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Quad Residents Upset With Construction Din

Dean St. Antoine and David Foulke, acting area director for University housing, met with a gathering of about 30 to 40 concerned residents of the Lawyers Club Tuesday, April 18 to try to resolve some of the problems resulting from the construction noise, especially the pile driving in the immediate vicinity of "P" and "O" sections of the Club.

It seems that several Club residents had withheld a portion of their rent (in an amount equal to one-half the statutory damages provided under Michigan law) and attempted an accord and satisfaction with the University.

La Raza National Convention Report

by Jose Zurita & Otila Saenz

On March 1st through the 4th, the Washington, D.C. chapters of La Raza law students assoc. hosted the 1978 National Convention.

Attending the Convention were seven members of the local U of M law school chapter of La Raza. The theme of this years convention was "En buscas de soluciones" (In search of solutions) - a theme chosen because of the continued existence of cultural and linguistic discrimination faced by Raza in the U.S. A cultural and linguistic oppression manifests itself in discriminatory employment, education, housing, health, language, and voting. Great efforts were made by the National convention to bring together Raza and other oppressed people in an effort to provide solutions by bringing together the legal skills necessary to combat these evils. It remains to be seen whether their efforts will bear fruit.

While there was no final resolution of the controversy, needless to say, there were several very good points made by the students in response to the Housing Department's disclaimers of responsibility for the noise problems.

Dean St. Antoine expressed his deep concern over the problems caused by the construction and the resulting controversy between the University and the Club residents, and stated that he hoped the problems could be resolved. He did note that he had requested that any excessively noisy construction work be avoided during finals, if at all possible, but that construction was behind schedule.

—NOTICE—

This is the last issue of the Res Gestae for this academic year. We are now attempting to organize our staff for next year. Next year's Res Gestae will hopefully be entirely composed of student-written materials and will include broader coverage of Law School activities. To make this possible, it is necessary to have a group of writers who reflect a wide array of backgrounds and interests, and who are willing to contribute on a regular basis.

While "entertainment" articles will still be accepted next year, we need a solid reporting and "investigative" staff to build a base of informational and opinion-oriented news.

The following positions will be open for next year's R.G. staff:

Associate Editors
Feature Editor
News Editor
Layout Editor
Photographic Editor
Sports Editor
Staff Writers
Contributing Writers
Photographers
Production Staff
Cartoonists
Advertising Manager

If you are interested in working for your student newspaper (or perhaps in getting into print while you wait for the Review or Journal to print your other articles) fill out an application form before you leave for the summer and you'll have a position when you come back next fall. Applications are available outside the Res Gestae office, Room 102A Legal Research.

While no journalism experience of any kind is required for any of the available positions, those of you with journalism experience are requested to lend your expertise and join our staff. Everyone presently on the staff is requested to submit a new application if they wish to remain on next year's staff.

This is especially needed if you wish to become an editor or other specialty position.
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Sterilization/Abortion Workshop:

Sterilization

It is a fact that women who are poor and of a racial minority have a higher incidence of sterilizations than do other women. What is not so apparent is that these sterilizations have been involuntary.

In California there are many cases brought by Chicanas where they have been asked to sign consent forms to be sterilized while they are in labor and under anesthesia. In some states, welfare mothers are told that after their third child they are to consent to be sterilized or lose their welfare funds.

What is of major concern for Chicanas is the informed consent procedure. Under the Federal Sterilization Regulations oral and written information is to be given as to the risks and procedures of sterilizations. The regulation does specify that if the language of the patient is other than English, the patient is to be given the written information in their own language. But the oral information is not required to be given in the patient’s native language. So what happens is that the patient has no opportunity to ask questions and get responses in her own language. It was proposed that it be required by law that all information about sterilization be given in the patient’s native language.

A second area of concern, is the short 72 hour waiting period between when the written consent is given to when the sterilization can be performed. It was proposed that a 30 day waiting period should replace the 72 hour period. This at least gives some women a chance to leave the hospital after delivery of a child and reflect on her consent.

Chicanas also expressed concern over the increasing use of sterilization on minority women to control population growth. It is a fact that 35% of the Puerto Rican women, ages 15 to 44 have been sterilized and 2/3 of these women are in their child bearing years. One Indian tribe in upstate New York had its last child bearing woman sterilized this past year. That tribe will no longer exist. The Chicanas concern was whether sterilization is being used as a means to decrease our numbers out of fear that we may become a power group. This is a concern which should be addressed.

Abortion

Although ¾ of Americans feel that abortion should be legal (Gallup Poll) and the Supreme Court in 1973 Roe v. Wade, made it legal during the first three months, there are fewer federal and state funds available for abortions than sterilizations for low income women. This has occurred through the attachment of anti-abortion amendments to bills passed by the U.S. Congress. For example, in the passage of the Pregnancy Disability Act (reversing Gilbert v. General Electric) a congressman attached an anti-abortion amendment which seeks to prohibit employers from having to include abortion benefits in private medical insurance. Even local city councils have passed resolutions condemning abortions and/or ordinances that say that detail and intimidating descriptions of fetal development be given.

What results is that there is money for sterilizations and not abortions. The disadvantaged women are thus given no way out. They either have too many children in a short span (thus reducing their economic base to provide each child with a better environment) or they have no children. A resolution was passed that more money be provided for abortions so then women can regulate when and how many children they want.
Steve Fetter's Day Old Bread

Awards for Dubious Achievements of 1977-1978

(Gala Year-End Issue)

Presents

Awards for Dubious Achievements of 1977 - 1978

***To L. Hart Wright for his bumper sticker: "Ann Arbor--Deep in the Heart of Taxes."***

To John Spelman (Graduating Senior) for putting a search on a library book that was checked out to him.***

To the slightly inebriated first-year woman who asked me where I worked before law school, and after listening to me say "Pennsylvan­ia," asked what state that was in.***

To Burt Rosen who complained about being in D.O.B., and then two weeks later asked if he could get any back issues for his friends.***

To Doug Kahn for assigning problems in Tax II that the Commissioner of the IRS doesn’t know the answer to, and which Ed Martineck has yet to rule upon.***

To Bob Taub (Grad. Sen.) for writing a test in broken English in an attempt to get an ‘A’ in Prof. Bishop’s International Law class.***

To the many people who told me not to print something and then complained when it wasn’t in the paper.***

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To John Coogan who answered a law firm’s request for a writing sample by sending them selections from his appellate brief.***

To Don Gettinger (G.S.) who computed that the lifetime earnings of a lawyer and a plumber are exactly equal at age 41--and, nonetheless, refused to accept a law job with Roto-Rooter.***

To Steve Harris and Steve Fetter who spent two weeks trying to psyche each other out of the LSSS Presidential race--before withdrawing and leaving an empty ballot and six write-in candidates.***

the Nashville labor management firm who earnestly asked me, "Why don’t we throw all the miners in jail, and send federal troops into the mines?"***

To Dave Glanz, the first person to require references from people wishing to sell him a used book ("in similarly mint condition").***

To Doug Kanarek who computed that each course costs approximately $10/class session (out-of-state), and then predicting that if that fee was collected at the door each day, no one would ever attend.***

To Dean Cohen for deciding that if the foreign students have an extra hour for their final exams, they should also have an extra hour for their termpapers (three months + one hour).***

To soon-to-be Dean St. Andalow for teaching a seminar that was attended by six-count ‘em six members of the faculty--three of whom took it pass-fail.***

To Bonnie Thomson for arguing that Sissy Spacek wasn’t right to play her in The Sandalow Story--better John Denver.***

To me for replying: "To hell with John Denver--Dennis the Menace."***

To the many people who wished to require references from people wishing to work before law school, and then complained when it wasn’t in the paper.***

To John Walter for forecasting in January, "I’d rather go to jail than take Tax II."***

To Sharon Rubinstein for providing the R.G. with great caricatures all term long, one of which she believes resembles this reporter.***

And the ultimate Dubious Achievement Award goes to the Law School Administration for bidding a fond farewell to Dean Don Cohen as he heads off for points West--and then for deciding not to hire anyone to take his place! If they had only listened.***

And finally to the Law School student body for the encouragement they have given to one aspiring columnist-cum-perspiring law student. Thanks.

See you in September.
Crusader Rabbit Presents: The 1st Punk Rock Ode To Law School

(To be played by two semi-literate electric guitarists with blown eardrums, a bass player who knows no more than two chords, an epileptic drummer with a prehensile tail, and electric pianist who plays with his feet, and three law school groupies screaming sensuously in gutteral tones, along with ambulance sirens, cement mixers, a tape of the last drunken faculty revelry, and jackhammers.

(Words and music by: Habeus and the Bloody Corpus. Music available upon request.)

Ya say that yer professors are a draaag.
They make ya wanna throw up inna bag.
Ya say that yer professors are a draaag.
Ya say that yer professors are a draaag.

Just sittin’ in the classroom is a pain.
Cause interest in the law ya gotta feiiign.
An’ T & E an’ Ad Law are the piiits.
They make ya wanna blow this place to bliits.
Law school! Waste of money!
Law school! Really stinks!
Law school! Just ain’t funny!
Law school! See yer shrinks! (Yaah, yaah, yaah.)

Instrumental break. An 8’ x 10’ bookshelf containing the Restatement of Property and the Tax Law Reporter are wheeled out from stage left and are incinerated by a bazooka fired from stage right. A judicial bench is slowly raised at the rear of the stage, complete with American flag, law books, gavel, and judge in black robes. When this scene becomes totally visible to the audience, it is buried under 10 tons of bat guana. Swinging back and forth across the stage is a half crazed figure in chains, representing a law professor, who is screaming “Caveat emptor!” and sporadically blasted by painful but not fatal jolts of electricity.)

All the profs just play their stupid gaames.
They make ya squirm an’ then forget yer naaames.
An’ all the cases all look just the same.
It’s so fucking up that everyone’s ta blaaame.
Law school! Buncha garbage!
Law school! Lotta trash!
Law school! Useless verbage!
Law school! Gotta mash! (stomp, stomp, stomp.)

Ya go ta school fer years an’ its a boooore.
An’ then they say ya gotta go some moore.
They pack ya inna room an’ teach ya juuunk.
Ferget the law an’ come an’ be a puuunk.
Law school! Cut yer classes!
Law school! Don’t be blind!
Law school! Don’t be asses!
Law school! Blow yer mind! (Blam, blam, blam.)

(Final instrumental break. A figure of blindfolded justice weighing the scales is lowered from the ceiling, turned sideways, and guillotined. A trio of young attorneys dressed in three piece suits carrying brief cases emerge from stage left, and are chased around the stage and run over by a motorcycle gang emerging from stage right. The gang then circles to an elevated platform at the rear of the stage and begins destroying court records, traffic signs, police uniforms, ballot boxes, and other signs of lawful authority.)

Estates an’ taxes are a pile of craaap.
It warps yer mind an’ makes ya be a saaap.
The stuff ya learn it really makes ya iiiil.
An’ pretty soon yer gonna wanna kiiii.
Law school! Just can’t stand it!
Law school! Self-abuse!
Law school! Shoulda banned it!
Law school! It’s no use!
It’s no use!
It’s no use!

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But remember, there can't be a book exchange then unless books are turned in now.

Books will be collected during the last three days of finals: May 10-12, in Room 118.
Times will be posted.

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There is now a new women's restroom (however small) located on the second floor of Hutchins Hall within the chamber leading to the Court Clerk's Room, #234C, by the Case Club Mailboxes.

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COMING FRIDAY

The RAW REVIEW!

(at the Post-Classes Cocktail Party)

Be There!

--Still only a dollar.

--Personal Pledge: If you are in any way dissatisfied with the "Bigger, Better and Funnier" 1978 Edition of the Raw Review, we offer to buy your copy back for its fair market value.  
s/ The Barristers Society

1 See D. Kahn, Basic Corporate Tax.
The Student Senate held its last regular meeting of the term Monday night. It unanimously passed the following resolution concerning the reallocation of rent withholders' rooms in the Lawyers' Club:

"Pursuant to the 1977 agreement between the Board of Governors of the Lawyers' Club and the University of Michigan Housing Division regarding operation of the Lawyers' Club, by the Housing Division, Article IV, Paragraph c, last sentence, the Law School Student Senate hereby establishes the rule that there shall be no discrimination in the allocation, assignment, or renewal of leases of rooms on the basis of withholding of rent concerning the current dispute over construction."

The Senate made its annual appointments to the various student-faculty and student committees. There were many applications, especially for the Curriculum, Academic Standards, and Admissions Committees. However, there are a limited amount of spots, especially on the student-faculty committees. It is unfortunate that not everyone could get a place. But, the Senate hopes that the unappointed applicants would be willing to help the chosen committee members perform their tasks. The following people were appointed:

**STUDENT-FACULTY COMMITTEES**

**Academic Standards**
- Gilbert Negrette
- Bob Portnoy
- Betty Olivera

**Admissions**
- Gwen Rowden
- Tom Connop
- Charles Polzin

**Administrative**
- Steve Fetter

**Curriculum**
- Ellen Pomeroy
- Jack Butler
- Seth Jaffe

**Scholarship Awards**
- Kevin Rouse

**Faculty Meeting Representatives**
- Loretta Anderson
- Bruce Benson

**STUDENT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

**ABA Law Student Division**
- Charles Lowery (representative)
- Mike Shepard (alternate)

**Sports Czars**
- Al Knauf
- Jeff Liebster

**Directory Compiler**
- Greg Hesterberg

**Elections and Appointments**
- Bruce Celebrezze

**Faculty Course Evaluation**
- Eileen Drake

**Film Committee**
- Clyde Robinson
- Joel Russman

**Placement Committee**
- Mike Dowdle
- Lloyd Miller
- Vicki Lafer
- Jon Golomb

**Residential Committee**
- Jeff Eisen
- Ridley Politiski

**Social Committee**
- Tom Meyer
- Joanie Rehm

**Speakers Committee** (members)
- Lloyd Miller
- John Coogan
- James Willms
- Maria Robinson
- Jack McCullough
- Mike Dowdle

**Student Faculty Personal Advisory**
- Brian Dombkowski
- Jerome Jones
- Jack Mollencamp
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| Phi Alpha Delta             |           |          |                    |           |          |
| Supplies                    | 35        | 35       | Cocktail Parties   | 4500      | 3300     |
| Postage                     | 25        | 25       | Special Events     | 7500      | 3050     |
| Copying                     | 60        | 50       | Bus Trips          | 960       | 360      |
| Phone                       | 25        | 25       | Equipment          | 300       | 150      |
| Orientation                 | 10        | 10       | Admin. & Clean-up  | 430       | 280      |
| Speakers                    | 650       | 400      |                    |           |          |
| Conventions                 | 70        | 70       |                    |           |          |
|                            | **875**   | **615**  |                    |           |          |

| WLSA                        |           |          |                    |           |          |
| Supplies                    | 100       | 100      | Supplies           | 100       | 25       |
| Postage                     | 50        | 25       | Equipment          | 150       | 100      |
| Copying                     | 50        | 25       | Special Events     | 500       | 265      |
| Phone                       | 100       | 50       | Registrations      | 975       | 825      |
| Subscriptions               | 125       | 100      |                    |           |          |
| National Dues               | 45        | 0        |                    |           |          |
| Orientation                 | 100       | 100      |                    |           |          |
| Speakers                    | 150       | 150      |                    |           |          |
| Newsletter                  | 350       | 100      |                    |           |          |
| Convention                  | 200       | 200      |                    |           |          |
| Special Projects            | 650       | 100      |                    |           |          |
|                            | **1920**  | **950**  |                    |           |          |

| Pianist Society             |           |          |                    |           |          |
| Special Project             | 5205      | 0        |                    |           |          |

| TOTAL FOR ORGANIZATIONS     | 13438     | 7,364    |                    |           |          |
|                            |           |          | TOTAL ALLOCATIONS  | $30,314   |          |
|                            |           |          |                    |           |          |
At the annual intramural awards ceremony, Craig Forhan won the Earl Riskey Award as intramural athlete of the year. Forhan competed on the Beaver Patrol teams in the independent division. Bill Smelko (Canyon) was named independent division athlete of the year. Jeff Liebster, manager of Canyon and former two-time winner of the Riskey award, was selected independent division manager of the year.

In their long-awaited grudge match, Law 2% edged the Michigan Bar Association in volleyball, 15-13, 3-15, 15-7, 16-14. Note that the total point score was 49-49. The Bar was hampered by the absence of stars Donna Erb (who had a previous engagement), Linda Oliver (who had too much work to do), Jay Jensen, and "Mean" Dean Rocheleau. R.G. Editor Chuck Stavoe was referee. The Bar Association made an incredible comeback from a 13-8 score to tie the last game at 14 all. But, they lost the next point because three males in a row hit the ball. (What about Title IX?) Bob Portnoy's tough serve won the final point. A rematch next fall will undoubtedly have a different result.

Jeff Liebster and Al Knauf were appointed co-sports czars for next year. Anyone interested in working on sports committee should contact them. Plans for next year include another basketball tournament, a beer/softball tournament, fall and spring mini-marathons, and new athletic equipment for the Club (including a volleyball net). The committee will continue to pay for IM team entries, but team names will be better recycled. Plus, an effort will be made to win the all-year championships in independent, graduate, co-rec and hopefully women's divisions.

Phil Schradle won the George H. Wright Memorial Section II Racquetball Tournament. He defeated Jon Rivin, 18-21, 21-10, 21-29. Mark Erzen did a great job as commissioner of the tournament, which involved 22 people.

In response to charges of yellow journalism and slander, I have printed the following "press release" from Jon Golomb:

"H" entry has initiated a lawsuit against "J" entry and Al Knauf for misleading the public as to the party standing. Specifically, the plaintiffs bring this first-year class action (H v. Knauf ex rel. J) for libel, conversion, quiet title, and extremely bad taste in last week's "AL's Sports Corner" party total. The counts include:

1) The second party held by J last semester actually moved to H for a dynamic finish; therefore, instead of a 4-3 tally, plaintiffs contend that the score is tied at 3½ each under the Doctrine of Joinder of Parties.
2) Since J entry's party-givers vastly out-number H's, plaintiffs contend that the per capita party title clearly belongs to H.
3) Mr. Knauf has exceeded his authority to act as an impartial judge due to the obvious conflict of interest as both reporter and representative of the incredibly weak partners of J.
4) H's parties were of infinitely superior quality, which the reporter was too drunk to notice until his recent bout with abstinence.

The case has passed the discovery stage, with all parties discovered under the tables at Bell. Jury selection will be made Thursday night at Fraser's where the top 12 chuggers will be impaneled. The presiding judge will be Beverly Pooley.

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I feel obligated to make the following responses to the specific allegations made by Mr. Golomb:

1) The tally was for KEG parties, not BONG parties. The small party held after a J party last semester involved no kegs and few people. If there was a dynamic finish to that party, it certainly involved other events that occurred that night, not the H gathering.
2) The fact that there are more partiers in J speaks for itself. Note that the J parties were much bigger, and involved a total of over 7/2 kegs, while H only went through 5/2. Plus, J co-sponsored parties in F and G. The true total is 5 to 3.
3) My lack of bias and my skill at observation are above question.
4) How could anyone ever say I was "too drunk?" Note that I have only had alcoholic beverages once in the past three weeks (when I shaved my mustache.)
5) Old Milwaukee v. Molson has been overruled by Genesee Cream Ale v. Phi Delta Phi, 122 A.A.2d 2001 (1978).

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