

Inter Alia

VOLUME 10 NUMBER 4

December 1998

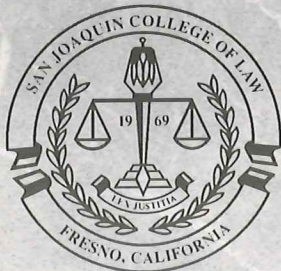
*The Newsletter of
San Joaquin
College of Law*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DR. BILL F. STEWART
CHAIR

HON. JAMES A. ARDAIZ
VICE CHAIR

ROSS BORBA, JR.
RICHARD CAGLIA
HON. JANE CARDOZA
JAMES K. HERBERT, LL.B.
DR. HOWARD LOEWEN
JOHN E. LOOMIS, J.D.
WILLIAM LYLES
KENDALL MANOCK, J.D.
EDWARD MOSLEY, M.D., J.D.
DOUGLAS NOLL, J.D.
ELIZABETH O'NEILL, J.D.
HON. ROBERT OLIVER
SUSIE OSTERBERG
JEFFREY ROWE, J.D.
DR. VIVIAN VIDOLI



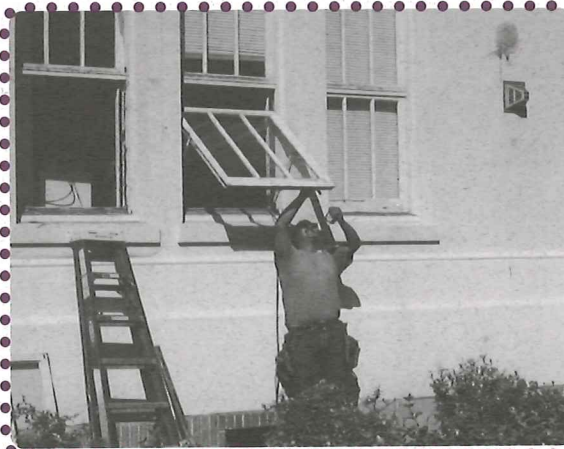
“Polishing Our Gem” Campaign Making Great Progress In Restoring Exterior of SJCL

After months of preparation and fundraising, work has begun on the restoration of the exterior of SJCL’s building. Twenty-five badly damaged window frames have been replaced and painting work is expected to begin in early December.

Thanks to the generous donations of Clovis High alumni, the fundraising campaign has generated more than \$37,000 or 76 percent of the money needed for the painting and refurbishment of the building. The fundraising has been spearheaded by a group of original CHS alumni which includes Susan (Ford) Frantzich, Carol (Smittcamp) Copeland, Betsy (Blaine) Sandoval, Rita Davenport, Carole (Pendergrass) Linenbach, Rosalene (Sirimarco) Matteson, and Joan (Bjorkman) Lassley.

The top four categories of donors to the campaign are recognized in the “Gifts” section, beginning on page 4 of this issue. Because of space limitations, it is not possible to list all the individuals who have

shown their support for the beautiful historic building that is now home to SJCL. However, their generous donations and support are deeply appreciated. The Topaz donors (\$50-99) will be also be recognized on the donor plaque planned for the wall of the main hallway of the building.



Above: Marin Garcia, of J. E. Ethridge Construction, along with Warren Frank (unseen in photo), spent days repairing and replacing window frames and sills in preparation for refinishing the exterior of the building. Right: Clovis High School as it was in the 1950's.



Continuing Your Legal Education Is A Smart Move

The State Bar Board of Governors has advised attorneys to continue to fulfill their obligations under MCLE pending review of *Warden v. State Bar* by the California Supreme Court. MCLE Compliance Group 3 (N-Z) is strongly urged to complete 36 hours of continuing education classes by January 31, 1999. Accordingly, San Joaquin College of Law is again holding "Marathon Month" in January, 1999. Plan to attend these great video programs from The Rutter Group. All video programs will be shown at San Joaquin College of Law. The program topics, dates, MCLE credit hours, times, and costs are listed below:

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COST</u>
1999 Update: Civil Procedure (3 credits)	1/12/99	6:00-9:15p.m.	\$110.00
Substance Abuse from the Judge's Perspective (1 credit)	1/16/99 & 1/23/99	9:00-10:00a.m.	\$50.00
Bias in the Courts- The Judicial Response (1 credit)	1/16/99 & 1/23/99	10:15-11:15a.m.	\$50.00
Litigation Management Technology (3 credits)	1/16/99	9:00 a.m.-12:15p.m.	\$110.00
1999 Update: Insurance Litigation	1/16/99	1:00-4:15p.m.	\$110.00
1999 Update: Personal Injury (3 credits)	1/19/99	6:00-9:15p.m.	\$110.00
1999 Update: Family Law (3 credits)	1/23/99	9:00a.m.-12:15p.m.	\$110.00
Legal Ethics 1998 (4 credits)	1/23/99	1:00-5:15p.m.	\$120.00

For more information, please contact Mary Felkner, MCLE Coordinator, at 559-323-2100.

San Joaquin College of Law

FULL-TIME FACULTY

Lawrence M. Artenian
Richard M. Cartier
Denise M. Kerner
Janice L. Pearson
Sally A. Perring
Jeffrey G. Purvis

ADJUNCT FACULTY

Russ Akins
Marc C. Ament
Hon. James A. Ardaiz
Tom Armstrong
Jesse J. Avila
Darlene M. Azevedo
Barry J. Bennett
Sal M. Blanco
Stanley A. Boone
Peter S. Bradley
Hon. A. Dennis Caeton
David M. Camenson
Chris Campbell
Michael Carrigan
Jeff Carter
Ken Carver
Jonathan B. Conklin
Andrea DeShayes
Denise DiMascio
James E. Durkee
John P. Eleazarian
Thomas J. Georgouses
Christine A. Goodrich
Sara Hedgpeh-Harris
Ronald A. Henderson
Kim Herold
W. Russell Hose
Kathi K. Kesselman
Randall Krause
Jim Ledbetter
Robert A. Mallek
Michael P. Mallery
Hon. Vincent J. McGraw
John McGregor
Mark D. Miller
Douglas E. Noll
Hon. Lawrence J. O'Neill
Deborah D. Owdom
Vickie Panagopoulos
Harry Pascuzzi
Rosendo Pena
Toni Porter
Duane R. Ruth-Heffelbower
Russell K. Ryan
Victor Salazar
Rose Safarian
René Sample
James I. Shepard
Michael Slater
Robert Swanton
David Weiland
James Wilkins
Patti L. Williams
Curtis Wong
E. Robert Wright

Law Alumni Profiles

The Class of 1978

This year is the TWENTIETH Anniversary of the graduation of the Class of 1978. This graduating class is unique because it included SJCL's one full-time, day-only class. Of the 48 graduates of the Class of 1978, half began in Fall of 1974 in the night program and half began in Fall of 1975 in the day program. Throughout 1998, Inter Alia has highlighted the lives of many of the graduates of 1978. It was a pleasure visiting with them and catching up on their busy lives.---Dean Jan.

MARY ANN BLUHM

After taking the bar exam, Mary Ann went to work for Harris & Bagdasarian. On her first day, she went downtown to pick up her company car--a brand new Mazda RX-7. On her second day, she met with the interior decorator to order all new office furniture. Reality hit shortly thereafter, and the firm dissolved before the furniture ever arrived. Mary Ann moved as an associate with Gary G. Bagdasarian to a modest two-attorney office, without even a plain paper copy machine, where she did transactional work. Later the firm moved to a building also housing attorneys Charles S. Poochigian, Steven M.

Vartabedian, Charles L. Reed, Nick Wyrick, and Paul S. James.

In June 1980 Mary Ann and her husband, Dave, moved to southern California, where Dave worked as a training director for State Farm Insurance. Mary Ann opened a general practice law office in Camarillo, five minutes

from their home, under the firm name of Bagdasarian & Bluhm.

One year later Dave was transferred again--this time to Modesto to serve as an agency manager. Mary Ann took some time off work to start a family. She gave birth to Gabriel in 1982 and Joel in 1984. During this time she helped Dave with his office work and did some contract work, including research and writing assignments for a blind attorney.

Mary Ann was planning to return to part-time work in January 1985, but instead spent 35 days at the Stanford University Medical Center, where Joel was being treated in the intensive care unit as he was experiencing frequent seizures throughout the day and night. Mary Ann eventu-

ally learned how to tube feed Joel at home and care for his special needs, but she and Dave decided to return to Fresno, where they would be closer to both of their families and Valley Children's Hospital. Upon returning to Fresno, Dave resumed his career with State Farm as an agent.

Two weeks after her youngest son, A.J., was born in 1985, Joel was in the hospital again for one of his many stays. In 1986, Mary Ann's brother, John P. Eleazarian, who was then a partner at Kimble, MacMichael &

Upton (KMU), introduced her to a KMU law clerk and SJCL student, W. Richard Lee, and his family. Through the Lees, Mary Ann learned of a Philadelphia-based program that taught parents how to help their brain-injured children. She and Dave began an intensive home program for Joel, with the help of a cadre of volun-

'I remember the fun of the tennis tournaments at Roeding park...law school seems like another life...'

-- Mary Ann Bluhm

Continued on page 8

GIFTS

San Joaquin College of Law gratefully acknowledges all those who have generously supported the Law School and its programs. To you, we say "Thank You." This list contains donations received by SJCL from January through October 15, 1998.

Founder's Society *\$25,000 and above*

James K. (Board) & Carol
Sellers Herbert

Dean's Circle *\$5,000 - \$9,999*

Borba Farms
Katherine E. & Timothy Donovan,
In Memory of William T. Richert
Leon S. Peters Foundation
Pete P. Peters Foundation
Price, Paige & Stewart-
Accountancy Corporation

Gold Circle *\$1,000 - \$2,499*

Carl Brown
Dan Green ('97)
Mr. ('75) & Mrs. Ernest S. Kinney
Thomas Saville, Jr. ('96) -
Superior Grafix

Partners *\$500 - \$999*

Baker, Manock & Jensen
Mahlon & Karen ('96) Buck
Larry ('98) & Elsa DeWitt
The Fresno Business Journal
Dale Ikeda
William Richard Lee ('85)

Patricia Mattson-Markell ('85)
Ron ('95) & Sally (faculty) Perring

Friends *\$250 - \$499*

Dennis & Andrea Bean
Mr. ('92) & Mrs. Mark A. Blum
Hal H. Bolen, II
Peter Carroll
Dowling, Aaron & Keeler
Harris Farms
Sue & John E. Loomis (Board)
John Merritt
Donald Pogoloff
Eduardo Ruiz ('95)
Salvatore Sciandra
Stephen B. Sefton ('78)
Karen Spinardi ('97)
Philip E. Tavlian ('80)

Supporters *Up to \$249*

Mark Asami ('97)
Nancy K. Aten ('90)
Bethany R. Baker ('88)
Mr. Barry Bedwell
Julia Brungess ('82)
CA Tomato Growers Association
Robert A. Cassio ('93)
Mr. James Demsey
E & J Gallo Winery
Micky George
Mr. Don Germino

M. Green & Company
Green, Green & Rigby
Helon & Manfredo
Bruce Leichty
Mr. James Mayer
Mark Miller (faculty)
Elizabeth O'Neill (Board)
P-R Farms
Mr. James H. Perkins
Loretta Ramseyer
Maj. & Mrs. Edwin C. Rau
J. David Spence
Dr. Bill Stewart (Board)
Sun-Maid Growers of CA
Mr. Wayne Thomas, Jr.
Nancy Van Gelder

*SJCL would also like to
thank the many Clovis High
School alumni whose gener-
ous donations have enabled
us to begin the renovation of
the exterior of the College.*

Diamond Donors *\$1,000 and above*

Anonymous CHS Class of 1944
Mr. & Mrs. Milton ('40) Avakian
The Ford Family, Lynne *In
Memory of Gene ('34)*
Ben ('63) & Susan Ford ('64)
Frantzich *In Memory of Chad*
The Franco Family *In Memory of
Gilbert Franco ('63)*
ICI Paint - Jerry Sullivan
James Jolly ('47)
William McFarlane ('43)

Glenda Murphy - SJCL
Robert Frederick Smith ('34)

Ruby Donors
\$500 - \$999

Crystal Erickson ('58) & Opal
Erickson ('68) Blake
Bob Davis ('66)
Michael T. Geis
Betsy Smittcamp Kimball ('67)
Joan Bjorkman Lassley ('66)
Sayre McFarlane Miller ('67)
Michael & Gwen Watt - SJCL

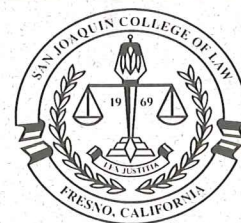
Emerald Donors
\$250 - \$499

CHS Class of 1964
CHS Class of 1967
John Daddino ('43)
George ('66) & Jackie Folsom
Glenn Gooder ('38)
Ephriam N. Gray ('47)
James ('51) & Coke ('53) Hallowell
Gail Kenneaster Howard ('54)
Isako Takahashi Imai ('37)
Merle McNab Jack ('36)
Herb (Leon) ('46) & Rebecca
Rhodes ('49) Liles
Paul & Kathy Mesple ('67)
George Montross ('53)
Bart & Kitty Mosekian ('37)
Fred ('48) & Susie ('49) Osterberg
Robert Papenhausen ('68)
Laura Arnaudo Paulson ('40)
Linda Tiboni (65)

Sapphire Donors
\$100 - \$249

Andrew Arie ('40)
Darlene Azevedo - SJCL
Normand J. Biglione ('42)
F. Thomas Biglione (66)
Virginia Gamlin Blevins ('49)
Chalmers Boling ('31)
Verne E. Bretz ('35)
Glenn ('37) & Ruth ('36) Broadwell
Gene Bruce *In Memory of Rocky Bruce*
Betty Hall Buchmann ('49)
Bob ('69) & Melanee Burchfield
Donald Bushey ('39)
Jo Capparelli ('58)
Beverly Killion Carlson ('43)
Beverly Bitter Carstens ('56)
Richard Cartier - SJCL

Raymond Johnson ('44)
Marilyn Thomason Killian ('58)
Donald ('44) & Pat ('48) Knight
Patricia Hargraves Krueger ('64)
Sumie Watari Kumagi ('40)
Lillian Giffin Lamm ('37)
Olga Ortenzio Lamonica '40
Kent Lathy ('47)
David ('57) & Patti Kuhns ('68) LeBlanc
Jim & Carole Linenbach ('64)
Bea Clark Loob ('40)
Donald Louie ('58)
Marjorie Caine Lutz ('39)
David ('60), Barbara ('61) & Sandra ('62)
Mack
William Mancebo ('52)
Rubye Garabedian Manoogian ('41)
Mr & Mrs Lloyd ('42) Merriman
Richard & Kathy Millison
Shizumi Okada ('35)
In Memory of Jennie Matteoda Oliver ('32)
Donna Jones Olson ('49)
Lorenza Bejar Osborn ('42)
Janice Pearson - SJCL
Nate & Kathleen Pearson ('34)
Pauline Pellegrino ('40)
Ron & Sally Perring - SJCL
Ann Zito Pieper ('56)
John ('44) & Lynn LaVerne
Rothermel ('49) Pokorny
Eva Nesbit Pollard ('60)
Linda Raiche - SJCL
Bud Rank ('40)
Evelyn Karschen Rank ('44)
Marcia Russler Rast ('40)
Theodore Rast ('37)
Red Carpet Car Wash
Ted Reese ('69)
Delores Waggoner Reiminger ('53)
James Reinhardt ('54)
Donald Reynolds, C.P.A. ('48)
Phillip Rice ('53)
W.E. Riley ('36)
Cora Pasillas Rondero ('45)
Les ('47) & Marjorie Montross ('51)
Sassano
Frances DeWitt Scelzi ('39)
Miriam Polson Schell ('38)
Alice Ikuta Scholz ('37)
Robert Simmerman ('39)
Blanch Rougny Ulrich ('46)
A.J. ('30) & Annette Van Whye
Argie Dimas Vlamis ('58)
Jack Wallen ('49)
Terry Riordan Warth, PhD. ('62)
Dan Woodson ('57)
Gordon Yamamoto ('66)



San Joaquin
College of Law
Staff

JANICE L. PEARSON
Dean

SALLY A. PERRING
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

LAWRENCE M. ARTENIAN
Professor of Law

RICHARD M. CARTIER
Professor of Law
Family Mediation Center Director

DENISE M. KERNER
Professor of Law
Small Claims Supervisor

JEFFREY G. PURVIS
James K. and Carol Sellers Herbert
Professor of Constitutional Law

LINDA RAICHE
Director of Human Resources
and Operations

JILL WALLER RANGLES
Chief Financial Officer

KATHRYN McTIGUE-FLOYD
Library Director

PAM RAMIREZ
Director, Paralegal Program/
Director, Placement Services

JOYCE MORODOMI
Admissions Director/Registrar

GWEN WATT
Financial Aid Director

VICTORINE M. SANDERS
Public Relations Director
Editor, Inter Alia

JENNIFER CANALIN
Recruitment Director

JOAN LASSLEY
Law Coordinator

MARY FELKNER
MCLE Coordinator

MAUREEN HAYES
Assistant to Chief Financial Officer

PATRICIA SMITH
Financial Aid Officer

AMY SAKKIHA
Grant Administrator

KEN COYLE
M.I.S.

LONZETTA HIGHTOWER
Receptionist

RICK RODRIGUEZ
Maintenance Supervisor

ARON LOPEZ
Bookstore Manager

Law Alumni Profiles

The Class of 1988

This year is the TENTH Anniversary of the graduation of the Class of 1988. Throughout this year, in no particular order, Inter Alia has highlighted the accomplishments of many of these graduates.

RUSSELL REYNOLDS

Upon leaving law school, Russ worked with Gates & Lescoulie, then associated with them in the firm of Gates, Lescoulie & Reynolds. In January 1993 he became in-house counsel for Bank of Fresno, primarily representing the special assets department. As the bank grew, so did his tasks. His duties expanded to providing legal support for the lending and operations divisions of the bank. After the bank hired general counsel, he assisted the general counsel with bank mergers and acquisitions. After WestAmerica Bank acquired ValliWide Bank, Russ returned to private practice with an emphasis on creditors' remedies and other matters of interest to lenders.

Russ enjoys being Karen's husband and dad to his two daughters. Briana, the oldest, is involved in competitive dance and the competition and game pep squads at Clovis High School. Their competition pep squad was the national champion in 1998.

Jennifer, the youngest, is involved in athletics and plays

volleyball and softball. She is a pitcher for the Fresno Force division A fast-pitch travel softball team. Russ spends his week-ends and summers accompanying her to tournaments all around the state. She has spent her Augusts at national championship tournaments in Arizona, Texas, and Missouri.

Russ remembers studying on week-ends in the Shields building library along with Alan Daw. At that time, Russ had one young daughter and Alan had young children, as well. Russ' youngest, Jennifer, was born during Christmas break of his second year. Russ also remembers the help and support of his study group--Rene Sample and Bethany Baker--and that everyone in the class got along well.

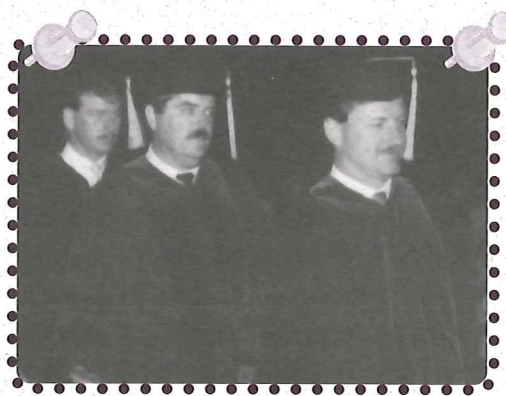
DR. CICELY ROBERTS

Going to law school was just fun for Cicely because she did not then plan to give up her radiology practice. She remembers that the students were very nervous, especially in the first year, and she steered clear of many of them because she needed to work as efficiently as possible

because she was still devoting 70 hours a week to her medical practice. She feels that Justice Ardaiz had the most impact on her legal education but is grateful to Clint Horowitz and Melinda Vaughn. She says they helped her pass

the bar examination.

Cicely continued to work in mammography and pediatric radiology at University Medical Center after graduation. Only recently she decided upon a major



Craig Davis, Peter Cowper and Ron Calhoun proudly march to their seats on graduation day in May 1988.

change in the direction of her life. In September 1998 she opened her law practice focussing on health and medicine law. Cicely lives with her dog, Penny, and enjoys reading and playing the stock market.

MAUREEN SPANGLER

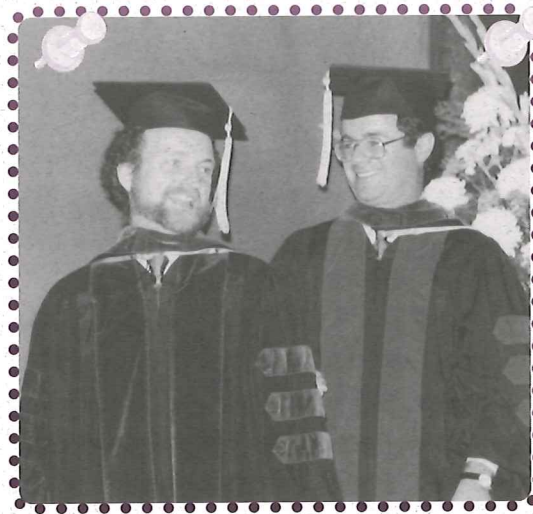
One week before being sworn into the California Bar, Maureen gave birth to her second child, so she decided to be a mother for two-three years. In 1990 she worked part-time for Gerald Tahajian doing research projects. For two years she worked free-lance, principally for Cole & Fisher, doing depositions. Thereafter, she made a conscious decision to concentrate on her two children. As a result, both have excelled in school.

Maureen has also worked with GED students at Fresno Adult School, trying to improve their writing skills. She has been involved with the Clovis Women's Choral Group and her children's school activities. For the past year she has served as a volunteer at the Clovis Police Department. Also, she has recently begun to volunteer at Central California Legal Services in the Unlawful Detainer Workshops.

In her application to law school, Maureen said that she wanted to be able to serve the community as well as her own family. She feels her SJCL education prepared her to hit the ground running because it included both practical and theoretical training.

RUSSELL PANDUKHT

Russ worked at the Fresno County Public Defender's Office for approximately nine months after leaving law school. He then



John Eleazarian performed the hooding honors at the 1988 graduation. Here, Glenn Holder receives his hard-earned hood.

moved to the District Attorney's Office where he has remained. He has worked in a number of different assignments over the years. One of the most rewarding was his time with the sexual assault unit. He was recently assigned to the major narcotics unit and is enjoying the challenge of this new task. While his responsibility is to seek justice against the offender, he also believes that an important part of his job is to help victims navigate through the system as easily as possible.

Russ and Sharon recently celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary. They have two sons and two daughters between them. Russ and Sharon became grandparents last year and are expecting their second grandchild in 1999. Russ and Sharon enjoy local travel, most recently to the Napa

Valley, but as Russ says, since he has always been a workaholic, there isn't much time for running around.

Russ has fond memories of law school in spite of all the work. One of his fondest memories is the way the class worked together with the common goal that everyone succeed.

TAMERA TRINDADE

Upon graduating from law school, Tamera immediately moved to Yuba City. Her husband, Roger, had been transferred there. Tamera took the BAR-BRI review and the bar examination at McGeorge. Passing the bar that November, she went to work for an insurance defense firm in Yuba City, Rich, Buidge, Morris & Sandbrook. Two years later, Roger was transferred again--this time--to Redding. Tamera joined the firm of Halkides & Morgan in Redding, where she worked for a year. In 1990, Tamera opened her own practice in Redding, doing criminal law, juvenile delinquency hearings, and business litigation. Three years ago, she bought her own building two blocks from the courthouse. Tamera worked her way through the chairs in the Shasta and Trinity Counties Bar Association, culminating with a stint as its President in 1993.

Tamera clearly loves life in Redding. Her home is in the mountains--a 12 minute commute to work that includes only four stoplights. The weather is milder

Continued on page 11

teers, some of whom have been helping her for the past 12 years.

In 1986, Mary Ann began her relationship with KMU, working two afternoons per week. She took a leave of absence in 1987 when Joel's condition worsened. That year, Joel required two surgeries at UCLA, one to remove the left side of his brain and the other to place a shunt. The surgeries brought his seizures under control (prior to the surgery he sometimes had more than 100 per day) and eventually allowed him to learn, with great effort, how to hold up his head, crawl, creep, and stand. Joel has yet to walk or talk, but eating is a favorite activity. He communicates nonverbally and continues to make incremental progress toward his goals.

Mary Ann was able to return to KMU on a part-time basis in the latter part of 1987, as the firm allowed her to maintain a flexible work schedule designed around her full-time, seven-days-per-week program for Joel, which required trips to Philadelphia every five months for evaluations. Mary Ann took some time off from 1990-1992, to have more time for her family, then returned to KMU on a part-time basis in 1992, after A.J. was established in kindergarten.

In 1994, Mary Ann had to leave again to fight her own, ultimately successful, battle with cancer. She spent a year at the California Court of Appeal, Fifth Appellate District, as a part-time senior research attorney while she was undergoing and recovering

from chemotherapy, then tried her hand at full-time work for a few months. This left her too little time for other pursuits, such as helping at school and being a fan at her sons' baseball and football games, so since May 1996, she has again been working part-time as counsel with KMU.

The Bluhm family enjoys sporting events, particularly Hoover football games (Gabriel plays line-backer/full-back)

and baseball games (Gabriel plays pitcher, third base and outfield), Hoover Youth Football (A.J. plays on the line), Spartan League baseball (A.J. plays second base), and Special Olympics (Joel competes in assisted walk). They also enjoy skiing and staying at their cabin at Yosemite West, and making an annual trek to Santa Cruz in August.

As to law school, Mary Ann remembers the fun of the tennis tournament at Roeding Park and student government meetings at the Downtown Club. She says that law school seems like another life--it was so long ago and so many things have happened since then.

MIGUEL (Mike) ESTRADA

Upon graduating from law school, Mike entered private practice for four years. He then joined the staff of the State Compensation Insurance Fund working

as a litigation attorney, first in Bakersfield, then Fresno, and ultimately as the Managing Attorney of the Salinas office.

Mike and his wife have three grown children, two of whom were born during his law school career. Mike says he loves his job but it does consume most of his time. What little free time he has is spent walking, working out, reading, and watching sports.

Mike remembers that all his time was spoken for in law school, too. He was working full-time as well as attending school and had small

children. He remembers constantly striving to stay up with work and Saturdays and Sundays in the library. Only Friday night was set aside for time off with his family.

PAUL HINKLY

Paul began practicing law with Frank Gash. Ed Hunt joined them until Ed and Frank went to the District Attorney's office in 1982. By that time, John Suhr had also joined the firm and they practiced as Hinkly and Suhr until 1989. In 1989, Paul joined the Public Defenders' staff. Paul served on the Board of the Alternative Sentencing Program for the last six years.

Paul is married and has two children from a prior marriage. His daughter is an assistant manager at a pet products discount store in Lafayette. His son is in

'I remember all my time was spoken for in law school...I was working full-time...and had small children.'

--Mike Estrada

high school in Fresno. Paul enjoys golf, softball, and travel.

Paul's principal memory of law school is the good company. He, too, remembers being extremely busy working full-time, going to school, and taking care of a first child.

JOHN HUNTER

John Hunter currently serves as the Vice President for Corporate Affairs for the Irvine Company in southern California.

In this capacity he is responsible for governmental relations for the company, requiring him to commute routinely between his home in Sacramento, Orange County, and Washington, D.C.. John served as the Deputy Secretary for Environmental Affairs under Governor Deukmajian from 1983 to 1989. He then headed the Southern California Building Industry Association before joining the Irvine Company.

John is married with two children. His wife works at the Sacramento County Library. His daughter is a competitive gymnast. His son attends the University of California at San Diego. John remembers law school as tough, but the class hung together waiting for bar results.

TIMOTHY V. MAGILL

Tim Magill moved to Fresno from his home in the Bay Area approximately two weeks

before beginning his law studies at San Joaquin College of Law. He began his legal career in the Fresno County District Attorney's Office where he gained trial experience before graduation from law school. Tim worked as a law clerk for Roger Nuttall and soon became a partner in the firm of Nuttall, Berman, and Magill.

During many years with the firm Tim gained tremendous trial experience. In addition to personal injury matters, he

also handled criminal matters and many appeals in those days. He has argued numerous times before the 2nd, 3rd, and 5th D.C.A. as well as the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Tim is a past president of the Fresno Trial Lawyers Association and for five years was a member of the Board of Govern-

ors of CTLA (now CAOC). Tim has put together many seminars for CTLA/CAOC as well as other entities. The seminars have covered areas from simple to complex torts to Propositions 51 and 213 issues. He has participated in such seminars in both Lake Tahoe and Fresno, including the popular "What's New in Tort and Trial." Tim also sits as Judge Pro-Tem on many occasions.

Tim loves to relax with his

wife Elena and they enjoy skiing and horseback riding. His golf game has also slightly improved since his days at San Joaquin. He also enjoys traveling through Europe with his wife, particularly to her family's home in Italy.

Tim is still as excited and enthusiastic about the practice of law in Fresno as he was 20 years ago. He truly believes that Fresno has some of the best judges and attorneys in California, many of whom are products of San Joaquin College of Law.

MICHAEL MEYER

The first year after graduation, Mike worked with Virgil Gerard in business litigation. Thereafter, he was associated for several years with Gerard, Sepulveda, Meyer & Gilmore. Then he entered into a partnership with Mad Dog Thomas Giovaccini. In 1988, Mike associated with J. Rod Jarrett working in the bankruptcy field until he was

appointed the Chapter 13 Trustee in Modesto in 1992. Last year, his office handled more than \$14 million in distributions in bankruptcy with a

staff of 16 employees. The Trusteeship employs Vanessa Girnus, a 1997 San Joaquin graduate as Staff Attorney.

Mike and his wife have two sons. One attends the University of Southern California and the other the University of Arizona on a golf scholarship. Mike says for "fun" he works to pay for his

'Fresno has some of the best judges and attorneys in California...'
-- Tim Magill

'John Loomis didn't look like a lawyer, but he really made the students think.'
--Mike Meyer

sons' college educations, plays golf, and follows the two kids around.

Mike remembers Tom studying like a maniac--sitting for as long as 10 hours in the library without moving. Mike remembers that John Loomis didn't look like a lawyer, but he really made the students think. Mr. Loomis also started and ended class exactly on time. Mike feels Mr. Loomis and Justice Best were the best teachers any one could have.

SYLVIA STEWART

Sylvia began her legal career at California Rural Legal Assistance. After a year she entered private practice with Lee Cunningham. Cunningham & Stewart operated until April 1985 when Cunningham went to the District Attorney's Office and Sylvia opened her own office. She has served as a contract Public Defender in Paso Robles since 1982. Sylvia has engaged in a general civil practice, including family law, but her principal emphasis has been criminal law. Currently, she handles the misdemeanor cases for the County and has closed her civil practice, as a way of trying to cut back her workload a little.

Sylvia and her husband, Daniel, have two children. Their daughter works for the Public Defender's Office in San Jose. Their son is a manager with Roadway Trucking. Sylvia's greatest interest, other than law, is her grandchildren, whom she

describes as the light of her life.

Sylvia has always been active in community affairs. She served on the Board of Directors of Child Advocates of California. She is currently involved with Republican Women, the criminal law section of the bar, and the American Association of University Women.

Sylvia remembers commuting from Paso Robles for four years to go to law school, sometimes staying with Kathi Kesselman in Fresno. She would listen to tapes during the commute, and on at least one occasion, was concentrating so intensely she ran out of gas. It was a shock to her to go back to studying after so many years, but meeting young women who were career oriented provided wonderful role models for her then 16-year-old daughter. Sylvia thought it ironic that recently she and classmate Steve Sefton were amongst the six finalists for the Traffic Court Commissioner's position in Paso Robles to which Steve was appointed.

WILLIAM HANCOCK

Upon graduation, Bill Hancock continued to work with Jim Luppino for whom he had clerked during law school. Then he became the General Counsel for Walker Pinkston, a top 500 builder-developer. In 1980, Bill and Bob Gilmore created Gilmore and Hancock, where Bill specializes in business and real estate transactions and litigation. He also represents gyms, health facilities, and tennis clubs. Bill is

involved in several other business ventures. He owns Hancock Realty and is on the Board of Directors of a large mortgage company. In addition, Bill is President of Family Health & Fitness, a large gym facility in Santa Maria.

Bill is currently Past President of the Breakfast Optimist Club. He has worked with Big Brothers, Rotary, and served on the Site Selection Committee for the United Way of Fresno.

Bill and his wife, Cheryl, have two children. Their daughter is attending Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo and runs the reception desk at Family Health & Fitness. Their son attends Clovis West. He was the quarterback of the freshman team last year which won their league, but has been promoted to Varsity this year.

The Hancocks own a vacation home in Cabo San Lucas where they go 8 -10 times a year to "play with their toys"--dune buggies and motorcycles. Bill also enjoys tennis, fishing, and racing mountain bikes. They are building a new home in an 88-parcel project Bill is developing at Avila Beach.

Bill remembers enjoying his time in law school. He was one of the first paid law library proctors. He and Bob would haunt the weight room at FPU at all times of the day and night. He also remembers football games on the grass at FPU and late night study sessions at Perko's on Blackstone or Steve Denning's house. On Friday evenings, his

than Fresno, she says. The are four seasons and NO fog in the winter. Her garden provides fodder for the deer in her vicinity in the form of roses and vegetables. Tamera and Roger have travelled in their trailer throughout the area for the entire month of September every year since 1991. They enjoy archery, hiking, camping, fishing and hunting. She likes to go where even the cell phone won't work.

Tamera remembers law school as a long pull. She says that the congratulatory card she got this year from SJCL--reminding her that graduation was 10 years ago--sent her into shock. Her most specific memory of law school is how sick Rene Sample got when she was pregnant. Rene kept saying "Hey, don't feel sorry for me. I worked hard to get this way!" Now that Tamera is thinking of starting a family, Rene's comment means a great deal more to her.

Unfortunately, we were unable to get an update on 1988 graduates Alan Daw, Sarah Schmidt and Lane Simmons Terwilliger.

LET THE RECORD SHOW:

The October issue of *Inter Alia* mistakenly identified Craig Stepp, Lisa Urrizola and Terry Wapner as 1988 graduates. They actually graduated in 1986.

Moot Court award winner Eric Escamilla's name was misspelled. Paralegal instructor Deborah Owdom's name was also misspelled.

All errors were unintentional and are sincerely regretted.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Bonnie J. Anderson ('97) has become an associate with the law firm of Crabtree, Schmidt, Zeff, Jacobs & Farrar in Modesto. She will be providing legal services in the areas of Civil Trial Practice, Personal Injury, Insurance Defense, Commercial Law, Family Law and General Business.

Patricia Wright Craft ('94) has joined Mullen & Filippi, located at 6713 N. Palm Ave., Suite 108, in Fresno. Her new phone number is (559) 449-8170.

Pauline H. G. Getz ('82) has formed a new law partnership in San Diego, Getz & Crosby, LLP, located in the Carmel Mountain Ranch area of San Diego. She will continue to specialize in business and corporate law, including entity formation, capital formation, contractual relationships and compliance with securities regulations. Pauline's new number is (619) 487-2880.

Kimberly J. Nystrom-Geist ('92) has become a shareholder in Leslie-Soley & Nystrom-Geist, A Professional Corporation. The firm is located at 906 N Street, Suite 115, Fresno. Kimberly can be reached at (559) 265-4292.

Hancock, continued from page 10
study group would go to The Outpost to imbibe and tell war stories, but talk about law school was banned.

Unfortunately, after numerous attempts--by telephone and mail--we have been unable to

contact the following individuals: Thomas Atkins, Carol Brawley, Elizabeth Davis, Stephen Denning, Gary Hill, Daniel Koontz, Ysidro Macias, Rory McKnight, Steve Simonian, James Tarhalla.

Congratulations to July 1998 Bar Passers

The results for the July Bar Examination were released on November 20, 1998. Congratulations go out to Jon Paul Avent, Mark Bacciarini, Greg Blevins, Susan Brown, Larry DeWitt, Monica Diaz, Jay Felkins, Brian Gupton, Jean Iv, Allan Junker, Scott Kubota, Kim Mayhew, Sean O'Rourke, Shaylah Padgett, Danielle Peirano, Shani Reeder, Jennifer Reisz, Jackie Rodriguez, Tracy Sagle, Margaret Singleton, Robert Stover, Cheri Turner and Robert Wright.

According to the California State Bar, the overall pass rate for the July 1998 exam dropped nearly 10 percent from the July 1997 exam. Of the 7,580 people who took this year's July exam, 52.5 percent passed, compared to a 62.9 percent passage rate last year. However, SJCL had a 56.4 percent passage rate for first-time takers of the July 1998 exam. Law schools accredited by the California Bar, but not by the ABA, had a pass rate of 36.8 percent for the July 1998 exam.

