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UB Law Forum
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P lans are well underway for the celebration of the 100th anniversary in 1987 of the founding of the Law School. Edwin F. Jaecle '15, senior partner in the Buffalo firm of Jaecle, Fleischmann & Mugel and one of the School's oldest living alumni, has graciously agreed to serve as honorary chairman.

Margaret Lillis-Snajczuk '84, a law clerk to Judge Beryl E. McGuire '58, is the chairman of the Steering Committee which is responsible for coordinating the year-long centennial observance.

Catherine Wettlauffer '85, co-chairman with Linda Nenni '83 of the Events Planning Committee, reports that the schedule of events will correspond with the academic calendar of the Law School's first year in 1887. The celebration will commence in the fall of 1987 with an Alumni Week-End highlighted by a major lecture and a gala dinner dance. The centennial theme will then be carried forward to the Alumni Convocation, to be held in March of 1988 and the Annual Alumni Dinner in May.

The Steering Committee has also established a History Committee chaired by the Hon. Thomas P. Flaherty '50, which is responsible for compiling and publishing a history of the Law School. Through donations from law firms, the History Committee hopes to distribute complimentary copies to all alumni.

Robert C. Schaus '53, and James R. Arnone '85 are especially enthusiastic about the project and have agreed to write the history with the assistance of Ann F. Whitcher, a professional writer on the university's staff whose father, Frank R. Whitcher '49 and brother Michael Whitcher '85 are both alumni. The committee is fortunate to also have as one of its members Gilbert J. Pedersen '33, author of The Buffalo Law School: 1887-1962, published on the occasion of the Law School's 75th anniversary.

As a preview of the upcoming centennial celebration, the Law Alumni Association, the Steering Committee and the Erie County Bar Association, (which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year) worked together to produce an attractive centennial exhibit. Photos, newsclippings and other material from university archives are mounted on acrylic panels to graphically depict the history of the Law School and the many contributions attorneys have made to the Buffalo area during the past century.

We are grateful for donations from the Margaret L. Wendt Foundation, the Erie County Bar Foundation, the UB Law School's Cottage School, the UB Cottage School: 1887-1962, and the Western New York Trial Lawyers Association that made it possible to hire Design for Industry, a professional display firm, to construct an exhibit of museum quality.

This display was formally unveiled at a cocktail reception in the Erie County Surrogate's Court Foyer on September 11, in time for viewing by those attending the General Meeting of the New York State Bar Association which was held in Buffalo. The exhibit will also travel to various public locations around the Buffalo area.

STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE LAW SCHOOL'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Edwin F. Jaecle '15, Honorary Chairman
Margaret Lillis-Snajczuk '84, Chairman

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Our beautiful centennial display features 10 illustrated panels filled with photos and historical information.