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Battling the bursting library blues

\$6 million plan addresses crowded conditions, lack of climate control

By John Sutherland

It is a madhouse just inside the heavy wooden front doors.

A dozen students press against the worn circulation desk, seeking some of the reserve books crammed into a stuffy room located to the left of the counter. Flashes of harsh light bounce off of the right side of the lobby's white ceiling as the two photocopy machines, only partly hidden by a partition, spring to life. Library staff members snake their way through the students, pushing battered carts filled with books awaiting delivery to their familiar homes. A tour group of 20 new students picks its way through the bedlam.

Welcome to just another typical day at USD's Law Library, a three-story facility built in 1958 to provide quarters for the San Diego College for Men.

Today the 30-year-old library is nearly bursting at the seams. More than 1,000 law school students pack the facility each semester at all hours of the day and night. Paralegal students and hundreds of members of the San Diego legal community annually take advantage of the library's holdings and services as well. Library staff members — despite being handicapped by some outdated equipment located in inefficient workstations — strive to provide efficient and personal service to users. Upstairs, on the third floor, law faculty work in antiquated offices.

A closer look at the rest of the facility reveals the shortcomings that result from housing the library in a building it has outgrown. Suddenly it's easy to understand why Law Library Director and professor Nancy Carter and Law School officials are eager to raise \$6 million to completely renovate and expand the library.



These Illinois Reports are some of the most graphic evidence of the toll the lack of climate control wreaks on the Law Library's \$1 million book collection.

Pass through the lobby's double glass doors into the heart of the library and note the group of students sprawled on the floor. They're reposing in the main aisle because lingering between the tightly packed bookshelves is conducive only to feelings of claustrophobia.

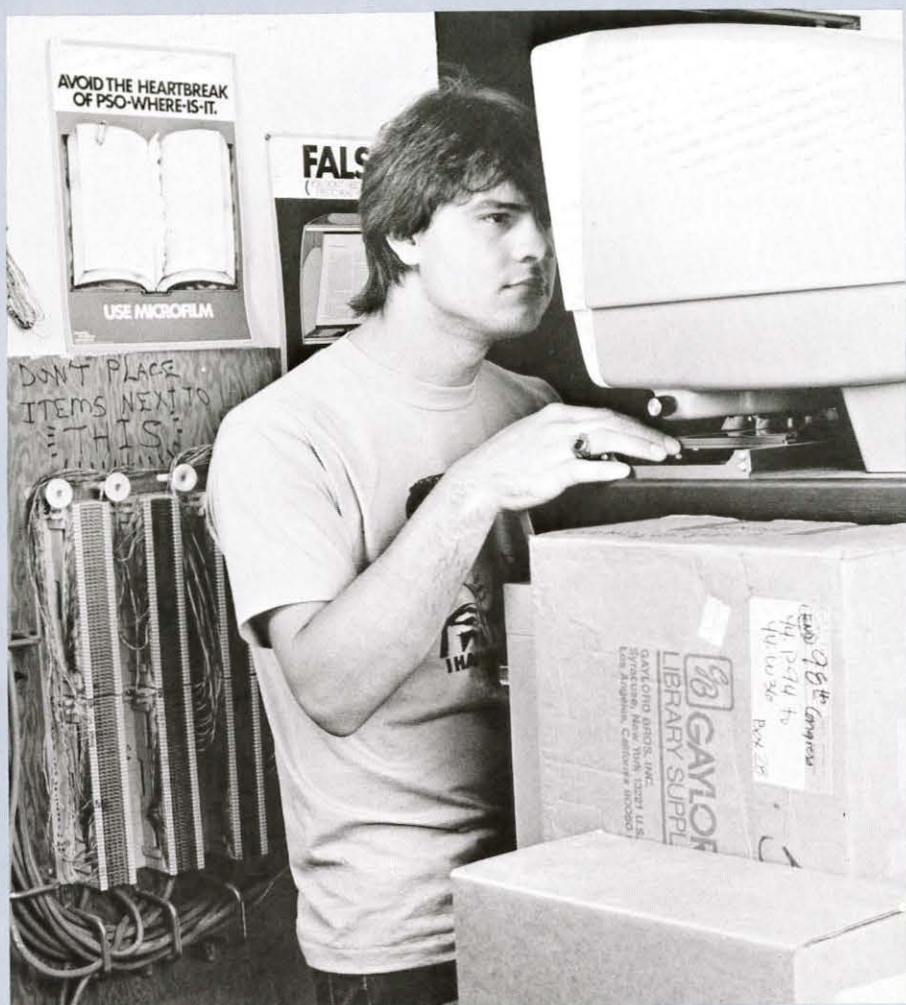
See the books stacked on top of some bookcases? They're there because all the available shelf space has been devoured.

The plastic laminated study carrels sit

largely unused, too small to accommodate the stacks of books most students require during study sessions.

And don't miss the roaring five-foot tall fans scattered throughout the library to circulate air because the building lacks a climate control system — bringing not only discomfort to students during hot weather, but ruination to the library's permanent residents — its books.

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Most of the library's microform collection is stored in this room, which includes a leaky ceiling and a bank of exposed telephone wiring.

Library blues

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In fact, preservation of the library's 243,000-volume collection through installation of a climate control system ranks as Carter's first priority when she considers all of the facility's shortcomings.

"The toll that sun, heat, dirt and high humidity have taken on the book stock of this library is incalculable," she wrote in the library's 1986-87 annual report. "It is safe to say that every piece of paper and every binding in this library will have a shorter life as a result of the physical storage conditions in this building."

Book disintegration is a topic of major concern among librarians across the country, explains Carter. The source of the problem is the high acid content of paper used for book printing during the past 100 years.

"Untold numbers of books already have crumbled to dust on library

shelves," she says. "Preservation experts now concede that all books cannot be saved, but simply moving books into clean, air-conditioned space with sunlight and humidity controls will greatly extend the life of acid-based paper."

Georgia Briscoe, head of technical services, relates a story about the green mold that grew on some of the library's books four years ago because of the lack of climate control.

"It's always hot during the summer, so we leave the windows open at night," she explains. "The humid air, combined with some sprinklers turned on near the windows, created ideal conditions for the mold. We actually assigned a student — who became known as Mr. Mold — to spend a whole summer scrubbing the damaged books with a Lysol solution."

"The addition of a climate control system through this project will not only preserve the collection from mildew and heat, but also provide a comfortable

temperature for humans," Carter adds.

Alleviating the library's basic overcrowding is another of the library director's priorities. That need also is a major focus of the \$6 million construction plan, which — with the completion of a three-story, five-level addition at the back of the current facility — will more than double the library's square footage.

"We have relocated books from the collection and stored them in Guadalupe Hall and Copley Library," Carter says. "We're far short of adequate space to meet students' computer, research and study needs. An invaluable microform collection is stored in such an out-of-the-way and inadequate space that a lot of people don't even know it exists."

When construction is completed, all of those deficiencies will be corrected. The library will be completely cabled to meet all computer needs. More than 200 computer-ready study carrels with electrical outlets and individual study lights will be installed.



The aisles between stacks offer little space for comfortable skimming of materials.

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The reserve collection will become a largely self-service area, reducing the amount of time librarians spend pulling items from the reserve shelves. Statistics indicate that almost 84,000 items were manually retrieved from reserve for students last year. One library assistant calculated she walked some 12 miles during a typical day on the job.

New lighting and furniture designed for libraries will reduce eyestrain and backaches. Six seminar/group study rooms and office space for the Law School's research centers now housed in Guadalupe Hall will be created.

Does it all sound too good to be true?

Not to Carter, who sees a first-rate library as critical to providing a strong foundation for a USD legal education. "I can't stress often enough how critical this project is to the future of the law school. As former Dean Sheldon Krantz said, 'This effort is the most important issue in the history of the law school.'"

Site preparation for the addition currently is under way at the back of the library. Finalization of a 30-month construction period is pending, awaiting the results of a fund raising effort now in progress that has raised some \$2.2 million.



Site preparation began during the summer for construction of a three-story, five-level addition at the back of the Law Library. The addition will more than double the square footage of the facility.

Fund raising effort pushes forward

The fund raising campaign for the Legal Research Center continues to move forward.

Responses from law alumni, parents, law firms and friends contacted to date have been very encouraging, reports Gray, Cary, Ames & Frye managing partner Josiah L. Neeper, chairman of the fund raising effort. Those who have not yet been contacted about supporting this im-

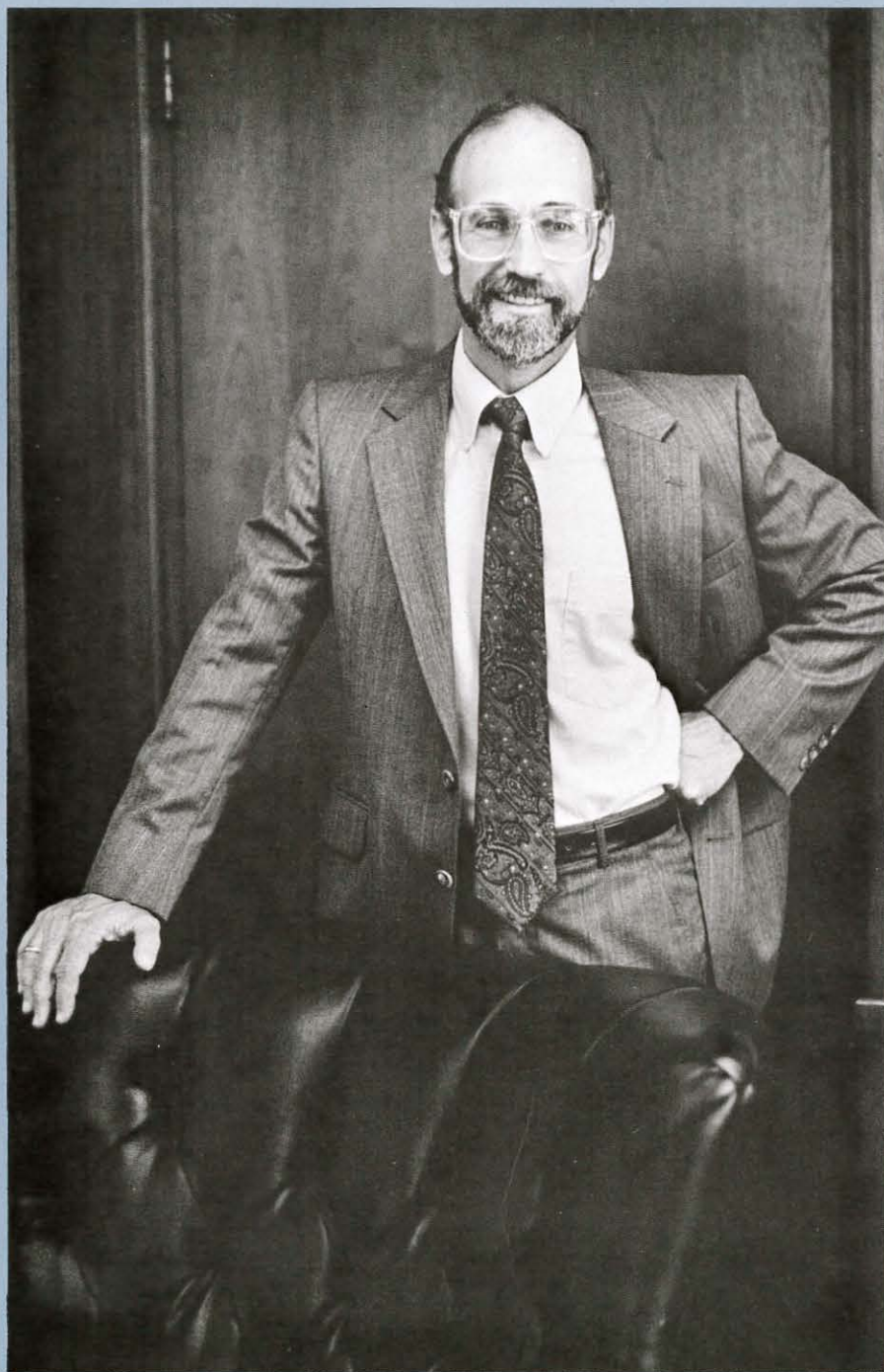
portant project can expect to hear from Law School representatives in the near future.

Higgs, Fletcher and Mack is the latest San Diego firm to make a major gift. A number of others are considering a pledge. A breakdown of gifts to date by source follows:

Foundations	\$750,000
Corporations/Firms	128,500
Trustees/Faculty/Staff	550,000
Government	372,091
Individuals	400,000
	<u>\$2.2 million</u>

Energy and enthusiasm

Morris exhibits plenty of both while pinch-hitting as dean



Grant Morris eyes the Law School's future with an upbeat attitude.

By John Sutherland

He's enthusiastic, energetic and deeply committed to USD's Law School. His personal motto might be "Go for the gusto." He's also either courageous or unwise, depending upon one's perspective, for agreeing to serve as an acting dean during a year that promises to be one of the most critical in the school's 34-year history.

But regardless of how a casual observer of the law school scene weighs the pros and cons of Grant Morris' ascendancy to the dean's office for the current academic year, one observation outweighs all others after spending time with him: it's difficult not to like the man.

For whether he's talking about the reform of legal education, mental health issues or the latest faculty softball competition, Morris' personal style reflects a small town friendliness and casualness that shatters the stereotypical image of a frowning law school dean ensconced behind an imposing oak desk. It's a style that makes visitors to his office as well as students in his classes want to kick off their shoes and join Morris in his "living room" style approach to daily matters.

"Enthusiasm is one of my strong points," he says, seated on a couch in his office with one foot propped on a coffee table. "I like people. I'm trying in a genuine way to get people enthused and committed to this place and the educational process." Generating enthusiasm comes in handy when Morris eyeballs his top priority for the year: finding some \$4 million from alumni and the community to add to the \$2.2 million already in the bank to pay for a major expansion and renovation of the Law School Library.

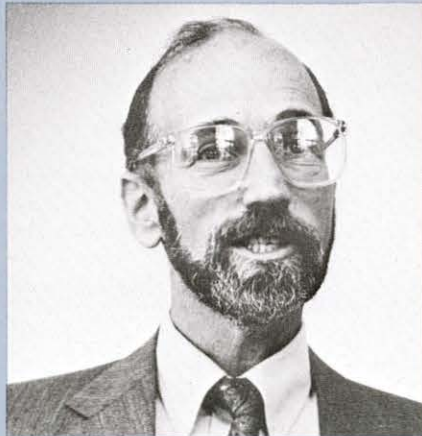
"Our library represents a major problem of crisis proportions," he says, the gleam momentarily gone from his eyes. Quickly turning optimist again, he adds:

"I like people. I'm trying in a genuine way to get people enthused and committed to this place and the educational process."

"It's also a tremendous opportunity. We're already in the top 50 law schools nationally. We need to successfully complete this project to enable our law school to move to an even higher echelon of distinction."

The project has taken on crisis-like proportions because the school must tell an American Bar Association accreditation committee in October 1989 that the crowded library conditions and lack of climate control have been eliminated. The threat to accreditation adds greater urgency to the search for funds, which will pay for a five-level addition to be built at the back of the current library, followed by a major renovation of the existing structure. (See related story.)

During the year ahead Morris also intends to devote his seemingly endless energy to improving the Law School's focus on teaching and testing. "We need to bring rational sense to the studies of second and third year law students," he explains. "Right now, there isn't a logical progression of courses after the first year."



Morris says finding funding for the Law Library's \$6 million expansion is his first priority.

One idea which will be debated, he says, is the creation of majors in 11 or 12 subject areas, such as trial practice or tax and estate planning. That approach would provide students with a more focused course of study to pursue after the first year of classes, Morris points out.

The acting dean also will closely watch the effect of midterm tests on students and professors alike. Mandatory midterms in all classes will be given for the first time fall semester.

Morris, who assumed the acting dean's position on August 1, when Sheldon Krantz began a year-long sabbatical, is no stranger to the dean's office. He served as dean during the 1977-78 academic year when then dean Don Weckstein was on sabbatical.

"Every day I get to work with a lot of bright people who are committed to this law school and excited by the things we're doing."

The Syracuse University Law School graduate joined the USD law faculty in 1973, where he has taught classes in torts, law and mental disorder, mental health law clinic, legal writing and analysis and lawyering skills. He is a nationally recognized authority on law and psychiatry, and has authored seven books and 26 journal articles.

Morris worked on mental health statute revision projects in New York, Michigan and Arizona. He also served as a law reporter developing standards for an American Bar Association project examining the role of psychiatrists and other mental health professionals in the criminal process.

Just recently Morris finished a two-year term as a certification review hearing officer in San Diego, a post which required him to determine whether probable cause existed to involuntarily detain mentally disturbed individuals. He summarized his experiences in an article he wrote for a recent issue of the Southern California Law Review titled "Civil Commitment Decisionmaking: A Report on One Decisionmaker's Experience."

Away from campus, Morris enjoys spending time with his wife, Phylliss, a certified public accountant, and the couple's two teen-age children, Joshua and Sara. Morris also jogs three times a week and pitches for the faculty softball team.

"Since I've become acting dean, I've never seen the days go by so fast," he says just before dashing out the door of his office to head for an off-campus appointment. "But that's okay. Every day I get to work with a lot of bright people who are committed to this law school and excited by the things we're doing."

That's Grant Morris, unyielding optimist and purveyor of enthusiasm.

Recruiters visit in increasing numbers

More than 150 employers — including several nationally known law firms — will visit campus this fall to interview law students for positions with their companies. Government agencies and representatives from 41 district attorney offices nationwide also will be among those visiting campus.

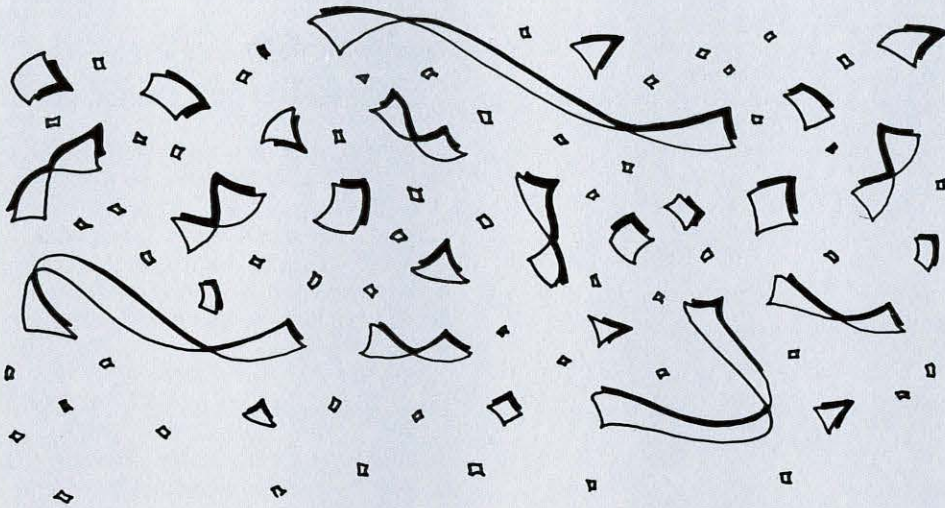
Among the nationally-known law firms recruiting on campus will be Adams Duque and Hazeltine, Brobeck Phleger & Harrison, Bronson Bronson & McKinnon, Bryan Cave McPheeters & McRoberts, Fulbright & Jaworski, Gibson Dunn and Crutcher, Haight Brown and Bonesteel, Latham & Watkins, Lord Bissel & Brook, Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker, Pillsbury Madison & Sutro and Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton.

The number of employers visiting campus has grown by more than 40 percent the past four years. Mary Ann Salaber, director of career planning and placement, attributes the growth of the program to USD alumni who have proven to be outstanding attorneys and then convinced their hiring committees to recruit additional attorneys from USD.

More than 40 employers from San Diego will visit campus. They include Duckor & Spradling, Edwards White & Sooy, Gray Cary Ames and Frye, Higgs Fletcher & Mack, Hinchy Witte Wood Anderson and Hodges, Jennings Engstrand & Henrikson, Lorens Alhadeff Lundin and Oggel, Luce Forward Hamilton and Scripps, McInnis Fitzgerald Rees Sharkey and McIntyre, Procopio Cory & Hargreaves, Schall Boudreau and Gore, Seltzer Caplan Wilkins and McMahon, Sternberg Eggers Kidder & Fox and Sullivan McWilliams Lewin & Markham.

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Reunion parties set Don't miss out!

CLASS OF 1978

The class of '78 will celebrate its 10-year reunion on the weekend of November 4-6.

The weekend will begin as golfing members of the class tee it up with other alumni, students, faculty and friends at the annual Michael Mohr Memorial Golf Tournament.

The '78 reunion committee, headed by Bob Helstowski '78, is planning a weekend full of other events as well.

Special hotel room rates are available at the San Diego Marriott, where most of the reunion events are scheduled. For room reservations at the special rate, contact the Marriott at (1-800) 228-9290

immediately. For further details, watch your mail or call the Alumni Office at (619) 260-4692.

CLASS OF 1983

Members of the class of 1983 will celebrate their five-year reunion on the weekend of October 22-23.

Plan to put on your sombrero for a Mexican fiesta Saturday night, then gather the kids and spouse for a family event on Sunday.

If you have not yet received your invitation or need further details, contact the Alumni Office at (619) 260-4692. The class of '83 has special room rates available at the San Diego Hilton, but time is short. Call the Hilton at (1-800) 445-8667 immediately for the special USD rates.

Campus hosts Phase 2 immigration confab

An estimated 120 health and social service providers, immigration attorneys and staff from community based agencies convened on campus August 23 for an update on Phase 2 requirements to obtain permanent residency under the Immigration Reform and Control Act.

Phase 2 also spells out eligibility for public services for those who have been granted temporary residency status. About 700,000 area residents obtained temporary residency during the first year of the immigration law.

"The public has to understand that this did not end May 5," the deadline

to apply for amnesty, said Carol Hallstrom, coordinator for the San Diego Immigration Law Coalition.

The Coalition, based on campus at the San Diego Law Center, hosted the conference, which focused on public services available to temporary residents and its implications for the San Diego region.

"A key issue is what will happen to federal monies earmarked for reimbursement to state and local agencies that provide public services," Hallstrom said. "If counties perform poorly in these public service areas, they risk losing reimbursement."

Organizations that took part in the conference included the California Health and Welfare Agency, the Legal Aid Society of San Diego, the National Center for Immigrants' Rights, the County Department of Health Services and the Coalition, made up of some 20 local human service organizations.

Mohr golf tourney set November 4

This year's Michael Mohr Memorial Golf Tournament will swing into action Friday, November 4, 1988 at the Rancho San Diego Golf Club on the Ivanhoe Course.

Check-in is at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Pre-registration is preferred. For further details on cost, where to send your check etc., please contact the Alumni Office at (619) 260-4692.

The Michael Mohr Golf Tournament raises funds for emergency loans for seniors.

Take me out to the ballgame

If seeing "Bull Durham" whetted your appetite for baseball, join fellow alumni at the Padres vs. L.A. Dodgers game on Wednesday, September 28.

The Law Alumni Association is sponsoring a night that includes a tailgate dinner from El Indio and loge seats, all for only \$13. Tickets may be reserved by calling Roger Heaton at 238-0051, or Tammy Muir in the Law Alumni Office at 260-4692.

Seats are limited, so call now!

Alumni needed for advisor program

Recent graduates interested in befriending first year students are needed to participate in the Law Alumni Association's Alumni Advisor Program.

Alumni should be willing to meet with one or two students once or twice Spring semester. Some 200 first year students will need advisors.

Fill out the coupon below and return it to the Alumni Office to participate.

Name _____

Class Year _____

Business _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____

Who's your choice for most distinguished

Nominations are invited for the Distinguished Alumnus Award, presented each year by the Law Alumni Association at the annual Alumni Dinner-Dance.

Fill out the information form below, including nominee's name, current business address, and any other information you can provide which you feel would be helpful in the selection process. Please mail your nominations to:

Law Alumni Association
Distinguished Alumnus Award
USD School of Law
Alcala Park
San Diego, CA 92110

Nominee _____
Business Name _____
Business Address _____

City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Business Telephone _____
Additional Information: _____

Board seeks directors for '89

The Law School is looking for a few good alumni!

Nominations now are being accepted for directors of the Law Alumni Board for 1989. The Board of Directors is responsible for alumni and student educational and social programming, class reunions, fund raising, special events, the annual Alumni Dinner-Dance and other on- and off-campus events. If you are interested in becoming a director, or if you wish to nominate someone, please fill out the information form below and return it to the Law Alumni Office, USD School of Law, Alcala Park, San Diego, CA 92110.

Nominee _____
Class Year _____
Business _____
Reason(s) for Nomination: _____

Seminars provide advice to students

Law students will have the opportunity this fall to explore career choices and increase their knowledge of the legal profession through a series of seminars

sponsored by the Alumni Association, the Office of Career Planning and Placement and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

A law clerk training program will be presented October 1. On September 17, students attended a seminar titled "Career Choices in the Legal Profession."

Complete this form and mail to Alumni office, School of Law, University of San Diego, Alcala Park, San Diego, CA 92110.

Attention, alumni! Help us help you.

Moving?

If you are moving, just tell us where and we'll make sure your USD mail continues to reach you.

New address

Name _____
Class _____ Firm _____
Address _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (_____) _____

Keep in Touch

If you'd like your fellow alumni to know what you're doing, please write a brief (and legible) statement for the Class Action section of the next Advocate. If you have a recent photo of yourself, send that along too.

Name _____
Class _____ Firm _____
Address _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (_____) _____

'60 Chance encounter of alumni far from USD . . . Two USD law alumni recently crossed paths in Montreal, Canada. **ROBERT ALLEN WOHL**, general counsel the past 18 years for Canadair Inc., is now executive vice president, responsible for the company's regional jet airliner development company. At a Montreal meeting, Wohl discovered the outside counsel he had been dealing with was USD alumnus **JOSEPH A. VINATIERI '77**. Vinatieri currently is a partner with Bewley, Lasseleben and Miller in Whittier, Calif.

'64 **ROBERT GALLIVAN**, formerly a family law specialist in Newport Beach, Calif., now serves as Municipal Court commissioner for Harbor Court in Newport Beach.

'65 Federal Maritime Commissioner **EDWARD J. PHILBIN** recently was promoted from commander to major general in the New Jersey Air National Guard.

'70 **PETER NUNEZ** retired as United States Attorney in San Diego, a position he held since 1982. Nunez joined the San Diego law firm of Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison as a partner. He also serves on the Board of Visitors of the Law School.

'72 South Bay Municipal Court Presiding Judge **SUSAN FINLAY** recently served as the associate dean of the 1988 California Judicial College at U.C. Berkeley. The Judicial College attracted almost 100 trial judges and commissioners.

'74 **KATHLEEN STRICKLAND**, formerly an assistant district attorney in San Francisco, currently practices medical malpractice and toxic tort defense at the San Francisco firm of Hassard, Bonnington, Rogers and Huber. Strickland also is an adjunct professor of evidence at Hastings.

'76 **STEVE CARLSON** worked for Gray, Cary Ames and Frye until 1981, when he became executive director of the California Housing Council,



Robert Wohl '60 and Joseph Vinatieri '77 crossed paths in Montreal recently.

a position he still holds. Carlson writes that his family loves Sacramento, and would welcome hearing from alumni.

After graduating from USD with his LL.M. degree in May, and his appointment to commander in the Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps, CDR. **PETER L. FAGAN** writes that he was transferred to Washington, D.C., where he will be assigned as counsel to the vice chief of naval operations.

'77 **JOSEPH A. VINATIERI** (See Robert Wohl '60 and accompanying photo.)

'78 **KATHERINE MANDELL CHANDLER** writes that she is a real estate counsel for Volume Shoe Corporation, a division of the May Department Stores Company, in Topeka, Kan.

'79 **MARIA ARROYO-TABIN** received the annual Service Public Attorney Award at the San Diego County Bar Association's Law Day luncheon in May.

PAUL B. MARTINS currently is engaged in civil litigation with the Cincinnati, Ohio firm of Aronoff, Rosen and Stockdale.

'80 **JEFFREY PHAIR** recently was elected president of the San Diego chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Parks. Phair is president of a full-service real estate development firm in San Diego.

DEBORAH WOLFE recently was elected a director of the 1988-89 Lawyers Club in San Diego. Wolfe is with the law office of Dwight Worden.

'81 **BRIAN DUNN** also was elected as a director of the Lawyers Club of San Diego for the coming year.

TODD SPANGLER is a deputy in the Fresno County District Attorney's Office.

'82 **DAVID DOLKAS** of Gray, Cary, Ames & Frye in San Diego recently was appointed general counsel for the Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce.

EDWARD M. GERGOSEAN of Barrack, Rodos & Bacine in San Diego has been named a partner in the firm. Gergosian will be responsible for the San Diego office of the Philadelphia law firm, which specializes in securities and antitrust litigation.

'83 **TAMARA FOGG** joined the San Diego law firm of Ferris, Brennan & Britton as a member of the firm's estate planning department. Fogg handles probate, guardianship and conservatorship matters. Her practice also includes cable TV law and appellate work.

MICHAEL RODDY left Community Defenders, Inc. in San Diego and joined Boesen and Sauer, where he is continuing criminal defense work. Roddy recently completed the 1987-88 program with the Louis M. Welch Chapter of the American Inns of Court.

'84 **LINDA GLADSON-JOHNSON** and her husband Paul announce the birth of their daughter, Iris Elizabeth Johnson, in February of this year. Linda is with Novak and Sackey in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.

'85 **MELISSA CATES** writes that she left the world of corporate law and now is with Levine, Tall & Plotkin, an entertainment law firm in New York City.

MARK LESTER married Ruth Bigelow on September 17. The newlyweds live in Manhattan Beach, Calif., and Lester is with the Santa Monica firm of Haight, Brown & Bonestee.

'86 **CHRISTOPHER BAYLEY & KATHLEEN CLARK BAYLEY** announce the birth of their daughter, Meaghan Kathleen, on February 10 in Phoenix, Ariz. Christopher practices bankruptcy law at Evans, Kitchel & Jenckes, and Kathleen is a county attorney in Phoenix.

MARK SHOUP and **MARY ANN CONNOLLY '87** recently celebrated their one-year anniversary. The couple are expecting twins this month. Mark practices criminal defense with Thompson and Thompson in Victorville, Calif. Mary Ann currently practices with a small general practice firm in Barstow, where she does family law and criminal defense work.

'87 **WILLIAM LA VELLE** is employed with the Kings County District Attorney's Office in Brooklyn, N.Y. La Velle will marry Beth Lynn Badders (USD '87) on October 22.

CHARLES MILKIS writes from Washington, D.C., where he is an attorney in the Office of the General Counsel of the Federal Communications Commission.

W. RICHARD SINTEK joined the litigation department of the San Diego firm of Hinchy, Witte, Wood, Anderson & Hodges.

'88 **JENNIFER BARNES** is a trial attorney with the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice.

TERESA BURROW EGGE-MEYER is an associate with Rogers, Majeski, Kohn, Bentley, Wagner & Kane in San Jose, Calif.

JAMES DIERKING began an LL.M. program in International Law this fall at the London School of Economics.

JULIE HECHT leaves California this month for Washington, D.C., where she'll work in the Office of Consumer Litigation.

THOMAS MAURIELLO works as a judicial clerk for Judge Robert E. Cowen of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Trenton, N.J.

GEORGE MEANS practices in the business transactions group at Sidley & Austin in Century City, Calif.

MARY NUESCA and classmate **ROB ROCHELLE** were married on September 3 in Founders Chapel on the USD campus.



Leslie Roberts '88 (LL.M.)

LESLIE ROBERTS LL.M. '88 joined the San Diego firm of Ferris, Brennan and Britton, where she handles general taxation and business matters in the firm's tax and estate planning department. Roberts spent four years with the Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps, and has clerked for the Hon. John H. Moore, II, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida.

MICHAEL YI works in New York at the Manhattan District Attorney's Office as assistant district attorney.

OUR CONDOLENCES to **NANCY HALLIDAY ELY '68** on the August death of her husband, Arnold Raphael, U.S. ambassador to Pakistan.

Bellucci's career takes off in D.C.

By John L. Nunes

THE PENTAGON—If NASA ever wants to put a lawyer in space, former *Woolsack* editor Janice Bellucci '82 is ready.

"If someone asked, I'd go today," said Bellucci, a 36-year-old attorney for the Secretary of the Air Force.

Given her fascination for outer space, Bellucci stays as close as possible to the heavens.

Between her second and third years of law school, she clerked for NASA in Washington, D.C.

"That's when I contracted Potomac Fever," she said during an interview at her Pentagon office. After graduating from law school, she went to work as an attorney for NASA for five years.

While at NASA, Bellucci helped write the Model Launch Agreement and now she advises the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Space Policy on legal issues.

"For example, I advise him on whether he can sell Thor engines to McDonnell Douglas," she explained.

Bellucci is one of nine attorneys assigned to the procurement division for the Secretary of the Air Force. Space systems rockets are among the equipment she is involved in selling—not buying—to the aerospace industry.

"Selling things for the Air Force requires a different mind-set because the federal government is used to doing all the purchasing," she noted.

NASA and the Air Force did not get into the business of selling aerospace materials to private industry in earnest until the Challenger space shuttle blew up in 1986, killing the six astronauts aboard.

"The government realized its mistake in denying private industry access to space," Bellucci said. "The government no longer wanted to put all its eggs in one basket."

More recently, Bellucci has become involved in revising cable television agreements for Air Force bases throughout the nation.

"My work for the government has been really exciting, and USD truly qualified me for everything I've been asked to do. When I clerked for NASA, only myself and a clerk from Harvard law school were recommended for hire."

Before becoming a law student, Bellucci was a journalist, first as an enlisted person in the Navy, then as a civilian. She was a reporter for two years at the Vista Press, a daily newspaper in north San Diego County, and a producer one year for the KSDO Radio news department.

She resides in Rockville, Md. with her husband, Alan Dunn, who is an electrical engineer, and her two-year-old daughter, Joy.

Board's Durbin dies suddenly

Alumni Association Director Peter Durbin '86 (J.D.), '87 (LL.M.) died September 3 after collapsing at his Point Loma home.

Durbin, a retired Navy captain, was a deputy county counsel for San Diego County.

During his Navy service, Durbin served in both the Korean and Vietnam wars. He served four years on the staff

of the chief of naval operations in Washington, D.C.

In Durbin's memory, the Law Alumni Association has renamed its Most Improved Student Award the Peter Durbin Memorial Award. Durbin was proud to have received this award at his graduation in 1986.

Survivors include his wife, Emily; two sons and a daughter, Peter Jr. of London; John and Ann of San Diego; four grandchildren; and a brother, Edgar, of Arlington, Va.

Don't miss . . .

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Padres vs. L.A. Dodgers
Tailgate Dinner & Loge seats
\$13 per person
Call Roger Heaton at 238-0551 or
Tammy Muir at 260-4692

October

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Law Clerk Training Program

22-23

Class of '83 Five-Year Reunion
Mexican Fiesta & Family Picnic
(\$40 per person)
Call Barbara Mendelson, Director
of Alumni Programming at (619)
260-4692

November

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Michael Mohr Memorial Golf
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