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1st Amendment 'guru' to direct Admissions

New Admissions Director is Anne Levinson-Penway
By Gary Shope
News Editor

As previously reported in The Forum, the Law School has been conducting a search to fill the recently vacant Director of Admissions position.

Mary Beth Lavezzorio, the former Director, left VUSL to accept employment in Chicago.

Dean Chicowski told The Forum in a recent interview that the search was over.

The new Director is Anne Levinson-Penway. Anne comes to VUSL, coincidentally, from Chicago. She earned a law degree from Northwestern in 1985, and subsequently accepted a position with the Chicago law firm of Vedder, Price, Kaufman and Kammholz.

Anne most recently served as Assistant Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom and as the Deputy Executive Director of the Freedom to Read Foundation with the American Library Association.

She has an incredible creative talent, she’s a dynamo,” Chicowski said.

When asked what set Anne apart from the forty-plus candidates for the position, the Dean replied, “she has all the personal and profession traits we like to see in an Admission’s Director. She is a huger than life person.” Chicowski continued.

As a part of its continuing coverage, The Forum will speak with Anne when she arrives on campus.

Also, two other vacant positions at the law school are scheduled to be filled. Both Financial Aid and Career Services will soon be hiring new personnel.

Valpo to join national Life Chain protest

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**Our Opinion**

**Debate ideas, speech**

It started with a fake three-dollar bill with a picture of President Clinton with objectionable wording. It might end by opening a dialogue between diverse groups. Let's hope that we learn a little from this experience.

Being involved in publishing this newspaper, it is easy to be sensitive to the ideals of freedom of expression. It is easy to say that anyone has the freedom to say what he or she thinks. This is the way it should and must be if we are to truly be free in our society to say what is on our minds and to persuade others to believe what we think. However, proponents of freedom of expression have a duty to take responsibility for their use of this freedom.

This is not to say that punishments or retribution should be meted out to those who say things that we don’t like. This would impose a tyranny on ideas and opinions that are not held by those with the power to coerce the proper way of expressing ones ideas.

In the larger world, those with the power usually have the secret police forces, larger weapons and strict control over public opinion. Those with power in the larger world often silence those who would be allowed to speak the most — people seeking justice, reform, or just plain freedom. Many times, advocates of change, for whatever reason, are shipped off to the hinterlands in exile, suffer horrendous fares, or are killed just for suggesting something is wrong or something ought to be done. We want to keep away from the above path at all costs.

By advocating responsibility, the suggestion is that those who use their right to free speech or who use the principles of freedom of expression must be willing to accept criticism may come from their exercises. They must take the time to let the ideas expressed by their opposition. They, in turn, must be given an opportunity to be heard and to explain the meaning, reasoning and ultimate goal of their communication. We all have a duty to learn from these exchanges.

Only through sitting down with each other and discussing what we are trying to do when we speak, can we figure out solutions to our problems. We must be open and willing to listen, without prejudice, to ideas not expressed, weigh their truth in our mind and make a decision on the merits of the argument.

What we cannot do is just slap a label on someone and summarily dismiss their ideas without listening to what they have to say. Limiting speech imposes a tyranny over thought and disenfranchises the powerless. Listening opens the doors of communication between diverse groups and debating distills the good ideas and discards the bad ideas. Any other approach is too subject to the whims of those with the power to coerce others to follow the way of life.

In words that have been repeated many times and in many places, what we need is not less speech, but more speech that will challenge all ideas and weed out the bad ideas. We have this here today on the pages of this paper with the publication of a letter in response to the picture. Maybe we have learned something from the picture of a three-dollar bill has come the opportunity to discuss the wider implications of what our ideas mean to others. Maybe this will open the doors to more discussion about the things that affect our lives and our community.

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Since writing my first article for The Forum, many people have inquired as to the meaning and reason of my title. The short answer to the first part of the question is that "contra mundum" means "against the world." And since I must give credit where credit is due, I get the phrase from the late political scientist, Wilmoore Kendall, who used it to head the cover on one of his many treatises.

The reason for my choosing the title, however, requires a much lengthier explanation.

I like to consider myself as a viewer of the world from an historical perspective with a traditional bent. I shy away from using the word conservative, as I find little left to conserve, and what is left is hardly worth the title. Besides, the word has become too politicized and leaves no room for any vision. It is a vision that I wish to convey through this column, and I must begin by first looking back.

Initially my reader must be warned, as the spectators I use to look ahead are blurred by the scenes of the past. My first scene has to be one of man and standard bearer of nearly one billion of Christendom's children has been used for nearly 2000 years since. In that time, western civilization was the biggest catch, landing its Emperor Constantine in the fourth century. It took over three centuries, but Christendom as we know it today, and the wrath that was on. Legions gathered to advance the faith. The death of Nicodemus was promulgated by the death of the mother a tomb for well over one million children a year. What we prosecute in the Nuremberg trials just over fifty years ago as a Nazi war crime has now become the positive law of our land. Even as the successor of that first fisherman, and standard bearer of nearly one billion of Christendom's children, has cried out that we are now living in a culture of death. It seems that his voice has fallen on deaf ears, but there must be hope somewhere. There is, but with the exception of the Enlightenment brought the world. I'm sure some blame can be shared by all three, but nobody would be in disagreement that the 20th Century has born the brunt of the damage. Never has so many handshakes of some many leaders of men meant the kiss of death. I speak here of the likes of Hitler and Stalin, not to mention the butchers of the East. Could Constantine have imagined that when he whispered those solemn words of conversion that many of his lands would be ruled once again by pagans? I doubt it!

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Your Opinion

Federalist's 'dollar' posting offensive

To the Editor:

During the week of August 28th, there was a small notice of political protest displayed on one of the law school's public bulletin boards.

Although I am not adverse to political protest, I do question the credibility or need for any protest which so blatantly vilifies a person's sexual orientation.

Specifically, this display was that of a three-dollar bill; a picture of President Clinton; and contained the word "queer."

How disgusting!

By displaying such a sign in a law school, the obvious issue would appear to be the constitutional question of free speech.

Rather than debate this issue, it is crucial that the parties responsible for such a despicable display of free speech was well within their rights to do so.

But because this right exists, should it be exercised? As with any right, does there also not exist a maturity to demonstrate responsible judgment?

And what about the rest of the student body; are we not of sufficient social development to resent such a public display of insensitive ignorance?

Part of the responsibility for ownership of rights is the knowledge and maturity to know when to exercise these rights.

That leads to the question of what purpose is served by such hateful material? I'm sure for the individual who posted this notice, it was some deranged sense of humor.

In giving this individual every benefit, I could even conclude that this individual meant no offense by this remark, and probably takes great comfort in concealing their personal sexual inadequacies by making insulting comments about others who are "different."

But even in excusing the purpose behind this sign, the overwhelming conclusion of hurt and hate cannot be ignored.

This particular insult was directed at homosexuals, but why stop there? As with any right, does there also not exist a maturity to demonstrate responsible judgment?

The Supreme Court ruled in the

Jerry Falwell case that parody is protected speech. In reaching this rather obvious conclusion, it noted the long tradition of satire of our elected officials. But parody is a tricky thing. One person's humor falls flat on another. It may even fall so far as to be thought insulting, demeaning, and rude. In any event, freedom of speech doesn't extinguish the right of reply. It just prohibits prior censorship.

With respect for the free speech rights of others, I would like to exercise my own free speech right to reply to a couple of items noted on one of the bulletin boards of a student organization recently.

The first item was a photo of the head of President Clinton. Superimposed on this photo were a series of rings in a target, with the bull's eye roughly between the President's eyes. The second item also featured the President, this time in a cartoon caricature in the middle of a phony three dollar bill; in the place of our national motto, "In God We Trust," were the words, "In Queers We Trust."

Three points. First, I think that the target practice message was tasteless. Note that I do not say that it is unprotected speech under the First Amendment (putting to one side the state action question). I'm sure that the standard announced in Brandenburg v. Ohio protects this speech. Although the Secret Service might not think it's funny (they're paid not to think that target practice on the President is funny), it is highly unlikely that anyone who saw this item would actually have done anything further about it. But after the real attack on federal officials and plain old ordinary citizens who happened to be in a federal building in Oklahoma City last spring, I think it's time to rethink how we state our political viewpoints. With strength, with vigor, maybe even with persuasion. But probably not with a target circling around the head of the President of the United States.

Second, I guess that those who put up the message on the phoney three dollar bill were implicitly criticizing the President for his policy on gays in the military, or more broadly for his inclusion of gays and lesbians in his own staff, or whatever. Such criticism is certainly within the bounds of reason because reasonable people differ about these controversial public policy matters. But the very thing that is so neat about satire—its swiftness, its brevity—entails a downside risk. Satire can be perceived as coarse and offensive. In the context of our community it may communicate a message that we do not welcome gays and lesbians to study the law here. Maybe the students who put this message on their board never thought of this way of reading their message. If so, a simple apology on the same board would suffice. In any event, I for one want to distance myself from any suggestion that gays and lesbians are not welcome in our community.

Third, I would like to say something about civility and tone in our speech. We live in an open society that cherishes freedom of speech. As Americans we should be proud of our freedom to engage one another in lively debate about the large issues of the day. Justice Brennan wrote in New York Times v. Sullivan of "a profound national commitment to the principle that debate on public issues should be uninhibited, robust, and wide-open."

This deep and abiding commitment to freedom of expression does not, however, imply that everything that is said is said well. On the contrary, our critical faculties are regularly engaged in this place even as we listen attentively to the voices or positions of others. Along with the right to debate freely about our deepest convictions goes the duty to do so intelligently, with respect for the convictions of others, and with the courtesy and civility that should be hallmarks of our profession.

Alan Sirinek

Your Opinion

Letters to the editor are encouraged. All points of view welcomed.

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Deadline for letters: October 5th

FROM THE DEAN'S DESK

By Dean Edward L. Gaffney, Jr.

Right of free speech includes considering the way it's expressed

Lawyers and lawyers in training ought to resist the tendency to reduce politics to quick sound bites and facile slogans. We ought not to be content to shout past one another over the large and contentious issues of the day. For example, we might well engage one another over the wisdom of President Clinton's proposals on gays in the military or on a host of other matters of pressing importance. But I doubt that much is gained when the President of the United States is caricatured in the ways described above.

I look for the duty to lighten up (see ¶ 1 above), but there are some ways of putting things that seem more appropriate behind the door of a high school locker than on the bulletin board of an American law school. In short, I hope that freedom of expression will thrive in this place, but I also hope that we can learn to express our deeply held convictions in a manner that is worthy of our calling.

Finally, I think that the administration of the School of Law should not become engaged in conduct that can be perceived as restraining or controlling student expression. But that doesn't mean that everything that a student says should go uncommented upon in a school that is training lawyers to be civil and effective communicators of their ideas.

As Winston Churchill once said, "Everyone is in favor of free speech. Hardly a day passes without its being extolled, but some people's idea of it is that they are free to say what they like, but if anybody says anything back, that is an outrage."

Did I answer the question about whether the messages I discussed in this column should be placed on the bulletin board? I hope not; that's for the students in control of that bulletin board to decide. Have I been responsive to complaints about the tone of these messages? I hope so; that's what a teacher of future lawyers is supposed to do.
REPRESENTATIVE REPORT
By Brendan Maher, 2L Faculty Rep

Where have all the books gone?
Simple solutions to an annoying problem

Paper due tomorrow. Done the preliminary research, gotten most of my sources, copied most of the cases, and just need that one on-point case in the Supreme Court Reporter. It's not on the shelf. It's not on the carts. After looking on all the tables and in all the study rooms, I finally find it in a study carrel in the basement. Sound familiar? Although it's true that you can always pull that perfect case up on Westlaw or Lexis, a number of students both last year and already this year have voiced their concerns about the number of books that don't seem to find their way back to the shelves very quickly in the library. (Besides, Westlaw and Lexis don't help our friendly neighborhood first-years anyway.) After looking into the matter, I'd like to share what I've found out as well as offer some suggestions toward solving the problem.

In order to make sure that books get put back into their proper places, the library employs students to re-shelve the books that are returned to the book carts. These students come in each day and spend several hours wheeling the carts around and putting books back where they go. The signs posted around the library request law students using various resources to share what I've found out as well as offer some suggestions toward solving the problem.

First, re-shelving books is more difficult than un-shelving them in the first place because the re-shelving carts contain books from all over the place, requiring the re-shelver to figure out where each book goes and then put it there. Second, there are more of us (students using books) than there are of them (students putting them back). In addition, many students do not even take the relatively easy step of putting their book(s) on the carts. When books are left on tables, the re-shelvers often assume that someone is still using them and thus never get put back. How many of us have already found that one volume we were looking for in a study carrel in the basement, and then unused by anyone?

In the words of one of our beloved professors, what to do, what to do? I have a few suggestions that can make life a little easier on all of us:

1) The main concern that the library has about law students re-shelving books themselves is the tendency for books to end up in the wrong place. If you're not sure where a book goes, PLEASE just put it on a cart. If you can count, however, this shouldn't be a problem with most books, especially the reporters. As long as you can figure out that volume 242 goes between 241 and 243, you've got it made. When you just pull a couple of books down, it would be a great help to the library staff and to your fellow students if you engaged in a little grade-school math, volunteered 5 minutes out of your busy schedule, and PUT THE BOOKS BACK WHERE YOU GOT THEM!!! (For those who can't do the math, I've heard that Valpo High School has a great remedial arithmetic class.)

2) When you have been doing research all afternoon and have a pile of books, no one would expect you to run around re-shelving all of them. That's where the student-employees and the book carts come in. The book carts are located all over the library (for a first year, they're those red things with the shelves and wheels). Please take the extra 30 seconds to drop your stack of books off at the cart. If you don't, they may never get back on the shelf.

3) Last but not least, if there are books at the table or carrel at which you are studying that aren't yours, take the extra 30 seconds to drop them off on the carts on your way home for Melrose or Lettermann. Don't worry about taking someone else's research. If they want to keep the books they can leave a note on them, and if they forget, the books will be back on the shelf where they found them in the first place!

You'll have to pardon my sarcasm in the preceding paragraphs. It's just that the problem of books not being where you need them is annoying to all of us, and the solutions are fairly simple. The librarians and student-workers do a great job of trying to keep up with the demands of the students, faculty and lawyers who use the library, but they can use some help. The whining cries of "But, I don't have time..." ring hollow when we're all in the same law-school boat. Take a minute or two out of your day, and maybe, just maybe, the next time you need that one on-point case, it'll actually be where it's supposed to be.

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By Christine Cutter and Thomas Betker

Jus Vitae contributors

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Professor Stith catches up on the latest news on the Ukraine with an English language edition of a Ukrainian newspaper.

Professor Stith was awarded the fifth Fulbright fellowship to teach jurisprudence in the Ukraine. He will teach jurisprudence in the Ukraine, which has been historically a bridge between Western and Eastern Europe. He plans to visit the National University in Kiev, which was founded by the U.S. government official, foreigners, and those connected to the Russian/Ukrainian Mafia. He also wishes to visit Bulgaria, the site of the first Slovakian Christians, Istanbul, and the home of the Eastern Church, and Romania to experience the powerful, darkly beautiful icons of that region. In addition, he hopes to travel around the Black Sea area if time permits. "Living in the Ukraine will not be cheap, contrary to the popular myth that you can travel and live cheaply in Eastern Europe. To rent a nice apartment in the old town of Kiev, one must pay rent equivalent to those charged in New York City for an equivalent apartment. This is because when the Soviets took over, they didn’t destroy the beautiful old town area and replace it uniform, sterile block apartment builds as they did in other areas of the U.S.S.R. Instead they left the old town intact and built block-type buildings encircling the old town. When the U.S.S.R. fell apart, all the people with money (basically successful capitalists, government official, foreigners, and those connected to the Russian/Ukrainian Mafia) moved into this old part of town, increasing rent prices dramatically. Stith doesn’t think that the living allowance he is getting as part of the Fulbright Fellowship will cover the cost of his living in Kiev because of the housing prices.

When asked if he is concerned about his family’s safety in the Ukraine in light of the anti-American mood in the neighboring countries of Russia and Belorussia in response to America’s role in Bosnia, Stith said no. According to Stith, the Ukraine has historically been a bridge between Western Europe and the Slovak people and are not as likely to be as militarily one-sided as the Russians.

The Internet has quickly become the international worldwide computer "information superhighway," with user estimates as high as 30 million and a projected growth to at least 100 million by the year 2000. The World Wide Web (WWW) utilizes hypertext linking capabilities and supports links to multimedia resources such as color graphics, audio and video, searchable text fields, and hypertext links to information housed on various Internet interfaces.

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For more information, contact Gaul Peshel, director of Career Services.
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Fellowships

September 14, 1995

Two-Year Public Interest Fellowships

The Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago ("LAFC") Chicago's provider of free civil legal services to the poor, is interested in sponsoring outstanding third-year students to become applicants for public interest fellowships under the Skadden Fellowship and National Association for Public Interest Law Equal Fellowship programs.

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September 15, 1995

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September 15, 1995

Baker & Daniels is seeking entry-level associates in all four offices (Fort Wayne, Elkhart, South Bend and Indianapolis). Positions are available for 1996 graduates. Applicants interested in the Fort Wayne Office must have a background in chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, or industrial engineering, for their intellectual property area. Send resume and cover letter (Please specify which office or offices you are interested in) to: Jacqueline Kost, Baker & Daniels, 300 N. Meridian Street, Suite 2700, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

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September 19, 1995

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INTERVIEW ON CAMPUS. Attorney Priscilla A. Herochik, Registered Nurse/Lawyer at Law, 7103 Broadway, Merriville, Indiana 46410.

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Cleveland, Ohio 2L's for summer associ­ate position 1996—send resume and cover letter to: Ms. Erin McCafferty, Coordinator of Lawyer Personnel, Thompson, Hine and Flory, 1100 Main Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44144-3070. 216/566-5799. (firm information available in C.O.S. Office).

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Indiana, Crown Point 3L—accepting resumes for law clerk position part-time for third year student. Send resume to: Paul J. Giorgi, Giorgi & Giorgi, One Professional Center, Suite 204, 2100 North Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307 219/663-3113.

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Minneapolis, Minnesota Judicial Law Clerk—applications are currently being accepted for the position of Law Clerk for the United States Bankruptcy Judge, beginning the Fall of 1996. Must be a law school graduate. Starting salary: $35,578. Courses in bankruptcy law, Uniform Commercial Code, debtor-creditor rights, and other commercial law courses and Law Review or Journal experience are helpful but not required. Applicants will be selected on the basis of letters of recommendation, references, and work samples to: Judge John G. Bodish, 8th U. S. District Court, 505 Second Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55401. (Writing samples and letters of recommendation should be submitted no later than December 1, 1995.)

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Chicago, Illinois U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit— The Seventh Circuit will have a number of law clerk positions available in the Fall of 1996 in the court’s Staff Attorney Office. Staff attorneys work directly with all of the judges of the court assisting them in the research, drafting, and disposition of appeals. It is much the same way as judges place law clerks. 2 year positions starting September 1996. Applicants must have excellent research and writing skills. Send resume, law school transcripts, 2 unedited writing samples to: Judge Gregory K. Kistel, 210 Federal Building, 316 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60601. DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 1995.

Indiana, Indianapolis, Indiana Judicial Law Clerks—(2) to commence work in August, 1996. Salary: $38,168 with increase after one year. Demonstrated proficiency in analyzing legal problems and conducting legal research. Resumes and letters of recommendation to: Judge John G. Bodish, Court of Appeals of Indiana, Room 220, State House, Indianapolis, IN 46204. DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 25, 1995, if possible.

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Federal Law Clerk—The Staff Attorney’s Office of the Philadelphia Bankruptcy Court is currently accepting applications to fill two vacant positions in the Bankruptcy Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania which require the preparation of legal research and writing. The positions pay $35,000 and are available immediately. Send resume, law school transcript, writing sample and unedited writing samples to: Marcia M. Waldron, Senior Staff Attorney, 1441 S. 2nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19105. Applications must be postmarked no later than MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1995. A limited number of interviews will be held during the period Nov. to Jan. Offers are expected to be made in Spring of 1996.

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Internet explosion means more files, less disk space

(NU) - Is your computer telling you it can't eat another byte? You're not alone. In fact, more and more computer users are running out of storage space on their PCs, according to findings of a survey sponsored recently by 3M.

One reason is the ever-increasing appetite for "download," or the capturing of information from the Internet and on-line services like America On-line and CompuServe. Although the storage capacities of today's computers are greater than ever, the amount of free information available to users is multiplying even faster - in the form of databases, multimedia files and free software.

Data-hungry users are running out of room on their computers to store it all, the survey indicates.

"With more than 6 million people using commercial on-line services and about 30 million now on the Internet, the richness of the computing experience today is unparalleled," said 3M's Doug Olson, business operations manager for the company's Data Storage Tape Technology Division. "But the incredible growth of on-line content is outstripping the substantial increases in hard disk storage capacity."

A poll of 300 home and 300 business users of the Internet and on-line services provides an intriguing glimpse of how "cyberspace" has become a popular destination. Among the survey's highlights:

- 91 percent of business users and 81 percent of consumer users visit the Internet or a commercial on-line service at least once a week.
- Nearly one third of all home users download files of up to two megabytes every week, and more than two of every three business users download files of up to five megabytes.
- One out of five users has run out of storage space on their computer's hard drive when attempting to download a file.

The majority of users expect their use of the Internet and on-line services to increase within the next twelve months, and they expect to download larger files, too.

And just how large is large? Among home users surveyed, the average size of the largest file ever downloaded was 32 megabytes - or about as much data as is held by 10 dictionaries. With such a wealth of information available, it's no wonder that users are "hitting the wall" for room on their PCs, said Olson.

"The on-line experience can be both tantalizing and frustrating for users, especially for those interested in sampling the vast amount of free software, audio and video clips, and databases that are now available," Olson said. "The on-line world is putting tremendous strain on the ability of existing systems to not only store but also manage all of this information."

"All of this is valuable insight for 3M, the world's leading supplier of removable recording media used to store data. This year, 3M introduced a storage technology under the Travan name. It's a new "mini-cartridge" tape technology that allows users to store huge amounts of data right at their desktops - freeing up crucial space on their hard drives."

"Travan products now on the market allow users to store 400 megabytes of data on their desktops," said Olson. "That's the equivalent of nearly 130,000 pages of text - on a minicartridge about the size of a deck of playing cards."

And what's in store for storage in the future?

"It's certain that the trends suggested by the survey - toward more frequent downloading of larger and larger files - will continue to escalate," Olson said. "There's no end in sight," he said, referring to the upward spiral of on-line popularity. "We believe what we're now seeing is just the beginning."

For more information on minicartridge technology, contact 3M at 1-800-888-1889, ext. 33.

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Mexican silver market booms as prices for jewelry increases

(NU) - What would a vacation to sunny Mexico be without a silver memento? The idea originated in the 1940s when an enormous amount of Mexican silver jewelry and objects were produced in Mexico and purchased by tourists as keepsakes of their trip to the country.

Over the last few years, that Mexican silver has heated up as a collectible - particularly the well-crafted designs of American William Spratling, who founded the first silver school in Taxco, as well as his apprentices Hector Aguilar, Salvador Terez and Los Castillo, among others.

"In the past five years, prices have increased a great deal," says gallery owner Carole A. Berk of Bethesda, Md., who predicts that prices will rise further.

"Americans' appreciation of hand-crafted Mexican silver products is flourishing," says Penny Chitim Morrill, author of "Mexican Silver, Twentieth Century Handwrought Jewelry and Metalwork."

Adds Morrill, "Spratling's designs have a unique and timeless appeal that look as contemporary today as when they were originally created. From a fashion standpoint, there is a strong interest in wearing silver jewel­ry right now. There are also social implications - when people wear this jewelry they are wearing a piece that speaks of Mexico's heritage."

Mexico's silver tradition is still being carried on today. In 1994, Mexico produced and exported $25 million of new silver jewelry and objects to the United States. These exports have risen over 50 percent since 1992, reports the Silver Information Center.

Buying "Real" Mexican Silver

Last year 83 million tourists visited Mexico, reports the Mexican Tourism. Many bought bargain priced "silver" jewelry from beach vendors and at border souvenir shops - or so they thought. "More often than not, their bargains are not sterling silver but a cheap gray alloy called alpaca," says Ms. Meehan of the SIC. However, there is a silver lining to finding quality, well-priced, Mexican-made sterling silver jewelry and gifts in Mexico and the United States. It's just a matter of knowing where and what to look for.

If you are about to start a contemporary silver collection, Ms. Morrill suggests collecting Los Castillo. Another world-famous silver house is Taxco. High quality re-issues of Spratling's prized designs made from the original molds are also capturing collectors' interest as the original pieces become scarcer. Look for these markings stamped on each piece: "925" which means sterling silver. (In Mexico, the higher the number, the higher the silver content.) Also, look for "Mexico" or "Made in Mexico" and the initials of the manufacturer and city where it was made, for example "T" for Taxco. Spratling re-issues are stamped "T-24" with a Spratling hallmark.

And, always buy from a reputable store. It's also important to try on a piece of jewelry to make sure it's comfortable and the clasp is secure and working properly.

For a free brochure on the purchase and care of silver jewelry, write to the Silver Information Center, "N-USA Jewelry Brochure," 295 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017.
To Pass the Bar

Happy New Year!

Jewish students celebrate Rosh Hashanah

By Jeremy Sosin
Contributor

When is New Year’s this year?

To most Valpo students, this is a silly question. But, to a very small segment of Jewish students, the answer is unique.

As fall weather begins, so does the Jewish new year. On the Jewish calendar, it would not be September 24, 1995, but rather, the first day of Tishri, 5746.

To celebrate the new year, called Rosh Hashanah, Jews are commanded to cease work in order to observe a holy day. In ancient Israel, Jews would be called to worship by the sound of a great ram’s horn, called the Shofar. This tradition carries on today as Jews begin a period of self-examination which concludes with Yom Kippur.

On Rosh Hashanah, congregational worship through prayer, song, and study draws the community together to strengthen ties to one another and Jewish historical values. Jews are also commanded to visit friends and relatives, and to wish for a sweet new year by eating apples dipped in honey.

The 10 day period following Rosh Hashanah is a period of preparation for Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. Leading up to Yom Kippur, it is appropriate to approach any person whom we might have offended in order to make peace with one another.

It is also a time to forgive people who have wronged you during the past year and who seek your forgiveness.

Yom Kippur is a day for reflective and introspective self-examination. In order to show self-discipline and control of our desires, Jews fast from sundown to sundown. Despite the solemn mood, Yom Kippur is a day of joy when one gradually feels the burdens of grudges, jealousy, or any other negative element lift from one’s conscience. The end of the day is marked by the same sound of the Shofar that was heard on Rosh Hashanah.

To say happy new year in Hebrew, say “L’shanah Tovah!”

May your year be as sweet as an apple dipped in honey.

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