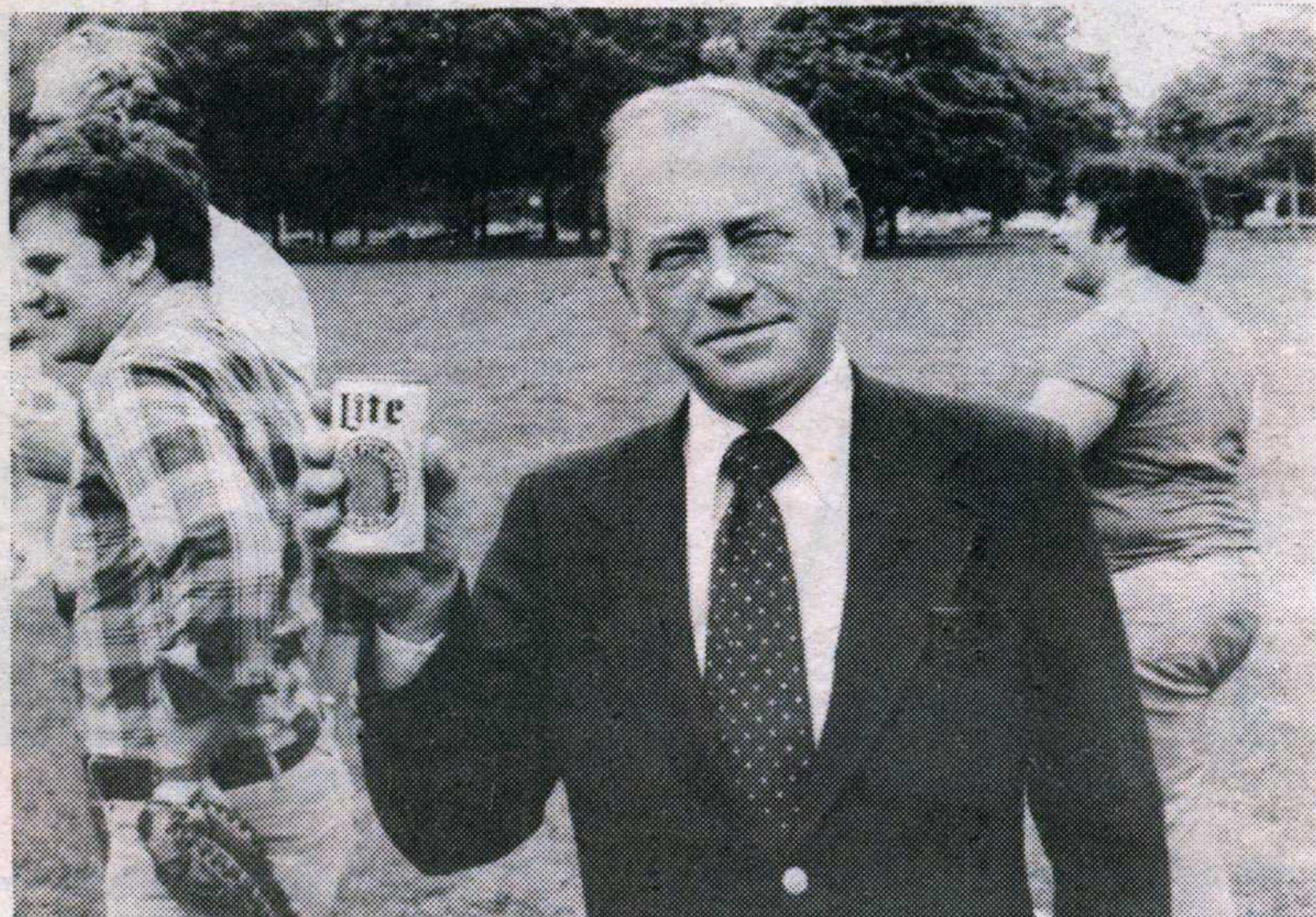


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CONSCIENCE Spring 1980 Picnic—More photo pages 11 and 12.

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For the first time in six years, **CONSCIENCE**, the Hofstra Law School paper has been named a winner in the annual American Bar Association Law School Newspaper Competition for 1979-80. Competing in the Class A category for schools with enrollment of up to 700 students, **CONSCIENCE** took two awards.

CONSCIENCE was the winner of the best feature article on the law in the community category. The article written by Alan

Fischler (81) detailed the strike by legal service workers in New York.

Furthermore, **CONSCIENCE** was the recipient of the best editorial cartoon on an internal law school affair award. The artist Mike Shapiro (81) depicted the faculty strike at Hofstra last year.

Both winners, once again, return to **CONSCIENCE** to provide the paper with their award-winning skills.

Again A Tuition Hike

by Corey B. Bearak

Letters from Hofstra University President James M. Shuart dated June 5, 1980 contained notice that the Law School's tuition annual fees would increase by ten percent—\$215 over the 1979-1980 fee per semester of \$2100. Many students and parents expressed concern that the increase occurred over 30 days after the close of the spring 1980 semester. Students seeking financial aid and those struggling to meet the high costs of a legal education wondered how they would meet this additional financial burden.

WHY THE DELAY

According to President Shuart, the university had to cut some \$2.5 million from its budget. Preparing the budget consumes much time and effort, and "the budget," Shuart said, "was not ready." Hofstra's fiscal year begins each September 1. By February 1, budget requests from university divisions are submitted and a first budget is drafted. A primary factor for the delay in formulating the budget was the failure of the New York State Legislature to pass "Bundy" aid for private higher educational institutions. The

"Bundy" assistance decreased the university's deficit to \$600,000, and according to Shuart and Anthony Procelli, the University's top fiscal officer, the increase covers that budgetary deficiency. Both men said that they had been prepared to hold up the budget until August, before deciding whether or not to increase tuition. Without the "Bundy" funding, the tuition increase apparently would have been even steeper.

INFLATION BLAMED

Shuart blames inflation for the increased costs that the University must meet, and to support this, he alludes to his meeting with presidents of other universities where the common concern was how to meet inflation.

The University employs what is called a "steady state" budget. According to Shuart, increases in the budget for fiscal year 1980-1981 were held to costs mandated by contract or inflation. "There were," maintains Shuart, "no new increases of a voluntary nature." Dean John J. Regan voices the concern that yearly increases are inevitable, given this inflationary economy "in a university such as this one that

depends largely on tuition and has a small endowment."

TUITION COMPARABLE

The administration and the Dean agree that Hofstra Law School's tuition should be comparable to tuition charged at similar institutions. Tuition costs \$6,010 at Columbia, \$6,000 at N.Y.U., \$4,850 at Cardozo, \$4,600 at Fordham, \$4,200 at New York Law, \$4,100 at Pace, \$3,800 at Brooklyn and \$3,735 at St. John's. Hofstra's \$4,630 tuition and fees fall right in the middle. (It should be recalled that these figures were taken from a letter sent to students by Dean Regan).

Since President Shuart made the decision to raise the Law School's tuition, he decided to send the letters notifying the students of the increase. Dean Regan, however, "would have cheerfully sent the letter out."

Shuart denies any "rakeoff" of the Law School funds by the University. (He says, "That is wrong".) Dean Regan has not yet seen the budget and does not know how the University is charging indirect overhead. The Dean nevertheless expects that the indirect expenses charged to the Law School will be proportionately the lowest in the Law School's history.

Writing Like A Lawyer

by Eric Goldstein

Legal Research and Writing is one course at Hofstra Law which stands in a category by itself. Run by Professors Richard Neumann, Susan Bryant, Susan Seal and two new professors: Helen Fried and Joel Gorhem, it is the first course with which entering students become acquainted when they arrive on Monday, August 18.

The first year class will be divided into five groups of 55-58 students, each one under the supervision of a professor. In addition, the five groups will be broken up into three subsections of roughly 19 each. The groups will meet regularly during the first week and only periodically throughout the rest of the semester.

As its name suggests, the primary goal of the course is to teach legal research and writing; however, the course will also instruct students in court organization and legal ethics. While students will be taught how to brief cases, as part of the

program, this will only be done in conjunction with other courses. A general understanding of court organization and legal ethics will be supplemented by specifics in other courses.

The main "texts" will be Jacobstein and Mersky's work on legal research and the famous (or infamous) "blue book." In addition, numerous materials—including instructions on writing—will be distributed. Students are also advised to acquire a legal dictionary. (Here's a **CONSCIENCE** legal research problem for first year students—do the mimeographed handout materials violate the copyright laws? Do first year students at Hofstra Law have standing to sue? Submit your responses to the **CONSCIENCE** mailbox.)

The Writing program is relatively time-consuming. Some students may be surprised to learn that their first assignment will be due on Friday of the first week; however, it will probably only receive a general grade of

good, bad, fair or the like. Professor Neumann indicates that students should not feel that a poor initial grade will ruin their final grade in the course. (In at least one section last year, the grades were so bad that the professor decided to discard them.)

The thing that makes Hofstra's program so unique amongst those of other law schools is the fact that students work with actual clients in their first semester under the supervision of a full-time faculty. (Two students will be assigned to a client, each of whom will be seeking an uncontested divorce. After the initial interview, one student will research the custody end of the suit and the other will examine the cause of action for divorce.) Most law schools teach their students through hypotheticals or simulated problems presented on video tape. Professor Neumann feels that Hofstra's program is superior to those which use

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Tighter Security For Library

by Gerard E. Giannattasio,
Reference Librarian

Very shortly, the law library will be going over to a new circulation system. Instead of attaching your library card to the control card, the control card will be imprinted with your name and address and your library card will then be returned. This will give the library better control of its books, periodicals and reserve material.

The library staff approaches this change with some reluctance: we much preferred the more informal method which served Hofstra Law so well during its first decade. Unfortunately, the system depended too deeply on the cooperation and good graces of all users.

Recent years have seen important changes in the entire fabric of American life — changes reflected in our law

school environment. Fierce competition in a tight job market influences student attitudes of fair play towards their fellows and erodes a lawyer's sense of equal time in the use of library materials. To lay it on the table: we've been ripped off pretty fierce around here in the last year or so.

There was a time when everyone reshelfed and bar association libraries never checked material out. There really was a time once when users and librarians both could be secure in the knowledge that at day's end everything would be back in its place. The problems faced in Hofstra's Law Library are not eccentrically ours—the nature of the times has forced all law libraries to control their material ever more stringently.

The system we implement this
(Continued on page 10)

Poetry Corner

DEDICATED TO THE HOFSTRA LAW SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1983

IF FOR LAW STUDENTS
by Sal Russo

If you can keep your head when first year panic sets in, and
those around you are losing theirs.
If you can trust your legal reasoning when your colleagues
doubt you, and make allowance for their doubting, too.
If you can study and not be tired by studying,
Or consult a treatise, and not a hornbook;
Or use an outline, and not neglect your casebook
And yet don't look too good nor talk too wise.
If you can bear to hear the answer you've given, be twisted by a
law professor so as to make a trap for fools.
If you can keep a clear sense of what is just and fair, and not be
confused by rules of law.
If you can do all this,
Yours is the legal profession and everything in it.
And—what's more—you'll be a Hofstra Law Student, my friend.

(Original verse of "If" by Rudyard Kipling)

S.B.A. News

Welcome and Congratulations!
You've made it. You're in Law
School and you've made a good
choice in Hofstra. Our reputation
is good and increases with each
successive graduating class.

I'm sure you've all heard horror
stories about the first year
of law school. There is one story
circulating about an orientation
at which the Dean had every
student look at the person on each
side and then said that in
the spring one of them would be
gone. That's simply not true.
Most of you will still be here come
May. Oh, you'll be tired, worn
out, talking to yourself, and
wondering what ever made you
want to do it, but you'll still be
here. A month or two after exams
when you get your grades, it will
all have been worth it.

Don't despair. All is not
hopeless. There are ways to
make the first year less painful.
One excellent way is the speak to
second and third year students.
They are not GODS, nor do they
possess mystical powers, but
they can help. Last year, instead
of the cut-throat competition I
expected, I found other students
ready and willing to help. I am
sure you will find the same.
Another excellent way to soothe
the shattered nerves is to join an
association dedicated to helping
you cope with the pressures,
anxieties, and obligations of first
year law.

The New York State Bar
Association is just the
Organization to do it. Many of you
probably think that the State Bar
Association is just for lawyers.
That's not so. Joining the Bar
Association can be of invaluable
help to a law student just starting
out. Immediately upon joining
you will receive a book entitled
LOOKING AT LAW SCHOOL.
This book can prepare you for the
days to come. It illustrates
outlining procedures, study
methods and ways of thinking
essential to surviving law school.
This book alone is worth more
than the five dollar membership
fee.

In addition you automatically
receive its three major
publications: STATE BAR
NEWS, a tabloid, which furnishes
a lively account of State Bar
activities as well as of the work
of its sections and committees;
STATE BAR JOURNAL, a
magazine of substantive articles
about timely legal topics; and the
LAW DIGEST, a concise sum-
mary of significant opinions of
the Court of Appeals and the
Appellate Divisions. The LAW
DIGEST, by the way, is a par-
ticularly valuable publication for
law students, in that it allows
students to keep up with
significant recent changes in the
law. This, of course, can be ex-
tremely helpful in preparing for
the bar exam.

The Bar Association can help
after the bar exam too. Upon
leaving Law School, you im-
mediately become a member of
the young lawyer's section of the
association. This entitles you to
the lawyer's referral receive
which can be a source of future
clients. Perhaps that's jumping
the gun. You are just beginning
your first year.

The Association also provides
life insurance at rates lower than
anywhere else. They offer a
complete package of other in-
surance plans, including major
medical malpractice insurance
and accidental death benefits.
Insurance is something you
should think about, as many of
you are no longer covered under
your parents' policies.

There is a lot more to the New
York State Bar Association.
During orientation week and
thereafter, look for me in the
library lounge. If you have any
questions about the Bar
Association specifically or law
school generally, feel free to ask
me. I'll be glad to help.

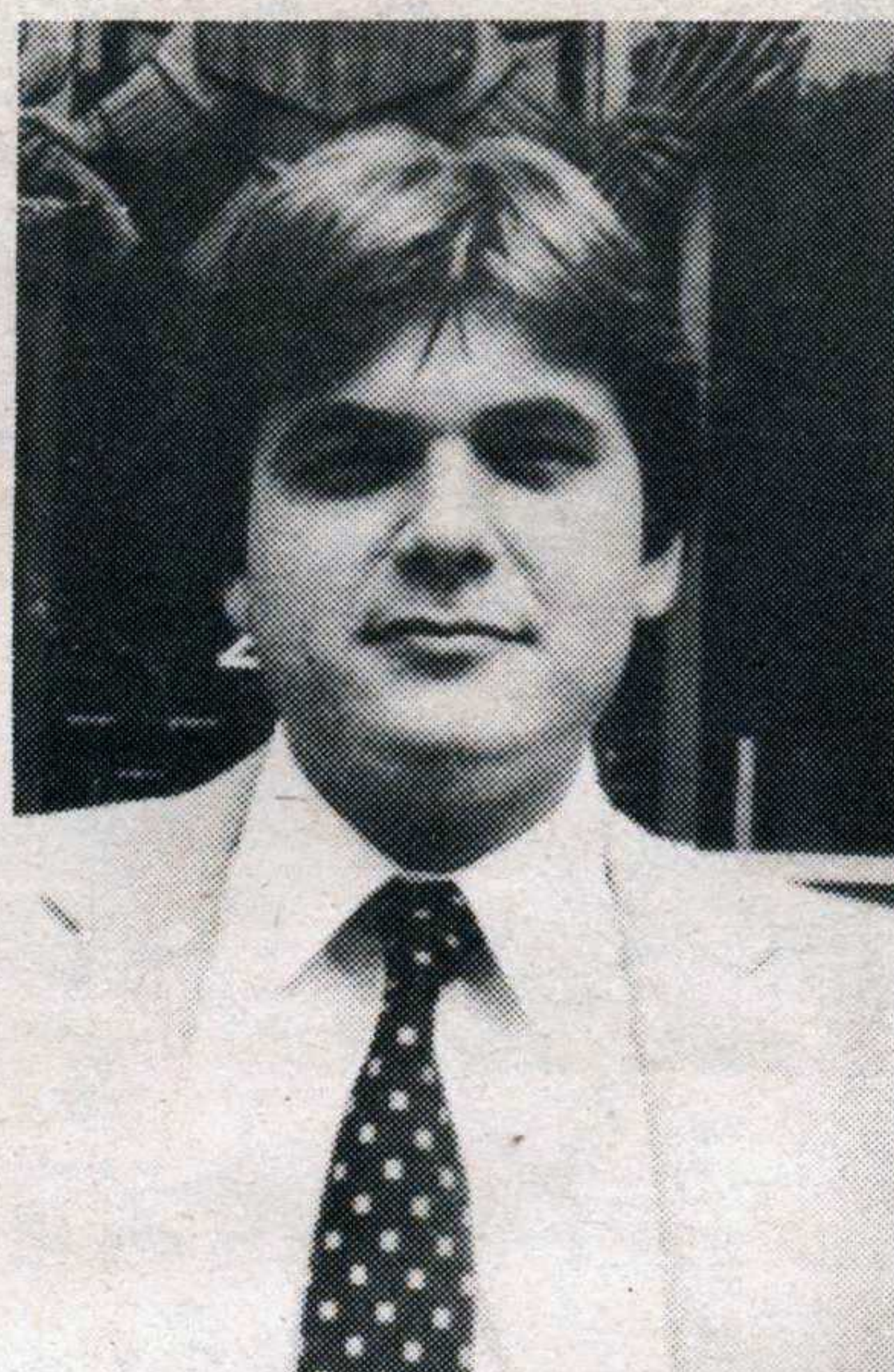
Once again, welcome and good
luck.

Fraternally yours,
Sal Pontillo
Hofstra 1982
NYSBA Representative

THE QUERYING

by Bob

Describe Your Experiences



Ron Milstein



Nancy Tegtmeier



Sal Russo

A summer at the U.S. At-
torney's Office is an un-
forgettable experience. Students
get to argue motions before
judges or magistrates, par-
ticipate with their attorneys in
court, and draft briefs, motions,
pleadings and discovery papers
as a matter of course. Above all,
students develop a one to one
relationship with a practicing,
busy attorney in a pressurized
situation. The other students I
worked with really made the
whole job an enjoyable way to
spend the summer. I would
recommend it highly.

As an intern for the Office of
Collective Bargaining, I per-
formed the duties of a labor law
Trial Examiner. I researched
cases, prepared memoranda and
reports focusing on both
private sector and public sector
precedents. I observed hearings
concerning questions of
representation and alleged im-
proper practices in addition to
mediation, arbitrations and the
Board's deliberations
culminating in the declaration of
an impasse between New York
City and the Uniformed Forces
coalition.

I participated in a nine week
intern program sponsored by
Brooklyn District Attorney,
Eugene Gold. I worked in the
Appeals, Criminal Court,
Economic Crimes, and In-
vestigations Bureaus. My ex-
periences included writing an-
swers to motions, researching
and writing memoranda of law
for an appellate brief, and ob-
serving and assisting an ADA in
courtroom proceedings. I further
had an opportunity to participate
in a research project which
precipitated an article on
Lineups and Photo Arrays, as
well as attended various lectures
on topics in forensic science.

APPLYING FOR INTERNSHIPS AND GETTING PAID FOR

General Placement Meeting

Wed., August 27

12:00 Noon

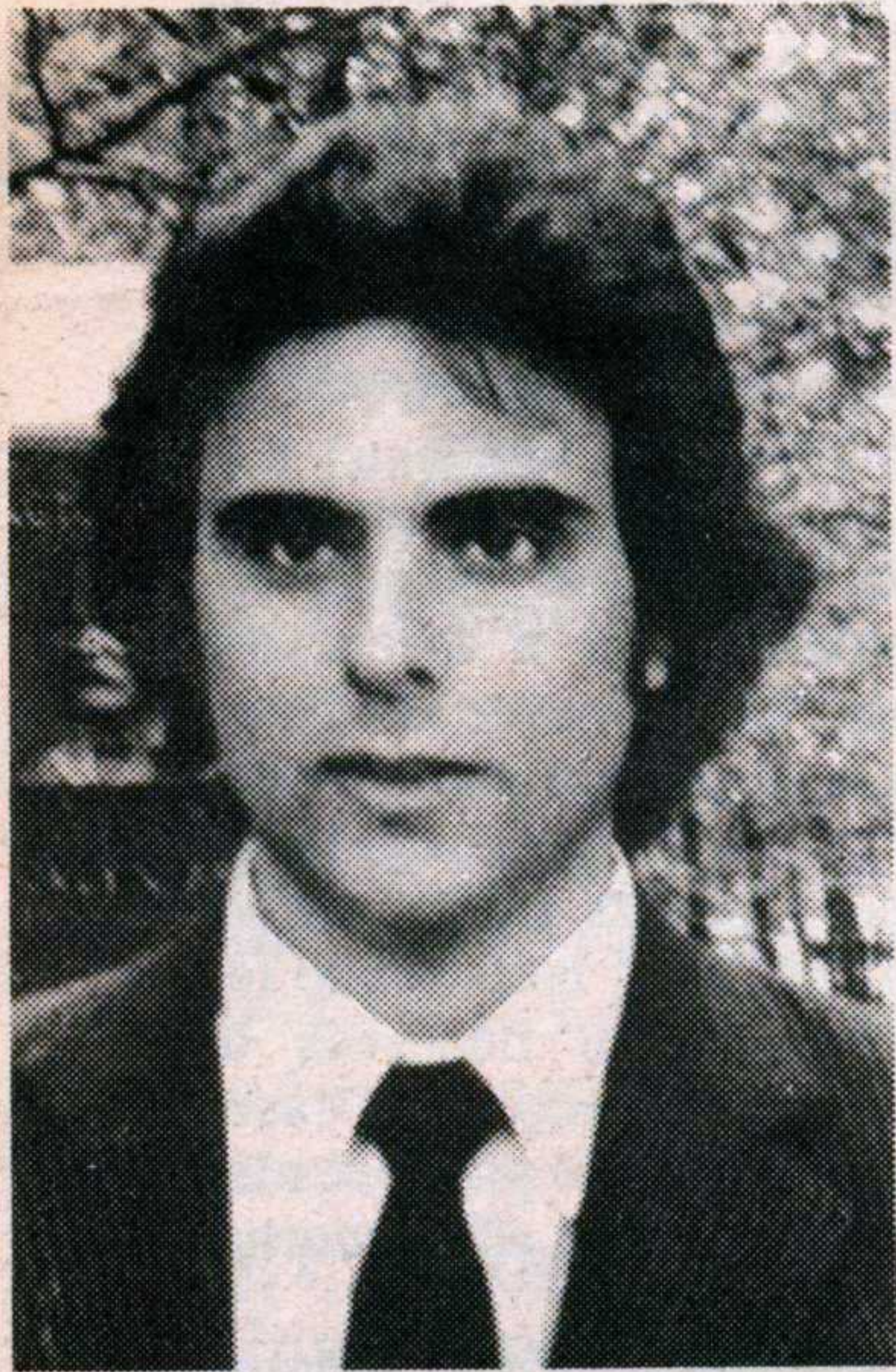
Room 308

All Second and Third Year Students
Are Encouraged To Attend

PHOTOGRAPHER

Rediger

As A Summer Intern



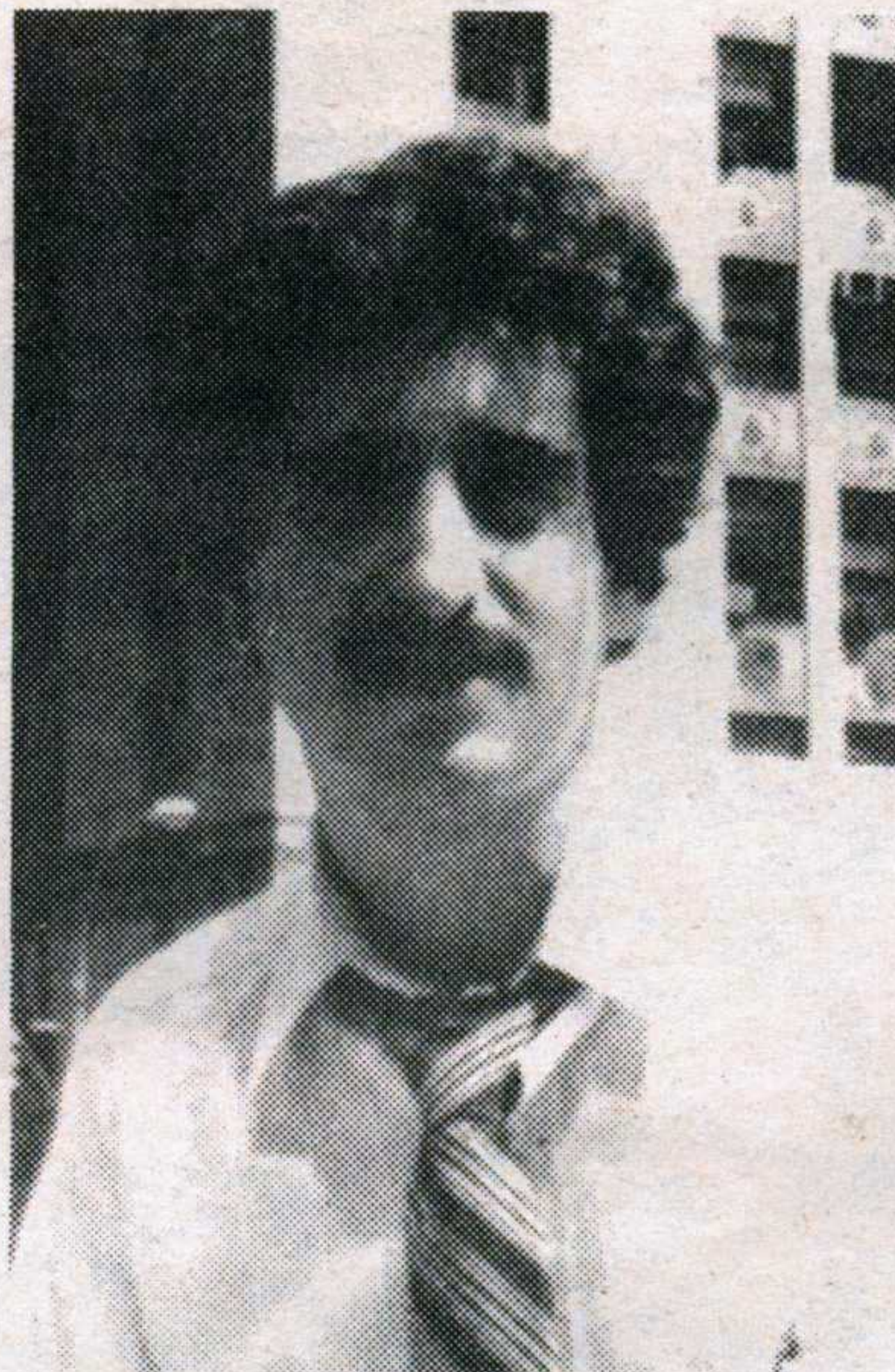
Bob Rediger

As an intern with the National Labor Relations Board, I performed the functions of a Field Examiner. I was assigned a case load of my own and was responsible for taking statements from the charging party and respondent, recommending disposition of the case to the Regional Director, drafting the complaints, if necessary, and participating in settlement negotiations between the parties. I also observed trials before Administrative Law Judges and participated in elections conducted by the Board. In short, the experiences I accumulated made this one of my most enjoyable and rewarding summers.



Michelle Sokol

My summer internship at the State Supreme Court has given me invaluable insight into the legal profession and the court system. Being in the courtroom on a daily basis taught me more about courtroom procedure, attorney-client relationships, and courtroom demeanor than I ever expected to learn before practicing on my own. There were ample opportunities to do legal research as well as write memoranda, model opinions and dissents. All in all, a great experience if one can afford to work without getting paid.



Steven Ruddock

I worked in the Water Enforcement Branch of the United States Environmental Protection Agency in New York. This branch administers the Clean Water Act and provided interns with a fairly broad range of investigative and drafting responsibilities. A close working relationship was easily developed with the young staff attorneys, who supplied considerable amounts of individual feedback. Three out of the six summer interns with EPA were from Hofstra.

CHEF'S BLEND

by Chef Glen

I, Chef Glen, am pleased to welcome you new students to Hofstra and all other returning students, faculty, and administrators. I, Chef Glen, had a wonderful summer and hope all of you, my public, did also.

For those of you who are new to Hofstra, and for those who still do not know of me, I am the famous Chef Glen. I provide you poor starving people with delightful delectable recipes which all of you can easily prepare since they are simple enough for even you to cook. These recipes are passed on through the ages to me alone, Chef Glen, and occasionally, I am willing to share my wealth of knowledge with you. Do not pass up these rare opportunities to try my famous dishes for they will appear only once.

This month, I, Chef Glen, present you with my recipe for Barbequed Chicken a la Chef Glen. At first I was reluctant to reveal this recipe for it truly is one of my most famous yet secret dishes. Yet, after one admirer B.S. said, "Chef Glen, how do you do it? How do



you make your famous and tasty Barbequed Chicken?" I thought it over for days and finally said to myself, "Chef Glen, your public needs to know this recipe. It is far too delicious to keep it from them. Yet, it is easy enough for them to prepare." So now, for your own enjoyment, here is:

CLIP AND SAVE

BARBEQUED CHICKEN A LA CHEF GLEN

3 chickens, cut up
salt and pepper
¼ cup vegetable oil
one-third cup catchup
½ cup tomato juice
¼ cup lemon juice or vinegar
½ cup water
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon paprika
2 teaspoons sugar
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 onion cut up
¼ teaspoon hot pepper sauce

1. Sprinkle chicken with salt and pepper.
 2. To make barbeque sauce, combine remaining ingredients in sauce pan and heat.
 3. Place chicken on barbeque grill skin side up.
 4. Brush on sauce.
 5. Cook for about one hour turning and basting occasionally.
- Will serve 5-6 people. Good luck.

YOUR HOURS IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF CONSCIENCE

Trial Advocacy Club

Students Interested In Helping
To Organize A Speaker Series
At The Law School Are
Encouraged To Contact
Ben Rubinowitz
Or Leave A Note In
The Admissions Office Mailbox
For The Club

Next Conscience
Deadline: Tuesday
September 2, 1980

PROF. ORLOFSKY'S TAX CLINIC

by Roy H. Landy

Some years ago there was a spate of television programs featuring public interest law firms. Typical plots showed the heroic young attorney defending—pro bono publico—an underprivileged type from rapacious landlords, consumer frauds and a harsh criminal justice system. Through a combination of enthusiasm and superior morality, the storefront lawyer inevitably triumphed over the forces of darkness and oppression.

Perhaps predictably, none of the cases presented dealt with a hapless taxpayer who was being relentlessly pursued by the myrmidons of the IRS. Apparently, the parameters of tax law do not offer much scope for exercising the dramatic imagination. This is unfortunate; there is no area of the law which is more likely to affect the concerns of the average, law-abiding citizen. Every year thousands of Americans find themselves enmeshed in the complexities of a tax proceeding, and only a lucky few possess the knowledge and resources to defend themselves adequately. It was in response to this situation that Hofstra and several other universities established clinical programs which aid taxpayers and offer students invaluable practical experience.

The Hofstra Tax Clinic will be available during academic 1980-81 as a graded course whose credit hours can be arranged with the Director, Professor Marc S. Orlofsky. Only third year students are eligible and Federal Tax Procedure is a pre- or co-requisite. Those who have not already taken the procedure course may arrange for waiver with Professor Orlofsky.

Participants in the clinical program can expect to spend four to five hours per week per credit hour on case preparation. The clinic is structured so that students who work in the Fall semester segment will serve as supervisors in the Spring if they so choose.

There are only three law school-affiliated tax clinics currently in operation. Their work and the ability of their student interns have been consistently praised by the IRS and the courts, both off the record and in official reports. Hofstra's clinic has been cited as an example to be followed by other universities which wish to establish clinical programs.



Professor Marc Orlofsky

Professor Orlofsky warns that dilettantes should avoid this course. Only a small number of students will be accepted into the program, and admissions standards will be stringent. Weak sisters—or brothers—would be better off looking elsewhere to occupy their time.

Professor Orlofsky expects that the accent will be on independent work. Once the general strategy for handling a matter has been determined, interns will pursue the case in conjunction with their supervisors. They will do research, write appropriate memoranda, arrange and conduct interviews with clients, witnesses and Treasury Department representatives, and basically perform all

the duties associated with tax practice. If a case should go as far as the Tax Court or an appellate court, interns will help in its preparation and may take part—in a subordinate status—in the actual trial or proceeding. The Clinic has secured a Student Practice Rule with several IRS district offices and the Regional Office of Appeals. Under the rule, interns are accepted as lawyers before administrative officers of the IRS. Each student will receive an order from the Treasury Department authorizing administrative practice. In addition, the Tax Court is currently reviewing its previous denial of a Student Practice Rule, and Professor Orlofsky is sanguine about the result. If such a Rule is granted, interns would be permitted to act as attorneys before the Court.

The Tax Clinic should be an attractive course for many students because it presents an almost unique opportunity to gain practical experience in a specialized area of the law. Even associates at the larger tax firms are rarely permitted to litigate important cases under only general supervision; they are most often relegated to an anonymous supporting role. Students should derive some element of excitement from being responsible for handling claims which often run into hundreds of thousands of dollars. The Clinic will be accepting cases based not only upon the client's inability to pay, but also on the quality of experience which they will offer interns. Among the cases pending are:

1. One dealing with a corporate stock buy-out agreement in which the IRS claims that the corporation's assumption of \$112,000 liability was a constructive dividend to the purchasing stockholder.

2. Two which present the question of joint and several liability for taxes of an "innocent spouse" who signed a joint return without knowledge that there were major omissions from income.

3. One dealing with the state tax liability of a spouse whose husband absconded without notifying state tax authorities of changes on a federal return as required by law.

Students who wish to take part in the Tax Clinic Program should see Professor Orlofsky during the drop-add period of the Fall semester.

**Remember The
Yearbook's
General Meeting:
September 10
at 12:10 In
Barton House**

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE MEETING

Monday, August 25, 1980
at 4:15 PM in Room 227 (if unavailable meeting will be held in Barton House)

Agenda:

1. Student Constitution
2. Student Advisor Program
3. Student Directory
4. Student clubs' budget allocations
5. Student Picnic
6. Minutes
7. Faculty Meetings
8. Other business

ACADEMIC YEAR 1980 - 1981

FALL SEMESTER

First Year Orientation Begins

Classes Begin

No Classes

Legislative Friday

(Friday Schedule in Effect)

No Classes

Legislative Thursday

(Thursday Schedule in Effect)

No Classes

Classes End

Examinations

January Commencement

TRIAL TECHNIQUES

Program Begins

Program Ends

SPRING SEMESTER

Classes Begin

No Classes

Legislative Monday

(Monday Schedule in Effect)

No Classes

Classes End

Examinations

Commencement

SUMMER SESSION I

Classes Begin

Classes End

Examinations

SUMMER SESSION II

Classes Begin

Legislative Monday

(Monday Schedule in Effect)

Classes End

Examinations

Mon., Aug. 18, 1980

Mon., Aug. 25, 1980

Mon., Sept. 1, 1980

Tues., Sept. 9, 1980

Thurs., Sept. 11, 1980 and

Fri., Sept. 12, 1980

Wed., Nov. 26, 1980

Thurs., Nov. 27, 1980

Fri., Dec. 5, 1980

Wed., Dec. 10, 1980 thru

Tues., Dec. 23, 1980

Sun., Jan. 11, 1981

Mon., Jan. 5, 1981

Fri., Jan. 16, 1981

Mon., Jan. 19, 1981

Mon., Feb. 16, 1981

Tues., Feb. 17, 1981

Mon., April 13, 1981 thru

Mon., April 20, 1981

Tues., May 5, 1981

Mon., May 11, 1981 thru

Fri., May 22, 1981

Sun., May 31, 1981

Mon., May 15, 1981

Thurs., July 2, 1981

Fri., July 3, 1981 and

Mon., July 6, 1981

Tues., July 7, 1981

Thurs., July 9, 1981

Wed., August 12, 1981

Thurs., August 13, 1981 and

Mon., August 17, 1981

Trial Skills Workshops

**The Trial Advocacy Club
Plans To Continue Its
Trial Skills Workshops.
Students Interested In
Participating Should
Contact Ben Rubinowitz
Or Leave A Note In
The Trial Advocacy Club
Mailbox In The
Admissions Office**

EDITORIAL

WELCOME!

CONSCIENCE welcomes the members of the class of 1983 to Hofstra Law School with the hope that they will find their experience at Hofstra to be worthwhile. That, however, depends on them. The cliché has truth: you'll get out of Law School only what you put into it, so spend the time and effort necessary to do well in your studies. Avail yourself of your teachers, the Law Fellows, second and third year students and the library staff and facilities. Familiarize yourself with the Law School; keep in close touch with the Placement Office.

CONSCIENCE, in keeping with tradition, dedicates this issue to the entering class. To help all students learn about the non-classroom opportunities at the Law School, CONSCIENCE invited student organizations to write about themselves.

GET INVOLVED

Involvement in non-classroom activities often enhances the classroom experience. Participation in student groups provides students with opportunities to develop diverse skills and interests.

CONSCIENCE invites contributions

from all members of the Hofstra community. The current staff of CONSCIENCE, composed primarily of third year students, urges first and second year students to consider involvement at the Law School through CONSCIENCE. Whether or not you choose to join CONSCIENCE, there is a wide choice of activities which offers every individual the opportunity to supplement the classroom experience.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

This year, my third at the Law School, begins without a written charter to govern our student representatives. A constitution covering the operation of the student government, the allocation of the Student Activity Fund and the selection of student representatives should be adopted. The student representatives, by and large, have served their fellow students capably; yet, as with all governments, no matter how large or small, this student government should also be governed by specific rules of law. From conversations with various Student Representatives, CONSCIENCE expects a constitution to be adopted before the end of the academic year; nothing less would be acceptable.

Dean's Column

by Dean John J. Regan

Deans traditionally welcome back students to school after the summer "vacation," and so I, too, extend a hand of greeting. "Vacation," I suspect, is hardly the word to describe the typical Hofstra Law student's summer activities, since so many studied in summer school, or worked in law offices or intern programs.

The editors of CONSCIENCE have offered me the opportunity to share my thoughts with you each month in a dean's column. The invitation is irresistible, an offer I can't refuse. In the coming months I hope to use this column to present ideas about the future of Hofstra as well as to discuss ongoing issues at the Law School.

Several faculty changes have occurred this summer. Robert (Baruch) Bush, a Stanford law graduate who has done extensive research and writing in law and economics, will join the faculty to teach Torts, Comparative Law and Economic Analysis of Law. Ellen Fried and Joel Gorham, both proven litigators, will teach in the first year Lawyering Skills program. Richard Braun, also an experienced trial attorney, will supervise students at NLO in Hempstead.

Professor Sheila Rush, one of our faculty mainstays, has moved to California to practice law and will be sorely missed. Visiting Professor Kris Glen has joined the faculty of New York Law School and is running for a Civil Court Judgeship. Marge Mintzer has moved from NLO to a Long Island law firm and will be succeeded by Sue Bryant as Acting Executive Director of Clinical Programs. Vic Ambrose is also leaving NLO to practice law. All have made substantial contributions to Hofstra's growth, and we wish them well in their careers.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the student government, I would like to welcome the Class of '83 to our law school community and convey our best wishes and sincerest hopes for future success. I would also like to welcome back our returning law students.

This year begins the second decade of our law school's existence. Last year, Hofstra Law School passed the ABA re-accreditation inspection with flying colors; yet, our law school is still relatively young and striving to develop its own distinctive character.

With your help and with the help of my colleagues in the student government, I hope to be instrumental in establishing a positive student body character. The ideals of camaraderie and loyalty which inspired Ms. Levine to write her letter to CONSCIENCE in 1975 need to be regenerated. We wish to draw closer to this goal, through various programs such as the student advisory program and others.

In conclusion, I wish all of you a happy and successful academic year.

Sincerely,
Sal Russo
Student Representative
At-Large

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The editorial board is committed to bringing Hofstra Law a competent, informative, lively newspaper which adheres to professional standards. Accordingly, we'll strive to meet the responsibility that derives from first amendment guarantees.

All of you—students, faculty and staff—are encouraged to make editorial suggestions, submit articles for consideration and, of course, write letters to the editor. Regarding submissions: please type (triple space) and include name and phone number. Submissions may be dropped off in our admissions office mailbox.

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Impressions

Busy Body

by Kenneth M. Mollins

Hey, Dad, I made it! My first day of law school is history. I love it. There is so much to do!

Yeah, son, that's right. It sounds just like when I went to law school. There was so much to do. Will you join the Student Government?

Well, Dad, that's a commitment that takes too much time. I'll avoid that so I'll have time to study.

Boy, son, when I was in school I ran for election twice and even when I lost I volunteered to be on different committees. Maybe that's not your forte. Why don't you join the newspaper or yearbook staff? That's interesting and looks good on the resume!

Well, Dad, I want to concentrate my writing efforts on briefs and memos. Ya know, the important stuff. As I said before, there's lots to do.

There sure is, son. When I was in Hofstra I contributed to both the yearbook and the newspaper. However, I always liked writing. Maybe you can devote some time to some of the many campus clubs. They plan meetings and debates. I never joined any of the clubs but I did attend many meetings and dinners. In Hofstra there is so much to do!

Absolutely, Dad! I've got Contracts and Torts and Property. Then Civ Pro and Criminal Law. It's real time-consuming. I hope I have time to sleep.

Son, I enjoyed serving on the Admissions Committee. It gave me a feeling of power. You should try it.

I'm not interested.

How about the Moot Court Board?

No!

Or in your second year maybe you can be a lawfellow?

Not me.

And how about the Law Revue Show?

Too much work.

Son, maybe you will make Law Review and then you can spend days and weeks working on an article of your choosing.

Hey, maybe Dad! Maybe I will. Say, Dad, what is apathy?

Son, a person is apathetic when he has little interest or desire for action. Indifference. Unconcern. It's when a person is lacking in feeling.

Gee, Dad, there's so much to do at Hofstra. I'm glad I'm not apathetic...

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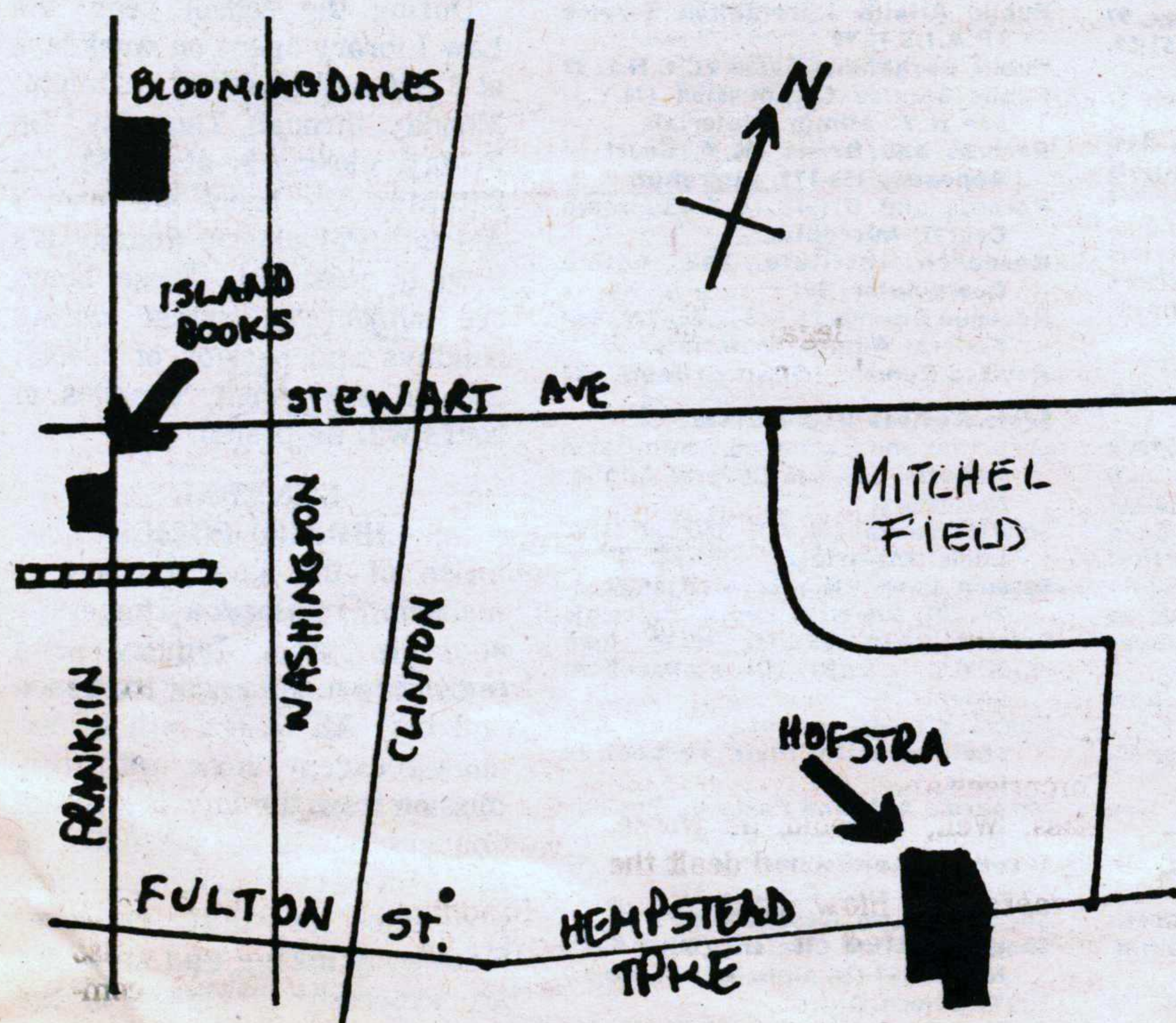
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PeaceSmith has several draft and disarmament projects currently underway including the Disarmament Study-Action Group which meets every Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. For information and details on this and other current projects call (516) 798-0778; for draft counseling or to register for draft counselor training, call Carol Ross at 293-7968.

Nissequogue River State Park in Smithtown will offer the following programs during the summer season of 1980. Advance registration is required. There will be a \$1.50 fee per vehicle payable at the park on the day of the scheduled program.

To register, call (516) 265-1054.

1. Hikers Special—A five mile interpretive hike touring Nissequogue River State Park. Bring a small lunch. Meet on Southside. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Tour of North and Southside.) Saturday, August 23.

2. River Walk—A pleasant walk along the Nissequogue River, acquainting the park visitor with the flora and fauna of the region. Southside, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Sunday, August 24th and Saturday, August 30th.

Organized groups (school classes, scouts, civic and cultural groups, etc.), families and individuals can, in addition to the foregoing special programs, schedule interpretive natural history activities and walks by calling (516) 265-1054.

The Nissequogue River State Park Museum is open for group and individual visits. The museum is designed to depict the interaction between the environment and the people who have inhabited the park over the last four centuries. Habitat types, dioramas, live plants and artifacts are on exhibit daily from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., except Monday.

The Hofstra University Speech and Hearing Center was awarded reaccreditation of its speech-language pathology and audiology services by the Professional Services Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The reaccreditation extends for a five-year period.

Fewer than 300 of the nation's 2,500 clinics in this field have been accredited by the Association. For further information about the Center, write to Dr. Ellen Parker or call (516) 560-3250.

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Hearing loss affects over sixteen million people. Three million of these are school-age children and one out of every four people over sixty-five has a hearing disorder. Get a hearing evaluation for your family and yourself. Call Hofstra University's Speech and Hearing Center at (516) 560-3250. Listen, it's a sound idea.

A "Beethoven Festival" will be presented by the Long Island Festival of the Arts on September 12, 13, and 14 at the Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay.

The festival will open on Friday, Sept. 12 at 9 p.m. with the American Quartet and pianist Ruth Laredo.

David Bar-Illan will perform Beethoven's Sonata No. 2, the Eroica Variations and the Waldstein Sonata on Saturday, Sept. 13 at 8:30 p.m.

The Philharmonic Virtuosi of New York, directed by Richard Kapp, will conclude the festival on Sunday, Sept. 14 with an all-Beethoven program.

In addition to the concerts, the festival will include more than 60 musicians playing sonatas, quartets and other chamber masterpieces during the daytime throughout the grounds of the estate.

Also, a Beethoven Boesendorfer Piano Marathon at Coe Hall will feature artists Edmund Battersby, Alan Marks, Blanca Uribe, Martha Schrepel and Ana Maria Bottazzi.

Afternoon admission is \$5 and evening concert tickets cost \$10, reserved; \$5 unreserved; and \$2.50 lawn admission (bring blanket and lawn chair). For additional information, call 922-0061.

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STUDENT GROUPS

AGORA

by Steve Ruddock

The word "agora" means "marketplace" in Greek; the student organization "Agora" provides law students with a "marketplace for ideas." Agora was formed in 1978 by law students concerned with law school's subtle yet powerful pressure on the individual to neglect previous interests, social commitments, and critical consciousness. Too often, the energetic first year student, seeking to become a catalyst for positive social change, emerges from law school with a severely eroded system of values and ideals and an atrophied sense of social commitment. Agora seeks to keep the dialogue alive by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas.

Agora meetings are held weekly, usually during a lunch hour. During this period, guest lecturers and films provide "springboards" for group discussions on such diverse topics as: environmental issues, civil rights, health care, prison reform, standardized testing, consumerism, and alternative law practices.

Funds have been made available for innovative discussions on any topic of interest. Meetings and discussions are run entirely by students.

Individuals or groups of individuals are encouraged to organize or lead discussions on topics of interest to them.

The aging 3rd year organizers are looking for energetic 2nd and 1st year students to maintain Agora's momentum. LOOK FOR POSTED NOTICES OF AGORA'S INITIAL PLANNING MEETING DURING THE FIRST WEEK OR TWO OF SCHOOL.

You will undoubtedly grow tired of gossiping in the lounges about tests and hornbooks. Why not spend your lunches with Agora instead? For more information, call 333-7929.

POCKET PART

by Daphne Gronich

The staff of "Pocket Part"—Hofstra Law's yearbook—would like to invite all those who might be interested in working on the yearbook to a general meeting to be held at Barton House (across the street) during the Dean's Hour on September 10.

Inasmuch as a yearbook can only reflect the imagination and creativity of its contributors, we urge every individual who has any ideas or suggestions (or simply spare time) to come to the meeting. Without input, "Pocket Part" will merely reflect the images of Hofstra Law as only a few people see it.

If you are considering working on "Pocket Part," please let us know, by submitting your name, particular area of interest, if any (e.g., photography, layout...) and past experience (if any) to our mailbox in the Admissions Office. Complaints about past yearbooks and suggestions for this year's edition also will be welcomed and may be left in the same place.

BALSA

by Lacy C. Johnson

We, the people of BALSA (Black American Law Students Association), would like to take this opportunity to welcome the class of 1983 to Hofstra Law School. May the effort you expend toward the study of the law be reciprocated with a confidence in and appreciation of the subtle nuances which the notorious "web" holds for the true seeker. And remember, a true seeker of knowledge never complains about the difficulty of that journey. It will be an arduous one, but you were expecting it to be just that.

You will encounter a lot during your three year sojourn at Hofstra Law or any other law school. As you read about defendants and plaintiffs, multi-million dollar contracts, the complexities of land transfer,

proximate cause and all the other legal facets of your first year curriculum, will you let slip from your emerging "steel trap" mind the concept that all of this is supposed to serve the people of this country? Will you remember the kind of person that you are, and the values you have as you envelop yourself in the process of how to become a lawyer? For peoples of the Third World at Hofstra, BALSA attempts to be a forum for this kind of dialogue, as well as for those legal issues that have a special impact on the minority community of America.

Now that the Bakke decision has been digested, what is the reality of minority presence at Hofstra Law? The class of 1983 will probably have 24 minority students out of a total class size of approximately 265. For the mathematicians among you, that comprises about 9 percent of the class. Well, it could be worse, especially if Bakke had dealt the devastating blow that some initially feared it might to minority numbers or to their presence in graduate schools across the country. But, then again, it could be better too. As offered in the past by a certain Bus. Org. professor, "you have to take the bitter with the better in life." The law school's commitment to a significant minority presence at Hofstra does not appear to be imminently in

jeopardy.

It is the responsibility of and the opportunity for those who actively participate in BALSA to assure that this presence is a meaningful and constructive one. Hofstra's chapter of BALSA is part of a national BALSA organization in which we also participate through numerous committees and meetings, chapter dues, regional and national conventions, and assorted other special events. An example of the cooperation among the New York area law schools was BALSA's presentation of Gil Scott-Heron in concert last fall at Columbia, to raise operating funds for the national BALSA convention held in New York in the spring. There is some discussion within the Metropolitan Coordinating Council of the possibility of having Hofstra serve as the site for the upcoming regional convention.

In addition to the political focus of BALSA, the organization also serves the Third World community as a source of information on available employment opportunities, fellowships and internships. BALSA at Hofstra is also a source of assistance with the inevitable problems that confront some students with a vengeance during the burdensome coursework of the (Continued on page 10)

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Any destruction or mutilation of books or any other type of vandalism will result in immediate expulsion. Carrels may not be reserved for future use. Any clothing and-or books left in a carrel for the purpose of reserving it will be removed and stored at the risk of the owner.

Persons using the Law Library have the responsibility of reshelving materials used and to keep the Library neat and clean.

CIRCULATION POLICY AND PROCEDURE

A person may borrow any processed library materials, excluding looseleaf services and general reference materials under the following conditions:

Reserve materials may be used only by Hofstra Law School students and faculty and members of the bench and bar registered with the Law Library.

A valid Hofstra Law Library Card is required to take out any reserve materials.

All books are to be returned to the Reserve Desk.

There is a three (3) hour time limit on all reserve books. This time limit on all reserve books may be shortened during periods of special use. A fine of 50 cents per hour will be levied on all books not returned on time. When a book is returned, if there have been no requests for it, it may be renewed for another three (3) hours.

Library materials may be checked out during the last hour before closing for use overnight. These materials must be returned within two (2) hours of the following day's opening. Overnight circulation is limited to Hofstra Law School students and faculty.

A fine of \$1.00 per day will be levied for each book not returned. In the event that a reserve book is borrowed overnight, an additional fine of 50 cents per hour will also be levied.

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The Microfilm room (121 B) houses the microfilm collection and reader printers. A complete list of the collection is held at the Reserve Desk. For aid in obtaining what you need, inquire at the Reserve Desk.

Writing...

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either of the other methods, since, as he explains, some students have the ability to see through hypothetical questions.

Edward Geller, a 2nd year representative, called the program "less than adequate." Mr. Geller felt that students were not directed to half of the books needed for legal research. He criticized the classes on stare decisis that were given late in the semester as being both time-consuming and a waste of time, since by then students already understood the principles of stare decisis. Mr. Geller feels that the course should end about 1-2 months earlier.

Complaints about last year's program included statements that the grading was too harsh, and that the course was exclusively geared to the writing of memoranda. Problems also developed in the library last year due to the great demand for a limited number of books.

Notwithstanding criticisms about the program, Professor Neumann feels that the program is very effective. He would like to take this opportunity to wish the entering class the best of luck.

Law Fellows

Once again, Hofstra Law School will be offering first year students assistance in their Civil Procedure, Contracts, Criminal Law, Property and Torts classes. A group of second and third year law students known as Law Fellows will be offering review sessions and lending their knowledge and experience to first year students in order to ease the transition into law school.

Each section is assigned a law fellow who will assist the students of that section. By September 2, law fellow assignments for each first year section will be announced. The law fellow for each class section will then contact his section and make all other arrangements.

For further information, contact Steve Kafka by leaving a note in the Law Fellows' box located in the Admissions Office.

Trial Advocacy Club

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. Students participate in all phases of a trial and receive feedback from both faculty members and peers. Club membership is open to all students. Those interested in participating in the trial skills workshops or in any other aspects of the club are encouraged to contact President Ben Rubinowitz or to leave a note in the Trial Advocacy Club mailbox in the main office.

BALSA...

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mysterious first year. There is no guaranteed formula for success in the first year, but the resources of BALSA's membership and library are at your disposal; however, the solitary hours of hard work cannot be replaced by any short cuts.

Lastly, I am certain that I would not be presumptuous in expressing sincere appreciation for years of past service and best wishes for the future, on behalf of BALSA, to Professor Rush, who has departed Hofstra for the environs of northern California. You know that your presence will be missed by all of us.

So, all you eager future lawyers, best of luck in the maiden voyage of your legal careers. If you didn't get a chance to attend our orientation on the 16th, watch for notices of BALSA meetings, and contribute your presence and energy to the struggle.

Security...

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semester will not only protect our collection from degradation by outright theft, but will also increase the availability of limited materials to all. It is impossible to keep buying copies of Prosser and Siegel by the short ton. In the case of law reviews, with their notoriously small print runs, to replace back issues is ruinously expensive at best, impossible at worst.

We will be imposing a fine schedule for overdue books, and intend to strictly enforce it. Libraries do not use fines as a source of revenue. It is merely the best way we have found to insure prompt return of books and periodicals. Our goal is to assure that all have an equal chance to use these materials.

We ask that all in the community at Hofstra Law bear with us while we put this new system into effect and cooperate in making it work.

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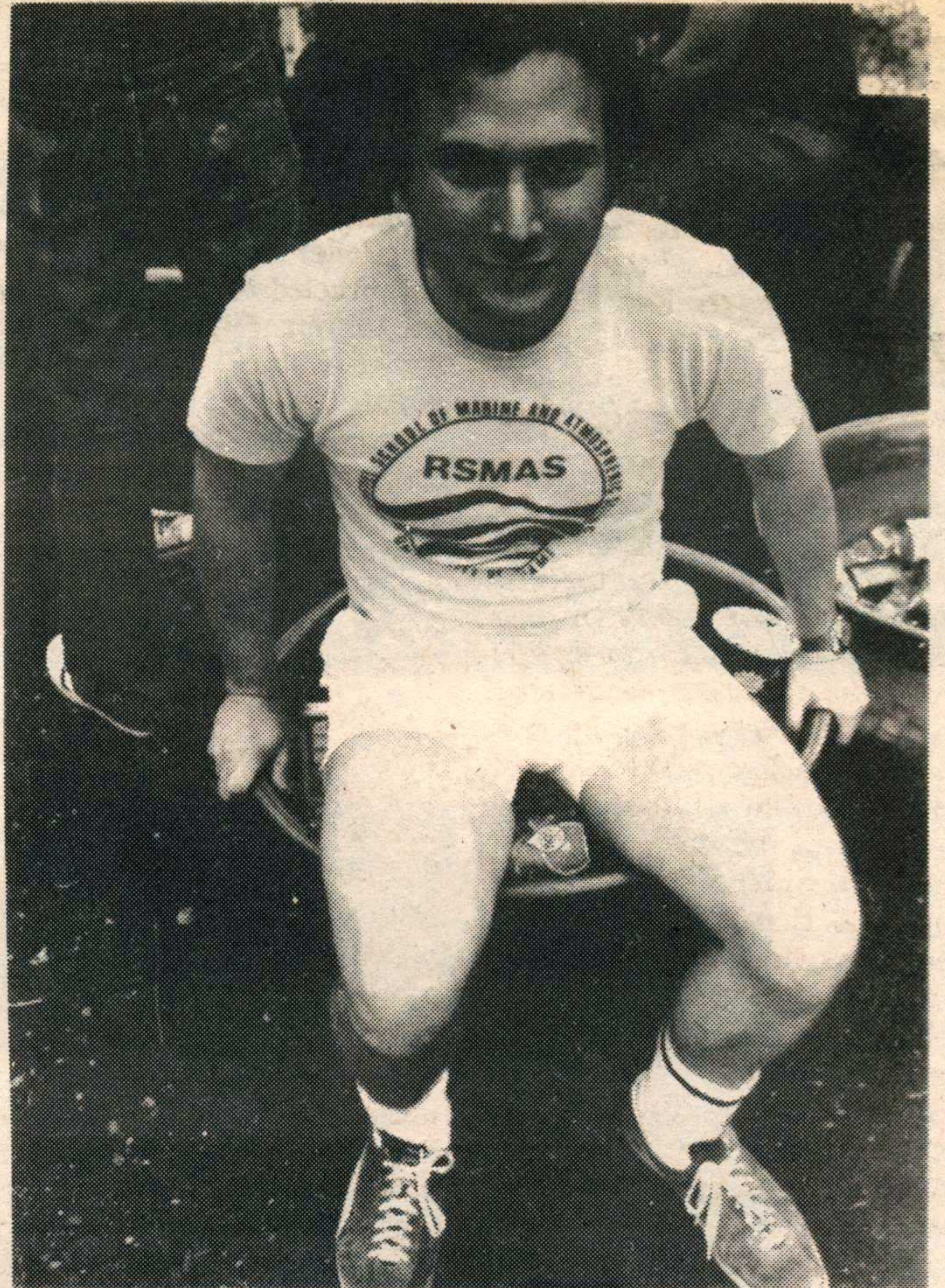
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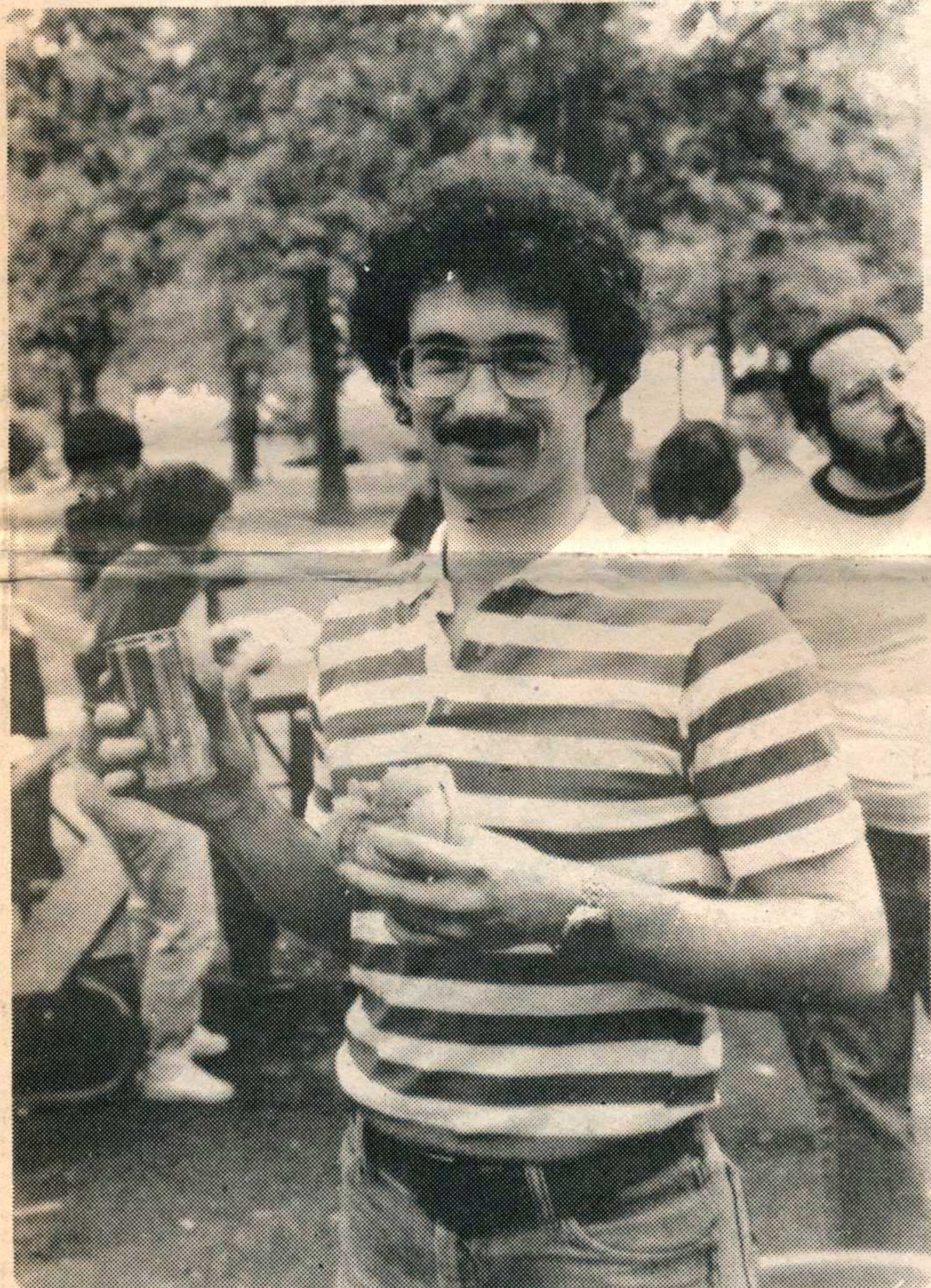
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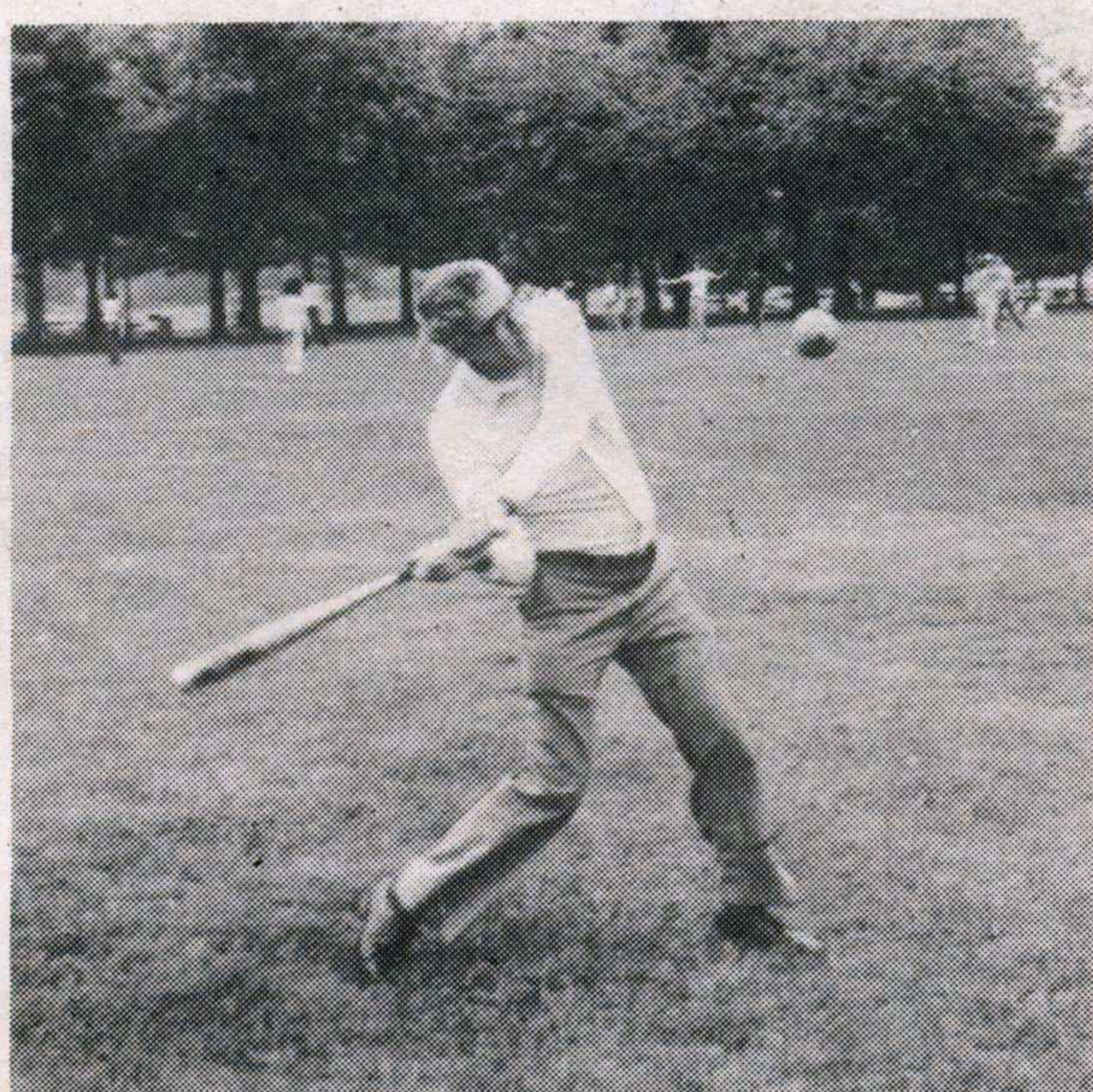
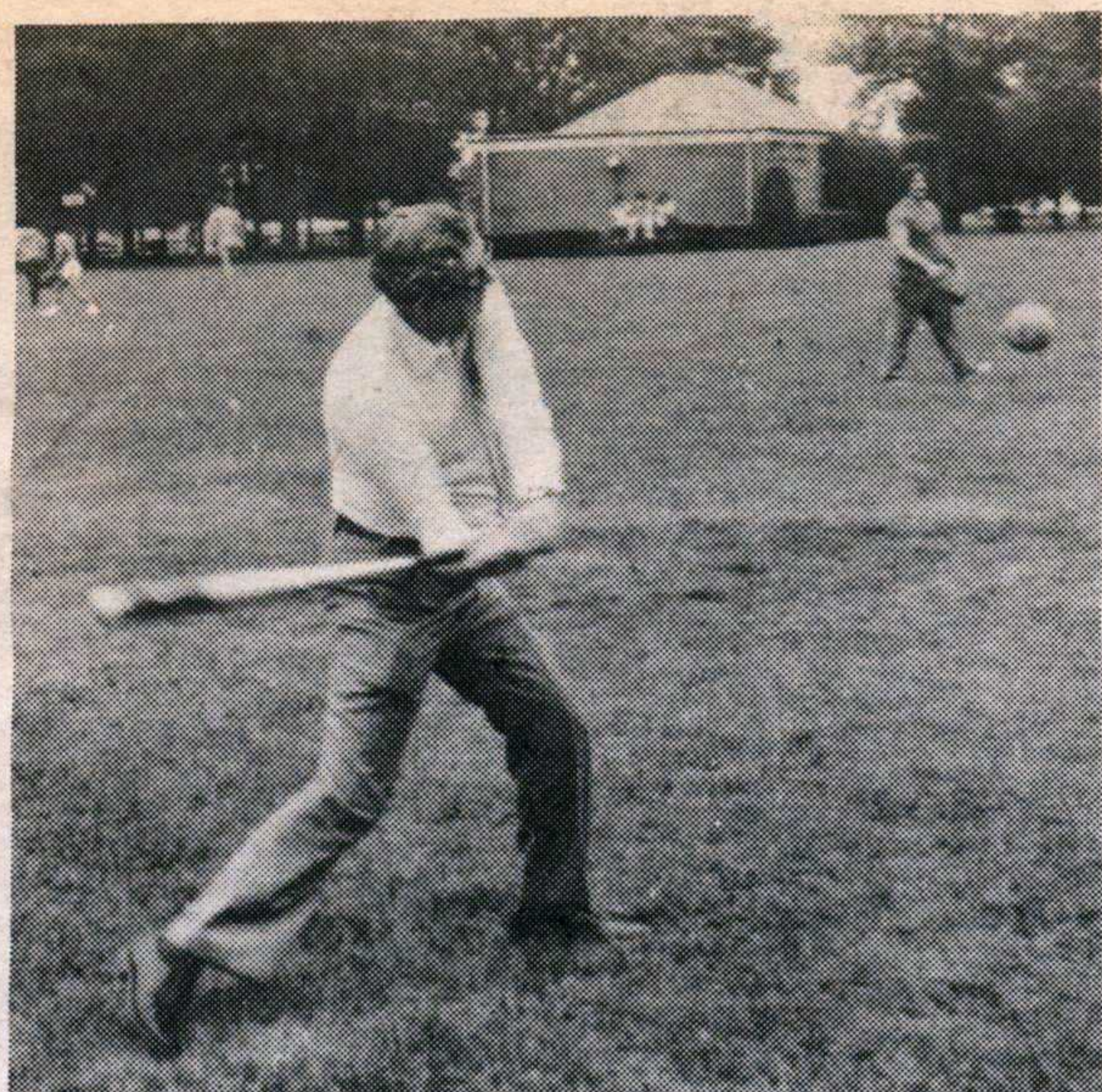


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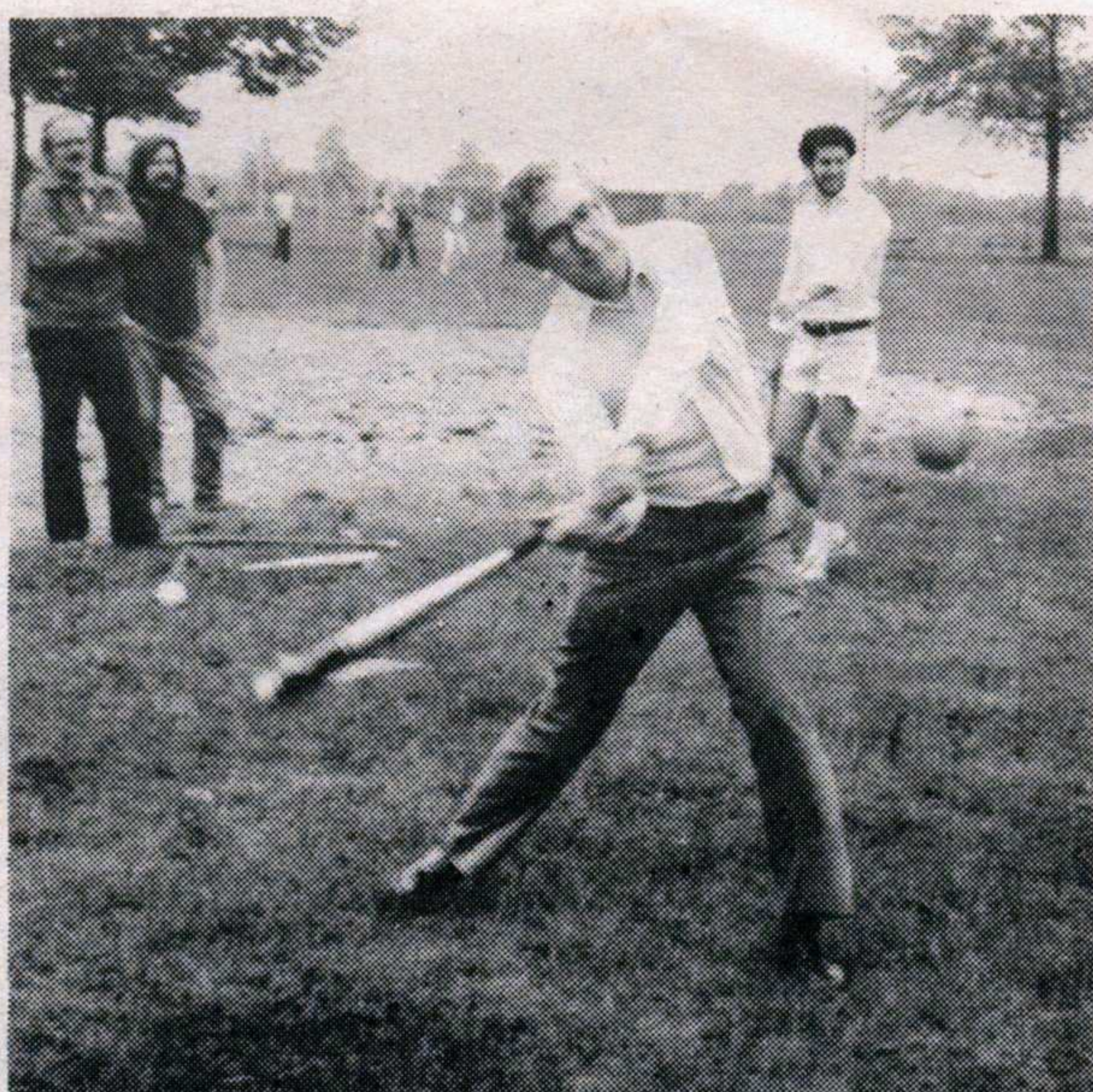
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