

Fraternidad Juridicia Internacional Phi Alpha Delta

December 1995

350 PADs Attend 50th Convention in Houston

The 50th Biennial Convention of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International was held August 2-7, 1994 at the Del Lago Resort and Conference Center in Houston, Texas. Over 350 PADs gathered to chart the Fraternity's future.

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Tuesday evening's Stanley H. Kohn Memorial Reception brought together all the Convention delegates, family, and friends. By the time the gavel sounded at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday morning, many new friendships had already begun to take shape, and many long-time fraternal bonds had been rekindled.

Presiding over the traditional pageantry of the Opening Session was outgoing International Justice Norman M. Owen. PAD Brother and Judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri, Edward D.

Board Adopts Incentive Plan for Miami Convention

The 51st Biennial Convention will be held August 6-11, 1996 in Miami.

To encourage strong attendance, the International Executive Board has approved an incentive program open to all law school chapters. The focus of this plan is a strong Spring Rush, combined with timely reporting of initiations.

Qualifying chapters will receive a **second paid delegate** on the same basis as the chapter's first paid delegate.

Under the incentive program, any law school chapter that initiates one

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(Chip) Robertson, Jr. gave the keynote address. His remarks on lawyering and professionalism were enthusiastically received.

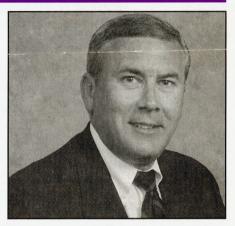
On Wednesday afternoon, delegates enjoyed a variety of Chapter Workshops designed around the theme, "How to Develop an Effective Chapter".

The scheduled Wednesday evening social event was a Team Building Competition and Western Bar-B-Que to be held on the beach of Lake Conroe. Unfortunately, the weather was less than cooperative, and moments after the events began, there was a Texas-size deluge replete with thunder, lightning, and golf ball-size raindrops.

Hundreds of PADs found themselves drenched and running for cover. However, in grand PAD style, a few brave members persevered with the beach volleyball event. To the uninitiated, it may have looked like a wet t-shirt contest gone awry, but to the participants it was great fun.

Thursday morning began with more Workshops, followed by a Model Initiation and a General Sessions Ceremony to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of PAD's International Expansion.

That afternoon, the Convention Committees were convened. Each delegate was assigned to a committee where the Convention's important topics were discussed. Committees made recommendations as to courses of action the Fraternity should pursue, and those recommen*See Convention, Page 7*



PEARSON ELECTED I.J.

A nine-member International Executive Board was elected and installed at the conclusion of the 50th Biennial Convention. Fredric H. "Rick" Pearson (Chase Chapter) was elected International Justice by unanimous ballot.

Brother Pearson is a Principal in the firm of Pearson & Shapiro where he specializes in civil litigation.

Born in 1946 in Elizabeth, New Jersey Rick completed his undergraduate work at colleges in North Carolina and Kentucky. After serving two years as a college admissions director he began law school at the University of Cincinnati where he served as Chase Chapter Reactivation Justice, District X Conclave Justice, Law School Senate President, law school delegate to the University's Financial Advisory Board, Managing Editor of the Ohio State Bar Association Labor Law Newsletter, and Honor Council member.

Pearson attended his first Convention in 1972. It was there that Phi Delta Delta merged into PAD, and 5,000 leading women judges and attorneys became PAD members.

After graduation, Rick returned to New See Pearson, Page 4

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THE INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

"WHAT DO YOU THINK OF P.A.D.?"

Each year as we travel to District Conferences the members of your IEB give a "State of The Fraternity" address. I have often pondered whether this should refer to fiscal health, new member recruitment, LRE programs, or some other quantifiable yardstick. After all, PAD is preeminent among all the law fraternities in all of the foregoing, and many other areas as well.

Yet even as we set and reach new goals, there is always a challenge to be found.

Recently, while at my local courthouse, another attorney told a not so oft heard tale: she and her new associate were on the way home from a bar association awards dinner. The young associate commented on how impressed he was with the accomplishments of those who had been recognized. The partner replied that while the awards and applause were well deserved, it was a shame that the ceremony did nothing to counter the negative image of lawyers, since it was merely "preaching to the already converted".

The next morning the associate, while getting a newspaper, asked the convenience store owner what he thought of lawyers. The immediate response was, "I think lawyers are great! How else could a guy like me buy a store and have my rights and interests protected if I didn't have a lawyer?"

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THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I became Executive Director in January 1995, I faced a number of challenging issues. Some difficult decisions and sacrifices had to be made. One was whether to publish The Reporter or

maintain a high level of service to the chapters.

Over the past year, PAD faced and overcame major staffing changes, a number of fiscal concerns, and the steep learning curve of a new Executive Director. I have heard from many of you who missed The Reporter and I am pleased to tell you that I do not anticipate future delays in its publication.



I would also like to personally thank Executive Director Emeritus Fredrick J. Weitkamp and Brother John F. Weitkamp for making my transition as smooth as possible. Together Fred and John represent more than 70 years of PAD experience. They continue to be tremendously helpful to me as mentors, advisors, friends, and Brothers.

> Fraternally, Maree Wiggins Blackston Executive Director

PAD Members Admitted to United States Supreme Court



Ten Phi Alpha Delta members were admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States during PAD Day at the Supreme Court on June 5, 1995.

On June 5, 1995, ten members of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International were admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

The members were admitted to the Bar of the nation's highest court on the Motion of Brother Daniel R. Levinson, Chief of Staff to Congressman Bob Barr—a long-time PAD member from Georgia. Chief Justice William Rehnquist granted the Motion and welcomed the newly admitted PAD members to the Bar.

Following the admission ceremony, Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg met with her PAD Brothers and Sisters as well as their families and friends.

PAD Day Admittees to the Supreme Court were: Terri L. Cipponeri (Jackson Temple), Helene Terry Feder (Arthur Sammis), Thomas Cornelius McLurkin, Jr. (William Ford), Perman Glenn, III (Springfield Alumni), David Avram Benamy (Allard Lowenstein), Glen Philip Milgraum (Judah Touro), Alan C. Horowitz (George Read), Jack C. Hanna (C. Cotesworth Pinckney), Deborah Ann Hottel (C. Cotesworth Pinckney), and Elizabeth Antonette Rich (Samuel Houston).

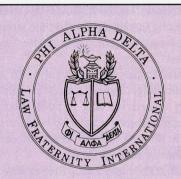
Later in the day, the Fraternity hosted a luncheon at the United States Capitol Building sponsored by PAD Brother, Congressman Frank R. Wolf of Virginia. International Vice-Justice Clifford Schechter congratulated the members on their admission to the U.S. Supreme Court. Special guest at the luncheon was Mr. Harvey Rishikof, Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who spoke about the workings of the Supreme Court. PAD was also honored to have at the luncheon former Supreme Court Clerk Joseph Spaniol.

Following the luncheon, Mr. Rishikof was honorarily initiated into PAD. Representing the International Executive Board were Vice-Justice Schechter and International Secretary Curtis Anderson.

Brother Eli W. Bizic, Chairman of PAD Day at the Supreme Court and a member of the National Capital Area Alumni Chapter, directed the day's activities along with Brother Scott P. Crampton, who served as Vice-Chairman of the event. Assisting with the program was Past Supreme Justice Bob Redding who gave the invocation and distributed Supreme Court memorabilia to the new admittees. Also participating was Brother Jack Hanna of the PAD Public Service Center in Washington, D.C. who took the opportunity to highlight and report on PAD's activities in Law-Related Education.

PAD Day at the U.S. Supreme Court is a Fraternity tradition begun in 1967 during the tenure of Brother Tom C. Clark, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. While serving as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Brother Clark simultaneously served PAD as Supreme Vice-Justice.

Brother Bizic is dedicated to preserving our proud Fraternity heritage, and for the past several years, he has graciously served as the Chairman of this event. Brother Bizic has once again generously agreed to serve as the 1996 Chairman of PAD Day at the Supreme Court. Next year's PAD Day at the Supreme Court will be held Monday June 3, 1996.



If you are a PAD Alumnus who has been admitted to practice for over three years, you may be eligible for admission to the U.S. Supreme Court at the 29th Annual PAD Day at the Supreme Court on Monday June 3, 1996.

For an Application to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and other information about PAD Day at the Supreme Court activities, please contact the Phi Alpha Delta Executive Office at:

P.O. Box 3217 Granada Hills, CA 91394 (818) 360-1941 or via the internet at: PADOffice@aol.com

The Application Deadline for the 1996 PAD DAY at the Supreme Court is April 2, 1996.

LAST PAST SUPREME JUSTICE RETIRES IN TEXAS

On June 1, 1995 the Past Supreme Justice, C. Raymond Judice retired as the first and only Administrator of the Texas Judicial System.

Upon the announcement of Judice's Retirement, Chief Justice Phillips of the Texas Supreme Court said of Brother Judice, "The judiciary and the citizens of Texas are fortunate to have had the exceptional services of this dedicated and visionary public servant. He has laid the groundwork for moving our courts into the Twenty-First Century."

Chief Justice Phillips went on to say, "while Judge Judice's services will be sorely missed, we hope to build upon his accomplishments to provide broader service to the judiciary and to the citizens of the State of Texas in the future."

Within Phi Alpha Delta, Brother Ray Judice is a legend. As a law student at the South Texas College of Law in Houston, Judice led a group of law students who petitioned the then Supreme Executive Board of Phi Alpha Delta to charter the Samuel Houston Chapter. Upon chartering of the Houston Chapter in 1959, Brother Judice was sworn in as the Chapter's First Justice. Now, thirty-five years later, Brother Judice is leading another group of law students in chartering a PAD Chapter at the recently ABA-accredited Texas Wesleyan University School of Law near Dallas.

For the many PAD members who have met Brother Judice over the years, he has served as a tremendous example of the Fraternity's commitment to professional service. Early in his career while serving as a Houston Municipal Judge, later as a Harris County Court of Domestic Relations Judge, and throughout his tenure as State Court Administrator, Brother Judice's deep commitment to PAD remained a driving force. Brother Judice has never been too busy to answer a call from a PAD Chapter in need of assistance or from a law student seeking advice.

Brother Judice is noted for authoring the Fraternity's *Phi Alpha Delta: A History*. He poured years of research into this project, and even now Brother Judice remains one of the Fraternity's foremost experts on PAD history, traditions, and customs.



Always an expert at PAD ritual, Brother C. Raymond Judice speaks during the Model Initiation Ceremony held at the 1994 International Convention.

Brother Judice also helped to author the Fraternity's Ritual which has been called "one of the most beautiful recitations of legal ethics ever written". In addition, he commissioned and designed some of Phi Alpha Delta's exquisite memorabilia, including the hand-carved Seal of the Fraternity and the Phi Alpha Delta Gavel, both of which are on display in the International Executive Office and at all Biennial Conventions.

Brother Judice has served the Fraternity in a number of elected positions on the Phi Alpha Delta Supreme Executive Board. In 1974, he was elected to the Fraternity's highest office—Supreme Justice of Phi Alpha Delta. Brother Judice completed his two-year term at the 1976 Convention. It was at this Convention that the delegates voted to change the name of Phi Alpha Delta to commemorate the Fraternity's expansion beyond the boundaries of the United States. Phi Alpha Delta became Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International, and the Supreme Executive Board was renamed the International Executive Board. At that Convention, Brother Don Hutson was elected the first International Justice of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International, and from that day forward, Brother Ray Judice affectionately became known as The Last Past Supreme Justice of Phi Alpha Delta.



PEARSON

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Jersey and worked as a legal consultant for Educational Testing. In 1975, he began a three-year term as a Federal Hearing Examiner with the Civil Service Commission in New York.

Also in 1975, Pearson was appointed District XV Justice. He was elected Associate Tribune in 1978. This same year he entered private practice, and by 1982, Pearson had established an all-PAD law firm in Union, New Jersey.

Rick was elected to the International Executive Board as International Marshal in 1980. He has also served as Historian, Treasurer, Secretary, Advocate, Second Vice-Justice, and Vice-Justice.

Since 1990, Rick has been a Commissioner on the Elizabeth, New Jersey Board of Zoning Adjustment. Throughout 1994 he served as that Board's Chairman.

Rick is married to Sunnie Pearson who is Assistant to the General Manager of an International Shipping Company.

INCENTIVE

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member more than their best individual spring initiation total, or initiates 25 law student members during the same period of time (whichever is greater) will receive reimbursement for a second delegate.

Chapters may also qualify by initiating 100 student members during the 1995-1996 academic year, irregardless of the size of their spring initiations.

Only new law student members will be calculated in the computation of the chapter's initiation goals for purposes of this incentive program. Faculty, Honorary, and Alumni members will not be counted.

Each chapter's goal will be based on their spring initiation records over the past ten years as determined by the International Executive Office.

Note: A chapter will not qualify unless initiations are properly reported to the Executive Office within ten days of initiation. In the event of a pending problem where the error is made in good faith, the problem must be rectified by the chapter within fifteen days of Executive Office notification to the chapter of the problem.

International Board and Tribune Election Results

International Vice-Justice Clifford Schechter

Wormser - Fordham University

Cliff is President of Royal Financial Services in San Diego and hosts a weekly radio talk show. He and his wife Niely live in suburban San Diego with their three children.

International Advocate Joseph E. Deems

Sammis - Southwestern University

Joe is a senior partner in a Los Angeles firm where he specializes in business and entertainment law. He and his wife Sharon have two children and live in suburban Los Angeles.

International Secretary Curtis M. Anderson

Ross - University of Southern California

Curtis is the Director of Management and Finance for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. He and his wife Margaret Cumminsky have a newborn son.

International Treasurer Shelley A. Weinstein

McCormick - University of San Diego

Shelley operates her own firm in Los Angeles where she specializes in defending worker's compensation claims. She also resides in Los Angeles.

International Board Member-at-Large Luis A. Armstrong-Cortada

deDiego - Catholic University of Puerto Rico

Luis is in private practice with the firm of Matta y Matta where he specializes in torts, contract, and insurance law. He and his wife Elsa Montes have four children and live in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

International Board Member-at-Large J. Derek Hill

Hull - Cumberland School of Law at Samford University

Derek is the Director of the Narcotics

Strike Force for the U.S. Virgin Islands. He and his wife Rhonda (who is also a PAD) recently moved from Denver to St. Croix.

International Board Member-at-Large Ronald J. Winter

Alden - S.U.N.Y. Buffalo

Ron has spent twelve years in public service as an Assistant District Attorney for Niagra County, New York. He, his wife Joan, and daughter Rachel live in Lockport, New York.

International Board Member-at-Large Alan S. Zelkowitz

Champ Clark - Washington University

Alan is in private practice with the Chicago firm of Haskell & Perrin where he specializes in complex toxic tort defense and insurance coverage claims. Alan lives in his native Chicago.

International Chief Tribune Hector Mendez-Loucil

deDiego - Catholic University of Puerto Rico

Hector is in private practice where he focuses on civil litigation, torts, and bankruptcy. Hector and his wife Raquel live in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

International Associate Tribune Deborah Ann Hottel

Pinckney - University of South Carolina

Debbie is a Partner in the McNair Law Firm in Columbia, South Carolina where she practices environmental, legislative and administrative law. Debbie and her husband, Donald make their home in Columbia, South Carolina.

International Associate Tribune Robert L. Schimmel

Rasco - University of Miami

Bob practices commercial, corporate, and real estate law with Hessen, Schimmel, & DeCastro in Miami. Brother Schimmel and his wife Geri live with their son in Coconut Grove, Florida.

Anderson is New I.F.R.



Ed Anderson

Ed Anderson, has been appointed International Field Representative, succeeding Carol Duncan who recently became Pre-Law Director.

Ed was born and raised in San Jose, California. He graduated from UCLA with a B.A. in Political Science in 1990.

Following graduation, Ed worked for the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Lawyer Referral and Information Service. Ed also helped coordinate the first CLE seminars offered by the L.A. County Bar.

In 1992, Ed began his law school career at DePaul University where he was initiated into the Joseph Story Chapter on September 20, 1992. Ed worked on a number of Chapter committees during his first year and was elected Marshal his second.

Ed served as Story Chapter Justice during his third year and was named co-winner of the Alex A. Hotchkiss Outstanding Justice Award.

Throughout law school, Ed worked for the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in their Federal Litigation and Narcotics Prosecution Divisions. During his thirdyear, Ed prosecuted felony narcotics and weapons cases for the State of Illinois.

After graduation, Ed returned to San Jose where he prepared for the California Bar Exam. Ed began his term in August, 1995 when he attended the International Executive Board Meeting in Orlando, Florida.

Ed passed the California Bar examination and was admitted to practice December 13, 1995. He plans to complete his term as I.F.R., then return to work as a Deputy District Attorney in either the San Francisco Bay Area or Southern California.

PAD District Justice Profiles

District I Justice James Freeman

Jim attended William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri and received his J.D. from California Western School of Law where he joined Beaumont Chapter. Jim also served as Executive Secretary (International Field Representative) from 1974-1978.

District III Justice Eleonora Barson

"Nora" Barson received her J.D. from the University of Oklahoma where she joined Harlan Chapter. She served as International Field Representative from 1984-1986

Nora practices with the firm of Gale & Vallance in Orange County, California.

District IV Justice Tamatha A. Blase

"Tammy" Blase attended the University of Missouri and graduated from the Washburn College of Law. Tammy joined Benson Chapter where she served as Chapter Justice.

Tammy practices in Denver where she specializes in Equine Law.

District V Justice Arnold Hirsch

Arnold graduated from Hofstra University and received his J.D. from the University of Toledo where he joined Coke Chapter. Arnold served as Chapter Marshal and on Coke Chapter's Recruitment Committee.

Arnold lives and practices near Phoenix.

District VI Justice Gary Smolen

Gary attended the University of Iowa and received his J.D. from the University of Nebraska. He joined Reese Chapter where he was Treasurer. Gary was also Executive Editor of the Law Review.

Gary specializes in Litigation, Corporate, and Family Law. He and his wife Michelle live in Omaha.

District VII Justice Karen Massey

Karen attended Loyola University of New Orleans and received her J.D. from the University of Missouri. She joined Lawson Chapter and served as Justice. Karen was named 1995 Outstanding D.J.

Karen works for the Missouri Dept. of Social Services. She and husband Dwight live in Jefferson City.

District VIII Justice Laura Kehler

Laura received her J.D. from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock where she joined Robinson Chapter. She served as Chapter Justice and was appointed District Justice after the 1994 Convention.

Laura is an assistant prosecutor and resides in Roland. Arkansas.

District IX Justice Jeff Barnett

Jeff received his J.D. from Drake University where he joined Cole Chapter. Jeff served as Cole Chapter Clerk and Justice and was primarily responsible for its revitalization.

Jeff and fiancee Helen live in Austin, where he has reactivated the Alumni Chapter.

District X Justice Kirsten Paulson

Kirsten attended Uppsala Universitet-Juridicum in Sweden and the University of Denver. She received her J.D. from the University of Colorado where she joined Gunter Chapter. Kirsten served as Clerk and was recognized as outstanding Chapter member.

Kirsten resides in New Brighton, Minnesota.

District XI Justice John Kenney, Jr.

John graduated from Kenyon College and received his J.D. from the John Marshall School of Law where he joined Lincoln Chapter. John served as Justice and 1992 Convention delegate.

John resides in suburban Chicago and practices with the firm of Bernard T. Martin.

District XII Justice Laura Wholihan

Laura (Watts) Wholihan received her J.D. from the University of Detroit where she joined Murphy Chapter and served as Justice. Laura was named District XII Justice shortly after the 1994 Convention.

Laura and her new husband Jerry live in Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

District XIII Justice James Erwin

Jim received his J.D. from DePaul University. He joined Story Chapter where he was Treasurer and Alumni Advisor. Jim is also the Chicago Alumni Chapter Treasurer.

Jim works and resides in Chicago.

District XIV Justice Kurt Young

Kurt received his J.D. from Case Western University. Kurt joined Hay Chapter and served as Chapter Justice. Kurt was also active in the Cleveland Alumni Chapter before relocating to Toledo.

Kurt is an associate with Dorothy B. McCrory & Associates in Toledo.

District XV Justice Bruce Phillips

Bruce received his J.D. from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville where he joined Garland Chapter. Bruce served as Chapter Justice prior to graduation.

Bruce is an entertainment attorney with the firm of Jack, Lyon, & Jones on Nashville's Music Row.

District XVI Justice Roland Dartez

Roland graduated from Louisiana Tech with degrees in Agriculture Business and Education. He received his J.D. from the Southern Law Center where he joined Tureaud Chapter and served as Justice and Vice-Justice

Roland is an Assistant Attorney General in Baton Rouge.

District XVII Justice Deborah C. Craytor

"Brandie" Craytor began her law career at Georgetown where she joined Taft Chapter. She transferred to Emory University and Keener Chapter where she was instrumental in initiating President Jimmy Carter. Brandie is also an Order of the Coif member.

Brandie and husband Jay live outside Atlanta with their children.

District XVIII Justice Alan M. Spinner

Alan joined MacLean Chapter at the New England School of Law where he was twice elected Justice.

Alan is a clinical pharmacist and operates a medical-legal consultation practice. He and his family live in Manchester.

District XIX Justice William Trezevant

Bill graduated from Fordham University and received his J.D. from S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo. Bill was initiated into the Alden Chapter where he served as Justice. Bill also received the Alden Chapter Outstanding Service Award.

Bill is a labor law specialist in Buffalo, New York.

District XX Justice Allison Murchison

Allison graduated from the Bridgeport School of Law at Quinnipac College where she joined the William O. Douglas Chapter. During her term as Clerk, she received the Frank E. Gray Award for Outstanding Chapter Clerk.

Allison lives in Easton, Connecticut.

District XXI Justice Stephen Savva

Steve is in his final year at Fordham University School of Law. He joined Wormser Chapter where he served as Justice. Steve also attended the 1994 Convention where he served on the Nominations Committee.

Steve currently resides in New York City.

District XXII Justice Jeffrey L. Klein

Jeff is the former Vice-Justice of the New York City Alumni Chapter. He graduated from the Widener University School of Law in 1989 where he served as Read Chapter Justice.

Jeff is an attorney and agent with MetLife in Moorestown, New Jersey. He resides in nearby Marlton.

District XXIII Justice Alexander Francuzenko

Alex Francuzenko graduated from Towson State University and received his J.D. from the University of Richmond. He joined Henry Chapter, serving as Justice and Vice-Justice.

Alex is admitted to practice in Maryland and Virginia and currently resides in Rockville, Maryland.

District XXIV Justice Harry Carleton

Harry joined Cardozo Chapter at the Catholic University of America where he served two terms as Marshal. He also served as the National Capital Area Alumni Treasurer and Cardozo's Alumni Advisor.

Harry practices with the firm of Cotter, Fiscella, & McConnelli in Fairfax, Virginia.

District XXVI Justice Charles M. Eiss

"Chuck" Eiss graduated from the University of Virginia and received his J.D. from the University of Miami. Chuck joined Rasco Chapter and laid the foundation for four Outstanding Chapter awards.

Chuck was an Assistant State's Attorney before joining the firm of Glantz & Glantz. He lives in South Florida with his wife Ellen and family.

District XXVII Justice James McLaughlin-Torres

James graduated from the University of Florida and received his J.D. from the University of Puerto Rico. James joined Ramos Chapter where he was Justice and Vice-Justice. He was also Justice of the San Juan Alumni Chapter before his appointment as District Justice.

James lives in Trujillo Alto with his wife Yovani and family.

District XXVIII Justice Javier Navarro-Velasco

Javier Navarro-Velasco attended Regiomontana University in Monterrey, Mexico where he joined Vallarta Chapter. Javier has Masters Degrees in Labor Law and Industrial Relationship.

Javier currently works in the Monterrey office of Baker & McKenzie and lives in San Pedro Garza Garcia with his wife and family.

Convention

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dations were often hotly debated on the Convention floor.

The following committees convened at the 1994 Convention: Audit & Finance, Constitution & By-Laws, Credentials, Pre-Law, Professional Responsibility & Ethics, Publications, Membership Recruitment, Resolutions & Rules, International Expansion, Public Relations, Alumni, and the 2002 Committee.

By Thursday evening, the delegates were ready for the Mexican Fiesta and Karaoke Sing-a-Long which followed.

Friday morning started with the traditional District Breakfast where each District selected its delegate to the Nominations Committee.

Immediately following the District Breakfast, the 28 delegates and Brother Larry Crigler, who was chosen Nominations Committee Chair, were sequestered to decide whom to recommend to serve on the International Board and Tribunal over the next Biennium.

While the Nominations Committee deliberated, the other delegates were debating and voting on recommendations and motions tendered in the presentation of each Committee Report.

Those delegates not already familiar with Parliamentary Procedure and Roberts Rules of Order got a crash course as a number of important Fraternity issues were hotly debated and decided. Delegates lined the aisles to get to mi-

crophones to be heard on the various issues affecting the Fraternity.

Various official social functions were sponsored each evening, but the 50th Biennial Convention marked the real advent of some elaborate "unofficial" theme parties. Some evenings had two or three unofficial functions. Among the more interesting theme parties were: the Elvis Party, where in fact Elvis was sighted with Priscilla; the Cucaracha (Flaming Cockroach) Party; and the Come-As-Your-Favorite-John-Belushi-Character Party where there were an abundance of toga-wearers. We also enjoyed an evening of Cajun-style Mardi Gras entertainment with masks, beads, and Blues Brothers leftover from the night before.

Of course, the unofficial, ever-popular PAD Purple Punch Party where punch recipes and tips on how not to eat the lining out of an aluminum garbage can are biennially exchanged was a great success.

General Session resumed Saturday morning with the conclusion of the Committee reports, more discussion, more debating, and more voting.

Saturday culminated with the election of International Officers. Nominating speeches were given and voting began.

Following the election, delegates, family, and friends gathered for the International Awards Banquet and Installation of new Officers. Rounding out the evening was a dance where new friends and old friends began to say their good-byes, perhaps until the 51st Biennial Convention.



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McKellar Chapter Reactivated



Lance Owen receives a plaque recognizing his efforts in reactivating the Kenneth McKellar Chapter. L to R: Justice Mike Adams, Judge Richard McCully, Lance Owen, Vice-Justice Cara Loeffler, Marshal Shannon Holland, Treasurer Brett Ridoux, and Vice-Justice Jamie Raley.

Before an antique bench once presided over by President Andrew Jackson when he was a member of the Tennessee Supreme Court, the Kenneth Douglas McKellar Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta at the University of Memphis School of Law was reactivated on April 7, 1995,

Officiating at the Reactivation Ceremony was Judge Richard P. McCully, a former PAD Executive Secretary. During the Ceremony, sixteen new members were initiated into PAD. Installed as the new officers of McKellar Chapter were: Justice Mike Adams, Vice-Justices Cara Loeffler and Jamie Raley, Clerk Christie Rutledge, Treasurer Brett Ridoux, and Marshal Shannon Holland.

On behalf of the International Executive Board, Brother McCully presented senior law student Lance Owen with a special plaque commending him for his efforts in reactivating the chapter. Although within a few weeks of his own graduation, Brother Owen worked tirelessly to make the McKellar Chapter's reactivation a reality.

The Reactivation was very special to Brother McCully. He was the Charter Justice when McKellar Chapter was originally installed on May 28, 1966. Brother McCully is now a Federal Administrative Law Judge in Georgia and has served PAD in a great many capacities for almost thirty years.

Electronic Communication Initiative Leads PAD into The 21st Century

The internet has taken the world by storm, and once again, PAD is on the cutting edge. The Electronic Communication Initiative (ECI) is a three-pronged approach to internet access which will allow PADs to maintain closer contact and receive more information than ever before.

The first is the establishment of e-mail accounts for the Executive Office. Addresses for the Executive Director, Pre-Law Director and International Field Representative are up and running. Each account receives some 30-plus items per day. Members can now submit paperwork and request information without the cost and burden of paper mail.

The second prong involves an electronic list server established by Brother Robert DeLorenzi. The PAD-LAW list allows PADs to send and receive information concerning programming ideas, employment opportunities, and legal topics, just to name a few. A subscriber sends one message to the list and that message is distributed to all subscribers on the list. Those reading the message may respond to the

list or directly to the sender.

Any PAD with e-mail may subscribe to the PAD-LAW list by sending a message to listproc@gmu.edu. The body of the message should read: "SUBSCRIBE PAD-LAW Your Name". Of course, "Your Name" should be your real name. The subject line should be left blank and any signature lines should be deleted.

The third prong of ECI involves a PAD site on the World Wide Web.

Brother B.J. Maley of the Chicago Alumni Chapter is constructing the site. To view it, point your web browser to: www.mcs.net/~bjmaley/homepage.htm. The completed page will debut at www.pad.org.

Hands on, interactive ECI instruction will be featured at the 1996 Convention.

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PRE-LAW NEWS

The Pre-Law Program has undergone many changes in 1995. Carol M. Duncan, former IFR, became the new Pre-Law Director in August. Perhaps the most heartfelt change occurred in February, when Pre-Law Secretary Kay Perks left PAD and relocated to Missouri. She is greatly missed by both the Executive Office and the Chapters.

On behalf of the Int'l Executive Board and all of PAD, we extend a warm fraternal welcome to the following new Chapters: U. of Kansas, E. Texas State U., U. of N. Carolina, Sam Houston St. Robert A. Gammage, Bradley U., LaSalle U., Pacific Lutheran U., Sweet Briar College, FSU, Stephens College, Seattle U., Mt. Saint Mary's College, U. of S. Dakota (reactivated), and U. of Utah.

Congratulations to the new Pre-Law Advisory Council. PLAC members are: Marci L. Bolter, Chair; Ronald J. Winter; Dr. Charles Fleener; Teresa White; and Robert de Lorenzi. Thank you for all of your hard work!

Working together, Pre-Law will see many exciting innovations in 1996! Your vision, as a student, is very important to us, and we encourage your ideas in the Executive Office.

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The point is there are many who appreciate what lawyers, and PAD does. The problem is these things don't make head-lines.

Here is where the challenge lies. PAD's 150,000 members do much to positively influence many lives - from the students we reach through LRE to those whom we represent. The worth of PAD is in the worth of its members, and I plan to work hard to convey this message. I ask that you give your commitment to not only continue building the character of our profession, but to let the public know that PAD is at the forefront of the effort to improve not only the skills of our members, but our character and ethics as well.

Fraternally, Frederic H. Pearson International Justice

With Sincere Thanks

The International Executive Board and The International Executive Office Staff would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Executive Director Emeritus Frederick J. Weitkamp and Special Projects Consultant John Weitkamp for their tremendous assistance before the appointment of a new Executive Director.

Fred and John Weitkamp have a busy law practice in Granada Hills, California, but when called upon to serve the Fraternity, both made incredible sacrifices of time away from their families and their law practice in order to assure the sound management of the International Executive Office during the critical four month period when PAD was without an Executive Director.

Indeed, the entire membership of Phi Alpha Delta owes our Brothers Fred and John Weitkamp a debt of gratitude for their selfless dedication and commitment to our Fraternity. Their insight and guidance has set the stage for a new era in PAD history.