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April 2
"Class of '91 Composite" make-up day for photos - 1:30-3:00 p.m. in the Career Services office

April 3
"The Gay Family: Legal Strategies for the 1990s" - Speaker Ruth Colker, C.J. Morrow Professor of Law at Tulane Law School - 11:00 a.m. - Moot Court room - Presented by the Committee for Distinguished Faculty, Law Women and B.L.S.A.

April 4
The First Amendment Under Pressure - Two lectures by Judith F. Krug, the Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association
** "School Book Censorship: A Threat to the First Amendment" - 10:00 a.m. - Hodges Library auditorium
** "Racially Insensitive Speech on Campuses vs. Freedom of Expression" - 2:00 p.m. - Moot Court room
Presented by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Constitution Bicentennial Committee and Hodges Library.

April 5
Lawyers of the Future biographical data due in Career Services

April 7
Spring ahead! Another hour of daylight
April 8-12
Law Week!

April 25-26
Association of American Law Schools Accreditation Committee Meeting, Washington, DC

April 26
Classes end

April 26-27
American Bar Association Task Force on Law Schools and the Profession: Narrowing the Gap, New York City, New York

April 30 - May 9
Examination period

Upcoming Events
Hooding: May 9
Commencement: May 10
Summer Term Registration: May 21
Summer Term Begins: May 22

You should know...

Anita Ealy, Word Processing Specialist and Development Secretary, has accepted a position with the Knoxville law firm of Morrison, Morrison, Tyree and Dunn. She will begin her new position April 1. Good luck, Anita! Thank you for your years of service; the GCT family will miss you.

Steve Crump, a first-year law student, has been elected president of the Graduate Student Association. Two other first-year law students, Kevin Townsel and Sandy Brown, were elected as law representatives to the GSA. Congratulations, Steve, Kevin and Sandy!

Two members of the Class of '92 have already accepted federal judicial clerkships for the summer of 1992. C. Mark Pickrell will be clerking for Judge Boyce Martin of the Sixth Circuit in Kentucky, and Richard L. Gaines will be clerking for Judge Emory Widener of the Fourth Circuit in Abingdon, Virginia. Congratulations, Mark and Richard!

Micki Fox has received kudos for her performance in UT's production of "The Marriage of Bette and Boo." The Daily Beacon review indicates, "Just as the mother is often the dominant figure in a family, so were the two mothers ... in the production. Micki Fox ... took command of this production with aggressive, energetic acting." The Knoxville Journal says, "Fox makes a strong impression" as the relatively sane mother.

Carla Ainsworth, Webb School senior and daughter of Dean Yarbrough, was honored at The Knoxville News-Sentinel's Academic Achievers Banquet last month.

Jackie Thomas will be working in the External Affairs Office, Suite 14, as a temporary secretary as Pat Hurd assists in the Dean's Office temporarily. Thank you Pat and Jackie for keeping GCT running smoothly.

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****VOICES FROM THE LEGAL CLINIC****

WHY TAKE CLINIC?
by Jerry Black, Acting Director

As registration nears some of you may be asking "should I take Civil or Criminal Advocacy"?

If you came to law school for the same reasons that I did, albeit twenty-five years ago, you came to represent real people with real problems. You wanted to be a problem solver, to be someone who helped people negotiate their way through the legal mazes they encounter. Some of those mazes involve untangling the legal terminology of the consumer contracts and landlord-tenant leases people have entered, extricating themselves from unbearable marriages, or winding through the civil and criminal justice systems with as little wear and tear to one's psyche as possible. I viewed and still view the legal profession as a helping/problem solving profession. The Legal Clinic is a place where you can personally experience the rewards and frustrations which accompany representing people through legal difficulties.

A recent American Bar Association survey finds that job dissatisfaction among lawyers is extremely high; I find this disturbing. One lawyer stated the law was more of a profession when he started and that "people did not expect to make big bucks so much as they expected a kind of way of life and practice." I think we have gotten away from the idea that we as lawyers are here to help people. The profession has gotten lost in the business world. Bigger is better. After graduation you may find yourself in a practice where you are expected to bill 2000 to 2200 hours per year. The business end of the practice may be what steers your career. However, prior to getting there you can try a different practice. You can experience the satisfactions and the frustrations of assisting clients through the mazes they find themselves in when they decide to come to the Legal Clinic. This "real" experience can provide you with a reference point to gauge the practice you enter into after graduation and a means to test job satisfaction after you leave law school in a way, had you not participated in the Clinic, you could not have. The experiences received in the Legal Clinic may refine or alter your career choice.

Clerking for a law firm undoubtedly gives some indication of the kind of practice pursued by the lawyers who employ you. What it doesn't give you is the responsibility for making the critical choices that must be made in consultation with one's client as you, the lawyer, guide your client through the legal process. That is what the Clinic experience provides.

The assumption of the responsibility for the representation of real clients, with real problems, gives you information while you are still in law school about the kind of law that you may want to practice and a way to evaluate your job satisfaction after you leave law school. I hope that our graduates do not regret their respective decisions to become lawyers. I know I get a charge out of helping students help clients with the clients' legal difficulties.

As you consider your schedule for next year, we at the Clinic would welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you might have. Additionally, one day during Law Week a table of Clinic student attorneys will be available to tell you what "really happens in the Legal Clinic."

Law Week - April 8-12
A Time to Celebrate!

The "Let's Go For It" Section for Law Students

(1) The National Rifle Association of America, through its Grants-in-Aid Program, grants financial assistance to qualified scholars for research related to the shooting sports. The grant is for one year and can be for up to $5000. Applications are available in the Records Office. Deadline: June 1, 1991 (for the next academic year).


(3) The Eastern Mineral Law Foundation is sponsoring its Annual Legal Writing Competition. Any topic pertaining to the mineral or natural resources area which participant deems appropriate to submit is acceptable. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners. Deadline: April 25, 1991.

For further information, see the contest bulletin board or Mary Jo Hoover.

Evidence Moot Court Team
Places Third in Nation

The Jerome Prince Evidence Moot Court Competition was held at Brooklyn Law School, March 15-17. The UT team defeated Wayne State and Albany Law Schools in the preliminary rounds; Seton Hall Law School in the octofinal round; and Brooklyn Law School in the quarterfinal round. The UT team then lost a very close match to New York University in the semifinal round which resulted in a third place finish.

"The team worked very hard to prepare," said team advisor Professor Cohen, "and they preformed extraordinarily well." The Evidence Moot Court team members are Pamela J. Byrd, a third-year law student from Knoxville, David K. Overstreet, a third-year law student from Mt. Vernon, Illinois, and Kenneth A. Weber, a third-year law student from Murfreesboro.
Four College of Law Students Attend the
4th Annual Robert M. Cover Memorial Public Interest Retreat

For the past three years the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT) and several law schools have sponsored a public interest law conference named in memory of Professor Robert M. Cover. The goal of the conference is to bring together students, professors and practitioners from around the country to discuss the practice and purpose of public interest law in an informal and supportive setting. On March 8-10, University of Tennessee College of Law students Wanda Adams, Michael Keyton, Brian Quarles and Cassandra Washington attended the 4th Annual Robert M. Cover Memorial Public Interest Retreat held at Camp Sergeant in Peterborough, New Hampshire. Thanks to the generosity of several faculty members, the University of Tennessee College of Law was well represented by four second-year law students.

The theme of this year's retreat was "Breaking Down the Barriers: Minorities in Public Interest Law." The retreat was attended by more than 150 minority students, practitioners and professors from around the nation. The Legal Director of the ACLU, John Powell [no caps] delivered an inspirational address pointing out the realities of public interest legal practice. Informative workshops addressed topics such as "Poverty, Race and the Environment," "How to Write Grant Proposals for Public Interest Projects," and "Discrimination in Public Interest Law."

When asked what they thought of the retreat, the students had the following comments. "I found the retreat to be an invaluable experience. I was overwhelmed at being surrounded by such a wealth of experience, wisdom and sensitivity for those in need. It was refreshing to get away from the competitiveness that the law school environment encourages and to be among those with a sincere social consciousness," said Wanda Adams.

Michael Keyton stated, "As expected, the trip to Boston's Sergeant Camp was rewarding to say the least. Prior to going, however, I knew very little about public interest law. Therefore, I was greatly moved to meet and get to know lawyers who are committed solely to serving poor clients. In public interest law, client contact and the rewards of seeing the direct effects of one's efforts on another person's life are unmatched by any other field of law. Particularly, however, I was most impressed with its commitment to breaking down patterns of housing discrimination based on race. Being a Mississippian, I feel that housing discrimination finally has the chance to receive the attention that it rightfully deserves."

Brian Quarles also found the conference rewarding. "I discovered there were many more areas of public interest law than I was aware. I also realized that being placed in these positions is no easy task. It is very competitive to be placed in such low paying jobs. The compensation is more from a feeling within your heart than a big salary on your paycheck."

"IT WAS COLD!!" Cassandra Washington said laughing. "But the weather could not compete with the compassionate warmth felt with new found friends when building fires in our wood burning stoves and with debating issues and concerns of public interest law. I think we all realize there is enough work for everyone, but in doing the work, we must know the people we are serving. One message to all at the conference was to take the time to know the minority students (i.e., people of color and women) at your school. Then we will understand one another better and really break down the barriers in all aspects of law.

(Editor's note: Special thanks to Cassandra Washington for her efforts in writing this article!)

**Faculty Activities**

Fran Ansley...
- has received a research grant from the Fund for Labor Relations Studies.
- was quoted in the Vermont Law Review, Volume 15, page 125, "On doing the right thing: Education work in the Academy."

Larry Dessem...
- served as a scoring judge for the final round of the 1991 Knox County Tennessee High School Mock Trial Competition on March 11.
- presented a CLE program on Rule 11 of the Federal and Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure. The program was sponsored by the Chattanooga Bar Association.

Bob Lloyd...
- coauthored an article, "An Agenda for Reform of the Article 9 Filing System," with Peter Alces of William and Mary. It will be 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.

Barbara Stark...
- has received a research grant from the American Council of Learned Societies.

Jim Thompson...
- was featured in a Knoxville Journal article, March 1, about "investigating trying Saddam Hussein for war crimes." Professor Thompson highlighted the environmental crimes.

Marilyn Yarbrough...
- served as the moderator for a panel discussion on the current issues of affirmative action and discrimination at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, February 26.
- made the pages of the February issue of Black Issues in Higher Education with her resignation news.

**Freedom Has A Name - The Bill Of Rights Law Day U.S.A. - May 1**
Faculty Promotions and Tenure Candidacies, 1991-92

Next fall the College of Law faculty plans to consider Associate Professor Larry Dessem and Associate Professor Thomas Eisele for promotion to full professor, and Associate Professor Fran Ansley and Associate Professor Tom Davies for tenure. Law students may now provide promotion committees with comments about teaching abilities, scholarship, service, or any other matters that might be relevant in promotion and tenure deliberations on each candidate.

Professor Dessem's promotion committee includes Professors Fred Le Clercq, Bob Lloyd, and Dean Rivkin. Professor Eisele's committee includes Professors Amy Hess, Joseph King, and Jerry Phillips. The tenure committee for Professor Ansley is Professors Jerry Black, Pat Hardin and Durward Jones. Professor Davies' tenure committee is Professors Neil Cohen, Carl Pierce, and John Sobieski. Law students are encouraged to submit written comments to committee members or to the Dean's Office. Comments may be made anonymously so please feel free to participate in this administrative process.

1991-92 Tennessee Law Review staff announced
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1991-92 B.L.S.A. Officers Elected
President - Cassandra Washington
Vice-president - Wanda Adams
Secretary - Cathy Hill
Treasurer - Wilfred Nwauwa
Parliamentarian - Metesa Collins

TAYLOR TRIVIA: Name the third-year law student who is a wife, mother, captain in the United States Army and taking clinic this semester? Answer to last month's Taylor Trivia: The Forum became a part of the GCT culture on May 9, 1979 (as far as the official archives can prove). This issue of the law student newspaper covered such events as law week, club activities, bar information, party plans, law school sports, and "The rules for permitting beverages in the law library."

Law Week 1991

Tuesday, April 9
2:00 p.m. Ray H. Jenkins Trial Competition - Moot Court room - The Honorable John Y. Powers, United States Magistrate for the Eastern District of Tennessee, presiding. A reception in the Faculty Lounge for participants and guests will immediately follow the competition.

Thursday, April 11
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Awards Banquet - Holiday Inn-World's Fair

Friday, April 12
Noon - Moot Court Board luncheon
2:00 p.m. - Advocates' Prize Moot Court Competition - Moot Court room - The Honorable Robert Leon Jordan, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, the Honorable William J. Haynes, United States Magistrate for the Middle District of Tennessee and the Honorable Penny Jo White, Circuit Court for the First Judicial District of Tennessee, presiding. A reception in the White Avenue lobby for participants and guests will immediately follow the competition.