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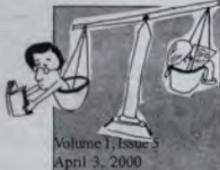
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# Hastings Law News

If There is to be a Hastings Community, the Students Must Have a Voice

*Ingenio Levitas et Erudita Veritas*

## Hastings Professors Teach in Haiti

By Sarah Wasson, IL

Usually, Professor Radika Rao gets to work by crossing the bay bridge. However, on March 20th she flew to Port-au-Prince, Haiti and took a 10-person prop plane to reach her students.

Professor Rao was part of a Hastings delegation that journeyed to Haiti to teach at the School of Law in Jeremie. The group also included Professor Richard Boswell, Karen Musalo, Ugo Mattei, and first year student Sarah Wasson.



The professors taught lively courses in constitutional, comparative, immigration, and refugee law to 90 Haitian students.

Haiti is the poorest country in the Western hemisphere and it's legal system was decimated during a military dictatorship. There are only four practicing lawyers in Jeremie, a town of 60,000 people. The law school has one professor who also acts as chancellor and local priest.

The students welcomed the Hastings professors and one student stated, "I have searched my Creole vocabulary and can't find any word to express my thanks to you. Since 1986 there has been some change, but the great change depends on us because we are the hope for a better tomorrow."

For more information about how to become involved with the School of Law in Jeremie, please contact [wassons@uchastings.edu](mailto:wassons@uchastings.edu).

Hastings professors in Haiti, March 2000

## Race Judicata

Racing to bring computers to community

The 3rd Annual Hastings ABA/LSD Race Judicata will be held April 16th in Golden Gate Park. The annual run/walk is completely organized and staffed by students, with all the net proceeds going to a local charity. This year, proceeds will go to the Tenderloin Community School. In the first two years of the race, over \$8,000 was raised for bay area charities. Race organizers chose the Tenderloin Community School this year because of its proximity to Hastings and the school's need for new computers.

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## ELECTIONS

Thank you to everyone who helped with the election and especially to the student body for putting up with three days straight of heckling and class interruptions. We have a new ASUCH General Council and all of the fee initiatives and the new Constitution passed!

Results:

**Fee Initiatives** – all of the proposed fee initiatives passed:

**ASUCH FEE:** 76% voted in favor of raising the ASUCH Fee from \$16 to \$40.

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"If you were stranded on an island..."  
Professors Dodge, Little and Marcus in the Law Revue.

"I think I'd have to swim for it"

Professor Little

See *Law Revue* on page 6

## EYE ON ASUCH



By Peter Burns, ASUCH President

**Skyroom** — The administration has agreed to subsidize student events in the Skyroom. The College will cover the Law Café's labor and overhead costs, so that student organizations need only pay for consumables at cost. This could be as cheap as beer and pretzels, and is an excellent fund raising opportunity for student organization and a great way to use this beautiful space.

In addition, the Skyroom is open for general use from 1-5pm. Students, faculty and staff can bring non-alcoholic beverages and packaged snacks or fruit into the Skyroom. The College is covering the cost of student employees in the Skyroom—roughly \$3,300 per semester. Some members of the administration feel that there should be 20-25 students in the Skyroom per hour to justify keeping it open. The current use figures are roughly 5 students per hour. ASUCH's position is that even if only 5 students are in the Skyroom per hour, given our urban surroundings, it is worth keeping the Skyroom open next year for general use. Given the nominal cost of keeping it open, the low impact on the room itself, and the fact that 98% of students surveyed feel it should be open and accessible to students for a general use period, we should keep it open.

Please use the Skyroom for study groups, meetings and just to hang out. The lower the use figures, the less ammunition we will have in our fight to keep it available to students.

**Intellectual Property** — Dean Martinez is consulting with his counterpart at USF. Hopefully, we will have a 60 unit class exchange program set up with USF for next fall. This is just an interim measure until we can build our IP curriculum to meet the demands of Hastings students. After conducting an e-mail survey, ASUCH determined that at least 30 students would travel to USF to take the following classes: Trademark Law, Copyright Law, Patent Law, and Cyberspace Law.

An ASUCH IP Task Force is finalizing a proposal to the administration to expand the IP curriculum, IP faculty, and develop an IP Concentration. Although this will take several years to implement, given our proximity to Silicon Valley and the great interest among Hastings students, it is time to formalize a plan of attack in this area.

**Technology** — The ASUCH Technology Task Force conducted a survey to assess student desires for technological improvements at Hastings. We are coordinating with the Hastings Information Technology Department to revise the Technology Roundtable to solicit input from all departments at the College. The focal point for ASUCH will be in bringing about on-line registration, add/drop, and wait list procedures, among a laundry list of other technological improvements.

#### Feasibility Studies —

**Walnut Room** — The administration is going to conduct a feasibility study for developing the Walnut Room, located in the Tower behind the elevated lobby area, into a 24 hour student recreation area. It is a large beautiful room with, you guessed it, walnut wood throughout. The feasibility study should be completed by May.

**Rooftop Garden** — The Rooftop Garden feasibility study is complete. The proposed garden would be on top of the 200 building. It looks great and would have wind blockades, trees, benches, etc. The price tag is roughly \$750,000 - primarily due to ADA requirements. If we are lucky enough to get a wealthy donor, this may become a reality.

**Child Day Care** — Connie Lucas is heading up the ASUCH Child Day Care Task Force and is determining whether to use a provider other than Wu Yee. It appears that no Hastings students are currently using Wu Yee. Another center located very near Hastings has part-time day care and a good child to provider ratio. This center has provided a proposal that would allow us to receive priority on their wait list, and to keep a percentage of the child day care fee to directly subsidize Hastings students, faculty and staff. That percentage of the fee would roll over to the following year if not used in any given year. We hope to finalize an agreement by mid-April. Any student interested in joining this task force should contact Connie Lucas directly.

## STUDENTS PROVIDE VITA SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

By Stephen Brundage, 3L

Finished your taxes yet? Like most Americans you're probably waiting until the last minute to file. But over the last 6 weeks, a dedicated group of Hastings and USF law students has been assisting members of the community with their taxes. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, sponsored by the ABA/LSD, provides free tax assistance to low income, elderly, and non-English speaking residents.

This year, VITA at Hastings is being coordinated by Adam Halpern and Brad Arnold, both 3Ls in the Tax Concentration. About thirteen students from both Hastings and USF are volunteering Wednesday and Thursday nights to assist local residents with their taxes.

VITA is a nationwide community service project sponsored on Thursday nights to assist local residents with their taxes.

## ELECTIONS

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**Fitness Center Fee:** 73% voted in favor of reducing the Fitness Center Fee from \$25 to \$20.

**Student Events Fee:** 77% voted in favor of increasing the Student Events Fee from \$2 to \$4.

**UCSA Fee:** 80% voted in favor of eliminating the \$1 University of California Student Association Fee.

**GAAP Fee:** 88% voted in favor of renewing the \$5 Fee for the General Assistance Advocacy Project.

**Constitution** — The New Constitution Was Ratified:

Of the 1093 students currently enrolled, 811 voted in the election — a 74% voter turnout. 781 students voted on the Constitution issue. 709 voted to ratify, 36 not to ratify and 36 abstained. In short, over two-thirds of the student body voted on this issue, and 91% of those voting voted in favor of ratifying the Constitution.

As many of you know, the old Constitution was very poorly drafted. The old constitution stated that "a two-thirds vote of

the association [all registered students] shall be necessary to adopt this [the old] Constitution." The old Constitution required a majority vote from the General Council or a petition signed by at least 15% of the student body for a constitutional amendment to originate. However, it does not state who must vote to amend the Constitution [the ASUCH General Council or student body], whether there is a minimum percentage of students who must vote, and of those who vote, nor whether a simple majority or two-thirds is required for a revised Constitution to pass.

We have researched this issue and determined that the Constitution was amended in the past with just over 50% of the student body voting. Given that over two-thirds of Hastings students voted on this issue and, of those, 91% voted in favor of ratification, we are confident that the new Constitution was properly ratified. Thank you again for your support in superceding the poorly drafted Constitution with a document of which we can be proud.

## SUPREME COURT SAYS "NO" TO FEE OBJECTIONS

By Colin Gallagher, 3L

In *University of Wisconsin v. Southworth*, the Supreme Court decided whether the First Amendment protects public university students who object to part of their fees being paid to political groups they disagree with.

The Court answered resoundingly "no." The justices had previously held that dissenting union members could not be forced to subsidize objectionable speech (*Abood v. Detroit Board of Education*) and that attorneys are entitled to a refund of state bar dues subsidizing speech they disagree with (*Keller v. State Bar of California*).

Justice Scalia in his concurrence in *National Endowment for the Arts v. Finley* defended the rights of the bourgeoisie not to have to subsidize art that violated their norms, such as Andie Serrano's urine-soaked crucifix, the sadomasochistic photographs of Robert Mapplethorpe and Karen Finley smearing her body with Jello. "Avant-garde artists such as respondents remain entirely free to epler les bourgeois, they are merely deprived of the additional satisfaction of having the bourgeoisie taxed to pay for it."

So why the apparent reversal? Is it because university students don't vote?

Justice Kennedy's majority opinion in *Southworth* reveals some of the Court's concerns in reversing the District Court and Seventh Circuit. The lower courts found for the Christian plaintiffs, who objected to their student fees going to the gay student center and other left-wing student organizations.

The Court found that to implement a refund scheme for objecting students would be "so disruptive and expensive that the program would support extracurricular speech would be ineffective." When Atlanta Braves pitcher John Rocker is quoted saying derogatory things I have the option of not purchasing tickets to see the Braves when they next come to play in the Bay Area. But if my compulsory student fees are given over to a John Rocker to spout bigotry, according to the Supreme Court, I don't have any remedy. That doesn't seem very sporting. The Justices did not hit a home run with *Southworth*.

## Race Judicata

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The Tenderloin Community School opened two years ago after community organizers pushed the City to bring a school to the neighborhood. The Tenderloin is home to the City's highest concentration of school aged children. The Tenderloin Community School also serves as a community center. Last year, students from Hastings helped the school stock the library and the Hastings Community Outreach and Mentoring Program provides tutors and teachers' aides to the school.

The Race, now in its third year, expanded this year to include a 10k race. "We wanted to attract more runners to the race this year," said race director Stephen Brundage. The first year of the race had about 150 runners and last year there were about 250 runners. "This year, we hope



## WHO WAS DAVID GOLD?

By Stephen Brundage, 3L

Ever wonder who David Gold was as you were taking a study break in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reading Room? David Gold graduated from Hastings in 1951 and practiced in San Francisco until his death in September 1994. Gold and his family founded the David B. Gold Foundation in 1992. The Foundation, which donated \$350,000 to the College for the Reading Room renovation, focuses its grants on youth development, preservation of the environment, health, art, Jewish culture, and education.

After graduating, Gold began a solo practice specializing in securities. A September 1994 article in *The Recorder* credited Gold with "pioneering the fraud-on-the-market theory, which opened the door to federal class actions by corporate shareholders and investors." As a litigator, Gold was revered nationwide for his skill. Even more so, he was respected for his love of San Francisco and his dedication to his alma mater.

The renovation of the Gold Reading Room was part of the school's overall renovation of the 198 Building, now Snodgrass Hall. The section of the 198 building which houses the reading room was added on to 198 in the early 1970s. Until the opening of 200 McAllister in 1980, the reading room served as the school's main library facility.

Special thanks to Tim Lemon of the Hastings Development Office for his assistance with this article.



## ASUCH Election

### Congratulations to the New General Council:

**President:** John Hendrickson  
**Internal VP:** Jamie Nye  
**External VP:** Eric Spiegelman  
**Treasurer:** Kristin Knox  
**Secretary:** Connie Lucas

**Third Year Class President:** Wendy Ward  
**Third Year Reps:** Wendy Ward, Vaughn Bunch, Anna Molander, Gregory Heiden, John O'Neil, Randy Wells, Justin Ferber, Ellen McDonnell, and Nancy Nguyen

**Second Year Reps:** Rob Black, Steve Chu, Josh Kaplan, Jason Tarasek, Mieke Eoyang, Tom Brody, Jaijuk Maksrivorawan, Jeanne McKinney, Sherwin Chen, and Adam Fritz.



## Memoirs of a Moot Court Masochist

By Christine DeSimone, 2L

It is late and I am exhausted. Sitting up in my Washington, D.C. hotel room, I can't believe it's all over. For the past three months, and in a larger sense the past school year, this Moot Court competition has consumed my life. I can't remember what I thought competing would be like when I tried out for a team my first year, but I never knew I'd be this exhilarated. What a long and strange trip it's been.

I really have no idea how the Moot Court Department puts its teams together, but they succeeded miraculously in matching the four of us. I did not know my teammates before we were all placed on the Lefkowitz team, but over the last year, despite the hundreds of hours that we've spent together, we never fought. We all had the same bizarre sense of humor; silly, often perverse, and always self-deprecating. The sheer number of inside jokes that developed among us could fill a long book.

We dedicated a large portion of our lives to this event. First was the brief, which found us in a 72-hour-straight Labor Day weekend completion marathon. The four of us crowded around a computer in the library lab, hammering out a 40-page manifesto. We did not sleep, and food was only eaten over further discussion of the brief. When it was done and in the mail, we breathed a sigh of relief and slept for 24 hours. But as soon as we woke up, we had to practice. For two hours a day, five days a week, we prepared for the regional competition at the Ninth Circuit. We had to learn and argue both sides of the case, so classes, jobs, friends, and other aspects of our lives fell by the wayside. Our poor coach and brief editor went through this with us, too. As time passed, I could feel the pressures, the fear, and the anxiety increasing.

When the day came, I took a deep breath and stood at the Ninth Circuit podium. Instead of vomiting, which was my first inclination, I envisioned that it was just another practice in the Moot Court Room. I spoke and felt an amazing calmness come over me. When I sat down, I saw how polished my teammates were as well. I admired them immensely, and realized how proud I was to be a member of the Hastings team. After two rounds, and out of 15 teams, we were regional champions.

A month later we found ourselves in Washington D.C. competing for the national title. Despite the bitter Eastern cold, our excitement never waned. We saw the city, visited friends in the area, and had dinner every night as a team. The national competition itself seemed almost an afterthought. We did our best and the culmination of our efforts came when the national winners were announced. Hastings was named the best oralist team in the country, which came with a cash prize. Overall, our team placed third in the country, a highly respectable feat. We spent the night celebrating, and tomorrow we'll return to our humdrum law student lives.

### Moot Court Teams & Results

Labor Law Moot Court  
**National Champions**  
*Adelmise Warner - Best Oralist*  
*Craig Daniel, Eric Perram*

Hispanic National Bar Association  
**National Champions**  
*Josefina Jimenez, Michael Ramirez, Yadina Roos*

Lefkowitz Team  
**National Champions - Oral Advocate & 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall**  
*Christine De Simone, Allen Johnson, Rona Rathoa, Vijay Toke*

Vanderbilt First Amendment Team  
**Top 8 in U.S.**  
*Mark Fumar, David Klemm, Suzanne*

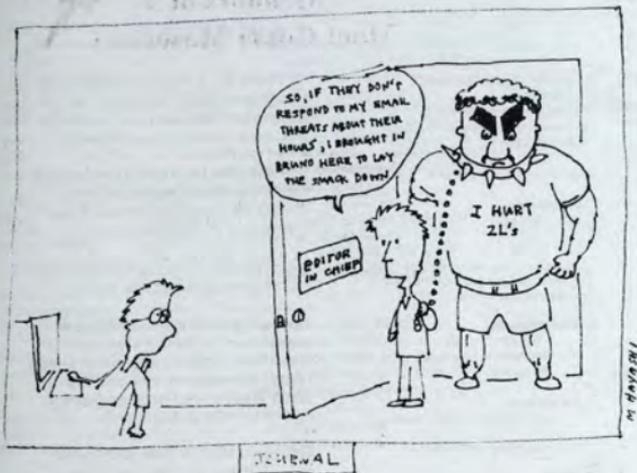
### TEAMS WIN AT NATIONALS

Moot Court teams from Hastings argued their way past the competition to bring home top honors.

A legal Olympics of sorts, the annual Moot Court competitions are held in various cities throughout the United States. Teams come from Law schools all over the country to engage in a battle of briefs and oral argument.

To get ready for the competitions, student teams engage in rigorous practice and preparation. Teams begin to refine their written and oral arguments early in the fall. As the day of competition draws near, the teams practice in front of fellow students and professors to polish their presentations and fine tune their arguments.

Congratulations to all the teams!



## § FILES The 11th Error

For some first years, Moot Court is the crowning moment of law school, for others it is LW&R with orals. I went into Moot Court full of optimistic anticipation: it could not possibly be worse than LW&R.

Moot Court begins with the posting of class assignments. Not only does this posting confirm that you did not receive two C minus on your first round of exams, it is the moment at which the competition begins. Who will get the Best Brief? Who is the Best Oralist?

The first day of class is filled with tension as the students warily eye each other and the arguments are outlined (spoonfed) by the instructor. The Bluebook Nazis introduce themselves and then you are sent off to obtain your password, the key to the door of truth and light, or Lexis and Westlaw.

As the cases flash onto the screen, you are once again reminded of the absurdity of LW&R. Unfortunately, the elation of your first Lexis search is quickly doused by the discovery that 400 other law students also just received their passwords and are also sending 200 page cases to one of two printers.

When you sit down to write that Best Brief, you realize you must save some space for hundreds of cases you have amassed. Economy of language is the mantra, Hemingway is the Idol, and the three word sentence is perfection.

As the drafts come back, you realize that form trumps substance in the lawyer's world. As the law gets mushier, *The Bluebook* becomes more comforting than that blanket from childhood. Your peers become more interested in playing "spot-an-error" than knowing what side you're on. This revelry in the arcane intricacies of *Bluebook* application is frightening and yet simultaneously satisfying.

Finally, you prepare to hand your error-ridden brief to the printer. As the last copy is velobounded, you make the catastrophic mistake of glancing at the cover only to discover that you misspelled your name. You breathe deep sighs of relief as you realize this can not possibly be a *Bluebook* error.

Then it is off to Spring Break, surprisingly you managed to get exactly ten errors, not eleven, just ten. Oral argument is next, and to your horror you discover you must be prepared to discuss your arguments. But, ask yourself, do you really want to win Best Oralist?

## DEAR BUDDY



Dear Buddy,

I'm a 2L coming up on the Summer after my second year. I still haven't got a Summer job lined up. What should I do?

Signed,  
Concerned 2L

Dear Concerned,

Don't worry, you've got the rest of your life. It's a little known fact that the classic surfer film *Endless Summer* was based on three Hastings 2Ls and their exploits at Ocean Beach the Summer after second year. There's still room in the video stores for *Endless Summer 25*.

Dear Buddy,

I'm a 3L coming up on graduation. I'm sick of law school, but at the same time I'm going to miss the lifestyle and I dread paying back my student loans. What should I do?

Signed,  
3L Staring Into the Face of Reality and I'm Not Comfortable With That

Dear 3L Staring,

Get a job teaching in a law school down in the Caribbean. You can continue a lifestyle with "that law school feel" and evade paying back your loans by a simple name change. You can find a book on how to change your name in the Hastings library.

# BEST OF HASTINGS

We asked you to tell us where the best places around Hastings are. After sorting through the numerous entries, we are pleased to announce (drumroll) the "Best of Hastings" winners.

## BEST PLACE

### 1. For a Nap or to kill time:

3 way tie for first:

- Lalitas, 198 3rd floor lounge, and the couches in the library

### 2. To get coffee in ten minutes or less:

- Wild Awakenings

*But, take note and beware, several surveys revealed students resort to coffee on the sky strategies. These included sipping from Professor Massey's Turquoise Thermos or from the cup of an inattentive student.*

### 3. To Study:

- Home

*Confirms that we are a commuter school.*

## SOCIAL SCENE

*Interestingly, several respondents kept this section blank. What, no social life? Maybe they are studying at home.*

### 1. Bar:

- Lalitas

*Do you think proximity has anything to do with it?*

### 2. Place to socialize:

- The Law Café

### 3. Club/ place to see and be seen:

*There was no clear winner but top choices include:*

- Boom Boom Room, Back flip and

Power Exchange

## FOODSTUFF

### Top two places

#### 1. Breakfast:

- Em's and Alistar Donuts

#### 2. Lunch:

- Lalitas and The Law Café

#### 3. Dinner:

- Lalitas and "nowhere in the Loin."

## AT SCHOOL

### 1. Top three Hastings sponsored activities:

- Beer On the Beach (by a landslide)
- Cabaret
- Dia De La Raza

*Honorable mention goes to the video produced by campus security*

### 2. Source of entertainment:

Tied for first:  
Watching locals on McAllister and watching first-year study groups in the Law Café

*Just call us, Voyageur Lawyers.*

### 3. Professors:

- Massey
- Lee
- Little

*Bonus pick - Don't feel left out Professors. The bonus pick included a vote for almost every professor at school.*

### 4. Non Professors:

- Sari Zimmerman tied with the "Jesus guy on the corner"

### 5. Bathrooms:

- Across from Career Services

*Criteria was location and ambiance.*

### 6. View

- Skyroom
- When it is open and the elevator works, and it's not foggy and...*

### 7. Kept Secret

- "2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> don't get easier"
- "The Law Cafe guy sets school policy"

### 8. Vending machines:

- 1M lounge (special secret rates)

### 9. Easy "A"

- LWR
- Negotiations
- BOB

## IN CLASS

### 1. Best way to avoid being on:

- Don't Go (Duh!)

*Following closely in second place annoyance method, i.e. volunteering way too much.*

### 2. Best way to be called on:

- Make eye contact with the professor. Yet another reason behind a laptop.

### 3. Start a relationship:

"Share a book"  
Pick up line "I like your outline."  
"Come to class naked"

*We'd like to find out how well the last one worked out.*

## OVERALL

Res ipsa Loquitor -  
San Francisco!  
Students love this city.

## LAW REVUE

On March 30<sup>th</sup>, a Hastings Tradition was brought back to life. In the past, the Law Revue took place every April Fool's Day, and was an extremely popular event.

Joan Podolsky, 3L, wishing to bring back Law Revue, employed the help of 3Ls Celeste Pace and John O'Connor, and enthusiastic 1L, Susan Moriarity.

Hundreds of students and even faculty and staff showed up to watch the show.

The highlights included Dean Martinez taking a surprise pie in the face as Professor Park discussed torts and Professor Wang's lifeline appearance on "Who Wants to be an Amjure (Millionaire) starring Phil Marshall as Regis.

Professors Marcus, Little, and Dodge gave a hilarious ad-libbed performance on a take-off of "The Dating Game." Until next year, guys!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Celebrate Commencement by running in Bay to Breakers.

Let's get a graduation group (friends, family and professors included) to start celebrating early on commencement day. Sunday May 21st, 8am - walk, run, stroll or drink your way from the financial district to Golden Gate Park in the City's oldest and most infamous race. Interested? Contact Tawni Olson [Olson@uchastings.edu](mailto:Olson@uchastings.edu)

*3L's!*



## FINALS!

Spring Break is over.

Time to crack open the books, fill your coffee cup and get studying.

Good luck.

## LET YOUR BLOOD FLOW

By Stephen Brundage, 3L.

Every two seconds, someone in America requires a transfusion of a blood product. Unfortunately, not everyone who needs a transfusion gets one. People die every day for lack of an adequate blood supply. Only five percent of the eligible donors in America give.

Minority populations are disproportionately affected. Many ethnic groups have special blood properties that require specific types of blood transfusions. For example, sickle cell anemia affects the African-American and Latino communities at a much higher rate. In America, there are over 70,000 children stricken with sickle cell anemia. Blood transfusions have been found to minimize the life threatening affects of sickle cell. Yet there's not enough blood to bring needed relief.

Who needs blood? The average organ transplant requires 25 units of blood and plasma, the average automobile accident patient requires 20 units of blood, and in order to combat the effects of chemotherapy, cancer patients require transfusions of platelets (a blood component). These are but a few of the ways blood is used. By giving blood, you can make a difference.

The process for giving blood is relatively painless. From signup to cookies and juice usually takes about an hour. Generally, the time that you're bleeding takes 10 minutes. Concerned about safety? There has never been a reported case of infection through blood donation. There have been rare problems with blood recipients getting infected, but never a blood donor.

Worried about the needle? Don't look at it. Take it from a veteran blood giver and someone who hates needles with a passion - avert your eyes! Tell the nurse that you are scared to death and they will do what they can to make it easier on you.

Take an hour out of your day (donors can give every 8 weeks, or 6 times a year), go down to the blood bank, and give blood. An hour and a needle prick are a pretty small price to pay.

## Hastings Law News

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From Dialogue Comes Truth



Fans at the the Trivia Bowl

## TRIVIA BOWL

On March 8, the 15th Annual Trivia Bowl was (once again) won by the students. The team consisted of Nicole Schilder, Mijin Cha, Vince Carter and Colin Gallagher.

The faculty team of Dean Leo Martinez and Professors Ash Bhagwat, Radhika Rao and Cheryl Hanna eroded the students' lead during the second half of the hour-long contest. Yet, the students managed to pull out ahead. Special mention must be made of Professor Hanna, who astounded all with her broad knowledge of entertainment law (television).

Professor Joel Paul and Eric Spiegelman peppered the panels with questions about Hastings trivia, San Francisco, and famous torts.

One of the questions which stumped faculty and students alike was, "During what hours is the Skyroom open?"

Better luck to the faculty next year.



LAW NEWS

Last issue for the semester

SUBMISSIONS DUE ON  
MONDAY, APRIL 24th

# Summer 1999 Bar Exam Pass Rate (First-Time Takers)

Hastings Pass Rate: (318 of 401 Passed)	<b>79%</b>
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Hastings Students Supplementing With PMBR: (227 of 245 Passed)	<b>93%</b>
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Hastings Students NOT Taking PMBR: (91 of 156 Passed)	<b>58%</b>
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