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News of the Notre Dame Law School

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Celebration of the 25th anniversary of women at NDLS was a great success. Justice Shirley Abrahamson of the Wisconsin Supreme Court gave a marvelous speech addressing the progress women have made in the legal profession and the need for further progress. Justice Abrahamson will return to the University in May; she will receive an honorary degree from the University at the Commencement Exercises.

A panel of five alumni discussed their experiences at NDLS and in the profession. The panelists were: Jeannine Davis (General Counsel of CTS Corporation), Karen McCartan DeSantis (Partner, Kirkland and Ellis, Washington, D.C.), Sister Barbara Sullivan, O.P. (with the Appalachian Research & Defense Fund 1988-92, currently serving on the board of her order), Judge Ann Williams (United States District Judge, N.D. Ill.), and Kim Worthy (Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Wayne County [Detroit]). They provided interesting and valuable insights.

Alumni from as far away as Florida and Nevada joined us for the day.

Many thanks to Janis Johnston and her committee: Professors Carol Mooney, Teresa Phelps, and John Robinson, and students Terry Kibelstis, Patricia McKinnon, Kelly Smith, and M.J. Sully.

SBA ELECTIONS

Chris Coury has been elected President of The Student Bar Association for the 1993-94 academic year. Other officers will be: Mike Bosnic, Vice-President; Kathleen Mone, Secretary, and Brian Dolasinski, Treasurer. Congratulations!

1993-94 NATIONAL MOOT COURT TEAM

The members of the 1993-94 National Moot Court Team have been selected. They are Jane Brennan, David Cabral, Elizabeth Farley, and Corrine Pavlis. Congratulations!

JOURNAL OF COL. & UNIV. LAW ELECTS ELAINE ZACHARAKIS

Elaine Zacharakis was recently named Student Editor of *The Journal of College and University Law* for 1993-94. Marc E. Villarreal will be the Executive Editor and Ken Paradis will be the Assistant Executive/Research Editor. Don Lohman and Alexander Papandreou will be the Lead Articles Editor and Lead Notes Editor, respectively. Patrick Nagle will be the Book Review Editor. Congratulations to all of them.

JOURNAL OF LEGISLATION ELECTS VINNIE SANCHEZ

Vinnie Sanchez was recently elected to be Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Legislation*. Frank Pimental was elected as Articles Editor and Shiela Castilla as Notes Editor. Sue Tram was appointed to be Managing Editor. Congratulations to all of them.

WHITE CENTER ELECTS JOSEPH E. DEEGAN

Joseph E. Deegan has been elected Editor-in-Chief for The Thomas J. White Center on Law & Government and the *Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics & Public Policy*. Other members of the editorial staff include: James M. DeMarco, Executive Editor; Joseph R. Mariniello and Renee M. Thibodeau, Lead Articles Editors; Christopher A. Coury and Angela M. Lutz, Student Articles Editors; Jamie M. Billotte, and Larry J. H. Liu, Production Editors; Christine A. Chancey and Nanci A. Holder, Copy Editors; and Richard A. Rice, Managing Editor.

FACULTY NEWS

Bob Blakey appeared on the television show "Unsolved Mysteries" on April 1. He spoke about Martin Luther King's assassination. The shooting, of course, is not unsolved but the issue of conspiracy is still open. Bob appeared on Jesse Jackson's talk show, "Both Sides" on April 3. He spoke about the same topic.

Joe Bauer recently published an article, "A Judicial Clerkship 24 Years after Graduation: Or, How I Spent My Spring Sabbatical," 42 J. LEGAL EDUC. 427 (1992).

On March 24, Aubrey Diamond presented a "Spring Colloquium" at Stetson Law School in St. Petersburg, Florida. The topic of Aubrey's presentation was "Developments in the English Legal Profession: The Death of the Barrister?" He and his wife Eva visited with Tex and Brigid Dutile, who are spending the Spring Semester at Stetson.

Barbara Gasperetti attended a Refugee conference in Washington with Sabrina McCarthy from April 16-18. They gained some valuable insights for the Refugee class next semester.

Don Kommers participated in a conference on Citizenship and Rights in a Multicultural Society held April 15-17 at Bologna University, Italy. Don's recent book, *Deutschland und sein Grundgesetz* (announced in NDLS Update Vol. II. No. 7), was formally presented in a public ceremony in Frankfurt, Germany, on April 19. The presentation was followed by a panel discussion on constitutional revision and reform in Germany. Don participated in the panel along with Paul Kirschhof, his co-author and an Associate Justice of Germany's Federal Constitutional Court. The other panelists were: Roman Herzog (Chief Justice of the Federal Constitutional Court), Rupert Scholz (Chair of the Parliamentary Constitutional Revision Commission), Hans Joschim Vogel (Vice-chair of the Commission) and Dieter Feddersen (Chair of the Dräger Foundation).

Sabrina McCarthy attended the Annual Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference at Case Western Reserve Law School on March 26, 1993. At the conference Sabrina responded to a work-in-progress by Professor Leslye

Obiora of Indiana University School of Law (Indianapolis) on female circumcision in Africa.

Carol Mooney and Judge Ken Ripple attended a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Appellate Rules held in Washington, D.C., on April 20 and 21, 1993. Judge Ripple chairs the Committee and Carol is the Reporter.

Patti Ogden published the lead article in the winter issue of the LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL. Her article is titled: "'Mastering the Lawless Science of Our Law': A Story of Legal Citation Indexes." It can be found in 85 LAW LIBR. J. 1 (1993).

Terry Phelps' mother and step-father died as a result of an automobile accident March 31, 1993, in Florida. Please pray for them and all of Terry's family.

Jack Pratt attended the Fulbright Conference in Bologna, Italy from April 15-17. Jack is preparing for the next Fulbright Conference, which he will co-chair and which will be hosted by Notre Dame in the fall of 1994. The theme for that conference will be the role of the professions as guarantors of the rights of citizens.

Charlie Rice will give a lecture on Legal Ethics at the St. Thomas More Society Continuing Legal Education Program at Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee on April 24.

John Robinson participated in the 8th Annual Notre Dame Medical Ethics Conference on March 26-28.

Jim Seckinger was program coordinator and faculty member for a NITA

Deposition Program at Pennie & Edmonds in New York, New York on March 19-21. Jim also served as a faculty member for the NITA Teacher Training Program held at Harvard Law School on March 26-28. At both programs, Jim gave additional lectures on effective teaching techniques.

Joe Thomas recently published an article, "Cataloging Reform: An Overview for Academic Law Librarians," 85 LAW LIBR. J. 99 (1993).

LEGAL AID NEWS

Escrow finally closed in March on the clinic's new home located at Howard and St. Peter Streets. Work is currently underway to renovate the house to create office and work space. Hopefully the great move will take place during the summer. The new space will be appreciated by the summer interns (eleven in all) who will begin work after graduation. With approximately 160 active cases, a busy summer is anticipated. The new interns are: Annette Brands, Claudia Bugh, Karen Caraher, Patrick Cooke, Julia Douglas, Jim Frasher, Marie Anne Hendrie, Teresa Kozik, Karen Lynch, Joe Senna, and Michael Sirtori.

For a variety of reasons, the clinic rejected 167 cases during the first quarter of this year. One of the reasons was the inability to handle additional cases. Many of the interns were kept busy in court. They include Judy Lenger and Chris Toth, who acted as guardians ad litem in custody disputes; Jim Malloy, Judd Montgomery and Elizabeth Farley, who represented clients in dissolution hearings; and, Moses Garcia, who filed a guardianship. Rob Mitchell represented a client in an ongoing custody

dispute. Several of the interns, including Judy Lenger, MarieAnne Hendrie, Jane Choi, Margaret McMahon, and Todd Stenerson, were successful in obtaining SSI or SSD benefits for clients. Elizabeth Farley won a Medicaid appeal for a disabled client.

The clinic sponsored a house for Christmas in April this year and several interns, ably assisted by Dean Link and supervised by House Captains Eileen Doran and Anre Venter, did a sterling job under somewhat difficult circumstances. Congratulations!

STAFF NEWS

On March 26, Chevelle Williams gave birth to a boy, Kendall Jay. Congratulations to Chevelle and her family!

ALUMNI NEWS

Maureen Byrne, NDLS '82, recently became president of the Great Rochester Association for Women Attorneys.

Deb Ganter, NDLS '92, has joined the Litigation Group of Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, in Pittsburgh.

J. Gregory Walta, NDLS '67, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, recently was in the news in connection with his attempt to promote a compromise to the controversial and divisive, proposed Amendment 2 to the state constitution.

CAROL ANN MOOENY
ASSOCIATE DEAN