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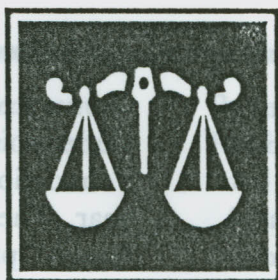


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LEGAL AID CLINIC SECURES NEW GRANT

The Legal Aid Clinic received a grant of \$100,000 from the Retirement Research Foundation, for education and the provision of legal services to older Hoosiers. Tom Shaffer is principal investigator for the grant and will teach clinical seminars in elderlaw as part of the project. Christine Venter is senior clinic fellow under the grant; she will lead legal-aid interns in making presentations at senior-citizen centers in the community and doing on-site intake interviews for the Clinic's legal services.

The grant allows the Clinic to associate Franklin P. (Steve) Morse II, NDLS '64, as one of its supervising attorneys. Steve

will retire at the end of this year as a partner in the South Bend office of Barnes and Thornburg. In the Clinic he will concentrate on cases involving domestic relations, including spousal abuse, and legal protection of the elderly and of children.

SOCIAL JUSTICE FORUM HOSTS HALLOWEEN PARTY

On October 18, in the Stepan Center, the Social Justice Forum of the Notre Dame Law School hosted its sixth annual Halloween Party for Underprivileged Children. About sixty-five children from Salvation Army branches in South Bend and Mishawaka, and from CANCO in

Mishawaka, attended. All left with a costume, a bag of candy, and great memories. The student volunteers too left with great memories and a little bit of candy! Two local television stations and the *South Bend Tribune* covered the event. Thanks to all the volunteers and especially to Nancy Kim and Brendan Rielly, who chaired the event.

KOMMERS LECTURE INAUGURATES ENDOWED CHAIR

On October 20, Donald P. Kommers, Robbie Professor of Government and International Studies, delivered a lecture entitled, "Freedom of Speech, Democracy, and Constitutionalism: United States, Germany and Canada." The lecture marked the inauguration of the Robbie Endowed Chair, which Don assumed in 1992. Mary Ann Glendon of Harvard Law School, Walter Murphy of Princeton's Department of Politics, and Fred Dallmayr of Notre Dame's Government Department commented on the talk. Refreshments followed.

ANNE HOGE WINS FELLOWSHIP

Anne Hoge, a second-year student currently studying in London, has won a Rotary Fellowship that will allow her to study for a Diploma in Law at the University of Melbourne. Anne will receive round-trip transportation and funding for tuition and fees, room, board, necessary educational supplies and contingency expenses for one academic year.

Anne is one of more than 1,100 students worldwide to receive a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship this year. The scholarship program is the world's largest privately sponsored international scholarship program. Designed to promote international understanding and goodwill, the scholarships give students the opportunity to study in one of the 149 countries and 39 geographic regions in which Rotary clubs are located. While abroad, the scholarship recipients, as ambassadors of good will, speak to Rotary clubs and districts, schools, civic organizations and other forums.

MICHAEL PERRY SPEAKS AT NDLS

On November 10 in the Courtroom, Michael Perry, Professor of Law at Northwestern University, delivered a lecture entitled, "The Morality of Homosexual Conduct." His talk in large part responded to a lecture on the same topic that Professor John Finnis of Oxford University gave at NDLS last winter. Reacting to Professor Perry's remarks were Father Richard McCormick of Notre Dame's Theology Department and Professor Paul Weithman of Notre Dame's Philosophy Department.

STAFF MEMBERS MARK ANNIVERSARIES OF SERVICE

Several staff members at NDLS recently reached significant milestones in their service to the University. Corinne Karlin, Marlou Hall and Marcia Towne have each served Notre Dame for fifteen

years. Willie Parker marked her tenth anniversary of service. Congratulations and thanks to all!

NDLS ALUM PICKED FOR SOUTH BEND HALL OF FAME

On November 20, United States District Court Judge Robert Grant, NDLS '30, was inducted into the South Bend Hall of Fame. The occasion was marked by a banquet and recognition ceremony in Century Center.

Judge Grant, a member of the federal judiciary for thirty-seven years, earned his bachelor's degree from Notre Dame in 1928. He served as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for St. Joseph County before being elected to five consecutive terms in the United States House of Representatives. The robing chamber of the Law School's Courtroom was named for him. This year, the Notre Dame Alumni Association honored him with its Cavanaugh Award.

CHAMBERS GROUP SPONSORS DISCUSSION OF VICTIMS

On October 17 in the Student Lounge, Chambers, a Law School discussion group, sponsored a roundtable on the topic, "When Victims Strike back." The session explored whether, and if so when, a victim -- from Lorena Bobbitt to the Menendez brothers -- should be excused from criminal behavior. Speakers included Mary Roemer, of the Madison Center, and NDLS

Professors Robert Blakey and John Robinson.

SERVICES HELD FOR FORMER ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER

The funeral for William L. Kirchner, Jr., NDLS '53 and a member of the Advisory Council from 1981 to 1991, was held in New Providence, New Jersey, on December 2.

Mr. Kirchner, who also did his undergraduate work at Notre Dame, retired in 1989 from his position as the Vice President--Public Affairs, Urban Affairs and Secretary of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company.

Bill was a loyal and valuable member of our Council. We will miss his advice, support and friendship.

NDLS STUDENTS COMPETE IN TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Over Fall break, NDLS Barristers Windi Brown, David Cloutier, Estelle Lopez, and Bill Walsh made a strong showing in the Tournament of Champions in San Diego. Although failing to achieve the "Final Four," the Notre Dame Team, competing against two teams that did, lost "split decisions." Special thanks go to Judge Jeanne Jourdan, the team's Faculty Advisor, and Jim Groves, NDLS '72, who contributed so much to the Team's preparation.

NEWS FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

The library recently received a letter from Roberta Berry. Among her observations: "I want to thank you for the wonderful help that you and others in the Library Services have given me during my visit here at the Law School. . . . First, I always receive such rapid responses to my requests. . . . Second, I always receive such careful and thorough responses. . . . Third, I always receive such sophisticated and thoughtful responses. . . . Finally, I always receive such courteous responses from you and others. . . . In sum, thank you! I appreciate very much the help you and everyone else in your Department have given me."

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Agnes Gloucester, a staff member in the Access Services Department for the last two years, has resigned, effective October 3. On October 8, Agnes was married in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. She will now reside in Michigan.

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Janis Johnston, Lucy Payne, and Joe Thomas attended the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL) annual meeting October 26-28 in Indianapolis. ORALL includes academic, private-firm, corporate, governmental and public law libraries in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. Lucy, a member of the ORALL Executive Board, presented "CD-ROM in Academia."

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**NEWS FROM THE
LEGAL AID CLINIC**

Two outstanding clinicians will evaluate the implementation of the NDLS Legal Aid Clinic's Keck Foundation grant. This Fall will see the visit of Ivan Bodensteiner, NDLS '68, former Dean (1985-90) and current professor at the University of Valparaiso Law School. Ivan served as a staff attorney for Legal Aid of Fort Wayne and later as its Director. He also served as Director of Litigation for the Legal Services Program of Northern Indiana.

In late February, Clinton Bamberger, Professor of Law at the University of Maryland Law School, will visit NDLS. Professor Bamberger served as the first Director of Legal Services for the Office of Economic Opportunity. After four years as Dean of the Catholic University Law School, he served as Executive Vice President of the Legal Services Corporation. He was co-Director of Clinical Legal Education at the University of Maryland from 1982 through 1990.

NEWS FROM THE FACULTY

Brigid Dutile's mother, Katharine T. Dooley, died on November 15 in Mishawaka at the age of 88.

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Bert Gunn's mother, Anna Buchwald, died on November 29th in St. Louis.

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Alan Gunn published the 1994 Supplement to Gunn and Ward, CASES, TEXT AND PROBLEMS ON FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION, a West Publication.

On October 22, Doug Kmiec made a keynote presentation to the 1994 National Leadership Conference of The Catholic Campaign for America. William J. Bennett, Governor Robert Casey, Fr. Richard John Neuhaus, and Dr. Michael Novak also spoke at the Conference. Prof. Kmiec's address, entitled "Preserving Religious Freedom," traced the importance of understanding religious freedom within the Catholic natural-law tradition. The event took place at the Omni Inner Harbor Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland.

NEWS FROM THE STAFF

On November 7, Kitty Hoye, Director of Career Services, gave birth to an eight-and-one-half pound boy, Charles Patrick. Mom, Dad (Bill Hoye of the Legal Aid Clinic and of the JOURNAL OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LAW) and child are all doing well. Congratulations to them!

Cynthia Maciejczyk's father-in-law passed away November 23 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Cindy's husband John is the Publications Editor for NITA. Our condolences to the family.

NITA's Jamie Sattler and her husband John announce the birth of their daughter, Kourtney Lynne, on August 21. Kourtney weighed eight pounds, three ounces. All involved are well.

NEWS FROM THE ALUMNI

Michael Brenton, NDLS '76 and President of the Lansing law firm of Murphy, Brenton & Spagnuolo, has been elected Chair of the Workers' Compensation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, representing approximately 1,500 workers' compensation lawyers.

Rich Hunter, NDLS '77, was featured in an article entitled, *Lawyer Wrote the Book on Soccer and Endurance*, appearing in the September 26 issue of the NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL.

John Malloy, NDLS '73, dropped by to visit the London Law Programme on November 7. John has an office in London, as well as in Danbury, Connecticut, and New York City. He remembers fondly his year (1971-72) in the London programme and speaks with true affection of his London Director, Father Bill Lewers.

Lauretta Murphy, NDLS '88 and an associate of Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey, has been elected to a two-year

term on the Senior Justice Section Council of the State Bar of Michigan. The Council consists of expert practitioners of the law affecting older persons. Laurretta, a 1984 graduate of Aquinas College, practices law relating to the elderly, estate planning, probate, trusts, governmental benefits, and health care.

Andrea Geat, NDLS (LL.M.) '94, is clerking for a judge in Innsbruck. Comparing the civil-law system with that of Hoosierland, he writes: "I wonder why people come with a lawyer; most of the time [the lawyers] just say a couple of [ritual words] and that is it. Maybe in Austria attorneys have an easier life." Andrea awaits the results of the New York bar examination.

MISCELLANY

Philip Hamburger, Professor of Law and Legal History at George Washington University, writes: "I . . . feel much gratitude to the editors of the Notre Dame Law Review, whose intelligent and courteous editing should set a standard for law reviews across the country."

FROM OUR "INCONGRUITY" DEPARTMENT

The LONDON TIMES' "Court Circular," a column that reports the comings and goings of the Royal Family, recently carried this announcement (honest!): "The Prince of Wales, President, the Prince's Trust, will attend a concert given by Meat Loaf at the Royal Albert Hall on November 17."

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!