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COMMISSIONER BRATTON ADDRESSES FORDHAM LAW:
"NYC HAS ROGUE COPS"

by Jeffrey Jackson ('96)

On January 31, 1996, New York City Police Commissioner William J. Bratton addressed an audience of 150 students and faculty members concerning the successes of his administration as police commissioner. The event was held in the McNally Amphitheater and was sponsored by the Fordham Law Review, Fordham Urban Law Journal, and Third Millennium.

Following opening remarks by Dean Escalera and Kyra Fischbeck, President of the New York chapter of Third Millennium, Commissioner Bratton began the lecture by encouraging questions and comments following his remarks.

Born in Boston, Commissioner Bratton began his policing career with the Boston Police Department and has over 25 years of policing experience. He has been hailed as the "nation's leading crime fighter" and has served as the Police Commissioner of New York City for the past three years.

Commissioner Bratton began his lecture by giving a historical perspective of the decline in crime. According to Bratton, at the close of the race riots in the 1960's and the end of the Vietnam War, both drugs, crime control, and increasing technology led to a form of policing which combined rapid response, random patrols, and reactive investigation, or the "Three R's." However, this policy was unable to deal with the volume of "911" calls, the advent of crack cocaine, and the decrease in youth crime.

This led to what Bratton called "community policing," which he defined as a combination of partnership, problem solving, and prevention of crime, or the "Three P's." He suggested that a program which combined the "Three P's" and the "Three R's" would be most effective in changing what he called "the previous image of New York City," which was marred by poor quality of life, the proliferation of graffiti, and "cardboard cities."

Another change Bratton noted was the change of focus from the "rookie police officer" to the precinct commanders throughout New York City. According to Bratton, the average rookie police officer was "a very little fish in a very big city," and "was being set up for failure," since many rookie police officers had little more than a high school education, had never held a job, and had limited contacts and minorities.

The focus, according to Bratton, was best put on the veteran police commanders who usually are college educated with 15 or more years of experience on the police force.

Bratton then cited statistical evidence of the success of his new policing policies, including a 40% decline in crime rate since 1990, 1200 fewer homicides in 1995, and a decrease in the number of crime victims by 115,000.

Overall, his plan for the future includes a "re-engineering" and decentralization of police precincts, which would give precinct commanders full discretionary power over decisions concerning the number of plain clothes officers, number of officers in police cars, etc., as well as encourage cooperation between the police department and social service organizations. Bratton also acknowledged that his success is partly due to steps taken by former mayor David Dinkins.

Bratton also addressed the issue of corruption, stating that the Mollen Commission has exposed the problem and extent of corruption in the New York City police department. He then summarized that New York City "no longer has rogue precincts, only rogue cops."

In response to a question from the audience, Bratton commented on the recent decision by Judge Baer, in which over eighty pounds of cocaine and heroin were held inadmissible in federal court for lack of reasonable suspicion and lack of police credibility. He expressed dissatisfaction with the decision, commenting that this was basically a credibility issue, and that Judge Baer had to find the defendant, a confessed drug courier who admitted to participating in a narcotics trafficking scheme with her son since 1990, more credible than the police officers.

This, according to Bratton, "shows Baer's attitude about police." However, Commissioner Bratton carefully noted that he would not like to see the abolishment of the exclusionary rule or of Miranda warnings, stating that "if you don't control us, we get out of control." He also stated that the decision had its good side because "it spawned dialogue." He comically concluded, "even though she may go free, thank God Judge Baer can't give back the drugs." He encouraged law students to research the Baer issue, since as lawyers "you may face these problems."

FSL'S Habitat for Humanity:
Breaking new ground

Fordham Law School is very dedicated to the Habitat program. In December, 1995 Fordham Law School became an official chapter of Habitat for Humanity. This event marks an important trend in both Fordham Law student and faculty dedication toward public service.

Faculty and administrators have participated in ten projects in six states. During the 1994-95 school year, Fordham Law School's Habitat for Humanity program sported 17 volunteers on four work trips in three states! Although only half over, this year's FSL Habitat for Humanity Program has grown to a grand total of 25, not including seven new volunteers for their spring break trip.

Typically, there are two weekend trips in the fall and a week-long trip over spring break. Last spring, eight students and faculty members spent their spring break at a site in Columbia, South Carolina. There are presently seventeen volunteers signed up for this year's spring break trip to Johns Island, South Carolina.

Not only has student participation in Habitat furthered the good name of Fordham Law School, it has also enabled them to develop both new relationships with other participants and a sense of community with homeowner families. On a practical level, many of the participating students have an interest in property law, so this program cultivates a pro bono specialty where their expertise can be put to good use. Interested in finding out more? Give us a call at #6932.
Poor Attendance Irks Capra

by Melba Felliberty ('97)

Notwithstanding his self-interest, Professor Capra does not think that his classes are boring. If such were the case, he says he might be more understanding. However, based on the evaluations he has received from his professional responsibility class, he does not feel that boredom is not the problem. Instead, he finds the problem to be that students actually take pride in not coming to class.

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and award themselves a "badge of courage" when the final exam comes around. Hence, many students feel that they can rely on old outlines to get by. Professor Capra took it upon himself to prove the students wrong.

If you are wondering how he did it: the exam was geared towards the work covered solely in class. If a student had not attended classes regularly, he would not know the right answers. Capra confided that the answers given in old outlines from previous years did not apply to this year's exam.

So you may ask, how bad was the attendance? According to Professor Capra, attendance in the fall term was "very bad." Professor Capra's professional responsibility class participation: at 100, Capra feels that the class was already a good size, suggesting that 150 is too many.

"It's a crying shame." Capra was able to tell from the

Memorandum to Students in Professor Capra's Professional Responsibility Class

Imagine my surprise when I was handed 150 exams to grade. This was surprising because the class attendance was probably less than 100 on almost every day of class. Perhaps I should have been tipped off by the fact that many of the faces at the review session were new to me. I got the sense from some students—who did attend class—that those who failed to attend did so with the reasoning that Lawyers' Ethics is simply common sense, that there was no need to go to class to learn common sense, and that the exams could simply be handled by taking a common sense approach. I am pretty sure that the grades I am handing out will disabuse anyone of that notion. I don't think anyone fooled me—unless you are happy with a B minus or lower, in which case you are only fooling yourself.

Professional Responsibility is, at heart, about professionalism. I consider it extremely unprofessional for prospective lawyers to take a course and not bother to attend it. The work habits you develop in law school are, generally speaking, the work habits you will employ as a lawyer. It appalls me that many of you took such an unprofessional attitude toward this course. I hope, for your sake, that you will try harder when you become lawyers.

I assume that many of you will have a gripe about your grade. In light of the appalling attendance record of many in the class, I am conditioning my review of any grade on the following: you must have attended at least two-thirds of the classes during the semester. If you cannot fulfill that requirement, you are free to look at your exam, but I will not review it with you.

My thanks, as always, to those who attended and participated this semester.

D.J.C.

There's a concert at Carnegie Hall and second- and third-year students are invited.

It's in April, before exams and bar review courses cramp your social life. The award winning Carnegie Mellon University Philharmonic will perform works of the Greek contemporary classical composer Iannis Xenakis to kick off a celebration of the maestro's 70th year.

The tickets would be $35 each if you had to pay for them, but second- and third-year students can get up to 2 free.

The program includes works for full orchestra, small percussion ensemble, and soloist. The Washington Post thinks the CMU Philharmonic is "decisive and clean playing." Was your last memo of law that good?

So, fill out the coupon and invite a friend for a night at Carnegie Hall. And then get back to work.

We'll mail your tickets to you a few weeks before the April 23rd concert.

The curtain goes up at 8:00PM.
Fordham Barrister’s Bowl Teams Both ‘Beet’ in BAR/BRI Competition

After surviving three rounds of competition at a regional legal trivia tournament in November, Fordham Law School’s two Barrister’s Bowl quiz teams were defeated in the quarter-final and semi-final rounds of a statewide contest held at Fordham’s Moot Court room on February 3.

In a semi-final match decided by the last question, the Fordham-I squad lost to a team from Brooklyn Law. The Fordham-II squad also lost, in its only match, to a team from Columbia Law.

The Barrister’s Bowl competition was begun last fall by BAR/BRI, the bar review organization. The Fordham Student Bar Association (SBA) sponsored the two Fordham teams. In all, more than two dozen teams from various law schools around New York competed in the upstate and downstate regions. The single-elimination final tournament pitted eight teams from six schools: Brooklyn, Buffalo (2), Columbia, Fordham (2), Hofstra and N.Y.U.

Each match in the final tournament consisted of 50 to 70 “toss-up” questions and three to four “bonus” questions. The topics ranged from law and politics to sports and literature. To keep the outcome of the games uncertain until the end, BAR/BRI added a “final wager” question, as on the television show Jeopardy.

It was a final wager question on “beverages” which proved to be the Fordham-I team’s final undoing.

“The score in our semi-final game with Brooklyn was close all the way,” said Herb Detrick ’97, captain of the Fordham-I team. “We were ahead going into the final wager question by something like 240-190. Then they gave us the topic of the last question, and we put down a bet.”

None of the three players on Detrick’s team was able to correctly answer the final question, which asked for the names of the eight vegetable juices that make up V-8.


“The ironic thing is that I have half a case of V-8 at home,” said Detrick, who organized an on-campus tournament to select the Fordham Barrister’s Bowl teams last fall. “It just never occurred to me that BAR/BRI would use information from the back of a juice can to write a trivia question.”

“Obviously, if we had to do it over again, we would not have bet all our points on the final question,” said team member Tom McCormick ’96, reflecting on the outcome. “At the time, though, I think we expected a beer, wine or mixed drinks question.”

Unfortunately for Fordham, the final question on beverages wasn’t about the contents of a Bloody Mary. It was about the ingredients in the mixer.

“Even Herb said, ‘I could have sworn it was vodka!’ Nobody wanted to lose the match by betting zero points on a question we thought both teams would know the answer to,” McCormick explained. “We figured, beverages? How hard could it be?”

As it turned out, neither team got the answer, but Brooklyn bet fewer points, thereby advancing to the final round.

Adding to the Fordham players’ disappointment at failing to take either first or second place was the amount of prize money which slipped through their hands. Top prize in the competition was $2500 for the SBA of the winning school, plus $1000 more for each player on the winning team. Lesser prizes were awarded for second, third and fourth place finishes.

Instead of a cash prize, each member of the Fordham-II team received a $100 credit toward the cost of a BAR/BRI bar review class, while the Fordham-I players took home checks for $250 each, plus another $500 for the Fordham SBA. The players also asked SBA to consider donating the school’s share of the winnings to the Fordham Student Sponsored Fellowship scholarship fund.

The third member of the Fordham semi-finalist team, Phil Parziale ’96, was philosophic about the loss. “This was billed as a legal and general trivia competition,” Parziale said. “We expected a mix of questions, and that’s what we got.”

For example, Fordham’s semi-finalist team scored 20 points for knowing the names of the chief justices of the Supreme Court in reverse chronological order.

“We only had to go back to Fred Vinson,” Parziale recalled, “but I know Herb had them memorized all the way back to William Howard Taft.”

“Sure, BAR/BRI asked a lot of obscure trivia questions,” said Parziale, a third year student from New Jersey. “The V-8 question was the low point. But one of the high points of the tournament was when we got the right answer to an obscure sports trivia question in our...”

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Dear Editor:

Cheating has always been an option to all the studying and outlining, and sometimes disappointing grades. No doubt, any honest person would have said that during the Writing Competition he thought, "I wish someone with a clue, to what's going on here could write this for me." But most of us don't. I was told, the good with the bad and hope to do better. Cheating is the worst option because you can lose everything: your self-esteem, the respect of others and your future. Well, that's what the rules and the administration say. Or is it?

It has come to my attention that cheating is not only an option, it works even when exposed by a professor. The whole story would make you say, "That's not fair" or more likely, "If that was me, I would have kicked out of school."

A first year law student at Fordham turned in a paper written by an upperclassman Fordham law student for his legal writing class behind him. The professor went to the reviewing deans and petitioned for the student to receive an "F." The other option, a notation on his permanent record, would indicate to future employers, that the student cheated. Being expelled could foreclose any hope of a legal career. So what's a little forged paper counting for about 30% of your final grade, just let it go. The student gets to pass, and nobody else finds out exactly what happened, and what happened to his upperclassman? A simple apology to the legal writing class was his punishment.

This report, along with other recent reports of students found cheating, should be revealed to the whole student body. If the administration is bold enough to impose such lenient punishments they should be able to receive open criticism for them. This student should have receive a more harsh punishment. However if you were luck enough to read our Code of Academic Responsibility of Fordham Law School, you will find that if a student is proven to have cheated it is the discretion of the Dean to determine what type, if any, punishment the student will receive. See Code of Academic Responsibility of Fordham Law School, Section II-B (Procedures).

If the student gives a good cry and confesses, he could get off with little or no punishment. If the student challenges the determination of the administration or the sanction, the decision is turned over to a Student Hearing Committee. The Committee is headed by a faculty member appointed by the Dean and composed of seven randomly selected students. Even when they make a decision it can be reviewed by three faculty members, again appointed by the Dean. The Board is not subject to review or reversal by any administrative body. If the Board reverses a guilty decision, the entire full time faculty reviews that decision.

The process goes on and on but actual participation from fellow students does not occur again in this decision making process. So what does all this mean? You can draw your own conclusions but it seems that the decision of the Dean for fair dealing procedurally is beyond the control of the student. It is the entire student body that is insulted and degraded when two schoolmates conspire to take advantage of the honor system and general respect for other classmates who work hard for their grades. The Deans of our school in the practice of cheating off another willing student so highly of the honor system and general respect for other classmates who work hard for their grades. The Deans of our school should do more to teach law students the control of the honor system and general respect for other classmates who work hard for their grades.

It also seems peculiar that the Deans of our school can solely decide that a student, who just happens to be a white male, cheats off another willing student and gets a slap on the wrist for bad behavior. Exactly what are the standards of this decision? It cannot be just how the student acts because he has been caught cheating, Maybe it's how you look or whom you know.

It is also within the discretion of the Dean to allow that student to stay in school, compete in our writing and moot court competitions, possibly get onto our journals, and in the future become a professional colleague. Maybe this student should get a package deal and waive the professional responsibility requirement. A general code of ethics on paper cannot change the success of cheating and getting away with it at law school in practice. Is this the type of ethics the administration wants us to practice?

Maybe I hate ethics too seriously. You certainly can't live in that mystic legal, "As I lawyer, I can change the world" fantasy that is crunched in the first semester forever. Along with the incredible ethics violation, I at least started to wonder, "What if I had cheated..." What happens if you are not viewed as favorably as that student? What if you're not as lucky as that white male student to get your professor and dean to vouch for you? Maybe I should be more paranoid. Maybe I should have received a better punishment. Only then will he feel some of the disappointment and anger other students like me feel about the administration and faculty's failure to protect the ethics they speak of so highly off.

For the protection of my source, this letter is signed.

--Anonymous

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THE FIRST YEAR DRAMA: THE COMEDY OF ERRORS

by M. Paulose, Jr. ('88)

In the commination of this conglomeration we call law school, a sort of drama unfolds each day. It is what I like to call 'the first year drama'—the namesake of this column and a phenomenon that often goes unnoticed by everyone but the extremely perceptive. All the art and philosophy majors see it, sometimes the subtle students and a phenomenon that often goes unnoticed by everyone but the first year drama—the namesake of this column, named for a student who is well groomed suit and polka-dotted bow tie, Ms. Afiff from his favorite seat 'by the library window is unimposing figure, all business in a well-groomed suit and polka-dotted bow tie. He is the principal actor and there is an audience. The audience, composed usually of three sections, listen, laugh, whisper, snore, snicker, sometimes leave and in the end, even applaud the professor. All the attributes of a Shakespearean drama exist in a classroom. But of course, it takes a little imagination to think so.

CNGL-0104-005, or better known as 'Contracts with Professor Malloy', is an excellent example of a class that when viewed in a different light seems to be more of a drama than a learning experience. We have a challenging professor; a stern and imposing figure, all business in a well-groomed suit and polka-dotted bow tie. And so on.

And on. And on. The tale thickens of course, I'm sure you know that already because, in fact, I bet you've been in quite a similar situation. Think back to when grades came out, how everyone second guessed everyone else, wondering what Sue, Maria, and Danielle got on their exams. Or worse yet, think back to the Long Memos and the ugliness that shined through us all then!

The classroom is where the best of the dramas take place. There is a stage, there is a stadium. There is a principal actor and there is an audience. The audience, composed usually of three sections, listen, laugh, whisper, snore, snicker, sometimes leave, and in the end, even applaud the professor. All the attributes of a Shakespearean drama exist in a classroom. But of course, it takes a little imagination to think so.

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is there; she decides to let him sweat a bit. She is busy at the photocopier, apparently very busy. A dozen or so sheets spit out of the copier followed by yet another dozen. Bob is curious. Did he miss something? he thinks. Did he run out of last week's class too fast? Did the professor give a last minute assignment? So he curtails toward Ms. Afiff. Instead of coming right out and asking her, Bob shuffles in his place. Ms. Afiff wonders whether or not to raise my hands and applaud.

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The Law School Student Bulletin erroneously lists Elena Paraskevas (LD2) as the President of the student organization STUDENTS FOR LIFE. She is not.

Please make a note of it.
THE ADVOCATE'S HUMBLE HOMAGE TO VALENTINE'S DAY

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN WHEN NORMALLY SANE PEOPLE LOSE CONTROL OF THEIR SENSES AND RUN OUT DOZENS OF RED ROSES AND THOSE TACKY, RED, HEART-SHAPED CARTONS OF CHOCOLATES. WHEN EVEN THE MOST MELANCOLIC FOR ALL THE COMMOTION, IN ANY YEAR, TO CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL OF LOVERS WHEREIN EMBRACED POEMS INTO CAN BLAME BOTH CHARLES, DUKE OF ORLEANS, WHO IS CREDITED WITH WRITING THE FIRST VALENTINE IN L.O.V.E.

REGARDLESS OF WHO IS TO BLAME, VALENTINE'S DAY IS A DAY FOR CELEBRATING LOVE, ROMANCE, PASSION ABOUT THEM. TODAY, THESE SUBLIME EMOTIONS ARE BEING EXPRESSED ON THE ADVOCATE'S HUMBLE PAGES.

SPECIAL THOUGHTS TO THE LOVING LIBRARIAN YVETTE LOROY, WHO SHARES HER LOVE AND LOVELINESS WITH SO MANY OF FORDHAM'S STUDENTS AND FACULTY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

THANK YOU! HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY, 1996!

AN ANONYMOUS ADMIRER

BILL, THE THOUGHT OF YOU MAKES MY SKIN TINGLE AND MY MOUTH WATER. HOPE TO TAKE CARE OF THAT UNFINISHED BUSINESS SOON.

NOT-TO-APIST ADIMIRER

YOLANDA FIGUEROA, PLEASE BE MY QUEEN BEE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

BRENDA NEARY, THE TIDE IS HIGH, BUT I'M HOLDING ON. I'M GONNA BE YOUR NUMBER ONE.

MAYDEE CORREA, YOU SAUCED UP THE SALSA AND PUT A HURTIN' ON THE HIP-HOPPERS. NOW LET'S DO THE FORBIDDEN DANCE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

CLARE LAWLOR, HOW ARE THINGS IN GLOCAMOIRA?

-DR. MELLOVE

MELBA FELIBERTY, YOU ARE AS PRETTY AS A PEACH MELBA. PLEASE BE MY VALENTINE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

LARRY, THIS IS A METZ YEAR, SO GIVE A METZ CHEER, LET'S GO, METZ GO!

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

TONY JORDAN, ALTHOUGH YOU CAN BE AS STUBBORN AS A BULL, YOU STILL TAKE CENTER STAGE IN MY HEART.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

EUGENE HYLYN, TAKE A LOOK AT ME NOW, THERE'S JUST AN EMPTY SPACE. YOUR COMING BACK TO ME IS AGAINST ALL ODDS, BUT THAT'S THE CHANCE I'VE GOT TO TAKE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

PAT COMERFORD, I KEEP WORKING MY WAY BACK TO YOU, BABE, WITH A BURNIN' LOVE INSIDE.

SECRET ADMIRER

TONI AGARD, I YEARN TO UNCOVER YOUR MYSTERIES. PLEASE BE MY VALENTINE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

PAPITO, TU SABES QUE YO TE AMO AUNQUE NO TENGAMOS MUCHO QUE HABLAR POR EL TELEFONO.

TU ABOGADA

SCOTT MORVILLO, THROUGH THE YEARS WHEN EVERYTHING WENT WRONG, TOGETHER WE WERE STRONG. THE SWEETEST DAYS ARE MIND, I FOUND WITH YOU.

YOUR "BLACK BASS" BABY

JOANNE QUINONES, YOU ARE THE BUTTERFLY WHOSE WINGS LERNFY MOST. PLEASE BE MY SOCIAL CHAIR.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

SAM RASTOCG. YOU'RE SO VAIN, YOU PROBABLY THINK THIS SONG IS ABOUT YOU. YOU'RE SO VAIN, SO VAIN, I BET YOU THINK THIS SONG IS ABOUT YOU, DON'T YOU?

EMILY DRUCKER, TAKE A RESPIRE FROM YOUR LABOR AND LET'S FORM A HAPPY UNION.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

DAVE KIZNER, YOU MAKE ME FEEL LIKE DANCING, GONNA DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MELISSA ROOKER, YOU WOULD BE MY VALENTINE.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

A.N.C., MI AMOR, TU ERES LA LUZ DE MI VIDA Y EL AIRE QUE RESPIRO. TE ADORO.

TU CORAZON DE BATATA

Y. ERNESTE SALERNI II, YOU SHAPED UP CAUSE I NEED A MAN AND MY HEART IS SET ON YOU.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

D.C., IN SPITE OF HOW YOU ARE OUT HERE, YOU WOULD PAIN ME IN COMPARISON TO THE PEAKS I WISH TO SHOW YOU.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MATT HILTZIK, YOU'RE THE MEANING IN MY LIFE, YOU'RE THE INSPIRATION. YOU BRING FEELING TO MY LIFE, YOU'RE THE INSPIRATION.

EVELYN, INCLUDE ME IN YOUR PLANS FOR REORGANIZATION. WE COULD MAKE BEAUTIFUL COMPOSITIONS TOGETHER.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

BIL McCAIB, THANK GOD FOR YOU THE WIND BENEATH MY WINGS.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

KEY MENDIS, I'M BUBBLING WITH DESIRE TO TELL YOU THAT I THINK YOU'RE SPECIAL.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

EDL, HAD A LOVELY TIME. LOOKING FORWARD TO THE 24TH.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MADELINE, A.K.A. HOOTCHIE, I LOVE YOU MORE AND MORE EVERY DAY. NOT ONLY ARE YOU BEAUTIFUL, YOU ALSO HAVE A HEART OF GOLD. THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR RICHES WITH ME.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

RHONYA, WHEN I THINK OF THE PERSON THAT I'M MOST LIKE TO CALL, YOUR NAME KEEPS COMING TO MIND.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

BLOMBBERG, SOMEONE ONCE GAVE ME SOME VERY GOOD ADVICE: 'SAY WHAT YOU MEAN, MEAN WHAT YOU SAY, AND BE ABLE TO DEFEND EVERY WORD.' I LOVE YOU MORE THAN YOU WILL EVER KNOW.

THE GIRLFRIEND

CHTANTAL SAENUS, I WOULD WRITE MY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER ONE THOUSAND TIMES IF IT WOULD PLEASE YOU.

SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

LOOKING FOR MY URBAN-AMISH-FIHE KNIGHT. I'M WILLING TO...
GREETINGS SECTION

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

H.P.B., IF YOU REALLY WANT ME BABY, LET ME KNOW. 'CAUSE IF YOU REALLY WANT ME I SUGGEST YOU TELL ME SO. GOT NO TIME FOR SILLY GAMES 'CAUSE YOU'RE LEAVING SOON (IN MAY) AND I MAY BE THE KIND OF GIRL YOU LIKE.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

KHADIJAH SHARIF, VALENTINE, I LONG TO SERVE YOU AND BE THE CRUX OF YOUR FOUNDATION.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

JIMMY, YOU GET ON MY NERVES MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, BUT THAT'S WHAT Puts THE SPICE IN MY LIFE! I LOVE YOU AND WOULD DO ANYTHING FOR YOU. EXCEPT HELP YOU MOVE THOSE BOXES OF COMICS AGAIN--

--CORY-EVERSON-IN-THE-MAKING

DEREK JOKELSON, BABY, I CHERISH THE THOUGHT OF ALWAYS HAVING YOU HERE BY MY SIDE.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

CRAY, I'M TURNING BLUE IN THE FACE WAITING FOR YOUR KISS.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

KIMBERLY CHIN, I WOULD GLADLY TOLERATE EVEN THE MOST OBNOXIOUS CUSTOMS OFFICER TO BE NEAR YOU.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

ED SMITH, WHENEVER I SEE YOUR SMILING FACE I HAVE TO SMILE MYSELF BECAUSE I LOVE YOU.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

RITA DIAZ, I'M ANXIOUSLY WAITING TO PRACTICE SOME MORE INTIMATE MOVES.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MINDY DEAREST, I COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU. DEVORA, RICKI, AND SHIRA, THANKS FOR ALL YOUR LOVE. I LOVE YOU ALL.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MY DARLING POOKIE FROM BOO-KAN, HOW IS IT THAT I CAN UNDERSTAND? I GUESS IT GOES TO KNOWING YOU AND LOVING YOU AS ONLY I CAN DO. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY! LOVE, POOKIE

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MITO, MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

JEANINE M., "BUT IT WAS NOT THE PRESENCE THAT MADE HER WRAP HIM UP IN HER THIGHTS. THEY WERE CHARMING, OF COURSE (ESPECIALLY THE JAR OF BUTTERFLIES HE LET LOOSE IN THE BEDROOM), BUT HER REAL PLEASURE WAS THE FACT THAT HE TALKED TO HER. THEY HAD GENUINE CONVERSATION." (TONI MORRISON, SULA)

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

K, I'M WAITING TO EXHALE. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

ALIEN, HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

POOKIE, HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

EVELYN, GOOD LUCK IN HISTO.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

CRAY ASCHER, YOU WORK HARD FOR THE MONEY, SO HARD FOR IT HONEY, SO I BETTER TREAT YOU RIGHT!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

TREY, I CAN ONLY BE REPLACED BY M.M. TRY AGAIN! HVD!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

DEAR VILMA, I LOVE YOU YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW. FOREVER. PLEASE BE MY VALENTINE!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

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--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

MO-RELLI, DON'T FORGET SURPRISES AND SACRIFICES SEE YA AT JAKES!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

GENE, ARE THOSE BUGLE BOYS YOU'RE WEARING?

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

AMY, HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

BL, I LOVE YOU.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

THANKS FOR BEING PART OF MY LIFE. READY FOR THE MORROW?

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

J.R. (3D), YOU HAVE MY HEART! MAYBE WE'LL GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER SOON.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

ALLAN URGENT, I CAN THINK OF NO ONE ELSE I WOULD RATHER DANCE WITH.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

EVA, HVD!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

M.J.S.

FLS, I LOVE YOU.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

PLEASE ATTEND THE ELCI SYMPOSIUM.

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

JOHN

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

JOHN, IF YOU INVITE THEM, THEY WILL COME!

--SOMEONE WHO THINKS YOU'RE SPECIAL

HVD!
Where do you find the time to...

run to the prof's office,
dash to study group,
dig through the library,
assemble quotes,
anotate class material,
search & research,
get that note to prof,
b Brief cases, find cites,
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quarter-final game against Buffalo."  

According to Parziale, the BAR/BRI moderator asked a toss-up question about the official state sport of Maryland.

"Buffalo buzzed in and guessed horse racing or lacrosse, or something like that," Parziale said.  

When the Buffalo answer was ruled incorrect, the question went to Fordham.

"Herb and I both could see that Tom was staring to remember something," Parziale said. "When he finally answered, jousting, nobody could believe it.

How did McCormick become an instant expert on medieval combat?

"Actually, the question came up in a New York Times crossword puzzle I worked on a couple of years ago," McCormick said. "I called information and got the number of the Maryland tourist board. They were the ones who gave me the answer."

The jousting question came at a crucial point in Fordham-F's first game, giving the team a chance at a lead for good. But it was McCormick's answer to a literature question in the final bonus questions.

"Between the six of us," said Cohen, "we got the final bonus question right — Jackie Robinson, Muhammad Ali, Billie Jean King. But the bottom line is that Fordstara did it during the final game. They didn't need the points, because they were so far ahead. But they got the answer.

Despite the difficulty of the questions, at least one Fordham player has already expressed an interest in competing again next year, after he finishes his first year law school classes.

"Barrister's Bowl is doubly tough for first year students," said Scott Jaffe '98, the only first year Fordham law student. "I've had a semester of law school, but I had no idea about the answers to some of the legal questions they asked. When Herb buzzed in and rattled off race, rather notice and notice for a question about the three kinds of recording statutes, I was impressed."

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