose during their stay in Russia was to consult with Russian leaders who are attempting to draft a constitution guaranteeing religious freedom to Russians.

Examples of the dramatic change in the former Soviet Union were evident throughout Gaffney's stay. The international scholars, for example, met in a villa outside of Moscow that used to serve as a retreat for members of the Communist Party Central Committee. It was the Central Committee that maintained the Soviet Union's official policy of atheism.

Gaffney noted that part of the problem that the Russians face as they restructure their governmental and social systems is that they are dealing with concepts that are completely new to them. "Think of a society," said Gaffney, "where you couldn't even write [something] without having a censor looking over your shoulder. That's what the [Russian people] are used to, and that's what they're trying to move away from."

Although Gaffney's trip was arranged by the International Academy for Religious Freedom and Belief, of which he is a fellow, Gaffney credits God for his being able to go. "I could never have foreseen three or four years ago that an opportunity like this would have existed for me," said Gaffney. "There is nothing in my background that could have led them to pick me as a Russian law expert."

Gaffney believes that he has come away from Russia with a greater understanding of the complexities that face its people. Noting that the Russians now have religious freedom for the first time, Gaffney does not believe that they are willing to go back to the way things used to be. "There are elements in the former KGB who want tighter control," observed Gaffney, "but [the Russian people] have gone too far now to turn back."
By Gail Peshel  

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Alumni Board Donates $5,000 to Gromley Scholarship  

By Beth Henning Guria  

The Alumni Association of VUSL recently held its spring meeting on April 3, 1993. Board members traveled from as far away as Biloxi, Missouri, and Washington, D.C., to attend the biannual meeting. The Board heard reports from Career Services, the Law Library, and Admissions, as well as from Alumni Affairs and Development. The twenty-one member board voted to contribute $5,000 to the Professor Charles Gromley Scholarship Fund, as well as to revisit contributing to the Scholarship on an annual basis.

SBA President-elect Kip Winters was in attendance at the meeting and discussed some of the concerns expressed by the student body. The Alumni Association is in agreement that the concerns expressed by the students are of importance and interest to the Alumni Association Board. Consequently, a motion was made and seconded for the formation of a Alumni Association Study Committee to examine and investigate the general climate of the School of Law. The committee consists of Professor Mark Carr, David Hollenbeck, and Amy Lawrence Mader.

The Alumni Association encourages graduating students to stay involved in VUSL events. Through the office of Alumni Affairs, more geographic Alumni Association chapters will be established similar to the Indianapolis chapter focusing on environmental law. Notification of alumni events may be found in The Forum. The Alumni Association Board, under the leadership of Beth Henning Guria, Director of Alumni Affairs.

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By Patrick O. McCarthy
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Symbolism over substance. That is a phenomenon seen more and more of these days. Whether on T.V., in a newspaper, on a sidewalk, in a camp, symbolism runs amuck. Whether on T.V., in a newspaper, on a sidewalk, in a camp, symbolism runs amuck. Whether on T.V., in a newspaper, on a sidewalk, in a camp, symbolism runs amuck. Whether on T.V., in a newspaper, on a sidewalk, in a camp, symbolism runs amuck.

"Will Suzy really end violence against her at a Take-Back-the-Night Rally or ought she to learn to carry a gun, avoid rude men and only wear short skirts when she wants to be noticed?"

If the smell of printer's ink raises the hair on the back of your neck, if the notion of giving up your job to save the world, if the production speed cause your pulse rate to quicken and your heart to beat a faster rhythm, if you are a compulsion to share with the world anything interesting or unusual you have come upon, if you know no peace until you have the real answers — then you are hooked. You never will be truly happy doing anything else. — William F. Kerby

Almost exactly one year ago today I was putting the finishing touches on what I honestly believed would be the last newspaper I would ever edit. For three years I had been Editor of Eureka College's The Pegasus, and although I loved my job more than you can imagine, after everything had been as much as it was, there was more than a little burned out. So when I finished Volume 104, Issue 26 of The Pegasus...
Men Should Be More Sensitive to Acts of 'Street Harassment'

By Melinda Basz
Contributor

What do spring clothes and wolf-whistles have in common? Women. And the fact that one pretty much signals the other. Now that spring is finally appearing from behind the Mid-West clouds, the need for layers of clothing diminishes. This is a welcome relief, but, it also brings a sense of dread.

Once the weather improves lightweight, figure-fitting clothes are much more comfortable. Here is where the sense of dread begins. To a male, wearing a pair of shorts and a tank top means nothing. But, for women, the same clothing choice risks "street harassment." This is more commonly understood as the whistles, catcalls and sexually explicit comments which are directed at a female.

The term "street harassment," also referred to as "obscene revilings," is what every woman over the age of thirteen is subjected to. Erase from your minds the myth that a woman has to look like Christie Brinkley to receive such treatment. Simply being a female puts women in a high-risk category. Before the male readership discounts this article as "another Feminist gripe," consider how the activity feels to a woman. Contrary to popular opinion, such comments are not viewed as "compliments." They are degrading. A compliment is expressed face-to-face, not shouted from a passing vehicle.

Such comments are public judgements of a woman simply based on a testosterone reaction to a female body. Although most males feel that telling a woman she is sexually attractive to her is a high compliment, it is not seen that way to a woman. A woman does not object to being seen as physically attractive. There is a distinct difference from physical attraction and sexual attraction. The former is basically a look and the later is desiring to act on a woman's desirability of a woman have little complimentary value.

The anticipated response to such proposed legislative changes is, "It would be impossible to prove a claim of street harassment." To counter this argument, since when has the fact that a claim is hard to prove made it any less of a crime? Remember, in her 1987 Wisconsin Law Journal article, argues that the law does not recognize gender-specific injuries because the different quality of a woman's subjective life is not recognized by the legal community. Ms. Bowman argues that street harassment should be considered another form of sexual harassment. In a decade where a woman is raped every three minutes, and 1 of every 4 women has been sexually molested, blatant comments regarding the sexual desirability of a woman have little complimentary value.

This is also another example of how a woman's freedom of movement is limited by men. Rape statistics have increased over the past decade. This has diminished a woman's feeling of safety when alone in a public place. Women have been repeatedly told that they shouldn't walk at night, shouldn't go alone to certain areas, etc. A woman's only recourse against street harassment is to avoid the beholder's view. This may seem to be going to far, but she does have a point. The best type of justice is in which the punishment fits the crime.

Cheers and Jeers

• CHEERS: To the powers that be who operate the University's power plant. We've gone over a week now without having a blackout. Hey, maybe that tuition increase isn't needed after all.

• JEERS: To whomever distributed the anti-Catholic pamphlets in the student lockers.

• MORE JEERS: To everyone who is ignoring the anti-Catholic pamphlets. Care to make a wager as to what would have happened if the pamphlets had been anti-women, anti-Hispanic, anti-Black, or anti-gay? We would have had classes cancelled while a town hall meeting was conducted.

• CHEERS: To EJA for the "Kiss the Pig" contest. That was an event that was fun for everyone -- except, perhaps, for Trino and Lucy.

• JEERS: To all those who feel privileged to ignore the yellow lines on the parking lots. Folks, the lines are there for a reason.

• JEERS -- or CHEERS (depending upon your point of view): To those who are supposed to monitor the parking lots. Why bother buying a parking permit when it seems that you can park wherever you want?

In Appreciation...

Dear Dan,

From time to time an Editor of a newspaper may have to endure many headaches. Never-ending deadlines, countless hours spent on computer and newspaper attacks, budget pressures, and computer breakdowns are only a few of the trials with which an Editor may have to cope.

In your term as Editor, you have met these challenges — and more — with grace, optimism, determination, and enthusiasm. Each criticism only served to make you the much more determined to produce a quality newspaper. Every setback only pushed you that much harder to overcome the challenges. That is a sign of a good Editor.

In the past twelve issues you have received more than your fair share of criticism. When someone disagreed with something that was in The Forum, you were the one who took the blame for it. You made it all look so easy, but those of us on the Editorial Board know just how much work you put into The Forum and how determined you have been to make The Forum the best that it could be.

While the criticisms and attacks were flying from all directions, we saw how hard you worked to defend everything for everyone in each issue. We saw the late nights, the tired eyes, and the steadfast dedication it took for you to be the Editor you were willing to sacrifice so much to produce each issue came out on schedule.

During your tenure as Editor you have broken almost every record on the books: most issues in a single year; most diversified staff; earliest release date for an issue, etc. There's something else you achieved that is sadly missing from too many student publications, and it is apparent by how quickly the copies were grabbed up each time they were distributed. Everyone read The Forum. Your newspaper sparked interest among the students, faculty and the administration. Certainly everyone didn't agree with everything you printed, but it is obvious that there was always something of interest for all in each issue.

Although all of us didn't always agree with every decision you made, we respect the strength of your convictions and the work you have put toward the paper.

Dan, you have left a legacy that will be hard to beat. You have set the standard for all those who hereafter will pick up the red pen and sit down at The Forum desk. We look for your future work. foresight, and determination. Thanks for a high-quality newspaper. Thanks for letting us be a part of it.

Sincerely,
Mike, Kevin, Jennifer, and Pat

Thanks For Making Law Week Successful

I hope everyone had a good time during Law Week. It was a lot of hard work, and I would like to take the opportunity to specifically thank some people: Bob Cup for helping out with everything; Joanne Albers and Mary Moore for being my sounding board; Denise Schafer for coordinating the McLaughlin Group for the Roast; All those who participated in the Roast activities; All those who sold tickets; and the faculty and staff for showing their support by their attendance at the events. I would also like to wish Christine Drager the best of luck in planning next year's Law Week.

Marcy Geiges

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Surprise, Surprise... Tuition Rises Yet Again

By Stacey Smith
Staff Writer

Earlier this semester, all returning law students received a letter from President Harre regarding a tuition increase. The letter tactfully informed us that tuition for full-time students will rise from $11,900 to $12,850. This works out to be an 8% increase for the 1993-94 school year. After painfully contemplating the $60,000 debt I will ring up at this wonderful institution, I decided to set out on a trek to see if I could obtain some information behind the University's traditional tuition hike. After all, the squeaky wheel gets the oil, right? Well, sort of.

My first stop took me to the one they call the Director of Admissions, Mary Beth Lavezorri. Mary Beth cordially informed me that I would have to contact President Harre for any questions or concerns regarding the University's budget. She refused to speculate on possible reasons for the tuition hike. However, she did say that a new guaranteed tuition option was offered to this year's first year class and next year's incoming class. She added that these students can pay approximately $1,000 more in tuition and thus freeze tuition for the next two years. So, the class of 1995 would pay $12,900 for three years. Unfortunately, this plan does not affect current 2L's.

I set up an appointment with President Harre. However, I did not meet with Harre because his secretary suggested an interview with Provost Austenson. Among other things, Provost Austenson proudly boasted that the undergraduate University receives generous donations from its alumni. On the other hand, the law school has not received such largesse. The Provost explained that the law school needs professors with top-notch credentials to please accreditors from the ABA (American Bar Association or American Boys Club Association, whichever you prefer). Additionally, the law school must maintain top-of-the-line facilities to ensure a quality legal education. Maybe in Alice in Wonderland or a State Law School, quality comes at a cheaper price, but that is not the case here.

In a broader sense, Austenson made the point that law school is no more expensive in general than other graduate schools, and is significantly cheaper than medical school. I was impressed by this statistic, but I failed to realize its significance.

Provost Austenson alerted me that a special committee was formed this past January to look into the rising costs of the law school. A prominent Valparaiso accounting firm was asked to look into the situation. Unfortunately, there is no way to gauge when the committee will find out anything or if it will offer any immediate solutions.

Feeling the sting of the tuition hike may be lessened if students felt they were getting something for their money. A few of the complaints that have been heard are the questionable number of truly capable professors the law school needs some- thing. This subservient system intrigues me, to say the least. One request the law school did make was a proposed increase in professors' salaries. The law school's professors will see a greater increase in their salaries than their counterparts on the undergraduate side. Austenson rationalized this by saying that in order to attract quality professors the law school must be able to pay them on a competitive basis to avoid their defection to the private sector. The Provost explained that the law school needs professors with top-notch credentials to please...
Dooley Speaks to the Class of '93

By Laura Gaston Dooley
Contributor

Editor's Note: Professor Dooley has been chosen by the Class of '93 to be their Faculty Advisor.

It seems like merely a fortnight since we first gathered to gnash our teeth over Pennoyer v. Neff, that damn Mitchell, anyway? I don't know which of us was more scared that first day. Now you are poised to enter this noble profession and actually use the wealth of knowledge you've gained. You'll dispel fear and hate, to rich lives full of long nights with state digests, model forms full of "whereas" and "hereinbefore's"

La Mort de Trompe Le Monde

By Mark Hansen
Contributor

Farewells should be difficult, unfortunately, my final farewell won't be.

Some times wonder how important timing is in a person's life. I also wonder whether fate has any control, or whether destiny is nothing more than density.

It would be very convenient if I could blame my stay in Hellparaiso on some outside force. But when it comes down to it, it was a mere matter of my density. I think that density is the reason that most of us have found our way here.

It's every milestone in a person's life the question of regret becomes a factor. In my case, did my attendance at Valpo further any of my personal goals? The answer is a responding no. But in a way the jury is still out on Valparaiso's total effect.

On the surface I am leaving here with a student loan debt the size of the national debt of some third world countries. In exchange for this debt I receive a law degree from Valpo, this degree is about as marketable as the university basketball team is successful. Density.

During my tour here there have been some shining faces that have been extremely helpful. Those few have my extreme thanks. But on the whole the entirety that existed at Valpo when I first started writing is still in full force. Valpo rules in an automatic Victorian manner that marks the inefficiency of a school that totally exists by charging students an unconscionable rate of tuition. But it is like the old joke, why does Valpo's tuition cost so much? Because they know we can borrow that much. But with our mortgaged futures we graduate from a school that has an excellent reputation throughout most of northwest Indiana and can lead to many wonderful job opportunities in Lake or Porter counties.

It is sad to say I leave these problems unresolved. I admit that my three year effort may not have been well directed. Instead I resorted to using profane language in a Lutheran school's newspaper. But it is like Eve told Adam, "If you're going to sin, it might as well be original." (This last pun is dedicated to Professor Suth).

Maudlin tears are not my style, nor pontifications of the droll sort. But with Valpo behind me it becomes a time to live life instead of dwelling in the uncertain purgatory that is the life of a student.

To my detractors, pass off. To my supporters, thank you. My final casting prophesy is that Valpo better find a successful direction before some bankruptcy judge sells the school to the state to become a minimum security prison. I can see the motto now "We are the prison with the largest chapel in the nation. It would look great on sweatshirts."

C'est la vie. C'est la garce. C'est la pom de terre. Such a place. Such is war. Such is potatoes. The French have such an immense wisdom: Though this column is as anticlimactic as post coital depression, it is time for my nonsensical ravings to end. In the words of a better man then me, "It is finished."
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Racism: A White Male's Perspective

By Charlie White
Viewpoints Editor

President Teddy Roosevekt once said that the most un-American thing is a hyphen. As an American whose ancestors are from Germany, Ireland, and England, I am not a German-American nor an Irish-American, but an American who is German and Irish. In being a white male, I am neither proud nor ashamed. What must yield to women and blacks. Individuals in the ranks of the politically correct, culturally insensitive, and at times racist. Why? Because I simply do not agree with me because I am a conservative. I encourage debate, but do not call me a racist because you will show your ignorance of creativity. It would be as comparable and no less childish as if I called someone a godless pinko-commie, a tree-hugger, a liberal-ready-bootlicker, a feminazi, a long-haired, or a dope smokin' hippie. These are comments a right-winger would make in a certain environment if they felt that such groundless rhetoric would silence a liberal in a predominantly conservative area.

As the new Viewpoints Editor, I am part of an editorial staff that runs a publication that has been referred to as racist. I challenge someone to actually show evidence of this claim. Not just vague name calling and baseless generalizations in an effort to silence the conservative voice- that such racism exists. Personally, I will not stand by and use the term 'racist' to attack racism where it lurks (in town) and not where it is absent (The Forum).

However, I still believe that America can be a melting pot, which would represent a colorless America. Not a mosaic, which serves to perpetuate separate but equal sub-cultures that are drawn from these islands called universities. It has been said that one a godless pinko-commie, a tree-hugger, a liberal-ready-bootlicker, a feminazi, a long-haired, or a dope smokin' hippie. These are comments a right-winger would make in a certain environment if they felt that such groundless rhetoric would silence a liberal in a predominantly conservative area.

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Congratulations!

On behalf of the School of Law Alumni Association and all the faculty and staff, the Alumni Affairs and Development Team wish to congratulate and thank the following students for making the First Dean's Annual Campaign Tele-Challenge a success.

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---by Daryl Witherspoon

---by Melinda Basa

---by Mike Bartz

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---by Craig Draper

---by Sherry Faubion

---by Paul Gagnon

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---by Dan Hurst

---by Jim Knapp

---by Lesley Andrews

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encouraged. How does this all add up then? Well, no one has been chased from the staff. No one is denied a voice through the paper. No one gets any special favors or advantages. No one is forced to write for the paper. No one is punished for not writing. No one is punished for writing something that might be seen as controversial or not in line with the paper's editorial policy. No one is penalized for writing something that might be seen as controversial or not in line with the paper's editorial policy.

Prof. Vargas noted that although Mexico had other pressing concerns, environmental issues were addressed through primary educational levels to the law schools. Various clinics had also been established by some law schools to help agencies compile information on the environment. The government has established funds to pay for the promotion of environmental awareness, making environmental law highly visible.

In 1980, the Social Development (SEDESOL) Act was created by President Carlos Salinas de Gortari as part of his "Solidarity Program" to help fund social programs utilizing federal and municipal subsidies and local manpower to achieve various social projects. This is the agency responsible for much of the development and enforcement of environmental law. Today, SEDESOL represents 2.1% of the Mexican GNP.

Other agencies that deal with environmental laws include the Department of Commerce and Economic Development who deals with the establishment of corporations, as well as the Mexican Navy who is responsible for the enforcement of environmental treaties concerning the sea. All are coordinated by SEDESOL.

Prof. Vargas listed various requirements imposed by a 1981 act when any activity is undertaken that could affect the environment. First, following a similar U.S. requirement, Mexico demands an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which must be prepared prior to any construction or development. Following the EIS, there also must be a filing of an "action plan" to counter adverse effects. Next, there are requirements by SEDESOL for oversights and inspections within corporations. SEDESOL may interview any employee necessary to accomplish a full oversight. The inspection must be witnessed by corporate representatives who then sign off on the report to be sent back to SEDESOL for evaluation. Once an opinion is rendered on possible violations, the corporation must comply within a certain time period. The corporation may appeal the opinion, but only within the administrative agencies as such questions are not judicial in nature. (In a follow-up question by this reporter, it was clarified that a corporation would have a judicial remedy through a process called "amparo" if it were acting beyond constitutional limits.)

Failure to comply with a SEDESOL opinion can result in heavy fines and sanctions. For each day late, a company could be charged up to 7,000 times the local minimum wage rate. In Mexico City, SEDESOL could temporarily or permanently close a facility, arrest company officials, suspend and even revoke corporate licenses. Federal level fines also may be levied for damage to the Mexican eco-system.

In closing, Prof. Vargas looked to NAFTA. He cited statistics claiming that for every job lost to Mexico, the U.S. would gain two. He noted in the March 10 issue of The Economist that NAFTA could create 370,000 jobs in the U.S. and 145,000 in Mexico. Most Mexicans appear to feel the U.S. has the most to gain by sheer size of its economy.

On the other hand, Prof. Vargas said that if NAFTA falls, Mexico would turn to either the European Community (EC) who has sent numerous delegations to Latin America, or to Japan who is using Mexico as a starting point into other Latin American markets.

Finally, NAFTA is seen by Prof. Vargas as an aid to the environment, to unemployment, to political diversity and respect for human rights. It is a trend toward regionalism and a way for the North American nations to compete with the EEC and Asia.

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Three VUSL Profs' Writings Accepted for Publication

By Christina Gackenheimer Staff Writer

Professors Robert F. Blomquist, Laura Gaston Dooley, and Ruth C. Vance recently completed writings for publication. And, in the words of Dean Gaffney, "They bring honor to our school, and for that reason, we do well to honor them."

Professor Blomquist contributed a chapter on "Environmental Information Disclosure and Access" to the treatise, Environmental Law Practice Guide. The treatise won the Best Law Book of 1992 Award from the Association of American Publishers. Blomquist said he was really thrilled the book won the award. He added that the quality of the people recruited from around the country to work on the book was a factor in its receiving the award.

The scope of the project was to provide in depth strategic and substantive coverage of all environmental issues in environmental law," Blomquist said.

Professor Dooley's article, "Unusual Litigation over the Kidney Transplantation," was accepted by the Vanderbilt Law Review. The article was co-authored by Professor Ian Ayres of Stanford Law School and Dr. Robert Gaston of the University of Alabama Medical School. Dooley said the writing is a cross-disciplinary article that assesses the current kidney allocation system in light of medical economic and legal policy considerations.

"We're hoping to influence the system so it might respond better to the equitable claims of black kidney patients," she added. In addition, Dooley presented a paper in a panel discussion on "Public Choice of Organ Transplants," and she chaired a panel on "Positive Political Theory and the Rule of Law" at a Public Choice Society meeting in New Orleans.

Professor Vance's article, "Workers' Compensation and Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: A Remedy for Employers, or a Shield for Employers?" was accepted by the Hofstra Labor Law Journal for publication this fall.

"Victims of sexual harassment are left almost remedyless because they don't have the type of injuries that are compensable under the workers' compensation system, and many states use the exclusive remedy rule of the Workers' Compensation Act to bar the victim's tort suit against the employer," Vance said.

Additionally, Vance's piece on "The Use of Student Teaching Assistants in the Legal Writing Course" made its debut at the AALS conference in 1 Perspectives (West, 1992).

A Wish List For Top Ten Videos

By Kerri Campbell and Lorie Tsamsin

WARNING: This article may cause increased blood pressure, nausea, and dizziness to the intellectual incursions that may be incurred as a result of reading this intellectual dissertation.

**Top Ten Video Picks for the Summer**

Hey, we were just tryin' to relieve some personal liability that we feel compelled to require each reader to file a formal release which will exempt the authors from any and all personal liability that may be incurred as a result of reading this intellectual dissertation.

**Top Ten Video Picks for the Summer**

1. Honey, I Shrunk the Parent (Rush, in the flesh)
2. Peeker (Just ringing true)
3. Unrepentant (Valpo)
4. Good Men (Ring of the New Beverly)
5. In the Mood: A Little Poem to Close Out the Year: Though some may scorn and others may condemn We will not bow our heads in shame. Written in jest, but taken as true, it made some laugh, it made some smile. While visions of lawsuits danced in our heads, We began to believe the 1st Amendment was dead.
6. Rush Limbaugh (Just an idea, Dan and Jen)
7. Pecker (Starring...any takers?"
8. Honey, I Shrunk the Parent (Rush, in the flesh)
9. Honey, I Shrunk the Parent (Rush, in the flesh)
10. Honey, I Shrunk the Parent (Rush, in the flesh)

SBA President, From Page 2

Once again.

If there are any students who will be here the week before school starts, I urge you to help with Orientation, please contact myself or Mary Beth at Admissions. The more people assisting on the Orientation day, the more fun it will be for all of us.

I will be putting together a packet of student organizations which will be handed to the incoming student at Orientation.

To be included in this packet please submit a one page statement or brochure to the SBA no later than July 1, 1993. (Please see me for my home address). Each group that plans to be active next year also needs to provide me with a list of the new or current elected officers. This list should be compiled and submitted to the SBA office before April 26, 1993 at 5:00pm. Please be advised that each active group will be required to submit a copy of its Articles of Confederation and current Constitution. These documents are required by the University before a group is recognized as an active organization. The copies will be kept on file in the SBA office. This will avoid any future disagreements when there is a change in organizational officers.

Please let me or another SBA Administrative Board member know if there is anything that needs attention.

... goes to Pezzullo and Frazzini, The "creator of the new Beverly Hills blow-pop diet" award goes to Lori Ribperber. The "Best eyes award" goes to Ruth Batey (light blue...just like mine). The "He ought to not study much and should get out more award" goes to Jeff Jazgar. The "Iron Woman who is most likely to marry Mr. Juice" award goes to Jenelle Langen. The "Our special Guest Student" award goes to Jody Bremmer. The "I want to have Bobby Knight's children (and understandably so!" award goes to Veronica Dross. Finally, the "The most worthless and weak, now drop down and give me twenty" as Dave Westland said to me on the first day of school "White, You're full of crap." I think that about sums it up. Have a good summer because it's gonna end fast.
A Preview of the 1993 Stanley Cup Playoffs

By Adam M. Stern
Asst. Features Editor

The New York Rangers have gone from last season’s Presidential Trophy winner (annually given to the team with the most regular season points) to out of the 1993 playoffs. So rest assured this will be an unbiased account of the Stanley Cup playoffs. This year marks the return of hockey to national TV with 5 consecutive Sunday telecasts on ABC, with the remainder on ESPN. Share the Glory!

Will Pittsburgh win for the third time in a row? If not Penguins, then who will win Lord Stanley’s Cup? Can the Finnish Flash, Teemu Selanne carry Winnipeg far in the playoffs? Can Chicago make it back into the finals? As one of the resident hockey fans in this bastion of Hoosier basketball, here’s my skinny on the second half of the season:

IN THE PATRIOT
Pittsburgh led by Mario, who has been on fire since his return from Hodgkin’s Disease, should easily take the division. Their opponent will be either the NJ Devils or the Islanders, with the other against the Washington Capitals.

IN THE ADAMS
Boston been hot as of late. Between rookie sensation, Joe Juneau, the return of Cam Neely and the stellar performance of Andy Moog in net, this is the team to beat. Boston should take care of Buffalo in 6, as long as they can stop the Dynamic Duo of Molgintry and LaFontaine. In the other matchup, Quebec, reaping the benefits of the Lindros trade, have made the playoffs for the first time since ’87, will lose to Montreal due to lack of playoff experience.

IN THE NORRIS
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At last... Chuckie Presents
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By Charlie White
Viewpoints Editor

Chuckie here with a few sweet memories as well as a look at what we "down-staters" call "da region" (the northwest corner of Indiana). Right now, however, the idea for this article is fermenting in my mind as I sweep and mop the Alumni Hall dorm floor. You may ask, "Why Smilin' Chuckie, men among boys; are you mopping the floor?" Well, the answer is quite simple, my little schooners (an affectionate term borrowed from my old senile German teacher). One beautiful morning, as I was looking around the dorm for a basketball, all the sudden a half-toasted undergrad ambushed me and tells me to come in his room and get a basketball. Next thing I remember I had beergoggles on sipping beer out of two glasses... Smilin' Chuckie frowns and that's why this tree is being planted. Since observed by, Yours faithfully, GOD

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Congratulations and Best Wishes to the Class of '93

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Barfield. The "act spoken and politically correct" award goes to Ed Hearn. The "Manly Beast who happens to be a very modest and amiable person(at least that's what she said)" award goes to Charlie White, of course. The "Mr. Aload" award goes to Dave Westland. The "If he sings like Mick Jagger and says 'Jope Butteffuco' one more time I swear I'm gonna kill him" award goes to Rich Ditomasso. The "Best kept hair" award goes to Dan Matern. The "Name that gets the chicks" award goes to Steve Rambo. The "Ladies Man/genuis boy" award goes to Mike Fromm. The "It's a long way back to Alaska on that moped" award goes to Chris Drager. The "She's so white, she could be Casper's girlfriend" award goes to Christine Brushbank. The "But what if the meteor flies over our airspace... is it worth the trip?" To Pat "Gunner" McFadden. The "Cartier's favorite firecracker" award goes to Tens "That's a load of crap" White. The "Vanilla Ice looks alike" award goes to Keith Johnson (Sing it Keith "Ice, Ice, baby!"). The "The White Boys Can't Jump" award goes to Michael Jordan. The "If he put on some lipstick, together with those cow boy boots and that wild hair, he could pass as the rock star mega-legend sex symbol Adam Ant" award goes to Dan Barfield.

The "He knows everything about everybody(otherwise known as the "I'm keeping my eye on you award") award goes to Steve Finley. The "Most quoted See Lucy Awards, Page 10" award goes to Steve Finley.