Colorado Senator Speaks About Career, Politics

By Sumeera Younis

It’s not often that law students will willingly roll out of bed before they have to on a Friday morning. Maybe it was the lure of free bagels, or the fact that it was Friday the 13th. Whatever the reason, over 100 students filed in to room 236 to hear Colorado Senator Ken Salazar speak, forcing the event to be moved to a larger room in order to accommodate the demand. In the same room where he took classes twenty-five years ago, Senator Salazar addressed students on issues ranging from his childhood to the campaign trail.

Salazar described education at Michigan as uncommon education for the common man. He was raised on a farm in Colorado, where his family had been farmers for twelve generations. His childhood was one without television or electricity. Salazar felt that the opportunities that paved the way for where he is now were created at places like Michigan.

Senator Salazar’s love for constitutional law began at the University of Michigan Law School. He was inspired by looking at the 14th Amendment and seeing how we as a country had made progress. When he left the Law School, he went to work for a law firm with 150 lawyers but made it clear that while he wanted to be a successful associate, he was also interested in doing public interest work. While working at the firm, he logged thousands of hours doing pro bono cases. Salazar left the private sector for a year to be chief counsel to the Governor of Colorado. That would be the decision that would lead to him later running for public office.

The Senator described his campaign as a seven-and-a-half month sprint. While Democrats lost races all across the country, Salazar was able to win. He attributed his win to a formula geared towards reaching as many people as he could and having a strong security platform. He did particularly well in rural areas; not only did he have a strong background working with the rural community, he didn’t take any vote for granted. “I didn’t ignore any of the rural areas,” he said. “Even the areas that had five hundred people and a thousand cows.” Salazar also used his background to advance his security platform. Coming out of the Attorney General’s office he had a good deal of experience with law enforcement and had developed a strong relationship with the police department. “I did what Bush did. I didn’t shy away from the theme of protecting America and I did well on that,” Salazar said.

Once he was elected, the biggest surprise that Salazar faced was that he felt he didn’t know what he was doing. Unlike other politicians, he hadn’t spent a great deal of time working in DC offices. The first couple of months he spent learning how everything works. During this time he also found that he was surrounded by some amazing colleagues. They served to inspire him and help him settle into his new job. The biggest frustrations he faced in the Senate were two-fold. Having come from a series of jobs in which he

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Open Letter

Dear Fellow Michigan Law Students, Faculty, and Administration:

We, as the Black Law Students Association at the University of Michigan Law School, write in support of the administration’s recent e-mail message affirming tolerance and a collegial campus environment here at the Law School. We were saddened to learn of the recent racial epithet that was issued towards a fellow student of color and would like to ask anyone who knows any more information about the incident to come forward. As fellow students, we stand committed to upholding the strong moral fabric of our school, just as we strengthen our legal education.

We hope that the coming days and months will demonstrate further evidence of that spirit.

Sincerely,

Black Law Students Association,
University of Michigan Law School

Correction:

The Op-Ed, “What Will We Do to Make Good on The Promise of a Diverse Democracy,” appearing in the October 24, 2006 issue of the RG should have been attributed to Vincent Eng.
The Day the Beastie Boys Cried: Debriefing the Halloween Ticket Snafu

By Austin Rice-Stitt

A snazzy ad in the last RG told of this year's Law School Student Senate (LSSS) Halloween party, "At the Links at Whitmore Lake." Color posters around the law school showed a slinky lady in a Darth Vader mask pointing out the Halloween party gunner. If an ad campaign ever worked too well, it was this one.

Tickets to this year's LSSS Halloween party went on sale for $20 each at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24th, three days before the event. In Michigan Law's own mini-Krzyzewskivil le, students began lining up over two hours before tickets went on sale. By 12:15, the line stretched east from 100 Hutchins Hall, wound down the stairs to the left, emerged in the basement, crept past the pendafiles, turned right again at the corner, passed under itself and then extended on down the basement hall all the way to the snack bar. The students at the end of the line may as well have sat down for a Sausage Works, because the 225 tickets that were available to the student body were gone in about 10 minutes, long before the line had emptied. In the days after the sale, students sent pleas for tickets over the LawOpen listserv, and some enterprising students apparently offered their tickets to the highest bidder.

Students still in line when tickets ran out were understandably upset, and student outrage continued to build until LSSS was forced to send out an apology after their weekly meeting on Wednesday the 25th. Why weren't there more tickets? Who was to blame? I sat down with LSSS President Grace Lee and Secretary Sarah Molenkamp to try to get my head around the Halloween Debacle.

My first question was: What happened last year? According to Grace and Sarah, around 255 tickets to last year's party, which was held at the same venue, were made available to the student body at $15 a ticket. Tickets sold out in about an hour, but the feeling at LSSS was that the hour of sales, plus the ensuing swapping on LawOpen, allowed everyone who wanted to go to get a ticket.

This year, LSSS raised the ticket price by $5 and expected the increase to lower slightly the demand for tickets. The reduction by 30 of available tickets was due to an 11th hour, unilateral decision by the venue. Grace and Sarah attribute this year's demand to the success of the party in recent years, which appears to have led to increased 2L and 3L attendance of a party that was traditionally dominated by 1Ls.

Okay, I said, you didn't see it coming. Still, isn't there something wrong when the Student Senate, which should represent all of us, throws a party that less than 20% of the student body can attend? Don't we all have a right to access to LSSS events?

Of course LSSS wants to cater to everyone, said Grace and Sarah, and they do receive about $50 of tuition money from each of us. But LSSS spends significantly more than $50 per student in a year, and the difference is made up through LSSS fundraising. It is rarely the case with events at the law school that the entire student body can attend. LSSS organizes a variety of events for a variety of interests and feels that students have many opportunities throughout the year to attend LSSS-sponsored events. LSSS is planning several events for the month of November and expects that everyone who wants to will be able to attend.

Fear not: There were plenty of bad law school puns, whether you attended or not.

Okay, sure, we can go to other events, I said, but this is Halloween! Don't we have a right to a Halloween party? I looked into this, but it turns out that the right to a party on Halloween is not protected. If LSSS hadn't organized the Halloween party, there wouldn't have been one at all.

The fact that the event would not otherwise have been offered does not completely shelter LSSS from criticism. A 10 minute window of ticket sales is clearly unacceptable, and there were students who had class or other obligations on Tuesday who had no chance to get tickets. Further, there were signs that the demand for tickets would exceed the supply, particularly the quick sell-out last year.

Still, criticism of LSSS must be tempered by recognition that they were not obliged to throw a Halloween party. LSSS members volunteer their services to the student body, and they put a lot of work into planning all aspects of this year's event. All 1L representatives, in keeping with tradition, worked as alcohol hosts at the party. While LSSS does have CONTINUED on Page 11
Take It From Me:

Counselor, Google Thyself

By Bria LaSalle

Most people will never find themselves mortified upon the mention of a former First Lady. Prior to this summer, I would have included myself among the nonplussed majority. But one day, while waiting for an elevator, I found myself chatting with another summer associate and a few attorneys about the vanity involved in Googling oneself. I voiced support for doing a quarterly self-Google “You’d be surprised at the crazy things that surface with your name on them,” I quipped. One attorney grinned at me before saying “yup, like Nancy Reagan.” I froze. I blushed. I stammered. Our elevator arrived.

Long ago and somewhere in Texas, I was part of an improv comedy group at my college. The long-neglected website received a facelift two years after I graduated, including alumni profiles where departed members recanted favorite memories of our days as hams. It never occurred to me when I sent the webmaster a list of my favorite rehearsal jokes that they would make their way to the top of any Google search for “Bria LaSalle.”

It should have. The career services office from under grad said something about being mindful of the information we put on the internet as it could easily be seen by future employers. Shortly after joining the world of nine-to-fivers, I self-Googled. The outcome was mixed. I found a few links for press releases concerning the groundbreaking event I was planning for work (boring); a quote or two from my college newspaper (double-boring); and pictures of me acting as a referee for baby oil wrestling (possibly erring a bit more on the kinky side than I’d prefer, but mostly cool). These scant results seemed safe enough; from them, one could determine I had a job doing something that looked reasonably legit, had been involved in student government in college, and...wasn’t afraid to humiliate myself or others with a microphone? Two out of three wasn’t bad.

But the internet, that elusive mistress, never stays still for long.

Earlier this fall, facebook.com added mini feed and news feed features to its offerings. Changes to users’ profiles could now appear on their friends’ Facebook homepages in real time; the minutiae people feel compelled to log for their friends’ viewing pleasure became even easier to track.

As an infrequent Facebook user, I’ll admit I only found out about the changes when the rest of the internet, minus the porn sites, seemed to join hands and scream at Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook’s founder, for the violation of their privacy. Petitions filled the blogosphere and dot-edu email domains with alarming speed. On September 8, three days after introducing the changes, Zuckerberg posted an apology on the Facebook blog and announced the addition of new privacy settings that allow users to opt out of the mini and news feed broadcasts.

It was only with a spatula and a small syringe of off-brand Botox that I was able to pry my brow out of a permanently skeptical furrow. So, people who use a website that allows them to publish their intimate details for others to view, complete with photos, were upset because...it became slightly easier to see the play-by-play? It wasn’t the dumbest thing I had heard that week, but it was definitely in the top five.

An article in the New York Times quoted one user who signed a petition because she felt the changes were “like someone peeking in on my conversations. People now know exactly when you became friends with somebody. When you hook up with somebody is now documented. Before it took some extra effort.” Right. That people can follow one’s hookups with better accuracy has everything to do with the news feed and nothing to do with the hookup being posted in the first place.

There’s something here I apparently don’t get. That’s fine, there are many things about which I’m currently clueless: Uggs, Crocs, twee rubber bracelets for cause du jour, leggings, Mark Ruffalo, and fruit cobbler to name a few. But I’m just plain out in the cold when it comes to understanding how anyone who posts personal details and pictures in an easily accessible place can have the gall to get very vocal with their “whaddya meeeeeeean people can see this?” reactions. It’s not just a Facebook thing – the same thing happens with LiveJournal, MySpace, Vox, Xanga, and the other personal networking sites whose names escape me. Read an online advice column or two for a month; someone is always seeking advice on the etiquette of telling their mom/boss/cousin/ex/neighbor/dentist to stop reading their site.

Why post sensitive information to a virtually limitless forum? Isn’t the whole point that anyone can see it – isn’t that the edgy rush? If the concern for privacy trumps the looky-me-I-hooked-up-with-a-mime thrill, then perhaps e-mail (or, hell, actual conversation) is a better way to dish.

Ironically, if the contents of the news feed I see are representative of the rest of Facebook, restraint has not been contagious. I make no judgment there, but I offer a word of caution. This stuff is easy to find, and employers know it. For many the results of Google searches and contents of Facebook or MySpace pages become part of a candidate’s milieu alongside their resume and cover letter. I think it’s worth asking yourself if you are comfortable with your future coworkers knowing what your cleavage looks like before they know you. If not, better stick to e-mail.

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Lipton’s New Pyramid Tea Put to the Test

By Andrea Hunt

I can’t believe how excited Lipton is over its new tea. To celebrate the launch of their Pyramid Teas, which hold tea in a “gossamer mesh” pyramid instead of the traditional square bag, Lipton had—yes—a tea party in New York City last month. But not the kind in Alice in Wonderland, or in Boston—at this tea party guests were served “tea-tinis” and rubbed elbows with Phantom of the Opera star Emmy Rossum, who, according to liptonpyramidteas.com, acts, sings, and loves tea. Who knew?

The most distinct feature of these teas is, of course, the pyramidal bags. According to Lipton, the pyramid gives the water more room to infuse the tea. Whatever. I’ve never given much thought to how infused my tea is, except when the bag rips and my tea is decidedly over-infused, and a little gritty. Gross. The best thing about the pyramids, in my opinion, is not their shape so much as the indestructible-ness of the gossamer mesh they’re made of. The pyramids withstand repeatedly dipping in hot water and the final squeeze out. (Get your minds out of the gutter.)

But the pyramid shape and gossamer mesh aren’t the only fun features: Lipton has taken a new approach to the tea bag’s contents. A typical tea bag is filled with the tiny bits of tea leaves that remain after the whole leaves are sifted and graded for premium sellers. Long leaf tea has been the exclusive domain of high-end tea retailers like Harney & Sons, until now. Lipton’s new long leaf tea even comes in crazy blended flavors like Strawberry & Passion Fruit and Vanilla Caramel Truffle. Having never experienced fruit tea, I sampled Bavarian Wild Berry, Green Tea with Mandarin Orange, and White Tea with Mango and Peach.

Bavarian Wild Berry, which sounds like a delicious dessert, really should stick to being a cheesecake flavor. I took the pyramid out of the box, and was greeted by the smell of strawberry preserves. I was so excited! A few minutes later, though, disappointment set in: it didn’t taste like tea at all, but like watered-down strawberry preserves.

The Green Tea with Mandarin Orange was much yummier. While I waited for my tea to brew, I read that its ingredients were green tea, dried fruit pieces, and natural flavors. That explained what the orange bits in the pyramid were, but what about the white bits? It’s probably better not to ask too many questions. The tea proved delicious; imagine hot tea with an orange instead of a lemon and a surprising yet delightful mint aftertaste.

White Tea with Mango & Peach was the best pyramid tea I tried. It was light and, of course, very peachy. I couldn’t really taste the mango flavor, but who cares? There is no better way to ease into a long and dreary Michigan winter than with a nice hot cup of tea that tastes like summer.

Coffee Cart Arrives in 200 HH

By Bria LaSalle

The recent addition of the coffee cart to the new student lounge in 200 Hutchins Hall has been met with mixed reviews. Many students are wondering whether the convenience of having coffee available for purchase closer to classrooms justifies the price tag—initially $2.50 for a 20oz cup, twice the price of the same size cup from the basement snack bar.

To get to the bottom of the price discrepancy, RG met with Brent Dickman, the Law School’s Director of Finance and Planning. Dickman explained that neither the snack bar nor coffee cart are profit centers for the Law School, but rather they often operate at a slight loss.

Prices are set by Deborah Long, who manages both the snack bar and coffee cart, and approved by Dickman. The price difference between coffee from the cart and that in the snack bar reflects that the cart’s premium coffee is made from freshly ground beans and that its coffee comes in a better cup. Pricing is calculated to meet student demand for affordable on-site snacks and beverages while minimizing the extent to which the Law school as a whole subsidizes any loss.

“We want the students who actually drink the coffee to be the ones who subsidize it,” Dickman said.

Recently, coffee cart prices were lowered to $1.75 for a 16 oz. cup and $2.00 for a 20 oz.; students can now also fill their own mug or receive a refill for $1.25. Pricing for the coffee cart isn’t static at this point; the second food service location is a new concept that will require an adjustment process before all the kinks are ironed out.

A more permanent structure will be installed in the coming weeks that will replace the cart’s current arrangement. The permanent cart will have its own water supply (snack bar staff must currently bring water for coffee up to 200 HH from the snack bar) and will “look less like a bake sale,” Dickman said with a chuckle. He and Long hope to fine-tune all of the details, including pricing, soon to create a service students will enjoy.
LSSS FALL WINE AND CHEESE

Pictures by Vivian Shen
A Layman's Guide to Pass/Fail

By Andrea Hunt

The air is colder, the sky is grayer, and the crows have descended on Ann Arbor. It can only mean one thing: exams are approaching.

In these last few bleak weeks, you'll probably get the urge to take all your classes pass/fail. However, before you give in to your panicked instinct, stop and consider the pros and cons.

Dean Baum has advice for those considering the pass/fail route: “If you have kept up with the work, if you basically understand the material, and if you have adequate time to prepare for the exam/do a good job on the paper, you should go for the grade. Over the years, I've seen many students guess wrong about this based on other considerations (such as 'this class has too many smart people' or 'I don't want to risk getting a grade that is below my GPA'). These students learn later that they would have gotten A's, or even A+'s, had they taken a class for a grade and not elected pass/fail.”

Even if you don’t go for the grade in a class or two, you need to take some classes for a grade. According to Dean Baum, while taking two classes pass/fail in one semester probably doesn't look bad on your transcript, “if you do elect three or more classes pass/fail in a term, you should be prepared to explain this to a prospective employer.” But, he adds, this matters most for 2L's without a permanent job offer.

Dean Baum recommends taking a class pass/fail if one or more of these circumstances are present:

1. You have fallen way behind in the reading for a class and/or your attendance has been poor, and it is very unlikely you can master the material for the exam;
2. You have worked very hard in the class and are caught up, but you are not confident that you have a good understanding of the material;
3. You have two or more exams pretty close together, and you know that you want to strongly prioritize one or more of them and will not be able to prepare adequately for the other because of lack of time.

However, Deans Baum and Guindi recommend taking classes in your field of interest for a grade. If you plan to tell a prospective employer you're interested in a particular area of law, Dean Baum says it “just looks strange” to have a “P” next to a relevant course.

There are other factors students consider when electing the limited grade option including class size, easiness of the course, and motivation. Since classes with fewer than thirty students are not required to have a curve, you're probably better off taking those for a grade.

3L Adam Dubinsky says that he is more inclined to pass/fail an “easy” class “unless there is a decent curve.” Dubinsky says he is more likely to take a class pass/fail if he doesn’t feel prepared, but adds that he prefers not to elect the pass/fail option because it negatively affects his motivation. This is also a consideration for 2L Samir Kaushal, who says he has used a pass/fail to ignore an easy class. He adds, though, that it is important to save your pass/fails if you want to do a clinic, since most of them are pass/fail.

So use your pass/fails sparingly, and go forth and prosper.

Nannes 3L Challenge Hits its Target

By Bria LaSalle

The Nannes 3L Challenge was a success! Over 200 members of the class of 2007 rose to the challenge and pledged to donate to the Law School Fund for the three years following graduation. Nannes Co-Chair Brad Wilson was thrilled. “One thing the committee really succeeded at this year was making sure each 3L knew they could allocate their pledge to SFF and the Law School Fund, in addition to the student organizations of their choice,” he noted.

Participating 3Ls are now responsible for over $50,000 in additional funds being allocated throughout the Law School. Co-Chair Kyle Faget voiced her thanks for the incredible support from the class of 2007. “I think our class showed great support for the law school. It seems that the Nannes Drive did what it should be doing - getting law students thinking about supporting UMLS post-graduation. It’s easy to forget how important it is to give back to the people and places that enable our success. Nannes is and was a great way to say thanks to UMLS!”

Congratulations, 3Ls, your dedication to the Law School and the Nannes Challenge is commendable.
This completely un-ironic auction of people took place on November 2.
LSSS Halloween Party

Wish You Had Been There?
Yeah, Us Too.

Pictures by Katherine McKeon
Don’t Spend Them All In One Place
Navigating the PRS With Priorities in Hand

By Nate Kurtis

Like many of you, I recently registered for classes. At least, I think I registered for classes. Since it’s all online these days, I could just as easily have been ordering movies on Netflix. Either way, it won’t matter much, since I almost never get my first choices, on either service.

My problem registering for classes is that I have always been confused about that whole priority registration system (PRS). Now, to their credit, the registrar’s office tried to help. During my 1L year, they passed around a flowchart which was supposed to explain the PRS in simple, graphical terms. For those who don’t remember this chart, it consisted of fourteen boxes and fifteen arrows, in two columns, and contained roughly 300 words. Thanks to the flowchart, I was no longer confused; I was now scared AND confused.

From what I could tell, the PRS normally assigns students to classes based on their “proximity to graduation,” which explains why I never get the classes I want: 3Ls are given a shot at a class before 2Ls, and 1Ls get a shot before me, since it isn’t clear if I will ever graduate. The priorities –of which, it is rumored, each law student receives two- are meant to help students get into the classes they really want. This is accomplished by giving any student that uses a priority for a class a chance to get in over any student, even a 3L, who didn’t.

At first pass, the system makes sense. Where things go crazy is trying to figure out when you get that priority back: if you get a class that didn’t fill up, but ended up with a waitlist on another, while getting into a class without a priority on the third, do you get out of it with one, two, maybe three priorities when all is said and done?

Thus, to help all those who still have a chance –it is too late for me, save yourselves!- the RG, after pumping Dean Baum for everything he had on the PRS, offers this handy guide to the Law School’s registration system.

Let’s start with the rules: when your priorities are spent, and when you get them back. First, if you use a priority for a popular class and get in, that priority is spent. On the other hand, if you used a priority for a class and didn’t get in, you get that priority back as well.

Once you understand (GULP!) how the priority system works, you are still left trying to figure out just when to use a priority. “Students should use at least one priority early on in their careers, because the closer you get to graduation, the less you need a priority,” notes Dean Baum. He adds that, since “priorities are never spent on prof. pick courses, it cannot hurt to check the priority box in a prof. pick course, in the event that the professor decides to pay attention to whether or not a student checked the box.” More generally, Dean Baum advises: “Save one priority for a seminar or other small course to maximize your chances of enrollment.”

But, how do you know if a class will be small, or popular, or such that a priority would be a useful? Were the administration to release information about the expected class size and the past enrollment, information that currently exists, it might help students decide on which class to use their priorities. Until such information becomes public, one source of information on past class size (and, incidentally, difficulty) is the grade curves which are published each semester in the RG. Also, the system in place has some wiggle room –the actual room assignments, and with them the ultimate class sizes, aren’t finalized until the registrar’s office and Dean Baum have had a chance to see the relative demand for classes during PRS bidding. And, don’t forget, even if you don’t get into a class you want, you have a good chance of adding it later during the add/drop period (seminars and small-sized classes are exceptions to this).

A final thought from Dean Baum on using priorities: “With respect to mid-sized and big courses, if you know you really, really want the course, then use the priority. If you didn’t need it to get in, you get it back. If you did need it to get in and it is spent, well then, it was a priority well-spent.”

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PRS Round Two

Begins Monday
November 13, 8:00 am
And Runs Through
Friday November 17, 5:00pm

Round two is for selecting upper-class courses and open seminars.
Salazar commented back on Michigan’s influence on his life choices and the direction his life has taken. Day-to-day, law school takes its toll. It’s easy to forget how each case, each paper, and each relationship will matter in the big picture. Salazar’s talk was a reminder that the choices we make, the friendships we forge, and the opportunities we take and don’t will be the defining markers in our lives in years to come.

Issues and Answers: Students’ questions about Salazar’s views on a variety of issues.

Salazar on the Senate Bill on prisoner interrogation:

I voted for the bill in its finality. I felt what the White House proposed initially was wrong. When you think about the Geneva Convention, those conventions were the legacy of the sacrifice of the Americans who died in World War II. The Geneva Convention was trying to bring a world-wide approach to how we are going to deal with prisoners. The Geneva Convention was good enough to govern all these other wars, and now we want to change it. In the final bill we were able to preserve the foundations and language of the Geneva Conventions. Evidence produced out of torture cannot be used. The same language that was in the McCain anti-torture amendment was included in the bill. What I signed was much better than the original bill. However, we need to try to reinsert habeas corpus back in the amendment. There is enough of a drumbeat around the country regarding habeas corpus that it will be revisited.

Salazar on the President’s use of signing statements:

I have a problem with them. You study law here and it seems to me that nobody in this country should see themselves as above the law. With the signing statements, I think the President overuses them and the President has taken significant liberties in interpreting the law to give himself significantly more authority. I think there is a role for the Congress that is being abdicated because all the keys to the kingdom are being held by one party. It seems to me that there is a very separate idea the founders had in mind. They created the institutions of our government the way they did to have checks and balances on our government’s power.

Salazar on the ways his experiences in law school and practice have helped prepare him for the Senate:

Learning about the law, learning about the Constitution, learning how to write: I was not a very good writer when I came to Michigan, and the fundamentals of critical analysis, writing, communication and the substantive background of the law have helped me succeed in the areas that I have succeeded in, in the twenty years since I left Michigan. The three years experience I had in this building serve as foundation blocks on how I see the world.

Salazar on Iraq:

The global issue we face is we have to change in direction. The change in direction has to be focused on restoring America’s reputation around the world. I think the huge energy of the United States should be spent on re-building those coalitions that existed before 2001. On the way back from a visit to Iraq, I had a stop in England. Before, if you were a politician running in Europe, you bragged about the transatlantic relationship. But now, you trash on America. Beyond issues of war, peace, and terrorism, there are some real difficulties that we are going to face, such as global warming. You can’t deal with an issue such as that unless you have a cooperative global community.

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Halpert:

an obligation to the student body, they ask that students not use a single event to judge whether or not that obligation is being fulfilled.

Regardless of the extent to which LSSS deserves criticism for the lack of tickets to this year’s Halloween party, it was good to see the constructive student response. The more attention that we pay to the res gestae here at the law school, the more student-friendly the policies and practices of LSSS, the other students groups, and the administration will become. You gotta fight for your right to party.

After speaking with Grace and Sarah, I feel confident that LSSS seeks student response and involvement and will respond to it. I look forward next year to a Halloween party that everyone can attend, and until then to a lively interaction between the student body and LSSS.

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As for me, the Nancy Reagan gaffe was pretty benign. Everyone already knew I have a sense of humor that often borders on the inappropriate, so no harm was done. Still, I wasn’t particularly sad to report that the wrestling pictures were long gone.

Bria LaSalle is the Executive Editor of RG.

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Michigan Law Announcements

The Business Law Association presents its
Annual 1L Job Panel

Wednesday, November 15
12:10 p.m
220 HH

The panel will include 2Ls and 3Ls whose summer experiences include firms, banking, in-house, public interest, and government work.

All 1Ls are welcome to attend. Please contact Dana Peck at danapeck@umich.edu with any questions prior to the event.

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