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EQUITAS



Prof. Henry Rothblatt



Dean E. Donald Shapiro

Dean Hosts Alumni

by Alison Greene

The Alumni Association's 17th Annual Dean's Day Alumni Homecoming was held on Saturday, April 23rd at NYLS with many alumni, faculty and students in attendance.

Two concurrent panels — CRIMINAL TRIAL ADVOCACY and CONTESTED ESTATES — comprised the morning program, moderated respectively by Kings County Assistant District Attorney Lorin Duckman '73, and NYLS Professor Joseph T. Arenson. Panelists included such distinguished jurists as the Hon. Samuel Spiegel and the Hon. Millard Midonick (Estates) and Professors Herald Price Fahringer, Maurice N. Nessen and Henry Rothblatt (Criminal Advocacy).

Justice William Kapelman, President of the NYLS Alumni Association, greeted the participants during the luncheon program and was followed by remarks from Dean E. Donald Shapiro.

The luncheon speaker was the Honorable David N. Edelstein, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York who presented the Distinguished Alumnus Awards to Jacob Scholer, '11, and Alfred L. Rose, '10.

The homecoming ended with a cocktail reception in the Reich Moot Court Room honoring the award recipients.

Carter Aide and Beame Speak Here

New York Law School and the New York City Addiction Services Agency co-sponsored a Conference on Drugs and the Law: An Examination of the Present System and Alternatives for the Future, late this month. The two day conference focused primarily on New York's drug laws and provided a forum for social scientists, treatment authorities, government officials, doctors, lawyers, penologists, and prosecutors to discuss fundamental issues on the relationship between drug abuse and the laws which have sought to deal with it.

Dr. Peter Bourne, President Jimmy Carter's Special Assistant, opened the conference by stressing the need for seriously considering new alternatives, and moderated a panel on "The Nature of the Drug Problem."

Dean E. Donald Shapiro stressed in remarks prepared for the conference that "Narcotics abuse has reached epidemic proportions. It is essential that all vital institutions within our society, including the law, attempt to identify their positions. We are dealing not with statistics but with human lives. Better solutions must be found."

Jerome Hornbliss, former Commissioner of the Addiction Services Agency, who was a key planner of the Conference and served as moderator of the panel on "The Role of Law in Legislating Morality," said: "This Conference represents a significant step in providing a forum for highly respected experts in a wide variety of fields to explore the relation-



(photos/J. Triebwasser)

Among the speakers at the all day conference were Dr. Peter Bourne and Mayor Abraham Beame.

ships between drug abuse and legal attempts to curb it. ASA conducted a study several months ago which found considerable negative feeling among judges about New York's harsh drug laws. That study was the incubus for this Conference. It is hoped that constructive dialogue will

help us in the search for more humane approaches to alleviate the difficulties associated with drug use."

Congressman Charles Rangel of the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control said in

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Survey Shows Grade Discrepancies

by Dennis Stukenbroeker

An SBA survey of last semester's grades has revealed possible disparities between the three sections of first year day students. The survey, to which over 90% of the first year class responded, shows the smaller C section at a disadvantage compared to the other two sections.

The disparities may have resulted from different grading by professors and the combinations of professors assigned to each section. As a result, while 12% of the A and B sections received over 3.0 grade averages, C section had only 2%.

This puts them at a disadvantage as far as getting on law review is concerned, says John Reddy, C section's SBA representative. The disadvantage will become apparent at the end of the year when the class is ranked, according to Reddy.

As examples of grading differences, Reddy points out that 56% of the students received "B's" in



(photo/J. Triebwasser)

John Reddy

Prof. Brook's Contracts class, while only 13% received the same grade in Contracts from Prof. Dugan.

In Property, the percentage getting "B's" and the percentage getting "C's" are almost reversed between Prof. Martel and Prof. Haines, with Haines' students lower. Also, Prof. Meredith Lang has turned out to be a tougher marker in Torts than Prof. Joseph Koffler, who has a reputation for being a strict grader.

In support of the students, Reddy intends to request that Dean

Shapiro make adjustments so each section will be ranked equally.

"All the teachers are assigned. All the courses are required. You should get an even break, but you don't," says Reddy. "They should have a system to counteract a problem like this beforehand, so the SBA doesn't have to do it."

A petition from Section C of the first year day class requesting Dean Shapiro to rectify the alleged disparity in grades has been submitted by H. Jo Schneider. Ms. Schneider said "One's future legal career should not be determined by the alphabetical order of one's last name."

Editor's Note

When contacted by EQUITAS about this grade discrepancy in the first year day class, Dean Shapiro stated that he would like to see an official survey of the grades from Registrar Anthony Scanlon before making any official comment.

Mr. Scanlon is now in the process of canvassing first year grades.

Re Named Chief Customs Judge

by Richard Grant

Judge Edward D. Re, an adjunct professor of law at NYLS, has been named Chief Judge of the United States Custom Court. His was the first judicial ap-

pointment of the Carter administration.

In a letter to President Carter, Judge Re said, "In view of the importance of this national tribunal and the stature of its judges I deem the designation to be a singular honor."

Serving on the U.S. Customs Court since 1969, Judge Re succeeds Judge Nils A. Boe, former governor of South Dakota, who has been Chief Judge since 1971.

At New York Law School, Judge Re delivered the "Jeffords Distinguished Visiting Lecture," was awarded an honorary degree, and has been teaching a course in appellate advocacy for three years.

"It was the best conceivable appointment the President could have made," NYLS Dean E. Donald Shapiro said. "Judge Re has not only been an eminent customs court judge for over eight years, but he is one of the great legal teachers, scholars and authorities in the United States."

Before his appointment to the U.S. Customs Court, Judge Re had served as Assistant Secre-



Judge Re

tary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs in the Johnson administration. From 1961 to 1968 he served as Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States. He was a member of the New York City Board of Higher Education from 1958 until his appointment to the Customs Court.

Judge Re also is the author of "Cases and Materials on Equity and Equitable Remedies," a text used in the equity course at New York Law School.

The judge's appointment took effect on March 21. He will be sworn in on May 27 at 3 p.m. in the U.S. Customs Courthouse.

New Faculty for '77-'78

by Jonah Triebwasser

The hiring of new NYLS faculty for next fall will include the homecoming of two NYLS alumni, Jack Kleiner and Marianne Spraggins.

Jack Kleiner is from President Carter's home state of Georgia. Prof. Kleiner received his Bachelor of Laws, Master of Laws

(in Taxation) and Doctor of Juridical Science from NYLS. While in law school, Prof. Kleiner was an editor of the law review and was president of the SBA. He comes to NYLS from the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he was an associate professor.

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Alumni Profile: Thomas O'Toole

by Alison Greene

The City of New Rochelle has been very prominent in the news recently and seemingly for all the wrong reasons, (such as the recent sniper attack). It was a pleasant surprise for us to discover that one of the city's most active citizens and respected elected officials is a NYLS' alumnus, Councilman Thomas O'Toole, Class of 1950.

Councilman O'Toole is as much a part of New Rochelle as is the Long Island Sound. Born, educated and employed in the city, it is only natural that he is one of its biggest boosters.

O'Toole began his college education at Iona College in New Rochelle, but his studies were interrupted by WW II. After the war, he resumed his studies at Iona, married the former Electa Bachman (now a 1st year student at Pace University Law School), attended NYLS in the post-war accelerated program for veterans and graduated in 1950. During his

law studies he clerked with Judge Edward K. Kennedy and was mulling over the possibility of working there full time when he heard of a job in the FBI. At that time, one had to be an accountant or lawyer to work for the Bureau and O'Toole said it was "a question of 50 Broadway (Kennedy's office) or the FBI" and the latter seemed a little more exciting at the time.

Although he said he was not a great admirer of J. Edgar Hoover, he got along fairly well in the Bureau despite his claim that he was kept at a certain level relegated to the "Non-Hooverites." But he says he enjoyed himself and was treated fairly.

O'Toole retired from the FBI after 20 years of service and decided to "hang out his shingle" and try his hand at private practice. His first experience alone, in neighboring Pelham proved to be discouraging. He decided practicing by himself was impractical and lonely, and moved his office

to New Rochelle where he formed with John Lang (NYLS '57) the firm of Rippa, Lang, Nesci and O'Toole.

Councilman O'Toole's political career began when he was asked, while at NYLS, to run for County Clerk. It was a time (1948) when no one ran as a Democrat in Westchester and won, but he accepted, ran, lost and forgot about it. In 1972, he ran for New Rochelle City Council and won. After one term as councilman, he has decided to seek the City Judgeship for several reasons. One is that he believes that when judges have been around too long they are part of the criminal justice "delivery" system and tend to view issues from a police-oriented position. "Law enforcement is not a judge's function and should not be," O'Toole said. "As a defense lawyer you can see



Councilman Thomas O'Toole, Class of 1950

the closeness (between judges and prosecutors) and I would like to see it at least psychologically removed."

more accessible City Court with hours modified for commuters and hearing officers.

There might be hope for New Rochelle yet.

He would also like to see a

ABA Prexy Urges Support for ERA

CHICAGO (ABA Press Release) — The president of the American Bar Association has urged state and local bar leaders to support ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

In letters to organized bar leaders in the 15 states which have failed to pass the proposed ERA, ABA President Justin A. Stanley pointed out that his 210,000-member Association has endorsed the ERA "as part of its continuing program to promote equal justice under law."

The ABA's policy-making House

of Delegates specifically endorsed the ERA at its 1974 annual meeting, bolstering a stand taken in 1972 when the Association announced support of constitutional equality for women and urged extension of legal rights, privileges and responsibilities to all persons regardless of sex.

Receiving the letter were leaders of bar groups in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia.

Five bar groups in these states are on record in favor of ERA. They are the State Bar of Arizona, Arkansas Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, Chicago Council of Lawyers and the Chicago Bar Association.

Stanley urged the state and local bar leaders to testify in support of ratification of the ERA in their respective state legislatures.

The ABA president also asked them to publicize the likely impact of the proposed amendment, utilizing background information compiled by the ABA.

ALUMNI NEWS

by Alison Greene

JUSTICE FRANCIS T. MURPHY, JR. '52, has been named by Governor Carey as the Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court, 1st Division, succeeding the retiring Hon. Harold A. Stevens.

Murphy, 49, an associate justice on the court for the past six years, has been a judge in city and state courts since the age of 30. His new post runs until 1990.

Commenting on his future role as a Presiding Justice, Murphy expressed dissatisfaction with the number of cases being settled "because witnesses or litigants are worn down. That's not justice." He said he would not be satisfied "until people walk out and say 'justice is served.'"

THE PHONATHON, chaired by Carmen J. Cognatta, Jr. '73, held March 29-31 at the Williams Club was a huge success, with 800 out of 928 calls completed. The specified pledges amounted to approximately \$14,000, with an unspecified amount still to be collected.



Judge Francis Murphy

The Alumni Office is hoping these will generate at least \$20,000 prior to the end of the fiscal year. This increased participation will help NYLS to surpass the 20% mark — which will enable the school to raise funds from outside sources.

JOSEPH SOLOMON '27 was honored by the Mount Sinai School of Medicine by the establishment of a Chair of Medicine in his name on March 17.

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THE EDITOR'S CORNER

First Thoughts

by Jonah Triebwasser

When I was first told that the Editorial Board of **EQUITAS** chose me to be the next Editor-in-Chief of this newspaper, I was flattered, surprised and greatly honored . . . at first, that is.

I began to change my mind when several people offered their condolences rather than their congratulations upon hearing the news. Then when I went home to tell my wife, she handed me the latest newsletter from one of the national book clubs which quoted this 1936 letter written by H. L. Menken to William Saroyan:

I note what you say about your aspiration to edit a magazine. I am sending you by this mail a six-chambered revolver. Load it and fire every one into your head. You will thank me after you get to Hell and learn from other editors how dreadful their job was on earth.

So it is under the evil influence of these dire portents that I begin my tenure as Editor-in-Chief of **EQUITAS**. Over the next year, the new staff will be making some changes in our printing design, our masthead and our content. (Those of you who are at this minute doing the new **EQUITAS** crossword rather than reading this article I'm sure you welcome this first new addition to our features.)

The one principle that will **not** change during the next year is the **EQUITAS** commitment to journalistic integrity. We will not print a news story unless we have the facts and unless we have made an effort to get all sides. We will continue to comment in our editorials on conditions in NYLS and in the legal profession in general, but we will strive at all times to separate fact from opinion and clearly label opinion as such. We will value highly the continued support of you, our readers.

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The news bureau and photographic department of the newspaper are currently looking for additional staff. Recruitment is based on either a writing sample or a sample of black and white photographic work. The final decision on staff placement rests with the editorial board. To apply, write or phone **EQUITAS**, New York Law School, 57 Worth Street, New York, N.Y. 10013. Telephone: (212) 966-3500 extension 47.

Phi Delta Phi Debate
Obscenity: A Hot Topic

Prof. Van Den Haag

(photos/J. Triebwasser)
Prof. Fahringer

With a generous sprinkling of humor, Herold Fahringer, the attorney for *Hustler* in its recent prosecution for "criminal activity," and Prof. Ernest Van Den Haag, an author of books and articles on criminology and sociology, debated the merits, or lack thereof, of the current pornography laws.

Fahringer, citing the difficulty which the Supreme Court has had in defending obscenity, said that though *Hustler* is "dismally unpleasant," the rights of adults to view the material cannot be restricted. He subscribed to the "clear and present danger" test in deciding what form of speech can be censored.

In answer, Van Den Haag said, "not all nudity is pornography. But if Fahringer would have to expose his genitals on this podium and sodomize Prof. Means (who was the moderator), I don't think we would have problems getting people to agree it is obscene."

The fast-paced debate, sponsored by Phi Delta Phi, provided both men with opportunity to describe their differing viewpoints, and both punctuated their points with humor that left the audience of 60 students better informed on the controversial issue.

—George Schwarz

Conference On Alternative Practice

by Neal Greenfield and
Sam Himmelstein

On Saturday, April 2nd The Law Students Organizing Committee of the National Lawyers Guild and the New York Law School SBA presented a well attended conference on "Alternative forms of practice: ways and means of practicing people's law."

The morning began with a panel discussion with representatives of the different forms of practice. The first speaker was Elliott Wilk, a criminal defense attorney with the Legal Aid Society. He described Legal Aid as a "place people go when they can't get a real job."

Legal Aid attorneys are counsel to 75-80% of all criminal defendants, according to Mr. Wilk. The biggest advantage in being a Legal Aid lawyer is that you learn a lot quickly, he added. You learn how to stand up in court and face a sometimes hostile judge.

But Mr. Wilk readily admitted the many disadvantages in working for Legal Aid. "There is very little supervision. It's often terrifying to know you're responsible for peoples' freedom and lives," he explained. Often your only contact with a client before the trial is a short interview in a cell with 30-40 other people, the defense attorney noted. The prime interest of the judge is to move cases by "coercing" guilty pleas, Mr. Wilk claimed. After a few months most Legal Aid attorneys seek other jobs, he said.

The next speaker was Miggie Malanado from East Brooklyn Legal Services. She painted a gloomy picture of the problems of

the clientele she deals with, such as people who have worked 20 years and are then laid off without getting retirement or other benefits, defendant tenants in summary proceedings (who are usually served an eviction notice 2 weeks after suit), and other "poor folks who live by the grace of government." She said that the only good aspect of her work

other attorneys who have been practicing for some time.

According to Mr. Wagner, four or five people would need about \$15,000 to get started and should locate near a law school library. The advantage of a legal collective, he cautioned, is also its disadvantage: the life and future of each member are tied to each other. All cases are discussed and voted on before being taken and debate is often heated. "All satisfaction and frustration is intensified", Mr. Wagner noted.

The fees the "collective" charges vary with the income of the client, the "collective's" own bank accounts and how much they "like" the client or his case. Mr. Wagner said his "collective" is finally showing signs of success in the form of referrals from its former clients.

After lunch, which was catered by Gil Hollander, the conference divided into workshops on substantive areas of practice, including labor, housing, anti-sexism, government benefits, family law and criminal defense. At each, the panelists discussed the problems, rewards and limitations of practicing in each particular area, presented various "theories" of practice, and answered questions from the floor.

Ellyn Polansky, a first-year NYLS student and one of the organizers of the conference, indicated that there was general satisfaction among Guild members with the level of discussion and the large turnout. Walter Kretz, a first-year NYLS student who is not a Guild member, found the conference to be both useful and rewarding.



(photo/N. Greenfield)

Beth Bochnak,
a conference participant.

was a political education and a chance to see class conflicts.

The speaker that attracted the most interest was Rick Wagner, a paralegal worker for the legal "collective" of Stolar, Alterman and Gulielmetti. There is a "substantial and fairly new interest in this form of practice because it's hard to find jobs". He advised that a new lawyer should go into a "collective" with at least two

New Faculty Hired for Next Year

(Continued from Page 1)

Marianne Camille Spraggins is a 1976 graduate of NYLS. She is an L.L.D. candidate (June, 1977) at Harvard.

While at NYLS, Prof. Spraggins was the recipient of the E. Donald Shapiro Award for Student Leadership and was president of the Black American Law Students of NYLS.

New Faculty Drawn
From Around the World

The rest of the new faculty has been recruited from such far-flung locales as England, Yugoslavia and, in the case of Michael Botein, Newark, New Jersey.

Prof. Botein is currently an Associate Professor at Rutgers Law School. A graduate of Cornell (J.D. 1969) and Columbia (L.L.M., 1972, J.S.D., 1976), Botein has written extensively on the laws affecting cable television.

The Legal Aid Society's Eugene Cerruti will teach at NYLS next fall. Prof. Cerruti received his legal education at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Cerruti has a M.Sc. in politics from the London School of Economics and a B.A. from Harvard.

William Epstein has been program coordinator of the Consumer Law Training Center of NYLS since October, 1975. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the City College of New York, Prof. Ep-

stein received his J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law in 1971.

The Dean of the University of South Carolina's School of Law will join our faculty for 1977-78.

Dean Robert Watson Foster has written numerous articles and books on the Uniform Commercial Code and commercial transactions. Dean Foster is listed in *Who's Who in the South*, is a Captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve and Commanding Officer Naval Reserve Unit.

Australian born Robin Clive Griffiths was called to the English Bar (Middle Temple) in 1970 after an education in Oxford and Cambridge Universities in Britain. Prof. Griffiths is currently a lecturer in Criminology at Reading University, England.

Sandra Hanneken Johnson will be coming to NYLS from a graduate fellowship at Yale. Prof. Johnson received her J.D. from New York University School of Law, where she was the recipient of the Root-Tilden Scholarship and the Am. Jur. Award for Excellence in the Study of Torts.

Prof. Ronald Harling Maudsley is the co-author of three case-books, one in land law, one in modern equity and one in trusts. Prof. Maudsley now commands the lecturn at King's College, University of London, where he has taught for ten years. He is

also a lecturer at the Notre Dame London Legal Center.

Abigail Pessen attended the University of Chicago Law School after graduating from Barnard College with a B.A. in Sociology. Prof. Pessen was law clerk to the Hon. Whitman Knapp, U.S. District Court, Southern District of N.Y. from 1972-74. Before joining the NYLS faculty this past January, Pessen was associated with the firm of Levy, Gutman, Goldberg and Kaplan.

Peter W. Schroth is a Fellow in Law and the Humanities at Harvard and an assistant professor of law at Southern Methodist University. He is an editor of *Human Rights*.

Catherine A. Sullivan is a Yale Law School graduate who is currently an assistant professor of law at the University of Mississippi. While at Yale, Prof. Sullivan was active in the Yale Association of International Law.

A native of Yugoslavia, Bostjan M. Zupancic received his legal education at the University of Ljubljana in Yugoslavia, Cambridge University in England and Harvard Law School. Prof. Zupancic has written extensively on criminal law and is fluent in English, French, Slovene and Serbo-Croatian.

It was not known at press time what schedule of classes these professors would teach.

News In Brief

Assistant Dean Marshall Lippman was given the Ira Stone Professor of the Year award by Phi Delta Phi at the fraternity's dinner dance at the Villa Bianca Restaurant in Flushing, on April 23rd.

A 1973 graduate of New York Law School, Lippman, in addition to being Assistant Dean, is also an associate professor, teaching Labor Law.

He was instrumental in creating the Wagner Moot Court Competition on labor law at New York Law School, which was held in March. Previously, he was editor of court decisions for the Arbitration Journal and assistant to the general counsel of the American Arbitration Association.



(photo/B. Torino)

The Dwight Inn award is presented annually and is named for Ira Stone, who died in 1968 and had been a member of the NYLS class of 1970.

Previous recipients have been Milton Silverman, John Dugan, Franklyn Setaro, Joseph Koffler and Andrew Simak. Last year's award went to Joseph Arenson. The award plaque is on display in the lounge of 47 Worth St.

—Dennis Stukenbroeker

No Multistate Bar Exam In New York This Year

According to the New York Law Journal, the New York Court of Appeals, which has had under consideration use of the Multistate Bar Examination in the state, has issued a notice that "under no circumstances, even if (the Court) should conclude to adopt it, will use be made of the Multistate Bar Examination in July, 1977."

The notice added that the Court is "likely to continue for some months" its consideration of the examination.



(photo/A. Greene)

Go with the favorites. That's the lesson to be learned from the recent Bake Sale conducted by the Tilden Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta at NYLS.

Confronted with such mouth-watering morsels as cream cheese almond cups, pineapple nut squares and cherry pecan cake, the NYLS community apparently was not in the adventurous mood.

Editor Wins Award

Jim Tricarico, Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of EQUITAS, has been named the 1977 recipient of the "Franklyn C. Setaro School Spirit and Service Award".

The Dwight Inn Chapter of the International Legal Fraternity Phi Delta Phi presents this award annually to a graduating student for notable services to Law School community life.

Tricarico, a third year day division student, has been editor-in-chief of EQUITAS for two years. Last year Tricarico represented New York Law School as a finalist in the "Northeast Regional A.B.A. - L.S.D. Client Counseling Competition" and served on the school's "Committee on A.B.A. Reevaluation".

Tricarico is presently a member of both the Admissions and Commencement committees of NYLS.

—Steven Breitman

Moot Court Team Victory

Moot Court Board of New York Law School is now arguing a new problem — where to put the trophy it received on March 31 for winning the Irving R. Kaufman Moot Court Corporate Law Competition.

Chief Judge Irving R. Kaufman of U.S. Court of Appeals presented a silver bowl to the winning team. "Of course we're happy," said Christina Storm. "This is the first time something like this has happened to New York Law School."

The NYLS team of Storm, John Higgins, and Paul Kovner defeated the competition's sponsor, Fordham Law School, in the March 21 preliminaries before beating St. John's University Law School's number two team in the quarter and semi-finals, and finally defeating the number one team from St. John's in the final round.

Another team from NYLS, consisting of James Kaplan, Fred Braverman, and Joseph Nizza, advanced to the quarter finals before being eliminated.

—Bill O'Brien

ABA's advertising dilemma

CHICAGO (ABA Press Release) — Lawyer referral services, not individual advertising, offer the best solution to the lawyer advertising dilemma, according to an American Bar Association official.

"A central agency can perform a tremendous public service by providing basic information about lawyers — their area of expertise, their initial consulting fees and other pertinent data," said Arthur M. Lewis, chairman of the ABA's Standing Committee on Lawyer Referral Service.

Lewis pointed out that lawyer referral services are permitted to advertise in all of the media.

"This eliminates the need for individual advertising which can be misleading and bring discredit upon the profession as well as do outright damage to the public," Lewis said.

NYLS Students

Receive ABA Awards

At the annual Spring Conference for the Second Circuit of the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association, two NYLS students received awards for outstanding service to the circuit.

At the conference held at Jug End Resort, South Egremont, Mass., on March 25-27, 1977 outgoing Lt. Governor Lori Burger, a third-year day student, received



(photo/B. Torino)

Lori Burger

a Silver Key Award, and LSD/ABA Rep. Lindsay Rosenberg, a second-year day student, received a Certificate of Merit. Rosenberg was also elected to succeed Lori Burger as circuit Lt. Governor.

This past year student membership in LSD/ABA at NYLS reached a new high, and NYLS now leads all other New York area law schools in percentage of membership among the student body, according to Rosenberg.



The Winners!

Senate Hot Line

Senate Majority Leader Warren M. Anderson has reported the re-opening of the New York State Senate "hot line" for 1977. This marks the seventh consecutive year in which any person in the State may call the toll-free number and immediately be informed of the status of any bill which has been introduced in the Senate.

By dialing 800-342-9860, the public can quickly learn whether a bill has been reported from committee, is awaiting Senate action, has been passed by the Senate or Assembly or has been signed into law by the Governor. The "hot line" is in operation during Senate working hours and from 9 to 5 on days when the Senate is not in session.

In announcing the resumption of the "hot line," Senator Anderson noted that an average of 300 or more persons avail themselves of the service each day. He said it was one of the most effective ways to create closer contact between the people of New York State and their elected representatives.

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Good ol' brownies and chocolate cookies were most in demand.

Proceeds from the successful sale will be used to subsidize fraternity awards and a film program, according to PAD Treasurer Sharon Wirkus.

The event also marked the first of what will be annual bake sales sponsored by the one-year old NYLS PAD chapter.

—Mike Soltis

Summer Program Set

Applications are still being accepted for the summer program offered by New York Law School and the University of Bologna, Italy. The program is open to second and third year law students and practicing attorneys.

According to NYLS Dean E. Donald Shapiro, the program will enable the participants to study with recognized European legal scholars at the University of Bologna for 3 weeks in July. Courses will be taught in English by the law faculty of the University of Bologna and will include

New York Law School's Adjunct Faculty, recently outlined the program to Richard N. Gardner, newly appointed Ambassador to Italy, who "was most enthusiastic and impressed by the curriculum's concentration on timely international subjects." Judge Re will give the inaugural lecture in Bologna.

In describing the project, Dean Shapiro said: "This is a rare opportunity for interested members of the United States legal system to study with some of the greatest legal minds of Europe. The



Judge Re, Dean Bearn and Ambassador Gardner.

Comparative Anti-trust Law, Comparative Labor Law, European Economic Community Law and Regionalism, and Federalism. The participants in the program will have complete access to the University of Bologna library, which possesses an extensive English language collection in relevant areas.

Associate Dean Margaret Bearn and Edward D. Re, newly appointed Chief Judge of the U.S. Customs Court and a member of

world is getting smaller each day. We can no longer afford to keep a provincial attitude about the law."

The three-week program will begin on July 11th, 1977. Travel and housing arrangement will be available. Each course will be 2 credits; the tuition is \$110 per credit. For further information, or to enroll, contact Anthony J. Scanlon, Registrar, New York Law School, 57 Worth Street, New York, N. Y. 10013.



(photo/J. Triebwasser)

First year student Joe Renna admires artwork.

Art Exhibit Here

by Alison Greene

The fifth floor of 47 Worth Street, unbeknownst to almost all of the NYLS students, has recently become the repository of several interesting and attractive (depending on your artistic inclinations) works of art.

The exhibit has been assembled and presented by the ARTCO Art Service, an international organization that counsels corporations and private collectors on management and rental of contemporary art collections. Founded in 1973, ARTCO has offices in Geneva, Stockholm and New York and relies on a panel of experts in the field for professional advice on the selection of art for both esthetic and investment purposes.

Dean Margaret Bearn explained that because the company is fairly new, they have assembled our collection free of charge, hoping to interest the "variety of distinguished people" who regularly visit the fifth floor and the Dean's office (where there are additional works). Unfortunately, because of security and vandalism problems, there are no immediate plans for placing any exhibit on the ground floor, but the Administration doesn't rule out that possibility in any new or remodeled facility the school might purchase in the future.

All students are welcome to browse around our fifth floor "gallery" and Dean Bearn hoped that everyone would have the opportunity to do so this semester.

Faculty Profile: Miriam Haines

by Joseph Stavola

A graduate of Columbia University School of Law, Assistant Professor Miriam Haines was formerly associated with the midtown firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays and Handler, where she was involved in anti-trust litigation. Dissatisfied with working in the 100 plus attorney firm, and having been a teaching



(photo/Leslie Teicholtz, Alumni Affairs)

Prof. Haines

fellow at Columbia, Professor Haines decided to make teaching her career.

Being a New Yorker, Professor Haines claims that she was attracted to New York Law School for its location as well as its reputation as a rapidly improving law school.

The new professor currently teaches Property, but has taught Legal Research and Writing, and

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The How (But Not Why) of Exams

by Richard Grant

Before you made that course outline, before you opened that green hornbook, work had begun on getting you through exams without problems.

It began when Dean Marshall Lippman's office sent a memo to the faculty informing them that exams were due three weeks before they were to be given.

Sometime after April 15, Dean Lippman met with Joseph Sgro, the chief proctor, to decide the number of proctors needed, create a roster of who would be available each day and make room locations.

Sgro, an accountant, has been running the proctoring at New York Law School for about 10 years. Earlier, he had been in

charge of proctoring at St. John's University School of Business. When William Weary left the business school to become New York Law School's secretary and registrar during the 1960's, he brought Sgro with him.

Lippman and Sgro choose as proctors people who are not regularly employed. Some are executives or accountants, who are semi-retired or on disability. Others are college graduates awaiting permanent work. Sgro says he finds them through associates. There is a policy against using law school students from NYLS or any other school. According to Sgro, the proctors all like to do it, all are interested in students.

A tentative exam schedule was posted at Spring registration. During March it was given to a Student Bar Association committee for study. After time for student comment, it became final. Notices were then posted stating that forms would be available for conflicts and typing. Last fall, a written confirmation was sent to each student stating when he would take his conflict exams and in what order.

In the interest of security, the proctors type the exams and give them back to the professors for proofreading. During slack times of the administrative day, they run off copies, collate and store them. They try to stay two days ahead of exams.

The headquarters during exam weeks is Dean Lippman's office on the sixth floor of 57 Worth. The

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Editorials

Space Squeeze Critical

As any of our readers probably know, our two buildings are stuffed to capacity and then some. We can not rubberize the walls of the school to make the room that is so critically needed today, let alone accommodate any more students or faculty.

It is the opinion of this newspaper that swift, decisive action is needed now to relieve the pressure on our over-burdened facilities by the beginning of next semester.

We understand that the school's administration is conducting preliminary surveys of the physical plants of other law schools to gather ideas for the expansion of NYLS's facilities in the future.

While we applaud these steps, we realize that their implementation will take at least two years. The students who will be here next year must be afforded the opportunity to study in adequate facilities. We feel that the time for action is now.

The rental market in New York's office buildings is in a depressed state. We feel that the school, if it acts promptly, should be able to procure suitable rental space in the Worth Street area and have it ready for student use by the Spring semester of 1978; it might even be possible to have some area available for Fall, 1977.

Without this extra space, legal education in this institution will, in our opinion, greatly suffer.

Party Time For SBA

Last Friday, the SBA held a party for its members. The cost for each of the attending members was seven dollars, of which the sum of two dollars was subsidized by the SBA. In addition the SBA funded the entire cost for the award-recipients. This is your money they are spending.

The sum involved is \$100 — negligible according to SBA members supporting the idea; or at least better than the \$500 the SBA was originally planning to spend. Besides, according to the SBA, the money was from the profits of the Oktoberfest.

The sums involved, or their source, are inconsequential. The SBA has done little for the students — its latest violation was that it handed in its proposed exam schedule on April 11, while simultaneously demanding to know why the administration was delaying the publication of the schedule.

Other organizations hold parties: EQUITAS pays for its party out of ad revenue, law review and the fraternities charge their members to attend — much stiffer fees than the five dollars being demanded by the SBA.

The ethics involved are questionable at best. The SBA should not be making a profit on events for which it charges admission. We can only hope that the incoming administration will be more responsive to student needs, and less concerned with its own parties.

Time For A Change

In our last issue we reported on a proposed change in the law school calendar for 1977-78. A preliminary survey of student sentiment finds the student body strongly in favor of the proposed calendar. A school-wide referendum was planned as we went to press.

This calendar, if adopted, would permit

more than adequate time to study for both semesters, and for longer winter and spring holidays than in previous years.

Student distrust of the Administration's motives in dealing with students has been manifest throughout the past school year (as evidenced by recent letters to EQUITAS and by general grumbling heard throughout the halls and classrooms.)

We do not necessarily agree with this "distrust." However, we feel that Dean Shapiro now has a golden opportunity to show the student body his true concern for them by approving this proposed calendar as soon as it becomes practical to do so, if the referendum shows majority student approval.

It is the hope of this newspaper that the proposed calendar will be supported by and desired by the majority of the student body. We look forward to its early adoption.

Time For More Change

Hooray! Hooray! Copies are 5¢ today! Boo Hoo! Boo Hoo! I don't have any nickels, do you?

Thanks to Prof. Andrew Simak and Dean Arnold Graham, library photocopies now cost only five cents. Unfortunately, these machines take exact change only. We think a change machine next to each photocopier would be welcome.

To The New SBA Team

The staff of EQUITAS extends its warmest congratulations to the new officers and representatives of the Student Bar Association. We look forward to a new era of enlightened, progressive leadership and we pledge this newspaper's fullest cooperation with SBA president and his board in the hope that by working together the Student Bar Association and the student newspaper can make a meaningful contribution to student life at NYLS.

The Final Word

... on the examination schedule. Next year, we expect to see the examination schedule released in its final form no later than the second month of classes. We hope the new administration of the SBA will return the task of exam scheduling to the office of the school's registrar, where it belongs.

To The Class Of 1977

Since this is the last issue of EQUITAS for 1976-77 school year, we take this opportunity to congratulate and say farewell to the Class of 1977. We will especially miss those members of the EQUITAS staff who are graduating this year: Jim Tricarico, Elliot Horowitz, Glenn von Nostiz, Kay Marcus Davis, Peter Rose, Rick Ross, James Ryan, Bruce Torino, Steven Breitman, and Ira Pollack.

We ask the Class of 1977 to remember the school they are leaving and to support NYLS's efforts to build a stronger school in the future. We can think of no better way for the graduating student to protect the value of his or her hard earned degree than to join and actively support the NYLS Alumni Association. Applications and information are available in the Alumni Affairs Office on the sixth floor of 57 Worth Street.

The staff of EQUITAS wishes all of you the very best of success.

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by Jim Tricarico

These goodbyes or -30- columns get to be ridiculous. For the most part they are written for the writer's benefit, not for the reader's. If you are not happy with the school, you spend the space taking your parting shots. If you are happy with the school, these columns sound like someone's acceptance speech for an Academy Award.

Only those who are close to you or who agree with your point of view even bother to read them. So, if you are not in one of the above two categories, do yourself a favor, stop reading this nonsense and turn to the Crossword Puzzle on page 11.



(photo/J. Triebwasser)

Printer Joseph Ugor presents Past Editor-in-Chief Jim Tricarico with the first page proof of his final issue.

Believe it or not, I have some very fond memories of the last three years at NYLS (I hope I'm not in the minority). I've met some terrific people and, I've met some miserable people. Luckily, the terrific outnumber the miserable so let me spend some time talking about the former. The people I have worked with on EQUITAS have been good friends and severe critics, and I'd be a perfect fool (and nobody's perfect) if I did not appreciate both their friendship and their criticism. They have helped me to keep honest (not always right but at least honest). Editors, like my buddy Peter Rose and Kay Davis, through their comments, supported me in saying what I thought and not what would make me popular with some particular student group (and God knows I'm not very popular with too many student groups, just ask the SBA). But please, don't get me wrong, my fellow editors have not always agreed with me or with what I wanted to say, however, very rarely did they try to persuade me not to write (It was less work for them).

Many Staffers Worked Hard

There are many staffers who have worked very hard and I simply can't mention everyone's name, nevertheless, there are some people who always got their job done and, upon whom I could always count. People like our last two Business Managers, Paul S. Forster and Elliot S. Horowitz (they like to see their full names in print); and like Bruce Torino who always got the pictures done on time while doing all of his own photography and developing.

Three years ago, Jim Pagano and Art Fisch, past editors, talked me into working on the paper and I don't know whether to thank them or to libel them. Oh well, I'm not one to hold a grudge.

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Letters To The Editor

To the editor:

I absolutely agree with Kenneth Lind's uncommonly insightful letter of March 31st. His gracious and open-minded description of the Law School's clerical staff was so apt that this staff person may never be able to raise her head again.

As a matter of fact, I was so abashed and ashamed that I am insisting that Mr. Scanlon cancel my subscription to Cosmo, take away my brand new bottle of Revlon "Wonderful Sunset" nail polish (which I inadvertently spilled all over my desk and I was so annoyed that I snapped at students all day) and restrict my obsessive gum chewing to exactly one half-hour before lunch on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Thank you Mr. Lind for showing me a side of myself and of my colleagues that, in the past, I didn't have the courage to face.

You may be assured that, in the future, I will never forget who ultimately pays my salary;" after all, it is better to feel like a peasant than a whore.

Thanks again for your swell letter.

Love and Kisses,
Diana "Bingo" Moran

To the Editor:

Enclosed is material that may be of interest to you and your readers. The material concerns an address code and what the address code will do for your readers.

Having worked for the Postal Service a number of years I am familiar with their operations. The figures in the Annual Report of the Postmaster General, 1974-1975 were used as a basis for the computation for the reduction cost.

Please feel free to request any additional information you may desire.

Sincerely,
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Editor's note: Mr. Gordon's article is reprinted directly below.

Lower Postal Rates Anyone?

The nation is dissatisfied with the postal service and must wonder if there is a solution. Yes, there is a solution, but the Postal Service Director of the Office of Resources Management, Mr. J. M. Williamson, stated that the solution offers insufficient improvement to be in the public interest.

The first step in improved mail service occurred years ago with the coding of the delivery areas (zones). The second improvement occurred when the code was expanded to include the distribution centers, thus, ZIP Code (Zone Improvement Plan). Logically, the

final step in improved mail service is to code the address.

The purpose of the postal code is to increase accuracy and speed in the dispatch and delivery of the mail to the delivery areas. An address code would give greater accuracy and speed in the dispatch and delivery of mail to the address. By using the address code the Postal Service could reduce operating cost by 50%. This reduction in cost could be passed on to the mailers in the form of lower postal rates. Since June of 1975, management has been aware that an address could be coded. But, as has been pointed out, management claims that reduced postal rates, greater accuracy and speed in the dispatch of mail to the address is not in the public interest.

If the public wants lower postal rates, accuracy and speed in the dispatch and delivery to the address then it appears the public must write to their Congressmen to get results.

Prof. Haines

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says she would like to teach other subjects in the future. She says that she would like to see smaller classes for Legal Research, and also feels that moot court should be made mandatory. Professor Haines observed that a law student should have to argue at least one case while in law school.

Teaching Takes Up Time

Haines said that she enjoys teaching very much, although she admitted that her position of teaching fellow was much easier and involved less responsibility. She noted that teaching now occupies most of her time, but that what free time she has is spent reading, at the theatre, or playing tennis, which she claimed she has been desperately trying to learn.



—Jon Sparks

"Don't mind ME, I'm just looking for the exam schedule!"

Time Photo Contest

IMAGES OF TIME, Past, Present and Future is the theme for a national photography contest announced this week by TIME Magazine Publisher Ralph P. Davidson.

A grand prize of \$1,000 will be awarded for the best photograph of nature, people, places, events or objects by an amateur photographer, in color or black and white. Second prize is \$500 and three third prize winners will receive \$250 each. Honorable mentions will receive the LIFE LIBRARY OF PHOTOGRAPHY.

Prize-winning photographs will be selected by a panel of judges consisting of world-renown photographer Alfred Eisenstaedt, of Magnum Photos. The winning photographs will be published in a special advertising section on photography entitled: "Photography: The Universal Language" in TIME's November 28, 1977 issue.

Details of the photography contest were announced in the April 4 issue of TIME. Deadline for entries is September 1, 1977.

For contest information or entry forms, write to: Marilyn Maccio, TIME Magazine, Time & Life Building, Rockefeller Center, New York, New York 10020.

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A Warning To The New Board

As for the new editors, let me say this by way of warning, especially to Jonah Triebwasser and George Schwarz: it's a thankless job — most of the time. Remember, if any one group is always happy with what they read in this paper, you are doing something wrong. It's too easy to see the surface of a problem and then to just start complaining; you have got to be fair, and you have got to expose all sides of an issue. It is too easy to find something wrong at the school and immediately blame the Dean and the Board of Trustees. I have been accused of not blaming them enough, but I have never been so accused by them, they like everyone else voiced their complaints. And, the truth is, complaints and suggestions from everyone are just what I wanted, and I got them (Oh boy, did I get them.).

Too wrap up this nonsense, let me make a few observations about our school (Oh hell here comes the sermon); I have served on many committees, from the impotent Commencement Committee to the very time consuming and very satisfying Admissions Committee. It has been my experience that students will be listened to if they work at their ideas and present well thought out proposals to both the faculty and the administration. The SBA should be your vehicle for doing this (I hope).

A Few Suggestions For The Powers That Be

What is also clear to me is that the school in its progress and improvements has at times ignored the students and has caused them unnecessary suffering. To Dean Shapiro and President Thornton I say: you have done a great deal for our school and the better it gets the more benefits I, as a graduate, will reap, but you have got to pay more attention to the immediate needs of the students. If we have not adequately articulated our complaints, it is still your job to actively seek to discover what is wrong, and to correct it.

To the administration as a whole let me just add these words: get together. Too often students are given the run around. Quite often a student can get two completely opposite answers to the same question simply by asking it of administrators on different floors. It is

this type of petty inconsistency that frustrates, antagonizes, and alienates the students at NYLS.

In closing, I must mention a close friend and adviser — who is no longer the formal adviser to the newspaper — Professor Joseph Koffler. He has always been there to help and to answer our questions. He has never tried to tell us what we should or should not print. To him I can say nothing more than thank you.

Goodbye And Good Luck — How Original

Well it's over, and if nothing else, I've at least succeeded in thoroughly boring to tears anyone who has read this far (you can't say I didn't warn you). Fellow students of the class of '77, GOOD LUCK!



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by Peter Rose

The memories of the past three years will be pleasant only because they will be formed around the friendships I have made and the personalities I have encountered and liked. Fortunately, the mind tends to suppress that which it chooses and, therefore, I will probably not remember what NYLS was really like. I do not mean to say that NYLS is totally without merit. After all, it is the one law school that saw fit to extend to me the opportunity to join the legal profession. NYLS does offer a degree recognized by all of the accrediting bodies and is approved by the American Bar Association and the Association of American Law Schools. This is where my favorable comments about NYLS end.

I could relate, chronologically, all of the events which have caused me and the majority of the Class of 1977 to look back with such lack of fondness on these three years. I would say, for example, that NYLS has been good training for practicing law in New York City, after all, once you have banged your head against one bureaucratic stone wall, you have banged your head against them all. I would add that it is probably equally true that it feels good when you stop. To dwell on the past, however, would only bore those who could cite the same events and anger those who were the cause of the problems. I have therefore, opted for a more tactful and, I hope, interesting approach. I shall offer my suggestions for what needs to be done in order to put NYLS back in the hearts of those most important to it — the students.

First of all, I would suggest that we stop playing musical teachers. Since 1974 the turnover of faculty has been very high. No faculty member has been granted tenure. The net result of all the change is that the professors still considered the best are those in the waning years of their careers. To borrow a phrase from the elder statesman of the faculty, I "don't like who's waiting the wings." The administration claims that the salaries they offer are competitive yet they have been either unwilling or unable to hire more than one or two professors with teaching experience. This is attributable only to the fact that greater emphasis is placed on where the new hire's degree comes from than whether or not he or she can teach. It is time someone realized that each time a practitioner is hired who is ineffective in the classroom, the result is a deficiency in education. Of course, this presupposes that any one has education as a primary concern. This assumption may be erroneous with respect to NYLS since during the past three years I have heard issues evaluated and resolved only in terms of the reconstruction of NYLS' image.

The administration must recognize and deal with the space problem which we have faced in the last few years. We cannot continue to enlarge our first year class, admit a mid-year class and create innovative part time programs without enlarging our physical plant. A major urban law center cannot be operated out of a phonebooth. We must obtain space immediately to alleviate the overcrowding. We cannot wait until plans are drawn, approved and implemented for a new building. The need to rent additional space nearby is painfully apparent.

The Dean must play a more active and continuous role in the daily administration of the law school. His staff claims that it merely implements his policies and those of the Board of Trustees. The average student must have more access to the people who set policy, and, not always is it appropriate to file an appointment request form and wait in the hope of being granted an audience.

The faculty and administration must stop playing fast and loose with required courses. I find it hard to believe that decisions concerning which courses are to be required are made with the primary objective of catering to distinguished visiting professors. Credit should be given to those responsible for obtaining these distinguished people, but if the powers that be were not so image conscious, the entire school would not have to be thrown into chaos in the process.

I cannot understand why NYLS has not seen fit to fill the Solomon Chair. After making such a production out of its dedication one would think it would be put to immediate use. Can it be that no one worthy of this post has been found?

An important measure of a law school's quality is the placement of its graduates. While it would be unfair to deprecate the efforts of our placement director it must be pointed out that NYLS' record in this area is not as

good as it could be, should be, or is said to be. We have had no more law firms interviewing here than we have had in the past. The Government agencies that have interviewed here were the same ones with which we have always been successful. Since there is so much political savvy in our administration and on our Board, could not some of this be applied to the placement problem?

The administration must recognize that a law school is evaluated on the basis of its faculty, facilities and student body. All the public relations firms and razzle dazzle do not ultimately make NYLS a quality institution. Only meaningful change can accomplish this. While our dean is to be commended for bringing NYLS into the twentieth century in so short a time he must be convinced that this is only the beginning. The task of making NYLS a first rate law school must be undertaken with the same fervor as was employed in obtaining AALS certification. Dean Shapiro has shown himself to be capable of accomplishing virtually anything he sets out to do. We must impress upon him the need to make NYLS a quality law school from within rather than making it appear to be one from without.

In so far as the student body of NYLS is concerned, it would be natural to find a group of egotistical and aggressive people in any law school. I have found, however, that there are, at NYLS, an excessive number of students who believe that they are would be lawyers by divine right. They have little or no respect for others whom they consider to be beneath them. This misconception has carried over to lack of respect for one another and has allowed cut throat tactics to find a place at NYLS. I can say, with pride, that this is a recent development and seems to be confined to the 1st and 2nd year students. I would suggest that the students who are most insulted by the tone of my remarks spend some time in self-evaluation. I believe that their attitudes and behavior is inconsistent with the image we all claim to want for the legal profession. NYLS might, in addition, spend some more time considering the character and fitness of its applicants in addition to their grades and board scores.

I would like to conclude on a more personal note. I refer to the friendships and relationships that I will remember with fondness. The past three years would have been unbearable without the support, respect and special feeling which I was privileged to share with Jim Tricarico and Phyllis Scher. Jim and I will go forward aided by the insight gained from Phyllis is the short time for which we were fortunate to know her. I would like to thank Jim for permitting me to be a part of EQUITAS.

One of the most rewarding experiences that I had at NYLS was coordinating the Wagner Labor Law Moot Court Competition, along with Maria Derr and Marshall Lippman. I take pride in knowing that we were able to accomplish something of great benefit to the law school. We know, however, that we did it just for the "yucks."

There are a number of people who must be thanked, too numerous to mention them all, for all their help. Special thanks, however, to Gerry, Alice, Judy, Lucille, Tony and the maintenance staff. I must give Gil Hollander a part of the credit for whatever success I have achieved. This column would not be complete without a special word about Marshall Lippman. The special word is uncle and none could have adopted a better one.

To all of the Class of 1977 I wish you what I wish myself. To the rest of the NYLS community, I wish you all continued good fortune.

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by Glenn von Nostitz

It is with some reluctance that I write this final piece for EQUITAS. Such last articles too often tend toward either sentimentality or preaching. Moreover, I have taken a sabbatical of sorts from EQUITAS, for reasons of lack of time and other personal considerations.

Yet I do have some words to write about the school after spending three years and thousands of dollars here.

I think my time here was well spent, and I am glad that I chose to attend NYLS. There is little doubt that the school has progressed a great deal from the days of Dean Rafalko and his eleven faculty members. Yet this progress should not be allowed to obscure some of the serious problems the school has to overcome.

In the zeal to improve the school and its image, NYLS has too often ignored real problems of everyday school

operation. While the Dean is giving a lecture in some city hundreds of miles away, there are many students right here with complaints that are not receiving proper attention. The Letter to the Editor in the last issue of this paper pointed out some of the specific problem areas: a lack of student participation in decision making (unfortunately partly the fault of the SBA), an apparent lowering of the grading curve, and an air of arrogance and non-cooperation by some of the personnel.

The daily difficulty of dealing with the bureaucracy is, in my mind, very serious. It seems that the more offices that are created, the less responsive and efficient the bureaucracy becomes. The result is alienation of a large portion of the student body.

This is not to downplay another major problem, which is the inadequacy of the physical plant. The school buildings were overcrowded back when there were only 700 students. We are now over 1,000 strong, yet the physical plant has remained the same size. True, plans are in the works for a new building to be constructed in the parking lot. But it will not be ready for many years. Meanwhile, the school continues to expand. Rented office space is only a last ditch solution. Controlled growth would have been better and could still be instituted before the problem gets even more serious.

The faculty ranges in quality from the best to the worst. There has been some bad teaching from which the 3rd year class has especially suffered. Some of our professors were new to teaching when we had them, and a few were assigned to teach courses entirely outside their area of specialization. They may be good professors after a few years of practice, but too often we had them when they were still fresh from jobs outside academia and had not looked at the subject matter in years.

This brings us to the sore subject of grades. Many students would list them as their number one gripe. There's a widespread feeling that the grades too often have little relation to how one would function as a lawyer, or even how much one knows about a particular subject. Additionally, there's considerable consternation over the severity of the grading system and the fact that students at NYLS seem to work harder but get lower grades than do students at other law schools. NYLS has one of the highest flunk-out rates, which seems uncalled for when one considers how much admissions standards have been raised. This is not to mention the long delays in receiving the grades, and the annoying policy of non-posting.

The school has been representing itself as an "urban law center" with an emphasis on training lawyers who will work in the inner city. Yet we have very few minority students, and the real emphasis of the school seems to be on placing students in Wall Street firms. We are an "urban law center", yet when interviewed a year ago, one of the new members of the Board of Trustees stated that he was very deeply committed to urban revitalization, but when asked where he lived, responded "Connecticut."

These criticisms are harsh. Perhaps too harsh. Indeed, I do not mean to detract from the substantial progress that has been made in many areas. While the school may be overly concerned with image, it must nonetheless be admitted that the opinion others have of the school is important, and that NYLS is no longer considered a bad law school. Such a transformation in outlook is no small achievement. And while the commitment to urban law has been somewhat overstated and the results patchy, it cannot be denied that many innovative programs have been initiated which involve students directly with the community (the Consumer Law Center is a good example). With the imminent arrival of the first CCNY students participating in the six-year program, we can hope to see in future years a stronger focus on the legal problems of urban centers.

Indeed, if one can put up with the overcrowded conditions, the bureaucratic roadblocks, and some of the less than star-studded faculty members, it is possible to get a very good legal education at NYLS, especially if one takes advantage of the school's excellent location in downtown Manhattan. While it is easy to vilify the Dean for many of the drawbacks of the school, it must also be stated that it has been in large part due to his drive and yes, vision, that the school has made such remarkable progress in some areas. It seems that some new program or initiative is announced almost every other week.

I believe NYLS can become a "top law school." But it can do this only by developing internal strength. This internal strength will come about when the school's problems are honestly faced, and when the students, faculty and administration begin working together to start solving them. A new spirit of trust must be developed through a greater use of consultation and more openness. This task is hard and work on it must begin now.

Exams: The How (But Not Why)

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 proctors gather there before every exam period. Exams, bluebooks, and scrap paper must be counted out. Proctors receive a general instruction sheet and are given a sign in-sign out sheet for each exam. Lippman and Sgro speak to the proctors about po-

tential problems.
 If the proctors find an instance of cheating, they must report it to Lippman. In the Fall, no student was accused of academic dishonesty. In past semesters, what Lippman calls questionable episodes have been discovered. They are handled individually by

an ad hoc faculty committee and, in one case, exams were voided.

At the end of the exam, the proctors count the number of bluebooks against the number of people signed out. They sign the sheet, noting the room number, starting and stopping time and episodes such as the lights going out.

Bluebooks are returned to Lippman's office. Professors, who must remain within the building during the exam, receive a list of the student test numbers in the class and sign a receipt for the bluebooks they pick up. The professor enters the exam grades on that list of student test numbers.

If the system works, the only problems a student should face are the ones on the exam question sheet.



(photo/J. Triebwasser)
 Judge Hornblass and Dean Bearn examine the program for the conference.

Drug Conference Held Here

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 his opening statement that the Committee would use the Conference as a take-off point for hearings and legislation.

Mr. Rangel challenged the Federal government to do more to combat the drug problem nationwide, since narcotics addiction is not just a local problem.

The effects of the Rockefeller Drug Laws, which became New York's law in 1973, were evaluated and argued. Possible unconstitutional aspects of the laws were discussed.

New York Mayor Abraham Beame closed the conference by advocating the decriminalization of the laws affecting marijuana.

Law School in the Holy Land

The major issues separating Israel, the Arab countries and the PLO will be discussed in Jerusalem this summer during a five-week seminar to be conducted by The American University Law School of Washington, D.C. The seminar will also explore legal developments and institutions in Israel and the Arab countries.

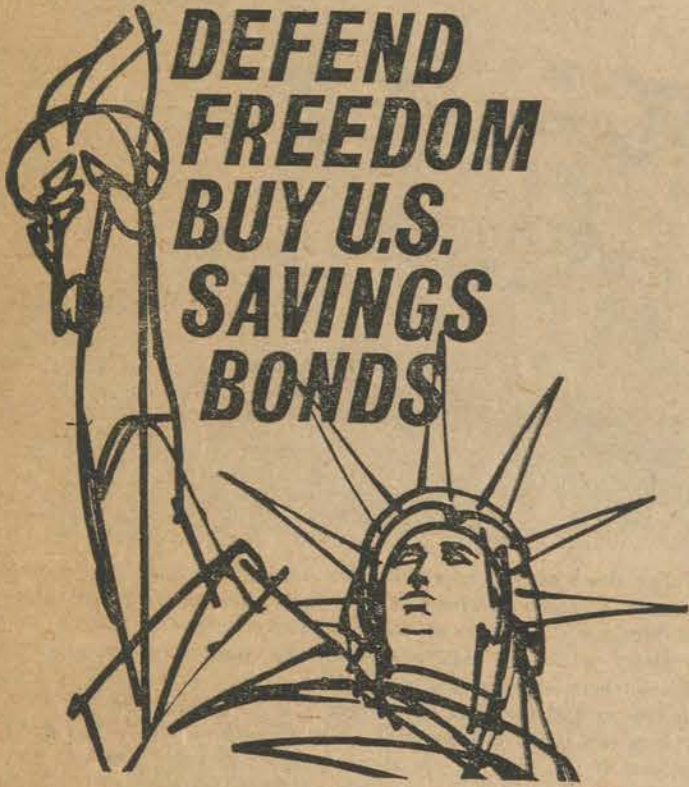
Beginning July 15, 1977, law and graduate students from all over the United States will par-

ticipate in a special seminar dealing with the Arab-Israeli conflict. American, European, Israeli, and Arab experts will review different aspects of the conflict and will discuss current proposals for agreement and peace.

The participants in the American University seminar will meet with high Israeli officials, including the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister and the Attorney General, as well as with United Nations and Arab repre-

sentatives.

The program in Jerusalem is open to NYLS students and practitioners in law, government, and international relations. Participants will be entitled to six hours of academic credit, possibly transferable to other Universities. For further details, interested persons should contact Professor Nicholas N. Kitzrie, Director, Law and Policy Institute Abroad, The American University, Washington, D.C. 20016.



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by Bruce A. Torino

N.L.G. Activity Increases

by Steve Paganuzzi, NLG Member

In an attempt to supplement the rigorous law school curriculum, many NYLS students have turned to the National Lawyers Guild during the past year. The active membership in the NYLS Guild chapter has increased substantially while the chapter's level of activity has continued to be the highest of any student group in the school. But in order to understand the extent to which NYLS students have been active in the Guild, one must view the extensive activity outside the school as well.

As law students looking to acquire experience in practicing law for people, not profits, several NYLS Guild students have had the opportunity to work with noted Guild attorneys. During the preparation of the "Hurricane" Carter-John Artis retrial in the fall, three NYLS students worked as volunteers with Guild attorney and NYLS graduate Lewis Steel. Their work involved research into the admissibility of evidence.

One first-year student is presently assisting the Guild in its suit against the FBI and other executive departments. The government is being accused of a general conspiracy to disrupt the Guild through surveillance and other alleged illegal means. The lawsuit is being coordinated by the firm of Rabinowitz, Boudin & Standard and is expected to take several years.

The Guild's city chapter projects have also given NYLS students the opportunity to work with Guild attorneys, legal workers and other students on important legal projects. A second-year NYLS student is assisting the NYC chapter Housing Project in the preparation of a comprehensive paper analyzing the demand for continued and expanded rent controls in NYC. The paper is intended to aid tenants in their current lobbying effort in the State legislature to retain rent controls. A third-year NYLS Guild student is active in rendering legal support to a rank and file caucus within the Teamster Union through the NYC chapter Labor project.

The Guild's Matchup Program has successfully placed several NYLS Guild students with Guild attorneys for paying jobs for the spring and summer. The purpose of the Matchup program is not only to give students the paying jobs that are so essential to cover the cost of tuition and support, but to give Guild students the opportunity to learn from the experience of practicing "peoples lawyers." NYLS Guild members including first-year students have been placed with Guild attorneys and firms specializing in such diverse areas as labor, criminal and international law.

Beyond working with Guild attorneys, NYLS Guild students continue to be active in aiding other people and organizations. A number of NYLS students have actively supported the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) in their efforts against the J. P. Stevens Co. NYLS students have assisted ACTWU in organizing demonstrations, educational programs, and in the boycotting of Stevens' products. Other students have been active as organizers with the Metropolitan Council on Housing, the largest city-wide tenant union. Met Council works with individual tenants but tries to actively organize tenants by the building in order to strengthen the group generally in their quest for improved housing.

NYLS students have also been an important force in the administrative and organizing aspects of the Guild. One third-year student has had a part-time paying job in the NYC chapter office throughout the year, and several NYLS students have contributed to the NYC chapter newspaper, *Blind Justice*. In addition, NYLS currently has two student representatives on the NYC chapter Law Student Organizing Committee. LSOC consists of students and young Guild attorneys from throughout the NYC area who work to start new Guild chapters at law schools and aid existing chapters. Their work has included coordinating two city-wide conferences this year. The most recent conference was held at NYLS on April 2.

In February, the NLG National Executive Board met at Norman, Oklahoma for a semi-annual conference attended by over 300 attorneys, legal workers and students. In mid-April, the Guild held a Northeast Regional Conference at Harvard Law School. These kinds of conferences are essential to Guild policy-making and organizing. The NYLS chapter was able to send one representative to Oklahoma and five delegates to Cambridge. The NYLS chapter is seeking funds to send at least one representative to the Guild's Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington during late August.

As NYLS students have become increasingly involved in many phases of progressive organizing and legal work this year, they have come to appreciate the presence of the National Lawyers Guild even more. The Guild acts as a vital center of legal support for progressive, peoples' struggles throughout the country. The Guild recognizes that its continued strength and effectiveness comes from its current law student members. Therefore, Guild students are strongly encouraged to become involved in all phases of Guild activity.

Admission Standards Raised

by Dennis Stukenbroeker

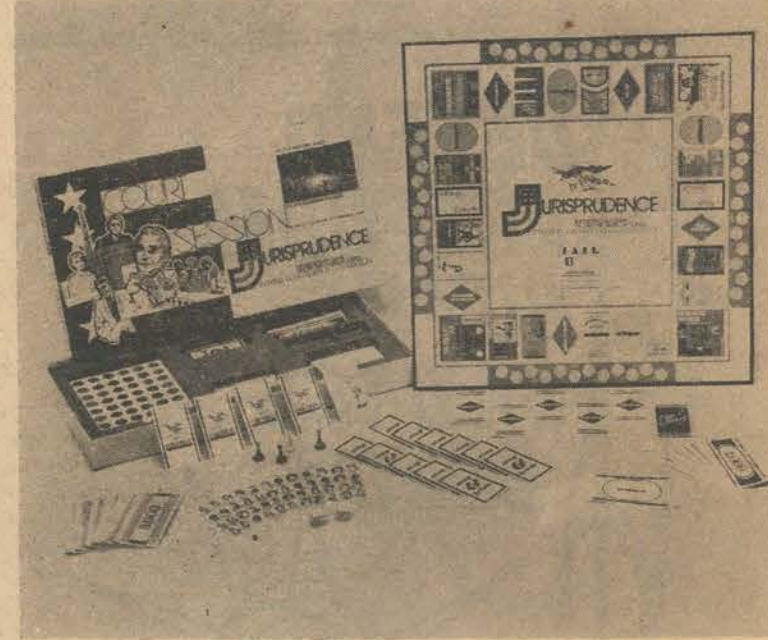
Next fall's admissions will come in with higher credentials, said Dean Margaret Bearn. NYLS is also drawing students from more schools, with an increase in applicants from the Midwest and West Coast. However, the number of new students is being held to this year's range of 225 to 240 students in the day and 140 to 150 at night.

Both LSAT scores and grade point averages are higher than previous years. Dean Bearn said that where the LSAT and GPA are concerned, neither is given emphasis over the other. "Candidates have to satisfy both. A person with a low GPA and a high LSAT would have a difficult time getting in." With people who have had work experience, they "look for a kind of work one could judge in relating it to law or as helpful in the law school experience, like paralegal, editing, or teaching."

The dean is quite pleased that more minorities, with higher educational credentials, are applying. NYLS has no active minority recruiting program. A student's background is taken into consideration, but no allowances are

made academically, according to Dean Bearn.

The Black American Law Students Association of NYLS acts as an unofficial recruiter, going to colleges and attending minority law conferences. Dean Bearn also hopes that the Chinatown Law Project will stimulate interest and applications to NYLS from the nearby Chinese community.



For those of you who think law is a game, somebody's come up with one. Chicago attorney James Vail gives you Jurisprudence. In this Monopoly version of the American criminal justice system, everybody starts off indicted (maybe he could invent a game called Politics where everybody ends up that way). Each player acts as his own lawyer and the first one to get 6 or 12 jurors wins.

You can go to jail, naturally, but there's no "Go". You don't get \$200, but if you land on the right square you get \$20,000 to hire the best criminal lawyer (who says it's not based on reality?). Instead of "Park Place", you get a square that says "FBI Destroys Evidence" (who says it's not based on reality?).

The game is currently being used in 300 school districts and the New York City Board of Education has just approved it for classroom use.

It comes with 32 Evidence Ruling cards based on recent Supreme Court decisions. Vail says, "It is our intention to periodically issue new series to supplement the game and keep it current with the law." Life's getting complicated when you have to shepardize a board game. To obtain a copy of the game, send to Jurisprudence, P.O. Box 452, Wilmette, Ill. 60091 — \$7.99, plus \$1 for shipping.

—Dennis Stukenbroeker

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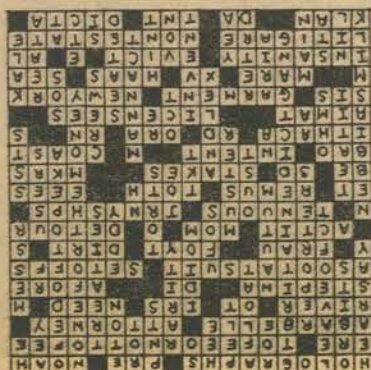
...makes sense.

Second year students — interested in being a BAR BRI representative next year? Contact Elliott Horowitz or the BAR office.

Answer

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Crossword



So You Want to Be A Lawyer?

by Richard Grant

Suzy, hold all my calls. I have a young man in my office who wants to clerk for the firm this summer. She says you look sharp. Let's see that resume now. Law review, moot court, high grades. Impressive, very impressive. Do you know that your law school was my second choice? I wish we had something to offer you, but last week we hired two Rutgers graduates for the jobs you are seeking.

It's hard. It's hard. But don't be discouraged. I admire the hell out of you for knocking on doors, going after every firm in town. If there is one quality that makes a good lawyer, it is aggressiveness.

Tell you what, I'll treat you to lunch.

I remember my first day as a practicing attorney. I rented a small office, got the furniture from Lease-a-Desk, lined the walls with my casebooks and the American Law Reports up to 1948. I had confidence, vigor and fine suits.

That morning, a large blonde wandered into my office and asked me to defend her. She said, "I borrowed money from my friend for lottery tickets and when I didn't pay it back right away, the bitch sued me. I found a lawyer and after he won the case, he claimed I never paid him and sued me. Isn't that ridiculous? I got another attorney."

"Bye," I tell her.

That is the first lesson. Choose your clients with care.

Another knock on the door. A man limped in, covered with dirt and blood and bruises, holding the side of his head with his palm.

"Shouldn't you see a doctor?" I ask.

"No," he says, "this is more important."

He told me that as he was walking uptown on Fifth, a large dude with a loud radio on his shoulder crossed in front of him. Suddenly, something prevented him from moving forward and tossed him to the sidewalk. Immediately, the dude with the radio reached his side and there was another dude with the same type of radio on his shoulder who was standing there too. The second one blamed the other for letting the wire tighten between the stereo units.

"What did you do?" I asked.

"Do? These dudes could lift 75 pound radios on their shoulders. I apologized for being there. But I found out who they are so I want to sue them."

I told him to come back tomorrow. I had to find out what the case law was. I had to find out if he had any assets.

That is the second lesson. Can you afford your client?

My last visitor that day was a tired middle-aged man

who edged into the office, looking behind him before he shut it.

"Counselor," he said, "I want you to defend me. My wife is suing me for divorce on the grounds of adultery. I don't want our marriage to break up. That woman is making good money. What happened was that I had to go into the hospital for some tests. I met a nurse. We hit it off and we made love everywhere. Counselor, my wife got hold of the X-ray pictures."

I took the case, intrigued by the evidentiary problem. We lost.

One good thing came out of it, you know. I met the man's ex-wife. A charming, feminine woman. Athletic, active in city politics, interested in the arts. A gourmet cook. All cheekbones and legs.

No, I married the nurse. I am a very sick man.



—Jon Spurr

The Question Is: Can You Type

by Richard Grant

Now that I am a second year student, I find that finding a summer clerkship would be easier.

Last year, I had sent out a chain letter to 40 law firms, requesting that if they could not provide a position for me, that they send a copy of the letter to five other law firms. I never got a clerkship that summer, but the entire county suffered a shortage of dimes.

This morning, I had an interview scheduled at Behemoth and Leviathan, a large corporate law firm. They leased four floors of the Westway Building and had remodeled the interior to reflect the prosperity they expected. The corridors were wide enough to accommodate the golf carts used by associates to attend weekly conferences. The lighting was soft, absorbed in the spongy green carpet. On the walls were prints portraying courtroom scenes. The receptionists were soft-spoken women from the Commonwealth nations.

I looked down. I could see my face in my well-polished shoes, I could see that I had taken a haircut and then another one four hours later.

When I entered the private office of the senior associate who was to interview me, I discovered that she was a smooth-faced woman with a distant smile. She was contemplating my resume, an honest document but a modest one.

"Where do you go to school?"

"Harvard."

"But that's in Cambridge, Massachusetts. This resume says your school is located in Hackensack, New Jersey."

"Yes."

"It's not Harvard."

"Yes, it is. The professors call it Harvard. The students call it Harvard. We've been calling it Harvard as long as I can remember."

"It's not Harvard."

"Yes, it is."

"It isn't."

"It is."

"You're going to have to do better than that."

I confessed error. The senior associate's astute legal reasoning, honed in hundreds of courtroom battles, had refuted my contention and exposed it as an illusion.

Here was a worthy opponent. Here was the person who could teach me more about law, in its complexities and its practicalities, than all my classroom instructors. I wanted the job.

"I'll let you know," the senior associate said, "we will be interviewing other qualified applicants in the coming weeks."

I stood up to leave. The ashtray fell from my left kneecap to the floor and shattered ominously. Blindly I headed to the door and groped for the knob.

"Wait," the senior associate ordered. "When you were sitting, I did not realize how tall you were." She crumbled my cover letter into a ball and tossed it to me.

Automatically, my arms stretched out and I caught the paper.

"Throw it in the basket," she commanded.

I threw the ball of paper, product of hours of second thoughts, at the wastepaper basket. It hit the inside rim, pained in the air a second and dropped in. Clunk.

"Do you dribble?" the senior associate enquired.

"You're making fun of me."

"No, you dummy, do you play basketball?"

"Yes, I do. Why?"

"Next week we are going to play the U.S. Attorney's office. We have a league going. Last year, we ended up 14 and two. We are looking for lawyers who are good in court. Say yes, and you're in with the pros."

Crossword

by Gene Szufflita

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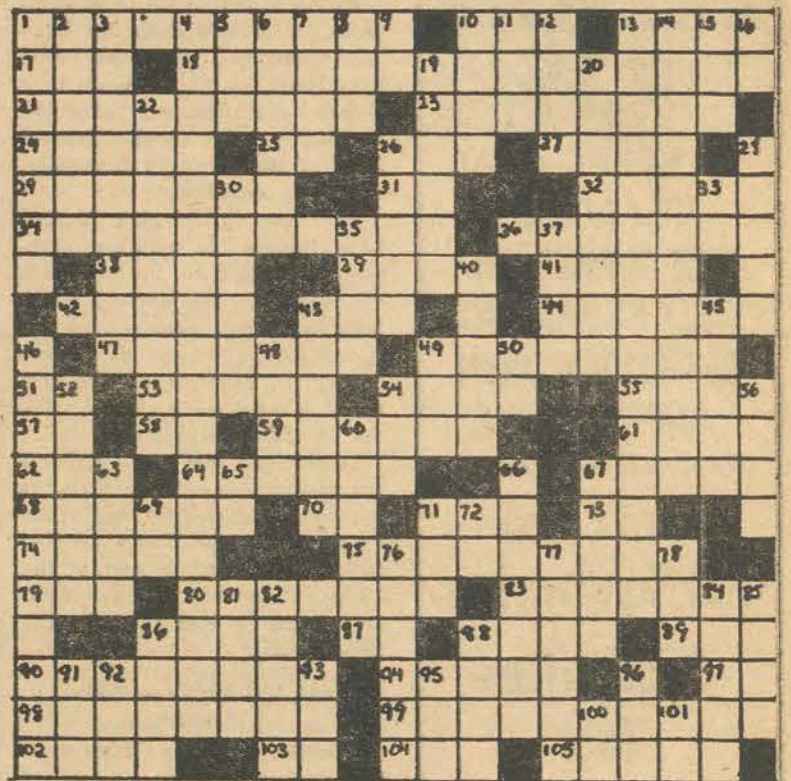
1. Handwritten deeds
10. Before (comb.)
13. Biblical gratuitous bailor
17. Poet's word
18. Hamlet's quote if he were a barrister
21. Female counselor.
23. Lawyer
24. Place where a riparian right might be found
25. Supreme Court reporter (abbr.)
26. Agency involved in Pollock and Springer suits
27. Require
29. — — — moment (enter)
31. Boss at a boot camp
32. Word with thought and mentioned
34. At issue in some pollution cases (4 words)
36. Counterclaims
38. German woman's title
39. Racer A.J.
41. What comprises Blackacre
42. — — out (put on a show)
43. She has the dower
44. Re-route
47. Having very little substance
49. Follows Apprnthesps.
51. And (Latin)
53. A famous uncle
54. U.S. ex rel. — v. Quarles (Con. Law case)
55. Very wide shoes
57. "Nor — deprived . . . without due process"

58. Pierre is its capitol
59. Deposits held upon the happening of a condition subsequent
61. Mfgrs.
62. Sibling (abbr.)
64. It presupposes knowledge
67. Borders on 89 Across
68. Site of Cornell Univ.
70. The rule of a decision
71. Mouths
73. Hospital employee
74. Point in the direction of
75. Social guests
79. Related to 62 Across
80. Article of clothing
83. Defendant in 46 Down
86. Latin for 89 Across
87. Racial Equality amendment
88. Laughs (with 8 Down)
89. Ocean
90. One defense to a contract
94. Dispossess from land
97. Frequently found with 51 Across
98. Carry out a suit (Latin)
99. Not having a will (coll.)
102. Membership in this So. org. led to U.S. v. Harris (106 U.S. 629)
103. Prosecutor
104. The Restatement would call it "abnormally dangerous"
105. Judicial remarks made in passing

DOWN

1. Generally inadmissible testimony
2. Circular paths

3. Acc. to F.R. Civ. Proc. 15(a) a party needs it to amend after twenty days
4. The crowd at Runnymede (4 words)
5. Plaintiff in abortion case
6. What admiralters hope their ships will continue to stay
7. Animal skin
8. Cf. 88 Across
9. One of West's reporters (abbr.)
10. Liquid measure (abbr.)
11. Decay
12. City on the Thames
13. Possible slogan for a Legal Aid Bureau
14. Brown v. Bd. — — — — (1954 Con. Law case) (abbr.)
15. Three vowels
16. That man
19. Not a frequent event
20. McDougal's specialty
22. A.L.R., F.Supp., etc.
26. Dialect
28. Frenchman's title (abbr.)
20. Sailor (Latin)
33. Refunding (abbr.)
35. Flying saucers
37. Whirlpool
40. Prosser's subject
43. Assemble troops
45. Those who utilize
46. What was being regulated in famous 1934 police power case
48. Eject
49. G. I. . . .
50. New England State
52. Jus
54. Certificate showing holder's right of entry (abbr.)
56. Concordes, e.g.



60. Et law (coll.)
63. Measure of electrical resistance
65. Continent in Western Hemisphere
66. Another name for White Slave Traffic Laws
69. Opposite of 55 Across
71. Supreme Court session
72. N.Y.L.S. prof and equity commentator
76. Create
77. Not standing
78. Disaster signal
81. Opera melody
82. No longer working (abbr.)
84. Lasso
85. Cabbage
86. — Purpose Rule
88. Clue
91. Nothing
92. Station (abbr.)
93. Affirmative
95. Baron's title
96. And others (Latin)
101. Yes to a Spaniard

New EQUITAS Staff Selected for Next Year

by Bruce Torino

At a long meeting last month, the outgoing editorial board of EQUITAS named next year's editors. At the top are Jonah Triebwasser, Editor-in-Chief and George Schwarz, Managing Editor.

Both Triebwasser and Schwarz

come from backgrounds in college journalism. The new Editor-in-Chief held the same post at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice's student newspaper LEX. Later as a state investigator he edited a quarterly magazine for a state police fraternal organization.

The holder of the newly created position of Managing Editor has already received notoriety at NYLS for some of his efforts, such as last year's investigative piece about the local bar review courses. Schwarz was also an editor of "The Campus" at CCNY.

New Board More Structured

At the suggestion of Jim Tricarico, Editor-in-Chief Emeritus, the new board is much more structured than it has been in the past. There is no longer just the Editor-in-Chief and a group of Executive Editors. Now, each editor has been given a descriptive title with very definite jobs.

News Editor is Bill O'Brien, a second year day mid-year-admissions student. Feature Editor is Dennis Stukenbroeker, a first year day student who has come to us by way of London, England and the University of California at Berkeley. Alumni news and alumni relations are now being handled by Alison Greene, a second year day student holding the position of Alumni Editor.

Also named to editorial positions are: Rod Fraser and Mike Soltis (also a Law Review Editor) both second year day students who are the Copy Editors; and Rich Ceresia and Joe Stavola, Production Editors, also from the second year day.



(photo/K. Davis)

The New Staff of EQUITAS (standing, left to right): Rob Fraser, Copy Editor; Joe Stavola, Production Editor; Richard Grant, Staff Reporter; Mike Soltis, Copy Editor; George Schwarz, Managing Editor; Jonah Triebwasser, Editor-in-Chief; Neil Greenfield, Staff Reporter; Dennis Stukenbroeker, Feature Editor. (Seated) Bill O'Brien, News Editor and Rick Ceresia, Production Editor. Missing from the photograph is Alumni Editor Alison Greene.

EQUITAS Whips Law Review

The tension was running high, with Law Review ahead of EQUITAS, 1-0, in the bottom of the seventh. The Cool Squad of EQUITAS had led the victim to the trap. The Law Review's false sense of security was soon destroyed in an explosion of hitting. Eleven runs were scored as the EQUITAS players tired themselves running around the bases. The side finally retired with a score of 11-1.

The game was topped off with homers by Ed Sonocki, Vic Pino, Ira Pollack and alumnus and past Executive Editor Jim Pagano, on loan to EQUITAS, by special authorization of the State Attorney General's Office.

At the close of the game the crowd was barely containable in their enthusiasm over the 15-4 score and the call of free beer.

A SPECIAL NOTICE... there are unconfirmed rumors, from a probably reliable source in high places that the Yankees have issued a challenge to the undefeated team, or maybe this is the all star team that is to be chosen to play the CUBANS.

—Bruce Torino



(photo/L. LaSalle)

Vic Pino at bat.

Law Books Available At Federal Bookstore

For those of us who hate to pay sales tax, a haven exists at 26 Federal Plaza. Just a couple of blocks east of the school on Worth Street is the United States Government Printing Office Bookstore. Tax free are such delights as the Federal Rules of Evidence and the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure for \$.65 and \$1.05, respectively. For the more adventurous there are pamphlets on Electric Current Abroad (\$1.15) and Chinese Herbal Medicine (\$1.90) and even Quieting: A Practical Guide to

Noise Control that should have been read by the builders of the Concorde. Additionally, there are pocket size Constitutions to cite and impress your friends.

Most of these pamphlets contain the statutory material only, and do not contain advisory committee notes or forms.

Anytime you are free between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., a visit to the United States Printing Office Bookstore in room 110 of the Federal Building might be rewarding. —Rick Ceresia

Law Review Elects Editors

by Bill O'Brien

We'd like to duplicate the success of this year's editorial board, said Steve Zalkin, editor-in-chief of New York Law School Law Review for the 1977-78 school year, as he described the hopes of the members of the newly appointed editorial board.

Zalkin looks forward to completing and publishing an issue "early next Fall" from the works left behind from the present Law Review staff. The new board will probably publish another general issue of their own by December, according to Zalkin.

The new staff's plan is that Law Review do another symposium similar to the one just completed by the present staff. Securities law, professional responsibility, and criminal law are among the areas which the new board is considering as topics for the possible symposium.

Zalkin feels that constructing a symposium is a difficult task. "It requires so much more work than an average issue. You must find different authors for each of the different sections. Strict deadlines must be met to make the issue timely."

June Writing Competition Planned

Law Review plans a June writing competition for all second year mid-year-admission students, except those who participated in the December 1976 writing competition.

Research packets containing a topic to be selected by Law Review will be handed out sometime in June and students who participate will be given a limited time to complete their writing. Law Review has not yet determined the exact amount of time to be allowed, but Zalkin noted "probably two weeks to a month will

be given, depending on how much work will be required." The number of people from the writing competition to be asked to join Law Review will depend on the number and quality of the works submitted.

NEW STAFF

In addition to Mr. Zalkin, the following have been selected for editorial positions for the Law Review for 1977-78:

- Executive Editor: Jani Maurer.
- Topics Editor: David Newman.
- Articles Editors: Rick Moore, Georgia Schmidt, and Jean Thompson.
- Book Review Editor: Cliff Fishman.
- Notes and Comments Editors: John Lowe, Barbara Smook, Michael Soltis, and Carla Lowenheim.
- Administrative Editor: Roy Chernus.
- Research Editors: Alan Cohen, Mona Lipp, Rebecca Citron, and Sheila Solomon.
- Associate Editors: Jul Graham, Marcia Kasdan, Marty Hyman, and Bonnie Sieradzki.

The Spring Look



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Sporting the last word in men's spring fashion, NYLS elevator pilot Carmello David models the new uniform provided by Security 76 for the school's maintenance personnel. The uniforms are the first of many changes expected from the new contractor.

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