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Greater New York Chapter Forms

Joseph G. Makowski, president of the UB Law Alumni Association, announces that the Greater New York City Chapter of the UB Law Alumni Association has been officially formed, complete with their own by-laws and board of directors. After Rochester, New York is the second regional chapter of the Law Alumni Association to become organized.

According to Neil E. Botwinoff, who served as acting chairperson of the steering committee that preceded the board of directors, the purpose of the new chapter is “to sponsor events in the New York area, and to work with the Law Alumni Association in order to promote awareness of the Law School and help enhance its reputation in the New York metropolitan area.”

Approximately 1,000 UB Law School grads live in the greater New York vicinity, “so there is excellent potential for a strong chapter to develop,” said Alumni Director Ilene Fleischmann.

“Alan Carrel and I flew down to attend some of their steering committee meetings. We saw terrific enthusiasm and lots of comraderie and creative brain-storming. We expect great things to happen from this group.” Dues will continue to be paid to the Law Alumni Association, which helps to subsidize events for the chapters.

The New York group has already sponsored their opening event: a cocktail party held Thursday, September 22, 1988 at the Omni Park Central Hotel, Seventh Ave. at 56th St. According to Gina Peca, who made the arrangements for the affair, the party was scheduled the evening before the Law School’s New York City interview program September 23rd so that current law students as well as alumni could attend. Dean David B. Filvaroff, Associate Dean Alan S. Carrel and CDO Director Audrey Koscielnik were present.

At a meeting prior to the cocktail party, by-laws were approved by the general membership and the following individuals were elected to serve as directors: William C. Altreuter, Susan L. Beberfall, Leslie W. Berkovits, Markus I. Berkovits, Neil E. Botwinoff, Harold S. Boxer, Lori Cohen, Shelley Cohen, Bonnie B. Gould, Kenneth J. Landau, Mitchell J. Lustig, Gina S. Peca, Margaret A. Rabkin, Charles W. Stotter, and George R. Villegas.

At a meeting on October 27, 1988, officers were elected. They are: Neil E. Botwinoff, president; Gina S. Peca, vice president; Mitchell J. Lustig, secretary; and William C. Altreuter, treasurer.
Rochester Alumni
Hold Second Annual
Luncheon, Elect Officers

Rochester alumni held their annual Spring luncheon at Stouffer’s Rochester Plaza Hotel in April. Speakers included Dean David B. Filvaroff, who discussed current issues at the Law School, followed by Professor Philip Halpern, who gave a talk on legal ethics. (His remarks appear on page 21 of the Forum.) Catherine A. Maxwell was in charge of arrangements for the event, and Gary Muldoon served as master of ceremonies.

Chapter bylaws were adopted and new officers were elected for 1988-89. They are: Deborah A. Kirby, chairperson; Raymond C. Stilwell, vice chairperson; and Catherine A. Maxwell, secretary.

Washington, D.C.
Alumni Meet
at the Willard

The Willard Inter-Continental Hotel on Pennsylvania Avenue was the elegant setting when 80 Law School alumni/ae, spouses and friends gathered on April 26, 1988 to meet Dean David B. Filvaroff at a Centennial Alumni Reception.

After greeting former classmates, enjoying cocktails and munching on hors d’oeuvres, the group listened to a short talk by the dean, then participated in a lively question and answer session about what’s doing at the Law School.

The dean announced plans to organize a Washington chapter of the Alumni Association, and a list was compiled of those who would be willing to serve on a Steering Committee. Also in attendance from the Law School were Associate Dean Alan S. Carrel and Alumni Director Ilene Fleischmann.