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Law Society Joins With Human Rights Group

by Chrys Vergos

The International Law Society is pleased to announce that it is now working in conjunction with the Western New York chapter of Amnesty International. A.I. is a worldwide voluntary human rights organization founded in 1961 as a result of an appeal launched by British lawyer Peter Berenson to organize practical help for people imprisoned due to their political and religious beliefs or because of racial or linguistic prejudice. Today Amnesty International can claim a membership of over 100,000 persons in seventy-eight countries and national sections in thirty-three

of them.

The work of the organization centers around the detention, torture, or killing of those persons termed "prisoners of conscience." These are persons, the world over, imprisoned due to political affiliation, color, language, ethnic origin, or religious belief. Amnesty International's approach to solving this widespread problem had been to promote the implementation of universal human rights principles not only on the level of governments and international organizations, but also through the concerted action of committed individuals working in small local groups. Through its

developed network of members and supporters, A.I. attempts to mobilize public opinion, works for the release of prisoners of conscience, protects their families from hardship and seeks to improve international standards concerned with the treatment of prisoners and detainees. At present the Western New York Chapter sponsors three prisoners of conscience: an Uruguayan, a Soviet, and a Moroccan.

Andres Gesto Gonzales was detained by government officials in early 1979 during a purge of trade union activists and suspected members of the outlawed Uruguayan Com-

munist Party (UCP). Gesto's name appeared on an Armed Forces Communique of April 1979, listing the names of persons arrested and officially charged with membership in the UCP. The details of his trial proceedings, if any, are not known. However, Gesto was sentenced and today remains in detention at the Establecimiento Militar de Reclusion, No. 1 (Penal de Libertad).

Sergei Kovalov is a Soviet research biologist with more than sixty papers in mathematical biology and genetics to his credit. In 1969 he was forced to resign his position as a senior research officer at Moscow University due to his founding membership in Sakharov's Initiative Group for the defense of human rights.

Kovalov was arrested in December 1974 for admittedly circulating copies of the human rights *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church*. He was subsequently tried a year later and sentenced to seven years imprisonment in strict regime, corrective labor camp and to three years internal exile. The first part of his sentence was served in Camp 36 in the Ural region of Perm under reportedly severe punitive conditions; his term of

internal exile is currently being served in Magdanskaya Oblast in easternmost Siberia while Kovalov continues to suffer from increasingly deteriorating health.

Said Asghen, a high school history and geography teacher, was arrested in December 1975 in the town of Oujda in northeastern Morocco. After eight months of incommunicado detention he was transferred to a penal facility in Casablanca and held there until his trial in February 1977. Asghen was sentenced to twenty years imprisonment for his membership in a radical socialist organization, *les Frontistes*, a coalition of several political groups that sprung up in Morocco following the banning of the communist party in 1960. Direct contact has been established with this prisoner.

The next meeting of the WNY Chapter of Amnesty International will be held on Thursday, February 16, at 435 Tacoma Ave., Buffalo, at 8:00 in the evening. Anyone interested in working with the chapter or in simply learning more about the work of A.I. is urged to attend. Additionally, information on Amnesty International is available in the ILS office.

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Construction to Begin Soon On New Library Facilities

by Ray Stilwell

The metamorphosis of the law school's Charles B. Sears Library has begun. By the time the dust settles later this year, the library's fifth, sixth and seventh floors will have entirely new looks. Library officials are uncertain, however, of when the dust will begin or end its settling; no one knows exactly when construction of new facilities on the fifth and sixth floors is to take place.

According to Ellen Gibson, Associate Director of the Law Library, the renovation of the fifth floor will center around the "Koren Center" for Clinical Education. This Center, funded by Law School alumnus M. Robert Koren, Chair of the U/B Council, will be located in the area now occupied by the library's Documents collection.

The Documents department will be moving to larger quarters on the library's sixth floor, and construction of an office on that floor will begin at about the same time the Koren Center facilities are constructed. The foreign law books once located on the sixth floor have been moved to the seventh, and the "Cases and Points" and briefs which once cluttered the seventh floor have been removed.

Gibson said the renovations would not affect the lower three floors of the library, and she also said that the new facilities would not reduce the amount of study space available to students.

The Koren Center

The Koren Center will form an extension of the Audio-Visual Department already located on the fifth floor of the library. In place of the Documents stacks on that floor, Gibson said, will be "three small interviewing-size rooms," to be used for

videotaping of conference-like negotiations. The existing Documents office will be emptied and converted into a viewing room, and will also be usable as a videotape studio. Across from this office, along the wall of the building nearest to the parking lot, will be playback rooms for video presentations to be viewed.

Gibson said the Koren gift is intended to emphasize the "practical and clinical dimensions" of the school's curriculum, and to take advantage of such new technologies as video.

The Koren Center has been in the law school's plans since last year. Dean Thomas E. Headrick announced at the 1983 Commencement that Koren had made the gift to enhance the school's clinical education program. Specific plans for expanding the library's audio-visual facilities have existed for more than two years, however, and the ultimate expansion to the seventh floor was contemplated since O'Brian Hall went up.

What's Happening

Preparations for construction got under way last year, when students from the Circulation Department began clearing the little-used state court materials off the seventh floor. These materials had never been part of the library's permanent plans, but were placed there on behalf of downtown court libraries for so long as all parties concerned wanted them there. Late last year, students moved the library's foreign, comparative, canon and conflicts law collections from the sixth floor to the cleared space on the seventh. In recent weeks, they have been completing the preparation by transferring the library's international collection from one section of the

sixth floor to another; the Documents staff, meanwhile, is in the process of moving its entire collection to the newly-cleared stacks on the sixth floor.

When construction begins, empty stacks will be removed from sections of the fifth and sixth floors. The Koren Center's facilities will be constructed in the old Documents area, and a

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Exams Schedule Still Not Final

by Wendy Cohen

The University is attempting to move undergraduate classes out of O'Brian Hall during the week of April 30, so that Law School exams can take place as scheduled, according to Vice President of University Services Robert Wagner.

Unless undergraduate classes are moved out of the building during the first scheduled week of law exams in May, there won't be enough classroom space to conduct exams as originally scheduled. However, Wagner stated that since law students had already registered and started classes one week prior to the start of classes in the rest of the University, "there isn't any real option except to work around the Law School schedule," and try to move non-law courses out of O'Brian Hall during the first week in May.

Shuffle off to Buffalo

In the event that undergraduate classes can't be moved, a major reshuffling of the Law School exam schedule, handed out to students with their registration materials, may be necessary. Explained Associate Dean John H. Schlegel, "The problem was created by the spring schedule, which leaves us without blocks of time in rooms long enough to accom-

modate sitdown exams." Thus, if classes can't be moved out of the building, Law School exams may end up bunched together during the second scheduled week of finals.

Other options include scheduling more take home exams, allowing students to self-schedule exams and take them anywhere they want, or even closing the Law Library to students not taking exams and holding them there. Noting that all these options leave something to be desired, Schlegel stressed that the only workable alternative is to try to keep the exam schedule as close as possible to the original, although this may require "screaming and bitching" to University of-

ficials.

Asked if students could do anything to ensure that the University uses its best efforts to move non-law classes out of the building during finals week, Schlegel commented that although this isn't an issue worth taking over the Vice-President's office for (something students used to do in the 1960's), it is possible that a visit to the Vice-President by a small, well-rehearsed group of student representatives might have some effect.

More of the Same

Exam scheduling conflicts will not end with this semester, unless the Law School changes its schedule to coincide with

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We Know It's Only Freedom of the Press, But We Like It

Editor #1: I've been thinking about the future of this paper. . .
Editor #2: And?

Editor #1: Maybe no one cares if it publishes after this year. Maybe no one reads it this year. Maybe no one believes this school needs *The Opinion*.

Editor #2: I can't believe that. Just about every day, someone comes up to me and asks when we're coming out. And when we do come out, everybody's reading it. Once in a while, I even get a compliment on something in it. No, I don't think our problem is lack of readership.

E1: Readership is one thing, but authorship is another. How the hell can this paper be published out of thin air or, worse, out of good intentions alone! Don't students around here recognize that writers are what make this paper?

E2: Oh, we've got plenty of writers. I dare say plenty of good writers. There are just two problems: what they're writing, and what other people think about what they're writing.

E1: What do you mean?

E2: Half the problem is what's being turned in to us. It's all thought-out and nicely written, but it's frustrating how, well, *opinionated* this paper has become. I know we should be publishing commentary pieces, but don't some of our writers want to report news, instead of just announcing their latest peeve?

E1: We should be printing all kinds of viewpoints, even if we don't agree with them. I see our job as advocating a debate of the issues. But, I hear plenty of criticism from our "readership" about some of the "right-wing" sentiment appearing in our pages. My reaction is that those critics should put their sentiments in writing. Put up or shut up, I say!

E2: It's interesting you should mention that because, if you'll remember, a couple of years ago this paper was accused of being a broadsheet proclaiming *left-wing* views. I guess our critics, then and now, are the ones who never write anything. Anyway, I agree with you that there should be no prior restraint on the creativity of our writers—that was the second half of the problem I mentioned—but I still wonder why so few law students want to put "news" into "newspaper." Maybe you're right—maybe nobody would care if *The Opinion* dies, or if it becomes something unrecognizable.

E1: Are you saying that we shouldn't even care if the paper, which has served this school for 34 years, folds due to lack of student dedication? Do you mean that all the effort we've been putting into this paper during our tenure is worthless? Surely we owe more than journalistic indifference to this law school community! What I see as the main issue is convincing others to care. And how the hell can we do that?

E2: It's nothing that you or I can do alone. People have to figure out for themselves whether they care. I think they could figure it out, though, if they just gave it a little thought. Consider this; if we turned ourselves into a super-selective organization with an incredible sense of self-importance, selecting our members through competition, there'd probably be a line of people waiting to sign up. Why do people hold against us the fact that we're not that way, that we put this paper together, and keep it running, because it's interesting and fun? That kind of atmosphere should be an attraction in itself.

E1: Not that it's all fun and games, mind you, because we do take ourselves seriously. But students ought to drop by Room 724 to get involved, to pick up a writing assignment, to suggest topics to be covered, to take a turn at shooting pictures for us.

E2: That'd be great—if our current writers, or new ones, wanted to play more of a role in what goes on at *The Opinion*. Then we'd appear to be, and *would* be, more of a collective news organization. Certainly, if anyone's at all self-conscious about learning the ropes, we could teach them what we know. I'd especially like to see people who want to run the paper next year coming up between now and April to observe and to do what they'd be doing next year. If no one does. . .

E1: I know. We'd *really* have to worry about the future of the paper.

Our Readers Write

Filomena Needs Our Help

Fellow Law students:

In El Salvador today, there is a woman who needs your help. In fact, there are many men, women, and children in that country who need a great deal of help, but for now let us focus on this one woman.

Filomena Claros. Repeat her name. Six simple syllables stand for someone you've never seen of known, yet she is a person nonetheless. She has a mind, a spirit, and people love her; and today she is "missing."

Filomena is a third-year law student at the University of El Salvador. She is also the Secretary General of the Law Student's Association at the University. According to a cover story in *Newsweek's* January 16, 1984 edition, she began receiving threats and warnings in the latter part of last December. She was told to abandon her "subversive studies." One evening, in the first week of January, she was seized off the streets of San Salvador. Armed men in civilian clothing threw her into the back of a truck and drove off with her. Since then she has not been heard from.

The SBA has formed a Committee to investigate Filomena's "disappearance."

We are asking you for a few hours of your time to help us try to contact other law schools, elected officials, religious organizations, the U.S. State Department, the Salvadoran Embassy, and human rights organizations such as Amnesty International. If we can publicize this woman's abduction and generate the attention of both the U.S. and Salvadoran governments, we might be able to gain her release. If nothing else, we can send a message to the students and faculty of the University of El Salvador and to the people of that country.

We must show them that there is a world out beyond the realm of terror in which they are presently caught, and that the people of that world will actively try to help them restore the rule of law and not of force.

The death toll in El Salvador is long, bloody, and brutal: 30,000 individuals murdered since 1980. We people, citizens of this nation, shake our heads in horror at many of the "cruel aberrations of history." If only somehow we could have stopped the cattle cars and freed the people before they'd reached Auschwitz and Buchenwald. If only we had

been there to stop the vicious men with narrow minds and white sheets who terrorized and killed our brothers and sisters in "the south." If only we had been there, we could have, and would have, helped Kitty Genovese.

Please take some time and try to help publicize the disappearance of this one woman. Perhaps we will gain the release of this woman, perhaps not; but at least we will send a message of hope to the people of that nation.

Come to the next meeting.

George Terezakis
Chairman, SBA Subcommittee

Moot Court Appreciates Others' Help

To the Editor:

In regards to Deborah Williams' letter in the last *Opinion*, the Moot Court Board is pleased to learn that our efforts to provide a more diverse panel of judges for the Desmond Competition were recognized and appreciated. I would like to share the credit for this change with the other persons responsible for it. The Association of Women Law Students, the Black Law Students Association, the Latino, Asian and Native American Law Students Association, and Dean Vivian Garcia met with Moot Court Board representatives last Spring. Together we organized a procedure designed to encourage greater participation by those lawyers underrepresented in the past.

I want to take this opportunity now to publicly thank those people for their cooperation in this endeavor.

Dan Pease
Director,
Moot Court Board

AWLS Sets Event Dates For Spring

by Anna Marie Richmond

The Association of Women Law Students is planning its Spring 1984 Activities. Events already on the agenda include a Wine and Cheese Reception, Feb. 21; a celebration of International Women's Day, March 8; and at least one installment of the popular Legal Careers for Women Forum Series. We are continuing our work in developing an alumae network through which past women U/B Law graduates can help those newly entering the profession.

We count all women law students at U/B as our members, and membership is open to men as well. Membership on the steering committee requires simply a willingness to work, and to attend bi-weekly committee meetings held Wednesdays in Room 10. The next steering committee meeting will be February 15 at 12 noon.

Federalist Chapter To Be Formed at U/B

To the Editor:

We are pleased to announce the formation of the SUNY/Buffalo chapter of the Federalist Society, an association of conservative law students.

Federalist Society chapters are now found at over 65 law schools throughout the country, where they provide safe haven for libertarians, traditional conservatives, and other right-minded individuals, sponsor meetings with visiting academics of a conservative hue, and serve as springboards for engaging the entrenched Left.

The Federalist Society Washington office acts as a clearinghouse for job opportunities for conservative law students (who are much in de-

mand in certain circles since January 1981), and conducts a national symposium each year on topics of controversy in the law—this year's symposium will be held at Harvard, February 24-26, and will examine the crisis in legal education, including a look at the Critical Legal Studies movement.

If interested in joining (all years and faculty cordially invited), or simply in being kept informed on the progress of Federalism at U/B, please attend an Organizational Meeting on Thursday, February 16 at 4:30 p.m. in the First Floor Lounge, or leave a note with your name, box and phone number in box 575 or box 638.

Respectfully,
Seth Goldstein, '86
Christopher Bieda, '86

Association of Women Law Students will host a

Wine & Cheese Reception

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1984

in the 1st floor lounge

from 4:30—6:30pm.

Come & socialize

& help plan our

Spring activities

Support Reagan's Election

by Ted Araujo

I didn't vote for R.R. in 1980, but after looking at the cast of thousands running for the Democratic slot, I'm going to vote for the President in 1984. I'd like to run a short review and some suggestions for his next four years in office. (If you don't have anything positive to suggest, keep it to yourself; Ron's a sensitive kind of guy.)

First, with Carter raising defense spending more than 7% his last (thank God) year in office, could you imagine what the deficit would have been? A prominent economist said to me recently that the deficit could be directly related to several years of double digit inflation. (The price of X amount of goods increasing over time with no concurrent increase in the utility that block of goods provides. (This year the Democrats are promising to decrease the deficit, but as a recent *Wall Street Journal* article has shown, Mondale (the likely challenger) would have to increase the projected size of the deficit to keep all of his starry-eyed supporters from realizing that Fritz ain't dealing with a full deck. (One promise he is sure to keep is his proposed increase in defense

spending. No party benefits more than the liberal Democrats from increases in our nation's industrial-military preparedness. Just ask Ted and Tip. F.M. will also keep his promise to give his Mom a ride on Air Force One, at taxpayer expense, of course.)

If I were fat and old and rich (prerequisites for getting R.R.'s ear), I'd tell him to put David Stockman in a new cabinet post: "Overseer of the Pentagon." If D.S. were allowed to run amuck in that sprawling bureaucracy, this nation would save one-third of what it spends on defense with resultant greater capability. R.R. would then be able to deflect criticism from those of you who think that he has not served the poor all that well.

I'd also tell R.R. to tax Social Security benefits, put federal workers into the Social Security system, start a nation-wide job search service etc. . . . But when it comes right down to it, I'd much rather have a President with the initials R.R. than F.M. An R.R. glides effortlessly through conflict. It is a sign of fine craftsmanship and distinction. It's not like all the other cars on the road, but would you want the President to be a Toyota?

An F.M., on the other hand,

is just a radio station. Wherever it goes, it changes frequency. It gives the illusion of substance, when in reality it is controlled by whomever turns the dial. It says whatever you want it to say, and if you disagree with it, it will change. An F.M. is something that people who dream deserve. An R.R., well, that's what you get if you work.

BPLIP Sponsors Speaker

by Lisa M. Roy

The Buffalo Public Law Interest Program will be sponsoring Roger E. Stone, Esq., to speak on Wednesday, February 15 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 112. Mr. Stone runs the Client Advocacy Service, a local agency designed to consumers of the community mental health system in Western New York. Much of Mr. Stone's discussion will focus on the day-to-day dealings with mentally ill clients, the problems they face, and the issues important to them. Mr. Stone's position as an advocate is also complicated by the families of clients and by mental health professionals who may be caring for the individual, but at the expense of the individual's legal rights.

Please come and bring your questions with you. Refreshments will be served.

SBA Analysis ***** New Bylaw Is A Mistake

by Ted Araujo

Grenada is once again a vacation paradise for all capitalist imperialist freedom lovers, and the SBA seems to be releasing its authority to proclaim who is virtuous and who is evil in foreign policy. At least the SBA is opening up its agenda to those who it represents.

Many moons ago, on December first, the SBA disposed of a nagging problem: democracy and the inherent freedom of information and choice democracy claims to support.

The resolution at the end of this story is now a new Bylaw of our SBA Constitution, but the circumstances surrounding its passage require examination.

The definition of "resolution" relied upon in the debate as to whether or not we, as those who are represented by the SBA should have a chance to comment on a resolution's substance, was "a formal statement of opinion." Granted, it is a broad definition, but it was taken from Black's Law Dictionary, so it is as reliable as any. The Bylaw deals with special resolutions anyway, so one can anticipate that the Bylaw will refer to those measures taken outside of the normal jurisdiction of the SBA (i.e., if it's not a party, fight, something to do with El Salvador, office space, etc...). The disturbing reality of the

Moot Court Board Shifts Mugel Dates

by Mary Ellen Berger

For the first time in its known history, the U/B Moot Court Board of Directors has voted to move the dates of the final rounds of the Eleventh Annual Albert R. Mugel Tax Competition up one day to Thursday and Friday, March 8 and 9, 1984, in recognition of the fact that there are Orthodox Jewish students who wish to compete and are prohibited from doing so if the Competition is held on a Saturday.

According to Moot Court Board Director Dan Pease, the original dates for all aspects of Mugel Competition were set last November and were confirmed in letters sent to participating teams in December. Cardozo Law School, part of Yeshiva University in New York City, had contacted U/B last fall to express concern that a Saturday schedule might preclude their teams' participation, and the Moot Court Board's Executive Committee had evaluated the situation, considering possible scheduling alternatives. The original Friday and Saturday dates for the final rounds were nonetheless set and notification mailed.

In mid-December, Pease received a telephone call from Steven Prager, General Counsel of Agudath Israel of America, a New York-based organization dedicated to protecting Jewish legal interests. "Prager wanted to impress upon me the importance of the

issue" concerning Cardozo, explained Pease, "and mentioned the possibility of injunctions."

After receiving Prager's call, Pease contacted Associate Dean John Henry Schlegel, who called the General Counsel's Office of the SUNY system in Albany, "and the administration took over," stated Pease. Negotiations ensued between SUNY and Agudath Israel, culminating in a letter from Schlegel to Prager which promised that the final round of the Mugel would be scheduled "early enough on Friday afternoon so as to allow Sabbath observers to reach their local abode after its completion, but before sundown." According to Pease, the U/B administration never directed the Moot Court Board to change the dates, agreeing generally that it was too late to disrupt the Competition's schedule.

"The merit of Agudath's position was obvious," asserted Pease. The date changes, however, have resulted in "an unbelievable problem with the room situation." The panel of judges slated for the final rounds have confirmed that they can all be available on Friday, instead of Saturday, afternoon.

This is the first year that Cardozo Law School has expressed interest in participating in the Mugel Competition. Their team has not registered for the awards banquet to be held on Friday evening.

Flag Burners Make Confused Statement

by Robert Bursky

In a scene reminiscent of the campus unrest and discontent in the sixties, students at Berkeley recently burned the American flag, ostensibly to protest the incursion into Grenada. The demonstration was further proof that the anomie and political alienation characterizing the seventies has given way to a renewed sense of awareness and determination among the nation's collegiates. Unfortunately, the chosen mode of expression was more indicative of a general condemnation of America rather than a conveyance of dissatisfaction with the President's decision and subsequent implementation of it.

Apparently, these misinformed souls either do not understand or do not appreciate the fact that the flag is a symbol of our country, and not an extension of a particular person or policy. The flag (in part) represents only the office of the President, not the man himself or his policies or decisions. The flag existed before Ronald Reagan became President and American troops entered Grenada, and will still be a symbol of this country when the events of 1983 and the people who made them are forgotten, save for a possible few lines in an elementary school history text. The flag is the enduring emblem of the United States, to exist for as long as the country it represents does, and is not a momentary, fleeting image of the country's past, present or future.

What is so tragic about the

naivete of such a display as occurred in Berkeley is that, while the beliefs giving rise to it may be good-faith ones, the act itself can in no way be differentiated from the same acts committed in far-off lands, by people who harbor only hatred and death-wishes for this country. Ask one such person why he kidnaps our ambassadors and bureaucrats, murders our military personnel and burns our flag. He will surely impart to you his hatred for America and everything it stands for. The source of his hatred cannot be reduced to one country's violated borders, a pocket of exploited workers, or personal dislike of American leaders. These are but salt in his wounds. It is all of these things combined, and more, that arouse his wrath and stirs him to action. If the students at Berkeley were condemning America, they did so with the usual (but overplayed) display of pomp and circumstances utilized by a wide assortment of religious and ideological fanatics.

Blanket statements and acts are ineffective in framing a particular issue, bringing to light a specific object of concern, or conveying the underlying reasons for speech/action directed to that concern. If Berkeley students are well-intentioned, then in the future they should employ more traditional forms of protest, such as marches, pickets, rallies and resolutions (assuming a mandate by the student body) to make their views known. In that way, their criticism of governmental policy will not be mistaken for anti-American fervor.

a forum to express their own personal views, but at the expense of the sentiments of a majority of the students at this law school. I don't want anyone else telling me what my opinion is as to any subject whatsoever. Unfortunately, it seems as if the "Grenada Resolution" would have passed anyway. What remains are hopes that the SBA will not be dominated by a group of power thirsty renegades, or pass a constitutional amendment that prohibits the SBA from issuing its opinions to media other than this paper.

I like that last alternative. If we want the SBA to serve only the Law School, why does that body have to jump at opportunities for national exposure. Let them put it on their resume, that should be enough.

Bylaw 14 Special Resolutions

Any formal statement of opinion concerning matters of public policy, excepting statements involving the Law School or University or directly affecting the education of students, shall be considered a special resolution.

Special resolutions shall be posted in full on the SBA office door and SBA bulletin board before noon, at least 24 hours prior to any meeting in which the resolution is adopted.

Any Board member may invoke this provision as a motion.

Culinary Counsel: Making Chinese Chicken

by Andy H. Viets

It is nothing less than a truism that a majority of the students attending this school of law must fend for themselves when it comes to satisfying their culinary desires. This leads to a tendency to frequent such eating establishments as Wendy's or McDonald's. It also results in the use of so-called "convenience foods" (a nicer term than "chemicals") found in the frozen foods section of Wegman's, Tops, Super Duper,

or wherever you do your food shopping. All of these and similar means of warding off starvation can be summed up in one word—evil. As an amateur gourmet chef of little note, I offer this column to assist you in the war against your evil ways. This is the first (and perhaps last) "Cooking Column" by yours truly.

Before you dismiss me as nothing more than some kind of health food nut who wants you to eat wheat germ and drink goat's milk three times a

day, read on—for with one simple recipe you will learn to make a most wondrous, calorie stacked dish that isn't all that hard to make, doesn't have any chemicals in it (well, maybe a little MSG), and isn't particularly expensive (though I have to admit that I can't beat those forty nine cents cheeseburgers at Burger King).

This shamefully scrumptious dish found its beginnings this past summer when an acquaintance named Jennifer (from California of course) introduc-

ed me to what she called, simply enough, Chinese Chicken. Being a student of the law, however, and therefore not being able to leave anything simple, I not only

tinkered with the recipe, but with the name as well—which itself is rather intriguing (and which will be explained in due course)—Andy's Version of Jen-
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Students Play Baird

by Thomas L. Cassada

The O'Brian Hall community was treated to a demonstration of musical talent by three of its members in a well-attended recital at Baird Hall on Sunday evening, February 5. This talented trio consisted of flutist Annette Scull, clarinetist Dan Elias and pianist Jack Freedenberg. The well-balanced program chosen by this group of "lawyer-musicians" consisted of Bach's *Concerto No. 3 in D Minor*, Debussy's *Syrinx*, and the very lyrical and provocative *Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano* by Claude Bolling.

The piece by Bach, known more commonly as the *Double Violin Concerto*, has been transcribed for the flute and clarinet. While the famous Bach violin concerto is frequently heard in the orchestra repertoire, the flute and clarinet version is not. Ms. Scull and Mr. Elias began the program with this lesser known version and both immediately demonstrated their very solid musical abilities. It seemed to this listener that the use of the clarinet "modernized" the essentially Baroque character of the work, while the flute served to keep the piece within

its 18th century origins. It was an appealing contrast.

The second work on the program was a solo performance by Ms. Scull of the Romantic piece known as *Syrinx*. While Claude Debussy would probably take exception to his works being characterized as part of the "Romantic" tradition, one need only listen to this beautiful piece to place it well within the "romantic" (with a small r) tradition. This work is Debussy's interpretation of the story of Pan's unrequited love for the nymph *Syrinx*. It is essentially Pan's song of woe upon learning that he has inadvertently killed his beloved. Ms. Scull performed the piece with the tenderness and pathos that it deserves.

The final piece and, by far, the show-stopper of the evening was the *Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano*. Mr. Freedenberg played the piece with the ease of an accomplished pianist. The jazz piano and the beautifully classical elements provided by the flute started off by creating a magnificently haunting dialogue which by the fourth and fifth movements resulted in a sound of melodic harmony. This was their shining hour.

New Waves Liquid Sky: So Bad It's Good

by Jud Weiksnar

Liquid Sky, the New Wave/Science Fiction film that might still be showing at the Evans Art Theatre, is too violent and obscene for my taste. The acting is terrible and the music is worse. In spite of itself, however, Liquid Sky succeeds.

Where does the appeal of this movie lie? I don't want to say the photography is good. That sounds too much like "it has a nice personality."

Maybe it's the story that makes Liquid Sky click. An alien comes to lower Manhattan via u.f.o. in search of the molecular configuration found in heroin. It starts zapping people while they're taking heroin, and later finds it likes the molecular configuration found in humans during orgasm even better. Alright, maybe it isn't the story.

How about the technology?

Well, this movie will never be mistaken for Star Wars. The spaceship resembles a dinner plate. The makeup, costumes and special effects look like "Wendy O. Williams meets Ultra Man."

Perhaps the humor was what brought me back to see this movie a second time. But what's so funny about a German scientist asking a woman what direction her apartment faces? If that's not funny though, why was I laughing along with everybody else?

There seems to be a method to this badness. If Liquid Sky is seen as a spoof on low-budget sci fi films, the acting is great. In fact the hokeyness of Ann Carlisle, who plays Jimmy and Margaret (a la The Patty Duke Show), is really quite compelling. It's not easy being the most beautiful boy in the world and the ugliest girl at the same time. The violence, crude

language, and portrayal of deviant sexual behavior may be overdone, but they are not inconsistent with the plot and ambience of Liquid Sky.

Something in this movie grabbed the audience, at least those who didn't walk out of the theatre during the first ten minutes. The whole place was rooting for Margaret to get her revenge in her own special way by eliminating all those who had taken advantage of her, with some help from the alien. Margaret accomplished that feat by giving her victims the "proper molecular configuration." At least they died happy—you could say they went out with a bang.

As of deadline time, Liquid Sky is being held over for the fourth record-breaking week at the Evans theatre. Tickets are only \$1.50 with a student discount card.

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Take Advantage of a Local Attorney

by Audrey Koscielniak

One-to-One: Repeating a Success

The Erie County Bar Association and the U/B Law Alumni Association have joined the Career Development Office in sponsoring the 1984 One-to-One Counseling and Career Guidance Program. Its purpose is not only to help students explore available career options, but to increase their awareness of the realities of law practice by discussing those items with a person who experiences them daily.

One-to-One makes it possible for a student to spend half-a-day observing an attorney during his/her normal routine. The student may choose the size of the firm or agency, the practice speciality of the attorney, and the type of office (government, public interest, judicial, private firm, or corporate legal department).

Last year, over 200 students participated in One-to-One, and the evaluations submitted by them confirmed the

Program's value. Over 95% of the students who provided written feedback felt that the time was well spent. "I wouldn't have missed if for anything." "I would require it of all students for their own good—helps to focus on practical aspects of legal education." "This program represents a most beneficial opportunity to inject some 'real world' legal practice into law school study..." These are typical examples of the enthusiastic comments received from last year's student participants.

Attorney enthusiasm for the One-to-One Program seems to match that of the students. In the past, many attorneys have gone out of their way to ensure that the events to be observed by the visiting student are interesting and valuable. It is not uncommon for attorneys to go well beyond the one-half-day time commitment requested. The 1984 One-to-One Program seems to be receiving the same high level of attorney support. Approximately 250 have already signed up to meet with SUNY/Buffalo students.

There are two small changes in the 1984 One-to-One Program. Unlike last year, when CDO made the attorney/student match, students will be able to review the Attorney Profile cards themselves and select their attorney match. Also, Rochester area alumni have been invited to participate, thus extending the geographic range of the program.

To participate in One-to-One, CDO recommends the following steps:

1. Review the Attorney Register Categories listed in the One-to-One announcement delivered to the student mailboxes and select the area of practice, type of office and size of firm/office that you would like to observe.

2. Stop by CDO (Rm. 309), review the Attorney Profile cards, and select the attorney with whom you would like to meet. Attorney Profile cards are filed by first-ranked area of practice for that attorney.

3. Submit Attorney Profile card and Student Request Card (the yellow form dropped off in your mailbox) to CDO. CDO will then prepare a letter of

introduction to the attorney. Allow 48 hours for this to be done.

4. Pick up your copy of the letter of introduction sent on your behalf, as well as a copy of the Student Guidelines and Evaluation forms.

5. Call the attorney's office and set up a mutually convenient date for your visit.

This Program will be especially useful for students who want more information on alternatives available after law school. It is an excellent way to observe different types or sizes of firms and agencies, with no limit on the number of visits a person can make. For that reason, the Career Development Office hopes



Audrey Koscielniak, Assistant Director of Career Development

that each student will find time to see at least two or three attorneys during the year.

LRev Competition

The *Buffalo Law Review* invites all first-year students interested in participating in the annual casenote competition to attend an informational meeting on Wednesday, February 29, at 2:30 in Room 106. Associates will discuss the details of the competition, distribute additional information which may prove helpful to participants, and provide an overview of Law Review membership. The competition will be held at three different times over the coming months: during the mid-semester break, shortly after school resumes, and after the examination period. Registration will take place in the Law Review office, Room 605, between 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. on March 14-16, April 4-6, and May 12-14.

The *Buffalo Law Review* is a professional journal published three times a year by students of the law school. Its purpose is two-fold: to select and publish significant student and professional contributions to legal scholarship, and to provide students with an environment conducive to completely independent academic research.

Participation in the competition is necessary for Law Review candidacy. Each competitor is referred to a recently decided case dealing with an area of law covered in the first-year curriculum. The competitor is given ten days to write a short (no longer than eight-page) paper reviewing the facts of the case, identifying the important issues it

presents, and analyzing the court's decision. Each "casenote" will be read by many Law Review members over the summer and will be judged for substance, writing ability, and form.

Ordinarily, a candidate's performance in the casenote competition weighs equally with his or her first-year grades in determining whether that candidate will be offered Law Review membership. In addition the Law Review traditionally had admitted a number of "write on" competitors based solely on the outstanding quality of their casenotes. Since, in either event, a superior casenote can compensate for average or low grades, the *Buffalo Law Review* strongly encourages any interested student, regardless of academic standing, to enter the competition.

Construction to Begin Soon

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new Documents office will rise one floor above the old one. A Documents "reading room" will be located next to the new office on the sixth floor, with microform collections and readers for them, but this facility will not involve construction. There should be access to all library collections while construction is taking place.

Who Knows When?

There is no set completion date for the projects, because there is no set starting date. According to Gibson, the construction work is not a University priority, and work will not begin until workers finish whatever campus projects happen to be ahead of them. Library officials had been told that work would begin over intersession, immediately after workers finished removal of Bell Hall, but this schedule was not followed.

According to Gibson, there is a possibility that the workers will not arrive until law school exams in early May. If this happens, she said, the work will



Students can expect sawhorses to return to the Law Library in the near future as construction of new facilities is imminent.

probably be rescheduled as not to interfere with exams in progress. She added however, that construction scheduled any earlier in the semester would probably not be rescheduled. She explained that forfeiting the project's place on the university's construction schedule could delay the work for as much as a year. Gibson said she thought it

unlikely that the projects would disrupt the Bar Exam, which takes place in the library in July.

Gibson noted that the library staff has little say in when the workers will arrive and the construction will begin. "It's not anything at this level," she said. "It's Vice Presidents talking to each other."

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The U.B. Law Alumni Association, Student Bar Association, and Career Development Office will hold a series of Career Information Panels beginning at the end of the month.

The tentative schedule of topics and dates are:

February 21	~~~~~	Criminal Law
February 22	~~~~~	Practice Settings
February 23	~~~~~	Corporate/Business
February 28	~~~~~	Civil Litigation
February 29	~~~~~	State/Local Government
March 1	~~~~~	Labor Law

The final list of speakers will be announced at a later date. Please watch the Career Development Office Newsletter for details.

—Victor J. D'Angelo

Law School Man

Stacks, Stacks,
Stacks,
Well, Well,
Well.
Look up something from
1936,
What the hell.
Lean up against
the board,
and you'll get chalk
on the back of your sport-
jacket.

Coffee Machine

Oh great metal Box,
It gives us so much.
Day, night,
Black or extra white.
Pour, Pour, Pour,
Yellow soup
and so much more.
You once ran out of cups,
And I watched my coffee
squirt down the drain.

Boris' Banter

Solemn Situation
Overcoming a H



I was in church last Sunday and, as much as I try to ignore the inexplicable foibles of human nature, couldn't help noticing that while the place was almost full, the entire front half of the church was empty. I've seen this phenomenon before, so I think it deserves a name: the Solemn Situation Syndrome.

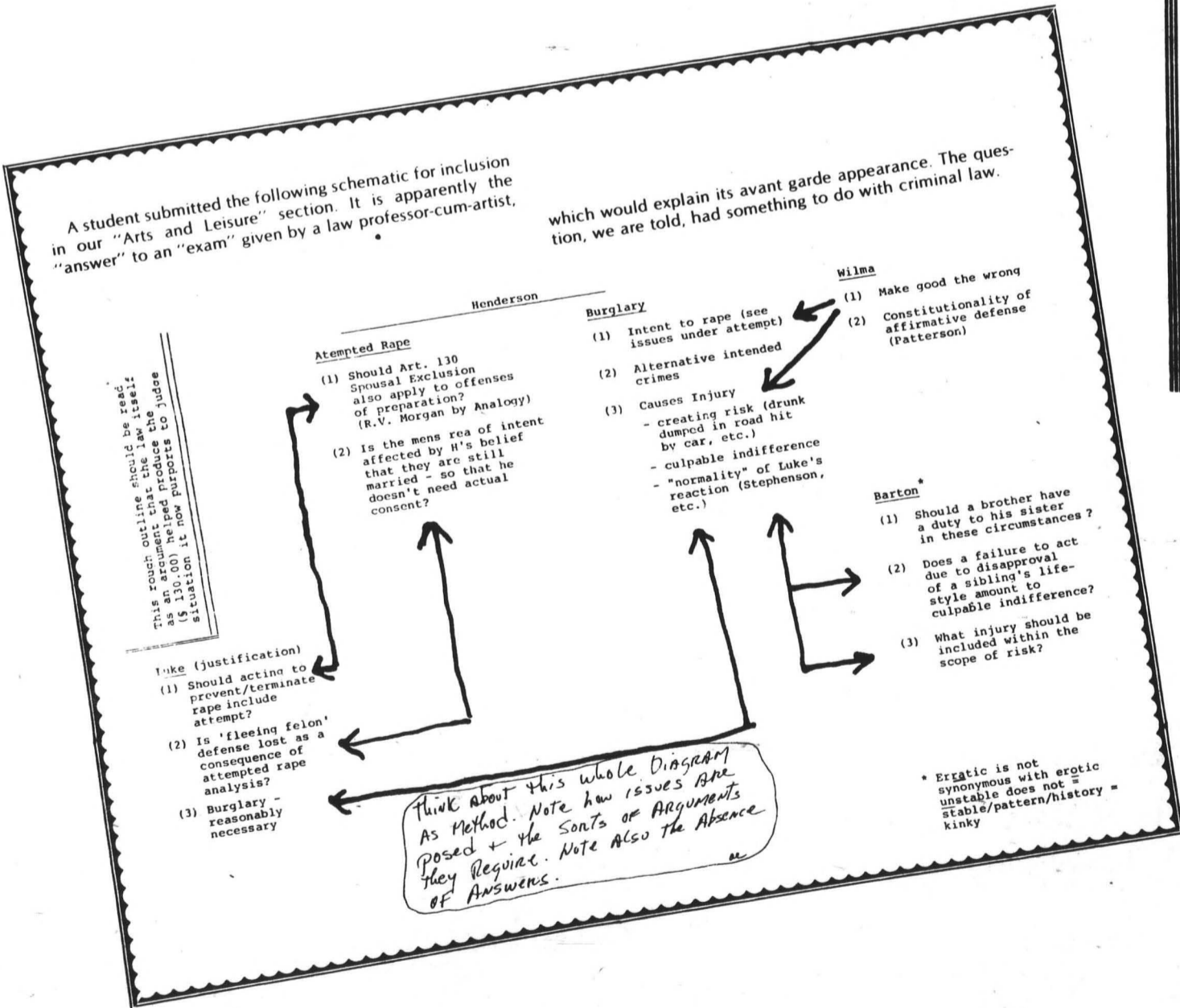
It's not like a movie, where a well-tempered fear of blindness keeps you out of the front row, and it isn't like an AC/DC concert, where a well-tempered fear of deafness and/or sterility keeps you out of the front row. Rather, it is

like most law classes, most classes. It's not as if the situation is so solemn for everyone. In fact, I suspect that professors would prefer that classes be conducted in a relaxed environment. Do notice how an entirely relatively intelligent and loquacious law student can be completely silent for minutes rather than the question that is everyone assumes to be wrong? Did you know how easy it is to write a sentence after two weeks of school?

At any rate, the figures—be they political or religious—God—are there for the audience, but the attitude that is less than ideal is a fear-oriented man that goal impresses time you are in class. I would recommend you sit in the front row, and it isn't like an AC/DC Answer the first question, where a well-tempered fear of deafness hear incorrectly to give the wrong answer. Soon everyone is trying to give the wrong answer. And class will move on.

LAW SCHOOL
MADNESS

EDITOR'S NOTE: We at *The Opinion* try our very best to run a serious, professional news organization. Our commitment to responsible journalism does not extend to every day of the year, however. This issue is coming



Most Interesting
Item of The

Editor's Note: memorandum is r entirety, at the Associate Dea Schlegel, who is The sender is Pr Boyer.

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sion. Remember, if God
wanted everyone to take a
back seat, he wouldn't have
given us cars with passenger
seats.

I actually heard a few songs
I liked enough to dance to at
the Three Coins party, so I was
happy; I wish I were more
belligerent, though. It would
make life so much more pain-
ful and embarrassing for me
and my friends if I got in fights
more regularly at parties. I also
wish I had been able to help
destroy the bathroom. I
haven't had a chance to trash
someone else's toilet in quite a
while. I always leave parties
too soon.

I want to take this opportu-
nity to propose the first an-
nual Law Lawn Chess Party.
Louis XIV loved the sport and
used to have games at his
place (Versailles) all the time.
Everyone is forced to drink and
socialize with different people
as the game moves on—it's
great, so talk to me if you're in-
terested.

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CHOOL NESS!

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How to Crash the Gate: A Guide To Partying Without Invitation

by Seth Fitter and Michele Dill

Spring semester is usually
the time for merrymaking and
partying, and I plan to do my
share. But when the guest list is
being formulated, my name is
frequently missing. Although I
am disappointed, I have
learned to circumnavigate
around such officiality. You
may ask how I do it; quite
simply, I crash.

What, pray tell, is crashing?
Essentially, crashing is an
ancient phenomenon of self-
invitation. Its official
definition is "(to) intrude upon
by entering without invitation
or credentials." (Webster's
New International Dictionary,
2d ed. 1947). Since crashing is
not limited to any social or
economic group of society,
here a few pointers for any

potential student crashers:

The most important factor in
any successful crash is the
element of surprise. Therefore,
the number of crashers should
be limited to no more than two
conspirators. It is also
important to know someone at
the party before you crash it.
You should never wear
outlandish clothes which
could possibly draw attention
to yourself. Finally, never
arrive early; you should always
be fashionably late.

Once the party has been
successfully crashed, the
crasher should act as any
normal party-goer. Mingling,
which is an art of timing and
conversation, is the key to any
successful crash. The skill of
mingling takes many years to
perfect, so don't be
discouraged if you don't fare
well in the beginning. Mingling
affords you the opportunity to
sample the food, beverages
and company. Remember to
maintain a *joie de vivre*

attitude and it will be easier to
circulate.

Finally, bidding adieu, (i.e.,
cutting out), should always be
effectuated with extreme
secrecy. Never thank the
host/ess. S/he might take
offense and most likely cause
an embarrassing scene,
damaging your future
reputation as a crasher. The
opposing minority rule
requires the crasher to
graciously thank the host/ess
for a lovely time. Compliment
him/her on his/her charming
house and say that you hope to
see him/her again. The
minority rule relies on the fact
that by the end of the party,
the host/ess is so inebriated,
the he/she either doesn't really
care that you crashed the
party, or is physically
incapable of causing an
embarrassing scene once he/she
realizes you have crashed the
party.

Follow the above steps
carefully. For the daring and
imaginative, improvise by
adding a dash of your own
panache.

Happy Partying!

To The Editor of
The Opinion:

We the **Betty Men Schevics** Seeking
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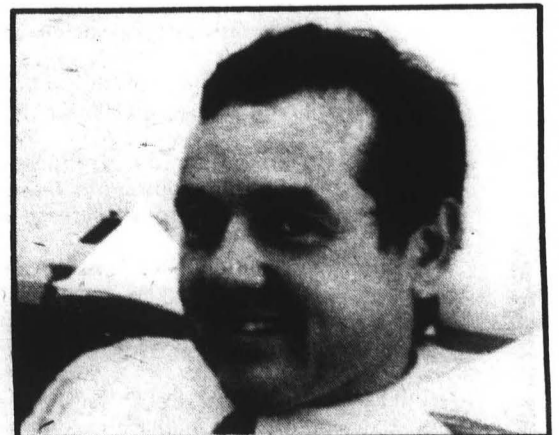
- 1 LAW GRADES are to be POSTed Within
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- 2 All Grades From Last semester must BE
up by February 20, 12:00 noon.
- 3 No undergraduates in the library or undergraduate classes scheduled in our classrooms.
- 4 SECTION 3 Classes Must BE held in
Moot Court room

if OUR Demands are Not MET We WILL
NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR The
CONSEQUENCES.

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A committee of students, who perform are anonymous, left the above
letter in our mailbox. It appears here without editorial comment.

Why Is This Man Smiling?



Law School Exams Schedule Still Not Settled

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that of the University's—which might, in turn, cause problems with the timing of commencement. There is no possibility of moving non-law classes out of O'Brian Hall completely, because of the shortage on the Amherst Campus of classrooms designed to hold 80 to 100 students. Vice President Wagner stated that the University is trying to offer more courses at this campus for students whose departments are here, and that this semester, 200 additional course sections were transferred to the Amherst Campus. In order to take students away from the disruption caused by the construction at the Main

Street Campus, more large classroom space had to be found at Amherst, and Wagner said that when law classes are not scheduled in O'Brian, "it is appropriate to consider its classrooms for other needs."

Wagner, Schlegel, and Dean Headrick all note that holding non-law classes in the building will continue, at least for the next few years. "I don't see how we are going to significantly change the pattern", said Wagner. Commented Headrick, "The real problem is not going to go away quickly...they built this campus without enough classroom space for the academic program they wanted to run. It was predic-

table." Headrick added that we can't just say "we're a law school, go take your classes somewhere else," because we are also part of this University. However, after a year's experience with holding non-law classes in the building, we may be able to handle the situation better, and take steps to minimize any adverse impact, Headrick said.

Schlegel reflected, "One is both a law school and a part of the University. There is a nice tension between having our own school, and being part of the University, but we can't eat our cake and have it too." Considering the impact of the undergraduate presence in O'Brian Hall on the building's

atmosphere, Schlegel added "I don't see any real solutions to a very real problem," commenting that we may find the Student Bar Association will play a more important part in the social aspect of the Law School, as our spirit "turns to live in frequent, cheap parties," off campus.

The Undergraduate Invasion

Law students seem almost unanimously opposed to the massive increase of undergraduate students in the hallways, and the scheduling of non-law classes in O'Brian. The complaints center not only on noisy and crowded conditions, but something intangible—the spirit, and atmosphere of the place.

"It was poor planning on the part of the University—they should have made an effort to preserve the atmosphere of the school, the camaraderie of misery loving company among law students", said third year student Jan Longe. She cited the crowds on the first floor and the impossibility of getting a seat on Baldy Bridge as two negative side-effects, adding "the Law School is losing its character and becoming like the rest of the University—a commuter school. It's getting to be a place where you bring your books to school, go to class, and go home." Discussing the exam scheduling problem, Longe said, "Exams already induce so much anxiety, that they should do everything they can to keep the original schedule."

Second year student Mark Maves added that he doesn't see any particular need for the University to schedule non-law classes in O'Brian, when other facilities are available on both campuses. Even if there is a shortage of large classrooms, Maves noted, "this is something they should have taken into account when they considered having classes of that size," on the Amherst Campus, and the problem can be avoided by hiring more teachers and having smaller sections.

An additional problem caused by scheduling non-law classes in O'Brian lecture rooms is that law professors can't even obtain a room to hold make-up classes in, Maves pointed out. This lack of space and resultant lack of scheduling flexibility reflects

"poorly on the school, and the accrediting agency may take a dim view of it," he said. Finally, considering a possible change in the exam schedule, Maves stated that since law students were required to register for classes with the schedule in mind, "they won't be holding up their part of the bargain if they change the exam schedule," after students have registered in reliance upon it.

An Unconstitutional Taking

"I believe it constitutes a taking within the meaning of the Fifth and First Amendments," says second year student Marc Garber, concurring in the negative conclusions of his colleagues. "I recall as an undergraduate, the awestruck feeling I had when I walked into the Law School, the feeling of power that invaded the halls. There's been kind of an escape of that feeling of power, it's seeped through the doors." Garber joked that the undergraduates "have a terrible attitude—they think they're my equal." Garber added that when the Law School was being built on the Amherst Campus, Law School representatives were adamant that it maintain its autonomy; the scheduling of undergraduate classes here "is an invasion of that autonomy." Considering the crowds in the hallway and in the library Garber concluded "I'm one of the great leftists in the Law School, and I believe in sharing the wealth, but not with ingrates like the undergraduates."

Focusing on the practical problems caused by the influx of students to the campus, third year student David Marcus remarked that there's a problem because the facilities can't handle the sheer number of people using them—particularly the parking lots and cafeteria. Marcus also noted that something had been lost, "a cohesiveness, the feeling that you knew everybody. We're becoming alienated." Added second year student Joe Coleman, "Just trying to navigate the halls is difficult," and while undergraduates are certainly welcome to use facilities in the Law Library that are unavailable elsewhere, it would be nice if the Law School had been built off the academic spine, instead of interconnected to it.

Culinary Counsel: Hawaiian Style Chinese Chicken

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nifer's Hawaiian Style Chinese Bull Chicken.

There is no reason to feel intimidated at this point—even those of you who have trouble setting the oven temperature to heat up your frozen pot pie can deal with this one. Keeping in mind those prophetic words of Lucretius in *De Rerum Natura* (Bk. iv)—"What is food to one man may be fierce poison to others"—I offer this tasty recipe. You will need the following ingredients (the amounts of which depend on how much you think you can eat):

- 1) A nice sized chicken;
- 2) Some onions;
- 3) A bunch of mushrooms;
- 4) A pretty big green bell pepper (as suggested by "The Bull");
- 5) Terriaki or soy sauce (I never could tell the difference);
- 6) Some crushed pineapple;
- 7) Some sugar;
- 8) Some vegetable oil;
- 9) Salt, MSG, pepper and whatever other spices you have a lot of in your spice rack;
- 10) What's left of that bottle of wine you didn't quite finish last weekend;
- 11) Some rice;
- 12) Some water.

After you have gathered all of the ingredients together, follow this procedure:

1) Start the rice. I usually use a double boiler, using twice as much water as rice and a dash

of salt. Let it cook for about an hour on medium heat. If you are using a pot which is not made of teflon or Silver Stone, you might want to put a very thin coating of oil in the pot to prevent the rice from sticking (I always use one of my teflon pots, though, so I don't have to worry about this).

2) Boil the hell out of the chicken.

3) While steps one and two are going on without any assistance from you, chop up the pepper, onions, and mushrooms into little pieces.

4) When you're finished boiling the hell out of the chicken, slice off all the poultry and chop it into little pieces.

5) Take out a big frying pan and put all of the ingredients into it (except for the rice). Bring it to a boil and then turn the heat down a bit. By the time most of the liquid is boiled off, the rice should be ready.

6) To serve—Throw the rice on a plate and then dump the chicken stuff on top of it. If you want to, you can have a vegetable, a salad, and something to drink with it (though quite frankly, I couldn't care less what you have with it). Now eat it (and don't forget to clean up afterwards).

Now, wasn't that easy—and incredibly delicious? Of course it was.

The only issue that remains involves the meaning of that

rather thought provoking name given to this thrilling culinary treat:

1) Andy's Version—Well, I had to get my name into it somewhere.

2) Jennifer's— I always give credit where credit is due, so I'm willing to leave the originator's name in the title (though after I told her what I had done to her recipe she denied all responsibility).

3) Hawaiian Style—There is pineapple in it.

4) Chinese—Remember that terriaki sauce you spashed in?

5) Bull—One of the people I share an apartment with said to me after I once made this mouth-watering meal, "Next time try putting some green pepper in it." I did so and thereafter have included his name, "Bull," in the title.

6) Chicken—You did remember to put the—chicken in, didn't you? If not, maybe that's why it tasted funny.

Andy's Version of Jennifer's Hawaiian Style Chinese Bull Chicken, is obviously, therefore, a combination of culinary concepts which no one individual can (or would most likely want to) take credit for. It represents nothing less than a beautiful union of artistic ideas brought together for your eating enjoyment. Feel free to indulge at will, for as it is written in the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 12, Verse 13, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we shall die."

SBA Passes New Resolution Resolution Opposing SUNY Tuition Increases

WHEREAS it is the objective of the SUNY at Buffalo, Faculty of Law and Jurisprudence to afford educational opportunities to persons from all segments of our pluralistic society in order that the legal profession may be broadly representative of the society at large;

WHEREAS the students at the SUNY at Buffalo, School of Law have already suffered a tuition increase of \$600 for the 1983/84 year over the 1982/83 year;

WHEREAS Governor Cuomo has proposed a tuition increase for law students proportional to his proposed increase of \$200 for undergraduate students which would amount to an increase of approximately \$400;

WHEREAS these tuition increases substantially impair the ability of the SUNY at Buffalo, Faculty of Law and Jurisprudence to fulfill its mission by limiting access to public legal education to only those who can afford the ever increasing cost;

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State Bar Argues for Increased Court Funding

The New York State Bar Association is calling on the Governor and the Legislature to provide proper funding in the new state budget to enable the courts to handle their mounting caseloads and serve the needs of the people for timely justice.

Over 2.2 million cases were disposed of in New York State in 1982 alone, an increase of about 10 percent over 1981 so support for the budget requests of the New York State Unified Court System is imperative, NYSBA President Haliburton Fales said on January 30, 1984 at a press conference in Albany, presented jointly with the New York State Trial Lawyers Association and the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York. The three Associations stressed the common concerns of the bar to assure that the courts adequately meet the needs of society, the criminal justice system, and individual litigants.

"It is our practical observation that in many parts of the State the court dockets are so crowded that the time to get to trial is long and resources must be wasted in determining who gets the chance for a trial part. This reduces the incentive for settlements and pleas and further congests the system. There just have to be more trial parts available in the metropolitan areas," they said.

These needs are documented in a study commissioned by the NYSBA and prepared by the National Center for State Courts to

evaluate the Court System's budget requests in light of current court conditions and caseloads.

"The understanding and support of the Legislative and Executive branches are crucial to the success of the Judicial Branch," Fales said, pointing out that although the court system needs but a small segment of the state budget, the Judicial Branch is a co-equal branch of government with a critical role to play. "The judiciary is not like an Executive Branch agency, but is a constitutionally established separate branch of government with unique obligations and responsibilities. Its workload is not self-determined or controllable. Case filings are determined by police or prosecutor activity, new legislation, changes in the economy and the proclivity of persons to litigate—all beyond the control of the judiciary," he said.

The Court System's general fund request of \$610.1 million includes an increase of \$54.4 million over the current fiscal year; \$49.4 million of this sum is for legislatively-approved collective bargaining raises and benefits for non-judicial clerical and uniformed personnel, and to cover the effects of inflation on non-personal and court-related services.

Expanding Critical Areas

A further \$5 million of the general fund request is designated for new or expanded activities which address

critical areas. Fales specifically cited funding for 10 more desperately needed Housing Court Judges in New York City to handle cases involving such basic human concerns as having a warm and decent place to live. "Tell people who are being evicted that they must wait to have their cases heard, and you will see what not having enough judges means in basic human terms," Fales said. The Housing Court is the center of a new battle between landlords who, under legislative encouragement from the new July 1982 conversion law, try to convert real estate from rental status to cooperative or condominium ownership and tenants who want to remain in decent housing. Given the stakes involved the issue of whether the landlord's oil supplier goofed or whether the landlord is trying to drive the tenants out is not a petty squabble.

In addition to the Court System's general fund request, \$69.58 million is being sought to fund three areas critical to the continued functioning of the court—appointment of additional judges, improvement of court facilities and judicial salary increases.

Filling Judgeships

Some \$10.1 million of the \$69.58 million is requested to fill 30 judgeships—19 in the Court of Claims and 11 in the New York City Civil Court—which were previously authorized by the Legislature in 1982, but went unfilled by Governor Carey. With respect

to these positions, Fales said "there are simply not enough judges to do the job, and these positions are sorely needed to prevent the ever-mounting caseload from becoming jammed at the courtroom door."

Increasing Judicial Salaries

The Court System has also requested \$20 million for judicial salary increases. Pointing to the report of the Temporary Legislative Commission on Judicial Compensation, Fales noted that judges have been left behind in salary increases. "Since 1975 Executive Branch salaries have gone up 100 percent, judicial salaries only 33 percent," he said.

Recently, there were 78 persons in the Executive Branch who made more than a Judge of the Court of Appeals. Now there are more than 110 County employees in Nassau County alone who earn more than a Justice of the Supreme Court. "The judges deserve a salary increase," he said.

Fales referred to the study commissioned by the NYSBA which indicated that New York's judiciary must attract and retain members of the highest caliber if justice is to

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The Latino, Asian, and Native American Law Students Association is happy to announce that elections for Board Member positions were held on February 1, 1984.

The results of these elections are as follows:

- ★ **Alberto Benitez** President
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SUMMER PROGRAMS ABROAD

The ILS is currently compiling a file on summer programs in international and comparative law. The following is a sampling of what is available for this summer. In most instances students wishing to participate must have completed at least one year of study at an accredited institution by this summer and must currently be in good standing.

University of Santa Clara Law School

Geneva/Strasbourg—emphasis on public international law, humanitarian and human rights law;

Tokyo—emphasis on comparative and international trade law;

Oxford—emphasis on comparative law (tutorial)

Hong Kong—emphasis on trade and commercial law

These are generally six-week programs of moderate cost, (Santa Clara tuition plus room

and board plus air fare). Additionally, internships may be set by the student for up to two extra credits.

University of San Diego Law School

Paris—commercial law

London—commercial law

Russia/Poland—East-West Relations, Socialist theory

Mexico City—commercial, immigration law

Oxford—mix

Dublin—mix, human rights law

Temple University Law School

Athens, Rome, Tel Aviv—primary focus in each is comparative/international law, but each session is also integrated with the host country's legal institutions.

University of the Pacific, McGeorge Law School

Edinburgh—International Business Transactions

Salzburg—International Legal studies

Budapest—East-West Relations

All are three-week sessions.

Other programs with McGeorge offer the possibility of post-JD study as well as internships with foreign legal operations of public agencies, company legal departments, or private firms located in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Scotland, or Switzerland.

Some other programs being offered this year include two three-week sessions on private and public international law at the Hague Academy of International Law (scholarships available in certain instances). Southwestern University School of Law is offering a six week program at Zhongshan (Sun Yatsen) University in the city of Guangzhou (Canton) China, focusing on international trade law. The University of Houston Law Center is offering a month-long Mexican Legal Studies Program in Mexico City. Also, the University of San Francisco Law School is again offering its program at Trinity College, the University of Dublin, focusing this year on individual rights and liberties, labor law, comparative labor law, and evidence.

Since these programs are ABA approved, participants may receive anywhere from three to six credits (eight with an additional internship) in many instances transferrable to a degree of Juris Doctor. Residency credit, however,

should be taken up with the administration separately, as it is not automatically granted.

On Thursday, February 23, the ILS will sponsor an open house for all those students interested in studying abroad this summer. (Room 113 from 12 to 3:00 in the afternoon.)

FILOMENA CLAROS

The recent kidnapping of Salvadorean law student Filomena Claros is an issue that we, as fellow law students, should take to heart. As some already know, Claros, the secretary-general of the law students' association at the University of San Salvador, was abducted by unknown persons while walking in downtown San Salvador. There is evidence that she had been receiving threats for some time, as a result of her work at the law school. A form letter requesting that steps be taken to secure her release—or at the very least to make publicly known her present physical condition—is available at the ILS Office. Please find the time to stop by and send one out.

JESSUP COMPETITION

The ILS regrets to announce that due to a mix-up on its part, SUNY Buffalo will not be among the participants at this year's Jessup International Moot Court Competition. Although a team had already been selected (Mary Gehl, Pat Higgins, and Craig Shields), the entrance fee was not submitted on time and as such we have been denied the opportunity to participate in this year's event. The situation is especially regrettable in light of the past experiences U/B teams have had, not only in preparing themselves for the competition but in meeting other students interested in international law. We would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere apology to the team members and all others who took the time out from busy schedules to submit casenotes.

That's Entertainment Choose a Cultural Diversion

Wednesday, February 15

Music:

The celebrated **Cleveland String Quartet**, formerly in residence at UB, now at the Eastman School in Rochester, continues the annual Snee Beethoven String Quartet Cycle, 8:00 P.M., Snee Concert Hall, Amherst campus. The quartet, playing of four Stradivariuses owned by Paganini and now in the permanent collection of the Corcoran Gallery, will perform **Quartet No. 5, Op. 18, No. 5 in A major and Quartet No. 13, op. 130 in B-flat major**. Quartet members are Peter Salaff and Donald Weilerstein, violins, Atar Arad, Viola, and Paul Katz, cello. Tickets at \$6, general admission, and \$2, students, available in advance at Harriman Hall Ticket Office, Main Street campus, 8 Capen Hall, Amherst campus and at the door.

Opus: Classics Live, broadcast live over WBFO (FM 88): Flutist Rhonda Schwartz, guitarist Leslie Kainz and Pianist Barbara Wagner, perform works by Poulenc, Ibert, Giuliana and Demillac, at 8:00 p.m., Allen Recital Hall, first floor Allen Hall, Main Street campus.

Thursday, February 16

Dance:

The **Zodiaque Dance Company** opens a show of new works choreographed by company directors Linda Swiniuch and Tom Ralabate, along with Tressa Gorman, Eileen Lamber, Katherine Arnott, Terry Ann Umanoff, Susan Gordon and Lynne Kurdziel-Formate, at 8:00 p.m., U B Center Theatre 681 Main Street, Buffalo, The production, which marks the tenth anniversary of the company, is entitled "Fantasy," and features works set to a variety of composers and wide-ranging themes and artistic inspirations. Tickets at \$6, general admission, and \$4, students, available at all Ticketron outlets and at the door.

Photography Exhibit

Opening:

A show of theatre and dance photographs by Irene Haupt opens with the beginning of the Zodiaque Dance Company's tenth anniversary show, Center Theatre Lobby, 681 Main Street Buffalo. Haupt is a noted area theatre and dance photographer whose photos have appeared in the **New York Times** and **Saturday Review**, as well as in many

Buffalo publications including many published by U B, where she does frequent freelance work.

Lecture:

Photographer Susan Eder, whose photos are being exhibited in the "Common Demoninators" show in Bethune Gallery will discuss her work at 8:00 p.m., in the gallery, 2917 Main Street near Hertel.

Walter Fauntroy, Non-voting representative of Washington D.C. in the U.S. Congress and civil rights leader, is tentatively set to speak at 7:00 p.m., Snee Concert Hall, Amherst campus, in a "Black History Month" event sponsored by the Black Student Union. Admission, \$5.00, Students; \$1, non-students.

Film:

Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence, 4:30, 7:00 and 9:30 p.m., Woldman Theatre, Norton Hall, Amherst campus. Admission, first show only, \$1.50, students; \$2.50, non-students. Later screenings, \$1.75, students; \$2.50 non-students.

Friday, February 17

Lecture:

Paul Sharits, professor in the U B Center for Media Study, and an internationally known filmmaker, will lecture on surrealist painters Marcel Duchamp, Salvador Dali and Man Ray and will screen a film by each, 8:30 p.m., Albright-Knox Art Gallery Auditorium. Part of the "Evenings for New Film" series sponsored by the gallery. Sharits is also a painter and sculptor whose works have been exhibited at the Albright-Knox and at the Whitney Museum in New York.

Dance:

The **Zodiaque Dance Company** presents "Fantasy," 8:00 p.m., U B Center Theatre, 681 Main Street, Buffalo. See February 16 listing for details.

Music:

The **Buffalo Baroque Ensemble**, formed in 1983 and dedicated to the performance of music of the baroque and classical periods, performs works by J.S. Bach, Telemann and Couperin, along with works by lesser-known composers, at 8:00 p.m., Katharine Cornell Theatre, Ellicott Complex, Amherst campus. The ensemble uses period instruments; members are Deborah Greitzer, baroque violin, Joyce Phillips, baroque flute, Nancy Bren, viola da

gamba, Robert Klakowich, harpsichord, Jocelyn Alaimo, soprano, and John Kascprowicz, tenor. Tickets at \$5, general admission; and \$2 students, are available at Harriman Hall Ticket Office, Main Street campus, 8 Capen Hall, Amherst campus, all Ticketron outlets and Black Mountain College II offices, 451 Porter Quadrangle, Ellicott Complex, Amherst campus.

Film:

Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence, 4:30, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m., Woldman Theatre, Norton Hall, Amherst campus. See February 16 listing for details.

Three films: **Third From the Sun, A Passage for Trumpet and Girl with Hungry Eyes**, Midnight, Woldman Theatre, Norton Hall, Amherst campus. Admission, \$1.75, students; \$2.50, non-students.

Saturday, February 18

Cultural Festival:

Chinese Night, cultural program offered by the Chinese Student Association, 8:00 p.m., Snee Concert Hall, Amherst campus. Admission. For information, call 636-5417.

Dance:

The UB Zodiaque Dance Company presents "Fantasy" at 3:00 and 8:00 p.m., Center Theatre, 681 Main Street, Buffalo, See February 16 listing for details.

Film:

Twilight Zone, 4:30, 7:00 and 9:30 p.m., Woldman Theatre, Norton Hall, Amherst campus. Admission, first show only \$1.50, students; \$2.50, non-students. Later screening, \$1.75, students; \$2.50, non-students.

Three films: **Third from the Sun, A Passage for Trumpet, and Girl with Hungry Eyes**, Midnight, Woldman Theatre, Norton Hall, Amherst campus. See February 17 listing for details.

Sunday, February 19

Dance: The UB Zodiaque Dance Company presents "Fantasy" at 3:00 p.m., UB Center Theatre, 681 Main Street, Buffalo. See February 16 listing for details.

Music: Marjorie Lord, pianist, gives a M.F.A. recital at 8:00 p.m., Baird Recital Hall, Room 250, Baird Hall, Amherst campus.

Film: **Twilight Zone**, 4:30, 7:00 and 9:30 p.m., Woldman Theatre, North Hall, Amherst campus. See February 19 listing for details.

State Bar Argues For Court Funding

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be administered competently and fairly to all litigants. The study recognized New York's current fiscal concerns, but stated that the people would be the ultimate beneficiary of actions taken by the Legislature to ensure a fairly compensated judiciary. "Viewed in this manner," the study said, "judicial salary increases are a sound investment toward the maintenance of a sound judicial system responsive to the needs of the people."

To face the mounting caseload, the courts have been shifting resources, through such programs as the transfer of judges to New York City and from civil to criminal calendars. "But shifting judges from a busy court to a busier one merely defers problems, and emphasizing criminal case dispositions penalizes the average civil litigant," the study pointed out.

"It is simply not enough to tell the courts that they must do things better and faster. Confidence that a co-equal

branch of government can carry out its mission is best demonstrated by approving a budget which has been reasonably justified," the study concluded.

"The Governor claims the judges should do more with less, and they have," said Fales. "We are now at a point where there are so many cases clamoring to be heard that it is hard to get anything done," he added, noting that "it is impossible to try 2,245,000 cases a year; but if only a very small portion gets reached for trial, nobody settles and nobody pleads. Instead they make motions and add to the burdens of the courts. We are getting to that kind of grid lock." He pointed out that judges cannot refuse to take cases because they are too busy and they cannot give less than due process to litigants.

"The bar is adamant that the courts be no longer starved for funds—1.5 percent of the state budget is too little to accord to the third branch of government," Fales concluded.

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Today's NBA Stars Superior to Yesteryear's

by Randy Donatelli

Baseball fans often argue that the ball players of yesteryear are better than the players of today. Others have been heard to say "Ty Cobb would only be a .320 hitter if he played today" and "the '76 Reds could take the '27 Yankees in four straight." Both sides in these debates can make persuasive arguments, but the same cannot be said if the topic of the debate is pro basketball. There is absolutely no doubt that the quality of today's players, on the whole, is far superior than that of players of thirty, twenty, or even ten years ago. If you have ever seen films of NBA games of twenty years ago, then you will no doubt agree with my claims.

An obvious change in the quality of the game is displayed in the increase in player size over the years. Thirty years ago the average player was 6'3"; today the average height is 6'7". Let's face it, basketball is a big man's game, and big players more often than not can dominate smaller players. Today, players 6'7" and taller play the guard position with ball-handling and shooting skills that would make the "skilled little men" of bygone days envious.

Today's player is far superior in the category of pure athletic ability, particularly in the area of jumping ability. Recently, there has been talk of raising the rim to twelve feet or even

higher. No such talk was heard around the NBA years ago. Today's players are so big and jump so well that dunking the ball through a ten foot hoop is not as challenging as it used to be.

Shooting Averages

Not only are today's players bigger, stronger, faster, and better jumpers than the old-time players, they are also far better shooters. It is time that we examined some statistics that pretty much speak for themselves. In 1954 the league shooting average was a composite .371, with the high team at .400, and not a single player in the league shot .500 or better. In 1964 the league average stood at .433, with the high team at .453, and only three players shot better than .500 that year. By 1974 the league average had risen to .455, with the high team at .492. Today, the league average is .497 and many teams shoot better than .500. In fact, about half of today's players shoot .500 or better, including many guards who rarely take inside shots. The phenomenon of guards shooting this well dates back only a few years. Those who claim that they played "better defense in the old days simply ignore the fact that the league shooting average has increased virtually every year since the birth of the NBA.

Free-throw percentages are the most objective of statistics because success has nothing to do with exceptional size, speed or other assets of today's

players, but even still, these percentages have risen steadily and significantly over the years. So, can there be any doubt that today's players are better shooters?

Celts: Case in Point

Allow me to make one more comparison. Let's match up the NBA champs of '73-'74, the Boston Celtics, with the '83-'84 Celtics, to further support my claim that the quality of play has continually increased to the extent that there has been a noticeable improvement even in the last ten years. At center the '74 Celtics had Dave Cowens, the '84 Celtics have Robert Parish. Cowens was a fierce competitor and a great player by anyone's standards but, at 6'9", he would be too short to play center in the NBA today. Parish is 7'0" and is a better shooter and shot-blocker than Cowens ever was. I'll concede John Havlicek at forward over Cedric Maxwell but at power forward Larry Bird is better than Don Nelson and Paul Silas combined. I would even claim that Bird is a better small forward than Havlicek was. Bird is a better shooter, he is the best passing forward in the history of the game, and he is four inches taller than Havlicek. Even though the Celtic guards of '84 are not spectacular, they are at least as good as Don Chaney and Jo Jo White. In addition the '84 Celtics can bring the great Kevin McHale off the bench to play forward or center. The '74 Celtics had such losers as Henry Finkel and

Jim Ard to come off their bench to spell Cowens and co. In short, today's Celtics could blow the '74 Celtics right off

the court, not to mention what would happen if a team of today played any team from 1964 or 1954.

Wrestling Fever — It's Contagious

by Pudge Meyer

Yes sir, I'm on my way. I've finally landed solid on the first rung of that infamous ladder that leads up to success. The first rung is called Recognition, and the second is Respect. The cash is on the third rung. A three-rung ladder may seem easy to climb, yet the rungs are so very far apart.

My recognition has come thanks to the most aristocratic of sports: Professional Wrestling. People from all walks of life have approached me with such news as "I saw wrestling over the vacation" and "What do you think of the new champ?" It is then that I became wrestling's Ambassador to Buffalo.

Recognition isn't always a good thing. Of course, it's nice to walk into a place to get a haircut and have a half-dozen people yell "It's him—the wrestling guy!" But it gets to be a pain having to answer questions while I'm getting a shampoo. At least they could wait until I get in the chair. And even today, in 1984, there are the two in ten who for some reason or another still refuse to recognize wrestling as the great sport that it is. To this group I can only say this: sooner or later we're gonna getcha.

I can sense that I'm approaching rung number two in the race for wrestling respect.

On Tuesday night, February 7, at the Buffalo Aud, no fewer than twenty-nine people (not including undergrads) joined me at ringside. I get great satisfaction accompanying first-time viewers. Sometimes they said "It's so much better than on t.v." But usually they just sat there with their mouths open. And by the third match they were screaming as loud as I was at the collection of talent that graced the Queen City that fine Tuesday evening. What have we done to deserve the presence of Andre the Giant, Ivan Putski, Santana, Murraco, Atlas, Johnson, Fuji, Saito, the Sargeant, the Superstar? But don't answer—you also get a midjet tag team match. Now how much is it worth? The price of a movie? Three movies? And wait—I'll throw in a free program. You get all this for \$7-\$9. And the best part is, it's not a once-in-a-lifetime offer.

Boxer Shorts

Donald Curry looked impressive in his win over Marlon "Lone Star" Stirling to retain his WBA Welterweight crown. The victory was worth \$250,000 and a chance for big money against Hearn or Duran...

...Whether or not it will happen, you've got to like Hagler: "If Leonard's stupid enough to climb into the ring with me, I'm mean enough to tear his eye out."

Advocates On Ice *** Still In First ***

by Al Bozer

Wheatfield, Feb. 6--Advocates on Ice, the official law school hockey team, this evening pushed its season record to 5 wins and 1 loss with a win over the unmentionable No Names. By a tight score of 2-1, Capt. Al ("Ironman") Bozer and his Advocates retained their tight hold on first place going into the last two games of the season.

"The issue was in doubt to the end," remarked Capt. Bozer. "It was only the fine work of Tom ("Sterling Nets") Grue that kept us in there. One seldom sees such acrobatic actions; he bounced from pole-to-pole like Schlegel on a good day."

The game started off with fine forechecking by the law school ice heroes. Forwards Ken Moscovitz and Bob Spagenthal kept the pressure on the No Names so that the puck was rarely out of their end. Meanwhile, left-winger Jim ("Pinko") Navaugh picked up the scoring slack left by injured center Kevin ("Gretzky") Szanyi. Navaugh scored twice on nearly-impossible angles. "The guys were encouraging me," said Navaugh. "I had to come

through. Capt. Bozer in particular was kicking my ass to score because I've had a dry spell."

Indeed, it appeared that Capt. Bozer had his team at a frenzied level of intensity. Paul ("The Silent One") McGrath several times led rushes down the ice, while Pete ("Man Mountain") Bradley played his usual solid game of defense. Problems appeared when Jack (La) Lane was ejected twice and the Advocates were forced to play short. "I thought those calls were out of hand," said (La) Lane. "They were definitely premature ejections." Even so, the defense held strong and allowed only one power play goal by the No Names.

In the last few minutes of the game, the Advocates started to let up. Grue found the puck being batted around with their sticks up, failing to handle the situation," said Grue. "The other team kept trying to shove the puck past the goalmouth. I dropped on my knees and pushed it out several times, and the final thrusts were ours."

The Advocates look forward to their next two games. They will be home at Sabreland. Student attendance is encouraged.

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