$20 Million Sturm Gift Underwrites Passions, Careers
International Law Program Booming
Selma Morgen Still Resonates with Alumni
Dear Friends,

I am pleased to welcome you to another edition of the College of Law Alumni Magazine.

One of the most exciting developments of the past few months was a gift of $20 million from law alumnus Don Sturm and his wife, Susan. Consequently, your law school has a new name — the University of Denver Sturm College of Law — and two new endowed chairs: the Donald L. and Susan M. Sturm Distinguished Visiting Chair and the Donald L. and Susan M. Sturm Distinguished International Scholar’s Chair. These endowed faculty positions will continue to foster the College of Law’s exceptional academic caliber. A profile of the Sturms, their philanthropic endeavors and their unwavering commitment to the University of Denver begins on page 10.

The new year brings with it many exciting happenings at your law school, including the National Black Law Students Association’s (NBLSA) annual conference and two events of international interest: the 29th annual Myres McDougal Distinguished Lecture — featuring Sir Nigel Rodley, former U.N. Special Rapporteur on Torture — and the 22nd Annual Sutton Colloquium, “Protecting Human Rights: A Global Challenge.” On page 27, you will find more detailed information on the NBLSA conference, and on page 22, we explore our International Legal Studies Program with a special guest commentary from Professor Ved Nanda.

The law school is truly an extraordinary place to learn, one that is brimming with gifted scholars and teachers, a remarkably diverse and talented student body, a challenging and rigorous curriculum and the most advanced educational technology available today. If you haven’t been in touch with your law school in recent years, I encourage you to get involved. Our alumni are very important to us; they are crucial to the strength and success of the Sturm College of Law. Your support and suggestions help shape our future and make us a better institution.

I want to thank all of you who made gifts and pledges to the school during 2003-04, which resulted in our largest fundraising year ever. I am grateful for your dedication to the College of Law — we honestly couldn’t do it without you. Of course, there is always much more to be done, but with the help and enthusiasm of our alumni, I believe we can continue to build on our reputation as one of the finest law schools in the nation.

Best wishes for the new year,

Mary E. Ricketson
Dean, Sturm College of Law
University Professor
Sturm College of Law Climbs in National Rankings

The Sturm College of Law continues its ascent up the U.S. News & World Report “America’s Best Graduate School ranking,” climbing one more place to No. 77 for 2005. The school has risen 33 places in just three years, says Dean Mary Ricketson, adding that this is the third consecutive year DU has ranked as a top 100 law school. The law school also ranks 12th in environmental law, 14th in trial advocacy and 22nd in tax law, and is listed among 73 law schools cited for diverse student bodies.

At a Glance:
The Class of 2007-08

Once again, the Sturm College of Law’s next incoming class has broken a number of admissions records. There were 3,699 total applications for the JD degree, with a 22 percent acceptance rate. For the 2004-05 academic year, the school has enrolled 246 full-time and 90 part-time students, a yield of 41 percent of accepted applicants. The median LSAT score for the new class is 160, the highest average ever recorded for an incoming class.

Charting Employment
Stats for Law Grads

Preparing market-ready, ethical lawyers continues to be a priority for the Sturm College of Law, especially in an increasingly competitive legal environment. DU law graduates are pursuing challenging careers in law firms, government, public interest and business. The Class of 2003 reports that 98.7 percent of its members are currently employed or pursuing an additional degree. Many graduates chose to remain in Colorado, while 18 percent are employed in one of 30 other states.

Class of 2003 by Practice Area
Several Sturm College of Law alumni noticed that the Calendar of Events page in the summer 2004 issue of the alumni magazine mentioned Derby Days. Herb Weiser, JD'54, a member of the College of Law Alumni Council, went so far as to send in these photos.

"I participated in several Derby Days when the school was on Court Place," Weiser says. "Sullivan's Bar was our student lounge. I have a photo of a group of us in Sullivan's celebrating Derby Days, (below) taken probably in 1952 or 1953."

Another alumnus, Raymond Turner, JD'55, had this to say about the event that started in 1913 and was once such a part of DU Law tradition, and is once again: "Fifty-nine years ago, the law students had a street parade and commandeered a district courtroom to hold a mock roast of the faculty. A trophy known as the 'bloody hatchet award' was bestowed upon an unlucky professor. This year I believe Thompson Marsh 'retired' the trophy, having 'won' it for the third straight year. More than 45 organizations, seven journals and five boards were able to recruit new members from the entering Class of 2007. More than 350 students attended the Derby Day festivities Aug. 28, which included a barbecue sponsored by the Student Bar Association, more than 60 student booths and a number of field day activities.

New students had the entire afternoon to talk with current members of student organizations; many brought along their families and pets. Westminster Nights was held Aug. 26 and provided night students with an opportunity to scope out the student groups as well.

For more information about plans for the 2005 Derby Days and Westminster Nights, contact the Student Bar Association at sba@law.du.edu."
Law Students Unveil Sturm College of Law’s First Online Journal

The Sturm College of Law is pleased to present the Journal of Transactional Law, the newest addition to the college’s nationally recognized publications. The Journal of Transactional Law is a new concept in journals in that it will be available only electronically at the website www.law.du.edu/ ejot. This is a practical journal with many short and snappy scholarly articles written by practicing attorneys for practicing attorneys. The journal will include topic areas such as tax, intellectual property, corporate law and securities, trusts and estates, and real property.

The staff of the newly launched Journal of Transactional Law gather in front of the rank H. Robinson Jr. Law Building.

The Journal is currently accepting submissions for publication. This is an excellent opportunity for practitioners to be published.

For information regarding article submission in one of the above areas or for a free trial subscription, please visit the Journal of Transactional Law’s website at www.law.du.edu/ ejot or send your request via e-mail to ejot@law.du.edu.

Colorado Lawyers for the Arts Holds Annual Gala

The Colorado Lawyers for the Arts (CoLA) held its 25th anniversary gala and bi-annual art auction Oct. 16, continuing its long-standing tradition of assisting the arts community.

More than 250 members of Denver’s legal community joined Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper for a live auction, studio art demonstrations and music. Guests were invited to take home professional photos of themselves at the event.

As the only organization in Colorado devoted exclusively to providing pro bono legal services and legal education to artists and arts organizations, CoLA’s goal is to ensure that artists and arts organizations succeed on their own creative abilities and that success or failure does not hinge on legal pitfalls.

Though many volunteer attorney organizations throughout the nation have been forced to close their doors due to lack of funding and resources, CoLA has persevered, even with a decrease in contributions and a 27 percent increase in the need for services.
National Latino Conference a Great Success

The National Law Students Association’s conference, “Uniendo Fronteras: A Roadmap to Diversity,” held Oct. 8-10 at the Sturm College of Law, brought nationally recognized figures to Denver to discuss issues important to the Latino community, including legal services, affirmative action, the media, immigration and NAFTA.

"Typically, big state schools with large Latino populations in California and Texas have hosted the conferences," says third-year law student Jack Patten, a farmer association president who helped to win the conference bid. "Holding it in a private school with a smaller Latino population not only sets a precedent, but opens the door for other small schools to have this opportunity."

The association was formed a decade ago. Today, more than 1,000 students belong, including 40 active members at DU. Since Mary Ricketson became dean of the Sturm College of Law in 2000, more than 100 Latino students have been accepted to the law school. Last year, the number of first-year Latino students was twice that of the 2000-01 figure.

To view more photos from the event, please see the "Legal Affairs" section beginning on page 34.

College of Law Co-Sponsors Leadership Speaker Series

The Business Law Society at the Sturm College of Law is proud to be a partner in presenting Voices of Experience, a values-based leadership speaker series. The series connects the theories of values-based leadership — such as effective board leadership, responsible corporate governance and ethical leadership — with the practice of such principles by arranging exemplary speakers and panel discussions.

The outcome of the connection between theory and practice is a forum for a meaningful dialogue of ethical corporate leadership.

The series kicked off in January at the Daniels College of Business and featured Pamela Stroebel, executive vice president and chief accounting officer of Exelon Corp. In 2002, Stroebel was recognized by Fortune magazine as one of the 50 most influential women in American business. She is a former partner with Sidley & Austin.

For more information about the featured speakers or the Voices of Experience series, please visit the Business Law Society website at www.law.du.edu/bls or contact Leyla Eraybar-Lee at leyla.eraybar@law.du.edu.
A new endowed public service scholarship being awarded through the Sturm College of Law will honor former Colorado Gov. John A. Love.

Thanks to a new $400,000 gift from Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Co. — plus previous gifts from family, friends and the Love estate — the endowment fund will total more than $500,000. The fund will provide substantial scholarships to qualified students each year.

Love earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Denver in 1938 and a law degree from the College of Law in 1941. In 1963, the then-governor-elect was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree from DU, and he also served on the university’s board of governors. Love served as Colorado’s 36th governor from 1963 to 1973. He died in 2002 at the age of 85.

“Gov. Love was a good friend to the people at Great-West,” says Great-West President and Chief Executive Officer William T. McCallum. “We’re honored to have this opportunity to ensure that his commitment to public service lives on.”

Future “Governor John A. Love/Great-West Life Scholars” will be Colorado residents with demonstrated financial need and strong academic records. Preference will be given to students who have a strong interest in public service in Colorado following graduation. Recipients must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or better on a 4.0 scale. The scholarship will support one student in each class.

“The Sturm College of Law has a strong tradition of public-interest law,” says Dean Mary Ricketson. “This gift will allow even more students to spend some portion of their careers in public service, as did John Love, and will honor one of the college’s outstanding graduates.”

McCallum, Nicole M. Allen, also of Great-West, and Gov. Love’s children — Rebecca Love Kourlis, Andy Love and Dan Love — were instrumental in establishing the scholarship.

“Our dad considered his experience at the College of Law as transformational in his life,” Kourlis says. Gifts to the new scholarship may be sent to “Governor John A. Love/Great-West Life Scholarship for Public Service,” University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Alumni Development Office, 2255 E. Evans Ave., Suite 315, Denver, CO 80208.
The Sturm College of Law hosted a special reception for scholarship donors, honorees and student recipients on Nov. 12. Donors, honorees and recipients met and mingled over hors d'oeuvres in the Forum of the Frank H. Ricketson Jr. Law Building.

The Grafton family — Jennifer, baby Savannah and Ben — enjoy the Named Scholarship reception. Jennifer Grafton received the 2004 Christopher Munch Scholarship.

Mary Hoagland (l), MSJA'72/JD'75 and Don Hoagland enjoyed chatting with Mary T. Hoagland Scholarship recipient Bianca Miyata at the reception.

(l-r) Karen and Ned Giles, JD'73, of the law firm MoreyGiles get to know scholarship recipient Maxi Lyons and her friend Colby Wickham.

Bishop Roland B. Martin and Foley's Memorial Civil Rights Scholarship recipient Victoria DuVall-Burney (far l) meets Arlee Martin (second from l), Paula Martin and Esther Johns at the reception.
Gary Kring, MT’77, representing the Bernhard T. Schramm Foundation Graduate Tax Scholarship, chats with law student Faida Muzaliwa, recipient of the Ernst & Young Fund for Excellence in Tax Education Scholarship.

Named for Doug Scrivner’s grandmother, the Florence Scrivner Memorial Scholarship supports outstanding students active in the International Legal Studies Program. Pictured here are DU Law graduate and visiting committee chairperson Doug Scrivner, JD’77, and Scrivner scholarship recipient Sara Lewis.

Established in 2001, the Bruce B. Johnson Memorial Scholarship honors DU Law graduate Bruce Johnson, JD’70, who was a partner with Otten, Johnson, Robinson, Neff & Ragonetti in Denver. Pictured here are two of the scholarship’s recipients, Troy Sandberg (second from l) and Steve Rotter (r) joined by Johnson’s widow, Maureen Regan Johnson, and Richard Mauro, JD’70, one of the scholarship’s representatives.

Funded by alumni, foundations and the Law Alumni Council, the Robert B. Yegge Hispanic scholarships were created at the time of Dean Emeritus Yegge’s retirement as dean of the College of Law. Here, scholarship donor Ralph Torres (l), JD’70, shares a laugh with Yegge (r), JD’59, and Yegge scholarship recipients (center l-r) Janel Guerrero, Ricardo Ochoa and Nanette Gonzales.

In his second year of law school, H. Beny White IV established the Bobbie Lou Mae White Scholarship in honor of his sister. Joining White at the reception were members of his family and Troy Sandberg, the recipient of the Bobbie Lou Mae White Scholarship for 2004. (l-r) Sandberg, Suzy Leprino, H. Berry White IV, Linda White and H. Berry White III.
On a Giving Q
Growing up in the throes of the Great Depression, Donald Sturm spent his nights sleeping on a foldout cot in a room shared with his two sisters. He was born in 1932 to immigrant parents, and the family lived in a fourth-floor walkup in Brooklyn.

While material possessions were in short supply, love was not. And the Sturms valued education above all else. Indeed, Don Sturm's education in New York's public schools — and later at the University of Denver College of Law — vaulted him toward lifelong success. At 72, he is a banker and real estate developer who, along with his wife, Susan, just gave the College of Law $20 million, the largest donation in the school's 112-year history.

The Sturms have given far more than their money to DU. They have brought a world of experience to the job. Don Sturm has served on the university's board of trustees since 1992. He's known for his vision and tough questions. Susan Sturm graduated from Princeton University magna cum laude with a degree in economics. Before meeting her husband, she worked in hot spots...
around the globe for the CIA. Her mission at DU has been to boost teaching and learning. She has become an expert on educational reform.

The Sturms have given millions to support various programs at DU. The $20 million gift brings their total donations to DU to $29 million. Their other passion is funding charter schools and affordable housing programs. They want struggling families to shift from survival to stability.

The Sturms fervently believe that when families have roots, they can make education a priority for their children. They see poorly educated children as a loss to the world.

The issue is personal for Don Sturm. His own father arrived in the United States from Austria at age 8. Essentially orphaned, he never got a proper education and scrounged for jobs his whole life.

"He never had an opportunity to get an education," Sturm says. "People like him gave their lives so their children and grandchildren could live a good life in this great country of ours."

Susan Sturm shares that profound commitment to education. As a child, she traveled the world with her parents, who were in the Foreign Service. Her most memorable posting as a young girl was in Peru. "People were living in tin shacks. It was so poor. I'm sure there were tons of talented people. What if they'd been given an opportunity?"

Thanks to the Sturms, opportunities will abound at DU's law school, now renamed the Sturm College of Law. The Sturms, owners of Denver-based American National Bank, are harnessing their fortune to help DU develop into a

**The $20 Million Gift Brings Their Total Donations to DU to $29 Million.**
“This gift comes at an important time for the College of Law,” says Dean Mary Ricketson. “We continue to improve in every way: remarkable students, the faculty’s outstanding academic achievements, a dedicated staff and world-class facilities. The Sturms’ generous gift will help catapult us even higher.”

During the last three years, the law school has risen substantially in U.S. News & World Report’s “America’s Best Graduate Schools” ranking, reaching 77th for 2005. And, of course, the law school moved into its new $63.5 million, 210,000-square-foot building at the start of the 2003-04 academic year.

The Sturms’ gift will be used to create two new endowed chairs, one for international law and the other for visiting distinguished scholars. Once the school has refined its academic mission, the Sturms’ gift also may fund scholarships.

Chancellor Daniel Ritchie met Don Sturm before he and Susan moved to Denver in 1991. Sturms paid Ritchie a visit at his 50,000-acre ranch near Kremmling, Colo. The Sturms have been generous supporters ever since as Ritchie has built up DU project by project.

“It was then that I learned how much he cared,” Ritchie says of Sturm. “Don feels that he has received so much and has been so fortunate. He really wants to do his share and give back, not just with his resources, but with his personal time and commitment.”

Ritchie calls the Sturms some of DU’s “best friends.” Ritchie, himself, has donated $23 million in money and property to DU.

Once the Sturms moved to Denver, they took active roles at the university, including Don’s role...
on the board, Susan has served on the board of the Ricks Center for Gifted Children, where their 13-year-old son Stephen and 12-year-old daughter Emily attend school. Susan also has been instrumental in implementing the Sturms’ awards for excellence in teaching and learning, which they established in 1999. That same year, the Sturms donated $6 million toward the renovation of the old General Classroom Building. Now known as Sturm Hall, the 177,000-square-foot complex houses a majority of DU’s humanities and social sciences programs.

The $20 million law school donation is on par with some of the largest gifts to educational institutions around the country. “People used to think that $1 million was a big gift,” Ritchie says. “Now, that definition has changed. This (gift) will have a major impact over a long period of time.”

Both Ritchie and Sturm believe the donation will motivate other alumni to step up to the plate and boost DU’s endowment.

“That’s the frosting on the cake. What differentiates the Harvards and Yales is their endowments. Then, they can have these wonderful endowed chairs,” Sturm says.

For Don Sturm, a chance trip that he made as
a young soldier to visit his sister in Denver would change the course of his life.

After graduating from City College of New York with a liberal arts degree in psychology and sociology in 1954, Sturm got drafted. Most of his buddies did their basic training in New Jersey. Sturm was sent to South Carolina, and then was assigned to Montgomery, Ala., where he conducted exams to see if young men were mentally fit to serve. The results of the simple test were appalling: 55 percent of blacks failed the test, as did 50 percent of whites.

“I was depressed,” Sturm says. “How could this be in this country?”

The experience left a lasting impression. Little did Sturm know at age 22 that he would someday have the fortune to help improve schools.

At the time, however, Sturm couldn’t wait to get out of the Army. During the summer of 1955, some pilots needed to boost their hours in the air and were heading to Denver. Sturm hitched a ride and spent a 10-day furlough in Denver. During the visit, he stopped by the College of Law and made a snap decision. He would start at DU in January 1956 and finish his military service three months early.
Sturm blazed through law school, passing the bar exam months before he graduated in 1958. He then returned to New York where he earned a master's of law in taxation at New York University. He went to work for the IRS as a trial attorney, based in Omaha, Neb.

After four years with the IRS, Sturm got a job with Peter Kiewit Sons Inc. in Omaha as in-house tax counsel. The firm was in trouble with the IRS and was facing a $35 million tax penalty.

Sturm went over the returns again and again. Something wasn't right, but the taxes were so complex that it took him a long time to solve the riddle. "Then I woke up one morning with an answer," he says.

Sturm said the company had made an honest mistake that made it owe more than it did. The IRS agreed and Sturm turned a $35 million tax penalty into a $5 million tax refund for Peter Kiewit. Sturm's star status rose quickly at the company, where he ultimately spent 26 years and became a vice president and director. He got involved in high-powered coal and construction deals.

"We made a lot of money and I ended up as the second-largest shareholder."

He also ended up meeting his second wife, Susan, through the company. She was working as a consultant to Peter Kiewit at the time. (Sturm is divorced from his first wife. He has two grown children from that marriage.)

Susan Morgan had lived a life of global travel and international intrigue prior to meeting Don Sturm. She grew up around the world and learned to speak Spanish while her folks were in the Foreign Service. After graduating from Princeton, she earned a Congressional Fellowship, then attended Oxford University.

When she returned to the United States, she landed a job with the CIA. She was based in
Washington, D.C., but worked in all of the world’s hot spots, from Israel to Lebanon to El Salvador.

“They were all small societies rife with dissension,” Susan recalls. She left the CIA weary of travel and grateful to be an American.

She met Don in mid-1986. They were married the following September.

“I had never met anybody like him,” Susan says. “He was interesting to talk to, laughed a lot and had a tremendous amount of energy.”

Don says his wife is the one with boundless energy. Some people are type A. “She’s triple A,” he says. “She’s a wonderful person, a great mother, a great wife, extremely bright and driven.”

Susan knew nothing about DU before moving to Denver. But like her husband, she has made helping the school a personal mission. In higher education and among low-income students, the Sturms have learned to stick to their priorities and be patient. "Educational change is slow and tough," Susan says. "If it were so easy, somebody else would have done it."

Both she and her husband find great satisfaction in being able to give so much to their community. But they’re not the kind of people who believe wealth defines success. At his core, Don is still the same person who climbed four flights of steps to be with a family that celebrated love and learning.

“There are a lot of successful people who don’t have money. It’s about family, happiness and health,” Sturm says. “If people have enough education, everything else will flow from there."
Ved Nanda arrived at the University of Denver in 1965 and hit the place like a tornado.

Hired along with a number of other new professors, Nanda began publishing at an extraordinary pace. He taught more than a full load of classes. He worked with the United Nations, wrote editorials for newspapers and appeared on television and radio.

Back then, DU had just one international law course, one professor and 17 students. Today, the University of Denver Sturm College of Law has 35 to 40 international law courses and more than 15 full-time and 15 adjunct faculty members who teach those classes. Some 200 students enroll in international law courses each year.

Nanda not only led the charge in making the international law program what it is today, he has watched the world shrink and the rules change. International law is at a crossroads. The Sept. 11 attacks, the war on terror, the invasion of Iraq and the weakness of the United Nations add a new dynamic to the study and practice of international law.

Today, student interest in global law is at an all-time high, and the Sturm College of Law is set to feed that curiosity by adding professors, more classes and perhaps a certificate program that lets graduates formally specialize in the subject.

"The change is enormous," says Nanda, who still runs the International Legal Studies Program. "We have attracted some of the very aware students who are globally minded and who want to have their own imprint in international law."

Nanda, 69, has made his own imprint on international law and on DU.

"It is impossible to overstate his importance to the program and to the University of Denver," says Ralph Lake, JD'73, one of Nanda's early students who later held senior positions with international responsibility at AT&T and Holiday Inn. He now heads a law firm in London.

When Nanda arrived at DU 40 years ago, the International Legal Studies Program did not exist. Nanda added fuel to the program, using his own international involvement and connections to bring global perspectives to the classroom.
"He had a network of supporting lawyers who helped reach," says Douglas Scrivner, JD '77, another of Nanda's early students. He is now general counsel at Accenture, a large technology firm in Palo Alto, Calif. "I still remember getting a lot out of a summer course on international business transactions taught by a couple of Boulder lawyers."

By the early 1970s, Nanda hit upon the idea of starting an international law journal. At that time, only a handful of heavy-duty law schools had such journals. He didn't care. He gathered some students, convinced a friend to write him a blank check, and started the Denver Journal of International Law and Policy in an abandoned storeroom in the basement of the law school in downtown Denver.

"It's one of the most respected of such publications in the country, indeed the world," Lake says.

The Journal is consistently rated among the top 20 international law journals.

Nanda also proudly points to the vibrant International Law Society, which routinely brings exciting international law programs not just to the law school and university, but also to the general community, and the Denver International Law Moot Court program, which has a record of outstanding performance in the international competition.

Nanda does nothing half-hearted. His writing is prolific — he has over 20 books and nearly 200 scholarly articles to his name. His resume is 15 pages long, and his connections are vast. He serves as president of several national and international organizations such as the World Jurist Association, made up of judges and lawyers from 154 countries. He has lectured and taught all over the world.

Nanda has driven hard ever since he was a boy growing up the son of a government official in India. He started college when he should have been in middle school. He received a gold medal from the president of India for graduating first in his law class at Delhi University in India. Today, he holds eight degrees from Northwestern University's School of Law, Yale Law School, Soka University in Tokyo, and Punjab and Bundelkhand universities in India. He says he uses yoga to survive with just two hours of sleep a night. He adds that his wife, Katharine, a lawyer and art historian, and his daughter, Nitha, a JD student, are currently doing a semester abroad in Spain, keep him honest.

At a recent international law conference in New York City, book vendors lined the hallways selling

AS GLOBAL CONFLICTS TAKE CENTER STAGE

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Nanda's books. Inside the ballroom, Nanda, a panel moderator, stood at the microphone, politely welcoming people by name.

"Before you get to know him, you're obviously intimidated by him because he's done everything," says Zachary Detra, a law student and editor of the International Law Journal who attended the convention. "He's always excited to talk to you and help you. That's his greatest contribution - his demeanor. He's the least uppity person I know."

Nanda has taken the lead in bringing hundreds of scholars, attorneys and judges to DU from across the country each spring for the Myres S. McDougal Distinguished Lecture in International Law and the Sutton Colloquium, a regional conference of the American Society of International Law. He started the colloquium in 1967 and it has become the longest-running international law conference at a law school in the country. The McDougal lecture, named after Nanda's mentor and teacher at Yale, draws up names in international law each year.

"My wife and I constantly found ourselves at his house in the company of scholars, diplomats and the occasional revolutionary from countries we had only read about," says Lake.

Passionate about teaching a global perspective, Nanda also has led the charge for study abroad and student exchanges as the school's vice provost for internationalization. DU now dedicates $4 million a year to send undergraduate students on study-abroad exchanges, paying for their visas and travel expenses. Last year, the College of Law sent 60 students abroad.

"DU is in an excellent position today," says visiting DU Law Professor Rikard Lundberg. "It's an up-and-coming school. You see a lot of enthusiasm. It's heavily committed to expanding its international law program but also has become known abroad and established relationships with universities to do exchanges."

But the convergence of global politics and war has dramatically changed the landscape of international law, as well as who is sitting inside DU's classrooms.

Enrollment at DU of foreign students has dropped dramatically in the master's of law program. In 2001, the program enrolled 30 foreign students but that dropped to just 11 in 2004. Visas are far more difficult and expensive to obtain in the post-Sept. 11 world, prohibiting many students from developing countries from coming, says Professor Jim Otto (LL.M.), director of Graduate Studies for the Environmental and Natural Resources law program at the Sturm College of Law.

"Applications from Muslim countries have dropped to zero," Otto says. At one point, he says, foreign students made up half of his environmental and natural resources program. Today they make up about one-third of the student population.

"People are apprehensive about coming to the U.S.,” Lundberg says.

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Sept. 11 and the threat of terrorism also wreaked havoc with the norms of international rules. Unlike written domestic law, international law is based on global treaties and customary laws set forth by nation states and organizations such as the United Nations.

In the last four years, the United States, which historically had been active in shaping, enacting and enforcing international treaties, has declined to be involved in a number of recent agreements. "The U.S. is taking a much more 'Do it my way or you might not be working with us' approach," Otto says.

The preemptive use of force in Iraq by the United States, too, challenged the established rules of international law. Now, Nanda worries about the future of the United Nations Security Council, which is authorized under the U.N. charter to use collective force. He is also concerned about U.S.-U.N. relations.

"Without an active U.S. participation, the U.N. is not an effective or healthy organization," says Nanda, who has spent time working at the United Nations. "The old world is changing' and the new world hasn't yet taken its place." Nanda currently serves on the board of directors of the United Nations Association of the USA and has represented the association in the World Federation of United Nations Associations in Geneva.

Nanda wants DU's International Legal Studies Program to be on the cutting edge of that new world. He plans to recruit a "star" or top professor in the international law arena for a new $3 million chair. The position will be funded by the $20 million endowment given by Denver banker and real estate developer Donald Sturm and his wife, Susan — the largest single donation in the school's 112-year history.

Next, Nanda plans to create five to 10 new international law courses in the coming several years and to make the subject a certificate program, so students can graduate as global law specialists.

The policies and politics may change, but Nanda says international legal expertise will be increasingly important in the future. "The world has shrunk in distance, and no matter how domestic an issue is, it has got international implications," he says.

Graduate international law specialists will find plenty of options. Nanda's former students now work in both public and private settings. They work for the United Nations, human rights groups, environmental organizations, the federal government, law firms and multinational corporations. Many students want to study human rights and environmental law, but most of the jobs are typically found inside large companies and law firms, he says.

"As my students go out into the world, they'll be playing a very important role," Nanda says. "I often get calls from former students in law firms who are looking for someone in international law. Today, it's a hot area of practice."
After I had accepted the offer from the College of Law to come to Denver in 1965, one of my classmates at Yale put on my desk a copy of the law review then published here, called *Dicta*, with a note, “What an intellectually stimulating place you’ll be teaching at.” I must confess that turning the pages of that issue of *Dicta* did give me pause. It was a bar association publication, noting state cases with some commentary but little scholarly content. I decided I would stay in Denver for a year but then move on to one of several places on the East Coast that had also given me offers.

It was not an auspicious beginning. But what a difference a year makes. Bob Yegge assumed the deanship and transformed the place. Excitement was in the air as he attracted noted scholars from prestigious schools. I was asked to be the faculty adviser of the journal, now named the Denver University Law Review. With the help of my colleagues and several talented, skilled and hard-working students, we transformed what was once *Dicta* into a highly professional, scholarly law journal. The College of Law began strategic planning on a course of innovative projects such as law and society, funded by the Ford Foundation.

Dean Yegge and the faculty shared my enthusiasm for expanding the international law offerings and establishing the International Legal Studies Program, which became a reality in 1972.

As I reflect on almost 40 years at the College of Law, several high points stand out. I will recount only two, one personal and one professional. On the personal side, several former students — research assistants, journal editors, International Law Society officers and students doing independent study with me — have become lifelong friends. Many now occupy prominent positions in both private and public arenas. They are always willing and indeed eager to lend a helping hand to find a useful contact, explore an opportunity or place a current student. I have become a godfather several times to my students’ children. I was, however, overwhelmed when a group of them raised money to establish a professorship in international law in my name. Equally gratifying have been personal relationships with my colleagues at the College of Law, the Graduate School of International Studies and the rest of the university.

Professionally, my years at DU have been most rewarding. A collegial, open and intellectually stimulating climate, both at the College of Law and university, has allowed me to explore in depth areas of my primary scholarly interests. In the last few years, issues of human survival have assumed a place of priority — war and peace, use of force, human rights and human welfare, and international environmental law. International trade and international business also are of considerable interest, for in the era of globalization, intragenerational equity must be realized. Teaching has always been my passion; that is why when the university asked if I would take a full-time position as vice provost for internationalization, I respectfully requested to stay half-time at the law school so that I could continue to teach and pursue my scholarly interests. I had realized even then that these would be two full-time jobs, but I do not regret having made that decision.

I must confess that since that first year of teaching in 1965-66, I have never dreamt of leaving DU.
Dan Hoffman, JD’59, now dean emeritus and professor emeritus at the College of Law, talks with fellow participants from Denver while waiting to begin marching toward Montgomery. “Of all the things in my life I take pride in doing, it’s marching in Selma.” Photo courtesy of Dan Hoffman.

THE MARCH ON SELMA, 40 YEARS LATER: BEARING WITNESS AND MAKING IT RIGHT

J.L SOMMARS CONTRIBUTING WRITER

They came by the thousands. By car. Bus. Train. And on a late-night, chartered flight from Denver. They came to bear witness. They came to make it right.

It was the March on Selma, an event 40 years ago that would change the world — and the lives of those who were there.

“At the time, Selma didn’t seem like a major event,” says Ari Kelman, chairman and associate professor of history for DU.

On March 7, 1965, several hundred people set out on a march from Selma, Ala., to Montgomery, the state capital, to protest voting restrictions against blacks. They were attacked at a bridge outside the city by dozens of mounted state troopers and sheriff’s deputies. The marchers — many of them women and children — were savagely beaten with nightsticks, electric cattle prods and chains.

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It wasn’t the first time the predominantly white audience saw racial violence, Kelman says. "But, in this case, it was so sudden, so extreme, so brutal. Immediately, the call went out around the country to finish the march."

Those horrific images still haunt Dan Hoffman, dean emeritus and professor emeritus of the College of Law.

"I recall them as vividly today as 40 years ago," he says. "I had three children. I couldn’t take it. I told my wife, ‘I need to get down there.’ I felt compelled to go."

Hoffman joined about 60 others on the flight to Selma. By then, the march had been rejoined. Protected by federal troops, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 3,200 people on the 54-mile route to Montgomery.

College of Law alumnus Susan Graham Barnes was also on the plane, accompanied by her soon-to-be-husband, Medill. After growing up in the segregated South, Susan Barnes had met King in 1959.

"He was in town to receive an honorary degree from Boston University," she says. "My father, who sponsored the degree, gave me his car keys and told me to take King on a sightseeing tour of Boston. We didn’t talk much. He was 29 years old, quiet and painfully shy."

"Later, when my father presented King’s degree, I remember being amazed that this self-effacing young man had accomplished so much and with such great courage. If there was a moment that pointed me down the road to Selma, this was probably it — when I realized how much one determined and disadvantaged young black man could do to change a society and how he could inspire the rest of us to help."

Dottie Lamm, assistant professor at DU’s graduate school of social work and wife of former Colorado Gov. Dick Lamm, risked her job to go to Selma.

"Dick had a trial and felt that someone from our family should go," she says. "I was a social worker at the time and I knew my supervisor would have problems with it. So Dick called in for me the next morning, telling her I’d gone to Selma. I didn’t get fired, but she docked my pay when I got back. At least I was honest."

Susan Barnes remembers the Denver contingent singing “freedom songs” during the long flight. Some members, however, were more concerned with sleep.

"I remember George Brown, who was a state senator, shouting to the rest of us, ‘If I hear another chorus of ‘We Shall Overcome,’ I’m gonna go back there and kill somebody’.

By the time the Denver contingent arrived on March 25, some 25,000 people were on the road to Montgomery.

There was a sense of triumph the moment they got off the plane, remembers Medill Barnes.
"When we saw the number of people there, we knew things would never be the same."

Medill Barnes was a reporter for a Denver television station. But he admits he wasn't very objective that day. "What had happened (at the bridge) was so outrageous; there was no other side at that point."

"The state patrolmen were very threatening," Susan Barnes says. "We were required to march through a phalanx of armed guards with their hands on the butts of their guns."

Hoffman, who was Denver's manager of public safety, was asked to watch over a group of Catholic nuns along the way.

"Several had to go to the lavatory. So we stopped at the Jefferson Davis Hotel in Montgomery. We had to pass through two lines. One was the Alabama National Guard. The second was the U.S. Army sent up from Texas. They used filthy, vile language."

"Once we got inside, we found out they were pay toilets and we needed dimes. I went to the front desk for change. The clerk told me, 'Tell those bitches to pee outside on the ground.'"

Hoffman recalls marching through the black suburbs of Montgomery. "People would wave from their front porches, but there wasn't a whole lot of cheering. I realized marching is easy when you get to go home afterwards. These people had to stay and face the music."

But the music would change in August, with passage of what's been called the most successful piece of civil rights legislation ever adopted by the U.S. Congress. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 authorized the federal government to oversee voter registration and elections in counties that had used voter eligibility tests or where turnout had been less than 50 percent.

Lamm says the march "built cohesion between the blacks and whites from Denver and inspired us to continue to work on civil rights here at home."

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Medill Barnes, a producer and reporter for Denver's Channel 4 News, waits for the last day of the march to get under way.

Susan Graham, who later attended the College of Law and became Susan Barnes, sits on the ground at a staging area outside of Montgomery waiting for the final day of the march to begin.

Members of the Colorado delegation march toward Montgomery along with thousands of others during the 1964 civil rights protest. Photo courtesy of Susan Barnes.
She went on to graduate school at DU, ran for the state Senate in 1998 and uses the lessons she learned at Selma when teaching a course in community organization.

"We talk about the role of charismatic leaders to get things started," she says, "and the importance of numbers. Because if you don't have power or money, you've got to have numbers."

Following the march, Susan Barnes would experience discrimination up close and personal, not in the Deep South, but while attending law school at DU.

"I graduated in 1967," she says. "At that time, women weren't welcome in law school. There were two women in my class. And only five in the whole law school."

"I remember one of my professors stopping me on the steps of the school saying, 'You don't belong here. You're taking the place of a man.'"

"Those things tend to make you have empathy for others in your situation."

After graduating, she worked in the Denver District Court and gravitated toward projects that reflected her involvement in the civil rights movement.

In the 1990s, she left a large law firm to represent women in the military who encountered discrimination. She currently defends personal injury claims on behalf of an insurance company in Denver.

Hoffman, now senior partner of Hoffman, Reilly, Pozner and Williamson in Denver, says, "We talk about the role of charismatic leaders to get things started, and the importance of numbers. Because if you don't have power or money, you've got to have numbers."

One of Hoffman's most prized possessions is a photo taken during the march. It hangs in his office.

"You'd be surprised at the number of people who see it and can't believe that all the men are wearing suits and ties. Can you imagine a protest today where everyone would be wearing suits and ties?"

Hoffman has spoken to grade school classes about his experiences and is disappointed "very little is taught about Selma and the civil rights movement."

There is still work to be done, says College of Law alumnus Skip Gray, outgoing president of the
Sam Cary Bar Association in Denver. The association represents African-American lawyers.

"If you look at a generation in the biblical sense of 40 years — Moses wandering for 40 years — we're only nine generations removed from when slavery was introduced in America, and only one generation since the Voting Rights Act.

"Unfortunately, nobody wants to be reminded that African-Americans are descendants of slaves and white Americans are descendants of slave owners. We need to have a dialogue about race — talk about our similarities and differences. We're still fighting a rearguard action on discrimination, what I call 'the last vestiges of slavery.'"

Gray says one such vestige is voter apathy, "the feeling African-Americans can't change their circumstances."

At DU, Kelman says his history students "are fascinated by the '60s and the civil rights movement, but have difficulty relating to it. Yet, it was young people like themselves who were willing to climb onto buses and travel across the country to register voters. It shows that committed activists can make a difference. If you believe deeply in a cause, are willing to fight for it, perhaps even bleed for it, you can make a change on the national stage of this country."

"Going to Montgomery was more than just joining another protest march," says Susan Barnes. "It was more than singing the songs, waving banners and listening to speeches. For many of us, it really was an act of bearing witness, of walking with King into the heart of the South, of saying to him and the world, 'We are sorry and ashamed of how America has treated you and your people, and we're going to follow your lead and help you make it right.'"

"You've never seen such idealism. And you haven't seen it since. We did change the world, darn it."

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**Black Law Students to Hold National Convention in Denver**

The National Black Law Students Association will hold its annual convention in Denver from March 30 to April 3.

"It's the first time the convention has been held here," says Danielle Rash, a third-year student at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law and convention chairperson. "We're very excited and honored the association chose Denver."

The association encompasses 200 chapters and almost 6,000 black students in law schools throughout the nation. The goal of the organization is to promote the professional needs and aspirations of black law students.

"Our national convention rotates each year from region to region," Rash says. "The Denver chapter (with 35 active members) is one of the largest in our region. That's why they chose our city."

"At first, we encountered some stereotypes in regard to Denver, in terms of diversity," she admits. "But we've actively getting the word out to everyone that Denver is a phenomenal place."

The theme for the 2005 convention will be "Shattering Ceilings: Reaching New Altitudes."

Rash expects about 400 students to attend the event, which will be held at the Inverness Hotel and Conference Center in the Denver Tech Center. A kickoff reception will be held at DU on March 30.

"There will be a broad range of workshops," Rash says. "Some will be practical in nature, such as jury selection, trial openings and closings. Others will be subject-specific, like real estate. We're also planning seminars focused on theoretical issues, for example, a panel discussion on the quest to diversify the legal profession."

For more information about the convention, e-mail convention@nblsa.org.
Mary Jo Gross, outgoing chairwoman of the University of Denver Sturm College of Law Alumni Council, has been donating big chunks of her time to the law school for 12 years.

A 1979 graduate, she's helped with golf tournaments, alumni weekends, reunion committees, the law building dedication and admissions open houses. She has served on the DU Law Stars Committee every year since 1995 while carrying a full load as a practicing attorney and, more recently, as corporate counsel for United General Title Insurance Co. Well-known for her volunteer spirit, she recently started serving a one-year term as president of the Denver Bar Association.

Q: You've been so generous with your time for 12 years. How did it all begin?
Mary Jo: Originally, a friend and law partner asked me to help with DU Law Stars ticket sales, and I did it out of friendship. First, I was chairman of the ticket committee and the next year, I agreed to be chairman of the dinner. They made it fun and easy for me, that's the key to getting volunteers. Make it fun for people, and feed them.

Q: How has it been easy and fun?
Mary Jo: The alumni directors — first Ann Polumbus, who started Law Stars, and then Laura Dean — have made a point of having short meetings. Laura has always expressed her thanks and made sure we knew we were appreciated — privately and publicly. We've been given hockey tickets and invitations to receptions, that type of thing. Plus, the food is always good and we laugh a lot.

Q: You're so busy, with a demanding full-time job and lots of friends. How do you find the time to volunteer?
Mary Jo: I'm organized. I make lists. I've always been good at juggling lots of commitments. In high school, I had a job for 21 hours a week, and I still took piano lessons and played French horn, was in the band, took four years of both French and Latin, and got good grades.

Q: When you recruit volunteers, what's the excuse most people give when they turn you down?
Mary Jo: People don't say no to me, but I pick carefully.

Q: What does the Sturm College of Law need most right now, in the way of volunteers?
Mary Jo: The chancellor has put out a call for mentors for each student. Our Student Life Committee is being transformed into the Mentoring Committee, and I have also passed along the program information to the Denver Bar Association. Plus, the College of Law has the Alumni Volunteer Network, which regularly asks recent grads to do some mentoring.

Q: What's your favorite volunteer activity?
Mary Jo: I hear the best stories at Elder Law Day. And the Golden Barristers (DU grads who've been graduated for at least 50 years) are my favorite group. They're mostly older men, and they call me "dear" and thank me, too! But it's not just the shameless flirting I enjoy. I love listening to those few women who blazed the trail for us. They have outrageous tales of what they had to endure and overcome.

Q: Why is it critical for alumni to volunteer?
Mary Jo: When the alumni show they are committed to the school, it lets others know we care about it. That energy gets communicated, and I believe that's one factor in the $32 million that Donald Sturm recently donated to the college. You have to show that you're worthy.
RACHEL ARNOW-RICHMAN
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

MEDIA
Aurora Sun Sentinel, "City Worker Says Porn Part of 'Boy's Club,'" (Sept. 2, 2004).

DEBRA AUSTIN
ETC.
Received her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction from the University of Denver College of Education (August 2004).

FEDERICO CHEEVER
PUBLICATIONS
Natural Resources and Conservation Law: A Place-Based Book of Problems and Cases, co-authored with Professor Christine Klein at the University of Florida and Bret Birdsong at the University of Nevada (Aspen Publishers, Spring 2005).

PRESENTATIONS
"Clinical Scholarship," Rocky Mountain Regional Clinical Conference (October 2004).

APPOINTMENTS

ETC.
Supervised civil clinic students on a legislative project on behalf of day laborers and El Centro Humanitario Para Los Trabajadores. The students drafted, debated and then testified on a proposed bill design to increase the penalties for nonpayment of wages.

K.K. DUVIVIER
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
Served as small-group leader for the "Back to the Basics/Back to the Future" discussion at the AALS Clinical Education Conference in San Diego, Calif. (May 2004).

AWARDS
Charles P. Dillion Award for Outstanding Service in the Public Interest by the Arapahoe Bar Association (July 2004).

DORI KAPLAN
PRESENTATIONS
Presented writing workshop to TCB engineers, planners and project managers and addressed written questions, Denver, Colo. (Aug. 2004).
PRESENTATIONS


MEDIA

The Denver Post, quoted in "Coors Brewing was Accused of Age Bias" (Oct. 8, 2004).

APPOINTMENTS

Chair of the Awards Committee of the AALS Section on Pro Bono and Public Service Opportunities.

MEDIA

Frequent commentator for WB2 and Fox 31 and appeared on MSNBC's "The Abrams Report" on the Kobe Bryant case.
PERFORMED ASSESSMENT OF LEGAL EDUCATION IN JORDAN FOR ABA CEELI (DECEMBER 2004).

MIKE MASSEY

APPOINTMENTS
President of the University of Denver Alumni Association.

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

AWARDS
Awarded Hughes-Ruud Research Professorship for 2004-05 for research on mandatory state intervention in male intimate violence cases and conceptions of state accountability. Honored by the Center for Women and Government, Rockefeller College, University of New York at Albany (September 2004).

INTERVIEWED BY METRO NEWS NETWORK AND FOX NEWS CONCERNING THE KOBE BRYANT CASE.

VED NANDA

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

APPOINTMENTS
Elected member, Academy of International Commercial and Consumer Law, Rotary Club of Denver, World Service Committee and Programming Committee, University of Denver, Founder’s Day Award Committee.

MEDIA
Chronicle of Higher Education and “ABC World News Tonight” on Cherrington Global Scholars Program. Regular column for The Denver Post concerning international affairs. British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and Voice of America radio programs, on domestic and foreign affairs. Documentary film on Dominican nuns arrested for nuclear protest. General commentaries on several local TV channels and radio stations.

JULIE NICE
PRESENTATIONS

JAMES OTTO
PRESENTATIONS
Presented “Creating a Positive Investment Climate for Mining” and participated as a panel member at the Monitoring Science and Technology Symposium, Denver, Colo. (September 2004). Presented “Global Competitiveness for Mining Investment” at the Natural Resources Law Conference sponsored by the University of Chile, Santiago, Chile (November 2004).

JOHN REESE
PUBLICATIONS
JOYCE STERLING
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

DAVID THOMPSON
PRESENTATIONS
"Using CaseMap to Help Students Make the Leap from Legal Analysis to Legal Writing," to the Teaching with Technology Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo. (August 2004).

ElI WALD
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

ROBERT YEGGE
PUBLICATIONS

ED ZIEGLER
PRESENTATIONS
At the celebration for the 100-year anniversary of the Student Law Office, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law Roberto Corrada (c) shares a big laugh with law student Terrance Carroll (l) and DU Law alumnus John Baker, JD’73.

Hailed as "the very stuff of which blockbuster movies are made," Professor Robert Hartsway's novel, Alienation of Affection, has received wide acclaim. The book is based on the headline-gripping 1971 murder in Denver's Richthofen Castle. At the SLO celebration, Hartsway was on hand to sign and autograph his new book.

The Hon. Morris E. Cole, JD’60, (c) is joined by his wife, Luleen, and the Hon. Christopher C. Cross, JD’79, during the SLO 100-year anniversary celebration.
Dr. Roberta Steinhardt-Ehrlich, JD'79, was a clinical professor at DU Law from 1990-98. Sadly, Steinhardt-Ehrlich died in August 2003, and in her honor, the Student Law Office renamed its annual award for excellence in mediation the Roberta Steinhardt Award. Steinhardt's parents, Dr. Kasriel and Judge Joyce Steinhardt, JD'68, attended the SLO 100-year anniversary celebration, where they said hello to Dean Mary Ricketson.

Civil clinic supervisor and Prof. Tamara Kuennen (2) and Prof. Jeff Hartje (second from left) visit with civil clinic student April Jones and her husband, Floyd Jones.

SLO participants, professors and administrators listen as Marcia Levy, director of clinical programs at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, addresses the crowd.
Like a mini-reunion: OU Law Class of '75ers Gina Wetzenkorn (l) and Pam Gagol hang out during the SLO 100-year anniversary celebration.

SLO staff attorney Margaret "Peggy" Walker reunites with former clinical program students and classmates Arnie Beckman (l), JD '99, and Sean Chase, JD '99.

(b) Lynn Torres, Dean Emeritus Robert Yegge, JD '59, Director of Clinical Programs Marcia Levy, and Ralph Torres, JD '78.

Law students Phil Reinert (l) and Andrew Thompson (r) talk shop with College of Law alumnus James Siegesmund, JD '94.
A luncheon was held in the Forum Sept. 21 to mark the announcement that Donald L., JD'58, and Susan M. Sturm had donated $20 million to the College of Law. (l-r) Constance Talmage, JD'78, Irene Kawanabe, JD'00, Minnie Diss and visiting committee member and Alumni Council member Bill Diss, JD'59.

Following remarks by Don Sturm, law students thanked him for his generosity and dedication to the College of Law; (l-r) Mike Cho, Cardian Baker, Sturm, Dean Mary Ricketson and Mark Parrish.

University of Denver Board of Trustees members Pat Bowles (l) and Leo Goto (r) enjoyed catching up with Denver City Councilman Charlie Brown.

Dean Mary Ricketson (l) and Chancellor Dan Ritchie (r) hosted the announcement luncheon at the College of Law for Donald L. and Susan M. Sturm.
The 2004 Law Stars honorees take the stage: (l-r) Chancellor Dan Ritchie; Professor George "Rock" Pring (Excellence in Teaching Award); Diane Barrett, JD'63 (Alumni Professionalism Award); Paul Jacobs, JD'56 (Outstanding Alumni Award); Professor Arthur Best (Excellence in Teaching Award); and Dean Mary Kichelsen.

Susan K. McWilliams, JD'79, joined 2004 Law Stars honorees (l-r) Bob, JD'81, and Doris, JD'78, for the 2004 DU Law Stars dinner.

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Sturm College of Law clinical program Professors Laura Rovner (l) and Tamara Kammene joined Professor Fred Cheever for the Law Stars reception in the Magness Arena concourse.

The 2003 Law Stars honorees pictured above.

(l-r) 2003-04 Alumni Council Chair Mary Jo Gross, JD'79, joins Law Star emcee and creative team member Bill Keating, JD'71, and Sponsor Committee Chairman Phil Johnson, JD'74, during the Law Stars VIP reception in the Ritchie Center's Gottesfeld Room.

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2003 Law Stars honorees: Bob, JD'81, and Doris, JD'78. (l-r) visited with Judge Susan K. McWilliams, JD'81, and 2002 honoree Joan McWilliams, ASJA'72, JD'75, during the VIP reception.

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Speakers at the National Latino Law Students Association's 8th annual conference included (l-r) Jose Acosta, regional attorney with the Texas Department of Human Services; Blaine Harding from the Center for Applied Studies in American Ethnicity at Colorado State University; Regis University's Dr. Ramon Del Castillo; and Colorado Supreme Court Justice Alex Martinez.

(l-r) Event co-chairs Michelle Martinez and Jack Patten III visit with Norma Nava, chair of the National Latino Law Students Association, and Professor Roberto Corrada.

Hook 'em, Horns! Conference participants from the University of Texas School of Law gather in the DU Law Forum.

DU Law students took advantage of networking opportunities during an employment expo held the first night of the conference: (l-r) event co-chair Jack Patten III, and College of Law students Derek Bias, Sherri Vargas and Claude Jackson.

Visitors from the Oklahoma City University School of Law (l-r) Sunilda Casilla, Kim Pina and Shanta Tucker took advantage of the opportunity to meet Denver-area employers at the NLLSA Employment Expo.
Law students Nick de la Garza (l) and Roger Adams chat with law graduate Cynthia Treadwell-Miller, JD’97, at the 2004 Partners at Law dinner.

One of the great benefits of PALS is that students are given the opportunity to network with seasoned legal practitioners. Here, Erin Smith, JD’90, DU Law Alumni Council president and a partner in Jenks, Norton, Smith and Bliesner, shares insights with a table of students.

Classmates Richard McManus (far l), JD’70, and the Hon. Ed Schlatter (c), JD’70, join Schlatter’s daughter Jennifer Schlatter, JD’98, and students Joseph Chu and Erick Artiola (far r) for the PALS reception.
Kimberley Neilio (l), JD'98, enjoys pre-hockey game goodies with Maureen McInerney, JD'98.

L-r Carrie Schroeder joins Tom McConnell, JD'97, and Rebecca Hildebrand, JD'01, for the recent grad celebration.

It's a family affair: 2½-year-old Annika Mayer, daughter of law graduates Gregory, JD'91, and Lisa, JD'93, Mayer, is ready to watch some hockey!

Law grads Jim Leon, JD'99, Mike Robbins, JD'98, and Frank Fulgenza, JD'96, cheer as the DU Pioneer hockey team takes on St. Cloud State.
THE CLASSES OF 1993 AND 1994 CELEBRATE 10-PLUS YEARS

(i-r) Christine Stretesky, JD'94; Tamara Gillida, JD'94; Laynie Gillida, JD'94; and Melissa Schwartz, JD'94.

Look what a decade of life after law school has done for (l-r): Paul Danbourn, JD'94; John Coatsy, JD'94; Debbie Coatsy; Jennifer Grauel, JD'94; and Laura Danbourn.

(i-r) Edward Pulju, JD'94; Cheryl Pulju; Kevin Illaic, JD'94; and Cathy Akins, JD'94.

Laura Marconia (l), JD'94, and Lisa Dator, JD'94.
Greetings from your alma mater! I am the new director of Alumni Relations for the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. I am a native Coloradan, coming back to Denver after a decade of being out of state. Crimson and Gold runs in the Quintana family as I am the second generation to attend the University of Denver. I look forward to bringing my experience and leadership to the Sturm College of Law and getting to know its alumni and friends.

I hope you enjoy this issue of the Sturm College of Law alumni magazine and the "Class Notes" section. It's always fun and interesting to find out what is going on in your classmates' lives, families and careers. Occasionally, life can get busy and friends and classmates are not always able to keep in touch; that is where the "Class Notes" section and the Alumni Relations office come in. It's our job to help keep the DU Law alumni family together and informed.

I would like to thank our current class scribes for maintaining their respective class notes: Robert Rottman, JDP'52; Edward Schlatter, JD'75; Mike Miller, JD'77; Mary Jo Gross, JD'79; Kenneth Lampton, JD'81; Randle Case II, JD'88; Kimberly Davis, JD'97; and Amy Beatie, JD'00.

Please take a moment to consider being a scribe for your class. It is a great way to get involved and volunteer for your alma mater. The Sturm College of Law greatly benefits from the generous time, involvement, gifts and energy of alumni like you. If we already have a scribe for your class and/or you would like to volunteer in another way, there are many opportunities available, including Partners at Law, the Alumni Volunteer Network, Alumni Council, Law Stars, Reunions, the Ammi Hyde Interviews for admissions and regional alumni chapters.

Now is a great time for you to express your commitment to the Sturm College of Law and the Office of Alumni Relations. If you are ready to get involved, please contact me at 303-871-6122 or sqquintana@law.du.edu. I look forward to meeting you and working with you for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Sal Quintana, MBA
Director of Alumni Relations
University of Denver Sturm College of Law
After admittance to the Colorado bar, Percival B. Hamilton re-entered military service in the Air Force as a captain with duties as an investigator. Percival received a regular Air Force commission as captain in the Judge Advocate Department, 1058. He retired as a lieutenant colonel, judge advocate officer in 1971. He passed the Florida bar examination and was admitted to the Florida bar in 1972. He transferred to the retired Florida bar in 1998. After 49 years, he concluded that practice wouldn’t make him perfect. For the past five years, he has been a housekeeper and caretaker for his invalid wife of 61 years—a vocation in which he is not seeking perfection. All in all, it has been a good run in the law, with the Jealous Mistress stepping on his tail every step of the way. If he had any outstanding accomplishments, at age 86 he had forgotten what they were.

JERRY BOATRIGHT is still practicing law, at least part-time. Jerry and his wife enjoy their home in Tucson, Ariz., for six months or so each year. They just returned from cruising the Society Islands in Tahiti for two weeks. They plan a cruise in the same schooner from Costa Rica through the Panama Canal, then returning to Arizona for most of the winter.

JOHN DOYLE writes from Lincoln, Neb., that the season is here for reunions and that the reunion of the Navy Air Group and Squadron of which he was a member is coming up. John reports that all are well and healthy in the Doyle family, and he hopes the same is true for all of our class members.
GEORGE DUCKWORTH and his wife, Mary Jo, recently returned from a three-week tour of China, describing it as an eye-opening trip. He was amazed at how rapidly the country is developing with new high-rise buildings and modern highways.

BOB VAUGHAN writes that he is still in practice in Ely, Nev. Bob lives in Lamoille, a town of 300 in the foothills of the Ruby Mountains about 20 miles from Ely. Bob has two law-related avocations: having formed four rural electric cooperatives and having attended 51 legal seminars presented by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and put on by experts in the field, Bob has developed a Master Compiled Index to facilitate providing answers to problems in the field. He has also developed and patented a very practical document cover designed to cover documents, including to the federal courts.

RON ZALL advises of two new events in his life: The National Association of Corporate Directors has just published a handbook that he wrote, The Board of Directors in a Family Owned Business. The Daniels College of Business at the University of Denver has named Ron “Executive in Residence” for the 2004-05 school year.

Sadly, we lost two more members of our class this year:

EDWARD S. GREENBERG passed away on May 24, 2004, in Denver at the age of 88. Ed practiced law in Denver until his retirement in 1992. During World War II, Ed served in the 732nd Railway Operating Battalion and was awarded the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, World War II Service Medal and a Purple Heart. Ed would regularly call me upon receiving my letter requesting information about our class, and he would give me an update concerning his circumstances.

WALTER JAMES PHILLIPS passed away in Grand Junction on July 15, 2004. He was 78. After graduating from high school, Walt joined the Navy and served as a bombardier in the Naval Air Corps where he was a member of the first crew to fly into the eye of a typhoon to take the first motion picture in history of the clear center of a Pacific typhoon vortex. Walt received six air medals and the Distinguished Flying Cross while serving in the South Pacific. After graduating from law school, Walt moved to Grand Junction and worked as a claims adjuster for McMillan Claims Service. He formed a law partnership with Tom Elder in 1960 and practiced law until his retirement in 1995. Walt was a close personal friend of Dick Battinelli both in law school and thereafter in Grand Junction.

Yours truly, BOB ROTTMAN, continues to engage in a full-time law practice, but is expending substantial time in extracurricular activities, including the board of directors of the Alzheimer’s Associations of Colorado and the executive committee thereof. For the fifth year, Bob was the highest individual fundraiser in Colorado for the annual Memory Walk, a major fundraising endeavor of the Alzheimer’s Association. Bob also was honored at the annual dinner of the Hebrew Educational Alliance in January 2005.
1957 | JON D. BOLTZ
Jon D. Boltz practiced law in Denver from 1957 to 1977. He was appointed a federal administrative law judge in 1977 and later served as chief judge in Denver, Philadelphia, Dallas, Atlanta, Albuquerque, San Juan, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. For three years, Jon was a judge for the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, with cases in the western United States, Alaska and Hawaii. Jon currently hears other cases throughout the United States and Caribbean. After 1998, Jon began attending foreign language schools in Europe for a month at a time, two times a year, so that he could learn to speak Spanish, Italian and French. He continues to travel to Europe regularly. Jon’s hobbies include golf, tennis, skiing, fly fishing and scuba diving. He also has a commercial pilot’s license with multi-engine and instrument ratings.

1957 | ROGER CISNEROS
Roger Cisneros was a member of the Army Air Corps serving in the South Pacific, eventually ending up in Okinawa when World War II ended. He and Adelia Trojillo were married in 1949. Three children have been born: Melvin (now deceased), Denise and Andrea. He has two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Roger was elected to the Colorado state Senate in 1964 and served three four-year terms. In 1976, after his third term, then-Gov. Dick Lamm appointed Roger to the district court bench, where he served in the domestic, civil and criminal divisions. He retired in 1986 and served three more years as a senior judge. Roger has found time to serve on civil boards and organizations such as the United Latin American Organization, Colorado Board of Law Examiners, Denver Bar Association, Continuing Legal Education Committee and Governors Commission on Child Support.

1958 | ROBERT L. JOHNSON
Robert L. Johnson is pleased to announce the release of his latest book, Yale’s Youth Revisited, New Book about a Man’s Extraordinary Sophomore Year at Yale. Although not an autobiography of Robert’s life, it is told from the voice of the author in his youth, from the period of 1952 and 1953. Johnson has had a long, legendary career in Denver as a trial lawyer, author, lecturer and political gadfly. He also is a member of the National Society of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, having served as vice president general and national trustee.

1958 | RAYMOND WEAVER JR.
Raymond Weaver Jr. retired in January 2004 as presiding judge of the Yavapai County, Ariz., Superior Court. He is currently conducting a mediation and arbitration practice throughout Arizona and is also sitting as a retired superior court judge in other counties in Arizona. He continues to reside in Prescott, Ariz., with his wife, Patricia.

1967 | GEORGE KONDOS
George Kondos and his wife, Jean, spent the month of April in Greece visiting ancient Olympia and various places in the Peloponnesus where their ancestors lived. A highlight over the summer was attending a Democratic fundraiser hosted by their daughter Kim, JD’81, and her husband Mark Voorhees, with special guests U.S. Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del, and U.S. Rep. Mark Udall, D-Colo. Earlier in the year, George entered into a contract with Publish America on his book, The Path of Laozi.
Glory. It is a war/romance novel set in England, France and Germany during World War II. It should be in bookstores now. George also finished a Western, Vengeance Valley, about outlaws in 1870s Kansas and the travails of pursuing marshals. It has been submitted for publication.

1970s

I'm your class scribe, and I'm winding down from three careers in the law: 11 years as a public defender, mostly in Salida, but a few years as head of the Denver office; 11 years as district judge in Salida, including five years as chief judge of the 11th Judicial District; and I'm now about one year away from finishing 14 years as a U.S. magistrate judge. I don't think I can quit this stuff cold turkey, so I expect to be doing some mediation and settlement work in my "retirement." But not full time. Although my wife, Pat, and I intend to maintain a base in Denver, we have purchased a retirement hacienda: four acres with the Arkansas River just 20 feet from the front door, two miles north of Salida, with stunning views of the river and the Collegiate Range. (Yes, we will have guest facilities.) Pat is performing the role of general contractor in our plans to raze the present house and replace it with an adobe-style home. We've raised two daughters, now ages 37 and 32, and both have degrees from DU. The oldest, Evelyn, has her master's in history from the University of New Mexico. She's teaching at a college just south of Nashville, Tenn. Jennifer followed her daddy through DU College of Law and is practicing at a small firm in Denver, trying to specialize in intellectual property.

I have the sense that most of you who respond to my letter are contributing to the alumni news for the first time, even though we've all been around for a while. Because we hadn't previously provided any reports on our activities, I noted that, like me, most of you make a few observations in the nature of "summing up" your careers. I guess we've reached that stage. Some of us have already retired. Some indicate it will take explosives to move them out of their practices. Most have kids who are now grown. Some have grandchildren. But a few brave souls report that they currently have children younger than 10, who, of course, are the delights of their lives.

When I received the address stickers for our class, I was surprised to learn that some of you who have been practicing before me are my classmates. I never knew that until now. Probably just as well. As members of the distinguished and scholarly class of '70, I might have held you to higher standards. Maybe not.

I may not be able to quit this scribe job. (I understand that not many folks are clamoring to replace me.) In that event, I look forward to hearing from you again, and just because we've heard from you this year doesn't mean that you can't write again later.

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MYRON ALLENSTEIN has been practicing in Gadsden, Ala., and he mentions that he was joined four years ago by his daughter. As Allenstein & Allenstein, they do plaintiff work exclusively, focusing on personal injury, insurance claims, ERISA and disability. Myron met his wife while she was at the law school participating in the Model City Program under Prof. Alan Merson. They have four children and two grandchildren. Myron can be contacted at 141 S. 9th St., Gadsden, AL 35901, 256-546-6314.

Some of us remember ROB BOOMS from his days here in Denver as the raging libertarian for the ACLU. Rob moved in 1989 to a gentler life in New Mexico. For nine years, he was head of the civil litigation division of the New Mexico attorney general's office, where he switched from suing to defending governors, state prisons and mental hospitals. Rob is now a partner at Butt, Thornton & Baehr in Albuquerque, an insurance defense firm with about 25 lawyers. He specializes in the defense of trucking companies, nursing homes and medical providers. Rob serves as senior warden (president) of St. John's Episcopal Cathedral and president of the New Mexico Federalist Society, providing proof to his statement that "my liberal days are long gone, but I'm still a civil libertarian!"

SHELLEY B. DON practices with three other lawyers in Hiller & Gallagher, and they limit their practice to professional malpractice, intellectual property and litigation of "almost anything that comes in." Shelley says that he still gets "a kick out of the practice of law," but admits that he and his wife, Beverly, get their biggest kicks out of their 10-year-old daughter, Brennan. Shelley can be contacted at 1737 Gaylord St., Denver, CO 80206, 303-572-1668.

After law school, GLEN H. DOWNY returned to the north Oregon coast, where he grew up. He practiced for 30 years, but says that he is now "mostly retired." He teaches occasionally at the local community college and helps the local rural health clinic "stay in the black" while serving low-income patients. Glen can be contacted at 1660 Southpoint Dr., Nehalem, OR 97131.
Edwin James "Jim" Gehres was admitted in 1975 to the first class of the DU Graduate Tax Program and received his LL.M. in 1977. He retired two years ago after long employment as an attorney in the IRS chief counsel office in Denver. Edwin can be contacted at 935 Pennsylvania St., Denver, CO 80203.

Steve Gerders immediately associated with the firm of White and Steele after graduation and has been there since. His area of practice has been the defense of PI cases and more specifically, sex cases. He is now semi-retired and lives with his wife in Littleton.

Gerald L. Gillock is practicing in Las Vegas, Nev., where he resides with his wife, Theresa. Gerald has practiced primarily as a defense attorney, representing such clients as insurance companies, hospitals, healthcare professionals and organizations, and a number of major corporations. He has done a number of trials in such areas as medical malpractice, hospital liability, insurance bad faith and employment law. Gerald has been a frequent lecturer on the law and legal tactics at seminars for the Nevada Trial Lawyers Association, National Business Institute and for several medical organizations. Gerald states that he recently was sworn in as the president of the Nevada Trial Lawyers Association and last year was named Trial Lawyer of the Year. Gerald can be contacted at 428 S. 4th St., Las Vegas, NV 89101, 702-385-1482.

Irving G. Johnson found his calling in civil trial work, and he has found himself to be exceptionally busy and happy in a practice that focuses on defending healthcare professionals, primarily physicians, with a few commercial cases thrown in as well. Irving says he finds himself doing five to 10 jury trials per year, and his firm has grown into what is now known as Pryor, Johnson, Montoya, Carney & Karr. Irving has three daughters. Meg worked at Rice until she and her husband, a lawyer, produced Irving's grandson, Rex. Emily completed a clerkship with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, is now practicing law in Washington, D.C., and is married to a broadcast journalist. She has provided Irving with two granddaughters. Irving's third child is Hannah, who is "surmounting the rigors of third grade." Hannah is providing Irving with the renewed "joys of fatherhood," and the opportunity to be a "recycled soccer dad." Irving can be contacted at 5619 DTC Pkwy., Suite 1200, Greenwood Village, CO 80111, 303-773-3500.

Leslie Block Kaye thought she was in the Class of '71, but is happy to claim all of us as classmates anyway. She has practiced in New York City as a prosecutor, federal public defender and associate in a law firm. She tried her own practice there, but "burnt out like a moth hitting the flame," and proceeded through Arizona to Denver, where she landed at the Dill law firm for a very happy 10 years "with a wonderful bunch of guys." Leslie is widowed, lives in Cherry Creek and is again practicing on her own. She says she's become a golf addict and is working on an addiction to travel.
JEFF MARTIS is a solo practitioner in a general practice in Toms River, N.J. While he was waiting for bar results, Jeff met his future wife, Judy, who was a Kelly girl temporary secretary for Dean Yege. They married a year after they met and moved to New Jersey in 1976. Judy has her master's in social work from Rutgers and is a licensed clinical social worker working for Catholic Charities in a domestic violence program for senior citizens, a program that is unique in all of New Jersey. Jeff and Judy have four children. Heath, who has two children, is a biologist with a master's in biotechnology and was a researcher at Johns Hopkins. Holly is an occupational therapist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston and has a 1-year-old. Jessica is currently working on a master's at Emerson College in Boston in the field of speech therapy.

RICHARD W. MYERS has been practicing law in Las Vegas, Nev., since leaving law school and is currently a partner in Crockett & Myers. The respect accorded to him by the bar in Las Vegas is reflected in the fact that he is certified as a civil trial advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy and is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocacy. In 2001, he was named Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Nevada Trial Lawyers Association. Richard has served as chairman of the Nevada Law Foundation, an interest on Attorneys Trust Account Program, which supports legal programs throughout the state for thousands of disadvantaged Nevadans, and was awarded the Foundation's Pillar of Justice award in 2002.

After graduation, GREG PALCANIS did a short stint in the Army. He followed that with positions as general counsel for Security Pacific Mortgage Corp. and general counsel for Empire Saving and Loan. He is now general counsel of the Lowry Economic Redevelopment Authority. Greg is married with two girls and two grandchildren. He lived in the Cherry Creek area for 27 years but moved to Genesee in 1998. Greg can be contacted at the Lowry Redevelopment Authority at 303-343-0276.

Shortly after leaving law school, JIM ROBINSON went to work for Montgomery, Little & Young for seven years. In 1979, he joined with two other lawyers in Evergreen to form what is now Robinson & Sells, L.L.C. Jim does all of the litigation and handles primarily personal injury and commercial cases. Jim states that "my 15 minutes of fame was representing the Hinckley family when their son shot President Reagan." Jim has been married to Dianne for 34 years and they had twin boys in 1980. The twins have now graduated from college and are working, but Jim says that he is pressing for graduate school. Jim can be contacted at 1202 Bergen Parkway, Suite 311, Evergreen, CO 80439, 303-674-3351.
CARROLL G. WILLS retired in 1998 after 28 years with the Environmental Protection Agency’s National Enforcement Investigation Center in Denver as its chief counsel, deputy director and during the last five years, as the director of its National Enforcement Training Center in Lakewood. He says he is enjoying golf, traveling and spending time with his grandchildren. Carroll can be contacted at 16191 W. Ellsworth Ave., Golden, CO 80401.

In 1999, RUSSELL YATES formed the firm of Yates & Leal, LLP with an associate from a former firm where both had worked. Russell’s practice focuses on large insurance coverage/bad faith matters on a national basis for two large first-party property carriers, FM Global Insurance and Liberty Mutual Property Insurance Co. He also does commercial and environmental litigation. Since 2002, Russell has been an adjunct professor at DU’s Daniels College of Business, teaching “Introduction to the Legal Environment.” His course is a requirement for business majors, and Russell says he has a ball teaching it. Russell has one son, a freshman at Fort Lewis College, who plays basketball for the school. Other than that, “the rest of my life is boring and uneventful.”

JAMES WILLIAM "BILL" HOPKINS
James William "Bill" Hopkins has been an assistant prosecuting attorney (one and one-half years), prosecuting attorney (four years), administrative law judge (five years) and a circuit court judge (20 years). Bill and his wife, Sharon, own a title insurance company covering 25 counties in southern and eastern Missouri. This photo is of Bill and Sharon receiving an award for Business of the Year 2003 (Bollinger County, Mo.).

CHARLES BOWMAN
For the past 23 years, Charles Bowman has been an international tax lawyer with the Bechtel Corp. in San Francisco, including a 19-month assignment in London. His wife, Ann Gidden Bowman, is a retired CPA. In addition to his day job, Charles has had a rewarding pro bono practice for which he has been recognized by the Bar Association of San Francisco as Attorney of the Year (1995), and by the State Bar of California with the President’s Pro Bono Service Award (Corporate) (2001). He is currently chairman of the Board of Humanities West, a unique nonprofit institution that brings scholars and performers together to celebrate history and the arts in presentations usually focused on periods of innovation and creativity. Greetings and best wishes to all classmates!
ROY HOWARD
Broomfield City and County Attorney Roy Howard recently announced his retirement from his post. Roy, who turns 65 early in 2005, wants to "ease into retirement." His wife, Pamela, retired three years ago and the couple plans to devote more of their time to travel and other interests, especially their grandchildren in Texas. Roy, a native of Hudson, Colo., has been the chief attorney for Broomfield since 1991. He also served as city attorney for Arvada and Lakewood and was city manager for Longmont. His private practice experience was associated with the Longmont law firm of Grant, McCaffrey and Bernhard.

JARED JOHNSON
Jared Johnson is a hearing officer for the Employment Division of Colorado, adjudicating unemployment insurance matters. He also writes the Sunday bridge column (on the same page as the crossword puzzles in Arts and Entertainment) for The Denver Post. Johnson travels extensively in the Third World, has climbed in the Himalayas, hitchhiked through the Sahara Desert (more than once) and spent a month on vacation this year in the Middle East.

PATRICIA BOLEYN "LYNN" WALKER
Patricia Boleyn "Lynn" Walker has been of counsel at Fosdick Guibord & Holmes since 1997. Prior to that, she was senior environmental counsel for Waste Management Inc., environmental counsel for Mobil Oil Corp., patent attorney for John-Murphy Corp., and natural resources attorney for the U.S. Department of Interior. Patricia was also former adjunct professor at the College of Law for intellectual property and environmental law. She is married to John Coffey, director of state government affairs for Chevron Texaco, in Sacramento, Calif.

JOEL JUDD
In addition to his law practice, Joel Judd is currently the Colorado state representative for House District 5 and is preparing for his second term. Joel looks forward to serving the people of Colorado and hearing from fellow alumni. joeljudd@qwest.net

JUDITH LEMNE
The law firm of Roettig & Andrews is pleased to announce that partner Judith Levine recently won election to the CREW Foundation Board of Trustees. CREW, or Commercial Real Estate Women, has more than 6,000 members in 51 chapters across North America who represent nearly every discipline within the commercial real estate industry. The national CREW organization was founded in 1980.
1976 | NORA E. MILNER
Nora E. Milner's private law practice, Milner & Markee, LLP, is doing well, with her daughter, Tiffany Markee, as a partner. The firm has two offices and practices immigration law, international law, space law and federal appellate law. Nora is currently attending California Western School of Law in San Diego to pursue another LL.M., this one in federal criminal advocacy, which will enable the firm to add federal criminal law to its service base. Nora is also happy to announce the publication of her second novel, Reaching Beyond, a space thriller involving murder on the International Space Station and the legal issues entailed with the jurisdiction of where the murder will be tried. Visit her website, www.milner-markee.com, and click on the link for her book. She is also very excited to announce that she is a grandmother for a second time. Daughter Tiffany adopted a little boy, Blake, last year, from Russia, and she is now returning with a little girl from Russia, to be named Kelsey. Life is indeed good.

1978 | GERRY FISHER
Gerry Fisher is a founder and CEO of Alebra Technologies, headquartered in Minneapolis. Alebra was recently ranked 29th in the 2004 Deloitte Fast 500 Program, which identifies the fastest-growing tech companies in North America over a five-year period. Alebra Technologies Inc., 3001 Broadway St., NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413, 612-436-8255.

1979 | DENNIS J. JACOBSON
Dennis J. Jacobson practices law in Lakewood, Colo., and is an adjunct professor of law and ethics at Colorado Christian University. He is an avid underwater photographer and a scuba dive master. Having published random poems over the years in a variety of publications and volumes, Dennis anticipates publication later this year of his own book of poetry. His wife, Debbie, continues her career as a teacher in the Jefferson County School District and joins him in a love of scuba diving. Recent trips include Mexico, Maui and Fiji. Dennis and Debbie look forward to more diving and less working in the years to come.

1979 | CLASS SCRIBE MARY JO GROSS

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THE HON. CHRIS CROSS mentioned in pausing at the Class of '79 25th reunion that he is the incoming president-elect of the Arapahoe County Bar Association. His term begins in June 2005. Congratulations!
On Aug. 27, NANCY ELKIND, partner with Ken Stern, JD'78, in the immigration law firm of Stern and Elkind, LLP, was honored by the Denver Business Journal as “Outstanding Businesswoman of the Year 2004” in the Professional Women’s category. Nancy’s award was based on her many years of service in the field of immigration law and especially for her work with the Colorado Lawyers Committee Immigration Task Force.

In May, WES HOWARD started Benjamin, Bain & Howard L.L.C in Greenwood Village with Jim Benjamin and Jim Bain. The firm has five attorneys, two paralegals and three contract lawyers they bring in on cases from time to time. Wes reports that the practice is going extremely well and he couldn’t be happier.

CHRISTOPHER RANAGA is currently living and working on Cape Cod and has a small business and real estate practice in Orleans. He is also the owner’s representative on a large church building program, and working with sculptors, mosaicists and designers from Italy, France and Ireland on the interior artwork. Christopher can be reached at transfig@comcast.net.

We heard from FRED MASCARENAS, who went to work for Chevron USA in its land/legal department after law school. Fred has also worked for Grynberg Petroleum, the Denver County Child Support Enforcement Division and as a deputy district attorney in the 6th Judicial District. He has done contract work for a research and development company and has bad cases before the MSPB, EEOC, Social Security Administration, Bankruptcy Court and U.S. District Court. Fred now enjoys a position with the Department of Defense, TRICARE Management Activity, Appeals, Hearings and Claims Collection Division. Fred resides in Centennial, Colo., and can be reached at Fred.Mascarenas@tma.osd.mil.

NORMAN MEYER, M.S.L.A. ’79, is currently clerk of court for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Mexico in Albuquerque, where he has been for the past three years. He is also the acting clerk of the U.S. District Court in Albuquerque. Norman is very active in international judicial assistance efforts and is part of a team working with several pilot courts in the Russian Federation to improve the court system. He has also been to Serbia four times to help set up its Special War Crimes and Organized Crimes Courts. Norman also co-chairs a national committee of federal and state court administrators who are organized to provide assistance to foreign jurisdictions.

DAVID G. O’NEILL has been living in Boulder since graduation, practicing law and developing real estate. His current project is a traditional neighborhood in Broomfield—the Wellington Neighborhood—which has been receiving national recognition for promoting historic design patterns and providing local work force housing. With wife, Ann (formerly Rowland), they are raising two children, 12-year-old Olivia and 10-year-old Grey. You can reach David at david@poplarhouse.com or 303-443-3610.

JOHN SAVAGE is still in private practice in Rifle, Colo., and working toward the goal of moving out of the legal practice and devoting more time to personal ventures and activities. John and his wife want to travel more, and he has reactivated his 30-year-old pilot’s license and purchased an airplane (1974 Cessna 182 P N126MF). If there are any more pilots out there, please contact John at P.O. Box 1926, Rifle, CO 81650-1926, or 970-625-1470.
AMY DUFAFE WEST, always the faithful corres-
donent, was unable to make the reunion be-cause she went to the Women's March on Wash-
ington on April 25. Amy is getting more involved in politics and wrote that she attended her first party caucus and got herself elected as a dele-
gate to the State Assembly. On top of all that, Amy is in the second year of her solo practice and remains involved with CREW — Denver. Upon completing her term as president of CREW — Denver, she promptly assumed a position as a dele-
gate to CREW Network, the national organiza-
tion for CREW.

KAREN QUINN

Karen Quinn (previously Nelder) married Mark Quinn, JD'81. They have been married 23 years and are living in New York City with their two children, Sam and Schuyler. Mark is general coun-
sel of Royal Alliance, a subsidiary of AIG. Karen gave up the law years ago and is about to publish her first novel, The Ivy Chronicles (available Jun.
31). She'll be speaking in Denver, at the Tattered
Cover Book Store Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m. No, it's not a legal thriller. It's a gossipy beach read about Ivy Ames, a high-pow-
ered Wall Street executive who comes home to face her hus-
bond in bed with the wife of the traitor who's just stolen her job (no, it's not auto-
biographical). Desperate, she opens a businem-
suit with her parents and toddlers who dream of get-
ing their Rite darlings into New York City's most presti-
gious kindergmens. Karen hopes you'll read the book and promises you a good laugh.
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JANET WAGNER

Janet Wagner has been unable to practice law because of illness but has turned to her other passion of writing. Janet also volunteers on local politi-
cal campaigns and most recent-
ly the presidential campaign. Colorado gave her an appreciation for the environment and she is a member of the Natural Resources Defense
Council and other environmental groups.
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CLASS SCRIBE KEK LAMPTON

Well, by golly, we doubled our responses from last year ... to eight. I won't complain, though, because it is progress. I'll begin I continue to be an
overworked, underpaid, full-time alpinist doing primarily personal injury, workers' compensation and some Social Security disability. I am still wait-
ing for "the big one" so that I can retire to the
beach and start my real dream lifestyle selling smooth-
ies and other thirst-quenching beverages from under a thatched-roof hut and admiring the clientele.

Thank each of you for sharing: I hope that you continue to do so and that others eventually join in so that an important part of our past is linked to our present. Do not be forgotten.
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DOUGLAS R. FERGUSON announces he is a director at Robertson, Waters & O'Donel, P.C. His main area of practice are corporate, franchise, real estate and general business matters. He can be contacted at 303-297-3600 or dferguson@wolaw.com.

LORI A. HUNTER is of counsel at Wade Ash Woods Hill & Pulley, P.C., 360 S. Monroe St., #400, Denver, CO 80202. She can be contacted at 303-329-2227 or Hunter@WadeAsh.com. She continues to specialize in estate planning, probate and trust administration. She has a teen-age daughter, Melanie, who has made her "hair turn gray" (although, of course, she lives her dearly), and a son who just turned 13 that still lives. Lori is a fellow in the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and has started traveling more to their meetings, which she finds to be a very humbling but fun and worthwhile experience. She announces that she still very much enjoys the practice of law and was excited to attend the dedication of the new law school building last April. Lori announces that her firm this year has a second-year DU law student working as an intern, which she hopes he is enjoying.

STEVE M. SKOUMAL is an M.D. as well as a lawyer. He advises that after practicing securities law at Kutak Rock in Omaha, Neb., for eight years, he left as a partner and began attending medical school. He did a pathology residency and two fellowships. Steve now owns Western Pathology Associates in Pocatello, Idaho, where he is involved with a general community pathology practice. His law training comes in handy, because he also does forensic autopsies in the region, which puts him in court to testify on a regular basis. Steve can be reached at smskoumal@wpbpath.com.

STEPHEN W. WAHLBERG is a partner at Hillyard, Wahlberg, Kadila & Skoumal, LLP, 5445 DTC Pkwy, Suite 930, Englewood, CO 80111. Steve has been handling catastrophic injury claims since law school (that is probably why I never got the big one). He was lead counsel on the Columbine case where over $3 million was placed in medical trusts for injured students. He and William Marlin, JD '86, recently received a $2.5 million jury verdict on behalf of a woman who sustained a brain injury in an auto accident. Steve is currently counsel for families injured in the Coors Field escalator accident, and his partners are Neil Hillyard, JD '72, Susan Kadila, JD '82, and Dan Skoumal, JD '86. He can be contacted at 303-571-5302 or steve@hwkslaw.com.
ELLEN WINNER advises that she is still doing patents, trademarks, mediation and arbitration at Greenlee, Winner and Sullivan, which has moved to a newer and larger building at 4875 Pearl Circle E, Boulder, CO 80301. Additionally, she is excited about the publication of her new book, *International Trademark Treaties with Commentary* (Oceana Publications, 2004), co-authored by Aaron W. Dunberg. On the personal side, she is married to Joe O’Laughlin. They live in Boulder and her four children are “all grown up.” She advises she has been interested in shamanism for many years and took a sabbatical to study with shamans in Nepal. Her accounts of this experience came out this year as *World Shaman and Thoughts in the Mind of God*, both available on Amazon.com.

Last, but certainly not least, MATTHEW P. ZIERINGER, a tax lawyer, advises he has managed to retire from law and is in inactive status with the various bars. He can be reached at mzieringer@aol.com — just no solicitations!

MARK T. DOMEYER

Mark T. Domey is currently in private practice and a member of the panel of mediators for the Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California and judge pro tem for the Los Angeles Superior Court. He served previously as the chief deputy clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia.

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Laurence E. Tobey is a career Foreign Service officer with the Department of State. He has been serving as deputy chief of the consular section in Havana, Cuba, since September 2002, where he supervises implementation of the Special Program for Cuban Migration as well as services to American citizens and other consular programs.

DELORES DAFOE

Delores Dafoe went back to work after raising her children. After many interviews, Delores went to work as an operating room nurse at Swedish Medical Center.

BARBARA G. JENSEN

Barbara G. Jensen has become a partner in the law firm of Litvak Litvak Mehrzens and Epstein, where she limits her practice to family law.

DAVID M. WUNDER

Col. David M. Wunder, USMC, returned from duty in Afghanistan and is now the staff judge advocate at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. He would like to hear from fellow classmates. E-mail him at davidwunder@justice.com.
BRUCE CONANT

Bruce Conant is preparing to retire from his position as an attorney with the Denver regional office of the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA). He and his wife, Alicia, whom he met while studying in a junior year abroad program in Bogota, Colombia, in 1969, are planning to relocate to Guadalajara, Mexico, in early 2005. Bruce’s 31-year federal career included work as a Department of Defense financial manager in Washington, D.C., Denver, Guam and Japan prior to and during law school; as an attorney for the Tennessee Valley Authority and for the past 16 years, the FLRA. He retires under the old retirement system, which allows employees to retire at age 55 with 30 years of service. Bruce and Alicia will join a large retirement community in the Guadalajara/Lake Chapala area, where they look forward to joining in the activities of the American Society of Jalisco and the Lake Chapala Society.

SHEILA M. GUTTERMAN

Sheila M. Gutterman is president and shareholder of Gutterman Griffiths & Powell P.C., a Littleton firm specializing in family and business law. She has served on the Colorado Supreme Court Commission on Families in the Colorado Courts; lectures for BAR/BRI Bar Review; served as a member of CBA board of governors; is a major fundraiser for pro bono legal services, having chaired the Barrister’s Benefit Ball; and serves as a liaison to the community for the CBA’s Domestic Violence Steering Committee. Sheila is an acclaimed litigator, mediator and collaborator and is credited with founding collaborative law in Colorado. She was the Women’s Vision 2001 Entrepreneur of the Year, Intermountain Jewish News 2000 Very Important Person, Denver Business Journal’s 2003 Best of the Bar finalist and the Denver Bar Association’s Volunteer Lawyer of the Year. Sheila has just completed the book, Collaborative Law — A New Model for Dispute Resolution (Bradford Publishing, September 2004).

STEPHEN H. SHOGAN

In January 2004, Stephen H. Shogun, M.D., was appointed to a two-year term as chairman of the Rose Community Foundation’s board of trustees. Stephen, one of the foundation’s founding trustees and a practicing neurosurgeon, is chief of the division of neurosurgery at Rose Medical Center. He is currently chair of Rose Biomedical Development Corp. and is a trustee of the Colorado Health Institute. He has served as co-chair of the Bar Liaison Committee for the Denver Medical Society and on the state’s Workers’ Compensation Task Force. Stephen has been named one of Denver’s top neurosurgeons by 3280 magazine for nine consecutive years.

CAROL A. PAYNE

Carol A. Payne has authored a book, Colorado Trust Practice Manual: Consulting Clients, Drafting Trusts and Building a Successful Practice (Bradford Publishing, Fall 2004). Carol established and ran a busy boutique firm with emphasis on trusts, closely held corporations and elder law. She is now retired from practice and enjoys many hobbies, including poetry writing, painting, composing, playwriting and sewing. Contact Bradford Publishing for more information on Carol’s book, 303-292-2500.
1990 | JULIE MURPHY SEAVY
Julie Murphy Seavy and Robert A. Seavy, LL.M. ’94, live in Denver. Julie recently left her position as legal counsel with the Colorado Association of School Boards and is consulting in the areas of education and board governance. Robert is a principal in FSW Investments, an oil and gas investment company. Their son Ryan recently graduated from East High School in Denver and is playing Junior A hockey in Fairbanks, Alaska. Their daughter Kellen is a junior studying fashion design at Denver’s career education center, and Spanish and French at the University of Denver and Thomas Jefferson High School, respectively.

1991 | MAUREEN BASQUILL RUS
Maureen Basquill Rus, who practices with Rus & Basquill in Manhattan, was recently appointed to a three-year term on the board of directors of the United Nations Association of New York.

1991 | CHRISTOPHER W. GUZZUCCOLI
Christopher W. Guzzuccoli was hired as anti-money laundering counsel by Citigroup’s global transaction services business. He is responsible for the management and administration of the business’s anti-money laundering program globally and for compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act and the USA Patriot Act. Anti-Money Laundering Counsel Citigroup Global Transaction Services 388 Greenwich St., 19th Floor New York, NY 10013 212-816-4993 646-344-2964 (cell)

1991 | DEBORAH LOWHAM
Deborah Lowham (previously Colgin) is married and enjoying home life with her two boys. Her great passion is riding her dressage horse, Harry Potter. Whenever possible, Deborah heads to Wyoming for hiking and climbing.

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JIM MULHANAN, JD’74
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After several years at Kirkland & Ellis in Chicago, Daniel K. Frey, has joined a small 20-lawyer firm in the suburbs. Clients are primarily local government entities. Daniel is the second litigation partner, handling the various litigation matters that arise (such as professional liability and employment issues) as well as continuing to develop the firm’s commercial litigation practice.

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Jose Blas Lorenzo Jr. has been counsel to the Florida Energy Direct Program from 1999 to 2001 and counsel to the Florida State Technology Office from 2001 to 2002. Jose Blas Lorenzo Jr. has been counsel for the Florida Department of Education Office of Student Financial Assistance since 2002. He was appointed in July 2004 by Gov. Jeb Bush to the Judicial Nominating Commission for the Second Judicial Circuit in Florida for a four-year term. He recently earned a doctorate in international studies, and his dissertation was titled “International Legal Relations: Determining Jurisdiction of Antitrust Across Borders.” In October, he was appointed director of policy and compliance for the Office of Student Financial Assistance. He lives in Tallahassee, Fla.

Dennis McElwee has been selected to become the first honorary lifetime member of the board of directors of the Children’s Hospital Association of Volunteers. He has been a volunteer with both the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Children’s Hospital for many years and was given the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Denver Charities Finest Award in 1999. Dennis was born with cystic fibrosis and is now 57 years old.

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Priscilla McLain moved in 1999 to Ogden, Utah, where she is the Region 4 appeals and litigation coordinator for the U.S. Forest Service. Moving from 39 inches of rain per year in Portland, Ore., to 12 inches a year was a welcome adjustment. This summer, Priscilla chaired a statewide art exhibition for women artists in Utah, sponsored by the American Association of University Women. Fifty-one artists were featured in the show. This winter she is taking her mother, who just turned 80, to Antarctica — her longtime dream!
John A. Carlson Jr. currently serves as lead internal auditor for Qwest Communications. Previously, John was a senior attorney working in the Qwest law department, concentrating on land use matters and legislative advocacy. In his audit role, John is responsible for monitoring corporate internal controls, conducting internal investigations and interfacing with external auditors on Sarbanes-Oxley compliance efforts. Outside of work, John continues to serve as a nationally ranked beer judge at the Great American Beer Festival in Denver each year. He is a member of the board of directors for the Association of Brewers, a national brewers trade association based in Boulder, Colo. John resides in Louisville, Colo., with his wife, Caroline, and their 2½-year-old son, Jack, pictured above. The family is currently remodeling their kitchen while simultaneously living with all the fun that that endeavor brings!

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Britton Morrell celebrated the seventh year of being self-employed as a solo practitioner. His office represents workers for workers’ compensation and discrimination claims. The practice has been going very well. He is busy, loves what he does and feels challenged every day. Britton also has been blessed with a large family. His older daughter, Haley, who was in his arms as a baby when he graduated, turned 9; his son, Matias, turned 8; and his baby daughter, Sophia, turns 2 in January 2005. Britton also has two stepchildren: Amber, 10, and Ethan, 8. The kids get along very well and as a large family they are, thanks to his wife, Gina, enjoying as much as they can while the kids are young. They traveled a lot as a family this year, taking the kids to see the Redwoods in northern California, Mackinac Island for the Fourth of July and trip to the Gunnison Black Canyon in late summer. Britton and Gina visited Tuscany this fall and fell in love with another part of the world.
It is possible to survive ovarian cancer. Mary Jean Kindeschuh was diagnosed in June with ovarian cancer, had surgery and, because her doctor found it early, is now cancer free. Thanks to her wonderful clients—because of their patience while she is recovering, her solo practice continues to thrive!

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STEPHANIE L. BEGUM earned her MBA five years ago and is working as a management consultant. This past summer, she took a different job within IBM and no longer has to travel five days a week. She now works out of her home, which she shares with her husband—as of last month!—and their new puppy. Feel free to contact Steph at sibeguin@yahoo.com.

PRESTON BRANAUGH continues his solo practice in Denver, focused on corporate and estate planning. In particular, Preston works with a number of tax exempt organizations in their general business and charitable giving matters. He and Jessica have two girls, Grace and Amara, and live in Arvada, Colo. Preston can be contacted at 1228 15th St., Suite 301, Denver, CO 80202, 303-893-4122.

TRACY L. CHENEY (CRIPP) writes that she is a new mom! She and her husband, Ed, have a wonderful baby boy named Dean Edward Cheney, born March 31, 2004. As if that isn’t enough, the family is moving to Phoenix, Ariz. Tracy will still work as in-house counsel for First Data Corp., where she has been since graduation and has recently started supporting one of its newest subsidiaries, Primary Payment Systems Inc., based in Scottsdale. The family is excited about the move as both Tracy and Ed have “a ton of family in the Phoenix area and, since Dean came along, we really wanted to be close to family, so this opportunity worked out perfectly.” One downside to all the joy in the Cheney home: Tracy has to take the Arizona bar in February. Ugh. Best of luck, Tracy can be reached at tcheney@primarypayments.com.

RANDALL H. CHERRY reports that he is still in northern Virginia after moving there in 2000. He has been at McGuire Woods L.L.P in McLean, Va., as an associate patent attorney since 2003. He lives in the Old Town section of Alexandria and regularly enjoys the excellent bike trails in the area, although he notes that he misses the mountains of Colorado. Randall can be contacted at randal cher ry@earthlink.net and would love to hear from any alumni in the region.

LISA L. CULPEPPER writes that she is the managing partner at Culpepper Cochran & Harris, L.L.C, Attorneys & Counselors at Law. She can be contacted at 950 S. Dexter St., Denver, CO 80246-2620, 303-832-1449, or culpepperl@comcast.net.

BRYAN R. DEMPSEY is legal affairs director, compliance officer and corporate secretary for TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Co. TGS is a publicly traded Norwegian company in oil and gas geophysical serv-
Bryan started the legal department from scratch, and the pace is frantic. IBT, M&A and IP licensing and enforcement constitute the majority of his work. He travels to Norway occasionally, but only during the tropical months of November and February. Bryan and Claire are currently stationed in Houston, but planning to return to Colorado. They have two boys, Ian and Miles, ages 2 years and 6 months, respectively. Bryan can be reached at 713-660-2161, 832-527-5762 or bdelegsnopec.com.

MICHELLE ANNE POTTS reports that after taking a year off (as an apprentice carpenter) from big-firm practice, she opened her own firm. She has a menu of basic legal services posted at a local coffee shop in Pueblo, Colo., where she also makes one darned fine cup of joe. "Barista barrister" is one of the better titles. The services are posted at a set fee and range from business formations to simple trusts and wills, along with consultations on pro se matters. She enjoys bringing law to the people, without intimidation and without confusion or to hourly charges.

DAVE WHITING reports that he got married in 2001 to Andrea Toll. They had a daughter, Abigail Rose, in December 2003. Dave is still in the Foreign Service and will move to Cambodia next summer where he will be the economic officer at the Embassy in Phnom Penh.

LISA WONG and Anthony welcomed their baby boy, Matthew Benjamin Wong, on Oct. 12, 2004 (6 pounds, 10 ounces, 19 inches and lots of joy). Lisa continues to practice at Palumbo Bergstrom LLP in Irvine, Calif., primarily in the areas of construction defect, insurance, intellectual property and real estate. She can be reached at wong.esq@hotmail.com.

1998 | JEFFREY DUGDALE

Jeffrey Dugdale is currently living in San Diego, Calif., with his wife, Heather Hunt, JD'99, and two beautiful daughers, McKenna, 2½, and Cassidy, 10 months. Jeffrey is working as in-house counsel for corporate and intellectual property matters for Qualcomm Inc. and has recently been promoted to the position of senior legal counsel. Jeffrey can be reached at 858-651-9108 or 858-945-2452.

1998 | DAVID L. ISERN

David L. Isern is living in Amarillo, Texas, and is in private practice. David focuses his practice on criminal defense and family law. He and his wife, Tiffany R. Isern, recently had twin baby girls, Isabelle Diane and Emma Jean. They were born on July 19, 2004.

1998 | TAMARA PESTER

Tamara Pester left her position as in-house counsel at First Data Corp. to launch Counsel Connect, LLC, a legal search firm focusing on the permanent placement of attorneys in law firms and corporations. Tamara can be reached at tamara@counsel-connection.com or 303-356-720.

1998 | GEOFFREY DEWEES

Geoffrey Dewees is an Army trial defense counsel at Fort Richardson and was a prosecutor prior to this in Germany with the 1st Armored Division.

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1999 | SUSAN J. KASLEY
Susan J. Kasley has been elected Mason County (Michigan) prosecuting attorney. She will begin her four-year term in January 2005. Susan has been in private practice in Mason County since being admitted to practice law in 1999.
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1999 | JENNIFER L’HOMMEDIEU
Following graduation, Jennifer L’Hommedieu, now Jennifer L’Hommedieu Stankus, worked for several years as a JAG officer at a major Army teaching hospital as a medical malpractice defense attorney and as a member of several policy-level committees. Additionally, she was appointed as a part-time military magistrate, deciding issues of pretrial confinement and search and seizure. During her tenure, Jennifer earned her Airborne wings and met her husband, Dr. Seth John Stankus. Seth and Jennifer moved to the Seattle, Wash., area last year and plan to make this their home. Jennifer has been accepted to medical school beginning in fall 2005 and is very excited to begin this new path. In the meantime, they enjoy some of the best scuba diving in the world in the Northwest and volunteer as rescue/diver masters in the Puget Sound. They also enjoy the world-class mountaineering, rock climbing, skiing, white-water kayaking, ice hockey, adventure racing, cooking, wine tasting and collection, and travel.
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2000 | GREG SCHEER
Greg Scheer is the national director of account acceptance for the trust division of JP Morgan Private Client Services. In 2001 he passed the Texas bar exam and now resides in Frisco, Texas, with his wife, Rebecca, and two sons, Mason and Alex.
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2005 | CLASS SCRIBE
AMY BEATIE
After I sent our class letter asking for updates for our class notes, I received two common responses. The first was “I don’t really keep in touch with anyone in our class anymore.” The second was “If I gave you dirt on someone else, do you promise to spare me in the write-up of our class notes?” To the first I say, “Here’s a great opportunity to get back in touch with people with whom you haven’t spoken.” To the second I say, “Have we met? Of course no one is spared.” (Awkward silence...) OK, OK, this time I’ll show some restraint.”
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I am still working at the law firm of Porzak Browning & Bushong LLP in Boulder. I work mostly in the fields of water and environmental law but do dabble in real estate, especially real estate deals that have an environmental component (e.g., conservation easements). I have run into my fair share of classmates, especially those who are practicing water law. SHEELA (PARAMESWAR) STACK was recently married and works at Harvey Curtis & Associates, a water law firm in Denver. I've worked with her extensively and have enjoyed it; she's still as quick and hilarious as ever. MADOLINE WALLACE recently moved from the Front Range to the Western Slope to be closer to the things she loves: climbing and skiing. She is at Patrick, Miller & Kropi, a water law firm, in Aspen.

There is one last important thing to note: I know there are those out there who need to know that it is still easy to beat ANDY MBR at pool.

SERENA POLLACK is still working at Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP in Chicago, practicing in the area of medical malpractice defense. She recently bought a condo in Chicago and serves as the campaign chair for the Jewish United Fund/Chicago Jewish Federation's Young Leadership Division. AMY TWOHEY practices in the area of medical malpractice defense in Chicago with Iwan Cray Huber Horstman & VanAusdal, L.L.C, and works on several cases with Serena. TODD STALMACK, JD '01, who works with Donahue Brown Mathewsson & Smyth in Chicago, also works in the area of medical malpractice defense and run into Amy and Serena every so often. It appears there's a trend here: DU law alumni who move to Chicago seem to work in the area of medical malpractice defense. Anyone out there in Chic-town not practicing in that field?

Serena also reports that JEN SIEGAL-MILLER and her husband moved to Long Island, N.Y., and bought a house in Chappaqua, N.Y., not far from the Clintons’. Jen continues to work as a children's advocacy attorney in New York City and is actively involved in several charities in the city and on Long Island. Serena also updated us on TOM FALL, who lives in Phoenix and continues to work for the Cavanaugh Law Firm. He practices in products liability defense and continues to have a national practice that takes him all over the country. His sons are now 7 and 5.

KRISTEN ANGUS-BEST reports that she married Stephen Best, a white-collar criminal defense lawyer with Lebovitz, Lapham, Green & MCGowan, last February in Sacramento, CA. They are living in Washington, D.C. As she put it, "We waited no time and are expecting our first son in February 2005." Congratulations! Kristen is still working in the international trade and corporate compliance group at Coudert Brothers in Washington, D.C.

Still commuting from Boulder to Denver as he did all throughout law school, ANTONIO GALLEGOS worked for Patton Boggs right after graduation, primarily practicing in the federal regulatory area (e.g., FDA, DEA and FTC) and doing some general litigation work. He jumped ship to Holland & Hart last summer to do commercial litigation and white-collar criminal defense (federal regulatory crimes) and is thrilled with the move. He writes, "I love it here at H&H. I am working on a very large piece of complex litigation right now that takes me to Costa Rica quite often. It is
not nearly as glamorous as it sounds, but still exciting." In 2001, he and Vanessa had their first baby, Mateo. In 2003, they had their second, Miguel.

Ever the faithful correspondents, VLADIMIR and ELIZABETH (WHITING) SHIFRIN recently had a daughter named Camille Nicolette Shifrin. Camille has two sets of godparents, both with solid Class of 2000 pedigrees. ELAINE REMISS-BECKER and Randy Becker are her Christian godparents, and SYNDIE (MCNABB) HURWITZ and HOWARD HURWITZ are her Jewish godparents. The Shifrins report that they are no longer with the Air Force.

DOUG BUCK writes, "I've lost contact with most of my classmates (probably because I'm down here in Texas and don't get back to Colorado nearly enough), so I'm looking forward to hearing about everyone's happenings with the next alumni magazine." He reports that he is still working for a great firm in Fort Worth — Taylor, Olson, Adkins, Sella & Elam LLP — practicing municipal law with a litigation focus. He is also city attorney for a small community north of Fort Worth and prosecutes on an as-needed basis for many of his firm's municipal clients. He's really enjoying the work. On the personal side, Doug's daughters, Turner and Avery, just turned 6 and 3, respectively. Doug is coaching Turner's soccer team and he himself continues to play. Doug's wife, Jill, has started her own development company, Urban Dwellings Inc. (http://www.urbandwellingsinc.com/) and is constructing loft-style residential units in an area of town that is quickly revitalizing.

CATHERINE OLSON BROWN had her second child, a son (Owen William) on March 27, 2004. She had been working full time for a law firm solely practicing immigration law for 2½ years, but is now starting her own practice specializing in immigration law.

NICHOLE BAKER FARRIS is proud to announce the birth of her second daughter, Ella Frances Farris, on March 3, 2004. Nichole, Ella's father and big sister Gracie are very excited about their beautiful little angel. Nichole can be reached at 10 Marks Ct., Chico, CA 95973, 530-897-5684, nhfarris@webbased.net.

ERIN EGAN is working as an associate at Eide, Miller & Pate, PC in Anchorage, Alaska. Erin also does volunteer work for Special Olympics Alaska and volunteers as a youth mentor at Covenant House Alaska. She is currently secretary of the Young Lawyers Section of the Anchorage Bar Association. She is also a member of the Tutoring Committee of the Alaska Bar Association. Erin is getting married in January 2005 to Air Force Staff Sgt. Christopher Block. They both enjoy skiing, camping and hiking and plan to be living in Anchorage for a while, so if anyone from the Class of '01 is interested in coming to Anchorage, they should definitely contact her.

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2001 | LEIGH TRUE (TRUEBLOOD)

Leigh Truhe (Trueblood) is an associate at Barnhart, Ekker & McNally, LLP. Prior to joining the firm, she was a deputy public defender for Adams County. She lives in Denver with her husband Eric, an associate at Clifton, Hook & Bovarnick, PC. Prior to joining the firm, he was a deputy public defender for El Paso, Douglas and Elbert counties.

2001 | SUSAN P. CHETWIN

Susan P. Chetwin was employed as a public defender in Colorado Springs until November 2003 when she moved to Connecticut—where her husband lives and where she now works as a public defender in New Haven.
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2001 | KELLY S. HALL

Kelly S. Hall joined the law practice of W.B. Paynter P.C. on Nov. 8, 2004. Also in November, she began her tenure as the municipal judge for the town of Stratton, Colo. She was married on Dec. 31, 2004, in her hometown of Akron, Colo.

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2001 | SARA PETERSEN

Since graduation, Sara Peterson has been practicing general practice law, with a focus in family law, at Bratton & McClow, LLC in Gunnison, Colo. Sara married Deuce Wynes on July 12, 2003, a beautiful cloudless day, at the Deer Path Inn, in Lake Forest, Ill., near where Sara grew up and the couple met. Deuce and Sara live in Crested Butte, Colo., and enjoy all that the mountains offer. They feel very lucky to live and work where they do.
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2002 | JACKI and LARRY SCHNEIDER

Jacki and Larry Schneider are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Andrew Bernard Schneider, on Oct. 26, 2004. Jacki will be taking a couple of months off, but will resume her family law practice after the new year. Larry continues to practice primarily insurance defense at the Ross-Shannon Law Firm in Lakewood.
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2002 | HEATHER TIERNEY

Heather Tierney just bought a home and is working in the U.S. Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights.
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As of October 2004, Melissa Boutin has entered solo practice. She offers general practice with a focus on estate planning at reasonable rates.

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David B. Gottlieb is pleased to report that as a junior associate with Messner & Reeves, LLC corporate and real estate teams, he could not be happier.

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Jason T. Largey passed the Colorado Bar Exam in May 2004. He entered the Air Force JAG on June 1. This was awesome because he had wanted to be a JAG before he started law school. He will be an assistant staff judge advocate for the 82d Training Wing. The legal office at Sheppard Air Force Base consistently ranks as one of the busiest in the entire Air Force. This is due to the large number of airmen who undergo technical training for their individual career fields after they complete basic training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, Texas. He worked on courts-martial, article 15 non-judicial punishment matters, administrative discharges and legal assistance during his first year. So far, Wichita Falls seems like a nice community.

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Prince Jamal Nazir has been appointed as the director of operations-Pakistan for Lawyers Without Borders Inc., an American and Canadian human rights advocacy agency. Jamal has established a private practice in Islamabad while working on a new book on public administration.

David J. Schaller just joined Wheeler Trigg Kennedy LLP. He was recently with Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP in Denver. David’s litigation experience includes class action products liability, breach of contract, landlord/tenant and employment discrimination. At Wheeler Trigg Kennedy, David continues to practice litigation in a variety of areas.

Ty Sheaks was admitted to the Texas bar in November 2003. He is an associate at Jones Rook Austin in Dallas.

Tami Goodlette is a law clerk for Colorado Court of Appeals Judge Robert Russe. She enjoys it very much and is learning a lot.

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IN MEMORIAM

REMEMBERING THOSE WE HAVE LOST


Ralph E. Hall Jr., LL.B. 1958, died June 13, 2004, in Santa Fe, N.M.


Richard "Dick" Marcus Schmidt Jr., a nationally recognized First Amendment lawyer who earned undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Denver, died at his home in Washington, D.C., on Oct. 17, 2004. He was 80.

Schmidt, J.D. '48, for 35 years represented the American Society of Newspaper Editors (ASNE) and Association of American Publishers (AAP), tackling issues involving open meetings, open records and censorship.

He was born and raised in Kansas. He had polio as a teenager, which kept him in a full body cast for a year. After earning his law degree, he became a deputy district attorney for the city and county of Denver in 1949 and 1950. He went into private practice in Denver in 1950, representing several radio stations. He also was an adjunct professor of communications law at DU from 1949 to 1952. He moved to Washington in 1965 and became general counsel for ASNE and Washington counsel for AAP four years later.

"Dick Schmidt was a very influential figure in Washington for many, many years," DU Chancellor Dan Ritchie says. "He was a terrific friend and supporter of the university, and we'll miss him."
STUDENTS AT LAW

MIXING LAW WITH NEWS
by DIANNA GOLDBERG

in the October issue of Vanity Fair. The article reflected on the 2000 presidential election debacle in Florida and the role of the U.S. Supreme Court in anointing George W. Bush the 43rd president. It posed the question: Could such a charade happen again in 2004? Obviously, it didn’t.

But I read the article with a newfound understanding of principles that just two short years ago would clearly have escaped me. For example, one paragraph of the article refers to the Supreme Court justices as “mindful of the court’s fragile authority,” “devoted to the Constitution’s ‘original intent’” and reluctant to take cases “before they were ripe.” These seemingly innocuous phrases jumped off the page at me, causing me to reflect on just how much I have absorbed as a student of the law. Three years ago, “ripeness” involved fruit ready to be eaten. “Original intent” bespoke of my mother sticking to her guns no matter how many times I, as a child, asked her if I could get my ears pierced. And the idea of the court’s “fragile authority” would have echoed with faint notions of the balance of power between our three branches of government, but not much more.

I have always been a voracious reader and a certifiable news junkie. As a former ABC News producer, there was a time when I read five newspapers a day, checked the “leads” of nightly broadcasts, flipped between broadcasts to see how ABC’s competition covered a given story, mastered an understanding of the 24-hour news cycle, subscribed to the POW and filled whatever silence remained in the day with NPR. I assessed with interest (some would say fanaticism) the news due of any given story. News was my J+U of reference.

Now, 21/2 years of law school later, legal impact seems to be the starting point in almost every story I see. My attention is now drawn to the prevalence of the law in virtually everything I see, read or hear. Take George W. Bush’s references to Subchapter S corporations in his campaign trail. “Huh!” I said to myself, with a gracious nod to Professor Jay Brown’s corporations class. “I get that!”

Consider the Supreme Court’s recent hearing of oral argument on the constitutionality of executing 17-year-olds and whether that constitutes “cruel and unusual punishment.” Having examined the court’s prior interpretations of “cruel and unusual” in Professor Sam Kamin’s death penalty jurisprudence class, I read The New York Times coverage with a richer understanding of how Roper v. Simmons will be decided. I read the barrage of accusations of voter registration fraud and, as if on cue, immediately thought about the myriad (criminal and civil) legal issues it portends. On NPR, I heard about lawsuits seeking injunctive relief for alleged price gouging for the flu vaccine and understood what was at stake, legally, for those accused of engaging in such grim behavior.

And now I know that my credit card company has contractually obligated me to arbitrate any disputes that may arise; this came as not only a surprise but as a lesson in Professor Ed Dauer’s alternative dispute resolution class. Even seeing Texas Ranger Frank Francisco throw a chair into the stands elicited a comment to the effect Francisco was sure to have an ugly lawsuit on his hands, to say nothing of the liability his ball club might suffer. A ballgame! And yet, there, as always, was the law, poised with potentially the last word on that matter.

The law is simply everywhere, touching so many aspects of our lives. While this may not be an entirely earth-shattering observation, it is noteworthy because my legal education makes the truth of the observation so much more fascinating. Seeing how the law pervades so many aspects of our lives and having the benefit of understanding its reach make for an altogether more gratifying existence, particularly for this news junkie.
There is a strange tension in the air. I’m not sure if it is the upcoming election (a week away at the time I write this), news of our disappointing bar passage rates or that students are finally beginning to truly worry about job prospects and post-graduation plans. I imagine it is some combination of these issues. At any rate, students on campus seem to be more preoccupied with the law school’s reputation than ever. Recently I was eating at a student organization function when the subject of the University of Denver’s allegedly imperiled reputation arose. “You know, some students think the evening division is dragging us down,” a student offered. I nearly choked on my food.

Excuse me? Dragging us down? With respect to our reputation in the community? Of course this nugget of insight hadn’t been supported by factual evidence of comparable bar passage rates, LSAT scores, job placement data or the like. For a moment I thought, “Could this be true?” Would the University of Denver Sturm College of Law be better off without an evening division? Does the very idea of part-time evening status bastardize the “real” law school experience or dilute the quality beyond any comparison with the traditional program?

Many students are unaware that evening law programs, taught by working practitioners, have a long storied history as old as the formal education of law itself. In fact, when DU founded its law program in 1892, the first law classes ever taught at the school were held at night. History aside, most evening students work while going to school. We hold full-time jobs. I don’t wish to dismiss the hard work and dedication of full-time traditional day students or the energy and valuable perspective they bring to the school. There are also a substantial number of non-traditional day students returning to school after significant time and experience in the work force. I only ask that we also recognize the value of the work and life experience that my fellow evening students bring to the classroom and that the reputation of a school rests not just on numbers, but on its students and alumni working in the community.

As evening students, we are also engineers, educators and politicians. We work in government, health care and human resources. I can think of countless occasions when a professor has deferred to a student in class to weigh in on the real-world application of a particular legal issue. Aside from the unique contributions we make in the classroom, recognize that our contributions to the university and its reputation may look a little different than those of traditional students. We are already employed. To some extent, we have already established our place in the community. We are already active in our firms and businesses. We’ve paid dues. We share our good reputations as active members of the work force with our roles as students at DU.

We might not be seen on campus until nightfall, but we have been working all day across the metro area to burnish the reputation of DU.

I say this with firm conviction: The evening division is a valuable part of the law school community. Evening students bring experience and add a depth that law programs with only a traditional population cannot match. For those who might be under the mistaken impression that the evening division is “dragging us down,” take a little time out to actually sit down and talk with one of us. We’re doing our part to keep us up!
Friday-Sunday, January 21-23
DU/CU Cup Moot Court Competition

Monday-Thursday, January 24-27
ACLU Reproductive Rights Week

Friday, January 28
Recent Grad Reunion

Saturday, January 29
Client Counseling Moot Court Competition

Saturday, February 5
Natural Resources Environmental Appellate Competition

Sunday, February 6
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

Friday, February 11
Student Bar Association Talent Show

Sunday, February 13
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

Tuesday, February 15
Divorce Law Seminar

Friday-Saturday, February 18-19
National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA)
Christopher A. Miranda Advocacy Institute

Saturday, February 26
Colorado Association of Law Libraries Institute

Sunday, March 6
Jessup Cup Moot Court Competition

Thursday, March 10
McDougall Lecture in International Law: Human Rights

Tuesday, March 15
Advancing the Elderly Conference

Friday, March 18
5th Annual African-American Women’s Leadership Conference

Wednesday-Sunday, March 30-April 3
National Black Law Students Association Annual Conference

Friday-Monday, April 1-4
Barrister’s Cup Moot Court Competition

Friday, April 8
Water Law Review Conference at the Colorado Bar Association

Saturday, April 9
Barristers Ball (Location TBD)

Thursday-Friday, April 21-22
Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference

Monday-Friday, May 16-20
10th Annual Rocky Mountain Child Advocacy Training

Saturday, May 21
Spring Commencement

Monday, June 13
DU vs. CU Golf Tournament
Pinehurst Country Club

Saturday, June 18
3rd Annual Legal Ethics Conference

Saturday, June 18
Phi Delta Phi Annual Ethics Symposium

Thursday, September 22
DU Law Stars Marriott City Center, Downtown Denver

Friday, December 16
Commencement

Note: All events to be held at the Sturm College of Law unless otherwise noted.
SAVE THE DATE!

The Office of Alumni and Development for the Sturm College of Law is pleased to announce that it will be hosting several class reunions in 2005:

Recent Grad Reunion (Classes of '95 - '04) - January 28, 2005
Class of 1955 (50-year reunion) - Spring of 2005 (date TBD)
Class of 1980 (25-year reunion) - April 29, 2005
Class of 1995 (10-year reunion) - Fall of 2005 (date TBD)

If you would like to be involved in the planning and organization of your reunion, please contact Sal Quintana, Director of Alumni Relations, at 303-871-6122 or sqquintana@law.du.edu.

For the latest information on DU Law Alumni Reunions, visit our website:
www.law.du.edu/alumni/reunion.htm