Moot Court Prepares for Spring
by Kenneth W. Caldwell

At the end of the fall quarter, incoming members of the Moot Court Team participated in the first activity of the revitalized Moot Court Program at C.S.U. The first annual Fall Exercise saw 29 second-year students argue their cases before a panel of Board Members. These arguments were video-taped and will serve as a tool for further instruction for the students preparing for the Spring Competition. The Board welcomes all team members and salutes them:

Richard Ayines
Douglas Blackburn
Patricia Blackmon
Thomas Burns
Bailey Clegg
Paul Downs
Mary Ann Decarolis
Greg Galan
Janis Jakubaitis
Michael Kieffer
Louis Katz
Una Keenon
Al Kehoe
Richard Koblenz
David May

Joanne Minarcine
Candace Monty
Michael Murman
Richard Musat
Steve Novak
Jeffrey Olson
Alan Ross
Leo Sharp
David Shrager
Eric Severs
David O. Simon
Harold Stevens
R.T. Tinl
Jim Walzer

An upcoming activity for the team members in the program will be the Spring Competition to select next year's National Teams. Each participant will prepare and argue a brief on problems written by the 3rd-year students, law professors, and attorneys from Cleveland. The best four advocates will then argue before a distinguished panel of jurists at the 5th Annual Moot Court Night, May 4, 1974. On Moot Court Night, the Hugo Black Award will be presented to the best advocacy team, the Dean's Moot Court Spring Competition Award will be given to the best advocates and the alumni will present an award to the two students who prepared the best brief in the competition.

The deadline for filing briefs in the Spring Competition is April 1st.

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En Garde
by Bruce Rose

He leaped upon the table, his arm reaching across his body, coming to rest on his hip. His feet were firmly planted. His eyes scanned the room coming to rest on his arch enemy. In a flash of blinding reflected light accompanied by the sound of metal on metal he pulled his sword from the scabbard. The challenge was obvious, and it was accepted.

It was a glorious fight, over in but a minute. All eyes came to rest on the victor, while he looked back in triumph.

I have attended the last three faculty meetings. I have learned that the difference between a swordsman and a wordsman is not that great, the letter s and many centuries.

Now, everyone attending these meetings is not a Douglas Fairbanks, but those that are, are clearly the stars of the show. Others come to sit and listen (sit for sure), some drink coffee, some just come business-like to do their job.

But every other Friday afternoon in 2062 there is a good show. The room gets filled with rapier-like wit. Verbally they joust and duel with one another matching wits, vocabulary and egos in a never ending battle to be the best.

Good-natured best describes the mood of these meetings. They are not nearly as tense as this report suggests. But occasionally swords do get crossed over the heads of those present. The Three Musketeers clearly enjoyed their adventures. So do our swashbuckling faculty members. No one actually says touché, but eyebrows are raised. Words are substituted for actions and actions for words.

It's the old mind-body problem coming back to haunt us again. We must do something to unite these two separate entities.

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ABA FILES AMICUS BRIEF IN SUPREME COURT
CASE TO RESTORE VOTING RIGHTS TO
RELEASED FELONS

The American Bar Association has filed a friend-of-the-court brief here in a current Supreme Court case aimed at restoring voting rights to convicted felons after their release and parole.

The ABA amicus curiae brief urges the high court to "affirm a decision by the California Supreme Court in Richardson v. Ramirez, Gill and Lee. The California court in March, 1973, ruled that the provisions of the state's Constitution and election laws were invalid in denying voting rights to ex-felons whose terms of incarceration and parole had expired. The California court found such voting disqualifications in violation of the equal protection clause of the 14th amendment."

The case before the Supreme Court here is being prosecuted by the Attorney General of California in behalf of Viola Richardson as Mendocino County Clerk and registrar of voters, and other state voting officials. The California Attorney General has filed an amicus curiae brief supporting her action.

The respondents, Abran Ramirez, Larry Gill and Albert Lee, are filing for themselves as ex-offenders and for all others in their state who are allegedly discriminated against in their right to vote. Three California prison reform groups and the League of Women Voters of California also are respondents.

The ABA brief is signed by the Association's president, Chesterfield Smith and others. Joining the Commission in submitting the brief are two major ABA components -- the Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities and the 65,000-member Young Lawyers Section.

The ABA brief's basic position is that the Supreme Court of California was correct in finding that the California voting laws were in violation of the 14th amendment. The brief adds: "Whatever special consideration may exist for felons still under sentence, both the Constitutional priority for protection of voting rights and the language of the Equal Protection Clause warrants no exception for discharged ex-offender citizens."

The brief also notes that the ABA's position is in agreement with Association policy adopted by its House of Delegates in 1964 and since that time by other leading national commissions and legal groups. As voting law now stands, 19 states automatically restore civil rights when imprisonment, parole or probation are ended. Five other states and the District of Columbia restore rights after fixed time periods.

If the Supreme Court upholds the Supreme Court of California, the ruling could affect an estimated 100,000 persons a year, plus the many hundreds of thousands who have been out of prison or jail for several or many years.

The Ramirez case was to be argued before the Supreme Court on January 14 or 15th. --ABA NEWS - 1/16/74
EXPOSÉ AT GEORGE WASHINGTON
LAW CENTER - GW ADMITS DAVID
EISENHOWER WAIVING RULES

David Eisenhower was admitted to the National Law Center, George Washington University, by a series of extraordinary exceptions to admissions policy. Such exceptions have been made in the past for a few military personnel and for congressional staff members. Eisenhower was in the Navy until May 1973.

Associate Dean Edward Potts told THE ADVOCATE that obtaining such exceptions at NLC "is a near impossibility for a student just out of undergraduate school."

In contrast to NLC, Georgetown Law School's Dean Adrian Fisher, after meeting personally with Eisenhower this August, refused to waive his school's admission requirements and would not consider Eisenhower's application.

NLC officials made four major exceptions for Eisenhower. The first was treating a verbal inquiry by a friend of Eisenhower's as an informal application. The second was reviewing his undergraduate records before a formal application was made. The third was making a special request for early reporting of Eisenhower's LSAT scores. The fourth was a special polling of Admission Committee members, including telephone calls, to approve Eisenhower's admission.

Although he is well known as a active Republican, Dean Potts says there was no conflict of interest in the Eisenhower admission. In fact, Dean Potts says, over the years he's helped out more Democrats than Republicans. (Dean Potts managed Spiro Agnew's gubernatorial campaign in 1966, once ran for congress as a Republican, and was a delegate to the 1972 Republican convention.)

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1974-75 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS

DEADLINE

Financial Aid applications for the 1974-75 academic year are available in Room 1036 of the Law School. Each student is required to complete a GAPFAS form and a Preliminary Statement indicating his preference for aid. The completed GAPFAS form will serve as your application for tuition grants, National Direct Student Loans, Work-Study (both for the summer 1974 and the academic year 1974-75), all other student guaranteed loans, and all other grant money that may be available to the Law School for financial aid.

The LSAT essentially measures the ability of an individual to put legal information into his brain. It does not measure the ability to get it out, nor does it relate to the vehicle that one will choose for output. Those who choose advocacy as a vehicle, do so because it best expresses their own needs and abilities - and I'm talking now of our finest courtroom lawyers - those who have established reputations for the competent and artistic winning of cases at the local, regional or national levels. The specific type of results those people have produced, both for themselves and for their clients, represent the success that is sought.

So, how can these results be best supplemented and reencoded? It would seem that if the goal is either more advocates or better advocates or both, the start would be finding those human beings who are most likely to effectuate this method of expression as a matter of psychological construction.

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"YOU CAN FOOl SOME OF THE PEOPLE ALL OF THE TIME, AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE SOME OF THE TIME, BUT YOU CAN'T FOOL MOM."
-CAPTAIN PENNY

THE FOOL CRISIS
BY TED MECKLER

In these troubled times of ours we have been called upon to endure many a significant crisis. We've had to suffer with the meat crisis, the onion crisis, the tape crisis, the energy crisis, and onward ad absurdum. But never before have we encountered such a serious all consuming and potentially disastrous crisis as the fool crisis. This crisis begins at the top, at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, where our nation's chief fool and number one fooler spends his days digging the humungous sounds of his new Sony sound system.

He thinks we are all fools (he fails to realize that we're all boros) and that we will be fooled by virtually anything that he tells us. He holds several key tape recordings for several months while legal struggles over their possession wage on. But when the time comes to turn over the goods — mysterious things have transpired. One tape, it seems, never was — the conversation took place on a phone that wasn't tapped, a White House rarity! Another never was because the dime store tape machine happened to run out over the weekend. And another tape loses eighteen minutes of a discussion of Watergate due to an over talkative (or was that over zealous) secretary's five minute lapse in concentration.

He thinks we're all fooled. Many of us are. But this seems rather foolhardy.

Next comes the oil crisis. The major oil companies, already making record profits, drastically raise their prices. This has occurred not because the oil companies want more wealth and power but because the bully environmentalists have made it so difficult to procure new supplies of that precious commodity. Retail dealers must raise their prices because their operating expenses have skyrocketed as their operating time has decreased. The oil companies have donated over 5 million dollars to CREEP, yet this we are told, gives them no particular favor with the administration. Of course, their people, since they have served us all so well, are put in charge of the governments allotment program. (TO PAGE SIX)

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Women's auxiliary of the Dayton Bar Association is offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving law student. In order to be eligible, a student must have satisfactorily completed one year of law school. If a first-year student, one may apply for the scholarship contingent upon satisfactory grades in June.

MARCH 15, 1974 is the deadline for the return of the completed application. Application forms may be found in the Financial Aid Office Room 1041. For further information, please contact Barbara Sper in the Law School Financial Aid Office, Room 1041.

The Connecticut State Scholarship Program is awarding a limited number of grants for graduate study, not to exceed $1,000 per year. To be eligible the applicant must be a U.S. citizen or in the process of seeking citizenship; must have been a legal resident of Connecticut for at least twelve months prior to the time of application; must be enrolled in, or have been admitted to, a program of study leading to a post-baccalaureate degree in an institution in the United States that holds regional or national accreditation or has membership in the Council of Graduate Schools.

For further information, please contact Barbara Sper in the Law School Financial Aid Office, Room 1041.

THE CHESTER LAW CLUB

The Chester Law Club (previously known as the Cleveland-Marshall Law Wives Club) carries on programs of social and legal-cultural activities at the school. The Club presents speakers from within and outside the legal profession, implements the law library through fund raising projects and events, and provides social functions for students, their families, and friends.

The Club usually meets one Wednesday a month.

Business meetings begin at 7:15 and guests are cordially invited to hear the speaker at 8:00 p.m.

ADDENDUM: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CHESTER LAW CLUB WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 13 IN ROOM 1099. THE HONORABLE SARAH HARPER, JUDGE, CUYAHOGA COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT, WILL BE SPEAKING.

OLD BIRD

60. He runs for President.
AS MOST OF US WERE IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING FOR FALL QUARTER EXAMINATIONS, A NUMBER OF C-M STUDENTS RECEIVED COMMENDATION FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT:

1972-73 STUDENT PRIZES AND AWARDS

Faculty Award
Barry R. Laine
Highest Academic Grade Average, Class of 1973
Dennis J. Lee

Banks-Baldwin Company Award
Most Deserving Graduate, Class of 1973
Diane W. Shelby
Second Highest Academic Grade Average, Class of 1973

W. E. Baldwin Award
Thomas F. Begley
Most Deserving Graduate, Class of 1973
Frank J. Cumberland, Jr.

West Publishing Company Corpus Juris Secundum Awards
Class of 1973
Class of 1974
Class of 1976

West Publishing Company Hornbook Awards
Class of 1973
Class of 1974
Class of 1975

Land Title Guarantee & Trust Company Awards
Outstanding Student in Personal Property

Judge Lee E. Skeel Memorial Award
Outstanding Student in Personal Property

Charles Auerbach Award
Outstanding Student in the Law of Evidence

Sidell Tort Competition Prizes
Outstanding Student in Trial Practice and Procedure

Spangenberg Trial Practice Prize
Outstanding Student in Trial Practice and Procedure

War Veterans Bar Association Award
David S. King
Veteran Entering Final Year with Highest Academic Record

Suggs I. Garber Awards
William B. Shetler
Best Paper in Torts or Evidence

B. N. A. United States Law Week Award
First Place
First Place
Second Place

Most Satisfactory Academic Progress in Final Year of Study

Carl B. Stokes Achievement Award
Larry W. Gant
Outstanding First Year Minority Student

Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award
Outstanding Student in Criminal Law

Central National Bank Award
Outstanding Student in Criminal Law

Judge James C. Connell Award
Outstanding Student in Criminal Law

Sidney A. Levine Award
Outstanding Student in Negotiable Instruments Course

Ohio Title Corporation Award
Best Law Review Article on the Law of Real Property

Chief Justice Emeritus Samuel H. Silbert Award
Writing Contributing Most to the Quality of the Law Review

Delta Theta Phi Award
Law Review Article Most Useful to Practicing Lawyers

William H. Thomas Foundation Award
Outstanding Oral Argument

Most Deserving Members of Cleveland-Marshall Chapter
First Place
Second Place

W. H. Anderson Company Award
Outstanding Oral Argument

Graduate Contributing Most Meritorious Law Review Article

Dean's Most Court Competition Award
Outstanding Oral Argument

First Place
Second Place

Professor Auerbach eumono a few thoughts
for the affair, which took place on December 12th.

Hard work is given its due.
Did you read this list of awards and feel something was missing?

I overheard a few people talking after the presentation and each one commented on the "lacking" or on the "empty" feeling one had.

"I can not believe Howard did not get anything!" This exclamation drew a crowd. "He slept through practically every contracts class and no one even noticed!"

Another piped up, "What about Prof. J__ in an eight hour course he said nothing, and poorly. And Leslie went through the whole year without getting laid once."

The Gavel sees a void and is moving to fill it.

We need your help. Do you have a category you want included? Do you want to make a speech? Is there a certain someone you want to make fun of? This is just for you.

Submit your entries and suggestions to the Gavel office, or to our mailbox in the Administration office. Today! A well known radical in need of a forum has agreed to share his homemade brew with all participants.

THE FOOL CRISIS (from PAGE FOUR)

U.S. oil is still exported overseas. Also we are told that a partially effective Arab oil blockade, potentially depriving the U.S. of 10 - 12% of its oil needs is creating a 25% shortage. We see gas rationing coupons printed with pictures of George Washington -- he never told a lie -- so the whole thing is supposed to look hunky-dory. But, of course, these coupons are printed as not to be used. We are all told these things and the number one fooler expects us to believe in him (be good little junior patriots) and in turn our heat goes down to 68°. Here in lies the fool crisis, He is fool enough to think that he can fool all of us, all of the time. And tragically, many have been fooled by his empty rhetoric and political stunts. But Archie Cox was not always fooled! The truckers have not always been fooled. The vast majority of the population according to the opinion polls have not been fooled. Yet as Nixon persists so, too, does the fool crisis. Isn't time this foolishness ended??