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"The function of a free press is to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable."  
—H.L. Mencken

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# MISSIVES FROM GARCÍA

mis'sive (mis'iv), n. [F. See MISSION, n.] A letter.--adj. Specially sent or prepared to be sent.

So that's what I did. I specially prepared the information below for the O'Brian Hall press. I naturally tried for an eye-catcher title which would simultaneously identify the source and theoretically direct queries to it (me). I thought "A Message From Garcia" was a bit much so I went with "Missives from Garcia." However, a no-fault and eminently ironic lack of communication ensued. The eye-catcher turned into "Upcoming Events Announced" with no identification as to its source and an error in the date of the Honors Convocation WHICH WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 20.

The Opinion's business manager and I concluded that we would communicate these and future missives from Garcia if it kills us. Anyone interested in missive-making should keep this in mind.

The Second Annual Honors Convocation will be held on Tuesday, April 20 at 2:00 in the Moot Court Room. Students who have done outstanding work during their first or second years will receive positive reinforcement, some of which they can bank on.

TO: First Year Students

Those of you who could not make the organizational meeting of Orientation, Fall 1983- the class of 1985 still wants your One-L wisdom. Visit 311 O'Brian.

TO: Second Year Students

Helene Hamlin & Company are organizing for third-year activities leading up to and including Commencement 1983. Ideas and preliminary energy are needed-yes, already.

TO: Graduating Seniors

Photos for the Class of 1982 composite will be taken from April 12-15 in the jury room. Look for the portrait sitting schedule in the mailbox room and sign up if you are interested.

To allay concerns over Commencement, its location and whether tickets will be required for Aunt Tillie et al: it begins at 1:00 p.m., Sunday, May 23 in the Golden Ballroom of the Statler Hotel. After much investigation and deliberation, the Commencement Committee chose to avoid restricting invitees' and to gamble that we average four guests per graduate. (Not a longshot as national law school commencement attendance statistics go, you know.)

There will be invitations available- about which more when the bureaucracy's presses allow.

I will be delighted to entertain any other questions about Commencement so that the Committee may apply some of their bountiful energies to academic work as well as to making your final days at UB Law happy ones.

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APOLOGIA TO LORRAINE LEE for mistakenly crediting her article, "Admissions Committee Considers Diversity, Etc." to Lorraine Koury. Sorry.

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