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Personification of the Tennessee Tradition of Volunteerism

Tom Elam, a truly unique graduate of the College of Law, is also a unique member of his community, his state, and his nation. He has been a worker, a planner, a volunteer in each of these areas all of his life. As his accomplishments and services are tabulated, they can only begin to reveal the generosity of Colonel Elam (see pages two and three for a complete list of his activities). He donates not only money to his community, state and country, but also his desire to help and his ability to get things done. Tom Elam personifies the Tennessee tradition of volunteerism.

He has been Chairman of the Board, Chairman of the Trustees, and Sunday School teacher at the First Christian Church of Union City. He has been president of the Union City Chamber of Commerce and of that community's Rotary Club. He was chairman of the Industrial Development Board for Union City and now serves as the chairman of the Industrial Committee of the Union City Chamber of Commerce.

Beyond Union City, he has served the state and region as a member of the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees since 1956, and as a member of its Athletics Board since 1951, longer than anyone else in the University's history. He serves as chairman of the Athletics Committee of The University of Tennessee's Board of Trustees as well. Besides the dedication of time and energy to these pursuits, in 1984, he generously endowed the annual symposium on American History at the University of Tennessee-Martin campus.

His love of athletics extends beyond the Vols to other athletics endeavors as well. He is a member of the Liberty Bowl Committee and a Director and member of the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame.

He is affectionately called "Colonel Elam" or "Colonel Tom" by just about everyone. That...
title was well earned: he is a Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve (retired), and holds the prestigious title of Civilian Aide Emeritus to the Secretary of the Army for the state of Tennessee. As if these activities were not sufficient diversion for a man who at the age of 83 maintains a more than full-time law practice, in addition to his community, University, athletic and military activities, he has been an officer or director in 25 corporations in West Tennessee and Kentucky.

This pattern of activity is not a new one for the Colonel. The Elam family has been a vital part of the Obion county community since 1882. Colonel Tom was born in Union City on May 27, 1909. Today, he and his wife, Kathleen, live just across the street from where he was born. After a public school education in Union City, he headed to Knoxville to attend The University of Tennessee. He earned an A.B. in history in 1931 and a J.D. in 1934, all the time an active and productive member of the university community.

After law school graduation, he immediately hung out his shingle. The name of his law firm may have changed over the years as has the name of the bank in which the offices are located, but the desire of Tom Elam to work for the betterment of his community, state, and country have not. As his law practice grew, so did his commitment to other endeavors.

Colonel Elam is currently a partner in Elam, Glasgow & Acree in Union City. As a self-proclaimed “shade tree lawyer”, he shared his experiences and knowledge at a College of Law Hooding in March, 1982. He noted that he “has actually tried cases on more than one occasion before a Justice of the Peace at his home or on his farm in the country, and court was held under the trees in his front yard.” In his attempt to remind students about not just the diversity of practice, but the bonds inherent in being a member of the profession, Colonel Tom reminded them that this type of court is just as binding as any other. He cited other principles that help make a good attorney and are essential to success in the practice: working hard, preparing yourself, respecting the courts, taking nothing for granted, never trying to mislead a jury, and never asking a question unless you know the answer. He modestly admits that his success as an attorney is attributable to following these precepts.

After 57 years of successful practice, Colonel Elam has received many unusual items as gifts, including a caboose. The Illinois Central Railroad presented him with the gift in deep appreciation of his service as their legal counsel of fifty years. He had it placed on tracks on one of his farms, but in the spirit of generosity that has characterized his life, he plans to give it to the city for its use. His signature diamond locomotive tie pin will also continue, though, as a lasting reminder of that part of his life.

Leisure time for Colonel Tom and Kathleen is always combined with his work and volunteer activities. Kathleen, his delightful traveling companion and navigator, enjoys the meetings and duties as much as her husband. Will they slow down anytime soon? His schedule seldom permits him to get away from the office until about 7:30 p.m. When asked when he plans to slow down, he answers “when I get old.” Early this spring, Colonel Elam confided to Dean Yarbrough that he has been busier in the last year and a half than he’s ever been. Knowing Colonel Elam, one can bet that next year will more than likely be the same ... and more!

Our Tennessee Connection:

Activities:

Union City:
Member, Chairman of the Board, Chairman of the Trustees, and Sunday School teacher at the First Christian Church of Union City
Vice president of the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Union City
Vice president of K-T Distributors
Director of Third National Bank
Former president of the Union City Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club
Former chairman of the Industrial Development Board for the city of Union City
Chairman of the Industrial Committee of the Union City Chamber of Commerce
Chairman of the Board of Sovran Bank of Union City since 1978
Member of the Board of Union City's Electric Power System

**Tennessee:**
Democratic Elector, 1952
President of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Dyersburg
Director of the West Tennessee Industrial Association
Member of Sovran Bank's Nashville Trust Board since 1975

**United States:**
Colonel, United States Army Reserve (retired)
Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, State of Tennessee, 1968
Civilian Aide Emeritus to the Secretary of the Army, State of Tennessee, from 1967-73 and since 1977
Officer or director in 25 corporations in West Tennessee and Kentucky
Member of the Mid-South Medical Center Council

**The University of Tennessee:**
Senior member, Board of Trustees representing the Eighth Congressional District since 1956. Has been appointed by four different governors
Served as chairman of the Athletics Committee, UT Board of Trustees
Member of the Athletics Board since 1951
Endowed annual symposium on American History, UT-Martin, 1984
Member of the Liberty Bowl Committee
Director and member of the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame

**As an undergraduate student:**
Member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity
Member of the Scarabbean Society
Associate editor of the *Orange and White*, 1930
President of the Inter-Fraternity Council
Member of the Publication Council
Secretary of the All-Students Council, 1932
General manager of Carnicus
Captain of Company A ROTC
Editor of the *Volunteer*, 1931

**At the College of Law:**
Member of Phi Delta Phi
Speaker at the 75th Anniversary of the College of Law, 1965
Hooding speaker, March, 1982
Member of the Dean's Circle since 1989

**Legal Community:**
Special judge for the Western Division of the Court of Appeals, 1959
Member of the American Bar Association
Member of the Obion County Central Council, 1952-54; vice president, 1956
Member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, 1972-76
Life member of the Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference
Member of the National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
Achievements:
Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers
Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers
Fellow of the Tennessee Bar Foundation

*Colonel Tom Elam*
John A. Sebert, Jr.  
Personification of Legal Academia

Ask John Sebert a question and he answers thoughtfully, in a manner that makes one feel happy to have asked. In the answer, you glimpse the serious, conscientious student he must have been and continues to be. As Deputy Director for the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) John assists in guiding other members of his profession to professional excellence through their continued education. He believes the most important matter that the AALS addresses is its presentation of professional development programs.

A law professor since 1970, John is an experienced legal educator who is helping educate his colleagues nationally through the AALS programs. The Deputy Director can best be described as an associate dean on a national scale. John is well qualified for the position following his service as the University of Tennessee College of Law's Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for two years and as Acting Dean for a year.

Assisting with supervision of the AALS Professional Development Programs, planning the Executive Committee agenda and implementing its decisions, supervising the AALS budget, editing the AALS publications, and serving as a liaison with other legal education organizations help round out the Deputy Director's responsibilities.

John is currently working diligently with the Special Committee on Substance Abuse in the Law Schools. The committee's program will assist faculty and students at member law schools with alcohol and drug problems. Meaningful projects such as this one lead John to look forward to a second year with the Association.

John's frequent flyer mileage is building as he tends to AALS responsibilities all over the United States. Fortunately, he has been traveling from an early age. He was born in San Francisco, and raised in New York, New Jersey and Illinois. As an insurance company supervisor, Jack Sebert was transferred wherever the company needed him. Several job relocations allowed him, his wife, Irene, and only child John to experience “life in these United States” as it should be, with solid family relationships and plenty of opportunities. John eludes most aspects of the “only child” stereotype, but one does think of that superachiever label as his achievements and successes are recounted (see list below). His parents are now retired and live in Austin, Texas.

Instead of moving from place to place around the country, the John Sebert family has now spread out to cover it simultaneously. John's second home will be Washington, D.C. until the Summer of 1992 when the Deputy Director position rotates to another AALS law faculty member. His wife Suzanne and fifteen year old daughter Anne live in Knoxville, where Suzanne is the Director of Community Services for Knox County and Anne is a sophomore at Bearden High School. Twenty-one year old son Michael is attending medical school at Stanford in California, and twenty year old son Kevin is attending Carleton College in Minnesota. Understandably, spending time with his family is now listed as one of John's most highly prized activities.

John's commitment to his family carries over to the College of Law community. John arrived at the University of Tennessee in the midst of the tremendous growth and change that took place in the 1970s. “Those of us who joined the faculty at that time were excited and invigoration by the prospect of participating in that development,” he says, “and there is a bond.... The faculty [is] a group of talented and dedicated law teachers who care about their students and who work hard at being the good teachers and scholars that they are.”

John values law teaching for the opportunity it gives him to help his students develop as professionals by honing their problem-solving skills. John maintains that Tennessee students are diligent and that each year their abilities as a group seem to improve. "I am gratified by the increasing interest our students [show] in public interest law and public service as careers," says John. His interest in service is strong and he has always had time to serve his university and profession in and out of the classroom. How long can this dedication continue? For John Sebert, many, many more years to come, because it's a way of life for him.

Our Washington Connection:

Activities:
Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D.C. Associate Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Professor of Law teaching sales, contracts, commercial law, and remedies at The University of Tennessee College of Law (Topics of research interest also) Faculty advisor, Tennessee Law Review, for two years Served as cochairman and participant in a three-day CLE seminar on the Uniform Commercial Code Invited participant in the Eighth Annual Economics Institute for Law Professors, University of Miami

Achievements:
Elected to the Order of the Coif First Winick Fellow at UT College of Law

Publications:

University of Tennessee Service:
Member, Board of Directors, Federal Credit Union Elected Member, Undergraduate Council Elected Member, Faculty Senate Chair, Faculty Senate Educational Policy Committee Counselor to President Edward J. Boling Member, Central Transition Committee and the calendar and curriculum subcommittees Member, Faculty Senate Legislative, Educational Policy and Fringe Benefits Committees (various times)

Achievements:
A.B., 1964, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, with high distinction and high honors in history Elected to Phi Beta Kappa Elected to Phi Kappa Phi J.D., 1967, University of Michigan, magna cum laude Articles Editor, Michigan Law Review Elected to the Order of the Coif Invited to the University of California at Berkeley for a seminar on American Legal Thought in the Twentieth Century Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities First Winick Fellow at UT College of Law Carden Professor at UT College of Law Elected member of the American Law Institute Honored for extraordinary service as the Acting Dean of the College of Law at the 1987 Annual Appreciation Dinner Member of the Hamilton Burnett Chapter (Knoxville) of the American Inns of Court Harold C. Weatherly Faculty Award for Outstanding Service, 1990

Publications:
Charles A. Carpenter
Class of '91
Personification of the Christian Ethic

Charles Carpenter's desire to help other people can be seen in his expression as he talks about family and friends. Taking no credit for his accomplishments, he looks at his achievements in terms of how they can help others. Charles's remarkable ability to become an integral and essential part of his surroundings whether at school, home or work also provides him with opportunities to do things for others. Charles Carpenter lives the Judeo-Christian ethic.

The three sons of Maggie and Charles Carpenter of Ypsilanti, Michigan, grew up with faith in their parents, themselves, and their religious beliefs. Charles's older brothers, Hayward and Ralph, were excellent role models, and were instrumental in his becoming the family's first college graduate and attorney. They have constantly steered Charles toward positive activities and experiences.

Growing up in a small town was also instrumental. The auto industry in Ypsilanti provided the solid working-class background of the people Charles grew up with, and their churches, neighborhoods and schools contributed to the feeling of community. Charles describes the cohesion of the community in two stories. Elementary school principal Charles Beatty, a track star in the 1930s and the first full-time black principal in Ypsilanti, taught Charles the game of golf. Mr. Beatty's full slate of family, work and community activities did not prevent him from steadfast devotion to the Carpenter family and especially to Charles. What Charles learned was that there is always time to teach.

Although Charles did not have Sadie Gardner for English in high school, she too had a significant influence on his development. She was instrumental in his decision to attend Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, because she took an interest in him and his future.

The same types of influences have made the law school experience special for Charles. He smiles as he indicates why he feels so fortunate to have been a student here ... the faculty: Professor Durward Jones, whom Charles credits with the best classroom manner; Professor Larry Dessem, who really cares about students; Professor Fran Ansley, who really wants students to understand legal concepts; Professor Jim Thompson, who has played a crucial role in Charles's survival in law school.

A J.D. degree will enable Charles to work at a more effective level at what he loves: community assistance. That's why at the College of Law, he enjoyed Professor Grayfred Gray's class, Teaching Clients the Law, the best. It stressed experiential learning -- in Charles' opinion, the most important kind. Though he concedes that "first-year law students must be exposed to torts, contracts and civil procedure," he believes that practical skills should also be taught, including how to put a lawsuit together and how to conduct a trial. Charles believes that learning is totally up to the individual and one learns what one decides to learn. In other words, graduation from law school did not finalize Charles's education.

In August, he will begin a judicial clerkship with the Honorable Adolpho A. Birch, Jr., Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Division of Tennessee. Afterwards, Charles plans to work either for a state attorney general or a district attorney, concentrating on criminal law. As a prosecutor, Charles sees a way to deal with fairness in the system. "Deciding who gets charged with an offense, what the charges will be and what the sentence will be is a way to dispense justice tempered with fairness," Charles surmises.

Charles participates in sports, especially baseball, softball and basketball, as a coach, player and spectator. As he views athletics, coaches motivate, lead and manage; players listen, follow and accomplish; and spectators enjoy, commit and aspire. The ability to see a situation from several different perspectives is but one of the attributes that will make Charles Carpenter a valuable contributor to his profession and his community in the years to come.

Our Future Connection:

Activities:

In the Church
President and treasurer of the Young People's Department
Choir member
Youth Activities Organizer
1982 Scholar of the Year

In the Community
Second base all-star in little league
Ypsilanti Resource Center - social assistance agency
Boys Club in Atlanta
Fulton County Metro District Adult Probation Department, Atlanta

In School
Parliamentarian of Michigan Club

Photographic editor of Reflections
Debate team member four years, captain two years, assistant coach one year
Assistant editor of the Maroon Tiger
Contributor to the English Department's Newsletter
A Farewell

On Saturday, June 22, 1991, the College of Law alumni, faculty and staff and assorted guests said good-bye and thank you to Dean Marilyn Yarbrough with a dinner and roast in her honor. Also joining in the festivities were friends and University of Tennessee administrators. "Roasters" included Edye Ellis, WBIR News Co-anchor, Dean William Snyder of the College of Engineering, and Associate Dean Dick Wirtz. Professors Pat Hardin and Fran Ansley, Director of Development Scott Fountain and Alumni Advisory Council Chair Carole Lynch, Class of '77, served as presenters during the program.

This pictorial essay is offered now in the hope that the spirit of the occasion comes through.

Marilyn and husband, Dave Didion, arrive and are reassured by AALS Deputy Director and former Acting Dean John Sebert that they will in fact survive the evening.

Dean Bill Snyder recognized Marilyn's contributions as a Dean, especially in the area of progress toward a new building for the College. He brought gifts which (he said) Marilyn's fellow deans had contributed to celebrate Marilyn's contribution to the building program. Dean Eunice Shatz, College of Social Work, sent Marilyn a book of Green Stamps, and suggested putting the College of Law faculty on food stamps and diverting their salaries into the building fund.

Edye Ellis stated that she had come not to bury Marilyn, but to "braise" her. Edye praised Marilyn's loyalty to the College of Law, her family and her friends, and predicted she would do well wherever she went due to her incredible verbal skills (or "gift of gab").
Dean Warren Neel, College of Business, sent Marilyn a spread sheet that explained how many books of Green Stamps it would take to build a new building. 8,640,516 books will be needed and it will take 13 years to collect that many.

Dean Bill Rudd, of the College of Architecture and Planning, sent a model of the new building made out of foam rubber so it could be moved with ease if (as Marilyn once suggested) the decision-makers chose to put it on a barge and float it up and down the river.

Dean Mike Shires, College of Veterinary Medicine, and Dean Glen Hall, College of Agriculture, combined their knowledge about livestock and sent Marilyn a shovel to help her deal with all the "bull" about the new building.

Dean Paula Kaufman, Hodges Library, sent Marilyn old issues of Playboy so the students can read the Playboy Advisor Column and draw on it for case studies while the new building is being built. (Education goes on.)

Dean Larry Ratner, College of Liberal Arts, sent Marilyn a cap from the University of Wisconsin because things are done better there. Maybe we can learn a thing or two.

Dean Sylvia Hart, College of Nursing, gave Marilyn bandages. She is quite sure Marilyn will need them before the project is over.

Dean Herb Howard, College of Communications, sent a Santa Claus beard for Chancellor Quinn to wear when he announces the university's commitment to the new law building.

Dean Dick Wisniewski, College of Education, sent Marilyn an atlas so she could find her way between Knoxville, Morgantown and Kansas City.

Last, but not least, Bill Snyder gave Marilyn a t-shirt that said "Don't tell my mother I'm a Dean. She thinks I play piano in a whore house." On a serious note, Dean Snyder added that the University has been a far, far better place by her presence.

Carole Lynch announced the Marilyn V. Yarbrough Endowment Fund and praised Marilyn for her ability to relate to alumni and the effort and energy she brought to the College of Law. "Her contributions will last long after she's gone," said Carole. Marilyn added a fresh look and incredible enthusiasm to the job. She will be missed.

Pat Hardin presented Marilyn with a silver Revere bowl inscribed "with affection and thanks."

Fran Ansley presented the official portrait of Marilyn. She noted that it would add new dimensions to the line of portraits that now grace the walls of the Moot Court Room.

Dick Wirtz's retrospective stated that Marilyn was "born a Dean." She brought a series of distinguished figures to the law school and spread the word about the College of Law to alumni, administrators and others throughout the state and Southeast.

Marilyn's rebuttal included special thanks to all who "allowed her to be the person she is by giving her license to be herself." The College of Law has one of the finest faculties she has known and meeting our alumni has been "delightful." Marilyn stated emphatically that to the extent she was successful, it was because together, the alumni, faculty and staff made her look good.

Scott Fountain thanked Dave for putting up with us and presented him with a portrait photograph of Marilyn.
Faculty News

Visiting Faculty

Ann Barker
Visiting Associate Professor of Law

Professor Barker earned an undergraduate degree from Emory and Henry College in 1968, a Master of Public Health from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in 1975, and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1979. She will supervise the new Community Resource Clinic which is a non-litigation course designed to assist community organizations with research, legal analysis, and legislative and administrative concerns. Students will work with professional advocates in the community, thereby increasing their awareness and knowledge of complex issues faced by the organization. The clinic will give students the chance to develop skills in factual investigation, research, planning, negotiation, drafting legal documents and reports, and written and oral communication with an organizational client. Professor Barker is a board member of the Knox County Task Force Against Domestic Violence and the East Tennessee Lawyers Association for Women.

Scott J. Burnham
Visiting Professor of Law

Professor Burnham will teach commercial law and contracts. He is a Professor of Law at the University of Montana School of Law. Professor Burnham has written a book, Drafting Contracts (The Michie Company, 1987), as well as numerous articles on contracts which have appeared in such periodicals as the Montana and Santa Clara University law reviews, Journal of Legal Education, Law Review Digest, and Montana Lawyer.

Faculty Activities

Neil P. Cohen...
... is working on a supplement to Tennessee Law of Evidence, 2d ed., with Sarah Sheppards, Class of ’79.
... worked with a team of students from his Fall 1990 Evidence course to write a new rape-shield evidence rule for Tennessee. The revised draft was presented to the Tennessee Supreme Court and its Committees on Criminal and Civil Procedure. The rule was then approved with minor revisions by the Tennessee legislature and became law on July 1, 1991.

Joseph G. Cook...
... will serve as the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for the 1991-92 school year.

R. Lawrence Dessem...
... spoke in April at a continuing legal education program sponsored by the Chattanooga Bar Association on Rule 11 of the Federal and Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure.
... has been appointed as the Reporter for the Civil Justice Reform Act Advisory Group to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee. This group has been appointed pursuant to the 1990 Civil Justice Reform Act to evaluate the court’s docket and recommend ways to minimize litigation costs and delay.

Thomas D. Eische...

Robert M. Lloyd...
... will have an article, “An Agenda for Reform of the Article 9 Filing System,” with Peter Alces of William and Mary, published in a special symposium issue of the Oklahoma Law Review.
... will have an article, “Financial Covenants in Commercial Loan Documentation,” published in the Spring 1991 issue of the Tennessee Law Review.

Jerry J. Phillips...
... is working on a new products liability casebook with three co-authors.

Cheryn Picquet...
... is a contributing author to Recommended Collections for Prison and Other Institution Law Libraries, a publication of the American Association of Law Libraries Contemporary Social Problems Special Interest Section.

Glenn H. Reynolds...
... will have an article, “United States Telecommunications Trade Policy: Critique and Suggestions,” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of the Tennessee Law Review.

Barbara Stark...
... has received a Henry M. Phillips Research Grant in Jurisprudence from the American Philosophical Society.
... has had an article, “Divorce, Feminism and Psychoanalysis,” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of the UCLA Law Review.

Gregory M. Stein...
... taught an innovative Spring 1991 seminar on land acquisition and development. Students role-played a hypothetical real estate development scenario and represented different parties and characters by negotiating agreements and writing contracts during the semester long project.

James E. Thompson...
... accompanied the Commission on Civilian Casualties, a group of lawyers and doctors headquartered at Harvard Law School, on a ten day fact-finding mission to Iraq to assess the environmental damage of war. The delegation was the first to enter Iraq with the specific purpose of conducting on-site inspections of fifty bomb sites. The group also delivered two tons of medical supplies from the Commission on Human Casualties to the Iraqi Red Crescent. See “Reflections on Iraq” on page nine.

Marilyn V. Yarbrough...
... has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the newly formed Federal Defender Services of Eastern Tennessee which provides legal services to indigent defendants in the federal courts.
... was the keynote luncheon speaker at the Association of American Law Schools Workshop for New Law Teachers in Washington, D.C., in July.
Yarbrough to occupy "Million-Dollar" Chair!

Marilyn Yarbrough has accepted an offer to teach at the West Virginia University College of Law in Morgantown, West Virginia. She will occupy the William J. Maier, Jr. Chair of Law from August of 1991 until May of 1992. The Maier Chair of Law is a "Million Dollar" Chair at West Virginia and has been used to recruit outstanding legal scholars since 1983. Professor Yarbrough will teach discrimination law, sports law, professional responsibility and appellate advocacy. "I look forward to being relatively nearby next year," says Dean Yarbrough, "so that I can [also] participate ... as a member of this faculty."

"Fish n' Chips" for Grits!

From East Russia to East Tennessee

For three days in April, the GCT faculty and staff welcomed an Associate Professor of Law from Leningrad State University, Sergey M. Kazantsev, to our hallowed halls. Professor Kazantsev was on a research tour to Canada and the United States.

His stay at the University of Carleton in Ottawa provided him with scholarly materials for his research on legal systems, and his United States swing (which included stops in Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and New York, as well as Knoxville) enabled him to further inform himself concerning Western legal systems.

His research objective will be an article or book chapter which will illustrate to Russian lawyers other legal systems, emphasizing those in the West. Professor Kazantsev will combine knowledge gained through historical research and actual visits to Western law offices and universities. His research was sponsored by the Special Committee of Higher Education of the Soviet Ministry and the Organization of Canadian Colleges & Universities. John Gill of the United States Attorney's Office in Knoxville and the University of Tennessee contributed to Professor Kazantsev's trip south.

His Knoxville visit included a stop on campus to tour Hodges Library and the College of Law, and a visit to the City-County Building and Federal Courthouse. Professor Kazantsev was able to visit attorneys at the law firm of Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf, as well as at the office of the United States Attorney. Mayor Victor Ashe presented Professor Kazantsev with a proclamation and key to the city. The College of Law hosted a forum by Professor Kazantsev that was attended by both law and political science faculty on April 25.

Professor Kazantsev received his M.A. in 1977 from Leningrad State University, and is currently working on a Ph.D. in law. He has published fifteen articles concerning Soviet legal history and legal systems, and recently had a book, "The Jury System in Pre-Revolutionary Russia," published in the Soviet Union. He also presently serves as an assistant to a USSR Supreme Soviet Deputy, S.A. Taypliaev. His wife, Ellen, is a dentist, and busy mother to their two sons.

Professor Kazantsev characterized his trip as "excellent." He really liked American food, especially hamburgers. He returned in May to Ottawa where he plans to continue his studies until late August.

Reflections on Iraq

Between April 24 and May 9 of this year, Professor James E. Thompson was honored by having a chance to visit post-war Iraq. Professor Thompson was a member of a fact-finding mission organized at Harvard University consisting of ten attorneys and ten doctors. Their charge was to inspect the effect of the Gulf War on civilians and the environment. Professor Thompson and his colleagues travelled by way of Amman, Jordan to Baghdad on the 25th of April. He spent several days in Baghdad, dedicating part of his time to interviewing law professors at the University of Baghdad.

The Commission was surprised to find that, contrary to their expectations, Baghdad had not been bombed into the stone age. U.S. bombing was very selective, and if one did not know where to look for the damage, one might suppose, that there had not even been a war. However, upon finding the proper neighborhoods, the devastation was total.

While Professor Thompson was impressed with the absolute precision of the allied bombs -- selectively destroying individual buildings and leaving adjacent buildings almost undamaged -- his trip caused him to reflect on why the same energy and technological skill invested in destruction has not been invested in finding peace.

Professor Thompson is quick to note that the military is an arm of foreign policy under civilian control. He is not anti-military; in fact, he is the legal officer at the McGhee Tyson Guard Base at the airport and flew combat missions in Vietnam as an Air Force pilot. As a military person, however, he firmly believes that war should be avoided if for no other reason than the military persons' lives are at risk first. He further believes that peace should be the mission of all peoples and war should only be the result of total exhaustion of whatever means are available to find a peaceful solution.

Professor Thompson also had the opportunity to go further south. He visited Basra, which is about fifty miles north of Kuwait. Basra was much more devastated than Baghdad. Entire neighborhoods had been flattened, the sanitation system was inoperative, and safe drinking water was at a premium and problematic for the future because of the lack of chlorine to purify it.

As an environmental lawyer, Professor Thompson would have liked very much to visit Kuwait. The visit was not possible because his visa was limited to Iraq. He hopes that at some future date he will be able to get the Kuwaiti story by a personal visit and also have the opportunity to visit Israel. He believes only after these two further visits will he have a complete picture of the war, its causes and its possible future effects.
Hooding Ceremony
May 9, 1991

Attorney Fred D. Thompson was the featured speaker at the College of Law Hooding Ceremony. After earning a B.S. in 1964 from Memphis State University and a J.D. in 1967 from Vanderbilt University, he practiced general civil and criminal law in Nashville, Tennessee and Washington, D.C. He is a member of the Nashville and Tennessee Bar Associations, Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association and National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers as well as the author of several articles. Mr. Thompson served on the United States Senate Watergate Committee and acted in two movies, in one of which he portrayed himself.

First of all, congratulations to you and to all who made this evening possible—your parents, your other loved ones, those in the student loan office at the Law School. This is a wonderful ending and beginning for all of you and I think that the reason that people in the legal community are often asked to speak at these occasions is because only a fellow lawyer can truly understand what you and your family have gone through for the last three years. And now there is just that little formality of the bar examination. I am indeed honored to have been asked to be with you this evening but I am under no illusions as to why the invitation was extended. I think that you probably thought that since I have ventured off into the entertainment business a bit, I might have something entertaining to say. Maybe something very non-legal. Anything to take your mind off what you have been about day and night for the last three years. No such luck. You must understand that there is a time-honored tradition on occasions such as this for some long-winded, legal know-it-all to stand before you and tell you what you should do with your life. And having the greatest respect for legal precedent, I fully intend to carry on this long tradition here this evening. Just look at it as your reward for a job well done.

Seriously, it occurred to me that I might be able to make a contribution to these proceedings by something in the nature of a report from the field from one lawyer to his soon-to-be colleagues. My particular vantage point is that of a lawyer who practices in a two-man office in Nashville and is affiliated with a 250 lawyer firm in Washington. Not your usual situation but I like to think it gives me an interesting vantage point.

So how is the reputation of the legal profession faring these days? The answer, unfortunately, is "about the same." There are no fewer lawyer jokes. There are no fewer references to the comment of that obscure Shakespearean character in "Henry VI" who would first kill all the lawyers. A saying which is now, of course, commonly attributed to Shakespeare himself.

So one point is that of a lawyer who here this evening may have shared my mother's feelings who told me when I was growing up that there were only two things she didn't want me to become involved in—law and politics. I think I have convinced her that she was wrong about the former. I am having a little bit more trouble with the latter.

Why is the legal profession not held in higher regard? Part of it has to do with the misunderstanding of our system. Part of it has to do with the nature of the work. And part of it is because we bring it on ourselves. We have always had colleagues who bring discredit upon the rest of us. And because lawyers are involved in every facet of society, there has always been more than ample opportunity for their misdeeds. There is another category. A few years ago, after the tragic explosion in India claimed many lives and injuries, several American lawyers descended upon these victims. As one famous American trial lawyer was heard to say over his shoulder as he climbed the steps to his plane, "It ain't ambulance chasing if I get there before the ambulance does."

And there has been a new development in recent years. Nationwide, in too many cases law firms have succumbed to the desire to be "more like those around us." For several years now, in business we have been in a era of prosperity, big deals, mergers, heavy debt financing, exorbitant salaries, exorbitant fees, with a heavier and heavier emphasis on profit margin and the bottom line.

Many larger law firms have adopted these practices more and more. The national legal publications pick up on these law firm expansions, big fees, etc. Out in the country smaller firms read these publications and wonder if they are missing out. So the atmosphere permeates the entire legal community.

And because many law firms have effectively emulate business practices, and especially big business, they now have many of their same characteristics. They are more directly tied to changing economic conditions. When times are good, they hire; during economic slumps, they lay off. They suffer bankruptcies, something unheard of for law firms a few years ago. Partners and associates jump around from firm to firm to the latest highest bidding firms. Some of you parents here this evening may have shared my mother's feelings.

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the test of time. It is not neutral like a weapon that can be used for good or evil. It has a moral imperative behind it. For it to be used for a bad purpose is a perversion.

I think we are coming into a new era of appreciation for the rule of law even in the international community. We recently saw the major world powers enforce an international norm as to what was and was not acceptable behavior by another nation—unprecedented in its scope. Are there sometimes injustices in our legal system? Of course there are. Any system designed for a whole society means wholesale justice to a certain extent—justice not designed for the all of the equities of your particular factual situation. And a free society is going to produce economic disparity. And a lot of money will usually be able to buy more and better representation than a little money. However, all this means is that it is even more important as to the kind of men and women who administer the system of justice—the lawyers and judges in our society. Therefore, you shouldn't be defensive about becoming a part of this enterprise. You should be proud.

All right, you say, I see the problem and I'm sold on the system. I'm sold on the idea of being a professional and of helping redirect my profession back toward its basic purposes. So what kind of contribution can I make and can I have any fun? My opinion can be simply stated.

I believe that, as a lawyer, you can have a greater impact on people and on society than any person in any other walk of life. You are in the position to do the greatest good with regard to society as a whole and with regard to a single individual. For a person who welcomes responsibility and the chance to have an impact, there's nothing like it. You will be given great power. The most humble lawyer with the most humble client can stand between that client in the full weight of the government, the media and the community. You will be given the key to the courthouse, that great leveling place where Davids can Goliaths every day. You can serve the public in a variety of ways and have an impact upon public policy—and at a younger age than probably should be allowed—to the point where you might even be tempted to have an overly serious view of yourself. If this point arises, follow instead the example of the old good-humored bureaucrat whose offices I visited recently. He had a little plaque on the wall that said, "I personally have nothing against giving a sucker an even break but federal regulations strictly prohibit it."

You can work your way up in a major law firm and be entrusted with decisions involving the future and welfare of great companies and institutions and the transfer of great wealth (hopefully, from the other guy's client to yours and not the other way around).

It's simply a great adventure. Because of the nature of law practice, you can become deeply involved in the affairs of your community and meet more different kinds of people than you ever knew existed. You will see people at their best and at their worst. You will walk with the rich and powerful as well as the poor and helpless. And with a little God-given ability, after a while you will develop a certain wisdom about things. You will become a counselor in the truest sense of the word and people will come to you and ask you the most important question in their lives, "Here's my situation, what should I do?" And you will be able to give him some good advice, not just because you know more law than the next guy because you probably won't, but because from all of your experiences you will have an understanding as to how the world works and how people act and will react under certain circumstances. And there will be no greater feeling in the world if you are able to help.

There is one thing that you can count on for sure and that is that things will happen to you and opportunities will present themselves to you that you could have never planned or foreseen. If you are lucky (and smart), you will be a part of or help form law firms who appreciate diversity in people, as well as in life, where people will work hard and do well but where they will also do things occasionally just for the heck of it because they believe in it or because it is just plain fun, whether or not it makes economic sense.

So in summary, the report from the trenches is that it is kind of rough out there—economics, competition, image problems—but it must be obvious by now that I think that you are about to become part of something very important with great opportunities, even if it does take you a while to find your niche. And, while we're at it, let's re dedicate ourselves to trying to leave the profession in a better condition than when we entered it.

Fred Thompson (right) enjoys the Hooding reception with Associate Dean Dick Wirz and Dean Marilyn Yarbrough.
NEW PRESIDENTS CLUB MEMBERS:

Herbert S. Dodge, M.D., Rockwood
Tracy G. Edmundson, Knoxville
Dennis and Pat McClane, Knoxville
Richard and Margaret Wirtz, Knoxville

NEW HERITAGE SOCIETY MEMBER:

Baker, Worthington, Crossley,
Stansberry & Woolf, P.C.,
Johnson City, Knoxville & Nashville

The Marilyn V. Yarbrough Endowment Fund

In recognition of Dean Marilyn V. Yarbrough's exemplary leadership and commitment to the College of Law and The University of Tennessee, an endowment fund has been established at the College of Law in her honor. The annual income earned from this endowment will be designated for faculty development at the College of Law in Dean Yarbrough's name and honor.

The establishment of the Marilyn V. Yarbrough Endowment Fund was formally announced at her farewell dinner and roast on June 22. Dean Yarbrough expressed her gratitude for the thoughtfulness of all who donated and thanked them on behalf of the faculty for promising this tangible recognition of the law faculty's excellence. (For further news on the roast see pages six and seven.)

To date, gifts and pledges total more than $15,000. Individuals or firms interested in contributing to the Yarbrough Fund should contact Scott Fountain, Director of Development.

Robert A. Finley Memorial Scholarship Fund Dedicated

A portrait of the late Robert A. Finley was presented to the College of Law for permanent display in the Moot Court Room. Mr. Finley's wife, Gail S. Finley (left) presented Dean Marilyn V. Yarbrough with the portrait following the dedication ceremony for the Robert A. Finley Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund, which was hosted in June by the Knoxville law firm of Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley, P.C.

The firm, together with Mr. Finley's family, friends and clients, established the endowment fund with contributions totaling over $30,000. Interest earned on the endowment will be used to award scholarships to in-state law students on the basis of merit, need and leadership abilities.

Mr. Finley was a 1963 graduate of the College of Law and former Knoxville City Law Director. He served as president, shareholder and director of Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley until his death in November 1990.

Just for a change of pace, wouldn't it be nice to receive a check from UT?

You may not be aware that you can enter into a life income trust arrangement with The University of Tennessee and help yourself while helping the University at the same time. Let us give you an example of a recent arrangement entered into between The University of Tennessee College of Law and one of our donors. The donor, who is 65 years old, owned stock for which he paid $10,000 and which was valued at $110,000 at the time of the transaction. He was receiving dividends of 4% annually from this stock.

By creating a charitable remainder annuity trust in favor of The University of Tennessee, the donor received the following benefits:

(1) The donor received a tax deduction of $40,965, which can be deducted currently in an amount up to 30% of his adjusted gross income; any excess may be carried forward for as many as five years.

(2) The donor avoided capital gains tax of $28,000.

(3) The donor now receives a yearly annuity payment of 8.5% or $9,350, as opposed to the $4,400 amount which he had previously received based on his 4% dividend payment.

(4) The value of the assets conveyed in this trust arrangement will not be subject to estate or inheritance taxes when the donor dies.

(5) The donor has created a very significant gift to The University of Tennessee College of Law in honor of his parents in perpetuity.

For more information about charitable trusts, please contact Scott Fountain, Director of Development, The University of Tennessee College of Law, 1505 West Cumberland Avenue 37996-1800 or call 615/974-6691.
It's Not Too Late To Reserve A Fall On-campus Interviewing Date

If you're not certain your hiring partner or legal department has made a reservation for your on-campus recruiting date for Fall, check the list below which was up to date at press time. On-campus interviewing dates run from September 13 through November 26. Please make your reservation a minimum of three weeks, preferably four, before you wish to come on campus, to allow time for resume collection and the pre-screening option. Call Career Services at 615/974-4348.

Alston & Bird (Atlanta)
Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf (Johnson City, Knoxville & Nashville)
Bass, Berry & Sims (Nashville & Knoxville)
Boult, Cummings, Connors & Berry (Nashville)
Burch, Porter & Johnson (Memphis)
Chambliss & Bahner (Chattanooga)
Cornelius & Collins (Nashville)
Dearborn & Ewing (Nashville)
Farris, Warfield & Kanaday (Nashville)
Gearheiser, Peters & Horton (Chattanooga)
Glankler, Brown, Gilliland, Chase, Robinson & Raines (Memphis)
Grant, Konvalinka & Grubbs (Chattanooga)
Harwell, Martin & Stegall (Nashville)
Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch (Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga & Knoxville)
Hill, Boren, Drew & Martindale (Jackson)
Hunter, Smith & Davis (Kingsport)
Hunton & Williams (Richmond, Fairfax, Raleigh & Knoxville)
Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley (Knoxville)
Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy (Frankfort)
King & Baldow (Nashville)
Kullman, Inman, Bee & Downing (New Orleans)
Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop (Knoxville)
Luther, Anderson, Cleary & Ruth (Chattanooga)
Manier, Herod, Hollabaugh & Smith (Nashville)
McCaw & Young (Knoxville)
McDonnell Boyd (Memphis)
Miller & Martin (Chattanooga)
Moore, Stout, Waddell & Ledford (Kingsport)
Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart (Atlanta, Nashville & Columbus)
Penn, Stuart, Eskridge & Jones (Abingdon)
Shumacker & Thompson (Chattanooga)
Sirote & Permutt (Birmingham)
Spears, Moore, Rebman & Williams (Chattanooga)
Strang, Fletcher, Carriger, Walker, Hodge & Smith (Chattanooga)
Swift, Currie & Hancock (Atlanta)
Smith, Currie, McGhee & Hiers (Atlanta)
Tennessee State Attorney General's Office (Nashville)
Thomason, Hendrix, Harvey, Johnson, Mitchell, Blanchard & Adams (Memphis)
Vinson & Elkins (Houston)
Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis (Nashville)
Witt, Gaither & Whitaker (Chattanooga)
Woods, Rogers & Hazlegrove (Roanoke)

It can not be said that Joann Gillespie, Director of Career Services, is not doing everything possible to help law students and alumni find jobs! Her personalized Tennessee license plate says it all.

From

LAWYERS OF THE FUTURE
To a STUDENT GUIDE
To TENNESSEE
LEGAL EMPLOYERS

It’s Lawyers of the Future season at Tennessee. By mid-August, each law firm and legal department in the state should receive a copy of the student picturebook featuring background information on the Classes of 1992 and 1993. Included with this 1991 edition will be a survey form which each recipient will be requested to complete and return immediately for use in a directory to be entitled Law Student’s Guide to Tennessee Legal Employers.

Information requested will include number of partners and associates, major practice areas, hiring plans for 1991-92, and the name of the hiring contact. The completed Guide, to be updated annually, should become one of Career Services’ most widely-used resources on options available within Tennessee where 75 to 80 percent of each class chooses to practice.

If your Tennessee firm or legal department has not received a copy of Lawyers of the Future with survey questionnaire by late August, please notify Career Services at 615/974-4348.

Betty Lett Retires

Betty Lett, Career Services Assistant since June 1987, retired August 1. Ms. Lett, well-known to many East Tennessee attorneys, served as a deputy clerk in Knox County Sessions Court before joining the law school staff as a faculty secretary. Ms. Lett’s decision to leave came six months after her husband’s retirement from Martin Marietta. Her departure is lamented by her many friends at the College and among the alumni.
Class of '43
HON. C. HOWARD BOZEMAN of Knoxville served as chair of the Class Bequest Committee for UT Golden Grads this past year. He presented the class bequest at their reunion in May in Knoxville.

Class of '49
HON. HOWARD H. BAKER of Huntsville chaired a trade conference at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville in April. Ambassadors from Europe and the United States, the United States Commerce Secretary and executives of major corporations participated in the conference, which focused on promoting and protecting United States business interests in international markets.

Class of '54
JOHN H. WARD of Knoxville was listed among the notable Knoxvillians to be included in the “Knoxville 200 Years of Bicentennial Birthdays” calendar, showing the variety of excellence achieved by people born in Knoxville or who made Knoxville their home. (See the Spring '91 issue of Headnotes for more on John.)

Class of '55
JAMES F. SMITH, JR. of Knoxville has been named head of the First American Corporation, which will entail serving as chairman, chief executive officer and president of First American Bank. He also serves on the boards of the Knoxville Museum of Art, Knoxville Symphony, Webb School, Pilot Oil Corporation, and Plasti-Line Corporation.

Class of '58
E. BRUCE FOSTER, JR. of Knoxville has been named to Leadership Knoxville, Class of '92. Leadership Knoxville works to strengthen the knowledge and understanding of the community among the current and emerging leaders and to prepare these leaders for the challenges ahead through education and the exchange of ideas and opinions.

Class of '62
H. GENE BELL of Knoxville has relocated his law firm to Suite 700 of the Grand Union Building, 406 Union Avenue.

Class of '64
JAMES L. CLAYTON of Knoxville was honored in March by the Tennessee General Assembly, which passed a resolution commending him for contributions to the community and his receipt of the 1991 Horatio Alger Award. He is chairman, president and chief executive officer of Clayton Homes, Inc. Jim was inducted into the Junior Achievement of East Tennessee Business Hall of Fame in May for his leadership in business and industry. He was also listed among the notable Knoxvillians to be included in the "Knoxville 200 Years of Bicentennial Birthdays" calendar.

RICHARD L. HOLLOW of Knoxville has joined the law firm of Watson & Reeves, which will now be known as Watson, Hollow & Reeves. He will concentrate his practice on product liability and First Amendment law.

WILLIAM H. ORTWEIN of Chattanooga and W. Gerald Tidwell, Jr., Class of '82, have gone into partnership and formed Ortwein & Tidwell, P.C. with offices at 723 McCallie Avenue.

Class of '65
LOWRY F. KLINE of Chattanooga will serve as an East Tennessee trustee for the Tennessee Bar Foundation for 1990-91. He is a partner with Miller & Martin.

Class of '66
ROBERT W. KNOLTON of Knoxville has joined with Robert A. McNees III, Class of '66, Christopher H. Hayes, Class of '86, and Carol A. Humphrey, Class of '86, to form McNees, Knolton & Hayes. The firm is located at 677-C Emory Park on Emory Valley Road in Oak Ridge. Their mailing address is P.O. Box 3297, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831-3297. The telephone number is 615/453-4326. Prior to the formation of this new firm, he was with the Knoxville law firm of Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop.

ROBERT A. MCNEES III of Oak Ridge has joined with Robert W. Knolton, Class of '66, Christopher H. Hayes, Class of '86, and Carol A. Humphrey, Class of '86, to form McNees, Knolton & Hayes. Prior to the formation of this new firm, he had been practicing in Oak Ridge.

JAMES K. GIFFEN of Knoxville has been named to Leadership Knoxville, Class of '92.

Class of '69
JON G. ROACH of Knoxville has been named the Distinguished Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis International.

Class of '74
DENNIS B. FRANCIS of Knoxville has been named to the Knox County Election Commission.

PHILLIP M. KANANN of Oak Ridge has been designated a "Practicing Fellow of the College of Law." For the past three years he has assisted Professor Carl Pierce in teaching a course in government contracts. Phillip is the Assistant General Counsel at Martin Marietta.

JAMES H. LONDON of Knoxville is included in the 1991 edition of Who's Who in Tennessee due to his professional achievements and service in the field of law. He lectures on medical malpractice as part of the University of Tennessee's continuing medical education program and is a partner in the law firm of Higgin, London & Montgomery.

JOHN B. PHILLIPS, JR. of Chattanooga has become a partner in the law firm of Miller & Martin. He was formerly with Caldwell, Heggie & Helton. His new address is 1000 Volunteer Building, 832 Georgia Avenue, 37402-2289. His telephone number is 615/756-6600. John also recently participated in a panel discussion on affirmative action at The University of Tennessee, Chattanooga. The panel included Dean Marilyn Yarbrough.

Class of '75
PAUL CAMPBELL III of Chattanooga has assumed the office of president-elect of the Tennessee Bar Association. He is a partner in the law firm of Campbell & Hagin.

ROBERT H. GREEN of Knoxville became a member of the law firm of Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley, P.C.

Class of '81
J. THOMAS JONES of Knoxville was listed among the notable Knoxvillians to 200 Years of Bicentennial Birthdays” calendar. He is chairman of the Bicentennial Neighborhoods Committee for Knoxville's Bicentennial. He has been named to Leadership Knoxville.

CAROLYN JOURDAN of Knoxville has formed her own consulting firm with offices in Knoxville and Washington, D.C. She assists environmental and energy organizations with strategic planning.

IMOGENE A. KING of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Frantz, McConnell & Seymour.

DONNA R. DAVIS of Knoxville has been installed as president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association (TTLA) during the organization's 1991 Annual Convention in Memphis in June. Davis’ presidency marks the first time in Tennessee history that a woman has been elected by her peers to serve as the president of a major statewide bar association. She is a partner in the law firm of Grant, Konvalinka & Grubbs, P.C.

Class of '82
JUDY P. MCCARTHY of Knoxville has joined the law firm of Lockridge & Beckham, P.C.

W. GERALD TIDWELL, JR. of Chattanooga and William H. Ortwein, Class of '64, have gone into partnership and formed Ortwein & Tidwell, P.C. with offices at 723 McCallie Avenue.

Class of '83

HON. THOMAS R. FRIERSON II of Morristown was elected General Sessions Judge of Hamblen County on September 1, 1990.

JAMES W. PARIS of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of...
Bernstein, Stair & McAdams.

Class of '84
ELAINE B. WINER of Chattanooga has been made a partner in the law firm of Luther, Anderson, Cleary & Ruth, P.C.

Class of '85
RONALD J. ATTANASIO of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Morrison, Tyree & Dunn, P.A.

REBECCA B. MURRAY of Knoxville has become a member of the law firm of Kennedy, Montgomery & Finley, P.C.

Class of '86
CHRISTOPHER H. HAYES of Knoxville has joined with Robert A. McNees III, Class of '66, Robert W. Knolton, Class of '66, and Carol A. Humphrey, Class of '86, to form McNees, Knolton & Hayes. He had been practicing with the Knoxville law firm of Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop prior to the formation of this new firm.

CAROL A. HUMPHREY of Oak Ridge has joined with Robert A. McNees III, Class of '66, Robert W. Knolton, Class of '95, and Christopher H. Hayes, Class of '86, to form McNees, Knolton & Hayes. She had been practicing in Oak Ridge prior to the formation of the firm.

ROBBIE L. MCLEAN of Knoxville and Allen E. Schwartz, Class of '69, have opened a second office in Chattanooga.

DOUGLAS J. TOPPENBERG of Knoxville and his wife, J. Elaine Burke, Class of '67, have formed the law firm of Toppenberg & Burke. Their offices are located in Riverview Tower. Doug and Elaine are also the proud parents of daughter, Lauren, who is eighteen months old.

Class of '87
BRIAN M. HOUSE of Chattanooga recently became licensed to practice law in the state of Georgia by passing the Georgia Bar Exam. He is associated with the law firm of Duncan & Mosley, P.C.

JOHN M. LAWHORN of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Frantz, McConnell & Seymour.

Class of '88
ROLAND E. COWDEN of Knoxville and his wife, Donna, are the proud parents of daughters Tabitha, who is nine months old, and Samantha, who is nine years old.

REX A. DALE of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Kennedy, Montgomery & Finley, P.C.

DR. LAURENCE R. DRY of Oak Ridge has opened a second office in Knoxville. The new office is located at 709 South Concord Street. The telephone number is 615/546-6688. The law firm of Dry & Associates practices health-related law, with an emphasis on medical malpractice, products liability, personal injury and worker's compensation. Larry is a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons and is board certified by the American Board of Surgery. He has twenty years of experience as a general and vascular surgeon.

E. JEROME MELSON of Knoxville has joined the law firm of Watson, Hollow & Reeves. He was formerly with McCampbell & Young.

GREGORY M. REED of Kingsport and his wife, Lisa, announce the birth of their first child, Franklin Logan Reed, on March 8, 1991. Greg is associated with the law firm of Wilson, Worley, Gamble & Ward, P.C.

Class of '89
BRADLEY H. HODGE of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Gentry, Tipton, Kizer & Little. He completed a clerkship with the Honorable John Y. Powers, Magistrate, United States District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee, in August, 1990. Brad and his wife, Terri, are the proud parents of Daniel Hurshel Hodge who was a year old on July 29.

MELVIN J. MALONE of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch in their Knoxville office.

F. SCOTT MILLIGAN of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Frantz, McConnell & Seymour.

Class of '90
VANCE CHERK, JR. of Johnson City has recently become associated with the law firm of Myers and Associates and is concentrating on corporate law.

TIM E. IRWIN of Knoxville continues to work in the community as a spokesperson against drugs and alcohol. He appeared on a local television program in March and talked with viewers who called in with questions. Tim also still crunches quarterbacks and other opposing team members as a Minnesota Viking during football season.

THOMAS M. LEVEILLE of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch in their Knoxville office.

J. ROSSON PEPPER, JR. of Chattanooga has become associated with the law firm of Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch in their Chattanooga office.

LARS E. SCHULLER of Knoxville has become associated with the Oak Ridge law firm of Joyce, Meredith & Flitcroft and will work in the firm's real estate department.

VIRGINIA A. SCHWAMM of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Bernstein, Stair & McAdams.

ANNE K. YATTEAU of Knoxville has become associated with the law firm of Kennedy, Montgomery & Finley, P.C.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Class of '51
JAMES A. STANKWYCH of Murfreesboro has retired from State Farm Insurance Company after thirty-six years. Prior to his retirement, he was a division claim superintendent.

Class of '72
HON. C.K. SMITH of Hartsville was elected Chancellor of the 15th Judicial District which covers Macon, Smith, Wilson, Jackson and Trousdale counties.

Class of '74
JAMES W. HOFSTETTER, JR. of Nashville has become associated with the law firm of Williams & Smith. He had previously worked in the legal department of the Third National Bank.

Class of '76
JONES W. LUNA of Nashville is working for the State of Tennessee as Commissioner of the Department of Conservation. He had previously served as Commissioner of Tennessee's Department of Health and Environment.

Class of '79
DEVEREAUX D. CANNON, JR. of Nashville has been named assistant vice president and associate title counsel for the Title Insurance Company of Minnesota. From his office in Nashville, he will handle underwriting and claims and provide legal assistance for the agency in Tennessee.

Class of '82
PATRICK T. MCNALLY of Nashville joined the law firm of Hollins Wagster & Yarbrough, P.C. in May. He previously worked in the Nashville Public Defender's Office and is well known for his work with indigent persons.

Class of '85
DEB T. PHILLIPS of Brentwood and her husband, Tim Phillips, Class of '87, are pleased to announce the birth of daughter, Hannah Victoria, on April 30, 1991.

Class of '87
TIMOTHY C. PHILLIPS of Brentwood has opened a solo law practice at Suite 220, 320 Main Street, Franklin, Tennessee 37064. Since he's the boss, he can spend plenty of time with daughter, Hannah.

MICHAEL W. SHERIDAN of Nashville has been elected secretary of the Davidson County Republican Party at its March biennial convention. He was also appointed legal counsel to the local party. Mike is associated with the law firm of Stokes & Bartholomew, P.A. and is a member of the Tennessee and Nashville Bar Associations.

Class of '88
DR. LEONARD MADU of Nashville has been a busy speaker. He has presented (Continued on Page Sixteen)
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Client Security. Payments into this fund are made by practicing attorneys. The Board will begin to hear claims by clients who have lost personal funds due to attorney malfeasance this year.

Class of ’83
WESLEY A. CLAYTON of Jackson has become a partner in the law firm of Waldrop, Breen, Bryant, Cree, Taylor & McLeary. See Catherine’s news below.

Class of ’84
CATHERINE B. CLAYTON of Jackson and her husband, Wesley A. Clayton, Class of ’83, are the proud parents of three children. Sarah Catherine will be a year old in November; Nancy is almost two years old; and Matthew is four years of age. Catherine is associated with the law firm of Spragins, Barnett, Guy, Cobb & Butler.

Class of ’85
STUART A. WILSON of Memphis is serving a second term on the Board of Directors of the Memphis Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division. He practices insurance defense law with the firm of Wilson, McRae, Ivy, Sevier, Washington is practicing business litigation and antitrust law with the law firm of Levin, Rosenstien & Kudon, P.C. He and his wife, Angie, have three children. Oldest son, Jeremy, is a sophomore at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; daughter, Carly, will enter Colgate University this fall; and Brian, a high school sophomore, just got his driver’s license and may attend UT.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Class of ’70
H. KENNETH KUDON of Washington is practicing business litigation and antitrust law with the law firm of Levin, Rosenstien & Kudon, P.C. He and his wife, Angie, have three children. Oldest son, Jeremy, is a sophomore at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; daughter, Carly, will enter Colgate University this fall; and Brian, a high school sophomore, just got his driver’s license and may attend UT.

Class of ’86
ALEXANDER SAHAROVICH of Memphis has formed the law firm of Nahon & Saharovich. The address is: 2518 Clark Tower, 5100 Poplar Avenue, 38137. The telephone number is 901/761-1435. The firm concentrates in litigation and banking creditor law. Alex married Debra Orgel on March 24.

Class of ’90
R. ALAN PRITCHARD, JR. of Memphis has become associated with the law firm of Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch in their Memphis office.

GEORGIA

Class of ’87
SUSAN B. DEVITT of Atlanta has moved to the downtown offices of Alston & Bird to concentrate on medical malpractice defense and family law. Susan and her husband, Dr. Michael C. McLarnon, are the proud parents of Alexander Devitt McLarnon, who will be a year old in August.

Class of ’90
LAURA A. SHAW of Atlanta has become associated with the law firm of Neely & Player, P.C.

INDIANA

Class of ’85
HOLLY R. BANET LYONS of Indianapolis is associated with the law firm of Brown & Poynter, P.C. Holly is also the proud mother of son, Nicholas Joseph, who was born on February 3, 1991, and daughter, Katie, who is two.

LOUISIANA

Class of ’85
FLOYD H. CULP of Monroe has retired from State Farm Insurance after 31 years of service. He was the Division Manager for the Arkansas Automobile Division.

NEW JERSEY

Class of ’83
MICHAEL G. MESKIN of Roselle has recently diversified his services by forming a title insurance agency. For the past five years, he has worked in his title company, MGM Land Title Abstract, Inc., in the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

NEW YORK

Class of ’83
TIMOTHY W. GRESHAM of Abingdon was made a shareholder and principal in the law firm of Poynter, Poynter, Hook & Whitmer.

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Class of ’79
JENNIFER L. DAVIS of the Judge Advocate General’s Office, has been named Chairman of the Advocates Office.

Class of ’83
HON. LEE E. HAWORTH of the Judge Advocate General’s Office, has been named Chairman of the Advocates Office.

Class of ’83
PHILIP C. BAXA of Richmond was made a partner in the law firm of Mays & Valentine on January 1, 1991. Phil and his wife, Jay, are the proud parents of their second daughter, Kathleen Darby, who was born on March 24, 1991.

WASHINGDON

Class of ’83

ENGLAND

Class of ’83
WAYNE E. DILLINGHAM has finished a four-year tour of duty at the Air Force Academy in Colorado. (See the Spring ’91 issue of Headnotes for more on Wayne.) Major Dillingham is now serving as the Staff Judge Advocate at RAF Chicksands in England.

College of Law Reunions

Plans are under way for the reunions of classes 1951, 1961, 1971 and 1981. Members of these classes should reserve November 1 and 2 for their reunion and the College of Law’s annual homecoming. Class members as well as their guests are cordially invited to attend all of the other University of Tennessee homecoming events.

November 1, 1991 - 6:30 p.m. - Reunions at Hyatt
November 2, 1991 - College of Law Annual Barbecue
Two hours before kickoff - All alumni invited
UTv. Memphis State

The College of Law reunions will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, November 1, at the Hyatt, 500 East Hill Avenue, Knoxville. A block of sleeping rooms will be available for $99 (single/double occupancy) a night for the homecoming weekend. Please make your own reservations by calling the Hyatt at 615/637-1234 before October 1, 1991 and telling them you are with the University of Tennessee.

Gene Joyce will serve as the host for the Class of ’51 in the Jackson Room. John Water will serve as the host for the Class of ’61 Reunion in the York Room. Hosts are needed for the Class of ’71. Robyn Askew, Celeste Herbert, Imogene King and Joe Reed will serve as the hosts for the Class of ’81 Reunion in the Knox Room.

Invitations will be mailed to each class member in October. For further information, call the College of Law Alumni Office at 615/974-6691.
Alumni Address Change and News

If your address or job status has changed or will soon change, please let us know.

Name:_________________________________  Year of Graduation:_____
Firm Name/Organization:_________________
Address:________________________________________
City/State/Zip: ____________________________
Phone: ____________________________________
This is my:  □ Office Address  □ Home Address
Is this a change of address?  □ Yes  □ No
If yes, please list your former address:
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Please send your information to: Alumni Office, UT College of Law
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Knoxville, TN 37996-1800

Our phone number is 615/974-6691. Please call if you have any questions.

News:

August 19-20: Registration for Fall Semester
August 19-23: Orientation and Introductory Period for First-Year Law Students
August 21: Classes Begin for Second- and Third-Year Law Students
September 2: Labor Day (No classes)
September 13: On-Campus Interviewing Begins
October 11: Fall Break (No classes)
November 1: Reunions for Classes '51, '61, '71 & '81
November 2: Alumni Advisory Council/Dean's Circle Meeting
Homecoming Barbecue
November 26: On-Campus Interviewing Ends
November 27: Classes End
November 28-29: Thanksgiving Break (No classes)
December 3-13: Examination Period

College of Law Calendar

GCT Hosts Mock Trials

The College of Law and the Knoxville Barristers cosponsored the Knoxville Area Mock Trial Competition in March. Powell High School was the area winner, with Karns High School finishing second. The teams played both plaintiff and defendant for this year's competition, which concerned sexual harassment. The Honorable Randall E. Nichols, Knox County Criminal Court and Class of '73, served as presiding judge for the championship round.

Kelly S. Atkins, Class of '88, now associated with Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop, and Kelli L. Thompson, Class of '89, now associated with Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf, served as coordinators for the Barristers. Sybil Richards, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, and Pat Hurd, of the Alumni Affairs Office, served as coordinators for the College of Law.

The Tennessee Young Lawyers Conference sponsored the event statewide. The Powell High School team concluded the four rounds of the state with a 3-1 record and an eighth place finish. A total of 21 teams from across the state took part in the competition in Nashville in April.

Powell High School was coached by T. Holland McKinnie, a second-year law student from Bolivar, and Todd J. Moore, a second-year law student from Goodlettsville. Peter D. Van de Vate, Class of '88, now associated with Poore, Cox, Baker, Ray & Byrne, served as the attorney advisor. Professor Larry Dessem, Lewis S. Howard, Class of '53, and Knoxville attorney Charles Van Beke served as scorers for the Knoxville competition.

IN MEMORIAM

David G. Ballard '62
Maryville
Alfred Frazier '30
Knoxville
William E. Guilian '51
West Palm Beach, Florida
Ralph A. McCroskey '54
Atlanta, Georgia
William P. O'Neil '27
Princeton, New Jersey
Larry C. Stephens '81
Houston, Texas

The Knoxville Area Mock Trial Championship Round
March 11, 1991

Judge Nichols Deliberates
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