Student and Faculty Course Evaluation Underway

Plans for the distribution of a faculty evaluation questionnaire by the SBA have been revised due to a conflict with a similar program directed by the administration. The student survey was to be conducted by the Student Tenure Committee during the final week of classes. However, Dean Hanlon's office has decided to issue their questionnaire on Monday and Tuesday of the same week.

In order to prevent confusion and loss of class time, the administration has decided to run a spot survey starting on Wednesday. The questionnaire has been distributed primarily in classes where the professor is up either for tenure or for accreditation.

In the past the administration-run evaluations have been distributed by the faculty and in deciding questions of tenure. The survey was not completed by the professor, but by the student opinion of certain courses.

However, SBA has felt that the previous questionnaires have not examined any of these issues in sufficient depth. For this reason the Student Tenure Committee devised a new questionnaire which has fifteen questions of greater space for student comments.

Counselling Competition Planned

The legal problems of unmarried students are the subject of the 1978 Client Counselling Competition sponsored by the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association.

Regional competitions for the nationwide event will be held in New York, Washington, D.C., Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, and Cleveland. The final National Competition will be held at Fordham University School of Law.

The annual competition tests the counselling skills necessary for professional competence in legal practice. This includes the ability to interview a client, help the client define his or her problems and future course of conduct, the use of preventive law techniques and how the situation affects the psychological aspects of the interview.

The evaluation situations will be prepared by members of the client counselling committee. Serving on this year's committee are professors Walker Blakely, University of Virginia School of Law; Louis Brown, University of Southern California School of Law; Roger Cutler, University of Oregon; Thomas Shaffer, Notre Dame Law School, and attorneys Alice E. Fried, Harold Rock and Robert Sullivan.

Each law school is invited to enter one team of two law students. For further information contact Rob Rolfkin, Fordham LSD Representative.

Accreditation Team to Review FU/FLS Financial Relationship

An inspection team from a national law school accreditation committee will visit Fordham in 1978—two years ahead of its normal periodic evaluation. The team representing a joint accreditation committee of the American Bar Association and the Association of American Law Schools, last visited Fordham in 1973.

According to Dean Joseph McLaughlin, "they are not satisfied with the financial relationship of the law school and the university."

The rift between the University and the ABA/ALS committee unit came to light at a press conference held last month by University President Rev. James Finlay, S.J.

"What the ABA is looking for is full financial accountability for the law school. I think that's constructive for the university."

"The struggle has been going on for as long as I've been president," Finlay said, but added that in July the ABA/ABAALS committee "backed away leading to the University and the ABA/ALS committee unit."

"No review is in progress at the moment," he said, "there is no question of losing accreditation," the president added.

"We are fully accredited," McLaughlin said later. "You remain fully so until they tell you otherwise." Adding that he knew of no instance of a fully accredited law school losing that status, he said he had no fear of Fordham losing its accreditation.

Nevertheless, McLaughlin noted that the law school has "never been given a clean bill of health" by the evaluators.

The evaluation team leading to the impending re-inspection began with the committee's routine evaluation visit in 1973. At that time, the Joint Visitation Team report concluded that Fordham, although not in the top tier of schools, was "sketchy."

At the time, the committee's report was forwarded to the university. In July, according to Finlay, the committee has made no requests for specific documentation. Since such requests are not made before a full re-evaluation, McLaughlin expects that the re-inspection will be limited to the financial issues.

"I don't have the slightest doubt that I could have resolved the whole difficulty four years ago when the visiting team was here if they [the University] had given me a real financial statement," McLaughlin added.

Although he feels that the most recent, 10-page document is workable, McLaughlin says he plans to "Bryantize." The statement shows the law school with a $14,900 deficit in fiscal year 1976, and an estimated $53,084 loss for 1977.

The document questioned some of the items charged against the law school's income. For instance, the law school's physical plant costs have been computed based on the law school's percentage of the total floor area at Lincoln Center. This method averages the cost of operation of each square foot at Lowenstein Center with the cost per square foot for the law school building to arrive at the cost per square foot charged to the law school budget. In 1976, plant costs amounted to $462,292, and in 1977, they are estimated at $517,397.

According to McLaughlin, the University claims it cannot provide separate cost figures for light and air conditioning for the law school building.

Another line charges against the Law School a percentage of "indirect costs"—9.5% in 1976, 9.4% in 1977. The percentage is based on the law school's percentage of "full-time equivalent enrollment." Through this charge, the law school pays for a share of services used by all segments of the university. These inclusions are the student administration offices and insurance, as well as the athletic department and the campus radio station.

Not mentioned in the report are the Bundy grants to the University each year at a flat rate per each full-time equivalent. The University receives $600 for each full-time student.

Crediting the law school with its share of Bundy money would shift the balance to the profit column—and lead to questions about the rate of return of surplus funds to the law school for development purposes.

Other areas of contention include the law school's student faculty ratio, characterized by an ABA official as one of the poorest in the country at one meeting with McLaughlin and Finlay. The ratio of student-faculty ratio never appeared in the committee report. It came continued on page 4

Corporate Law Institute Meets to Discuss Maritime Transportation

by Robin Lewkowicz

The International Corporate Law Institute held its 1977 seminar at Lowenstein Center on November 15 and 16. The topic of this year's meeting was "International Regulation of Maritime Transportation."

The Institute conducts a seminar each year as a continuing education program aimed at practising attorneys in the New York area and elsewhere. There were over 200 advance registrants for this year's meeting.

Both Professor Barry Hawk, who serves as director of the Corporate Law Institute, and Professor Joseph Sweeney, who is Program Chairman, are particularly excited about this year's program. It is the first one to which the Soviet Union has sent a representative to serve on the faculty.

Dr. George A. Maslov, the Soviet participant, occupies a high legal position in Russia's International Maritime Organization as chairman and managing director of the largest merchant shipping company in the world.

As the Soviets rarely send representatives to academic conferences, Hawk hopes that this decision represents a political gesture. The previous year's faculty were Congressman John M. Murphy (N.Y., 17th D.), Chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Luncheon addresses were given by Judge Joseph Inoglia, new general counsel for the Federal Maritime Commission; and Ambassador Richard D. Kearney, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Private International Law.

Additional faculty for the seminar included practitioners from France, Sweden, Japan, Canada and the United Kingdom.
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**Decadence, Debauchery, Delight: Reveling Crow at Cabaret**

by Kevin Crozier

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The very word "cabaret," evokes images of Joan Gray and Liza Minnelli engaged in acts of debauchery in an ill-lit cafe before an audience of depraved thrill-seekers. But this fantasy of decadence quickly dissipated when you speak of a cabaret run by Fordham Law School. Does it?

For those dedicated epicurean pursuers of pleasure—faculty as well as student—who dared to attend "Cabaret Night" at Rosoff's found their never-ending search for diversion had been at least temporarily sated.

Indeed, the food, entertainment and ambiance rivaled the finest moments of the great bistro of Weimar Berlin. Kurt Weill would have been quite at home.

The Master of Ceremonies for this bacchanalia was F.L. Neustad of 2A, who generally managed to prevent any semblance of order from interrupting the revelry of the capacity crowd. The acts ranged from the musical, to the physical, to the literary. Each was performed with the most exemplary skills. 

The financial success of the event is debatable, but for many among us the performance was more than a mere spectacle. The evening either engaged in acts of debauchery, or left you applauding for more.

Marian Burnbaum 2A displayed both fine taste and a lovely voice performing "More Than You Know" and "What I Did for Love" from "Cabin in the Sky."  

Finally proving conclusively that not all notes are governed by Articles 3 of the U.C.C., Gary Luboysa unleashed his skillful guitar-pickin' on a series of selections—including Bolero and Bach.  

The plights of the more "mature" law student was humorously described by Al Newman and Irma Ascher, culminated when David Lewis McLaughlin (3B pend.)—through the lens of his camera—appeared on the scene with his group of aspiring performers.

The revelry continued into the early morning hours, music provided by disc jockey Allan Wolmark. Credit for the evening goes to—among others—Al Newman, who owns Rosoffs in his spare time, for the marvelous cabaret; to Alice O'Roque for organizing the performers; and to the stalwart SBA which sponsored the event and underwrote the performance.

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2B Battles to Top FB Slot; Commissioner Names All-School Intramural Team

DEFENSE

BILL FINGER (safety) 3B: One of the greatest defensive players in the history of the school... Set record with 4 interceptions in one game this year... and record of 13 for the season... Also holds career mark with 28... A real leader... Chitch is the word.

BRUCE BIRNS (cornerback) 3B: You knew I'd be here... First amendment freedom of press preferred... Superb athlete... a mainstay in 3B's stingy "D"... normally very modest but no one can take away his (my) 3 interceptions including the one he (1) returned all the way vs. 1B... should have made defense also... but I would have appeared to brag.

JIM SKIDUTO (linebacker): Tough kid... good hitter... always thinks F-o-o-t-b-a-l-l-1... always cognizant—sorry Jimmies where the ball is... excellent swimmer as well.

BOB BIGGERT (safety 2B): Just a very good player who added a touch of class to a team with as much class as our I (Fordham). Must be in the making.

ALEX CALABRESSE (end) 2B: Packs more receptions per square inch of player than any other receiver in league... always seems to get open... the problem is that Prentice couldn't reach him if he was more than ten yards down field... excellent hands... probably led league in (dinky) receptions.

BOB BROWN (linebacker) 3A: A big guy—about 6'2" and 260—good player who didn't play... but has potential... directed his team to a record-setting five consecutive forfeits won... a definite leader.

RANDY JENSEN (QB) 3B: Gets it for his head, certainly not his arm... excellent on one yard curl patterns... directed his team to a record-setting five consecutive forfeits won... a definite leader.

Within a few weeks, the staff of the Advocate will undergo a complete overhaul. Fresh faces and minds will replace the decayed ones. Those of us who have attempted to produce a law school newspaper for the past 1-1/2 years won't have to do anymore. This is the last installment of this column, 16 months and 11 issues of the Advocate later. Oh, what a relief it is.

Not to say that working for the paper has been unpleasant. But the problem is the very limited spectrum of material around to sustain a law school periodical.

As for myself, I am journalistically spent, dissipated and fed up; in other words, nuances are needed. To coin a phrase, no-ano.

Now, with my literary responsibilities lifted, I can pursue the two quests with which I've been obsessed over the time I've been tenured at the Advocate. First, to graduate this May, pass the bar and begin ridding Gotham of sham and injustice for a negotiable fee. Second, to pick up Steve Nicks in a bar.

So, this is the next-to-last paragraph and it personally wishes to take its opportunity to express its gratitude to Michael Barnas, who without my constantly screwing up his deadlines could have put out at least a half a dozen more issues. I bear you no grudge, Mike, despite the fact I still haven't got a key to the office.

I wish to thank the old Advocate staff for its encouragement and sends along best wishes to the new Advocate staff. Henrietta Virago, forever.

Letter: Birned Up

Dear Editor:

I am sick of seeing pictures of Bruce Birns in the school newspaper. While the man definitely has a strong (certainly not subtle) sense of humor, his countenance has blighted the pages of the Advocate more than McLaughlin's on the pages of the New York Law Journal. If his face appears once more in the Advocate, I will cancel my subscription.

Andres J. Valdespino 3B

How good is the Bar Review Course you will take?

• Does it limit the class size to no more than 200 people to insure adequate assistance during the bar review course is assured by Fordham Represenatif Ted Krebsbach

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• Does it allow questions to be asked during the lecture?

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Comissioner Names All-Star Team

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didn't put him on the team. So congratulations Bobs. He didn't deserve it.

NICK KARAMBELAS: Na... Ben Petri played in the circuit... fierce pass rusher who led the league in sacks with six. . . any one who looks like Ben Davidson deserves to be on it.

ALEX CALABRESE (cornerback 2B): Only player to be named to both teams... friendliest player on the field... extremely aggressive... two molotov actions pending...

Jock Shorts: Dateline McClaide's: Who said intramural basketball isn't a risky business? Following the opening games of the FLSBA season four intramural players--Joe Petri 2A, Mike Carey 2B, Larry Petri 2B, and Rolando Lopez, Cuba (but recently converted American citizen to prevent a catastrophic situation. Upon being held up at gunpoint, "The other 3 rose straight to the bathroom where the gunmen had asked him to go so quickly as to convince all of us that he is fully recovered. Birns screamed out panic-stricken, "You don't know who I am! Or better put—who my father is?" The banditos were not impressed, to say the least. One responded, "Esta pistola es mi padre."

While all patrons were in the men's room the following newsworthy items occurred: Lopez asked the trespassers for a refill while giving up 119, IB has broken nose; tendonitis of the arm; Steve Kallas, kidney contusion; Larry Shevland, concussion; Bill Meehan, broken nose; tendinitis of the throwing arm. At this time I apologize to a very haggard-looking Laura Ward for having failed to hand out waivers of liability... After 2B won the football championship John Mara of 2B could be seen jumping up and down ecstatically and gleefully about finally having been associated with a winning football enterprise... After finishing 0-5 scoring 0 points while giving up 119, 1B has become the first intramural team ever to accept a bowl invitation—they're going to the Toilet Bowl in Flushing.

Evaluation Team Due In 1978

continued from page 1... completely out of the blue at the meeting," Finlay said. "I think they'd say that to every institution.

McLaughlin agreed that the student-faculty ratio was probably presented as a throwaway issue.

Aside from criticizing the financial statements, the original Visiting Team's report cited several relatively minor areas for improvement, many of which have received attention since 1973.

Among these were the library, which has since received physical improvements and an additional librarian; and the amount of faculty salaries before recent increases.

Areas which remain unimproved include the level of secretarial services for the faculty, and the overall size of the presidal plant.

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