Then There Were Four
by Bill Strauss
The four candidates for the Theodore L. Reitel Most Court Competition are Mason Aurian and George Burtis, two seniors; Libby White, Daniel Altshuler and Justin McCarthy, and David Molnar and Karen Rock.

The pairings for the semi-final round will be as of January 30, are Aurian/McCarthy (Respondents) and Altshuleer/McCarthy (Petitioners) v. Rock/Molnar in Norrbth, 1944 (ABA) sponsored Client Interviewing and Counseling Competition.

Winning the intramural final round will advance to the Regionals to be held at Temple Law School from February 28 to March 2, 1986. The Regional winner will move on to the National Finals, which will be held at St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio, Texas, from March 21 to March 22, 1986.

The federal tax code — should it simply be a means to raise revenue for government spending — or should it be more ambitious, to provide incentives for responsible local behavior? The question will be among those addressed by a number of nationally known figures in the field of tax policy at the Villanova Law Review Twentieth Annual Symposium, to be held at Villanova University School of Law on February 22, 1986.

The 1986 Symposium will feature a panel discussion that will include Dr. Charles E. McLure, Jr., former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Analysis, United States Treasury Department, and currently Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institute of Stanford University, and David H. Brockway, Chief of Staff of Congress' Joint Committee on Taxation. Also participating in the panel will be Bernard Wolman, Fessenden-Jolly, D.C., Nancy Shultz, Professor at the University of Oregon School of Law and formerly of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and Professor Wil-
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Tenure Committee Seeks Help

The Law School Tenure Screening Committee, either by mailing them to Professor Murphy, chairman of the Committee, or by depositing them in his mailbox in room 210. Prof. John Murphy

Dear Docket,

I applaud the administration's recent efforts to make our parking area more secure, but I believe that these efforts are not enough. The fact that the lot will be off limits to unauthorized cars is a good start, but what about unarmed guards and pedestrians? For example, who was patrolling when someone cut down the Ceremonial Glass on the top of the ten-foot wall to keep the parking lot safe from intruders. Besides, as it stands now, the parking lot is very much like the French city of Ypres during World War One trench warfare. And also, the letter explaining why the reconstruction was to take place was full of Class A legalese. Maybe the author should take a course in Legal Writing.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

JDL Tactics Questionable

The Jewish Defense League (JDL), Boston chapter, asked the Bruins to try to inform innocent people, who may even be caught up in a private war. The JDL equated violence and valiance in a form of defending Jews in need. It's in/ But I'm so weak; I'm so thin/ I'd like to fly but I can't even stand/ The world/ Save it from the mess/ Somewhere along the line the JDL seemed to be at a deadlock. It's in/ But I'm so weak; I'm so thin/ I'd like to fly but I can't even stand/ The world/ Save it from the mess/ Sure enough, the police found the bomb site while it is found.

Changing Seasons in Happy Valley

(Jan. 5, 1986) Seattle is a city of 800,000 people, which is almost as many as the population of Happy Valley. Seattle has its own city hall, its own shopping center, and its own public transportation system. Happy Valley, on the other hand, has none of these amenities.

One of the biggest differences between Seattle and Happy Valley is the weather. Seattle has a mild climate year-round, while Happy Valley experiences extreme temperature fluctuations. In Seattle, it's possible to be wearing a t-shirt one day and a scarf the next.

Another difference between the two cities is the cost of living. Seattle is known for its high cost of living, while Happy Valley is considered relatively affordable.

Despite these differences, both cities have their own unique features. Seattle is known for its culture and arts scene, while Happy Valley is known for its natural beauty and outdoor activities.

It's clear that Seattle and Happy Valley are two very different cities, but they both have their own charm and appeal. Whether you prefer the hustle and bustle of Seattle or the tranquility of Happy Valley, there's a place for you in this great state.
Learning From A Loss

By Dan Weisman

Once upon a time there was a small town known to all as Happy Valley. People from all over the world came to Happy Valley because it was located in a low area between the mountains and the ocean. The people were happy most of the time.

Happy Valley was a very small town. It had only one main street, Main Street, which ran North to South, or "South to North", depending on a person's perspective. Houses clustered on both sides of Main Street, and the people who lived within them each tended to identify with the other people who lived on the same side as they did. Soon, there was a west side community and an east side community. They called themselves, preferred football and believed that Main Street ran from South to North. Hence, they looked North for the future. Easties, on the other hand, liked soccer and looked South for the future.

The situation remained static for many years. Easties and Westies minded their own business and tried to pretend that the side of the street didn't really exist. No one else knew much about the other except during the annual Fourth of July celebration. Politicians from both sides shared a platitudes, while everyone else sought baseball launches on top of their houses clustered on both sides of Main Street. Jameson and his Eastie counterpart, James Johnson, was called "the maximum" and stood as a symbol of the town.

One day, an incident occurred. It was during a game of baseball played on the Fourth of July celebration. Politicians from both sides attended a game of baseball. Since most people were eaten, there could be no certain about what happened. Those who were left still did not have an idea of what happened, depending upon which side they were loyal to.

All that is known for certain is this: A baseball sailed through the window of the house occupied by the Westies. The Easties had beenblamed for the incident, but no clear evidence of guilt was found. The baseball was found to be coming from a baseball launcher on top of the house. It was turned into pre-cooked chop suey. Hence, whoever launched first would also be turned into pre-cooked chop suey.

Jameson stated, "It was my eight-year-old who was at bat when it happened. No one else could have done it. Don't you Easties know how to raise your children?"

Johnson quickly replied, "Your kid was pitching. Maybe we couldn't have so many problems if he'd stop throwing baseballs."

"So, you mean that worthless kid of yours hit a baseball through my window?"

"I don't know anything. Whatever happened is all your kid's fault, Eastie. He's just another one of those things."

"Okay Johnson, that's it." Jameson stormed into his house and shortly thereafter was arrested with a baseball bat and some balls. He then proceeded to whack baseballs in the general direction of Johnson's windows, directly across the street. He hit two.

As the crowd dispersed, Johnson stomped across his front lawn. "Happy Valley Police have arrested one Jameson. He because it was located in a low area between the mountains and the ocean. The people were happy most of the time.

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Hardship Policy Adopted...

New Course Offered

by Carolyn Moran

"Lawyering Skills," a new category five class offered this semester provides students with a unique opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge and practical experience from attorneys who are acknowledged experts in their fields.

The course, conceived by Dean Murray, is taught by outstanding practitioners in areas such as banking, domestic relations and international law. Each expert lectures on the particular problems encountered by practitioners in these fields, but not covered in a typical law school course. In addition, lectures can give practical tips on solving these problems based on their own experience.

One appealing aspect of "Lawyering Skills" is the interaction that takes place between the guest faculty and the students. Prior to attending the lecture on a particular subject, the student is given a handout knowledge and practical experience from attorneys who are acknowledged experts in their fields. Then, at the lecture, the student learns directly from the expert giving an in-depth discussion of the problem. After the lecture, the student will have an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the topic with the expert. The student will then submit the final draft before the deadline.

The time limitation for each assignment is intended to simulate the real-life pressures of a practicing attorney. The experts, when evaluating each student's answer, point out its strengths and weaknesses. During the lecture, the student learns more about the requirements of this document, and he or she must then submit the final draft before the deadline.

Due to the personalized nature of the course, enrollment has been limited to fifteen students this semester. However, if enough interest is shown in participating in the course, the number of students may be increased.

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Bonds Bring Results

(Continued from page 3) curlesies. Junk bonds are a lot riskier than their Triple-A rated brethren. With that added risk comes higher reward. Junk bonds offer tempting yields that, typically, are 3 to 5 percentage points higher than the yields on safer U.S. Treasury bonds. (Of course, Uncle Sam is a lot less likely to go belly up than some of the companies issuing junk bonds.) But, even counting defaults, a recent study showed that junk bonds nicely outperformed Treasuries from 1978 to 1983.

For that kind of promised payoff, many investors are willing to take the risk. As an individual, you're not likely to buy a single issue of junk bonds, because the initial investment is usually too high (in the area of $25,000 to $100,000). Besides, if the company fell off the cliff, your whole investment would fall with it. Studies of the junk bond market suggest it's better to buy into a broad number of issues through a mutual fund or a unit trust. And your initial investment may be as little as $1,000.

Some 40 mutual funds—known as "High-Yield Bond Funds"—now buy lower-rated bonds for their portfolios. Some invest heavily in these issues; others hedge their risk with substantial holdings of top-rated corporate bonds and Treasuries. Over the past 10 years, high-yield funds returned an average of 10 percent a year to their investors, according to Lipper Analytical Services. By contrast, A-rated bond funds returned an average of 9.5 percent.

Food Drive Held

As it has for the past several years, Villanova Law School recently sponsored a food drive to help feed the hungry of the Delaware Valley. During the week of January 20-24, monetary donations were collected from students, faculty and staff. These donations were then forwarded to two worthy charities in the Philadelphia area. The first was Sacred Heart Church in Camden, which distributes emergency food to families in need. Many of these families run out of food as their money runs out at the end of the month. In addition to this year-round service, Sacred Heart also distributed Christmas baskets of food to over 700 families.

The second recipient of food drive donations was St. Francis Inn, located in Kensington. St. Francis runs a soup kitchen and on a typical winter night they feed at least 200 of the local needy. The 1986 food drive netted a total of $800, which was then distributed to the two organizations.

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By Joe Zack

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Environmental Law Month Begins
by John Serpico
The Environmental Law Group has declared February as Environmental Law Month. Various programs and luncheons will be planned throughout the month, featuring films and speakers on environmental law issues that are currently affecting the nation and the Philadelphia area. These programs promise to be both interesting and informative, as well as a must for all law students in light of the substantial growth of the law of the environment and the increasing extent to which environmental issues affect us all.

Increased awareness, as well as increased pollution has resulted in the relatively recent growth of environmental law. Since the early 1970's the environment has become an important and major concern for the government and various industries, as well as for the public. Environmental issues facing the Philadelphia area alone include, waste disposal, (Kingsfield landfill and ocean dumping; asbestos (Philadelphia public school health; nuclear energy and waste; (Limerick Nuclear Plant in Montgomery County); acid rain; (Pennsylvania farms); and underground water contamination.

Since the Establishing of Congress' efforts to regulate "polluters," regulated industries have in fact become the largest employers of environmental lawyers. Furthermore, as the range of environmental issues increases, so does the number of students interested in environmental law.

VLS Grad Elected
Malvern resident Laurence E. Baccini was recently elected Vice-Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association. Members elected Baccini, a partner at the law firm of Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis, during the Association's Annual Meeting at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel last month.

Baccini, a graduate of Drexel University and Villanova University School of Law, was elected to a six-year term to the executive committee of the American, Pennsylvania and Philadelphia Bar Associations.

PDF Party Bops, Boos On
by Brenda Ruggerio
On Saturday, January 18th, Phi Delta Phi hosted a "Bozos Till You Drop" dance party. The event, which benefited the Special Olympics, was held in conjunction with Temple and Delaware law schools. Paul Fiarenti, president of Phi Delta Phi, reported that along with help from SBA, his organization would be able to donate $100 to the Special Olympics.

The dance tentatively replaced the Fun Run which Phi Delta Phi had held for the past four years. It was felt that more students would be able to participate in a function of this kind. Flora vanti expressed his hope that the function would continue on an annual event.

Students from the three law schools and friends "bopped" to the music of two bands and disc jockey Bob Preston. The event included a variety of contests and prizes. First year student Kristine Schmidt made her Villanova Law School debut as a singer with the band "Void Where Prohibited." Schmidt's career with the band started with an impromptu performance as a substitute singer at a New Year's Eve party. She stated that "singing with a band is something I have always wanted to do; but never expected to do in law school." VLS students also in the band are bass player Andrew Soto and keyboardist and second year student Michael Scarnati, both second years.

The highlight of the evening was the dance contest. There were three qualifying rounds, with the couples who placed first and second, participating in an "Anything Goes" final round. DJ, Bob Preston promised that the final round would be different and it was just that. The couples were judged not only on their dancing abilities, but on originality and personality. The couples found themselves dancing to the themes of "Rocky," "Grease," "The Flintstones," I Dream of Jeannie, The Love Boat and The Adams Family. The judges found themselves dancing to the themes of "Rocky," "Grease," "The Flintstones," I Dream of Jeannie, The Love Boat and The Adams Family. The judges found themselves dancing to them.
Workouts to Chase Away those Winter Blues

by Jennie Rapley

Well sports fans, welcome back to a new semester. Now that softball season however, have any of you given any thought to starting going to do to keep in shape for the next season? Wouldn't you just hate for spring to come and then find out that your big winter parks aren't the only thing to feel the winter blues in your body — that some how you seem to have grown your own winter? Remember too, that keeping active is a great way to work off those лиш adjudged frustrations and chase away the winter blues. Okay, well let me tell you . . .

1. Street Hockey: What better way to work off some tension than to pretend that puck you're sliding around is in your professor's head. VLS has a growing number of participants in this sport. They play Friday afternoons at 2:30, weather permitting, on one of the tennis courts. If you'd like more information contact the President.

2. Swimming: Did you know that swimming is the best all-around exercise you can get? Villanova has two pools: one across the street in St. Mary's and one over the road in the student lounge. St. Mary's is kept cold by the outside temperature and Rob Barron. The tree came in virtually as an independent athlete. While the self regulation is good for the Professional Association, it does not necessarily promote the public will spend their limited dollars to watch the superstars.

4. The Parking Lot Obstacle Course.

Turn three of the Parking Lot Obstacle Course.

If these guys made the NBA, would you want to be their attorney?

A significant portion of the litigation occurring in sports law results from the application of federal antitrust laws to professional sports. The Sherman Act prohibits contracts, combinations, and conspiracies in restraint of trade. This act has been for the major vehicle for the development of sports law. Today, however, players' unions bargain collectively with the owners and have thereby insulated certain activities from the application of the Sherman Act. So the role of anti-trust law may be declining while the role of labor law is increasing.

Creating a strategy for the Great Grades Race.

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Point for each person you hit, and one additional point for each goal the other team drops.

3. Hurry Up and Wait (for women only): Drink a Diet Coke right before class. Half way through the class, realize that you desperately need to visit the ladies' room. Do not leave through the rest of class. After class ends, run out of the room, the beating the other 119 people out the door. Head straight for the women's room near the student lounge. Since the door lock is broken because the two buttons that brake the door are stuck, there are still open out of the door. Squeeze past the car coming in and out of the County Line out as you leave.

Check to make sure your car insurance is paid. Enough is enough! Hope something I've mentioned strikes your fancy. If you also care about basketball season, please let me know. I've got a few suggestions of my own:

1. The Great Grades Race: Students watch anxiously to see which will get here first — grades or spring. This is a great exercise in patience and restraint. I know I have to wait much longer, I won't have any hair left.

2. The Big Bump-Off: This activity requires a lot of coordination and physical deter-mination. Sit outside rooms 29 and 30 between classes. Park at about 25 minutes before the hour, start working your way against the traffic towards the student lounge. See how many people you can accidently bump into. Three one point for each person you hit, and one additional point for each goal the other team drops.

Sports Law: Playing for Keeps

by Paul L. Brinkmann

When someone mentions the term "Sports Law*, most people imagine attorneys acting as player representatives in contract negotiations, or as head coaches collecting from a large percentage of the money generated in this field, it really is simply the application of the various disciplines, such as antitrust and labor law, to issues arising out of the sports industry, an industry now being referred to by some as the new opiate of the masses.

Since the industry is so large the variety of issues that arise is likewise large. Within the area of sports law there are a number of issues arising from the multitude of different sports in both the professional and amateur ranks. Overall we shall cover the majority of the problems that arise under various rules and regulations. Owners, athletes and other affected units are continually raising the legitimacy of these rules.

Although the issues that arise from the professional and amateur sports contexts are similar in some respects, they are two different entities. The rules that govern each are often very different. Moreover, the rules that are necessary to effectively regulate the field vary widely depending upon the sport. This is no more evident than in the most important issue of all, the health and welfare of the athlete.

VLSSA Skis Into Its Second Season

by Lois Schawger

Villanova Law School Ski Association (VLSSA) hosted its first trip to Camelback, in the Poconos, on January 14. First and third-year students hopped up in the true ski spirit. Approximately half of Camelback's twenty-seven trails were open. The day's conditions were cold, but the lift lines were short. The trip was enjoyable and almost safe. By general consensus the most impressive fall goes to Rob Barron. The tree came in second.

After only one season of VLSSA's existence, upcoming ski events for Beginners, Novices, Intermediates, and Experts are already planned. One of the founding members, Paul "The Czar" Brinkmann explains that the group wants to promote Law School camaraderie with transportation, discounted lift tickets, and Apres Ski — social activity, as at a ski lodge. If you need more information about upcoming trips, rentals, buying equipment, or ski tips, see any member of the Villanova Law School Ski Association.

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