Happy Holidays

San Joaquin College of Law wishes you joy and happiness this season and in the coming new year.

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Not Pictured: Lawrence M. Artenian, Law Professor; Ken Coyle, M.I.S. Director; and Rick Rodriguez, Maintenance Supervisor.
Renewed interest in Delta Theta Phi

By Gina Miller

The SJCL Hollis Best Senate of the Delta Theta Phi International Law Fraternity has been very active during the fall semester of 2001. Initiation for new members proved to be one of the largest groups in recent history of the fraternity. Twenty-two initiates were welcomed to the Senate in the law school’s courtroom on October 19, 2001. Family, friends and current members attended the reception following the initiation.

One week per month, the Senate sells coffee and donated baked goods to raise funds for student scholarships. The popularity of these hot commodities provides an opportunity to heighten student awareness and interest in the fraternity.

Senate members toured the Fifth District Court of Appeal in downtown Fresno on October 18, 2001 and heard oral arguments. One highlight of the tour was the opportunity to visit one Justice’s chambers. The Senate is also planning a tour of a local food bank on December 16, 2001 to raise awareness and participate in sending food to the needy.

Congratulations to our Vice-Dean, Lillian Weiland, for winning this summer’s San Joaquin College of Law moot court competition. Another member, Ed Johnson, who was a finalist in the moot court competition, continued to display his competitive spirit by completing the New York City Marathon on November 4, 2001. Ed was quite impressed with the exceptional support of the resilient New York crowd.

Annual Children’s Christmas Party

By Priscilla Craft

The San Joaquin College of Law Alumni Association hosted its annual children’s Christmas Party on December 13 at the law school. For the second year, the association transported the entire Marjoree Mason Center to the law school for a light meal and gifts for all. 53 children and 28 mothers attended. Each child received a gift and a toy from Santa, and each mom received a gift bag of candy and a bath basket. The association received over $2,100 in donations from the alumni members. Special thanks are owed to the following: SYSCO who donated all the food; Supercuts for a raffle donation; Freddie Falcon from the Fresno Falcons; Joyce Morodomi from the law school who took Polaroid pictures of the children on Santa’s lap; and of course Santa Claus (Robert Lloyd). The party was planned and prepared by Board members Priscilla Craft, Traci Fritzler, Patricia Harter, Michelle Oleksa, Linda Richardson, Michelle West, and Melissa White. Finally, the party was made complete by Kopi Sotiropolous who brought it all together to make a lively party.
The San Joaquin Association of Legal Assistants Winter Holiday Social

The San Joaquin Association of Legal Assistants held their Winter Holiday Social on Wednesday, December 12, 2001 at the World Sports Café. The evening served as the final general membership meeting of the year, but also was the night for acknowledgements thanking many individuals and groups who have provided support throughout the year, as well as the swearing-in of officers for the new year.

This year San Joaquin College of Law was acknowledged for their contribution to the annual conference, held at the school on October 20, 2001, providing continuing education for paralegals. It was an opportunity for networking and an introduction for paralegal students to many professional issues and the need for continuing education now mandated by the 2001 Business and Professions Code 6450 pertaining to the Paralegal profession.

The new officers, some of whom are alumni from the San Joaquin College of Law Paralegal Program, include: Charlene Bullock (SJCL Para ’83): President; Carol O’Neill: Vice President; Holly Silver: Secretary; Teresa Petty: Treasurer; Debbie Dodd (SJCL Para ’88): NALA representative; and M. Diedre Wilton(SJCL Para ’87): CAPA representative.

The San Joaquin Association of Legal Assistants is an active professional organization that provides networking, continuing education, a job bank, and liaisons with the students of the Fresno City College and San Joaquin College of Law Paralegal Programs. They also are involved with the Fresno County Bar Association activities including Law Day, the annual Lawyer’s Picnic, and the American Heart Association’s Heart Walk.

San Joaquin College of Law is excited to announce Kathryn McTigue-Floyd as the newest addition to its full-time faculty. Kathryn has served as SJCL’s Library Director since 1996 and she joins the full-time faculty with her admission to the state bar in 2001.

While in law school she was an editor on the Law Review Board and her article titled Agricultural Cooperative Law: A Selective Bibliography was published in the San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review. Prior to moving to SJCL she gained valuable experience working with the Fresno County Law Library and Golden Gate University Law Library. She is a member of the American Association of Law Libraries, the Northern California Association of Library Paralegals, and the Fresno Area Library Council.

Paralegals are invited to get involved with the Association for the many wonderful educational, social, and charitable activities that it sponsors and supports. The website offers links to legal sites, as well as information about the organization, and the application for membership at www.fresnoparalegal.org.

SJCL’s 7th full-time faculty member

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San Joaquin College of Law wishes to congratulate the following graduates on passing the California State Bar Examination. (L-R) Kira Chronister, David Moreno, Dianna Setoodeh, David Tew, Kathryn McTigue-Floyd, Steve Alexander, Deborah Boyett, Danny Bruce, Paul Mullen, Yolonda Reeves, Kerry O’Brien, Ricky Tripp, Nick Zinkin, Alex Peltzer, Michelle Pepper, and Rose Petrosyan.

Not Pictured: Geoff Adalian, Beth Best, Grace Harrison, Suzanne Kehde, and Kim Raven.

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Dr. Robert Garabedian

Throughout law school, Robert maintained his dental practice full-time as well as an impressive effort at continuing education for dentists. Three weekends of every month, he would fly out of Fresno Thursday evening to teach continuing education courses Friday, Saturday, and part of Sunday. He was on the continuing education staff of the Louisiana State University Dental School, the University of Detroit Dental School, and the University of Calgary Dental School. He spent weekend evenings doing his law school assignments at whatever library he could locate at those destinations.

In 1985, Robert married Sharon. They have two children. Michael is in the 8th grade at CompuTech. Kristina is a sophomore at Bullard High School. The family runs from softball and soccer practices and games to Kristina’s forensic competitions.

Each year, Robert travels to a dental clinic in Armenia and one in Calcutta, India to volunteer several days of his time. In Armenia, the clinic is at a children’s camp built mostly with U.S. money. For most of the children in the camp, this will be one of the few times in their lives, if not the only time, they see a dentist. Each child generally needs extractions, multiple fillings, and root canals. On his first trip, Robert was averaging 150 fillings a day.

When he travels to the Assembly of God Hospital in Calcutta, Robert takes as much dental and medical supplies as he can carry, as well as old soccer uniforms which serve as clothing for street kids there. Robert routinely does dental work in Calcutta for nuns from Mother Teresa’s nunnery.

This service bent frequently involves the whole family but has particularly rubbed off on Kristina. Kristina has founded an organization called Shoe Box Sharing. This year she is working to send 1,000 shoe boxes to Armenia, filled with anything children like - crayons, coloring books, small dolls, books, soap and other personal items. Her goal is to fill 5,000 shoe boxes next year with 3,000 of them going to India.

Robert remembers great instructors in law school. He worked as a proctor in the library, donating his pay back to the law school, because it forced him to study. Because he could never get all the assigned reading done, he would read Nutshells and outlines in advance of a class, and current relevant law review articles during class to achieve mastery of the subject matter. Understanding how the law evolved helped significantly in tackling exams.

Robert Grove

For four years after graduating from law school, Bob operated a solo practice handling many types of cases, including criminal, civil, probate, and dissolution matters. Then he spent 12 years with Borton, Pettrini, & Conron. He was a supervising partner in the Fresno Office and then managing partner in the Ventura Office. He specialized in civil litigation defense. Bob then served almost two years in the house counsel office for the CHUBBB Group of insurance companies. Bob is now the Corporate Legal Counsel for UTI (Underground Technology, Inc.) in Ventura. UTI serves as the clearinghouse for the major utilities in California for questions about the location of underground piping and wiring. UTI fields questions from contractors wishing to excavate in the vicinity of utility works.

Bob is married to Cindi and they have one child, Becki, now 26. He loves traveling, fishing, and attending sporting events. He and classmate, Gerald Lewis, frequently attend Fresno State (his alma mater) football and basketball games.

Bob worked on average 50 hours a week for the County of Fresno while attending law school, so mainly he remembers always arriving at class tired. This made the habitual Socratic quizzing in class even more challenging.

Gerald Lewis

His first year as a lawyer, Gerald worked with Bill Thornhill. In early 1983, he opened his own practice emphasizing plaintiff’s personal injury, family, and criminal law. A few years ago, he and another SJCL grad, Kathy Hart (Law ’77), represented one of the correctional officer defendants in Hanford acquitted of accusations of abuse of prisoners.

Gerald is married to Kathy. Between them, they have four daughters, one of whom works as an attorney with the Department of Corrections in Sacramento. Gerald is a big fan of Bulldog sports. Those games and church activities take up what little free time he has from work.

Gerald had worked as a Highway Patrolman for 15 years prior to entering law school. Throughout law school, he worked full-time, principally the graveyard shift from 10:00 p.m. to 6 a.m. while also raising his
family. Friends had told him that he wouldn't have to worry about how to spend his spare time while going to law school. That proved true; Gerald says there was no free time and that the practice of law has kept him just about as busy.

Dr. Edward Mosley
Dr. Mosley completed law school while continuing a full-time medical practice. Upon graduation, he used his legal training serving as a medical malpractice and Workers Compensation consultant. His medical practice continued until he retired in 2000. Currently, Dr. Mosley is working with the Sequoia Health Clinic and the West Fresno Health Coalition to bring a health clinic to the west side of Fresno.

His wife, Marian Mosley, practiced family law in Fresno for many years. She is now also retired, but working with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and MARS (Memorial Auditorium Restoration Society). They have 6 children, all of whom are doing well, and 6 and 2/3d's grandchildren.

The Mosleys love to travel. In recent years they have cruised to Turkey, Greece and the Mediterranean Islands, around the tip of South America, from Hong Kong to Bali, and through the Inside Passage of Alaska.

Dr. Mosley is currently active in his church, the Family Community Church, and in the Masonic Temple. He served loyally and effectively for twelve years (1987 - 1999) on the Board of Trustees of San Joaquin College of Law.

Dr. Mosley said law school took up an inordinate amount of time in reading. He felt if you could get all the text and ancillary materials read, understanding the concepts was not that difficult.

W. Scott Quinlan
During law school, Scott clerked at Quinlan, Kershaw & Fanucchi where he continued to work for 4 ½ years after graduation. In late spring of 1986, he opened his own practice, involving general civil and criminal litigation. Scott handles state and federal trial and appellate work.

Scott and his wife, Peggy, have two children. His wife is an artist, a printmaker, who teaches part-time at Manchester-Gate and Fresno City College. Scott and his son snow ski and the whole family enjoys camping and fishing.

As to law school, Scott particularly remembers the narrow grading range. In his first year, no one got grades in the 70's and 80's. He remembers not feeling safe about advancing until his third year. It was a lot of fun, however, as the class was small and supportive of each other.

Randall Penner
Randy clerked at the Fifth District Court of Appeal after graduating from SJCL. He worked for Justice George Brown and Justice Robert Martin. In 1983, Randy joined Parichan, Renberg, Crossman, & Harvey, where he worked for 13 years, principally in the area of defense product liability litigation. In 1995, he opened a solo practice which has now become Doyle, Penner, Bradley & Armstrong. Randy's practice consists of personal injury, business, and employment litigation. Randy says his job is to try to help people which may involve disciplines outside of law.

Randy has been married to Debbie for 25 years. They have three sons. Randy loves golf and the family loves travel - often to ski and ski board.

Randy remembers the class hangout - Stanley's on Shaw Avenue. He remembers heated study sessions with, Scott Quinlan, David Overstreet, and Neal Pedowitz.

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Michel Bryant
Mike began clerking for Borton, Petrini & Conron during his second year of law school. Upon graduation, he continued to work for the firm for two years before opening his own practice. After the Los Angeles earthquake, he joined the staff of the Small Business Disaster Lending Program in Sacramento. During the year he worked there, he hatched the idea for “The Legal Edge”. The next two years were spent full-time on “The Legal Edge” - off-beat consumer education segments that at their peak ran with 60 affiliate television stations. After six years of doing the show, Mike joined the staff of “Extra!” where he first continued The Legal Edge concept and now works the Celebrity Justice segment. Mike expects to continue using television to educate the public about their legal rights.
In 1999, Mike authored *The Legal Edge for Homeowners, Buyers, & Renters*, a book providing commonsense answers to the questions that frequently arise in buying and renting property. (Published by Renaissance Books, Los Angeles)

Mike also met his fiancee through “Extra” where she is a producer. As to law school Mike remembers that his class was a great group. Jeff Levinson ended every study conversation with “What’s the bottom line?” Mike remembers traveling for Moot Court competitions—to Fordham, New York and to Florida where he and partners Judy Hall and Sharon Madsen won the Stetson Tax Moot Court Competition.

**Sheri Ann Mount**

To say that Sheri’s entrance to academe was without stress would be a gross understatement. She began law school with three children; a one day old, a four year old, and a six year old.

During her second year of law school, Sheri had the opportunity to clerk for Ms. June Register. Sheri continued to work with Ms. Register until April 1992, when, drawing from her own experiences under the tutelage of June, she opened her own family law practice. In January, 1994, a partnership was formed with Paul E. Lerandeau, specializing in family law. In January, 1998, the practice returned to that of a sole practitioner. The practice remains exclusively family law.

In 1997, Sheri was selected and sworn in as Judge pro tem, handling the domestic violence and pro per settlement conference calendars.

Sheri has served on the board of the Fresno County Bar Association for the last three years. She is also a member of the steering committee of the Child Custody Exchange Program. Recognizing a need, Sheri spearheaded the campaign for the conception and ultimate realization of the Olmos Children’s Room at the Fresno Superior Court House.

She has three children, Michael, 21. Amy, 19, and Elizabeth 14. On April 17, 1997, Sheri and Dale Bond were married in the historical setting of Columbia, California. In their spare time, they participate in the many road rallies sponsored by the local Miata Club, or they can be found cruising the Sacramento delta on their yacht. Sheri is on the Tower Park Yacht Club Board of Directors while Dave serves as the Port Captain.

Law School… that’s a blur, remembered only in snippet visions of nursing babies and lousy vending machine coffee.

**Katy Rau**

Upon graduating from law school, Katy worked briefly with Diane Ophelia. She then did research and writing for Marian Mosley until 1996. In March of 1997, she became an Attorney Advisor for the Social Security Administration, Office of Hearings & Appeals, where she works with classmate, Sharon Madsen.

Katy’s family in Fresno includes her sister, nephew, and three grandnephews. Katy and her sister frequently drive to San Francisco to see the opera or shop. Katy has also re-instituted the tradition of going to Europe - usually England or France - for 3-4 weeks every other summer. Katy bought a house in spring 2001 and is slowly remodeling it; the most important step was getting rid of the 1950’s harvest gold appliances.

Katy remembers her law school as being in a less than ideal location at Shields and First in Fresno. She remembers drinking coffee in the parking lot on breaks because there was no student lounge. She remembers the extremely successful Delta Theta Phi brownie sales. The Wednesday night class conclaves at Cedar Lanes were a highlight. The menu was beer and fried artichoke hearts. The class invited their favorite waitress to their graduation and she came! Katy also remembers spending seven weeks in Judge Caeton’s Criminal Law class discussing the gradations of murder. Finally, Katy remembers Judge Ardaiz’s racehorse exams; the Evidence question on their bar exam was easy in comparison.

**Maureen Wolf**

Maureen worked as a Staff Attorney, then Senior Staff Attorney with the Social Security Administration, for four years after graduating from law school. She then began teaching English as an adjunct professor at Fresno City College while embarking on alternative careers as an operatic singer and thespian. Maureen sang lead roles in the Fresno City College’s productions of *The Marriage of Figaro and Die Fledermaus*. She also appeared in plays presented by the Fresno State Drama Department and Theatre 3. This fall Maureen has embarked upon obtaining a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology from the Pacifica Graduate Institute.

Maureen has three children. Auggie is 17. Her two law school babies are growing up - Johanna is 11 years old and Noel is 10.

Maureen’s first memory of law school was checking posted grades at the end of the second year. Having seen that she passed, she said “Well, it looks like I get to study law for another year!”
The Rutter Group honored Lillian Macias-Weiland (L) and Steve Koch (R) with awards for winning Best Brief in the 2001 George A. Hopper Moot Court Competition. Both students, as well as the law school, received The Rutter Group publication of their choice. California Court of Appeal Associate Justice Rebecca Wiseman (C), a co-editor of the Employment Litigation guide by the Rutter Group, made the presentation. She also recognized Jon Conklin and Stan Boone for their dedication to the moot court program. The awards were made possible with the assistance of Mr. Kalman Zempleny at The Rutter Group as well as Justice Wiseman.

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