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Elections Spectacular!

SBA President

Carl Robinson

The Student Bar Association can set the tone in the Law School by appointing knowledgeable students to the various student-faculty committees, by requesting and allocating funds for student activities and publications, by sponsoring speakers and other events, and by working for other improvements.

In the overall scheme of life, the election of one person to SBA office over another is not that important, but much can be done to improve communications within the school, to increase the value of many services to the students, and to make the place more rational and more human. I, therefore, decided (with the help of my friends) to seek the office of SBA President.



I have a B.S. degree in engineering from Michigan, and a Masters in Business Administration. A gap of five years between undergrad work and law school was mostly spent in the USAF. A list of my activities and offices since starting college would be long, varied, boring and probably irrelevant.

I had planned to avoid formal office at UCLA because I felt (and still feel) that title or position in student government

makes little difference. Anyone with a good idea and a little energy is generally as effective as an "officeholder."

I got involved in the area of admissions (two years on admissions committee, plus serving on the LEOP Task Force) because the process was so poorly run that I could not tolerate being a bystander. The lack of candor and trust on both sides, and the lack of planning and foresight led to annual incidents and demonstrations reflecting the frustrations of all concerned. With the help of many people, we were able to break down many of the barriers and reach agreement/accommodation on a rational, workable, understandable program. The smoothness and cooperation displayed in this year's nearly completed admissions process should last into the future, though serious problems still exist.

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The Ballot:

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President, Class of 1977

Mário Gonzales

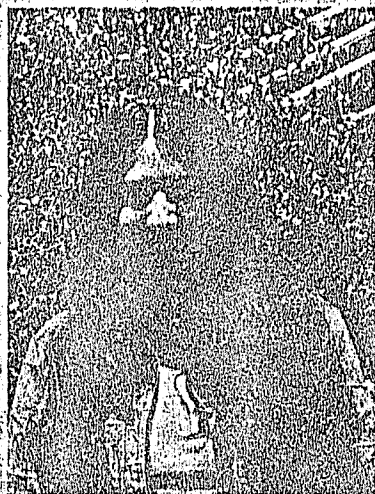
I think that the function of an SBA leader is to generate an enthusiasm that will uncap the potential for student activities — whether that activism is for a social get-together or a political expression. In deciding whether or not to support my candidacy for Third Year Class President, I hope that the second year class will consider my past record as sec. 3 Rep. in the SBA. I feel that my record shows an ability to articulate the goals of the general student body.

I successfully proposed the creation of a student committee which will meet next Fall to explore alternatives to the profit-making bar review courses, and especially, the unfairness those review courses place upon UCLA law school graduates. Also, I was appointed to coordinate the renovation of the student lounge. I wrote and submitted the opin-

ion poll which will be attached to the ballot. I am a strong supporter of the *Docket* and the *Hostile Witness* and have written articles for each. I have voted and/or organized social events, such as parties (section party as well as the "half-way through" party), beer busts, and the Law Revue.

Besides the on-campus activities of the SBA and the Chicano Law Students Association, I have shown a commitment to issues outside of the law school. The summer before I entered law school, I was president of the San Fernando Valley United Farmworkers Support Group. After my first year of law school, I worked out of the So. Cal. A.C.L.U. on the Migrant Legal Services Program. Currently, I am working with an "out-reach" program involving five gangs in downtown L.A.

I intend to continue the programs I have already started as well as initiate new ideas. Also, I intend to be enthusiastic in the assumed duties of the office.



Marcy Norton

Some might think that the job of 3rd Year Class President is an easy one, but they would be wrong. In addition to serving on the SBA Executive Board and GSA Senate, the person who fills this position is responsible for planning the activities which surround the triumphal completion of our Law School years (ordeal?). The success or failure of the President in fulfilling these duties depends on taking stands on issues of importance within and for the Law School and on setting and working toward positive goals for the benefit of law students.

There are several areas where the SBA Board can play an active role. Among these are: retention of the LEOP Task Force; active support of the Law Women's Conference to be held here in the Fall; expansion of social activities through events, increased quality of food facilities, and improvement of the student lounge; investigation of possible part-time educational programs for students who must

work; expansion of Placement Office services to provide for the needs of the obvious majority of students not in the top 10%; ending the school year earlier; and expanded use of GSA funds to benefit law student groups and needs.

While many people recognize the needs of the students here, my past experience in serving the Law School community should facilitate me in fulfilling the role of 3rd Year Class President. My work in planning and presenting the Orientation program for the current 1st Year Class certainly prepared me for the task of arranging the graduation ceremony for the Class of 1977. My experience in providing social activities as 2nd Year President and as a 1st Year Section Representative adequately demonstrates my ability to do the same next year. And my familiarity with SBA and GSA procedures will be an asset in effectuating my goals.

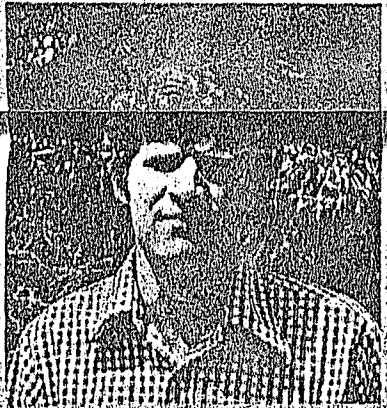
A vote for Marcy Norton for 3rd Year Class President is a vote for positive goals and experience — please cast your ballots wisely.

President, Class of 1978

Tim White

The Second-year Class President has two responsibilities: organizing the orientation for first-year students, and arranging a second-year (I've Made It Half-way Through!) class party. What more can I tell you about these? You've been through one (orientation) and, at this point, couldn't care less about the other (the party). If elected, I'll organize both, and try to make them as good, or better, than previous ones.

The second-year president also sits on the SBA Board, where he/she represents the class, and fights for the best interest of the class, particularly when that interest is challenged by others. If elected I'll



do that, and will further do my best to reflect and present the student viewpoint in matters of general concern to all law students.

As to various issues, I take the following stands:

1) UCLA law students should have priority in the use of the law library — at peak times, a restrictive use policy should be put into effect.

2) The LEOP program should be maintained as finally adopted by the Task Force, without any outside interference.

3) The staff of the placement office should be increased by at least one person, so that that office could be more responsive to student needs.

4) Membership on Law Review should be changed from an invitation based on grades approach, to a strict write-on standard, which would give everyone an equal opportunity.

Finally, if elected, I will take the position as seriously as it should be taken, and will put in the time and effort necessary to get the job done.

Vote Tim WHITE for Second-year Class President.



John Tate

The second year class president is responsible for two major events during our second year. That person will plan the first year class orientation for the class of '79 and the half way party for our class.

If I am elected, my plan is to conduct orientation much along the line of the one attended last year. It was a very positive experience. And I feel that the class of '79 would be started off on the right foot by participating in one like it. The party, I can state flatly, will be as swinging as we can possibly make it.

In order for me to ask for your vote, it is important that you first know where I stand on issues that will face us next year. As yet I have formulated no clear breakdowns as to which issues are numbered one through ten, but here is how I stand on some of them.

I feel that we should, and could, arrange our classes so that finals end by June 1st, thus giving us a better chance of competing for jobs with law students from other schools and allowing us more time to

Greg Veal

My dear fellow students and constituents, Your president and I will take time out and say publicly and privately what he has expressed to many of you personally. I thank you all for making this past year a warm and memorable one for me personally and a year of great progress as well for all of us and the law school in general. I think we can all agree that it has been a year of growth and awakening and a



study for the bar in our third year.

The LEOP Task Force should be retained.

It would be worthwhile to try to get the professors to give us more of the benefit of their practical experience as well as theory in class.

I would support many efforts to raise money for the women's conference to be held at UCLA next year.

There is an obvious need for something constructive to be done about both the student lounge and the fast food facility. After ascertaining what the class as a whole most wanted for each, I would move on carrying out your wishes.

I firmly believe that I can honestly and fairly represent the interests of all the students of the class of '78. If you agree, vote for Tate on election day.

year of crisis and trauma also, in many respects. Let me say here and now that everyone in the class is a success and if we continue to give each other the moral support that everyone needs, our future will be even more success up the road.

It is election time once again and political fever is running high. There has been considerable speculation as to my intentions in reference this election. I want to end all such speculation here and now.

Based upon a keen desire to serve you and to insure representation of this class as a whole, I have consulted with my advisors and taken the pulse of public opinion on the matter.

I am a candidate for reelection to the position of 2nd year Class President. I want to toss my hat in the ring at this time.

As was the case last Fall, I am running as a totally independent candidate.

As was the case last Fall, I desire to continue serving ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS CLASS.

As was the case last Fall, I am not a member of ANY SLATE.

I will run on my record. As your president, sitting on the SBA Executive Board, I have consistently voted to support important elements such as the Jewish Law Students, Third World Law Students, and Women Law Students. In these times of tight money, I have supported a policy of fiscal responsibility and encouraged the various groups seeking funds to initially make private efforts to raise monies prior to appealing to law school funds. I have voted to fund our great law school newspaper, *The Docket*.

My campaign slogan you guessed it... "FRIENDSHIP PROGRESS SUCCESS."

Late Bulletin

FLASH — An eleventh-hour poll taken by the ever watchful *Docket* has revealed an enormous groundswell of support for SBA Presidential candidate Carl Robinson and candidate for Treasurer Angel Saenz.

After a thorough and scientific evaluation of all the data, we predict that both Robinson and Saenz will sweep into office in the primary election.

Although we are reluctant to attribute reasons for these phenomena, our data point toward absence of opposition as a possible factor in the Robinson and Saenz surges.

After carefully sifting through our statistics, we find the other SBA elections and the two Class President races far too close to call.

We'll have final results in our May 14 edition.

SBA Secretary

Frida Popik

The duties of SBA Secretary are very clear: taking the minutes and keeping the records. As a member of the student bar I would like to see a wider cross-section of employers on campus including members of public agencies and organizations and smaller private firms. I believe it's about time something was done to make our environment a little more pleasant and more comfortable. The only student lounge we have cries out for help.

A great emphasis has been placed on noon-time activities, but for those law students who spend their evenings in the library, an entertaining speaker or a modest musical presentation would be a welcome diversion.

I would like to hear your ideas. Thank you.

Greg Marshall

The Constitutional requirements of the office of SBA Secretary are a breeze. Essentially, the Secretary is responsible for attending SBA meetings and paying enough attention to produce minutes. I have abundant experience in the business of paying atten-

tion to what people say and recording it on paper at the same time. I type well, too, so I can produce minutes that will look really foxy.

My reason for wanting the office is not that I enjoy typing, nor is it that I want a cheap "extra-curricular" on my resume. As Editor of the Docket, I already have a star to paste on my chart.

I want the office because it will give me a voice on the SBA Board and a little to legitimize my efforts when I need one.

I think legal education presently devotes itself to producing as in a factory, creatures whose attitudes suit the self-professed "elite" of the bar. I would prefer a system devoted to the service of making the law available in an atmosphere that can accommodate many people, not just a few.

Among the means by which the legal profession controls legal education are the dehumanizing grading system, the one-exam-means-all syndrome, mass classes, the refusal to offer part-time education, and the casebook method. In each case, we need alternatives; to get them, we need some initiative. If you would like to see a move for change in these areas, I hope you will vote for me.

A Parody of Tennyson's Crossing the Bar

*Sunset, that first cigar
And one clear call for me
And may there be no moaning of the Bar
When I ask for my J.D.*

*For now the tide moves to reap
What spoils they can find,
Rising from their mindless sleep
To prey upon mankind.*

*Twilight, and evening knell
(Out to make their mark:)
And there shall be no sadness of farewell
As boldly we embark.*

*For though these years have not been nice
The flood has borne us far
Beware, poor suckers, of my price
When I have passed the Bar!*

—Robert Dawson

...Robinson

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The lack of candor and the absence of effective communication is present in a lesser form in many other areas of the law school; thus, my candidacy. I have no illusions about solving any or all of the problems. Some defy solution. The quarter vs. semester issue is an example. I think the quarter-away program is one of UCLA's better assets, and I plan to take advantage of it (which means that the SBA VP will get some time to implement her/his ideas), but next

year when the bar rolls around I'm sure that I won't understand why we aren't on a semester system. When the school splits 50-50 on an issue like this one, someone's always going to be unhappy.

Among the more manageable issues are renovation of the student lounge, making the placement office more responsive to the needs of the entire student body, strengthening Alumni ties (for information sharing about what attorneys really do and job help), continued funding for the many law school publications, continued support for a strong and viable L.E.O.P., and a diversified speakers program.

Carlos Ramirez

As SBA Secretary I will work to make the SBA officers more accountable to their constituency by improving communication between the student body and its officers. This could be done by posting the minutes of the SBA meetings at strategic locations in the law school and by using other methods of disseminating information such as the Docket.

I will also work to have our

schedule re-arranged to include extended reading periods before exams. I would make an effort to have our school year end by May 31. This would allow third year students more time to study for the bar and will give other students a better opportunity to secure summer employment.

While recognizing that competition is a fact of life in the law school, it should not be carried to the extremes evi-

denced by the mutilation, hiding, and carrying off of the law library's books. In order to minimize the problem, I will work to have an optional pass-fail system instituted.

The LEOP Program is of great importance to the law school in view of the recent attacks upon the program. I feel that the students of this school should take a more aggressive role in its support.



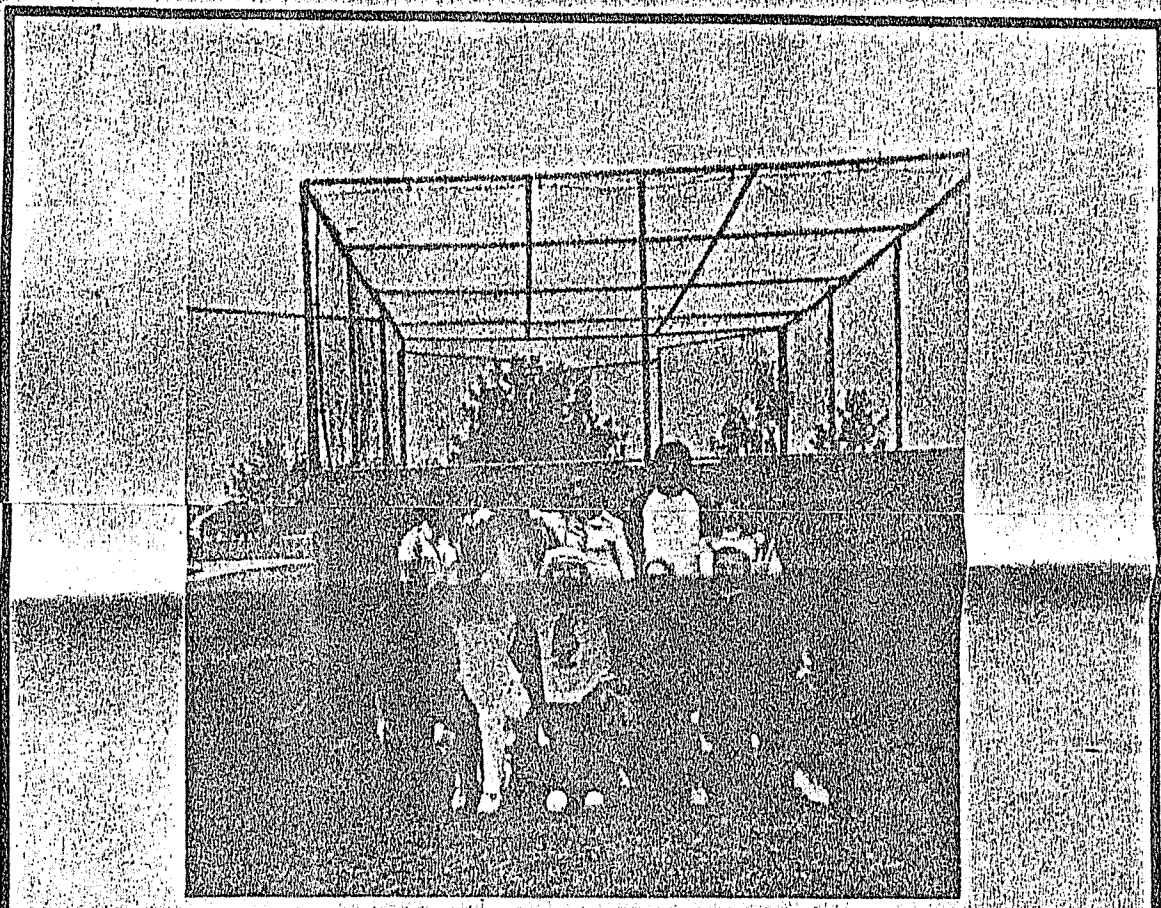
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Carlos Ramirez



With a hearty cry of "Bree!" the Hippo juggernaut rolled over seven consecutive opponents on its way to the Intramural "B" Division Coed Softball Championship. Hippo is an all-law school team.

...lounge referendum

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On the other side, it was argued that nothing could be more appropriate in a law school than some sort of memorial to the man most responsible for the development of certain constitutional and criminal areas of the law. The Executive Board left it up to the discretion of the chairperson of the renovation committee, Mario Gonzalez, whether or not to include the item. If the students do desire a memorial to Richard Nixon, a leading inscription contender would surely be, "I am not a crook."

No one knows how much money can be raised to renovate the lounge. One hopeful sign is that the medical school got \$50,000 for

their lounge. The donating sources for the law school lounge include various organizations such as the alumni and the university registration fee committee. Some of the money which was made from the Law Revue has been earmarked for lounge renovation purposes.

According to the former dean, Richard Maxwell, around \$10,000 was raised from private alumni contributions in the mid-1960s. All of that money was spent on the carpeting, paneling, and the couches which are now in the lounge. Before that time, the vending machines were in the area now occupied by the lounge. Dean Maxwell had tried to get the university to create and expand the lounge at the time the north wing of

the law school was constructed. The university refused, saying that Ackerman Union was the student lounge. The university did agree to put in the law school patio at that time.

One of the major problems in renovating the lounge will be security, especially during non-school hours. The student committee will have to fully explore possible solutions to the problem.

There is no timetable on renovating the lounge. Any progress clearly demands student enthusiasm — at least, on the part of a few students. With a showing of some student initiative and interest, there is little reason why the lounge cannot be completed or, at least, in progress by the later part of next year's Fall quarter.

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Graduation Program Preference Poll

The graduation ceremony of the Law School has traditionally included brief presentations and awards made by various groups. Last year, this segment of the program was composed of presentations by the Alaska Law Review, the Black Law Journal, the UCLA Law Review, Moot Court, the Student Bar Association, and special awards made by Dean Bauman. Each such presentation takes about 2-3 minutes so that the total amount of time involved is approximately 15-20 minutes.

As an alternative, it has been proposed that these oral presentations be deleted that written recognition in the graduation program for those honored be given, and that an outside speaker of general interest participate in the ceremony by delivering an address of approximately 20 minutes.

Please indicate your preference by marking the appropriate box.

1. I favor the awards presentations as traditionally handled.
2. I favor substituting an outside speaker for the awards presentations.
3. I favor deleting the awards presentations and NOT substituting an outside speaker.

Sample Program

SCHOOL OF LAW CEREMONIES

12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Royce Hall

INTRODUCTION Gloria Roa
Senior Class President

William D. Warren, Dean

PRESENTATIONS OF AWARDS

Subject of Referendum Alaska Law Review
Black Law Journal
UCLA Law Review
Moot Court
Student Bar Association
Chicano Law Review, (addition)
Special Awards

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Professor of Law and
Class of 1975's "Professor of Year"

CONFERRING OF THE HOODS FOR THE DEGREE OF JURIS DOCTOR

William D. Warren, Dean and
John A. Bauman, Associate Dean

RECESSIONAL Thomas Harmon
University Organist

ARGUMENTS

Proposition No. 1:

Students to whom I spoke based their opposition to an outside speaker on the following considerations:

1. **June 20th is our day.** An outside speaker would not add to, but rather would detract from, this special occasion. Those students wishing to hear an outside speaker could do so by attending UCLA's 57th Annual Commencement, at 3:00 p.m., at Drake Stadium.

2. **Time Constraints.** The event takes an hour and a half. During that time, the Professor of the Year makes his/her address, each graduate is called to the podium and "hooded", and activities and awards are recognized, e.g., Moot Court, UCLA Law Review, Chicano Law Review, Black Law Journal, Order of the Coif.

3. **Who would speak if an outside speaker were put on the program?** The two suggestions offered were Justice Mosk and Congressman Rees. Students reactions to these two names were "Who is Rees?" and "I don't wish to hear Justice Mosk." Other students feelings were that if we could get a speaker such as President Ford or Senator Kennedy who would bring some publicity to the school, that could be a consideration, but (with all due respect) they had no desire to hear local justices and congressman.

VOTE FOR PROPOSITION NO. 1

Gloria Roa

Third Year Class President

welter of words and names can hold only little meaning for them.

The alternative of having an outside speaker opens up many possibilities. It will permit us to occupy the same amount of time with a person of interest to the entire assembled audience and graduates alike. It will possibly allow us to utilize the graduation ceremony as a bridge between what we have accomplished and the threshold we must now cross in entering the real world. We may have the opportunity to increase the understanding of the audience, most of whom will not be trained in the law, regarding the nature of the legal world and profession.

Graduation is not an exercise in isolation. It is a recognition of what has gone before, certainly, but more than that, it signifies the time when all of us must begin in earnest to make the words "law" and "justice" synonymous. Perhaps, we can understand that task by simply admiring those of us who have accomplished special academic achievement. But maybe, just maybe, we can better begin by making the academic achievements that we all have accomplished relevant to the job ahead.

Roger Dickinson

Section 1 Rep

Proposition No. 3:

The graduation ceremony will, in any event, have the traditional trappings of hooding the graduates and listening to the Professor of the Year. The idea that we could (or would want to) procure a truly distinguished speaker is dubious at best. The question, then, should be whether to delete the special awards segment and not put anything in its place. There are two alternatives if you oppose having a guest speaker (Nos. 1 and 3). No. 3 is for those who would rather be out of the building fifteen minutes earlier.

Larry Walker

Upcoming SBA Speakers

May 3 at Noon (Faculty Conference Room)

Kurt W. Melchior

attorney from the Tarasoff (psychiatrist's duty to warn) case

May 7 at 11:00 (Rm. 1345)

Justice Harry Blackmun

May 10 at Noon (Rm. 1411)

Roberta Ralph

Elana Sullivan

Florence Bernstein

a panel

candidates for judge

May 10 at 3:00 (tentative)

Prof. Ken Graham

"How to Cheat on the Bar Exam"

May 17 at Noon

(Faculty Conference Room)

Judge William Keene

UCLA grad, Manson trial judge

May 24 at Noon

(Faculty Conference Room)

Richard E. Tuttle

Commissioner of
California Energy Commission;
on the Nuclear Initiative

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