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Shimmering Spirit
Barbara Bolling ’89
OPENING statement

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Jack Lawson ’61

TWO SIDES TO EVERY COIN
But before there were collections, there was the law. Lawson arrived on the Valparaiso campus in 1957 after studying engineering for three years at Purdue. He was part of a unique program called the "3+3" that gave students from select Indiana colleges, including Valpo, the opportunity to earn two degrees, including a bachelor's and a law degree, in six years by studying for three years at each campus.

Lawson knew he was headed for law school, but upon arrival at VU was advised to do two additional undergraduate years in liberal arts studies to better prepare. He took the advice, though there were very few other students on the "five year plan" in those days, and has never regretted the decision. "I studied Political Science and Ethics and enjoyed it thoroughly," Lawson says. "The learning atmosphere was completely different at Valpo than at a Big 10 school. The professors were very hands-on and the classes were small. It was a marvelous experience."

During those additional two years Lawson founded two undergraduate institutions: The Lighter, VU's student-published literary magazine, and WVUR, its student-run radio station. He tells wonderful stories about Valpo engineering students building all of the equipment needed to get the radio station up and running - all after 10 o'clock at night, once homework was completed! Indeed, it would seem Lawson's love of history and philosophy - now manifested in his extensive book collections - first came to fruition during those extra undergraduate years at VU.

Finally in the fall of 1959 Lawson began his Valpo Law career. Which people stand out in his law school recollections? "Of course Dean Stalland," Lawson says. "He taught the Ethics courses and was just magnificent." Lawson mentions other familiar names in the VUSL "Hall of Fame" including Jack Hiller, Lou Bartelt, and Gus Savage, all "top notch" in his estimation.

But Lawson also developed what would become both a lasting friendship and working partnership with a young professor, Charles Gromley. He explains that Gromley's first year of teaching at Valpo Law corresponded with his 1-L year. The two struck up a friendship that lasted through the years and saw both of them serving as guest lectures for the other's classes or seminars.

During his final year at law school, Lawson married his wife, Sally, who was a Valpo undergrad. Both with diplomas in hand, in 1961 they packed their bags and headed for Fort Wayne. Though Lawson had grown up in Decatur, Indiana, and Sally in Birmingham, Michigan, he had done some research and felt Fort Wayne would be a good place to raise both a family and a legal career.
He was quickly hired by the Fort Wayne firm Dunton Beckman and settled into exactly what most other lawyers were doing at that time: general practice law. But over the years, as the firm grew in size, Lawson focused on several key areas of practice including real estate, zoning, corporate, environmental and health care.

Indeed, Lawson’s expertise in real estate law was tapped in 1996 when the Lawyers Cooperative Publishing firm contacted him with a unique project. Would he, they asked, compile a practice guide for the State of Indiana on real estate transactions? There was no such manual at the time and Lawson felt the project sorely needed to be undertaken.

He agreed to serve as editor-in-chief and spent several years working with a panel of colleagues to assemble the crucial reference book. “We looked at manuals other states had put together but decided none of them were right for Indiana. So we created our own template and started from scratch,” Lawson says. The two-volume work was published in 1998 and serves as the ultimate guidebook for doing real estate transactions in Indiana.

Over the years Lawson has also been quite active as both a lecturer and author for Indiana CLE courses, and has been a national seminar speaker at the National Health Lawyers Association. In 2001 Lawson was awarded the State’s prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash governor’s award by then Indiana Governor Frank O’Bannon. And over the years, the firm of Dunton Beckman became what is today Beckman Lawson.

While that side of the coin shines very brightly for Lawson, the other side – his collections – is equally as intriguing and impressive.

Lawson began collecting nearly 30 years ago by mistake. That is to say that he did not have a grand plan for amassing fascinating bodies of artifacts, nor did he create a strategy for building a fortune for retirement via collections. But over the years he has, in fact, built several remarkable collections from which he derives a great deal of pleasure.

Perhaps his “best used” collection is that of military armaments from the American Revolutionary and Civil Wars. His collection includes pistols, rifles, swords, sabers and the attendant gear that go with such antiques. The walls of Lawson’s office hold a number of his most fascinating military artifacts including a flint-lock pistol from the Revolutionary War (that is so heavy one wonders who was strong enough to fire it) and two rifles that were used by members of Indiana regiments during the Civil War.

Why military gear? Lawson says his interest in our nation’s Founding Fathers and how armaments were both gotten and used during that first American war got him started. Collecting Civil War armaments seemed to follow naturally from that interest.

But Lawson doesn’t keep his military gear hidden away, rather he often presents lectures to local church and civic groups, trotting out specimens from his collection and offering folks a chance to see, up close, a genuine Civil or Revolutionary War artifact.

He does much the same with his collection of religious artifacts, which includes a spectacular, glittering group of chalices (among the group a chalice used by Pope Leo XIII during his 19th century reign). Lawson shares this collection with interested religious groups, and often talks about the role the organized church played in early American wars.

Beside the door in his office is what appears to be an umbrella stand, but it is instead filled with a fascinating array of 18th and 19th century walking sticks. One has a petite compass ensconced in its top, another is made of a rare Narwhal tusk. Lawson said he finds them all interesting and simply enjoys discovering new pieces with good stories.

Lawson has other collections that include German beer steins, Victorian furniture, and old rare books. But he claims he is primarily done with collecting and for now enjoys sharing his intriguing treasures with other curious information seekers.

Thus the two sides of Jack Lawson’s coin. Successful, accomplished attorney and intrepid, accomplished collector. And knowing Lawson, that coin with two sides is a very rare and valuable piece, certainly suitable for collecting.

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Valpo Law Grads Honored by Indiana State Bar

50 YEARS
Robert Hamann ’54 and Delmar Hoeppner ’54 were each honored by the ISBA for achieving a Golden Career of 50 years as an attorney.

HALL OF FAME AWARD
James Springer ’68 is a family law mediator and sits as a Temporary Judge in the Family Division of the Allen Circuit Court. He represented district 4 in the council of the ISBA GP Solo and Small Firm Section, was drafted as their newsletter editor for three years, and served as Chair of the section in 2001-2002. During his term as Chair, Indiana hosted the Midwest Solo & Small Firm Success Conference at Valparaiso University School of Law, leading to the establishment of the annual Indiana Solo & Small Firm Conference.

RABB EMISON AWARD
The Rabb Emison Award was created in 1996 by the ISBA Committee for Racial Diversity in the Legal Profession to honor an individual and an organization that demonstrated a commitment to promote diversity and equality in the legal profession and in the membership of the Indiana State Bar Association. This year’s award recipients are:

National Association of Women Judges Color of Justice Program
Hon. Diane Kavadias Schneider ’82, Hammond
Kris Costa Sakelaris ’92, Hammond

The National Association of women Judges launched its first Color of Justice program in St. Louis, Missouri, during the month of August 2001, with funding provided by a grant from the Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation. The purpose of the Color of Justice program is to encourage minority students in seventh through twelfth grades to consider the law and judgeships as career goals. The program focuses on career preparation, panel discussions with judges and lawyers sharing personal and professional insights, and small group discussions during box luncheons.

Judge Diane Kavadias Schneider ’82 and former magistrate Judge Kris Costa Sakelaris ’92 worked in conjunction with the NAWJ and tailored this program to the needs of Lake County, Indiana. They wrote the script outline and sought sponsors and assistance from the Valparaiso University School of Law. They also encouraged prominent lawyers, judges, and professors to give of their time.

THE ISBA WOMEN IN THE LAW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Nancy H. Vaidik ’80, Indianapolis
Judge Vaidik received her B.A. in May 1977 and her J.D. in May 1980 from Valparaiso University where she graduated with high distinction. After serving as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Porter County she practiced law for six years. In 1992 she was elected as a Trial Court Judge in Porter County. She served as a Superior Court Judge for eight years prior to being appointed as an Appellate Judge, Indiana Court of Appeals. She also serves as an adjunct professor at Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington. Judge Vaidik is a frequent faculty member for continuing legal education including the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

OFFICERS
Richard Eynon ’69 was elected Vice President of the Bar Association. He will become President Elect in 2005. In October of 2006 he will become President of the Indiana State Bar Association.
Larry Evans ’62 was elected to the Board of Governors.

Valpo Law Faculty on Asia Trip

For eleven days at the end of May, four Valpo Law faculty members joined others from the University on a faculty development excursion to Japan and China. Sy Moskowitz (with wife Linda), Derrick Carter (with wife Shirley Mason-Carter and son Brandon), Barbara Schmidt and Marcia Gienapp toured Tokyo, Nara, Mr. Fuji, Hakone, and Kyoto in Japan. The trip ended with three days in Beijing, China. Shrines, temples, Imperial Palaces, and the Great Wall were among many stopping points. Tokyo subway adventures, epicurean challenges, a sumo tournament, kabuki theatre, major league baseball, and even karaoke performances were memorable.

Derrick Carter ’75, Barb Schmidt ’73, Marcia Gienapp ’77, and Sy Moskowitz.
Jeremy Telman has a J.D. from the New York University School of Law and a Ph.D. in European Intellectual History from Cornell. At NYU, he was a Dean’s Fellows, an Opperman Fellow and a Junior Fellow in International Law. He also served as Book Review Editor for NYU’s Review of Law and Social Change. After law school, Jeremy was a Clerk for Judge Rosemary Barkett of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Most recently he practiced commercial litigation with Sidney Austin Brown & Wood in New York while also participating in and coordinating the pro bono asylum program in the firm’s New York office. He also taught public international law at Brown University during the Spring semester, 2004. He teaches primarily in the fields of commercial law and public international law. Before attending law school, Jeremy was a visiting assistant professor at the College of Charleston, in Charleston, SC. Jeremy has published law review articles on international law, comparative law, jurisprudence and the constitutional allocation of war powers. He has also published historical studies in the fields of German intellectual history and historiography. His wife, Catherine Tufarielle, teaches in Valparaiso University’s Department of English. Her first collection of poetry, Keeping My Name, was published earlier this year.

James Loebl has a B.A. summa cum laude from Santa Clara University, an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School, a J.D. from the University of Wisconsin, and an LL.M. in Taxation from the University of Florida. Jim has served as a law clerk to Judge Charles Dykman in the Fourth District of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals and has practiced in the areas of estate planning and corporate law with Brennan, Stell, Basting & MacDougall, S.C., in Janesville, Wisconsin. He also has extensive experience in business and in teaching at the undergraduate and law school levels. Most recently, Jim was a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Florida College of Law. His courses will include Trusts & Estates, Estate Planning, and Taxation.

Elizabeth Bruch has a B.A. from Valparaiso University and a J.D. from the University of Wisconsin. After law school, she practiced with law firms in New York and Minneapolis and with Legal Services in Alaska. She was also an attorney with Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights and Executive Officer for the Human Rights Chamber for Bosnia & Herzegovina in Sarajevo. She previously taught international law and human rights to university and graduate students in Romania and Slovakia. She also taught legal method and writing at Arizona State University Law School and, for the past three years, she was a Practitioner in Residence at American University’s Washington College of Law in D.C., where she taught in the human rights clinic. She also taught torts and seminars in human rights law. Her scholarship interests include feminism and human rights. At VU, she will teach primarily in the areas of international law and human rights. Elizabeth is married to Dave Gage, a special education and math teacher. He currently teaches at Purdue North Central.

Paul Kohlhoff has a B.S. in Business Management from Purdue University and a J.D. from Valparaiso University School of Law. After law school, he served as a law clerk to Justice Alfred J. Pivarnik ‘51 of the Indiana Supreme Court. After his clerkship, Paul worked as a trial attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service in Nashville, TN. In 1994, Paul opened his private law practice in Chesterton, IN, concentrating in the areas of tax, estate planning, real estate, and business law. Paul has extensive experience working with land conservation organizations, having served as a director of land acquisition and executive director for two different groups. He is a frequent speaker on the tax benefits of conservation easements and charitable gift planning. In addition, he has taught as an adjunct professor in the areas of business law and tax policy. Paul will serve as the Director of the Tax Clinic and teach courses on taxation.
Valerie M. Jensen has a B.A. from Carleton College and a J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law. After Law School Val worked at the Department of Public Safety for the State of Minnesota as an administrative Rules Coordinator, soon after she left for the Minnesota Supreme Court and worked as a staff attorney for Justice Allen Page and the Implementation Committee on Multiculturalism in the Judicial System. While working full-time for the Court she began teaching Legal Writing and Reasoning for William Mitchell College of Law as an adjunct professor. After leaving the court she worked as a Prosecutor in the Ramsey County Attorney's Office. Upon leaving the County Attorney's office, she returned full-time to William Mitchell College of Law as the first Associate Dean of Multicultural Affairs at the Institution. There she built the office into a well respected department in the institution serving, students, faculty, staff and alumni in a variety of roles. While at William Mitchell Val did recruiting, career planning, academic counseling, academic support, taught an upper level seminar on Race and the Law, served on several faculty committees, the Dean Search Committee, the Admissions Committee, the Health Care Task force and Multicultural Alumni Committee. Val also served on numerous Minnesota State Bar Committees and was named one of fifteen Minnesota Lawyers of the year for her commitment to multiculturalism in the practicing bar. She has made numerous presentations and her book review Unsung Hero: The Life of a Foot Soldier for Justice, was recently published in the William Mitchell College of Law, Law Review.

Valerie M. Jensen  
Executive Director of  
Career Planning

FACULTY news

Professor Edward Gaffney  
is producing a film on Israeli  
and Palestinian peacemakers.  
He finished the photography  
and the film is now in post-  
production. A portion of the  
film dealing with the security  
barrier that Israel is constructing  
in the West Bank was included  
in an international exhibition  
on the subject at the Central  
European University in Budapest, Hungary.

Professor Michael  
Bushbaum  
spoke at the  
October 9 NALS educational  
seminar in Bloomington,  
Illinois on “Legal Research  
and the Internet.” The presentation  
focused on determining the  
credibility of web sites and on  
different search mechanisms  
available to web users. NALS  
is a national association for  
legal professionals.

Professor Rosalie  
Levinson's  
article,  
Superimposing Title VII's Adverse  
Action Requirement on First  
Amendment Retaliation Claims,  
has been accepted for  
publishation by the Tulane  
Law Review.

Professor Richard Stith  
received a Chilean government  
fellowship to do lecturing  
and collaborative research for  
two weeks at the University  
of the Andes in Santiago In  
addition, he led a doctoral  
seminar at the Catholic  
University of Valparaiso, Chile,  
and was on a panel at the  
International Free University  
of the Americas in Montevideo,  
Uruguay. On behalf of Dean  
Jay Conison, Professor Stith  
presented a copy of the history  
of our law school to the dean  
of the (public) University of  
Valparaiso. On the trip down,  
Professor Stith, his wife, and  
his granddaughter spent a  
Wonderful week exploring  
the Galapagos Islands on a  
small boat.

Professor Ruth Vance  
has been elected to the position  
of Chair Elect of the ADR  
Section of the Indiana State  
Bar Association. She will serve  
two years in that position  
and then two years as Chair  
of the Section.

Continuing Legal  
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DECEMBER 2004  
1 Litigators Trilogy –  
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8 8 Keys to the Art of Persuasion  
(6 CLE– 1 Ethics)  
22 Wrongful Deaths (6 CLE)

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5 Vignettes of Legal Ethics  
(3 CLE- 3 Ethics)  
12 Appellate Practice (6 CLE) 
19 Civil Procedure (6 CLE)

FEBRUARY 2005  
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MARCH 2005  
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Valpo Law Faculty Profile

Name: Ed Gaffney

Spouse: My wife, Aine O’Healy, is a Professor of Italian Language and Literature and the Chair of the Women’s Studies Program at Loyola Marymount University. The focus of her scholarship is on Italian cinema, and over the years has taught me a lot about how to watch or “read” a film. My ancestors on both my father’s and mother’s side were from Ireland, but it is my relationship with Aine—a native of Galway—that has enabled me to become a citizen of Ireland.

Children: Three daughters: Mairéad (29), Liz (28), and Dédre (21). All of them are involved in the creative arts. They have been involved in modern dance, film production, directing, and acting on the stage.

Birthplace: I was born in the most beautiful city in the world, San Francisco, and left my heart there high on a hill.


Favorite memory: I used to think of sunset as my favorite experience. Especially sunset at the Golden Gate; when the fireball sinks into the Pacific. I will never forget a moment with Aine on our honeymoon, watching a spectacular sunset over the Aegean in an open-air restaurant at the top of Santorini. It must have been the Puccini aria—“Un bel di” from Madama Butterfly—that made that moment so romantic. But all those sunsets now take second place to an astonishing sunrise I experienced last Easter at Augusta Victoria, the Lutheran hospital on top of the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. It was precisely at the moment when the faithful were taking communion that the brilliant light burst out from the Jordan hills. Herrlich. Glorious.

Favorite film: My favorite films are “To Kill a Mockingbird” (Atticus Finch is a big hero of mine; he has the courage to confront his peers with their racism) “The Last Days,” (a documentary on the Holocaust in Hungary; the editing is superb composition of five stories of survival); “The Mission” (a film about the Jesuits struggling to protect the Guarani Indians of Paraguay from seventeenth-century Spanish and Portuguese slavers; the acting is superb; if you were deaf, the cinematography alone would be overwhelming; if you were blind, the score alone would amaze you); and “The Sting” (for laughs with a nice twist, it edges out another funny Newman- Redford flick, “Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid”); Woody Allen’s “Crimes and Misdemeanors” strikes me as his most thoughtful film (light and darkness, vision and blindness).

Last book read: The last book I read was Munib Younan’s Witnessing to Peace: In Jerusalem and in the World (Fortress Press); a poignant plea by the Lutheran Bishop of Jerusalem for peace in the Holy Land based on simple justice for both communities, on forgiveness for past atrocities committed on both sides.

Favorite dish: My favorite meal is hybrid. For a starter, a Middle Eastern hummus or wild Irish smoked salmon onserious soda bread; the entree might be roast lamb adorned with wild rice and broccoli (take that, Prez 411). Or maybe more salmon, as long as it’s wild; alas, farmed stuff is often full of mercury or other junk now. For dessert, there’s nothing better than the flan at Don Quijote in Valpo, or fresh strawberries and cream in England or Ireland at the end of June. Followed by a nice cup of tea (Barry’s of Cork is far and away the best).

Greatest fear: My greatest fear is that post-9/11 Christians will forget the crucial difference between dying and killing. Or that Americans will forget three things: that our republic was born in rebellion against monarchy; that we, the People, establish the constitutional order; and that the opposite of liberty in the American tradition is not anarchy, but imperial tyranny and enslavement. Greatest extravagance: The greatest extravagance in the universe is that the source, guide, and goal of all that comes to us in the form of a slave, obedient unto death, even to the cruel torture of asphyxiation that the Romans did to thousands of Jews in the first century. My greatest extravagance is pretty tiny by comparison. I can recall a few times when I have been able to help restore justice between quarreling parties.

Idea of perfect happiness: My idea of “perfect happiness”? I think that happiness can be wonderful, but it can also be overrated. I’ve lived long enough to realize that there is no such thing as perfect happiness on this earth. I’m not a cynic. I want basic dignity for everyone on this planet. But there is enough selfishness and lack of respect in our world that life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness cannot be taken for granted. Too many of us imagine that these things are the gifts of the government. Jefferson and the founders knew better, even if they were hopelessly wrong about the African slaves, the Indians, and women, all of whom were objects of contempt and hatred at the dawn of the republic. Graham Greene once wrote that “hated is just the lack of imagination.” If we could see that every other human being is made in the image of God, that would be perfect happiness.

Historical figure you identify with most: The historical figure I most identify with is James Madison, who understood that no ruler should have monopolical or concentrated power, that the liberty of the sovereign People is best preserved by separating and dividing power, that robust pluralism is the best safeguard against domination by self-interested factions or the tyranny of the majority (like called this phenomenon the “military-industrial complex,” to which we might now add much of the press and the academy), and that religious intolerance has been terrible over the centuries, but that mere “toleration” of the Other is not much of a virtue, that deep respect for what he called “full and free exercise of religion” is the first and most fragile of our civil liberties, undergirding and protecting all of our other civil liberties.
Biggest coup: My biggest coup was to write a brief this year in support of an 88-year-old Jewish woman named Maria Altmann, challenging the formalistic arguments presented by the Republic of Austria, which possesses six paintings by Gustav Klimt that were stolen by the Nazis from her uncle’s home in Vienna in 1939. To my utter amazement, our government sided with Austria’s claim that it could rely upon sovereign immunity in a Holocaust-era case of raw theft. So it was a terrific feeling when I heard that the Supreme Court ruled 6-3 in favor of Maria.

Comment on Valparaiso University School of Law: When I am asked what I mean by "Valparaiso University School of Law," I think first of all of my students, who are the primary reason for my being a teacher. And I think of the hundreds and hundreds of alumni and alumnae I have had the privilege of meeting over the years; and I am grateful for their generosity, without which we could not achieve greatness. And I think of colleagues on the faculty and staff, especially Jack Hiller, who has taught me that the unexamined life is not worth living. William Butler Yeats once wrote of the heroes of the Irish Rebellion: "Think where man’s glory most begins and ends, and say my glory was I had such friends." I can say that of my colleagues at Valpo, with whom I hope to grow old gracefully.

Why you teach: I teach because I think it is the best way for me to remain alert and attentive to facts, to be intelligent in trying to understand things as best as I can, to be reasonable in determining whether a claim is true or false, and to be responsible for the decisions that flow from the convictions I hold deeply. That is what academics are supposed to be doing all the time as teachers and as scholars. For me, the academic life is one of constant engagement with the world, a constant struggle to keep up with vast amounts of information, to sort it out meaningfully. For me, the academic life is not a game of trivial pursuit, but a pursuit of things that really matter. And teaching gives me an almost daily opportunity for humility; being constantly in front of students as gifted and able as ours enables me to admit mistakes promptly whenever I make them.

Junck's host alumni in Scottsdale, Arizona

On October 29th, Ron ‘74 and Susan Junck generously hosted an alumni reception in their home in Scottsdale, AZ.
Shimmering spirit

is the type of person who can see right through you. Whether dealing with clients in her family law practice, talking to participants at an NAACP meeting or gazing out her office window at downtown Gary, Bolling looks beyond the façade to the spirit shimmering beneath the surface.

Barbara Bolling '89
This special gift makes Bolling one of life's tireless doers. She works with clients others might avoid. She takes on volunteer positions others run from. And she makes her home and professional career in a city often equated with deadends. All of these things she does with a ready smile and the deep belief that the best will inevitably, even joyfully, bubble to the surface.

I met Bolling at her office in downtown Gary. The building is on Broadway - a street that clearly used to be bustling with commerce. Now, however, it looks as though a natural disaster struck the area but no one ever rebuilt. Building after brick building stands vacant, windows missing or splintered, doorways boarded up. Traffic is scarce and people even more so.

I wonder what Bolling thinks of the ruin? Does she believe Gary can possibly make a comeback? “Oh yes,” she says, vigorously nodding her head and looking at me as though I have just asked an outlandish question. “Absolutely. I love being home.”

Then she says, “I guess I still see the city through my childhood heart. I know what it has been and could be once more. I’m absolutely hopeful about the city’s future.”

This is how Bolling stays afloat under her heavy load - she looks past the surface for the deeper wells of hope. And Bolling’s load is a doozy. She runs a solo practice, catering to family law clients, many of whom are part of the distressed Lake County Courts system... even now... even now I needed something.

(read: children and adults in deeply troubled situations). Bolling also does double duty for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Persons, serving as both head of the Gary Branch as well as the Indiana State Conference. She is also raising a teenaged son, as a single mother, in her childhood home of Gary, and caring for her mother who is a dialysis patient.

How did Bolling arrive at her current life stage? Starting with her professional path, I ask Bolling about the law. Did she always want to be an attorney? She laughs and says, “I remember having a conversation with my grandmother when I was little, telling her I was going to marry a rich man. My grandmother suggested maybe this plan wasn’t a sure thing so I countered by saying I would be a lawyer. And you know, when I entered college I knew I would go to law school eventually.”

Eventually is the right adjective for Bolling’s legal career. After graduating from Gary’s Westside High School, Bolling found her way to the General Motors Engineering & Management Institute (GMI) in Flint. As the school’s name implies, two curricula are offered: engineering or management. Bolling said she couldn’t imagine slogging through engineering courses so she opted for management. The institute was, at that time, a very white, male dominated school. In fact, women were first allowed in the dorms only during Bolling’s freshmen year.

But GMI prepared Bolling for a successful professional career and after graduation she immediately went to work for a trucking company in Michigan. Eventually she took a job as an Assistant Controller with an Ohio-based trucking firm. While she was there a childhood friend resurfaced, inviting Bolling to take the LSAT with her. “I hadn’t thought about law school in a while because my career was going so well, but when she called I thought, ‘yes, I’ve always wanted to do this.’ So we studied together and both got accepted into law school.”

Bolling chose Valpo Law, in part because of its proximity to her folks in Gary, and in part because of the small, personalized education. Was this the right choice? “I loved law school,” Bolling says, her eyes lighting up. “Just loved it. Every minute of it.” As an older student, Bolling appreciated the access she had to professors. “There was a homelike atmosphere at Valpo. The professors and staff really showed a lot of concern for the students. I felt I could do anything that I wanted to while I was there.”

Between classes, Bolling spent time on the Client Counseling team. In fact, during her 1-L year the team won its regional competition and an opportunity to compete in the national competition in Toronto. “You know, even now, 15 years later I feel as though I could call any of my professors if I needed something,” she says. “That’s the kind of teachers there are at Valpo Law.”

After Valparaiso, Bolling went to Fort Wayne as clerk for Federal Magistrate Gene B. Lee. Lee, however, decided to retire after Bolling’s first year, leaving her with one year left to serve in her clerkship. But she caught a break when Lee’s replacement, the Honorable Roger B. Cosby kept her on to finish her tenure.

After two years in Fort Wayne, Bolling says she knew just about everybody. So why didn’t she stay? Simply
because she couldn’t get hired by a firm. She suspects the lack of offers may have had something to do with the fact that she is an African-American woman. But, true to her nature, she looked for the deeper hope in the situation and used the lack of employment offers as an excuse to move back to Gary and put out her own shingle.

I ask Bolling if she had always wanted to be a solo practitioner. “Oh my, no,” Bolling says with a laugh. “And I still don’t! I would love to work for someone else, assuming I could still do community work,” she says. Nevertheless, Bolling has been her own boss for more than a decade.

She stumbled into family law by taking a part-time position with the Lake County Office of the Division of Family and Children. That position has remained constant throughout her professional career, with work for the division making up about half of her current caseload. The other half of her work day is spent on domestic cases—divorces, adoptions, and probate cases. As Bolling tells me about her clients, I realize she spends more time counseling—calming angry relatives, reassuring frightened children, cooling down simmering spouses—than doing legal writing. Bolling agrees that is often the case—another reason her ability to find the positive beneath the exterior is so crucial.

What about her “other job”—her work for the NAACP? Bolling began volunteering for the organization during her Fort Wayne days and after moving home to Gary, quickly found herself being nudged into leadership roles. Now she fills two time-hungry positions: President of the Gary NAACP chapter as well as President of the greater Indiana chapter.

I wonder whether this isn’t an awful lot of work? “Oh yes— it seems like it’s about 70% of my time these days,” she says shaking her head. As leader of both the local and the state chapters, Bolling spends countless hours talking with people on the phone, from politicians to regular citizens calling with questions or complaints. She attends community meetings across the state, regularly speaks with the press (do a Google search on Bolling and the first entry you find is in reference to her NAACP role), and attends NAACP workshops and conventions.

What makes it worth the effort? “This is the only organization I’ve ever been a part of that is working to make itself obsolete,” Bolling says. “I believe in the mission and goals of the NAACP. And, I think change comes from many levels—from the grassroots level, but also from higher up. We need lawyers who are willing to be involved with changing laws.”

Are there any perks to all of this? The NAACP Image Awards—sort of the Oscars of the African-American community—are a pretty fair reward. Bolling has twice attended the glittering Los Angeles event, rubbing shoulders with beautiful people like Denzel Washington, Oprah, and Halle Barry. And while the event sports a hefty pricetag—tickets, travel, hotel, and a fabulous gown—Bolling says the excitement of the evening far outweighs the investment.

So where does Bolling go from here? Her immediate goal is finding a replacement for the NAACP Gary Branch so she can step out of that role. She still dreams about packing away her shingle and working for a firm or as in-house counsel of a major corporation. Bolling has plans for Gary, too—ideas about how the city can stage a true comeback.

Look through the person, past the façade, beyond the situation staring you in the face. Look deeper for the true potential, the well of hope. That is the world as Barbara Bolling sees it—a world ripe with possibility.

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Dedication of History Display

The 125th anniversary of the first day of classes of Valparaiso University School of Law was on Thursday, November 11, 2004. The law school community celebrated the day with the blessing and dedication of the History Display and a three-tiered birthday cake with 125 candles.

The permanent historical display was created to commemorate the history of Valpo Law and to pay tribute to those individuals who played a role in the development of the law school.

The display has laminate bases, solid cherry columns, D-print images and sand carved copy. The overall size is 18’ x 5’. A plaque honoring the donors was unveiled.

Thank you to the following donors whose generous gifts made this display possible:

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Since 1991 Valparaiso University School of Law students have traveled to Cambridge and London to study with Valpo Law faculty and sometimes Supreme Court Justices. A reunion is being planned for the summer of 2006, the 15th anniversary of the Cambridge program. Ed Gaffney, Dave Myers, and Marilyn Otis have met to discuss the preliminary plans for the trip. Plans thus far include a CLE component during the time in Cambridge, as well as time in London to tour and attend theatre productions. A questionnaire will be sent to all Cambridge Alumni in early 2005. If you wish to be on the planning committee, please contact Marilyn Otis at marilyn.otis@valpo.edu.

Cambridge Alumni Reunion Planned for 2006

I don't know what Paul Lacy's luggage looks like but it ought to be plastered with colorful stickers from exotic ports-of-call. Like the suitcases in old-time movies, covered with decals in all shapes and sizes, Lacy's luggage should shout "world traveler".

TOP PHOTO: 1994. Budapest. Kaz stands in front of, from left, Paul, Shaw and Ken on the high Buda cliff above the Danube River. On the Pest side of the river you can see the dome and spires of the Hungarian Parliament Building that was deliberately designed, at the peak of the Austro/Hungarian Empire, to be gorgeous.

MIDDLE PHOTO: 1981. San Francisco, CA. From left, Shaw, Ken, Kaz and Paul sit on a picnic table in a small park that overlooks the San Francisco side of the Golden Gate Bridge.

BOTTOM PHOTO: 1979. Agana, Guam. 2 yr. old son Shaw stands in front of Kaz and 4 yr. old son Ken stands in front of me. This was taken in a park near the Guam legislature. Guam has two seasons, dry and rainy. The umbrella shows the season.
It's more likely, however, that Paul Lacy '65 has a set of sturdy, well-worn cases which have served him and his family well over the past three decades as they have moved from Asia to Europe to the United States and back again. For a tax attorney, Lacy certainly gets around!

So how does a tax attorney end up with a passport chock full of stamps from destinations like Tokyo, Moscow, Beijing, Budapest and Guam? I asked Lacy, and his Japanese-born wife, Kazuko, that very question - and heard a remarkable tale of unplanned adventure beginning with his admission to law school.

Lacy was not born into a globe-trotting family. In fact, he was raised in Allison, Iowa, population 800, and didn't travel much beyond the state until heading off to college. His earliest claim to fame was an ability to read at age 4 which immediately qualified him for early enrollment to kindergarten but not for a plane ticket to Timbuktu.

Nonetheless, after a successful high school career during which he was a bit of a prodigy (Lacy reminds me Allison was small so perhaps being a prodigy wasn't quite as glamorous as it sounds) the 17-year old Lacy headed off to the University of Iowa. He says he quickly discovered there were plenty of other really bright kids at college and he buckled down to work.

The following year he began his Valpo career, transferring to continue his liberal arts studies. It was at Valparaiso that Lacy began seriously thinking about applying for law school. A college entrance test he had taken indicated that he was "suited", as he puts it, for a legal career so he took the LSAT his senior year only applying to Valpo Law for admission.

Along the way he met - and married - another VU student. Before they knew it they were expecting a child which seemed to change his law school plans.

But then Law School Dean Knute Stalland had other ideas. He phoned Lacy the summer after graduation and asked him to come in for an interview. Lacy kept the appointment, but explained that with a new wife and child on the way he didn't see how he could swing law school. Stalland leafed through some files and came up, on the spot, with an aid grant providing tuition plus a small stipend. That was all the incentive Lacy needed. He accepted and began at Valpo Law that fall.

Was that the right choice for Lacy? "Without a doubt," he says. "The subject of law itself was a great deal of fun for me. I had taken a business law course as an undergrad and was entranced by it." He adds with a chuckle, "I argued with the professors in class the way you're supposed to - I just had a marvelous time in law school. I loved it."

Which professors rose to the surface for Lacy? Of course, he says, Charlie Cromley; but also Colonel Jones, who taught contract law at that time. Lacy says though Jones could certainly be, by today's standards, politically incorrect, he was a very solid professor. Was Lacy involved with any student organizations or clubs? "Just playing bridge at the Student Union," he says with a smile. Lacy and a small group of classmates got together daily for a few games and conversation before all heading home to study.

I wondered if he went into law school with an eye on taxation? "Oh gosh no," Lacy says. "I had read "To Kill a Mockingbird" and I wanted to be like Atticus. I wanted to defend people who needed help." With that vision in mind, Lacy accepted a job after graduation as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of New Mexico.

New Mexico? Perhaps this should have been Lacy's first clue that he would end up a traveler. Why New Mexico? Lacy says the climate. He was lured by lots of sunshine and not too much snow. So he packed his bags and headed west.

Like so many attorneys, Lacy says he "learned the ropes of lawyering" in that first position. He spent four years at the Office of the Attorney General in Santa Fe, pleading cases before the State Supreme Court (in fact, the first case Lacy ever pled was in front of the State's Supreme Court justices) and representing several State agencies including the State Fair ("a great client" according to Lacy).

But after four years Lacy realized that while he was the lawyer he had wanted to be, it wasn't very much fun. Long hours and slim pay eventually prompted him to take a job with a private firm in Los Alamos.

But after the excitement and heavy responsibilities of an Assistant Attorney General, he quickly tired of the slower pace and began wondering what else might be out there.

He sent out resumes to a number of companies and was ultimately contacted by one: an organization that wanted to send him to Vietnam. This was 1969 and the Vietnam War was still in full swing. After some haggling about salary, Lacy agreed and in a move that surprised his family and colleagues, hopped a plane...
for Asia.

Lacy ended up living in Saigon for three years, working for Pacific Architects & Engineers, a huge operation providing basic services to American military forces. Lacy was part of the legal negotiating team that met constantly to deal with the ever-changing military service needs.

Needless to say, it was a fascinating time to be an American civilian in Vietnam. “Boy was it different from New Mexico,” Lacy says. “I hadn’t talked to anyone who had lived in Saigon before I left so I had no idea what to expect.” Initially Lacy lived in officer’s quarters (a “perk” provided to the civilians working for his company) but after six months he decided to go out “on the economy”, as it was called, finding an apartment in the city and learning enough Vietnamese to shop at the market or take taxis. Although he, along with other Saigon residents, dealt with nightly rocket attacks (there were always three rockets fired, the first serving as a “warning” after which he would roll off his bed, wait for the other two shots, then climb back into bed and sleep) Lacy says it was an amazing experience.

However, he gradually felt himself hardening in response to the war and his work, and he decided to call it quits. He headed back to the United States in 1972 and got a job with a small Albuquerque firm. But he was quickly bored with the pace at the firm and it seemed perfect timing when a friend contacted him about a firm looking to place an attorney in Guam.

Lacy spent almost a decade in Guam, during which time he also married his wife, Kazuko, who is a native of Sapporo, Japan. Both of their sons were born in Guam. The family had settled in, and as Lacy says, “I thought we would spend the rest of our lives in Guam.” But then he got the itch. Not to travel this time — but to go back to school.

“I decided I really wanted to get an LLM in taxation,” he says. “But I knew I would have to go to school in the U.S. for that.” Indeed, he did. Lacy was accepted, to his surprise and excitement, into NYU’s LLM in Taxation program. After two grueling semesters (Lacy says he hovered between sleep deprivation and terror all the time struggling to keep up with his classmates) he had his LLM degree and the family returned to Guam.

Quickly, however, he realized he now had too much of a degree for Guam. Thanks to a lucky conversation with a friend, Lacy ended up getting a job back in the States with Deloitte & Touche (then Touche Ross) at its San Francisco office. The passport was stamped again — this time re-entry to the U.S.

While moving back to America wasn’t a shock for Lacy, it was for his wife and children. Kazuko had to learn more English and the boys had to adjust to American schools and pop culture. Perhaps the oddest thing for the Lacy family was television. They simply hadn’t watched any in Guam and found themselves somewhat overwhelmed by the media upon returning stateside. For quite a while Lacy says they simply didn’t own a television set! But the boys quickly fell into step and ultimately loved their time in California.

Lacy, meanwhile, finally had an opportunity to put his newly minted LLM to work. During his time in San Francisco he not only took (and passed) the California bar — as a “fall back” as Lacy puts it — but also took and passed his CPA exam. What was it like to be at a major accounting firm as opposed to a law firm? “Initially I was a fish out of water,” Lacy says. “My whole life I had been a lawyer, going to court, filing briefs, etc. The whole life of a lawyer is to explore what might be. There was a time when I really wondered what I had gotten myself into…”

But ultimately Lacy came to love the work. Then, just when the family had settled into a predictable lifestyle, Lacy was offered a job in Deloitte & Touche’s Tokyo office. Dust off the luggage!

The family flew to Tokyo in 1985, spending seven years in Japan. Kazuko was delighted to be home in her native country, and the boys were ready for
another adventure. In fact, Lacy’s eldest son graduated from high school during their residency in Tokyo.

During this time Lacy got heavily into international tax law. “Over the course of seven years I was fortunate enough to became a pro in the field. Remember – this is a field in which there are only a few thousand people in the world who practice this kind of tax law. The job required one and a half to two hours of study time every day!” Lacy says. “But I was proud of what I did. Our office served some of the biggest and best clients in the world.”

On the other hand, Lacy says he never really felt that he was a true member of the office team. He was one of the few foreigners in the office and found himself overlooked, in subtle ways, day in and out.

What did all of this globe trotting mean to his wife and children? Lacy says the boys are comfortable “just getting on a plane and going anywhere”. Though they are still most comfortable barefoot, and in warmer, humid weather – a throwback to their childhood in Guam. Kazuko says she had no idea when she agreed to marry Lacy that she would pack and unpack boxes so many times. But no one has any regrets about the adventure.

And now? I ask Lacy if he and Kazuko will stay put in Arizona (their retirement locale) or travel? “You know, I wouldn’t want to go back,” he says. “I don’t think you can really go home again. It’s nice to take short visits, but I wouldn’t want to stay longer.” So what will he do now that he has retired his passport? “We didn’t have any TV at all till 1988. There are still M*A*S*H reruns that are new to me!” he says with a laugh. “I didn’t know there was such a thing as “The Food Channel”, I love it!”

And interestingly, Lacy says he wants to see America. After all those years of mastering foreign languages and negotiating a new pop culture, Lacy is eager to see the US’s travel destinations. This time, no passport required.

Did that stop Lacy from going to Taiwan for two years after the Tokyo assignment? No. Nor did it keep him from accepting a position in Deloitte & Touche’s Budapest office (1994-1998) or in the Moscow office (1998-2000) after that! And did I mention that Lacy came out of retirement for a year (2000-01) to help D&T set up taxation training programs in its Beijing headquarters?

The highlights from that busy decade? The Lacy family was in Budapest when Hungary was slowly coming out from under the shadow of Communist rule. He says it was fascinating to watch the city modernize. “And I liked Moscow. It is a lovely place,” he says. “The city itself is gorgeous. Red Square in the winter – you can’t believe it.”

1996: Tokyo. Shaw (in elementary school uniform with red tie) and Ken (in middle school blue tie) stand behind Kaz and Paul. In the background lie the Imperial Palace grounds with the moat and white fortress walls. In the near background is “Megane Bash” (“Eyeglasses Bridge”).

Bob Costas to Speak at Valparaiso University School of Law's Conference on Sports Law & Ethics

Bob Costas, host of NBC Sports and HBO's Inside the NFL has signed on to be the keynote speaker at the Valparaiso University School of Law's Sports Law Conference to be held at the Palmer House Hilton in downtown Chicago February 9-11.

The conference entitled, "Winning At All Costs: Today's Addiction," will feature speakers from around the country and will deal with some of today's most important issues in sports, from doping to ethics.

“The recent scandals and controversies in sports – professional, college, Olympic – make this conference timely and important. It will be immensely valuable for any professional whose work touches the sports industry, whether they be lawyers, coaches, or sports journalists, and for people with an interest in sports law and ethics. The speakers and panelists will examine a broad range of conduct and problems implicating ethics and standards in sports," says Jay Conison, Dean of Valparaiso University School of Law.

ESPN Radio has also signed on as a sponsor with :60 spots that will begin airing nationally Nov. 1st.

In 2000, the School of Law held a conference on 'Arbitrating Sports Disputes: A World View," which examined disputes and their resolution in Olympic, professional, and college sports.

Hotel reservations may be obtained by contacting:
The Palmer House Hilton
17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, Il. 60603
1-800-HILTONS

Valparaiso University conference rate of $109 per night

For questions or to register:
Call 1-877-VALPOLAW (1-877-825-7652)
Or you may register on-line at www.valpo.edu/law/sportsconf/

Advance reservations for the conference are necessary
Conference fee includes all materials, the reception, and any breakfast & lunch served

Conference Agenda
All sessions will be held in the Palmer House Hilton, 17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois

Wednesday, February 9, 2005
5:30-7:30 p.m. Reception
Speaker: Mark Bartelstein
Topic: The State of Sports Ethics

Thursday, February 10, 2005
Continental Breakfast

General Session: BALCO
(A Case Study)
The Prosecution's Case
Travis Tygart, Director of Legal Affairs
USADA
WADA Representative, TBA

The Defense's Case
Rich Nichols, Marion Jones' Attorney
William David Cornell, Benito Santiago's Attorney

Morning Break

General Session:
ADJUDICATION ISSUES
AAA-CAS
Athletes' Attorneys:
Howard Jacobs, Forgie, Jacobs
& Leonard
Ed Williams, Stewart Occhipinti
& Makow
USADA Representatives:
Bill Bock, USADA Counsel
Travis Tygart, Director of Legal Affairs, USADA

Professional Leagues
NFL Counsel: TBA
Management Council MLB
Representative: TBA
MLB Players Union Representative: TBA
NFL Players' Association
Representative: TBA

Lunch
Speaker: Bob Costas
Topics: Sports Ethics & Doping

Breakout Sessions: DOPING ISSUES
Professional League Sports
Moderator: TBA
Panel:
David Fehr, Dewey Ballantine
Bill Daly, NHL General Counsel
MLB General Counsel: TBA
MLB Players' Union
Representative: TBA
Bob Costas first worked on NBC's coverage of Major League Baseball, the NFL and college basketball. Then from 1983-89, he teamed with analyst Tony Kubek on baseball's "Game-of-the-week" telecasts. He served as the lead "NBA on NBC" play-by-play voice from 1997-2000. All told, Bob has been involved in the coverage of six Major League Championships and five World Series while hosting six Super Bowls. Bob currently hosts NBC's coverage of the U.S. Open, Ryder Cup, Visa Triple Crown, and Breeders' Cup, and is an occasional contributor to "NBC News" and the "Today Show." Bob has won acclaim since 2001 as host of HBO's "On The Record," a weekly interview show, airing 12 consecutive weeks, on which he interviews luminaries from the world of sports, entertainment and politics. He has hosted HBO's "Inside the NFL" since 2002. In April 2000, Bob's book, "Fair Ball: A Fan's Case for Baseball" made the New York Times Best Seller list. Net proceeds from the book were donated to the Baseball Assistance Team (BAT), which provides financial assistance to those members of the baseball family in need. A native of Queens, Bob grew up on Long Island and majored in Journalism at Syracuse University. He began his broadcasting career in 1974 at WSYR-TV and Radio in Syracuse, and later joined KMOX Radio in St. Louis, working as play-by-play voice of the ABA Spirits of St. Louis. The National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association has honored Bob as Sportscaster of the Year a record eight times.
Lee Lane '04 pilots helicopter in Iraq

Chief Warrant Officer Lee Lane has about a year left in deployment.

While presidential candidates debated the war on terrorism, a local couple offers a glimpse of what it's like to serve in one of the most controversial military actions since Vietnam.

Chief Warrant Officer Lee Lane has been in Iraq for a little more than six months. The Blackhawk helicopter pilot has about a year to go in her deployment before she can return to Valparaiso, where husband, Carl, and a budding law career await her.

"Being away from family has been the only really difficult adjustment," Lee said in an e-mail sent from Balad, Iraq, where her unit is stationed.

Although Company B, 1st Battalion of the Illinois National Guard's 106th Aviation Regiment is an air share of Iraqi civilians, most of whom are thrilled to see U.S. soldiers, she said.

"They come running out of their houses or stop their work in the fields in order to wave to us," she said.

The locals' friendly attitude toward U.S. aircraft can be partly attributed to "Operation Volleyball Drop." When the military's Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department started giving away volleyballs to soldiers, Lee and others in her unit decided to drop them to children.

"We figured they would appreciate the volleyballs more than we would," she said. "Then the gift drops grew from there. We've been getting so many care packages from the States that we started dropping all kinds of things—towels, flip flops, candy, stuffed animals, toothbrushes and toothpaste. I'm sure we're not alone in our gift drops, but I don't know how many other companies are doing it here in Iraq."

Conflicting accounts
In contrast to the negative press associated with U.S. troops involved in the Abu Ghraib prisoner abuse scandal, Lee said: "The soldiers I see are some pretty amazing people. In fact, that's been the best part of this deployment for me. I've seen, in a new way, how generous, selfless and hard-working Americans really are."

Carl Lane echoes her views, heaping much praise on her and saying he has "never been prouder of anything or anyone as much as I am of Lee and what she is doing."

Discouraged by the focus of most stories surrounding the war in Iraq, Carl said the lives lost in Iraq are just part of the story. He wishes Americans could read more about the number of hospitals and schools re-opening, the water treatment facilities that have been restored and the torture chambers that have been closed.

"But I'm unusual," Carl said. "I can get a little bit
of news right from the source."

In fact, he e-mails his wife every day and talks with her several times a week. When he’s not talking to his wife, Carl has been overseeing construction of their new home, making many of the choices he anticipated would have been joint decisions.

He also maintains a Web site with details about his wife and other "Mad Dogs" soldiers as a source of communication for their families and as a tribute to the soldiers themselves.

"I have a much deeper appreciation of the sacrifices that they so willingly make in the defense of our country," Carl said.

He said he supports a sincere and honest debate about whether sending troops to Iraq was justified, but is concerned a nation divided on the proper course of action only emboldens the enemy and increases the risks to U.S. troops.

Lee, who joined the military nearly 13 years ago so she could fly helicopters, is less affected by the debate at home, but said incidents like the prisoner abuse at Abu Ghraib certainly jeopardize U.S. soldiers.

"It’s extremely upsetting to hear that American soldiers would treat Iraqi soldiers in that fashion, but these soldiers are also the exception to the rule," she said. "These are not the type of soldiers that I work with on a daily basis, and they give us all a bad name."

Lee said the incident undermines the troops’ efforts to help the Iraqi people build up their country and utilize their natural resources to bring prosperity to the war-torn nation.

During down time, she said soldiers do their best to replicate the comforts of home, right down to a bar serving nonalcoholic beer and a movie theater complete with stadium seating and surround sound.

"We have a graphic artist who designed several exteriors, which we are currently voting on," Lee said. "It looks like the replica of the Chicago Theatre is going to win."

"Americans still have that unquenchable spirit of optimism," she said. "I think of that when I work together with the soldiers in my unit, and I see what they build and create in their spare time to make our life in Iraq more enjoyable."

**Breakout: To learn more**

Carl Lane maintains a Web site with details about his wife, Lee, and other "Mad Dogs" soldiers as a source of communication for their families and as a tribute to the soldiers. The address is www.l06-b.com

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By Rae Ann Rockhill: Times Correspondent

This story was published 10/04/2004 by the News desk.
Dear Ms. Otis:

I really enjoyed the Summer 2004 issue of Valpo Lawyer, particularly the retrospective summary of several eras of the law school. As a 1979 graduate of VU Law, I was especially interested in the 1979-2004 era. Having had the privilege of working with Professor Berner on the Pinto Prosecution, I was pleased to see that case receive special mention, and I was quite flattered to be identified in the article along with some truly top-flight law students. I was surprised to discover in the article, however, that apparently I worked on the case under an assumed name, i.e., Don Lane.

Regards,
Dan Lane '79

Sorry, Dan, for the error!

John W. "Jack" Kidwell
President
International Lutheran Laymen's League

John W. "Jack" Kidwell serves as president of the International Lutheran Laymen's League (Int'l LLL), a volunteer Christian organization of approximately 130,000 members.

As president, Kidwell's chief responsibilities include guiding the efforts of the board of governors; speaking internationally on behalf of the organization; meeting with leaders of the Int'l LLL, Lutheran Hour Ministries, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and The Lutheran Church—Canada; and chairing the annual international convention of the Int'l LLL.

Kidwell has served the LLL in numerous positions, including two terms as the governor of Region 5. Kidwell's committee service includes chairman of the ministry advancement committee, member-at-large on the finance and administration committee, the convention study of 2003, the strategic planning committee and the policy study committee. Within the Michigan district, he served as president, vice president, training chairman and treasurer.

His service dates back to 1976-77 when Kidwell was a young adult representative for the Central Illinois district to the international convention. Kidwell estimates that he has attended more than 30 conventions across the United States and Canada.

Kidwell holds a bachelor of arts and a doctorate in law from Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana. He is president and partner of The Corinthian Group, LLC, a fund development consulting firm working with not-for-profits, congregations, individuals and professional advisors to enhance their philanthropic objectives through current and deferred giving strategies.

Kidwell resides in Bay City, MI with his wife, Lynn, and sons, Jonathan and Jeffrey. The Kidwells are active members at Faith Lutheran Church in Bay City. In addition to his church and volunteer activities, Kidwell enjoys reading, golf and snow skiing.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is the media outreach ministry of the International Lutheran Laymen's League, an auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and Lutheran Church—Canada. The ministry airs TV, radio and Internet programming in 44 countries and has ministry centers in 41 countries. It is based in St. Louis, MO. Its flagship radio program in North America is "The Lutheran Hour," the world's oldest continually broadcast Gospel radio program, airing since 1930.
1978
Gail Hamm has been a three-term state representative in East Hampton, CT.

1982
Jack Kidwell of Bay City, MI is the new president of the International Lutheran Laymen’s League. Jack was elected at the LLL’s convention this past summer.

1983
Victor Fitz is running for the position of Cass County prosecutor in the St. Joseph – Benton Harbor, MI area. Victor joined the Cass County government in 2003 after serving in the Tuscola County prosecutor’s office for 15 years and before that as assistant prosecutor in Muskegon County. Two of his primary goals are to combat drug dealing and to work with the Cass Council on Aging to educate senior citizens about crime and scams.

1984
Craig Morford was appointed by Attorney General John Ashcroft as interim U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan. Craig has been a 17 year employee of the Justice Department as Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio.

1985
Karen Davis was appointed by Governor Joe Kernan as Indiana’s public access counselor. Previously Karen practiced law with Sommer Barnard Ackerson in Indianapolis, IN. Karen’s son, Jeremy was recently hired by United Space Alliance as a test engineer at Cape Canaveral in Florida.

Randi and Linda Dessau were blessed with the birth of their first child, Danielle Denise Dessau, on October 5, 2004, weighing in at 7 lbs 6 oz and measuring 20 inches long.

1986
Mark Rutherford was elected to the Libertarian Party National Committee as an at-large member at its convention in Atlanta, GA. Mark has served on the National Committee since June 2001. He also serves as state chair of the Libertarian Party of Indiana. Mark practices with the firm of Laudig George Rutherford & Sipes in Indianapolis, IN.


The title is “U.S Tax Considerations of Income Deposit Securities: The Criticality of Structure.” Dan has an international practice in tax and business law and invites everyone to visit his website at www.dansmolnik.com and to contact him there.

1988
Jeffrey Gunning was elected for a three year term to the Board of Directors of the Indiana Municipal Lawyers Association. Jeffrey also is with the Munster, IN firm of Pinkerton and Friedman.

William Cesar was promoted to Associate General Counsel for the Washington, DC firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP. William and his family will be relocating to the Washington DC area, where Deloitte & Touche’s world headquarters of tax practice is located. William’s new position will be in-house legal counsel supporting the entire tax practice. He has spent the last 26 years of continuous service in an elected office position, the last 10 years as Whiting City Court Judge.

1989
Wanda Reed adopted a girl, Allison Mackenzie Reed. She was placed in Wanda’s home in March of 2002; her adoption became final on May 14, 2004. Allison is three years old.

Heidi Jark has been named president of The WAVE Foundation, the non-profit arm of the Newport Aquarium. Jark, vice president and manager of the foundation office at Fifth Third Bank, has been a foundation board member since its inception in 1999.

1992
Dock Anderson recently joined the law firm of Cohen and Malad in Indianapolis, IN as senior litigation associate. Dock is in charge of the firm’s largest mass tort action (hormone replacement litigation) currently being litigated in three states. He resides in Nashville, IN with his wife, Mitch, and nine dogs.

1993
Nathan Franklin is the senior attorney with Dow Corning in Midland, MI. His main area of responsibility is labor and employment law.

1994
Michael Faehner was sworn in as President of the Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division. He represents the 20,000 young lawyers of the Florida Bar on the Board of Governors. In addition, he is attending the University of Florida where he is finishing his LLM in taxation in Gainesville, FL. After hurricanes Charley and Frances hit Florida, Michael was put in charge of coordinating the Florida Bar’s response for emergency legal disaster services in the affected areas. The response includes setting up a 1-800# to supply victims with a pro bono attorney, helping staff Disaster Recovery Centers with volunteer lawyers and raise funds for the American Red Cross and the Florida Attorneys Charitable Trust which helps the legal system recover from disasters.

1995
Robert Null became a partner at Baker & Daniels in Indianapolis, IN on September 7. Robert’s practice is devoted to freedom-of-use analyses and opinions, as well as patent preparation and prosecution for a variety of businesses, including high-tech and advanced manufacturing businesses.

Philip Spahn accepted a new position with the Chicago, IL office of Sidley, Austin Brown and Wood. Phil practices in the areas of equity investments in affordable housing and tax credit financed real estate transactions.

Chris Spanos recently earned his Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) designation. Chris and his wife, Julia had another child last year, Grace Christine. She joins Trent, Nate and Lauren.

Jill Swope and her husband, Shawn and daughter Harper, welcomed a new baby, Piper Lindsey, born on August 9th.

Charles White is a member of the Town Council of Fishers, IN. He is general counsel for International Resources. Charles is a judge pro tem in Hamilton Superior Court 4; treasurer of the Hamilton County Republican Central Committee; past Republican district caucus chairman; and former state chairman of Indiana Young Republicans. Charles and his wife, Nicole, have a son and reside in Fishers, IN.

1997
Luis Gonzalez was named chairman of the Humanities Department at Sinclair Community College. Luis serves as assistant professor of philosophy. He has previous teaching experience in Michigan with the University of Phoenix, and Grand Valley State University.
Daryl D. Jones and Gina L. Green were married at Israel CME Church in Gary, IN. Gina is the executive director of child support for the Prosecutor’s Office, Lake County, IN. Daryl is an entertainment lawyer with Jones & Barksdale, Attorneys at Law in Chicago.

1998
Susan Cullen accepted a new position as the Legislative Counsel for Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security. Previously, Susan was counsel for the United States Senate Office of the Legislative Counsel.

Kristin Fox joined the South Bend law firm of Leon Halpin and Konopinski, LLP as an associate. Kristin practices in the areas of estate planning and administration, tax, real estate, for-profit and non-profit organizations, commercial transactions and litigation, business and general litigation.

Amy Ferris Gumz '98 and Mark Gumz '98 are the proud parents of Eric Michael. Eric Gumz enjoys drinking from his Valpo cup!

Malini Goel accepted the new position of Director of the Northwest Regional Office for the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. Previously, Malini has worked as an attorney, journalist, and environmental policy consultant.

Michael Holland accepted the position of Director of Business and Legal Affairs with Jeff Gordon, Inc. Mike resides in Cornelius, NC with his wife, Heather and son, Luke and stepdaughter, Taylor.

1999
C. Jesse Green was recently married to Melissa Blood by Michigan Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Kelly in Lansing, MI. A small group of friends and relatives along with the couple’s children, Christopher Green and Alexandra Johnson were in attendance. Jesse is the Director of Communications for the Michigan Trial Lawyer Association.

Dennis Lindell is an attorney in the Real Estate practice group of Dykema Gossett PLLC, Lisle, IL. Recently Dennis participated in a land development seminar, “Dirt to Dollars: The Way Land Development Should Be”, speaking on various opportunities that developers can employ to free up capital that would otherwise be devoted to conventional acquisition or development financing. Dennis concentrates his practice in land use, zoning, residential and commercial real estate matters, and general corporate matters. Since graduating from law school, Mr. Lindell has gained extensive experience in real estate transactions in both the private and municipal sectors, land use, and has successfully negotiated and prepared numerous telecommunications leases on behalf of wireless carriers. Dennis received an LL.M. in Real Estate Law and Development from the University of Miami.

2000
Aimee Dluski and Tom Dluski had a baby, Grace Elizabeth in January 2004. Aimee is employed as a public defender, specifically a Guardian ad Litem, in Pekin, IL. Tom works at Heyl Royster Voelker and Allen in Peoria, IL.

Benjamin DeBoer is the son of Jennifer '00 and Michael '98 DeBoer

Bryan Pape serves as a Judge Advocate in the United States Coast Guard at the Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic in Norfolk, VA. Bryan and his wife, Stacy, recently welcomed their second child, Elijah last August 18th.

2001
Ellen Kassis and Matthew Ross '02 were recently married in Chicago, IL on September 4, 2004.

Matthew Macaluso recently published an article in the Hoosier Banker titled "Referral Fees for Securities Activities of Bank Employees: Proposed Changes Announced by the Securities and Exchange Commission."

Matt is a member of the Indianapolis based Bose McKinney & Evans' Business Services Group, through which he advises banks and other businesses regarding regulatory and transactional matters.

Barbra Stocksbury is with the Munster, IN firm of Singleton, Crist, Austgen & Sears. Barb and her husband, Shannon welcomed their son, Tristan on February 24th.
2002

Victor King and Amy Durr were married in Chicago on June 26, 2004 at the Millennium Knickerbocker Hotel. Other 2002 Valpo alumni in the wedding included Dan Guinn, David Gray, Matt Ross, Melanie Eggers, Erin Parker Brown, Stefanie Dunton, Karyn Price and Cindy Skalka. Savannah Kinsella (daughter of Susie and Rob Kinsella '01) was the flower girl. Amy is the city prosecutor for the city of Shoreline and the city of Issaquah, and Victor is practicing patent and trademark law with Speckman Law Group PLLC in the Seattle, WA area.

Matthew Ross and Ellen Kassis '01 were recently married in Chicago, IL on September 4, 2004.

Jill Story has accepted a new position as law clerk for Magistrate Judge Roger Cosby for the US District Court for the Northern District of Indiana.

2003

Andre Miksha is on active duty in Fort Knox, KY and is currently a legal assistance attorney. Last April, Andre graduated from the Army Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course, and made the Commandant's List. Andre was awarded the Association of the US Army Award for Excellence in Leadership and received honors for the highest achievement in International and Operational Law.

Ian Sharping has joined the Chicago, IL firm of Inman & Fitzgibbons, LTD as an associate. Inman & Fitzgibbons represents companies in Illinois and concentrates in the area of workers’ compensation and general liability defense and subrogation.

Shannon Summers joined the St. Louis, MO firm of Evans & Dixon L.L.C. as an associate. Shannon will represent major insurance carriers and self-insured employers.

Annual Law Clinic Benefit

Once again the Valparaiso University School of Law will be hosting the annual Law Clinic Benefit on Friday, February 25th, 2005. A talented cast consisting of law school faculty, staff, students, and alumni will present the musical comedy "Anything Goes", an age-old tale of the complications when Boy-Meets-Girl (music and lyrics by Cole Porter, book by Guy Bolton, PG, Wodehouse, Howard Lindsay, and Russel Crouse). The evening begins at the Valparaiso University Center for the Performing Arts with a 6:00 p.m. champagne reception followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. The performance begins at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are $100.00 per person which includes a $30.00 charge for dinner. The balance is a tax-deductible charitable contribution to the Law Clinic.

The Law Clinic provides free legal assistance to financially disadvantaged families and individuals in Lake, LaPorte, Starke and Porter counties. The Clinic provides quality legal assistance to people who otherwise could not afford representation and practical hands-on legal experience for Valpo Law students. The Law Clinic serves approximately 700 clients each year and receives little financial support from the federal government or from the State of Indiana. Private funding is critical to the Clinic's continued success and service.

Please join us for a light-hearted and festive evening. Reservations may be made by contacting Sue Hefner (888.825.7652 or 219.465.7910) at the Valparaiso University Law Clinic.

In Memoriam

The dean, faculty, staff, students and alumni of Valparaiso University School of Law honor the following alumni and friends who have passed away. We are grateful for their participation in the development of the Law School, and we extend our condolences to their family members and friends.

1939
Dale Hoff, Mountain View, Mo, April 2004

1942
Edwin Kurtz, St. Charles, MO, May 2004

1948
Edgar Coiner, Waynesboro, VA, July 2004

1951
John Rehm, Hamilton, OH, June 2004

1953
Robert Mitchell, Conroe, TX, July 2004

1961
John DeLaurenti, Pocahontas, IL, August 2004

1972
Terry Redamak, New Buffalo, MI, March 2004

Cast members from the 2001 Law Clinic Benefit "Pirates of Penzance".
Class Reunions '74, '94 and '99

1974: Dave Hollenbeck, Tom Hill, and Robert Lindvall

1994: Pat Mastrian, Debbie Billings-Mastrian, Professor Bruce Berner, Heather Culbertson Welch, Kerry Lorimer Wagner, Angela Coumas DeVito

1999: Don Halsted, Mary Gergely, Wally Werderich, Belem Werderich

1999: Matthew Moran, Wally Werderich, Michael Powalisz, Mary Gergely

Golden Gavel Society - October 9, 2004

Class of 1954—Richard Hakanson and Russ Shockey
Bob Zimmerman '58 and Ed Brown '51
Phyllis Duesenberg '04H and Rosalie Levinson '73 (guest speaker)

Golden Gavel Society 2004

George '51 and Louise Hoffman
Dick Duesenberg '53
Musicians for the evening—Scott Wagenblast '93 and Dan Pritchett

Chuck Zandstra '58
John Tagge '58, Ken '52 & Suzanne Roeh
Marilynn and Norm '50 Cobb
Let your continual blessing rest upon the School of Law. Bless the students, faculty and staff as they go about their work, their study, their leisure. Keep them faithful to their vocation and faithful to you as they seek justice for all and walk humbly before you. May they be living sacrifices unto you as they live, move and have their being in your mercy and grace.

Prayer by Joseph R. Cunningham
University Pastor and Dean of the Chapel of the Resurrection
Dedication of History Panels November 11, 2004
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 12, 2003 (2:30 p.m.)
Commencement – VU Chapel

January 10, 2005
Instruction Begins

January 17, 2005
MLK, Jr. Day

January 21, 2005
Be a Law Student for a Day

January 27, 2005 (4 PM)
Seegers Lecture Symposium—
The Miranda Decision
Paul Marcus Haynes
Professor of Law
College of William and Mary.
Marshall-Wythe School of Law

Sandra Guerra Thompson
University of Houston Law Center

Roscoe C. Howard, Jr.
Sheppard Mullin Richter &
Hampton LLP

Carol Brook
The Federal Defender Program
For the Northern District of Illinois

Bruce Berner, Moderator

January 28, 2005
Be a Law Student for a Day

February 4, 2005
Meet Valpo Law Day

February 9, 10 & 11, 2005
(Palmer House Hilton – Chicago)
Winning at All Costs – Today’s Addiction
A Conference on Sports Law & Ethics
Headline Speaker: Bob Costas

February 21, 2005 (4 PM)
Law Review Symposium

February 25, 2005 (VUCA)
Law Clinic Benefit
6:00 PM Dinner
8:30 PM Musical
"Anything Goes" by Cole Porter

March 17, 2005 (2:30 CLE & 4 PM)
Tabor Lecture
Monroe H. Freedman
Professor of Law
Hofstra University School of Law

March 18, 2005
Meet Valpo Law Day

March 19, 2005
Alumni Board Meeting

March 25, 2005
Be a Law Student for a Day

March 31, 2005 (4 PM)
Monsanto Lecture
Robert C. Post
David Boies, Professor,
Yale Law School

April 1, 2005
Be a Law Student for a Day

April 7, 2005 (4 PM)
Indiana Supreme Court Lecture
Rennard Strickland
Philip H. Knight Professor
University of Oregon School of Law

April 8, 2005
Be a Law Student for a Day

April 15, 2005
Meet Valpo Law Day

April 29, 2005
Grand Rapids Council Meeting
Be a Law Student for a Day

May 5, 2005
St. Louis Council Meeting

May 6, 2005
Indianapolis Council Meeting

May 14, 2005
National Council Meeting

May 19, 2005
Washington, D.C. Council Meeting

May 21, 2005 (11 AM)
Commencement – VU Chapel

May 26, 2005
Fort Wayne Council Meeting

June 3, 2005
Twin Cities Council Meeting

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