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JOY OF SAX

Professor Joseph L. Sax this summer became the first American to win the Elisabeth Haub prize, a Belgian award for work in environmental affairs. Sax received the prize in a ceremony in Brussels in recognition of "the considerable influence that the work and research of Professor Sax has exercised in the development of environmental law, not only in his own country, but the Common Law Countries and those generally of continental Europe."

The Haub prize is awarded annually by the Free University of Brussels. The award consists of a gold medal and a prize of 75,000 Belgian francs, equal to about $2,400.

The prize money is to be used to support the recipient's research trip, or a research project dealing with environmental law, or financing of publication issuing from these works.

Sax is the author of Michigan's 1970 Environmental Protection Act giving citizens the right to bring polluters to court. He has been on the law school faculty since 1966.

STUDENT & STUDENT-FACULTY COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Several student and student-faculty committees have vacancies to be filled this fall. Two positions are open on the Placement Committee and three positions are open on the Speakers Committee. Also, one new appointment will be made for each of the committees on Academic Standards and Student Personnel. L.S.S.S. encourages any interested student to complete an application form (available in the Senate office--Rm. 217) and return the for by Tuesday, Sept. 19. Information about the various committees is available in the Senate office.

In addition, both the film and social committees need more members, and first-year students should take this opportunity to voice their opinions. Joanie Rehm and Tom Meyer may be contacted about Social Committee meetings, and Clyde Robinson for the Film Committee.

CLINICAL PROGRAM IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

The U.S. Department of State has invited the Law School to participate in a clinical program in international law. Under it our students work in the Legal Adviser's Office for one semester with the emphasis of the work being on a selected number of long-range problems of current interest. A major written work as a result of the student's research would be expected and would be done under the immediate supervision of an Assistant Legal Adviser. The Counselor on International Law would also meet regularly with the student.

Faculty may recommend one or two second-year students on the basis of their record and proven interest in the international field, for a one-term appointment (winter of second year or fall of third year). Upon satisfactory completion of the term the participant will receive 12 hours of "pass" credits.

Interested students should contact Professor Eric Stein, 914 L.R., for further information, and make sure to sign up for interviews with the Legal Adviser's Office this fall.
The Law School Student Senate (LSSS) will hold elections for first year representatives on Friday, October 6. One representative will be chosen from each of the four first year sections. In order to be placed on the ballot, a candidate must file a petition containing the signatures of at least twenty (20) students in his/her section. A student may sign any number of petitions, provided that the candidate he/she signs for is a member of his/her section. Candidates may pick up petitions beginning any time on or after Wednesday, September 13, at either the LSSS office (Room 217 Hutchins Hall) or at the front desk of the Lawyers Club. The signed petitions must be returned to either location no later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 22. All candidates are responsible for reading and understanding (not to mention obeying) the election rules which will be attached to the petitions. A copy of the Election Code in its entirety will be posted outside the LSSS office, and on the wall next to the bulletin board near Room 120.

All candidates may submit campaign statements to the Editor of the Res. Gestae to be published at his discretion. These statements must be turned in by midnight Friday, September 29, at the RG office in the basement of the Legal Research building in order to assure publication prior to the election.

The polls will open on October 6 at 8:30 A.M. in front of Room 100 and will remain open until 4:30 P.M. They will reopen in the front lobby of the Lawyers Club at 4:45 P.M. and will close at 6:30 P.M. The votes will be tallied and the results immediate.

A representative of the Elections Committee will appear in each of the first year sections on Tuesday, September 12, to briefly explain the election procedures.

For answers, call Bruce Celebrezze at 662-6490, between 5:00 and 6:30 P.M. any day, or leave a note at the LSSS office.

LSSS Notes

Tuesday night the Law School Student Senate at its first meeting of the year passed a resolution granting the exclusive right to publish an official Law School Yearbook for 1978-79 to Michael Jackson and Steve Fetter. A schedule for the election of first-year student representatives was approved, and committee vacancies were discussed. (See this issue for further announcements). Students will be asked for their opinions on last year's budget allocations through a survey to be distributed later in the term. This survey will be used in an advisory capacity by next year's Senate when formulating their budget this spring.

The Senate established weekly meeting times at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. Students are encouraged to attend the meetings or read the minutes from previous meetings which are available in the Senate office.
There is at least one new face in the Law Club which is not accounted for by the freshman class of law students. The Lawyers Club has a new Director. Her name is MARGOT MORROW.

MARGOT has just arrived, fresh from her duties as the Director of the University's Pilot Program. The Pilot Program is a living-learning center for five hundred undergraduates. Some will say that 300+ law students will be quite a change for her; I am of the opinion that the overall effect will probably be the same.

Those residents who have met MARGOT so far have been impressed by her concern to avoid polarized students/staff situations within the Lawyers Club and her willingness to listen and consider new ideas and suggestions.

MARGOT is the most educated Director of the Lawyers Club for some time—perhaps in its history. She received her B.A. in History (with minors in Politics and Biology) in 1966 from the Memorial University of Newfoundland. In 1968 she received a Masters Degree in History from Duke University. Just last year she finally achieved her Ph.D. in History from the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London.

MARGOT has taught in a broad range of fields, including Women's Studies (cross-cultural and Western), Asian History, Religion, Politics, Indian and Chinese Area Studies, British History and Imperialism.

Her plans for the Lawyers Club are "...to administer it both in a fiscally responsible manner and with the maximum amount of student input."

Her resume reflects a strong commitment to Human Rights issues and her intense concern with Women's Rights. She is currently working on a book about the Cross-Cultural Status of Women.

From the Night Manager's point of view it appears that the University has (maybe) finally come through with a Director who may be here awhile and who may come to feel a real responsibility towards the maintenance of the kind of conditions in the Law Club that we all would like to see. Let's hope the University lets her stay here long enough to get to know us, the Club, and its (some longstanding) problems.

Those residents (and non-residents) of the Club who have strong concerns which they would like to share with MARGOT are invited to stop by her office and chat. An appointment may be necessary for the next few weeks as she turns over her responsibilities at the Pilot Program and begins to turn more of her attention to us.

RESIDENTS

Most of the new residents probably are not completely aware of the fact that we do not have maid or maintenance service on weekends. This means, basically, that if someone makes a godawful mess in the Lounge or pinball room on Friday night—it stays there all weekend grossing us all out. Please make an effort to clean up afterwards when you are having fun in one of our common areas. Most of us (with a few mostly well-known exceptions) do not get drunk enough to be unable to drop a beer can in a trash can instead of on the floor.

By the time you read this I will have placed one room and phone number directory of the Lawyers Club in each of your mailboxes. There were only enough run off to provide each resident with a single copy so please don't lose yours. The chances are good that you will be unable to replace it if you do.

If you receive or plan to receive any magazines or newspaper via the mail service, please save yourself some anxiety by being aware that these do not normally arrive on the same day each week. Sometimes hearing a student say "But Time magazine comes every Tuesday." can cause a Night Manager's blood to boil. If we get 50 Time magazines a week, probably 35 will arrive on Tuesday, 6 on Wednesday, 5 more on Thursday and the rest scattered over the rest of the week. It's not the Law Club, it's the Postal Service!

EX-RESIDENTS

If you lived in the Law Club last year but now live off-campus, please come in and update your forwarding address. I have no way of knowing who is and who isn't back in school and some important mail may be still getting sent to your summer residence.

Tish P. Wilkins
Night Manager
Part Time Position Available

Lexis Consultant
(approximately 15 hrs/week)

Job Description
Training students in the use of the Lexis system of computer-assisted legal research, and answering student questions.

Applications
Should include phone number, previous teaching experience, computer experience, and any other relevant factors.
Deposit applications in The Computer Facility mailbox, Room 300 Hutchins Hall (bottom right corner of the wall of faculty boxes) before 5pm Friday, September 15.
Please indicate prominently that the application is for the Lexis Consultant position.

Note
Applications will be accepted from all law students, but hiring preference will be given to first and second year students. Applicants with acceptable qualifications will be contacted to arrange an interview.

FOOD SERVICE JOBS AVAILABLE
Student employee positions are available in the Lawyers Club Food Service for law and non-law students. These positions cover the lunch and dinner hours Monday - Friday and on weekends. If interested, call Dayle at 764-1115.

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB
The University Club is pleased to announce several changes and events which we hope will enable you to better enjoy our facilities:
- $3.00 Student Memberships
- Variety of luncheon offerings and settings for those with no time and those with all afternoon
- Live jazz every Monday night (sponsored by Eclipse)
- Dinner-theatre
- Buffet brunch before each home football game
- Sunday brunch on the terrace with live classical music*
- Weekly live folk music*
- Pizza and sandwiches in the evening*
- Daily Happy Hour
*to begin later this Fall

Please detach the complimentary student membership below and visit the Club on the first floor of the Union. We look forward to serving you.

UNIVERSITY CLUB OF ANN ARBOR

Guest’s Name ____________________________________________
Address ________________________________________________
Sponsor ____________________________________________ (member’s name)
__________________________________________________________ (member’s number)
Expiration date 9-18-78
It was with mixed feelings that I returned to Ann Arbor this August after three months in the real world. The summer wasn't really over--either climatically or psychologically--and although there was some refreshment from the realization that my last year of school was starting, some time for escape would have been nice.

Still, it was good to see the old faces. Scattered over the country for a time, each was now attempting to adjust into a comfortable routine of studying and/or partying. The old routine would not be quite the same though, after simmering and summering in the city, and seeing if my two years of "learning to think like a lawyer" had gotten me anywhere. It had--though I'm not sure where.

Legal education at a major American law school is a curious phenomenon. One quickly discovers that the practical value of legal schooling seems relatively small. Only a minority of the multitude of functions performed by an attorney today rely on the close analysis of appellate opinions which are the staple fare here. One also notices, however, that in some respects it is the very irrelevancy of the substance of the law taught here which makes some of the time spent worthwhile (i.e. the first year).

Yet what our education lacks is not only substantive relevance, which is inevitable in our legal system, but also the sense of responsibility and immediacy which makes being a lawyer intriguing, invigorating and interesting. It is doubtful that a school can or should undertake to remedy this (clinic notwithstanding). But the limitation and its effects should be recognized by students and faculty alike.

What it comes down to is whether the third year of law school makes any sense. The expenditure of thousands of dollars and thousands of hours and thousands of case cites seen and forgotten often constitutes a colossal waste of otherwise-utilized resources. It is this last bout with "senioritis" which makes the most sense. The last credential finally gleams at the end of a twenty-year tunnel.

Welcome back.

This Friday:

September 15

TO HAVE AND HAVE NOT

****Starring****

Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall

7 and 9 p.m.
Room 100 Hutchins

Law Students: 50¢
Others: $1
FLOW SPORTS

About 70 miles off Michigan's Keewenau Peninsula (about 8-10 hours drive from here) in Lake Superior's cold waters is Isle Royale. This magnificent island remains relatively untouched by modern technology. Wolves, moose and fox are among some of the wildlife inhabiting the dense forests and swamps.

The history of Isle Royale can be traced as far back as 4300 years ago when American Indians lived there and mined copper. Their shallow mining pits are scattered throughout the island. They are responsible, by the way, for the lack of truly virgin stands of trees on Isle Royale, as they burned off large portions of the forest to expose the copper-bearing ores beneath.

In 1671 the French took possession and named the island. Isle Royale became part of the U.S. in 1783, but was still recognized as Chippewa tribal territory rather than as part of any state. When the Chippewa ceded it to the U.S. in 1843, settlers came to the island for copper mining and lumbering. Lumbering never was very successful and mining was discontinued when the deposits became uneconomical.

In 1940 Isle Royale became part of the National Park system. No one lives on the island throughout the winter, although moose and wolf researchers fly there and stay for a couple months after the first of the year. To get to the 40 by 8 mile island one must either fly by seaplane or take a boat. Both services are provided by the National Park Service and by commercial transportation agencies in the area. It is this isolation that keeps Isle Royale outstandingly free of people; there simply are only so many who can use the limited means of transportation available.

One can stay at the Rock Harbor Lodge (now run by the N.P.S., although once an exclusive private resort) or enjoy the entire island by backpacking. The NPS discourages idle campers by limiting the time one may stay at the campsites near arrival points to one night. The next sites are usually three to eight miles of hiking away.

Backpacking on Isle Royale means carrying everything. One item which is indispensable is a compact water filter to avoid having to boil all of one's water. Water must be either boiled or filtered due to the presence of tapeworm cysts (tapeworms are endemic in both moose and wolves as a result of a very complicated life cycle) in the inland waters. Other than being careful with the water, backpacking on Isle Royale is much like backpacking anywhere as far as the equipment you'll need. The terrain does range from very dense swamp, through pine and birch forests to high ridges with bare rock outcroppings.

The most frequently seen animal is the red squirrel. The species found on Isle Royale is only found due to the island's geographic isolation. They are the most bothersome creatures on the island. Every step on the trail is accompanied by chatter-alerts in all directions. They also chew holes right through backpacks in the specific direction of whatever package of food contains chocolate and nuts. Sometimes they will even jump right into a pack with humans within arm's reach.

Wolves are all over the place but are seldom seen. Several times a day one will find it necessary to avoid stepping in what looks like a pile of droppings left in the middle of the trail by a sloppy human. Actually, (probably) they all belong to wolves who like to mark the trails (so do the foxes). Early one morning, one of your columnists was awakened by a chorus of literally unearthly howls. Moose, on the other hand, are not only all over the place, but are frequently seen. Our group of eight persons saw a total of more than ten moose in seven days. A really spectacular sight! A careful hiker will certainly also see fox, beaver, and a variety of wildlife. The flora, while not virgin, has not been disturbed by humans for a long time and is varied and impressively extensive. The wildflowers are too numerous to name, while blueberries, raspberries, and thimbleberries can provide dessert after most meals.

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No bottles or cans are allowed on the island. The National Park Service encourages the use of camp stoves instead of campfires, and although one may not transport fuel to the island it is available there for nearly any kind of cooking equipment. There is no charge for campsites or for hiking, although the Rock Harbor Lodge charges reasonable fees which include excellent meal service. So far it appears that those visitors who preceded us followed, as we did, the motto: "Take nothing with you, leave nothing but footprints."

The boat trip to Isle Royale costs fifteen dollars and takes about six hours. Seaplanes charge about twenty-five dollars and do it in about a half an hour. In our experience it is worthwhile to fly over and ride the boat back. The flight itself is exciting (the plane left the water while still under a drawbridge) and gets you to the island in plenty of time for a day's hike if you wish; while the boat trip back gives you plenty of needed rest before driving home.

The following are addresses and phone numbers at which you may obtain further information. The National Park Service address and number is for general information and boat information.

SEAPLANE: Isle Royale Seaplane Service  
P.O. Box 371  
Houghton, MI  49931  
906-482-3310

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE:  
Isle Royale National Park  
P.O. Box 27  
Houghton, MI  49931  
906-482-3310
TUESDAY
Phi Alpha Delta Book Exchange, 1-4pm/200HH
Law School Student Senate Meeting, 6:30pm/242HH, everyone welcome

WEDNESDAY
Petitions for 1st year representatives to LSSS are available in 217HH or at Lawyers Club front desk.

THURSDAY
Phi Alpha Delta Luncheon, noon/faculty dining room, everyone welcome
International Law Society Annual Sangria Party, 4-6pm/Lawyers Club Lounge, everyone welcome
National Lawyers Guild Meeting, 7pm/Lawyers Club Lounge, everyone welcome
La Raza Law Student Meeting, 7:30pm/307 Lawyers Club

FRIDAY
Gargoyle Films, TO HAVE AND HAVE NOT, 7&9pm/100HH, admission 50¢ for law students, $1 for others
Applications for Lexis Consultant position due

P.A.D. BOOK EXCHANGE
Last Day to pick up money and unsold books. Any books not claimed on Tuesday will be otherwise disposed of.

P.A.D. LUNCHEON SPEAKERS
"Interviewing Law Students: The Other Side of the Table"
Guest speakers will include:
Gordon F. Hampton of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton (Los Angeles)
Paula H. Harbison of Debevoise, Plimpton, Lyous & Gates (New York City)
Ernest I. Reveal of Robins, Davis & Lyons (St. Paul, Minnesota)

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD MEETING
The NLG is a national organization of legal workers interested in social change. It brings together people doing progressive legal work for those who are ignored and exploited by the traditional legal system—workers, women, farmers, and minority groups.
The Ann Arbor chapter can provide information about and contacts with progressive legal struggles locally, regionally, and nationally. It offers you an opportunity to use your legal training now to help people. You can participate in an established chapter project (prisoner education, unemployment representation) and help us create new projects. You may be able to work with local or Detroit attorneys on real cases of political interest. The Guild also brings a number of speakers to the law school who are specialists in alternative legal services and offers support in the form of potluck dinners, parties, and study groups.
The NLG is a place for people interested in alternative legal practices to come together and share ideas and energies. We encourage anyone interested to learn more about us.
Our first meeting will be Thursday, September 14 at 7pm in the Lawyers Club Lounge. Jeanne Mirer, Regional Vice President of the NLG and attorney with the Center for Urban Law in Detroit will speak about the Guild and its programs. Local members will describe chapter activities. Please come.

LA RAZA LAW STUDENT MEETING
Agenda: General Introduction and Orientation
Gerald Torres, Minority Graduate Advisor and Head of the Tutorial Program will be present to explain the tutorial program.
Café y Sabrosas will be served.

GARGOYLE FILMS
TO HAVE AND HAVE NOT (Howard Hawkes) 1944
Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall star in this their first film together. Once again Bogart is the expatriate American, here in Martinique, who is reluctant to commit himself to the Free French cause.