Pass the bar?
Doodle, I've never seen you pass a bar!
All the world's a stage
And all the men and women merely players.
They have their exits and their entrances,
And one man in his time plays many parts,
This all being seven ages. At first the infant,
Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms
And then the whining school-boy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like a snail
Unwilling to school. And then the lover,
Sighing like a furnace, with a woeful ballad
Made to his mistress' eyebrow. Then a soldier,
Full of strange oaths, and bearded like the pard;
Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel,
Seeking the bubble reputation
Even in the cannon's mouth. And then the justice,
In fair round belly with good capon lined,
With eyes severe and beard of formal cut,
Full of wise saws and modern instances,
And so he plays his part. The sixth age shifts
Into the lean and slipper'd pantaloon,
With spectacles on nose and pouch on side;
This youthful nose, well saved, a world too wide
For his shrunk shank; and his big manly voice,
Turning again toward childish treble, pipes
And whistles in his sound. Last scene of all,
That ends this strange history,
Is second childishness, and mere oblivion,
Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything.

—William Shakespeare
—from As You like It, II
Thank God for Bill's. Thank God for Bill's. Thank God for Bill's. Thank God...
What was given us here
We shall keep.
—Kahlil Gibran
Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind.
—Samuel Johnson
Have you had any activity lately?
I haven't had any activity all week.
What's your game?
I haven't got time for games.
LAW school is serious stuff.

Hoop-ball: my own invention.
I'd suggest a patent search.
Then he high-sticked me.
What did you tell the interviewer?
The Student Admissions Committee functions as an aid to the admissions process by giving a thorough review to applicants with low LSAT or GPA scores. Its recommendations are given considerable weight by the Dean who makes the final determination. Because of the diversity of its members, the Committee is often the forum for healthy discussions. Every member assumes a great responsibility not only to the applicants, but to the Law School and him/herself.

* Our apologies for those members of the admissions committee who do not appear in this photo. The original picture was lost in processing (our lawsuit is pending . . . )
The Black American Law Student Association (BALSA) at Hofstra is the local chapter of a national organization based on the axiom “where there is unity, there is strength.” BALSA is dedicated to providing more competent Black lawyers to serve the needs of not only poor Black people, but also society at large. It is only through this involvement, whether in a legal aid office, or a Wall Street firm, stimulated by a meaningful law school experience, that the Black lawyer will no longer be such a figure of curiosity. Lawyering is a mainstream profession, and the second decade of BALSA’s membership will increasingly need to be mindful of this, in order to more effectively serve either the oppressed, or the business related client.

We here at Hofstra Law, in conjunction with the other BALSA chapters throughout the country, join together in an effort to also reverse the debilitating effects of America’s past racism, and recruit, encourage through our “buddy system” and increase the number of Black law students here, and in the rest of the country. This spring, Hofstra’s BALSA chapter will host the Northeast Regional convention of BALSA. The theme of the 3-day conference is “Crossroads: Progress or Oppression?”

The responsibility to ourselves and our people is there; but the opportunity is also. The future can be as bright as we make it.
CONSCIENCE is proud of its reputation as a socially conscious publication, featuring stories on: the rights of the handicapped, the risks of nuclear power, electing a judge, the Weber case, Native Americans’ rights, women and the law, the tragic plight of the Cambodians, the “Hurricane” Carter—John Artis trials, New York State Police spot-checks, and court-ordered property reassessment.

The Class of 1981 has made significant contributions to CONSCIENCE. Under the editorship of Alan Fischler, CONSCIENCE won two A.B.A./L.S.D. awards: best “feature article on law in the community” and best “editorial cartoon on an internal law school affair”.

This year, we have built upon the success of the previous year and have brought CONSCIENCE into the forefront for encouraging greater student involvement at the law school. CONSCIENCE expects to more than duplicate last year’s awards.
The Law Fellows program is designed to afford first-year students the opportunity to discuss their course work and other related problems with highly qualified third-year students who, acting as Fellows, conduct one hour sessions each week for each course. The sessions are informal and attendance is voluntary. The Fellows, selected on the basis of outstanding academic achievement and faculty recommendations, consult faculty in an effort to make the sessions most worthwhile.
Volume Nine of the Review includes articles by William Van Alstyne of Duke, Peter Murray and Andrew Kaufman of Harvard, Leo Gross of Tufts, and Rosalyn Higgins of Kent. Two symposia, to which noted scholars contributed, are also included in the Volume—The Future of Human Rights in the World Legal Order and The Implications of Social Choice Theory for Legal Decision making. In addition, for the first time the Review published an extensive Student Project, and also established an annual lecture series.
First year students write briefs and present oral arguments in simulated appeals in the freshman Moot Court program. Administered by the Moot Court Board, this program provides first year students with an opportunity to be creative advocates in a realistic appellate setting. The Board is developing an intramural Moot Court competition for upperclass students which will enable them to further develop their appellate advocacy skills.
This year, in addition to the traditional tasks for funding clubs, representing students at faculty meetings, and making appointments to faculty committees, the Student Reps. will, for the first time, have

1. Run a New York Practice Course
2. Run a Student Advisor Program for first year students
3. Written a Student Constitution, and
4. Prepared a Student Directory
The goal of the Trial Advocacy Club is to promote and encourage students interested in trial advocacy. In addition to inviting practicing trial attorneys to speak at the law school on litigation techniques and strategies, the club sponsors a series of trial skills workshops designed to provide students with a non-competitive forum in which to practice and develop their trial skills.
Since so much of the study of law depends upon the spoken word, a remembrance of our faculty in pictures alone would be incomplete. Collected here are some of the words we may remember as we look back on the years spent at Hofstra Law.

FIRST YEAR

“I’ve got a problem with this case . . .”
—Aaron Twerski, Torts

“How right you are . . .”
—Ronald Silverman, Property

“Maybe yes, maybe no . . .”
or “Let’s say you have a plaintiff in Kansas . . .”

“You are the best class I’ve ever had.”
—Monroe Freeman, Contracts

“Why punish it? Because it’s bad!”
—Marina Angel, Criminal Law

“Three words . . . expectation, reliance, restitution . . .”
—Malachy Mahon, Contracts

“When I was a lawyer in the Nicky Barnes case . . .”
—Lawrence Kessler, Criminal Law

“Does anyone in this class play tennis?”
—Alan Resnick, Contracts

“So what?”

SECOND YEAR

“I warn you. I’m a mean bastard.”

“So, what do you do? Sue the bastard!”
—Abraham Ordover, Evidence

“All right. Let’s get started . . .”
—Leon Friedman, Con. Law

“The Code is not a model of lucidity.”
—Daniel Posin, Individual Income Tax

“You pays your money, and you takes your chance.”
—Eric Schmertz, Labor Law

“Why?”
—Linda Champlin, Con. Law

THIRD YEAR

“Professor Twerski would disagree, but . . .”
—Stuart Rabinowitz, Conflicts of Laws

“Five days from now, you will try your first case.”
—Abraham Ordover, Trial Techniques

“It has to pass the red face test . . .”
—Patricia Adamski, Bus. Org.

“Either it is or it isn’t.”
—Malachy Mahon, Remedies

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—David Siegel, N.Y. Practice