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Nine Vie for SBA Offices

The elected officers will assume their duties at the start of the February 9th SBA meeting.

On Wednesday, January 19, the twelve candidates were nominated at a special meeting of the SBA. All the nominees are members of one of the three tickets. The campaign tickets are as follows:

Peter Fallon, 2B, Andres Valdesespino, 2B, Laura Ward, 2A
President
Jack Hicks, 2A, Marjorie Martin, 2B, Bob Finkelstein, 2E
Vice-President
Barbara Murray, 1A, Beth Barrett, 1A, Jean O'Hare, 1B
Secretary
Alice O'Rourke, 1B, B.J. Douek, 1E, Jim deWindt, 2E
Treasurer

Fordham VP: Tuition Hike Justified

Financial Vice President and Treasurer Brother James M. Kenny, S.J. justified the recent $100 tuition raise on the basis of ongoing expenses such as faculty increments and fuel costs.

"This is still the best bargain in town," said Kenny who noted that the tuition at Columbia is $4,230 and at NYU it is $3,550. Fordham's tuition is $3100.

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Jaworski to Speak At Lowenstein

Leon Jaworski, former Watergate Special Prosecutor, will lecture on his Watergate experiences in Pope Auditorium in the Leon Lowenstein Center, on Tuesday, February 15 at 8:00 P.M.

This is the seventh in a series of lectures given annually under the auspices of the Fordham Law Alumni Association and in memory of John F. Sonnett '36, who earned national fame as a distinguished litigator.

The lecture series enjoys a reputation as a forum on current legal topics. Previous lecturers have included the Chief Justice of the United States, Honorable Warren E. Burger; Associate Justice Tom C. Clark; the Lord Chief Justice of England, Rt. Hon. Lord Widgery; Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Honorable Robert J. Shear, Chief Justice of the State of Minnesota.

There will be a reception immediately following the lecture in the Faculty Lounge at Lowenstein Center, hosted by Dean Joseph M. McLaughlin, and open to all alumni and their guests.

The New SBA: Bold or Parochial?

by Kevin Cramer

In past years, many student governments have been characterized by bold and innovative action. Today more favorable achievements, the future of our government seems promising, as well as the chance for favorable changes.

Although there have been favorable achievements, the future of our government seems uncertain. The continued effectiveness of present accomplishments, as well as the chance for future improvements and new opportunities, depends entirely upon the dedication of the new SBA administration and the kind of support it receives from the student body.

One area of progress has been the increased number and kind of services made available to the students at Fordham through the SBA. Much of this growth can be attributed to the persistent efforts of individual SBA members. The Student Directory, for example, owes its existence to the diligence of SBA President Brian Sullivan. Last year, the Directory earned $200 from its advertising space.

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Andres, what do you see as the major problem confronting the school in the coming year? Well, I think the major problem has to be, at this point, the placement office. We are going to have a new director and he or she will have to start back at the beginning. I think we must make it a point to make sure that whoever is given to be the
I propose going about treating some of the twelve students. Scheduling is another issue. I, the Urban Law Journal working on the students, do not have a chance to redesign the class for the students. Air conditioning is going to stop. The second year students, they have other classes that they can't take. This year, I think 20 percent of the class?

One of the reasons the SBA presents the appearance to the rest of the student body that is substantially different from the rest of the student body who gets a job that pays $475 a week and puts them in a course that might be done in the committee. I still feel the job of the committee is to have to rely on some of our own efforts to do the things that can be done in the committee. I don't have anything new, just a constant vigil to be generated not in things that will happen in your own abilities. We've covered a great many areas and I hope we've done a good job.

As far as placement, there are also things which are especially meant for students interested in areas of the placement office, as it stands now, is geared to those for which we have to try to do. As you become known, courts cite you, it gives them the best possible education. They also have a responsibility, just as the library. The library at ten o'clock. I'm sure a lot of students who want the course. Why not talk to individual faculty members and try to get more people involved so that the SBA can do more than just run the checkup chore here and run Tango and dances. Peter, what are your views on the past year's performance of the SBA?

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Was there a little committee work. The faculty Committee was ineffective but the student Committee was good this year. The SBA is an executive Committee. The faculty Committee is too new to be able to work on executive Committee be more of an activity and proposals and have more meetings. We would like to get more people involved. The library hours are totally inadequate. It isn't efficient to be there until the lights down so that at five o'clock when most students get out of work, and they have to come to the library. The Most Cook Journal or Law Review article, they have to do it in the dark with flashlights. It's absurd, you can't run an educational facility like that.

I think more clinical courses should be started. Most clinical courses now in existence deal with either criminal or specialized law. I think it's a good idea to have more than two journals. That's the way you become known; courts cite you, it gives more students the opportunity to write, it aids in their professional growth and pays to the appearance to the rest of the student body.

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The Valdespino Ticket

Our main objective is to ensure that the needs of the students are met. We believe:
1. The Placement Office should be expanded to be able to truly serve the entire student body;
2. Tuition increase totalling $500 in two years should be vigorously protested. We will attempt to ascertain from the University a more complete justification of the most recent increase;
3. The present academic calendar, the most importantly the Reading Week, should be retained;
4. Library hours should be extended and the Reading Room and lounges should be open on the weekend;
5. Schedules for classes and examinations should be made with student input to avoid conflicts;
6. Security measures should be enacted to ensure that student property is not constantly in jeopardy.

Student cooperation has produced results in the past. With your cooperation and input our mutual objectives can be realized.

For Vice-President: Marjorie Martin

I, Marjorie Martin, am running for Vice-President of the SBA. One of the opinions that I developed as a class officer my first year, which I still hold, is that often there is too little student participation in the school government.

As VP, I shall attempt to solve a key cause of this problem by giving more publicity to the different types of committees active in the school, their functions, and results.

For Secretary: Beth Barrett

As Secretary, I will act as a link in the communications network of the school. I plan to re-establish the 'week at a glance' bulletin board listing the meetings and events of the week on a daily basis and restore the practice of posting the minutes and agenda of the SBA meetings. These are simple, yet effective, procedures to coordinate the fragments of communications which presently plague Fordham.

For Treasurer: B.J. Douek

Although our present treasurer has done an admirable job of presenting the current budget, many students are still unaware of how their dues are spent. The primary demand on this office in 1977-78 will be to effectively communicate to students so that most are aware of what these dues buy for us. In addition, if elected I intend to become fully involved in reconciling problems in placement services.

The Fallon Ticket

We give you the opportunity to elect a ticket with the initiative, motivation, and insight needed to make the SBA a viable organization.

Our primary objective is to work for an effective placement office. We will fight to obtain more money from Rose Hill to improve placement and actively participate in the selection of M. Goldman's successor. We will work for curriculum changes to effect a happy medium between the practical and theoretical areas of the law. We are cognizant of many "little pains" including the vending machines, the deplorable conditions of Blackacre, the extinguishment of library lights at an early hour, the absence of air conditioning in the summer and heat in the winter. We also realize the needs of the often forgotten evening students and work to establish programs with their special interests in mind. We hope by inspiring student interest, the SBA will become a more effective organization.

For Vice-President: Jack Hicks

Honesty, motivation and a rapport with students and faculty are important qualities for the Vice-President. I have these qualities. I serve as an officer in the bookstore, I coordinated an exam review session for freshmen students, and have run several Tangs.

The facilities of this school are undoubtedly inadequate. If elected, I will strive to improve the placement center, work to channel more revenue from Rose Hill to the law school, and will diligently to fulfill the needs of all the students.

For Secretary: Barbara Murray

My name is Barbara Murray and I am running for Secretary. The position demands desire and ability. I assure you I have both. Presently, I am on the SBA Board of Governors as well as several committees. I also organized the first evening Tang.

As Secretary, I will establish a calendar of events to keep the student body informed of future occurrences both here and elsewhere. My prime goal is to speak for the interests of all the students.

For Treasurer: Alice O'Rourke

As a team I have seen that we can work together. Individually we will bring our goals and abilities to our respective positions.

Personally, I'd like the opportunity to prove my ability and work to improve the SBA. I hope to continue the exceptional job done by the present treasurer; bring SBA to this community and the community to SBA by increased use of class representatives and my position on the faculty student committee.

The Ward Ticket

Laura Ward, Bob Finkelstein, Jim de Windt, and Jean O'Hare are ready, willing and able to work for the student body. It is our hope to improve Fordham both inwardly and outwardly—to make the law school a more enjoyable and profitable institution for the students and to better the schools image.

How do we propose to reach these goals? Change can be a slow process. Some of our plans are:
1. to reorganize placement by seeking out some of middle and small size firms as well as the large Wall Street office;
2. more student input into curriculum;
3. organize a speakers program;
4. extend library hours;
5. add wine and cheese parties and coffee hours to our Tangs and dances;
6. work on the establishment of a third journal of International Law;
7. arrange city-wide law conferences at the school.

The above are just a few of the ideas we have. We would be interested in hearing yours.

For Vice-President: Bob Finkelstein

As Vice-President of 2E, I have been a member of the SBA Board of Governors as well as several committees. I also organized the first evening Tang.

If elected I would try to see that each part of the student body received equal representation and an equal share of the benefits from a responsive and prudent student government.

SBA funds should be provided for only worthwhile and beneficial projects, which would necessarily include social functions.

For Secretary: Jean O'Hare

I have two reasons for running for Secretary. First, a Secretary is responsible for recording and communicating ideas. I will communicate to the membership information on SBA meetings, decisions, and inter-actions with the faculty.

Second, the SBA could be a vital force in Fordham Law School. It should serve as a liaison between students and faculty, and encourage greater student involvement in the formation of curriculum and in the tenure-hiring decisions of faculty. As Secretary, I will work for these goals.

For Treasurer: Jim de Windt

The Treasurer on an operational level must insure accurate accounting for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and timely publication of financial statements. On a policy level, the Treasurer must work with the other SBA representatives to allocate available financial resources within the framework of a sound fiscal policy.

My experience as a past class president and as current President of MAC provide the insight necessary to meet the challenge of this new responsibility.