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Law School Announces Summer Program

Vermont Law School announced that the following courses would be offered this summer by the school and its Environmental Law Center, in a term beginning June 18 and ending August 14:

Bankruptcy (3 credits) Peter F. Coogan, Professor, VLS.

Criminal Process (3 credits) Lloyd L. Weinreb, Professor, Harvard University Law School.

Ecology and the Law (3 credits)* To be announced.

Environmental Law (3 credits) David Firestone, Professor, VLS.

Environmental Seminar (Interdisciplinary) (3 credits)* Dr. Richard O. Brooks, Director, Environmental Law Center.

Legal Clinic (3 credits), Zander B. Rubin, Director, South Royalton. Legal Clinic.

Wildlife, Forestry, and Public Land Law (3 credits) Oliver A. Houck, Counsel, National Wildlife Federation and Peter Kirby, Esq., National Wildlife Federation.

Enrollment Limited. \$450.00 per course.

Send inquiries to: Summer Session, Vermont Law School, South Royalton, Vt. 05068.

* M.S.L. degree credit only.

EAG Notes

The Environmental Activist Group is presently planning its annual spring conference. The central focus of this year's conference is Vermont's energy future. The conference will be held Wednesday, April 18 at the Vermont Law School. The conference will investigate conventional, nuclear, hydro, wood and solar energy; their viability and social and political consequences. The format will include workshops in the afternoon, followed by a buffet dinner (nominal charge) and a panel discussion in the evening. As it is still in the planning stage we encourage your suggestions and contributions; meetings are held most every Wednesday at noon in the Map Room or as posted on the EAG bulletin board.

Also planned for this semester are films and a Friday Lunchtime Speakers Program. The first such program will be on March 2 at noon in the new student lounge. Professor Dycus will address the issue of mining for uranium in Vermont.



When Dave Gray and Jeff Cohen heard that Vermont Law School was hosting a winter festival, they rushed right into training for their specialty, indoor tobogganing. Unfortunately, competition will be confined to slalom and cross country races. Maybe next year the ski club will expand into their area of expertise. The boys should be back on their feet by then.



Stage Set For VLS Winter Festival

Cross Country Races at Trail Head

Cross-country activities kick off at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at Trail Head Ski Touring Center, Stockbridge, Vt. Intramural cross-country racing will be the order of the day. The Ski Club will conduct waxing clinics and give instruction in the fine points of the sport.

Recreational as well as competitive races are scheduled. An example of a recreational race would be "Beer Relay Races", which test a contestant's ability to consume mass quantities of fermented hops and remain on their skis. If enough children come to Trail Head with skis, a race will be scheduled for them to participate in. Sometime during the afternoon a "Ski Limbo" contest will be held, and the Inn of Court is donating dinners for two to the person who limbos under the lowest bar on X-country skis.

The main event of the afternoon will be a timed 5 kilometer race on the Trail Head course. The unique feature of this track is that it illustrates the bottleneck theory: all racers line up to start, then sprint 50 yards to a wooden bridge. Only one racer can cross the bridge at a time, so if we get even 25 contestants, it should be interesting. In our opinion, the bottleneck makes it possible for anyone to win. This is an Open race and men, women, faculty and staff are invited to compete.

After the races the SBA and Ski Club are sponsoring a party at Trail Head, and the owners of the center have graciously offered us the use of their converted barn lodge to party in. Moonlight skiing may be anticipated, contingent of course, on the moon.

If you plan to race on Saturday, or if you just want to come out, watch the activities and party, please fill out the coupon in this issue of the Forum and return it to the Forum's box. The purpose of this coupon is just to give the Ski Club a rough estimate of the number of racers and party-ers expected so that adequate refreshments can be purchased. The ski festival will be an enormous suc-

Sonnenberg Hosts Dual Slalom

On Saturday, Feb. 24 at 9 a.m. dual slalom teams representing Vermont Law School will compete against teams from Harvard Law School, Boston University Law, Franklin Pierce University, Albany Law School, and Dartmouth Business School at Sonnenberg Ski Center in Barnard.

The format for the races is three member team competition, each 'team' consisting of two men and one woman. The team with the best overall time will be the winner. Harvard will send either one or two teams, B.U. is sending two, Franklin Pierce is sending three, Dartmouth one, and Albany, one. Vermont Law School is entering three teams, whose membership will be decided this Saturday at 12:30 at Sonnenberg.

Gatekeepers are needed to tend the slalom course on Saturday, Feb. 24. If you are interested, give your name to Raymond Royce, '79. The Ski Club is also looking for people with extra room in their homes who would like to host one or more of the racers from another school for the weekend. If you have room to spare, contact Royce or Sue Fowler, '80.

A good turnout from the VLS student body would go a long way toward making the Ski Festival a success, and would surely encourage our competing teams to do their best. Come on down to Sonnenberg Saturday and catch the action. Sure you can watch better skiers on Wide World of Sports, but this is a live show and you get to breathe fresh air at the same time. Get your butt out of the easy chair, put on some warm socks, and get out of the house.

A good way to break "cabin fever" if enough people participate, so we hope to see you there. Rental skis are available at Trail Head if you don't have your own, so don't let that stop you. Admission is \$2, which includes use of all trails and facilities, as well as a free lesson. Ski rentals cost \$4. Bring your family and friends and have a good time.

Placement Corner

Vermont Congressman James Jeffords - LBJ Summer Internship-selection made in early March.

Vermont Senator Patrick Leahy-summer internship - deadline April 1.

(Vermont Senator Robert Stafford's deadline for a summer internship has passed.)

George Washington University - Law Graduate Fellowships - deadline March 1.

U.S. Department of Justice - summer law intern program - deadline March 15.

1979 Federal Summer Intern Program - VLS has been invited to nominate two second-year students (with the help of a student-faculty selection committee) to work with the IRS. Deadline for resumes and supportive materials to the Placement Office is March 5 since considerable preparatory work is necessary in order to meet the March 16 deadline.

Massachusetts Audubon Society - Environmental Intern Program - New England - New York - several listings for summer internships - deadline March 6.

University of Utah College of Law - Graduate Fellowships in Energy Law - deadline March 1.

Federal Government - Summer Internships - March 1 deadline: Consumer Product Safety Commission; Department of Energy; Department of HUD; International Trade Commission; Department of Navy; General Accounting Office (apply from Feb. 15 - April 16).

The above listing covers only those notices with specific deadline. Check the Placement Board for other opportunities.

Students are urged to take advantage of certain special services available. Video tapes are available showing two different "mock" interviews: 1) with a private Washington firm and 2) an interview with a legal services panel. The interviews are analyzed, pointing out mistakes made by the applicant.

SEE YOURSELF IN ACTION. We can arrange to tape you during a mock interview. Are you making mistakes of which you are unaware?

A recent experience has demonstrated the importance that students being interviewed show a convincing and informed desire to work in that office. Otherwise, a bad impression is made of our students and nothing results. Don't acquire "interview experience" by wasting someone's valuable time and irritating the firm.

PLEASE. The information on the Placement Bulletin Board is there for everyone. Do not remove anything!

Guild Offers Summer Program

The National Lawyer's Guild is offering summer jobs in 21 projects throughout the U.S. Two interns per project will be accepted. A minimum stipend of \$1,000 will be available to cover the summer's expenses.

Some of the projects available include: Mine workers (Kentucky); Anti-Nuke movement (Boston); Battered women (Detroit); Farm laborers (Ohio); Textile workers (North Carolina); Immigration (Texas); Prisoners' rights (North Carolina); Native Americans (California); Teamsters for a democratic Union (Detroit); Atomic workers health and safety (South Carolina).

For further information and application contact Michael Duane '80. Application deadline is March 5th. Decisions will be made April 1st.

Review

Book Report:

Schizophrenias, Yours and Mine

It should be noted at the outset that *Schizophrenias, Yours and Mine* is not an in-depth analysis of any specific topic related to schizophrenia. The authors touch upon many aspects of schizophrenia, practical as well as academic, and ultimately produce a general outline including brief summaries of the various issues and facts surrounding contemporary schizophrenia. Thus, the book serves as an excellent vehicle for the average, albeit blissfully ignorant, lay person who aspires towards a greater understanding of schizophrenia.

The book is sometimes shockingly informative and should prompt many readers to re-evaluate the seriousness and magnitude of the problem of schizophrenia. This disease is the leading cause of hospitalization in this nation and it is estimated that only 1/3 of all schizophrenics are hospitalized, indicating the vast number of persons afflicted by the disease. It affects all peoples at all socioeconomic levels; no one is absolutely safe from its reach. Women have been known to experience temporary schizophrenia at the premenstrual, menstrual, and post-childbirth periods of their lives and then later resume a normal life. Basically, as the book indicates, there are still many unresolved questions concerning the true nature of the disease.

Schizophrenias, Yours and Mine also provides persons who have contact with schizophrenics with some helpful advice for developing and promoting a meaningful relationship with a recuperating schizophrenic. Families are encouraged to treat their schizophrenics with complete honesty (e.g. no locked doors) and to openly discuss the illness with the patient. Other advice includes various types of therapy that may be undertaken to cure schizophrenia and a list of national foundations which provide cured schizophrenics with the opportunity to discuss and reinforce the positive experience of their battles with schizophrenia.

One of the many fascinating facts unearthed for me in this book concerned the ability of the disease to exist and grow in lieu of the fact that schizophrenics have a reproductive capacity of only 70% of that of normal (non-schizophrenic) persons. This should result in a decline in the number of persons afflicted by schizophrenia, assuming the disease is genetic in nature. However, the authors believe that the schizophrenic's extraordinary resistance to colds, shock, histamine, etc., is the reason for the continued growth rate of schizophrenia.

I have several criticisms of this book. First, an inevitable matter beyond the control of the authors, is the fact that the book is probably outdated in many respects. This may be especially true if Dr. Woodruff's statement is accurate concerning the immense progress that his profession has achieved in treating and combating schizophrenia in the last three or four years. More

distressing, however, are some of the bold assertions made by the authors (e.g. that Nijinsky, Van Gogh, Marilyn Monroe, and others must have been schizophrenic by virtue of some of their behavior) without providing adequate evidence to support their validity. A prime example of this is the author's notation that suicide is the second highest cause of death among college students. The authors then mention the high incidence of schizophrenia among this same age group and then, based on essentially these two statements, conclude that schizophrenia is a major cause in "cutting down (killing) our young." I require a much higher standard of evidence than this before believing a statement of this magnitude. Furthermore, as the authors readily admit, the book may be too scientifically oriented for much of the public to digest and fully appreciate. In my opinion, the scientific discussions contained in the book were necessary and generally helpful. However, in many instances, the scientific discussions were not sufficiently detailed or in-depth to satisfy my curiosity and therefore often left me frustrated (e.g., drug therapy for schizophrenic patients).

In closing, I would recommend this book to the average and interested lay person as an effective means of acquainting oneself, in a summary fashion, with the various facets of contemporary schizophrenia. I must reiterate my suspicions, however, that before deciding to read this book, one should first investigate subsequent works that may achieve the same result but also be more current.

Poetry

The Soon-To-Be Forgotten Ode:

THE CANADIAN SKYWAY

A tale deservin more than mere legal analysis
a fitting ode to institutional paralysis.
Oye! one could laud Mac's bold insurrection
however, the bloody system withstood his correction.

That's right, it was a pathetic and terrible shame
so freakin' distant from one's normal path to fame
Yet, in the bleak depths of my id, I truly know
the World Series was for me too more than just a show.

The Game was a shockingly familiar stand against the status quo
where Mac and his feeble strays laughed in face of a final blow
only later to suffer the blunt edge of this antiseptic reality
there are no victors with such institutional criminality.

Refrain: Cheswick, your deck finally turned up a raving King
for those big-empty bossoms of that heartless Queen
and while you had less help than a free James Taylor
he never preferred limited security to desperate valor.

Oh Billy Bibbit, how many shadows do you carry
huggin' the alleys, waiting for a non-impotent fairy.
God help us for being blinded by Broadway's light
while you all stumble and stutter into hopeless fright.

However the Chief, a bizzare Spartacus from Geronomo's fallopian-way
unwilling to foresake his heritage born of the Columbian Bay
did sacrifice his drugged brains upon that psychiatric altar
to at least memorialize the "treatment" given the Martinis who falter.

Refrain: Cheswick, your deck finally turned up a raving King
for those big-empty bossoms of that heartless Queen
and while you had less help than a free James Taylor
he never preferred limited security to desperate valor.

And Mac fearlessly cajoled the Chronics to grasp his hands
and march down all of Broadway proclaiming their demands:
Unlike Christ, he promised them freedom to fly like geese,
to be the proud victims of a factory that knows no peace.

Too bad, granted it was a trip into a schizophrenic unknown
where we so-called normals cowardly and quietly moan
But watch it you Acutes, your refuge may be but a final way-station
for all of you to curiously remain a societal mutation.

Maybe, B-B-B-Billy and all the white rest
are ever-more strengthened to survive the test
to blow hard their trumpets, to spit out their leuds
to cry out-loud, down with red Ratchet's hatchet!

Only the seminal strains of time will tell for Billy and history
whether we are more concerned with budgets than zero-misery
whether Kesey's brilliance was truly a genetic disorder
because God wanted only normals free in his 'law and order'.

Refrain: Cheswick, your deck finally turned up a raving King
for those big-empty bossoms of that heartless Queen
and while you had less help than a free James Taylor
he never preferred limited security to desperate valor.

Jack Sahl

Letters

To the FORUM:

Why don't youse guys put the mailing address of that rag in the masthead (or somewhere) sos we know where to send the threats and hate mail? Huh? How 'bout it?

Signed,

2,763 frustrated fans
Out There, USA

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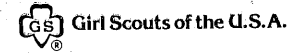
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Letters to the Editor are accepted if submitted, typed and double spaced. Letters must be signed, although names will be withheld upon request. All articles, other than editorials, are heartily accepted.

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"WATERSHIP DOWN"
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At last consumers have a means to deal with junk mail. People will hopefully no longer resort to the trite method of mailing the advertiser's postage-paid envelope back to him or her taped to a brick to let the advertiser know the junk mail is not appreciated.

Student Liaison With Town Proposed

I propose that, by vote of the Board of Governors, amendment to the SBA constitution, or by other proper means, that a new position (office) be created within the structure of the SBA that would coordinate, pacify, assist, or improve the school's relationship with the local community.

There would be one person from each class elected to fill their respective classes position. The first year class would select their representative at the same time as election of the Board of Governors in the fall.

Persons elected would make themselves known, as unobtrusively as possible, to the local selectmen, town clerk, local merchants, and others as a means to pass along information, requests, or complaints from the town to the student body (and vice versa) thereby avoiding the insulating effect of communications via the VLS business office.

Hopefully those students elected would coordinate joint student-town functions to help foster productive community relations. The community-

school liaison officers would be responsible for reporting to the student body on selectmen's meetings (held twice monthly) and the annual town meeting.

The reason for creating these positions is to provide a mechanism

to communicate matters of concern of students and townspeople to each other (for example, the local dog ordinance has upset some local residents and there is a feeling that the ordinance was occasioned by VLS students' dogs.)

VLS FIRST ANNUAL SKI FESTIVAL Saturday, Feb. 24, 1979

Yes, I would like to help as a gatekeeper at Sonnenberg, Sat., Feb. 24 at 9 a.m.

I plan to attend X-country events at Trail Head and the party afterwards. How many will attend? _____

Yes, I plan to enter the 5 km X-country race at Trail Head Saturday afternoon.

DOINGS

Barry Mallis, professional mime, will appear at VLS on Friday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the third floor auditorium. Barry will conduct a mime workshop in addition to performing for the crowd. Wine and cheese will follow the event, which is brought to you free of charge by the SBA.

Representatives of United Dental Care will be here on Friday, Feb. 16 to facilitate signing up for a group dental plan for VLS (written up in the Forum, 2/2/79). They will be in the Map Room between 12:30 and 4:30, and free coffee and donuts will be served. The SBA has paid a group application fee of \$25, which covers all VLS students and employees who wish to join. You will pay only \$12.50 for an individual membership, \$22.50 for two, or \$37.50 for a family of three or more. This fee allows you free check-up, fluoride treatment, X-rays, cleaning and reduced prices for other types of work. Check it out.

VLS's Ski Club will pick the six men and three women racers for the Dual Slalom event in the upcoming Ski Festival by a series of elimination races, to be held this Saturday (Feb. 17) at Sonnenberg, starting at 12:30. Among the competitors for the men's team are: John Keogh, Andy Jackson, Bob Fletcher, Jeff Cohen, Bob Reiss, Ronnie Stamm, Brad Wilson, Steve Reynes, Bob Schaefer, Randy Westgate, and others whose names are not known at present. Competing for the three slots in the women's team are: Karen MacLaughlin, Sue Fowler, Mary Ann Neal, Dottie Helling, Phoebe Mix, Wendy Chaitin, and perhaps others. Good luck to all the competitors. Elimination trials will take place at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday at Sonnenberg, so skiers will only need to purchase a half-day lift ticket. If you're looking for something to do Saturday, why not drive over to Sonnenberg and watch the action.

Vermont Law School's

FIRST ANNUAL SKIFESTIVAL

Saturday, Feb. 24, 1979

9:00
A.M.

Where
SONNENBERG
SKI RESORT

Activities: DUAL SLALOM RACES

Featuring teams from Harvard Law, Boston University Law, Franklin Pierce Law, Dartmouth Business School, and Vermont Law School

2:00
P.M.

Where
Trail Head
Ski Touring Center

Activities:

Intramural and Intercollegiate Cross-Country races; Recreation Races; Children's Race and Ski Limbo. ...After the races there will be an SBA sponsored party at the Trail Head Lodge. Admission to Trail Head is \$2, \$4 extra if you want to rent skis.

Directions

Directions to Trail Head Ski Touring Center:
From VLS take Rte. 14 west to Rte. 107 West. 107 to Rte. 100 South. Trail Head is on Rte. 100 about one mile South of the junction of Rtes. 100 and 107.

Directions to Sonnenberg from VLS:
Follow North Windsor St. out of town. After crossing RR tracks it becomes a dirt road paralleling the river. Stay on this road, go under the interstate and past Hitching Post Farm (watch for signs) until road ends at a 'T'. Turn left onto North Road and stay on this dirt road (approx. 6 miles) until you come to Sonnenberg.

From Woodstock - Take Rte. 12 North to Barnard, turn right at general store/post office and continue on this road for approx. one mile. Sonnenberg Ski Center is on the right.

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H (Donahue)	5	4	(385) 48.1	(322) 40.3
D (Roberts)	3	6	(373) 42.6	(422) 46.9
F (Cameron)	3	6	(327) 36.3	(385) 42.8
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Parady (H)	112	14.0
Reich (G)	110	13.8
Staples (C)	119	13.2
Cameron (F)	109	12.1
Calabro (E)	106	11.8
Judd (E)	80	11.4
Phillips (H)	79	11.3
Saxe (F)	99	11.0
Allenby (E)	87	10.9
Millard (A)	81	9.0
Turner (C)	71	8.9
Dempsey (E)	73	8.6
L. Johnson (E)	68	8.5
McKinstry (D)	72	8.0
McGee (C)	56	8.0
Mering (B)	63	7.9
Scribner (B)	67	7.4
B. Brady (E)	62	6.9

SCHEDULE

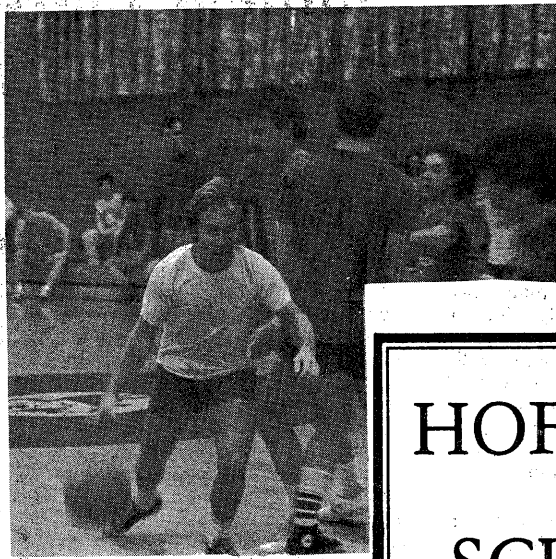
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