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Sizzlin Summer Slam!

Over one hundred alumni and friends of SJCL joined over 11,000 Fresno Grizzlies fans for a fun night of food, baseball, and fireworks.

The smell of tri-tip, crunching of Cracker Jacks, rumble of a home crowd, and a spectacular fireworks display were the makings of a fantastic evening.

San Joaquin College of Law's *Sizzlin Summer Slam!* was a night to remember. It started with dinner in the Tecate Cantina then Brian Baker, Director of the Law Library, threw the first pitch. "Although I practiced with Peter Rooney in the SJCL parking lot,

the 60'6" distance seemed a whole lot farther when I was on the mound" joked Brian.

A big thanks to Big3D.com who donated 2,600 3D commemorative Grizzlies cups that were handed out to the fans.

Thank you to everyone for making this celebration a fun success. Look for more events to come.



Enjoying a tri-tip & chicken Bar-B-Que



Dean Pearson and Darryl Freedman with his wife, Gretchen.



SJCL's alumni and friends look on as the Fresno Grizzlies beat the Tacoma Rainiers 6 to 3.



Brian Baker, Director of the Law Library, gets ready for the ceremonial first pitch.

San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review

The San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review is proud to announce the release of its sixteenth volume.

by Adam Stirrup, SJALR Editor-in-Chief

The sixteenth volume features an article by John Becker, Matthew Kaplan and John Nussbaum, professors at Pennsylvania State University, entitled “Family Farm Succession Planning: Balancing Professional Responsibility with Client Needs for Help with Family Relationship Issues.” In addition, this volume also features a comment entitled “Food for Thought or Terror: The Legal Issues Surrounding Agroterrorism” by Dr. Shelia Fleishhacker, a law student at Loyola University Chicago School of Law. Also included in this volume are works completed by San Joaquin College of Law students, including a book review of “Capers In The Churchyard: Animal Rights Advocacy in the Age of Terror” and comments on the following topics: the impact of child farm worker laws on the American taxpayer; the National Uniformity for Food Act; the effect of big box sprawl on farmland and rural communities in the Central Valley; the failures of the U.S.’s Guest Worker Programs; the Clean Water Act’s application to cranberry growers; agroterrorism and the safety of imported produce; the impact of the No Child Left Behind Act on rural school

districts; and agricultural exceptionalism as it relates to land use.

We are also pleased to announce that the exposure of the *San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review* has greatly expanded as the *Law Review* will now be featured on Hein On-Line® as well as Westlaw® and LexisNexis®.

As recognition for the *Law Review* grows, future Editorial Boards will require more and more assistance to produce continually relevant and thought provoking volumes. To provide this guidance, the current Editorial Board is working to enlist leading scholars, attorneys and agribusiness professionals to serve as the *Law Review*’s Advisory Board. In November, the *Law Review* will be holding a reception, at WineStyles in Fig Garden Village, celebrating the release of our most recent volume and the introduction of the *Law Review*’s new Advisory Board. Look for your invitation in the mail.

If you would like more information on the *Law Review* or are interested in obtaining a copy of our most recent volume, please visit the *Law Review*’s website at www.sjcl.edu/sjalr.

In Memorium

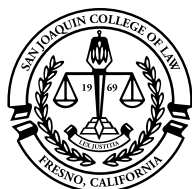


Elizabeth O’Neill

Mrs. O’Neill served on the San Joaquin College of Law Board of Trustees for fourteen years, helping to shepherd the law school through Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) candidacy, WASC accreditation, the move to the Clovis campus, and the plans for the law school’s future. She served loyally on the Executive and Personnel Committees and provided much appreciated common sense advice to Dean Pearson. SJCL is forever grateful for her support and service.

She will be greatly missed.

A scholarship fund has been named in her memory. Please make contributions to SJCL.



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2007 George A. Hopper Moot Court Competition Winners



FRONT ROW (L-R) **Jamie Allen, Kristen Gates, Jennifer Byer, Mary Steffora, Peter Wall, Leanne Kent, and Robert Wyrick**

BACK ROW (L-R) **Judge Anthony Ishii, Francine Zepeda, Lacey Nelson, Judge Hilary Chittick, Alicia Hinton, Judge Jonathan Conklin, Aaron Aguirre, and Jeffrey Suggs**

Best Oral Advocate

Alicia Hinton

Oral Advocate Finalists

Jennifer Byer
Leanne Kent
Mary Steffora

Best Brief

Leanne Kent & Peter Wall

Best Brief Finalists

Jeffrey Suggs & Robert Wyrick
Aaron Aguirre & Alicia Hinton
Daniel Brickey & Lacey Nelson

Best Oral Advocate Semi-finalists

Jamie Allen
Kristen Gates
William Mc Comas
Jeffrey Suggs

Instructors

Honorable Jonathan B. Conklin
Stanley A. Boone

Thank You

San Joaquin College of Law greatly appreciates the personal time and energy given to this competition from the following judges, attorneys, alumni, and faculty. Without their help this event would not be the success that it is.

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Nominate now for SJCL's Alumni Hall of Fame

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2008 inductees to the San Joaquin College of Law Alumni Hall of Fame. SJCL recognizes that our alumni have made significant contributions to their community, the field in which they practice, and the school.

The 2007 alumni inductees were Ernest Spray Kinney '75 and Theodore Forrest '77. The criteria, selection process and nomination form can be downloaded from the SJCL website. If you have any questions contact Joan Lassley, Alumni Liaison, at 323-2100 x 404, or jlassley@sjcl.edu.

There will be an event held later in 2008 to honor and induct the winners. Details will follow in upcoming newsletters. The deadline for nominations is November 26, 2007.

Dean's Reception encourages connections

How would you respond to someone you just met but were about to spend 3 – 4 intense years with, who came up and asked, "If you were given 7 million dollars to spend on a community or global project how would you spend it? This was one of several questions asked in a "Get Acquainted" activity at the San Joaquin College of Law Dean's Reception held on June 26 for incoming 2007 – 08 students. Students were invited to participate in a "Get Acquainted" activity with the first to complete the exercise winning a month-long free membership to George Brown Sports Club or Fresno Grizzlies tickets. Students and Guests mingled through the crowd finding out about favorite vacation spots, one's most unusual job or how one would spend 7 million dollars on a community or global project.

Out of the 89 incoming students, Dean, Jan Pearson, welcomed over 70 students and guests present at the reception. She acknowledged the parents

and partners of incoming students for their support. Current students Kristen Gates, Brandon Collet, Alicia Hinton and Paul Denni welcomed the students with encouraging remarks about forming study groups, joining student organizations and seeking out upper class members for guidance. Making personal connections with your fellow students can make law school a community of friends and career network that will last a lifetime. The event culminated with remarks from Alumni representative and Deputy District Attorney Michael L. Elder. Michael Elder spoke to the crowd of 70 people as if he was speaking directly to each student personally, inspiring each person to actively engage in their learning by reading all the cases and seeking out mentors in the legal profession.

For SJCL Admissions Counseling please refer prospective law students, co-workers and colleagues to Diane Steel, Director of Admissions 323-2100 ext 428

Law School Admission Test (LSAT)

If you know of someone that would like to sit for the LSAT please pass on this information.

The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) is a half-day standardized test required for admission to San Joaquin College of Law. It provides a standard measure of acquired reading and logical reasoning skills that is one of several factors in assessing applicants.

Please be aware the test is only administered four times a year through the Law School Admission Council (LSAC).

The registration fee for the LSAT is \$123. Registration for the LSAT is available on

the website: www.LSAC.org. Please note: San Joaquin College of Law is a test site #9521 listed under Clovis.

2007 – 2008 LSAT Dates

September 29 - (Registration Deadline - August 28)
December 1 (Registration Deadline - October 30)
February 2 - (Registration Deadline - January 2)
June 2008 - Test date to be announced.

Staff

Janice Pearson, Dean, **Sally Perring**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, **Brian Baker**, Director of the Law Library, **Debbi Chacon**, Accounting Assistant, **Kristi Costa**, Head of Circulation, **Ken Coyle**, Manager of Information Systems, **Matthew Dillard**, Maintenance Assistant, **Mark Enns**, Director of Marketing, **Megan Fuller**, Library Assistant, **Maureen Hayes**, Assistant to Chief Financial Officer, **Lonzetta Hightower**, Student Services Assistant, **Joan Lassley**, Facilities Administrator & Alumni Liaison, **Robin Leppo**, Director of Institutional Advancement, **Jeannie Lewis**, Director of Financial Aid, **Joyce Morodomi**, Director of Student Services, **Mia Richards**, Administrative Assistant for Accounting, **Carlyn Robbins**, Assistant Receptionist, **Rick Rodriguez**, Maintenance Supervisor, **Pete Rooney**, Associate Library Director & Head of Technical Services, **Michelle Rude**, Accounting Assistant, **Patricia Smith**, Law Coordinator, **Diane Steel**, Director of Admissions, **Cynthia Van Doren**, Director of Career Services, **Jill Waller-Randles**, Chief Financial Officer, **Gwen Watt**, Human Resources & Regulatory Compliance Officer, **Kasi Welte**, Institutional Advancement Associate & Continuing Legal Education Coordinator

Alumni Profiles

SJCL congratulates our alumni celebrating 10, 20 and 30-year anniversaries in 2007. It has been my pleasure contacting and interviewing each of you. Thanks to those who participated in this effort. I look forward to catching up at the next milestone.

-Joan Lassley, Alumni Liaison

1977

Peter George Champion

Attorneys are noted for their skills of persuasion. Peter believes his greatest accomplishment was persuading Jan to marry him thirty-seven years ago when he was a struggling young actor.

Today, they have two sons. Their eldest is an Environmental Planner/Botanist with CalTrans. Their youngest does high angle technical mountain rescues and graduates from college this December.

While Peter studied for the Bar Exam, Jan was working on her Master's thesis. Last year, she retired from forty-one years of teaching.

After gaining experience with the Fresno Public Defender and Fresno County Counsel, Peter joined the Tulare County District Attorney Office in 1978. In 1992 he requested a switch from their Criminal Division to the Family Support Division. He loves the diversity this change provided. He has appeared pro hac vice in eighteen states, four tribal courts, countless administrative hearings, and Federal courts.

Twice Peter's peers elected him president of the Tulare County Deputy District Attorney Association. The Tulare County Board of Supervisors honored him with special recognition for his eleven years of service and presidencies of the County Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board.

Peter appears regularly as a guest professor at the National Judges College and has taught throughout Califor-

nia as a recognized expert on Child Support Guidelines. Besides having programmed child support computer applications, he has programmed curriculum applications used in elementary and middle school grades.

Peter's love of reading and Jan's love for teaching reading is reflected in their charity work. In the past two years they have donated 8,000 books to local schools.

When asked about retiring to their home in Morro Bay, Peter states he enjoys the proactive work he is doing, but "when the time comes", he expects to do pro bono work, play with his long haired dachshund "babies", fine tune his internet t-shirt business, and take botany, geology, and art classes at the local college.

Among the fifty plush gorillas in Peter's office are only a half dozen cherished photographs; one of them is the 1977 SJCL graduating class photo.

Peter can be reached at Champion@Lawyer-At-Law.com

1987

Harry G. Brown

Harry was forced out of the courtroom when his diabetes got the best of him and he was not able to make his appearances. Prior to going to law school, Harry owned tire shops, so he went back to managing them.

Harry has been married to Marjorie for 57 years. They have 4 children. Harry was proud of the education he got at SJCL so referred a neighbor who will be graduating in 2008.



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New logo

San Joaquin College of Law recently unveiled its new logo. "We needed a distinctive recognizable image in our community," said Institutional Advancement Director Robin Leppo. So with the help of Mark Enns, Director of Marketing and key staff, our new logo was formed.

We chose a design that incorporates a recognizable symbol of law as well as an architectural feature of our historic school site. We received input from staff, student body, and the community. It was met with immediate support.

This unique symbol will become instantly recognizable as representing the academic excellence and significant history of San Joaquin College of Law.

As part of establishing the logo in the community, along with extensive advertising, the school is offering selected merchandise for purchase. Look for these exciting new items on our website at www.sjcl.edu.

Harry has fond memories of school and will never forget the time Jim Witherow thought he had the answer to an expected case question from the professor. The professor changed the question and Harry was sure that Jim was going to suffer a heart attack. Harry also remembers Jan Pearson as being the most courteous and helpful person that he had ever met.

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PRESENT

Senior Citizens LAW DAY

October 20, 2007

at San Joaquin College of Law

The Alumni Association of San Joaquin College of Law, in a joint venture with the San Joaquin College of Law Student Bar Association and Clovis Senior Center, will provide free legal information and advice as follows:



Room	9:00 - 10:30AM	10:30 - 10:45AM	10:45 - 12 Noon
213	Estate Planning Wills & Trusts	BREAK	Housing Reverse Mortgages
210	Elder Care - A Family Affair For Caregivers & Seniors Part I		Elder Care - A Family Affair For Caregivers & Seniors Part II
207	End of Life Decisions Health Care Directives Durable Powers of Attorney		Estate Planning Wills & Trusts
203	Elder Abuse Elder Abuse Court Filings		

Anidelle Flint

Anidelle worked with Judy Lund in family law while waiting for Bar results. At the same time she taught Legal Analysis, Research and Writing at SJCL, and has enjoyed following some of those students in their subsequent careers.

Because of husband George's illness (now resolved), Anidelle closed her practice in the early 1990's, but continued to teach until the law school moved to Clovis, when she decided it was time to devote more energy to family, volunteering, and travel than to work.

The grandson born during her senior year at SJCL is now a 20-year-old theatre and dance major at Vassar College in New York. There are six more grandsons and three granddaughters, whose families are scattered from Northern California to Montana, Pennsylvania, Equador, and Australia,

home to their seven and four-year old Aussie-American grands. Keeping up with the whole bunch is full-time fun for both Anidelle and George.

Anidelle's interests include practically everything! She loves travel, gardening, community volunteering, peace and justice issues, art, music, friends, family, reading, politics, the state of our nation and the world.....She wants to keep up with everything as much as she ever did.

In 1997, she and her friend and fellow Unitarian Universalist, Linda Mack (a graduate of SJCL's Paralegal Program), founded the Fresno Multifaith Exchange, whose mission is to increase mutual understanding and trust among persons of diverse religious and spiritual traditions (or none). This September marks the eleventh year of classes, dialogue, and visits to the eight participating faiths, each of which is represented on their steering committee.

Anidelle also participates in the Downtown Fresno Coalition, a watchdog group dedicated to preserving the Fulton Mall as an urban pedestrian park and to supporting other efforts to revitalize Fresno's downtown. She works as much as she can on social justice and peace issues through her Unitarian Universalist church, Peace Fresno, and similar organizations. She also writes letters to the editor and occasional opinion editorial pieces for the Fresno Bee, though recently she has had a hard time choosing which egregious and harmful, in her opinion, development to sound off about.

Her time at SJCL was such a good one, in spite of all they complained about! She treasures the many classmates who are still her friends, remembers with pleasure working as a Library clerk or doing her research in the days when that meant personally following citations through stacks of books, and devoutly wishing Tax law had never been invented. Anidelle is most grateful for having been taught to "think like a lawyer", because she believes that skill has enriched the way she sees the world, the way she approaches problems and searches for solutions, and the way she relates to others. Starting SJCL at the age of 55 was a great start to the rest of her life!

Terri Hawkins

After graduation Terri served as law clerk for Retired Bankruptcy Judge George M. Brody from 1988-1989, then for Retired Bankruptcy Judge Lynne Riddle from 1989-1990. Terri became a trial attorney for Department of Justice, Office of the United States Trustee in Santa Ana from September 1990-August 1997. Terri was then promoted to Assistant United States Trustee, Department of Justice, Office of the United States Trustee located in Los Angeles from September 1997-November 2002. She transferred to the Riverside office in November 2002.

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Back to School Night



Richard Fritsch (Law '08), **William McComas** (Law '08), and **Feras Khoury** (Law '11)



Paul Denni (Law '08) and guest



Brianna Ellis (Law '08) and guest



Professor **Richard Cartier** with his daughter **Becca**



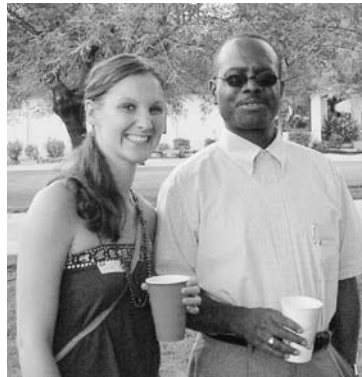
Corey Shigematsu (Law '11), **Ray Isleib** (Law '08), and **Hulyia Rashad** (Law '08)



Professor **Jeffrey Purvis**



Kari Cox (Law '09) and **Melissa Garza** (Law '10)



Leanne Kent (Law '08) and **Gregory Lomack** (Law '11)



Rudy Lucio (Law '11) and guest



Scott Levy (Law '10)



Pamela Elliott (Law '10) and **Jamie Price** (Law '11)



Robert Wyrick (Law '08) with his wife **Suzanne**

Graduation

On June 2, 2007 San Joaquin College of Law celebrated its Thirty-fourth graduation at the William Saroyan Theatre in Fresno. SJCL was honored to have Bill Jones, Former Secretary of State and Founder and Chairman of Pacific Ethanol, as commencement speaker. Donald Thomas Krupens, Jr. delivered the Valedictorian address.

Congratulation to the Class of 2007

High Honors

Donald Thomas Krupens, Jr.
Patrick Charles McManaman
Connie Marie Valentino Parker
Marjorie Lois Webb

Distinction

Shantelle Lynn Andrews
Benny Daniel Barco
Douglas C. Harrison
Scott L. Jones
Alexander Martín
Christopher Campbell Watters

Dede J. Agrava
Laura Lee Arnold
Irma Bañuelos, Jr.
Ann Marie Bennett
Michael J. Burgess
Courtney Joan Caron
Quentin Christian Cedar
Steven Sciacqua Dias
Bryan Christopher Doss
Myava Refugia Escamilla
Connie Luré Granada
Amy Katherine Guerra
Robin M. Hall
Christina Skaf Hathaway
Maria Adele Hoover
Julie Christine Jones
Darin Thomas McCandless
Ann Michele Mendez
James Louis Miller
Rick T. Muna
Sara Lynn Neufer
Erik Shaun Peterson
Teresa Brunette Petty
Frankie D. Rodriguez
Susan Mary Rosenthal
Elena Shrayberman
Antonio E. Stevens
Desirée Darla Terronez
Craig A. Tristao
Hoover Vera
Richard Thomas Wheeler
Kerry Joyce O'Connor Wilson



Donald Krupens
2007 Valedictorian



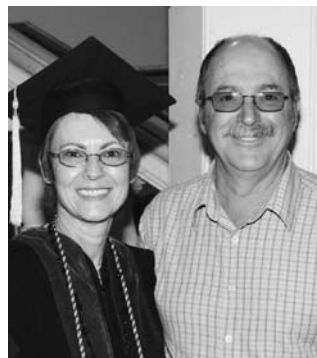
Bill Jones
Commencement Speaker



Amy Guerra, Dede Agrava, and Connie Valentino Parker



Bryan Doss



Margie Webb with husband Ron



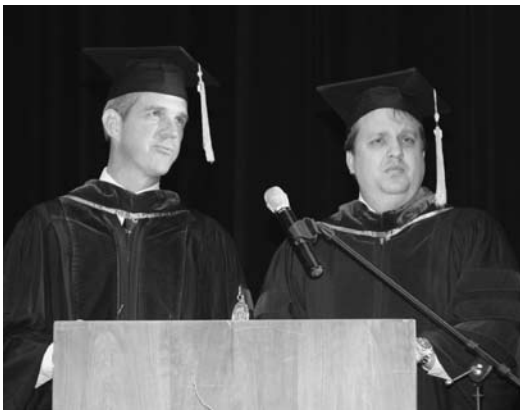
Ann Mendez, Connie Valentino Parker, and Pat McManaman



BACK ROW (L-R): **Hoover Vera, Sara Neufer, and Julie Jones**

MIDDLE ROW (L-R): **Don Krupens, Tony Stevens, Alex Martin, Christina Hathaway, Frankie Rodriguez, and Michael Burgess**

FRONT: **Quentin Cedar**



Adjunct Professors The Honorable **Jonathan Conklin** and **Stan Boone**



Donald Krupens (Valedictorian), **Shantelle Andrews, Julie Jones,** and **Hoover Vera**



Teresa Petty



Laura Arnold and family



Shantelle Andrews, SBA treasurer 06-07 and **Courtney Caron**, SBA President 06-07

Advancement Developments

We have finished our fiscal year with the highest Annual Fund in the history of the school and we are set to break that record this year! A HUGE "thank you" to all our donors who continuously support our school through generous contributions.

We have compiled the results from the Classathon challenge (See the following page). Kudos to the Class of '79 and the Class of '96 for being the Overall Winners in their respective categories. We look forward to even more participation from our Alumni in this year's Classathon in the Spring of '08.

SJCL's Annual Fund is the building block of fundraising which allows the school to continue to achieve academic excellence and promote legal education throughout the Central Valley. Your contributions provide much needed funds for: facility improvement, library acquisitions, state-of-the-art teaching equipment, scholarships, faculty salaries and so much more.

Our Annual Fund goal for this fiscal year is \$50,000, with a 10%, across the board, alumni participation rate. This will be an increase from last year's revenue of \$42,000 and 7% alumni participation. If every alumni gave just \$50 this year (the amount most of us spend on Starbucks in a couple weeks – OK, maybe just me!), we would meet our goal and set a precedent for future alumni. Please watch your mail for our Fall annual fund appeal arriving soon.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2007 Sizzlin Summer Slam at the Grizzlies event on August 17th. We had a great crowd and everyone really enjoyed themselves. We are in the process of planning a premiere legal community fundraiser and will be sending 'Save the Date' notices out by the end of the year. Please mark your calendars for this exciting event.

With regards,



Robin Leppo

Director of Institutional Advancement

Classathon



Class of 1974
Participation – 8.33%
Contribution – \$50
Mio D. Quatraro

Class of 1975
Participation – 9.09%
Contribution – \$200
Ralph L. Putnam

Class of 1976
Participation – 6.25%
Contribution – \$100
Gary S. Austin

Class of 1977
Participation – 6.25%
Contribution – \$50
Katherine L. Hart

Class of 1978
Participation – 4.55%
Contribution – \$300
Gary J. Hill
Stephen Sefton

Class of 1979
Participation – 30.00%
Contribution – \$1,672
Geraldine Brown
Fran Christiansen
Katherine A. Coolidge

Class of 1980
Participation – 20.00%
Contribution – \$750
Nancy A. Cisneros
Ronald A. Henderson
Nancy Silacci
Nancy I. Smith

Class of 1981
Participation – 16.67%
Contribution – \$340
David M. Overstreet
W. Scott Quinlan

Class of 1982
Participation – 5.56%
Contribution – \$100
Douglas Haas

Class of 1983
Participation – 27.27%
Contribution – \$475
Timothy R. Hart
Denise M. Kerner
Charles A. Wieland

Class of 1984
Participation – 10.53%
Contribution – \$600
John F. Garland
Michael Kaia

Class of 1985
Participation – 13.79%
Contribution – \$2,150
Joby E. Dupuis
Donna Korotie
Sharon Stull
Kimberly R. Sweidy

Class of 1986
Participation – 8.00%
Contribution – \$525
Kevin D. Gunner
Linda Kelly

Class of 1987
Participation – 7.41%
Contribution – \$350
Susan B. Anderson
James P. Witherow

Class of 1988
Participation – 8.00%
Contribution – \$1,100
Peter M. Cowper
Rene Sample

Class of 1989
Participation – 0.00%
Contribution – \$0

Class of 1990
Participation – 12.50%
Contribution – \$350
Clinton A. Cummins
Gregory Tanner

Class of 1991
Participation – 4.55%
Contribution – \$200
Mary K. Rau

Class of 1992
Participation – 10.00%
Contribution – \$1,350
Mark A. Blum
Scott VanWagenen
David J. Weiland
Jane Woodcock

Class of 1993
Participation – 5.36%
Contribution – \$2,750
Marina Gonzales
Timothy Mazzela
Margaret Shainberg

Class of 1994
Participation – 1.59%
Contribution – \$100
Kathy Chandler

Class of 1995
Participation – 6.32%
Contribution – \$2,750
Edward D. Fanucchi
Joan Levie
Barry Matson
Gregory S. Powell
Eduardo Ruiz
Regina Tanner

Class of 1996
Participation – 11.32%
Contribution – \$3,425
Leah Ann Alcazar
Karen Buck
Allison Gong
Bob Hirth
H. Ty Kharazi
Nancy Stegall

Class of 1997
Participation – 5.45%
Contribution – \$800
Steven Alfieris
Annette Ballatore-Williamson
Traci Fritzier Kirkorian

Class of 1998
Participation – 5.26%
Contribution – \$300
Yoriko Ishikawa McCulley
Kimberly Mayhew

Class of 1999
Participation – 6.82%
Contribution – \$979
Richard M. Caglia
Colleen Luiz Carlson
Jennifer Morrison

Class of 2000
Participation – 6.25%
Contribution – \$325
Craig B. Fry
Stefanie J. Krause-Cota

Class of 2001
Participation – 5.26%
Contribution – \$2,150
Marilyn T. Olson
Dianna R. Setoodeh

Class of 2002
Participation – 3.45%
Contribution – \$100
Tamara P. Smith

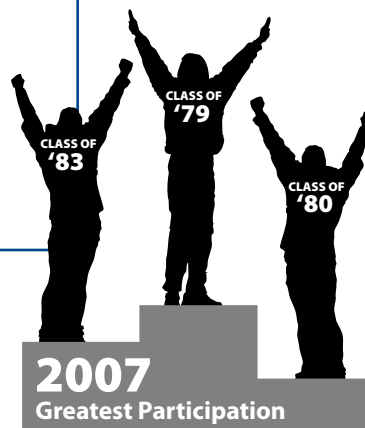
Class of 2003
Participation – 0.00%
Contribution – \$0

Class of 2004
Participation – 6.25%
Contribution – \$89
Sofian Dawood
Cynthia M. Van Doren

Class of 2005
Participation – 5.26%
Contribution – \$1,250
Joanna Ebner
Sherrie M. Flynn

Class of 2006
Participation – 3.85%
Contribution – \$125
Stacie L. Melikian
Padrik S. Ryan

Class of 2007
Participation – 2.27%
Contribution – \$200
Erik S. Peterson



2006-'07 Donors

August 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007

San Joaquin College of Law thanks the following individuals and organizations for their gifts. Their generosity helps SJCL deliver an outstanding academic program to students.

Gifts of \$25,000-49,999

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Terri has taught numerous legal courses pertaining to bankruptcy law at the Department of Justice National Advocacy Center located in Columbia, South Carolina. In addition, she has taught courses on bankruptcy fraud at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia, as well as at several U.S. Attorney's offices, the IRS, the Securities and Exchange Commission, District Attorney's offices, and the State Bar of California.

Terri has been a featured speaker at various legal functions including the American Bankruptcy Institute, National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees, and various Bankruptcy Forum programs. One of the highlights was being interviewed for ABC World News Tonight with Peter Jennings on the topic of foreclosure fraud.

Terri married Jim Didion in May 2003. They have two dogs (Ice and Poppy). Terri enjoys travel, hiking and golfing. She climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro located in Tanzania in October 2001. She plans a trip to New Zealand and Australia in October 2007. She is a member of the Junior League of Orange County.

Terri attended SJCL when it was at the Shields campus, and quarters were really tight. For nearly 4 years, she had Dave Samarco (my study partner) sitting to her left and Bob Hawkins sitting to her right. She wonders where are those guys now?

**Flora
Istanboulian**

Flora's first introduction to the legal profession was attending the SJCL Paralegal Program. She was so interested in the work that she decided to go on and get her law degree.

Flora has a sole practice in the areas of probate, estate planning and conservatorships. She shares an office with her husband of 23 years, Gary, who is a CPA. They have two amazing daughters, Ani, is 19 and attends Fresno State. Alene is almost 17 and attends Clovis West.

Flora's favorite classes in law school were the Legal Research and Writing classes. She has fond memories of Nancy Cisneros, Deborah Owdom and Mike Smith who taught those classes. On the first night of class, as Flora walked into the classroom, she noticed a young woman with long dark hair, parted in the middle and round eye glasses. The woman was eating a hamburger. Flora thought the young woman must be a classmate of hers waiting for class to start. Just as the class was ready to begin, the girl in the back of the room got up, came to the front of the class, and introduced herself as the Torts instructor, Janice Pearson.

Flora will never forget that first night or the great trips over the wall to the donut shop next door. She also remembers being so overwhelmed in the first few days of law school that she forgot to turn on her car headlights on the way home. But all went well at SJCL and she made great friends there.

Anne Kinzel

Anne is employed at Iowa State University, working in the Office of Sponsored Programs. She and her partner, Lou Cathcart, enjoy visiting their three step grandchildren and traveling whenever possible.

Anne was honored as the Iowa State Planning Grant project director, writing one of the 11 (out of 52 states and territories) successful proposals to reform health care at the state level, 2001-2005.

Her professional interests include health care and health financing reform and Title IX and gender discrimination.

Anne is a board member of the ALS Association of Iowa and Iowa Caregivers Association. She is a consultant to AARP on national health care reform issues.

When asked about any special SJCL memories she replied, "Watching how my classmates looked at Sam Speake when he took on an issue! No seriously, as a member of one of the early SJCL classes, my special memory is the tremendous opportunity each of us had to pursue a legal education in a non-traditional setting because of the vision of the founders. They put the structure in place and the 30 or so surviving members of my class [who made it from the original 62 who showed up the first day] had the drive, luck and tenacity to take it from there.

James Witherow

Jim's first employment was with the firm of Mullen & Filippi doing Workers' Compensation defense. He subsequently worked with Emerson & Yrulegui for several years, along with his 1987 classmates, Carol Corey and Earla Phebus, doing Workers' Compensation. Eventually he took over an existing practice involved in Social Security Disability. He also built up a Workers' Compensation practice representing injured workers. Jim became a Certified Specialist in Workers' Compensation in 1997. He continues to be a sole practitioner specializing

primarily in Social Security Disability cases.

Jim's wife, Piti, has shown incredible-tolerance and skill. She was working full-time as a teacher while Jim worked full-time and went to the night program at SJCL. They were married six weeks before he started law school and had their first child, William, at the beginning of his second year. William is now a graduate of UC Davis and is going to begin his law school studies this fall. Their daughter, Sonia, just graduated from Bullard High School and is starting her college career at San Jose State University this fall. She aspires to be an Occupational Therapist.

Although the first couple of years at SJCL were a tremendous strain on his time and energy, Piti wisely suggested that he give their son his daily bath during the turn-around time between getting home from work and heading off to school. At that time they did not live far from the Shields Avenue campus, so he had some time he could spend with "Billy" when he was an infant. Jim would give him his bath and soon learned that if he did not wear an apron to guard against the splashing water he would either have to change clothes or have an explanation as to why his shirt and pants were so wet. Roberta Duffy, who sat next to him all four years, was able to tell when Billy had had his bath. Jim is happy that he has been able to maintain his friendships over the years with his SJCL classmates.

1997 Annette Ballatore-Williamson

Annette spent her first five years after graduation with the terrific attorneys at Jory, Peterson, Watkins & Smith, practicing labor, employment law and business litigation. She then moved to McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte & Carruth, where she has been fortunate to gain experience and mentoring from a whole different set

of amazing attorneys who continue to inspire her in many ways. For the last several years, she has been primarily practicing insurance coverage law, and became a Vice-Chair of the Insurance Coverage Practice Group about a year and a half ago. It suits her perfectly. Very intellectually challenging, and she never has to feel weighted down by such heavy issues--like child custody or the death penalty--that other attorneys have to grapple with. For her, the fight's always just about money and she can handle that!

Annette is married to husband, Billy. They married her first year in law school. The son she had her last year in law school, Lars, is now 10 years old, and the son she had her first year of practice, Neil, is now 8. When new attorneys worry about starting a family too soon in their practice, I just tell them, "Go for it! Having a family makes practicing law more worthwhile."

Annette states that she has too many interests, and not enough time to pursue them all. With work, church and kids' activities, she is usually pretty booked. However, when it's time for a break, she heads up the mountain in the winter for some skiing, or off somewhere camping in their RV in the summer. This summer she turned into a Harry Potter lunatic. She is looking forward to a couple of extended weekend hiking trips in the Sierras in search of uncharted hot springs, thanks to the inspiration of her partner, Jim Wagoner.

Early on, Annette spent a good portion of her time trying to advocate for work-life balance among attorneys as a member of the State Bar Committee for Women in the Law. But after awhile, she found she was spending so much time trying to promote the issue, that she wasn't balanced herself! So she has learned to say "no" to a lot of things. However, about a year ago, and with the inspiration of her son Neil, she helped start a non-profit organization, "Friends of the Fresno Childhood Language Disor-

der Center," to raise money for this little-known but extremely valuable clinic, which provides free diagnostic and treatment services for children with speech, language and learning disabilities.

The memories that linger from her law school years are of the friendships she formed--Lori Anderson, Judy Barron, Rick Wolfe, Janice Westerberg, to name a few. Also, being the first class to graduate out of the new school in Clovis was very special.

Keith Fagundes

Keith started his employment at the Tulare County District Attorneys Office, then went to the Kings County District Attorneys Office in December 2004. Keith has been assigned to many different areas of prosecution from general felonies, major narcotics, gang cases and gang homicides. He currently is assigned to gang cases, homicides, and insurance fraud, which is his pet project. He also assists in a "Safe Schools" prosecution program which focuses special attention on crimes occurring at or near schools. All their local law enforcement agencies have devoted special attention to these cases and are working together to make their schools safer. He plans to be a career prosecutor.

Keith married Renea in 1995. They have two beautiful girls, Emily Ann and Gracie Lynn, 3 years old and 6 months old respectively. Family time is by far the most fulfilling to him, with prosecution second.

Keith is so busy with work and family that he has very little time to do anything else. Weekends are spent helping his parents, if needed, in their catering business and tending to the usual household chores. The only hobby Keith has is building various toys for his kids. The most recent is a 200 square-foot play house with all the amenities of an actual home. It is a scaled version of their own home. Three-year-old Emily assisted with the building process.

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Keith remembers Denise Kerner with her term “thoroughly superficial.” He also remembers his study group and bar review.

Michelle Green

Following graduation from SJCL, Michelle received a Masters Degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from Cornell University. She joined Chevron Corporation in the Human Resources department in the corporate headquarters in the San Francisco Bay Area. During her career with Chevron, she has had a variety of HR assignments. Most recently she was the HR Advisor and Manager, Staffing and Workforce Development for Operations in Luanda, Angola. Michelle lived as a resident expatriate in Angola for 3 1/2 years. It was a fascinating experience, personally and professionally. Angola is located on the west coast of Africa and was involved in a civil war for almost 30 years. As a result, the country is only now beginning to rebuild its economy and infrastructure. Michelle repatriated to the United States in early July of this year and is now working for Chevron in Houston, leading a team that is looking at Chevrons US-sourced external hiring processes across the enterprise.

Although Michelle does not practice law, she does maintain inactive membership status with the California State Bar. Her law school degree, and more importantly, the analytical skills she developed, have served her well in her corporate profession, she says. Michelle has been married to Tim for 14 years. They have two “daughters”, their cats Cali and Phoebe. Many of her colleagues will remember Cali from her law school days but Phoebe is new to the family; they adopted her while living in Luanda.

Traveling, cooking and reading are still Michelle’s favorite pastimes. While living in Angola, they took the opportunity to travel throughout Africa

and only returned to the United States twice during their assignment. As a result, they were able to take several trips each year that many wait a lifetime to do. They have done everything from safaris in Botswana, Zambia, South Africa and Tanzania, to visiting Egypt, and learning to scuba dive in Zanzibar. This experience has only made her realize how big and beautiful our world is, and that there are many more places they want to visit. During their experience they had the chance to meet people from all over the world, and each conversation usually ended with adding another location to their “list of places to visit”.

Michelle says, “There are so many great memories from my SJCL days. Even though there was always the stress of completing the next set of briefs, studying for finals, or thinking about the bar exam, we were like a family and supported each other. During Michelle’s tenure SJCL moved to the current location in Clovis, so it was a special time for the school.”

Linden Lindahl

Linden went to work for John Barker and Associates after graduation then worked in the Fresno County District Attorney’s Office. He is currently doing criminal defense work at Ciummo & Associates. Linden has had one hundred and two jury trials go to verdict. He enjoys his work. Linden was awarded Rookie of the Year in 1999 when he worked for John Barker and Associates.

Linden has been married to Shelli for 10 years. They have a five-year-old son, Joshua. Linden enjoys motorcycling, reading and supporting Joshua in T-ball. Linden has been very involved in the Toys for Tots and Rumble to the Summit events.

When asked about any special SJCL memories, he said he was both pleased and slightly nervous when Dean Janice Pearson was seated on the jury for a

trial he was working. (Dean Pearson says he did a great job – especially in closing argument!) He also recalled the time he snuck a video scene for “Apocalypse Now” onto the media room TV just moments before the Evidence final.

Judith A. Wright

Judith graduated from SJCL knowing she wanted to practice only in the area of estate planning. She started her law office from scratch following admittance to the bar. Her son, Robert, graduated the following year and joined the firm. Initially, they were “The Law Offices of Judith A. Wright.” In 2005 they changed the name to “Wright & Wright Attorneys at Law, Inc.” Neither Rob nor Judith had any idea what was involved in getting a law practice “off the ground.” They ended up doing a lot of marketing, and now, 10 years later, they have an established business and great referrals. The difficult part in the early years was very little income. The advantage was being able to set the standards. They believe they are the only estate planning law firm in town with an active trust maintenance program, where they meet with their clients at least once a year to review their estate plans, update and amend as requested.

Judith and her husband, John, have two sons. Robert, her law partner, and David, who is in financial services. They also enjoy 4 grandchildren, ages 8, 6, 6, and 6.

Judith was honored to receive the Pro Bono lawyer of the month in 2006. She enjoys golfing, cycling, and hiking. Judith is a member of the River Park Rotary and active in her church.

Special SJCL memories that come to mind were sitting in property class on Judith’s 50th birthday, and the excitement of moving to the new law school location.

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