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The Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones, Visiting Jurist Lecturer

By E.M. Sutker, Staff Editor

C-M was proud to host the Distinguished Visiting Jurist Lecture given by the Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones on September 16, to an overflowing audience in the Moot Court room. Judge Jones spoke on "Cleveland's Desegregation Experience," based on his own participation in the litigation that lead to Judge Battisti's famous order for busing students in the Cleveland Public Schools. He said the defense's emphasis on the cross-town busing remedy created a constant mis-characterization of the case. The correct focus, according to Judge Jones, should have been on the constitutional issue of the pervasive institutionalized racial discrimination.

He was full of praise for Judge Battisti who understood the systemic nature of the problem and gave a remedial order that encompassed over a dozen non-busing remedies that were called "soft-core" components. Yet the School Board's emphasis on "THE BUS" changed the public perception by obscuring the constitutional issue. For this reason, he said the second generational problems now affecting Cleveland's public schools were clearly foreseeable, because it was apparent that the School Board itself was not going to act in good faith to implement the court's remedial order.

Judge Jones mused how different it would have been if the suit had been settled. He said that if the two sides could have become allies to improve education within Cleveland, then the public would have been less confused about the nature of the needed changes.

In response to audience questions, Judge Jones noted the occurrence of "the green follows the white" phenomenon - even here in Cleveland. He explained that the phrase originated in Boston to refer to the influx of money that occurred when white students were bused into traditionally all black schools. He briefly reminisced about Justice Thurgood Marshall's ability to attract the best minds around him and to synthesize their ideas with his own. Judge Jones recalled the bravery that characterized those who fought for civil rights during the turbulence of the sixties.

As a Senior Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Judge Jones has been taking an increasingly active role in legal education especially in Ohio and South Africa. An Ohio native who served in the Air Force during World War II, he was an Assistant Attorney for the Department of Justice before becoming the General Counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in 1969. He was appointed by President Carter to the U.S. Court of Appeals in 1979, and is currently a visiting professor at C-M.

FACULTY DEBATES IMPEACHMENT

By Bob Garraty, Staff Editor

Professor Candace Hoke has started something. Actually, President Clinton started it; Professor Hoke is just getting our public debate juices flowing. A third faculty panel met in the Moot Court room on Thursday, October 7, at 5 p.m., to discuss the issue of impeaching the President. Two days before, on October 5, the House Committee voted, along party lines, to proceed with impeachment hearings.

This particular faculty panel was moderated by Associate Dean Susan Becker, and presented the views of Professors Michael Davis, Veronica Dougherty, Arthur Landever, Steven Lazarus, David Snyder and Adam Thurschwell.

Professor Landever referred to the entire affair as a "semi-soap opera" and noted that while we are focused on this sole issue, the rest of the constitutional system is falling apart. He modified Senator Howard Baker's comment in our last Presidential impeachment proceeding to read, "How did we get here, what should we do about it, and what will the consequences be?" That sums it up pretty well, and the rest of the panel attempted to answer those questions.

Professor Lazarus then took the podium, forced us all to hear the words Marbury v. Madison one more time, and quoting Justice Marshall, reminded us all that the Constitution is the supreme law of the land (emphasis excluded). The down side to the whole process, Lazarus pointed out, is that unlike a judicial proceeding which requires an opinion following a holding, Congress will not have to explain how they reached their outcome. Accordingly, as impeachment is a political question, it is not justiciable. Legislators may look at history and logic as they trudge through the proceeding, but will not do it with the same rigor as a judge would since it is not part of their training. Lazarus then discussed both Constitutional and political issues that have come to the fore, and closed with the question that if President Clinton is not impeached, have we approved his behavior? His answer to that query was no, but that due to our confusion, as of late, of morality and legality, the public may not understand the difference.

Professor Thurschwell then addressed the criminal aspects of the proceedings. Noting that the charges arose from the criminal vehicle of a grand jury, we must look at the strengths of the claims, the nature of the proceedings being used and what in fact would be the outcome if it was Joe Schmoe and not Bill Clinton being charged. But the fact that three grand juries were utilized and the President's testimony televised, make the whole situation unlike a normal Joe Schmoe "take the Fifth and walk" situation. Thurschwell also postulated a perjury trap, alleging that Paula Jones' attorneys may have tipped off Ken Starr about Monica Lewinsky's existence before Linda Tripp showed up. This may have helped Starr orchestrate the President's deposition and then reveal the rest of his hand, or dress, and nail Clinton with a perjury charge.

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Professor Davis was troubled. He was particularly saddened that government is too legalized and that we are tending to legalize even more. He cited the difference between law and politics by pointing out that it is fine to call legislators Joe Schmoe, and not part of their training. Lazarus may have tipped off Ken Starr about Monica Lewinsky's existence before Linda Tripp showed up. This may have helped Starr orchestrate the President's deposition and then reveal the rest of his hand, or dress, and nail Clinton with a perjury charge.

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Don’t Just Strive to Become a Trial Lawyer — Strive to Be an Advocate

Biography of Jack Landskroner

Jack Landskroner received his B.A. from Boston University in 1989 and his J.D. from C-M in 1992, and was admitted to the practice of law in Ohio in 1992. He is currently the managing partner of The Landskroner Law Firm based in downtown Cleveland on Public Square. Landskroner is a civil trial lawyer who practices in the area of plaintiffs’ personal injury litigation. He is an experienced litigator, involved in some of Ohio’s most significant personal injury verdicts and settlements in the areas of premises liability, medical negligence, products liability and negligence law. Landskroner practices in both State and Federal Court in Ohio and by admission Pro Hac Vice in other jurisdictions. He has been a guest commentator on public radio and local television. He is also a frequent contributor to the opinion editorial section of the Plain Dealer, Columbus Dispatch and Daily Legal News.

Landskroner spends his spare time as an active participant in children’s causes, including the Rotsky Foundation for mentors; Cleveland Jaycees-tutoring programs; Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Cleveland; and the Make-a-Wish Foundation of greater Cleveland. He is presently developing “The Landskroner Foundation for Children” to benefit the needs of underprivileged and disadvantaged children.

Landskroner is a member of the American Trial Lawyers Association (ATLA); the Ohio State Bar Association; the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers (OATL); the Cleveland Academy of Trial Attorneys (CATA); and is presently the State of Ohio Coordinator for Trial Lawyers for Public Justice (TLPJ), America’s only national public interest law firm. He also serves on the State Network Committee for TLPJ.

A Cleveland native, Landskroner resides in Moreland Hills with his wife Heather and their daughter Emma.
The Dean’s Column

Opportunities for Academic Enrichment

Steven H. Steinglass

In the last century, men and women who wished to study law did so primarily as apprentices in the offices of practicing attorneys. In those days, a law degree from a law school was as novel as the combustion engine, and most of the C-M founders learned law in the apprenticeship system. In creating the Cleveland Law School in 1897, from which the College of Law is descended, our founders were breaking new territory in legal education.

Vestiges of the apprentice system remain in several hands-on opportunities at the law school. C-M was one of the country’s first law schools to offer a program of clinical training, and throughout the years we have continued to develop our clinical curriculum so that today we have five clinics: the Employment Law Clinic, the Fair Housing Clinic, the Law & Public Policy Clinic, the Environmental Law Clinic, and the Community Advocacy Clinic. Under faculty supervision, students represent clients seeking legal assistance. Clinical education provides students with significant lawyering competencies including: interviewing, counseling, negotiating, drafting, developing and implementing strategy, marshalling and presenting evidence, and learning to meet the client’s needs. In this way clinical training equips future lawyers with important personal and professional skills that will serve them throughout their careers.

The law school also offers several externship programs that take students from the classroom and place them as externs at various professional settings. The Judicial Externship Program offers upper-level students the opportunity to work in the state appellate and federal court systems under direction of a judge. Other externship programs are available in the offices of the Federal Public Defender, the United States Attorney, and University Hospitals. A creative student, interested in public interest law, may propose an Independent Externship, subject to faculty approval.

During winter break, Associate Dean Jack Guttenberg offers an intensive Trial Advocacy Program that brings adventurous students together with a number of the city’s prominent lawyers and judges who critique students in simulated client interactions and trial settings. Students emerge from this brief between-the-semesters program with greater self-assurance and a heightened sense of their capabilities.

Every summer for the past four years several C-M students have joined with law students from many countries to study law in the College of Law’s Summer Institute for Law Students in St. Petersburg, Russia, a program rich in both practical and cross-cultural opportunities in one of eastern Europe’s most beautiful cities. Founded and administered by Professor Jane Picker, the Institute greatly enlarges the perspectives and credentials of students hoping to practice international law when they graduate.

Students in the clinics, externships, simulation courses, and the St. Petersburg Summer Institute Program receive academic credit; there is another enriching program, however, for which students do not receive academic credit but in which they have experiences equally as educational. The Pro Bono Program, administered by clinical faculty member Pamela Daiker-Middaugh, prepares students for an essential responsibility of their future profession: serving public good. In the Pro Bono Program students volunteer their services in a number of community efforts. They teach law in the public school system, assist in Habitat for Humanity projects, counsel women prisoners with legal problems, assist aliens in immigration hearings, and participate in other worthwhile public sector endeavors. I encourage each of you to participate in the Pro Bono Program.

Finally, apart from enriching your student life and preparing you for your life as a lawyer, clinics, externships, the Trial Advocacy Program, the St. Petersburg Summer Institute for Law Students, and the Pro Bono Program enhance your resume. Assistant Dean Jean Lifter can assist you in enrolling in each program except the Pro Bono Program, which is coordinated by Daiker-Middaugh.

At C-M your educational experience should combine the theoretical and the practical. Take advantage of the unique opportunities at C-M. As any experienced lawyer will tell you, the practice of law is the everyday interplay of legal theory, personal interaction, and everyday practical lawyering skills.

Kicking Actus Reus

By Mary Lopez Dale

Fourteen first year C-M law students have organized an indoor soccer team. The team competes in Cleveland State University’s Intramural Sports Program. Kicking Actus Reus is the law school’s team which competes against five other Cleveland State teams.

The team played its first game on Oct. 1. “The team performed well. The players displayed a high quality of endurance and athletic ability,” comments Coach Desiree Kies. The two goalies, Ed Torchinsky and Moira Arsenault played extremely well and displayed great efforts in minimizing the damages. However, the score was not in favor of the law students and they lost to the Internationals. Yet the loss did not deter the player’s enthusiasm or optimism. At game end, the players were already focusing on winning the next game.

The team is hoping for more support from students and faculty by attendance at games.
My Time to Whine

By Jeanine Fisher

I used to be a very patient person. I was always in a good mood, said "hello" to everyone, and tried to keep an upbeat attitude about everything, especially law school. After all, law school was for three short years and I could handle the little frustrations that were part of the deal. Unfortunately, somewhere along the line these little frustrations have turned into major blood pressure-raising annoyances. So in order to vent my frustrations and fill some press space, I am going to enlighten all of you as to what really sets me off. Who knows, maybe it will do everyone some good to see all this in print. Here are my major annoyances, in no particular order.

Parking — Believe it or not, I'm not even going to whine about how the parking is enormously oversubscribed and how one has to get here by 9:30 a.m. to get a place to park. No, my major complaint is with the morons who cannot park a car in one space. That parking pass you paid $100 for? It's for ONE space only. That means you have to get ALL FOUR wheels between TWO lines. If you are unable to do this then you should be riding the bus. Many, many years ago when I was an undergrad student at KSU, the parking police issued tickets for this and everyone learned how to park between the lines.

Using the Printers — If you are going to download and print the entire UCC please make sure you load/reload the printer and you put the paper in the right way. If you use the dot matrix printer put it back online so my stuff prints too. I don't know what the problem is, but this year I seem to lose more print jobs then I get.

Quiet Study Areas — We all know how to read around here, I know because I see everyone hauling 50 pounds of books around. If you are on the lower level of the library, please do not talk in the quiet study areas when people are trying to study. If I wanted to study amid noise and commotion I would study at my dining room table, with my three kids and two dogs. This is the only peace and quiet I get.

Vending Machines — Why aren't there vending machines on all the floors? At the very least, there should be a pop machine on every floor. Everyone knows that everyone eats and drinks in all the classrooms. This would save me a whole lot of running up and down the stairs between classes.

Slobs — I can't believe how many slobs go to this law school. Believe it or not, a few weeks ago I saw three guys get up from eating lunch and leave all of their trash on the table. I don't even want to think about some of the things I've seen in the restrooms. I hate to think what your mother would say if she saw your apartment, if this is any indication of how you behave at home.

Automatic Doors — In theory, this seems like a good idea. In fact, the three or four times I actually saw them working it was a welcome relief while my arms were full. Unfortunately, these doors are damn near unmovable when the power mechanism is not working. It must add an extra 20 pounds of force to overcome.

I guess I'm done whining, at least until something else sets me off or until I regain all of my memory. If you have your own complaints, drop a line in my mailbox and if there's enough of them, I'll write another article. This could become a monthly feature. Hee, maybe I could even offer a monthly prize for the best complaint.

BEATING THEソRACIC METHOD

By Glennon K. Brady

Most law students probably shudder when they think of a professor drilling them with questions. Unless a C-M student is lucky enough to have an "Expert Panel" in their class like the one Professor Kevin O'Neil implements, the student is at the whim of the professor's questioning tirades. Inadvertently, I came up with a strategy to outmaneuver Socratic attacks by professors during my first infatrate weeks at C-M. Oddly enough, this strategy arose from my first semester as an undergraduate. While attending a three hour Art History class, I realized I had trouble staying awake. Cognizant that my academic scholarships were only retained by a 3.0 GPA over the academic year, I was concerned about my sleepingitis in class. Despite my boredom, I felt I should at least stay awake and take lecture notes.

I noticed that my professor drilled students with questions concerning works of art. If you were called on, then you definitely stayed awake in class. Out of spontaneous desperation, I raised my hand to ask a question. I even

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on the phone and ask them to act in our personal interest, but we can't call the judge or jurors and ask the same. The rule of law is not contingent on circumstances, but politics is purely contingent on our current situation. Therefore, an impeachable offense is whatever Congress decides it is. Davis contends that if we do shoot Clinton, we should do so only after shooting Ken Starr and friends.

Professor Snyder, the lone conservative on the panel, claims the impeachment process is the only way to go. Since the Constitution sets up a strong Executive branch, we are forced to resort to impeachment as a remedy for Presidential wrongs. Snyder disagreed with Thurswell's logic that theory by citing examples where ordinary people did get punished for sexual indiscretions. Questions were then taken from the audience. Some of the more interesting ones included the possibility of impeachment due to mere dereliction of duties, the issue of denigration of women and the observation that other countries are wondering what all the fuss is about.

My take on the whole thing is that we should focus on the rehabilitation of Bill Clinton. After all, many first convictions are coupled with treatment or probation in lieu of conviction. So, someone please have Sex Anonymous send a schedule of meetings in the Washington, D.C. area, to the White House. Bill C. needs to share stories with others like himself, and realize that one day at a time, he can refrain from chasing women. Just try to make sure he is sincere about getting help, and that he isn't just going to the meetings in order to get women's phone numbers.

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Moot Court Accomplishments

By Stephen Werber

The Moot Court Board of Governors, composed of approximately six Associate Board members and eighteen Board members, is a student organization dedicated to enhancing development of oral advocacy, legal research and appellate brief writing in a manner reflecting the highest level of professionalism. Associate members are selected through a spring intramural competition open to all students enrolled in legal writing while Board members are selected through an intramural competition open to all students enrolled in Advanced Brief Writing. All members compete in at least one interscholastic competition.

For over two decades the Board has built a tradition of excellence predicated on talent, dedication, and chemistry. The Board's tradition of excellence was continued during the 1997-98 academic year as reflected in the interscholastic competition results summarized below.

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Griffin Wins ‘Writing Skills’ Contest

Congratulations to Linda Griffin, winner of last month’s “Test Your Writing Skills” contest.

Correct answers from last month’s contest are as follows:

1. True. Commas are placed inside closing quotation marks.
2. False. Semicolons go outside closing quotation marks.
3. Like, like.
4. Alternative
5. Amount
6. Convince
7. Constraint
8. both cars’ fenders
9. my mother-in-law’s name
10. Lewis’s and Clark’s lives

The questions used for this writing skills contest were adapted from Laurel Currie Oates, et al., The Legal Writing Handbook (2d ed. 1998); Laurel Currie Oates, et al., The Legal Writing Handbook Practice Book (2d. 1998); Marylu Mattson et al., Help Yourself: A Guide to Writing and Rewriting 187-195 (3d ed. 1983).

Look for another set of contest questions in the November Gavel.

Ask The Legal Writing Professor

By Karin Mika, Legal Writing Professor

Q: How come some teachers read long chunks of the book when nobody can answer their questions? If we had understood it by reading it ourselves, then we would have responded — if we didn’t understand the point by reading it ourselves, then what good is re-reading (without commentary) going to do?

A: I certainly can’t speak for anyone else, but I can think of various scenarios as to why I might read the book in class. The first is when I am utterly convinced that not enough people read the assignment to be able to carry on a decent discussion. The second is when I believe the material may have been read, but not really read. The third instance is when I think it might be appropriate to vary my teaching method to accommodate differing learning styles. Some students learn best when information is conveyed orally. I have had experiences in which students suddenly had (learning) epiphanies while hearing out loud the same material read the night before. If I might follow up on that (which has little to do with your question), in studying the law especially, we tend to read so fast that we cannot comprehend everything fully. It’s only logical then that the same material can make more sense when read out loud — we simply can’t talk as fast as we can read, and in saying the words, our brains have more time to process the information. Consequently, you will always see questions here. The first is whether you got your information from a court’s opinion. The second is whether you should cite the headnotes or summary. The third is whether you should cite the summary or headnote. However, when submitting a document to a court (or when writing a law review article), one should always cite the law as it comes from a court’s opinion. Since neither the summary (except in some circumstances) nor the headnotes are written by the court, they should not be cited as authority in either a law review article or a memo. That’s not to say you won’t see them (and other frowned upon sources) cited now and then. Ohio presents a slightly different situation. In the Ohio Supreme Court, the case syllabus is written by the court and is regarded as authority.

Q: Why is there sometimes a pounding rain on the ceiling of Beverly Blair’s office when it is dry outside?

A: Professor Blair has revealed to me two sources for this unique phenomenon. She claims that the rainstorm noise is the result of a sink periodically overflowing in a custodian’s closet above her office. The drizzling is the result of an air conditioner compressor strategically located somewhere above her office. Oddly enough, it is the drizzling that actually comes through the ceiling while the majority of the water from the rainstorm deluge drains in an unknown location, During Orientation I tried to figure out how we could turn this into a commercial venture, but I’ve been too busy to nail down the logistics.
Bar Exam Registration: A Lesson in Patience

Part One of a two-part series on the road to the bar

By Bob Garritty, Staff Editor

As most of you know, registering for the bar exam is not as easy as it sounds. A few hoops must be jumped through along the way, particularly for those students with a checkered past. First off, you are required to complete a 32-page "Character Questionnaire." As stated in Rule 1 of the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar, this questionnaire, application and assorted other documents, must be submitted to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, through the Admissions Office, by December 1 after completing one-third of the credit hours required for graduation from law school.

The application fee is $125.00 if you beat the deadline, if not, it'll run you $175.00. If you wait until 1 year after graduating, you'll have to cough up another $25.00 for a total of $200.00. This fee is to be paid to the National Conference of Bar Examiners. It doesn't stop there, however, as you must also pay a $30.00 non-refundable registration fee, made payable to the Supreme Court of Ohio. All payments must be made in the form of a money order or certified check. Like somebody would even try to send in a rubber check, and forfeit any chance of sitting for the exam? I guess there are those who still haven’t a clue.

Now that we have the money part out of the way, let's look at the formidable character questionnaire. I don't know about the rest of my classmates, but it took me a week to finish mine. I tackled it a little at a time, partly because there was so much I couldn't remember about my past. It was time consuming trying to remember every place I had lived since I was 14 years old. You young-uns who have always lived at home, or maybe one dorm room have it easy. The reason for the address verification is so the NCBE can check your criminal record in the various jurisdictions where you lived, to see how law abiding you are.

To aid their search, you must also submit a set of fingerprints. Preferably your own. To do this, go to your nearest municipal police station, sheriff's department or the state highway patrol and say, "got ink?" They will be happy to accommodate you, especially if your picture is already adorning their walls. I found the campus police here at CSU were more than helpful in completing this task. Just call ahead to make sure a policeman is available, as they are often busy arresting collegiate ne'er-do-wells.

The rest of the questionnaire checks to see if you are mentally fit and have no history of substance abuse. If you aren't all there or have inhaled to the point of no return, you must complete release forms to allow them to find out just how "gone" you are/really were. Additional documents include your college transcript proving completion of a bachelor's degree before being admitted to law school.

The bottom line is BE HONEST. If you want to fudge the facts, you risk the NCBE discovering your lies, and possibly not getting approved to sit for the exam when you want to, if at all. If you tell the truth and matriculate, at least all of your dirty linen is out in the open and you can discuss it further at your interview with the local bar association attorneys.

If you feel you can jump through all of these hoops, pick up an registration packet from Kay Benjamin in the admissions office. If you don't want to play along, quit school now to save your time and money.

Part Two will detail the character and fitness interview and bar application procedure.

SOCRATIC METHOD

Continued from page 4 recall doing off once when my hand was raised and then being called upon. From then on, whenever I felt I was about to fall asleep in the class, I would raise my hand. Usually, I was immediately called upon since not too many of my classmates seemed to raise their hands in class. Rather quickly, the professor and I had lots of discussions in class, and over time, I actually developed a passionate interest in art. Since then, I developed the habit of raising my hand and asking questions whenever I felt bored or sleepy in class. Consequently, I've asked my professors questions since the very first class session. I probably shocked my colleagues with my own earned Socratic ways. I raise my hand, even though I am drilled by professors anyway. My strategy for the Socratic Method is simple: Why wait to be called on, when you may not know the answer or have even read the course material for that day? Use the system to drill the professor and stay awake in class.

Clinton’s Attacking Perpetuate Crime

By Lee Merrickcy, Staff writer

It would do the American people well to remember that the tragedy of recent events in Washington started out with an investigation into a supposedly crooked land deal, "Whitewater," and possible abuse of power in "Filegate" and "Travelgate," but that there does not seem to be any evidence of wrongdoing by Mr. or Mrs. Clinton with regard to these substantive issues of potential national import. Instead, we now have a great deal of clucking about immorality and deceit regarding very personal behavior which would have been of no national consequence had it not come to light.

I do not condone Mr. Clinton's philandering and lies, but I do accept the proposition that when confronted with his behavior, he was faced with a true Hobson's choice. Admit and embarrass himself and his family, or deny and risk being found a liar as well. The possibility that Mr. Clinton may have been more concerned with the personal effects of disclosure does not make the concern for Mrs. Clinton, and especially for Chelsea, any less legitimate. Even without the potential for public humiliation it would be the rare husband indeed who would admit his transgressions if there were the slightest chance of keeping them hidden. Mr. Clinton, we must remember, is the first President to openly support reproductive choice and the rights of homosexuals. By doing so he threatened to upset the status quo and the growing influence of some powerful political entities which hold opposite views. If there remained any doubt in my mind that these enemies were the source of this debacle, it was erased when the Starr Report, as needlessly explicit as it is, was made public on the Internet, followed by the release of testimony before the grand jury.

In the past, society and later the media, turned a blind eye to the foibles of Presidents. We have had our share of liars, cheats and gluttons, and a parade of womanizers too long to enumerate. But, it had always been believed that respect and reverence for the Office of the President, both nationally and internationally, was justification enough for keeping the human shortcomings of the office holders away from public view. That was a wise philosophy and we are diminished as a Nation for having abandoned it. Those responsible for mounting this attack on Mr. Clinton and feeding it to the media have perverted a crime against the State which is akin to treason, and much more serious in effect upon national security than anything of which Mr. Clinton has so far been accused.

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ASIAN-PACIFIC ISLANDER LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (APILSA)
As a group, Asian and Pacific Americans represent the fastest growing segment of the U.S. population. This group has only recently entered into the legal profession in significant numbers. The Asian Pacific Islander Law Students Association (APILSA) was formed to address the concerns of Asian students as well as to provide support to its members. APILSA is beginning its fifth year of service to the students of C-M. APILSA welcomes and encourages all students, not only those of Asian descent, to participate in the many events APILSA sponsors throughout the school year. These activities are aimed at educating individuals about the many issues affecting Asian Americans.

APILSA also offers a forum for its members to meet Asian American lawyers working in the Cleveland area through guest speakers and through close ties with the Asian American Bar Association of Ohio. APILSA meetings are held regularly with times and places usually posted a week prior to the meeting. For further information on membership contact any of the officers or leave a message at the office.

HISPANIC LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (HLSA)
The Hispanic Law Students Association creates and maintains a local and national network between practitioners and C-M students, and serves as a voice for the concerns and opinions of the Hispanics in the educational communities. One of the group's projects involves a mentoring program for young Hispanic and Latino people.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION
The Environmental Law Association provides students an opportunity to meet fellow students with an interest in environmental law. Activities will include social functions as well as having guest speakers. If you are interested in more information, contact the office at 523-7551 or the current officers.

CRIMINAL LAW SOCIETY
The Criminal Law Society consists of students and recent graduates interested in both prosecutorial and defense aspects of the criminal justice system. The C-M Chapter of CLS is not limited to those with a defense oriented point of view; rather, the group is designed to accommodate all students with an interest in Criminal law. CLS was formerly the C-M Chapter of the Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (OACDL).

MOOT COURT
The Moot Court Board of Governors is a student organization and program designed to develop and refine brief writing and oral advocacy skills. Students in the program are members of the Moot Court Board of Governors and they participate in interscholastic competitions. The Moot Court Board sponsors and co-sponsors the annual Mock Trial and the annual Moot Court Casebook Competition. To compete in the competition, students must enroll in Advanced Brief Writing.

JOURNAL OF LAW AND HEALTH
The Journal of Law and Health is a law review devoted to publishing timely and informative articles in the areas of health and the law. Two issues of the Journal are published each year. Students are eligible to become Associate Members of the Journal at the end of their first year. Students ranking in the top 20 percent of their class are automatically extended invitations to join the Journal as Associate Members. Students may also join the Journal staff upon successful competing in the annual Summer Writing Competition.

Women's Law Students Association (WLSA)
WLSA strives to promote awareness of women's and societal issues and sponsors the annual Mock Trial, a silent auction with Delta Theta Phi, and guest speakers.

JEWISH LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
In conjunction with the CWRU Hillel, this organization sends mailings to students interested in the range of Jewish activities in the area. Contact the Hillel to be added to their mailing list and check postings for C-M meetings.

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Cleveland Rocks?

By Kevin Butler

Cleveland has the likes of Drew Carey, the Michael Stanley Band and the Indians to thank for transforming a city once nationally panned for its burning river to one now admired for being a town that almost makes it. With a new Rock Hall, energetic plans for downtown renovation, and our own Hard Rock Cafe, they'll tell us we're more cosmopolitan than we were when Kucinich was mayor.

But are we? Are we really a new town, focused more on the downtown social scene than on our industrial resources? Do we now put stock in nightlife "districts" — the Gateway District, the Warehouse District — places found previously only in chic towns like San Francisco and New York? Are our roads now boulevards? Are we so high-strung now that we're not funny?

No, not really. We're still Cleveland, a jumble of second-generation ethnic slobs, of wonderful, between Redwoods, silken tofu and Cleveland chocolates, whose actuality in her mouth. We're more lured by those radio ads featuring Adele Malley, queen of Cleveland chocolates, whose every salivary mechanism we can hear because the microphone is actually in her mouth.

Clevelanders don't need the high-powered individualism that you see on the West Coast. We like the concept of the corps — nowhere more evident than in today's local TV and radio news advertisements, which peddle "team coverage" to the extent that if a reporter acts on her own, she's instantly executed.

The Northeastcoast sees no need for big-shot attorneys. We'd rather call Levy and Gruben (who spend 95 percent of their day making the same commercial over and over) just for the free consultation: "Uh, hi. I was wondering about the free consultation?"

"What has happened, Mr. Butler, that you would need the coveted five percent of our attorney's time?"

"My term's all clogged up." Parents in Cleveland won't drive the kids to Public Square to see the president. Instead, they'll head to Cedar Point in the family car, where they might hear a riveting, politically charged Bob Serpentini commentary.

I hope the rag-tag Cleveland mentality never changes. I like feeling wanted because Ed Mullinax is a friend of mine. Cheated because Big Chuck and Li'l John don't come to my softball games anymore. And content because my TV weatherman still says things like, "Dude, it was awesome out there today!" with a straight face.

Someday, folks, in a syrupy fundraising speech, our mayor will liken Cleveland to a phoenix, rising out of the ashes of, say, the Cuyahoga. Go ahead, cheer heartily, weep publicly, praise the name of glamour and progress. But realize deep down that it's all a ruse, that our town is perfect right where it is. Sigh a deep sigh of relief, and let Cleveland's moving theme song, harmonized by the triumphant clamar of aluminum siding and above-ground pools, well up in your breast.

"Garfield-1, 23231!"
Oh Fair Lady

By Gary Norman, Staff Writer

Oh Fair Lady. I have yet to gaze upon one as beautiful as you. My heart fails whenever I see your face. My deepest hope is that you’ll gather your belongings and embark on a journey with me. We will travel to a church on the far side of yonder green hill, and request the services of the clergy. Once our vows are spoken, then our lives can be fulfilled in each other’s tender embrace. Oh Fair Lady, what a life we can share — if only you will grant us a chance.

May we note the Spring to the plowing, and the Fall to the harvesting of the land. When Winter’s season is upon us, may we devote ourselves to the creation of a son.

Our child shall grow strong like a seedling in good soil. He will grow in both mind and in the ability of song like a sound sapling that reaches for the sky. He will learn the word of God, and the kindness in his soul shall be the perfect mirror of the kindness I see in your fairest face. When our child leaves us for the world, he will walk in the steps of God.

Oh Fair Lady, grow old with me and we shall retire to a cottage in the woods. Oh Fair Lady, let us recline to the melodies of the owls each night, and rise to the calling of the morning doves. Oh Fair Lady, let my epitaph be, “Here rests a man who loved a Fair Lady, and will forever love her in Heaven.”

Thanks for Slick Willy

By Matthew Lombardy

A young lady with whom I have had many a fiery debate yelled at me recently. She was “enraged” because the investigation into the President was based merely on his sexcapades. She stated that she would not pass judgment until her own conscience was clear. Hmmmm? The only people who have a right to be enraged are the people who did everything in their power to keep this creep out of the Presidency. Our rage is extended to those of you who saw fit to elect this draft-dodging, philandering, drug-abusing and communist sympathetic scoundrel.

This man is a joke. He occupies the highest office of the most powerful nation in the world. Abraham Lincoln, who freed the slaves once occupied this post. Theodore Roosevelt, the man who enforced conservation and made America a world power once called himself President. Franklin Roosevelt, who led this nation in its God-given mission to save the world from the hordes of evil, once lived in the White House. Ronald Reagan who liberated 600 million people from the thongs of Communism once claimed this title. Then we elect this poor excuse for a man to the Presidency, what will his legacy be? Slick Willy turned the Oval Office into the backdrop for some cheap and sleazy skin flick. My thanks goes to the electorate. Slick Willy has lied to Hillary and Chelsea with impunity and seems to indicate no remorse for his actions, even when the news cameras are turned on! Yet, the people of this nation elected him to the highest office of the land thinking that in spite of all this, he would not lie to them. Instead of not lying to the people, Slick Willy has become a national security risk. In exchange for illegally accepting campaign contributions from China, he allowed a domestic firm to sell sensitive launch technology to the new communist Evil Empire. Now the Chinese not only have nuclear weapons pointed at us, they also have the capability to get them here. Thanks Bill. Further, he has become a liability. Our enemies view him as weak and consequently see this as a great time to strike our interests. Hence, the embassy bombings.

I know there are people out there who will actually claim that had it not been for the Ken Starr investigation, this weakness would not be so apparent. Great logic folks. That is like missing a test because you knocked over a bank and had to spend the week in jail. Then you turn around and blame the cop who did the job for you.

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Clinton’s Legacy - What Have We Lost?

By Jen West, Staff Writer

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With each scandal, I felt I was living a self-fulfilling prophecy - but no one seemed to notice. I started to feel that they were right. Bill was an honest guy, and hey, it was the economy, stupid.

Today, when I turn on the news, pundits seem to be perpetually at war with each other, although the consensus is the same: “Hey, we have known who he was all along.” I beg to differ. I knew. A few others knew as well, but it seemed we were the only ones.

I don’t know which route this process should take, but I do know one thing: We have been robbed. Patriotism. Justice. Pride. We have been robbed of feelings that make your heart swell when you hear the National Anthem, the words that gain power with each Memorial Day or Fourth of July. Words that evoke great moments in American History. Words that sum up who we are, where we have been, and where we are going. These words are bigger than impeachment, bigger than resignation. The words of our shared ideals seem so distant now, almost impossible. And I think we have been deprived of a part of the human condition — a part of us that looks to our leaders for hope, inspiration, and the faith that with them, the world will be a better place.

I cannot help but wonder what this says about Americans as a people. Have we grown up on Integrity? Lost faith in Truth? Lowered our expectations of our leaders and consequently lowered our expectations of ourselves? Or is this entire episode a modern day Greek tragedy playing its way through the headlines? Only time will tell. Nevertheless, this issue goes far beyond partisanship. It goes to the very heart of everything American. No matter how tired we might get of hearing about it, this scandal will haunt us for a very long time. And so the pundits rage on.

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By Lilia Merecicky and E.M. Sutker

This week your On The Munch reporter takes you to the very heart of student dining delights. These establishments are not for the faint-hearted, but those of us who have lost the,intellectual strength of youth can still take advantage of their tasty morsels once in a while, when we’re feeling adventurous!

The New Best Steak & Gyros House, 1910 Euclid, (216) 579-0612, open 24 hours. The atmosphere is definitely dining hall. This cavernous space features loud music, pool tables and video games along with a rather eclectic menu. Steaks, standard breakfast fare with some notable additions is served around the clock. Service is efficient. Don’t be surprised if owner Mike Frangos asks about your plans for the future. I think he really does care!

Price: $ (under $5), $$ (over $5), $$$ (Someone else should be paying); ! ! ! (You get what you pay for). ! (Don’t forget, you’re a law student).

ON THE MUNCH

Pizza shares the spotlight with gyros, burgers, sandwiches and steaks. Standard breakfast fare is definitely dining hall. This cafeteria-style, so besides the affordable prices, you won’t have to tip the waitperson! Rating: $ ### * !!!

The Rascal House, 2064 Euclid, (216) 781-6784, Mon.-Sat. 7 a.m. to 2:30 a.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to midnight. Major credit cards accepted. The Rascal House has been a part of the CSU campus for 20 years. They pride themselves on providing both good service and encouragement to all students, along with discounts and other benefits. They recently initiated a premium program called the “Rewards Club”. Membership is free with a valid school ID. Seven varieties of pizza dominate the menu, but you can create your own from an extensive list of optional toppings. Wings are the next best-selling item. Salads, two kinds of pasta, sub sandwiches and “wraps” round out the offerings. Eggs, sausage, ham and pancakes are available for breakfast. The price is right and the service is friendly and efficient. Don’t be surprised if owner Mike Frangos asks about your grades and offers advice about your plans for the future. I think he really does care! Rating: $ ### (expect lunch crowds) ! ! !

ON THE MUNCH’ KEY

Price: $ (under $5), $$ (over $5); $55 (Someone else should be paying); Service: #### (In and Out), ## (Hold on, I’m comin’), ! (Citi your next class); Distance: * (Next door). ** (A pleasant stroll), *** (A hike); Relative Easiness: !!! (Really good for the money). ! (You get what you pay for). ! (Don’t forget, you’re a lowly law student).

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By E.M. Sutker, Staff Editor

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