Reproductive Rights Debate Returns

By L.C. RENBAUM

January 22, 1992 marked the 19th anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade that established a woman's Constitutional right to an abortion. This past week, the anti-abortion (or pro-life) organizations staged massive protests here in Washington to commemorate the controversial landmark decision. At the same time, the Supreme Court granted certiorari to review one of the nation's strictest abortion regulating laws. The Pennsylvania statute at issue provides some of the most overt barriers to the exercise of the right to an abortion, and it is interpreted by many that the future of Roe v. Wade hangs in the balance.

As part of two days of demonstrations, the pro-life group Operation Rescue attempted to shut down two Washington clinics where abortions are performed. To counter the group's efforts, pro-choice activists were on hand to help keep the clinics open, along with the metropolitan police. More than 100 people were arrested, while trying to block access to the clinics.

The Women's Legal Alliance helped organize and inform GULC students to participate in defending the clinics. Several GULC students have been participating in clinic defenses for a number of years, and were on hand at the Capitol Women's Center abortion clinic on Wednesday.

The demonstrations culminated on Wednesday with a march from the Mall to the Supreme Court and the Capitol, including large-colored balloons. Buildings. The D.C. police estimated that 70,000 people participated in the "March for Life," who were encouraged by President Bush in a telephone hook-up from the White House. Anti-abortion and pro-choice groups are looking forward to finding the Supreme Court's decision in the upcoming Pennsylvania case. At issue are such barriers as spousal notification, a 24 hour waiting period, state-mandated information counseling against abortions, and parental notification for minors. The ACLU and pro-choice groups feel that this case will help resolve the somewhat ambiguous positions taken by the Court. The Court will send down a bright line distinction regarding how far a state may go toward creating obstacles in the way of a constitutional right.

GULC professor Vicki Jackson was on ABC's "Nightline" program last week promoting the pro-choice positions. She declared that if the Supreme Court upholds the Pennsylvania statute, Roe v. Wade will not continue to stand in any substantive manner.

Anti-abortion groups see the Pennsylvania case as a chance for an increasingly conservative Court to find a way of rooting out Roe v. Wade and a woman's constitutional right to abortion. Yet, the Supreme Court, in granting certiorari, said that its focus would be limited to the specifics of the Pennsylvania obstacles, and seem to be refusing for now to overturn Roe. Some Supreme Court insiders believe that the Court is unwilling to allow itself to play too major a role in this year's presidential election, and they fear that overturning Roe this summer could have too much sway over voters.

Indeed, all the presidential candidates from both parties are now counting the abortion constituencies. George Bush participated in the "March for Life" rally, and Pat Buchanan declared his support for the anti-abortion position that evening, while campaigning in New Hampshire. The democratic candidates all support Roe v. Wade. Most notably, Governor Clinton and Senator Hart have been meeting with the National Organization for Women and they plan to include more pro-choice rhetoric in their campaigns.

Reproductive rights have always been a center of debate at Georgetown University. Although the Law Center is somewhat removed from the strictness of Catholic Church doctrine, the issues involved in abortion rights continue to generate some of the most heated debate in Constitutional Law classrooms. On the main campus, the abortion rights group GU Choice has faced a number of obstacles in getting recognition as an official student group. Since the process is controlled by deans who are well-schooled in Georgetown's canonical philosophies, GU Choice has been facing many of the same obstacles that Gay and Lesbian student groups faced over the last 10 years both at the main campus and GULC, a fight which ended in court. To this day, one cannot purchase any contraceptive devices through Georgetown University's hospital pharmacy, bookstores, or student services.

Reporter's Notebook: Clinic Defense

By CHRISTOPHER B. DOLAN

5:00 a.m., a cold dark January morning, I get up out of bed, get down on my knees, say my morning prayers, and head off to the "Mobi Cite" (mobilization cite) to take my stand on an issue that defines me from myself. I am a frontline volunteer in the battle for privacy. Some facts: I am male, white, from a struggling upper middle class family, highly educated, raised catholic, 28, single and concerned. I have awakened, metaphorically and literally, this day to publicly advocate my tenacious beliefs. I arrive at the "Mobi Cite" untrained in the tactics of defending politically insurgent. The "Mobi Cite" is in the lobby of an office building at 1000 16th street.

When I arrive at 6:30 over 100 other volunteers have collected. The unlikely group, mostly white, mostly young, comprised of men and women, gay and straight, have gathered to ensure women the right to choose access to safe and legal abortion. Some are veterans of other skirmishes, some like myself, have recently emerged from the relative ease and security of the silent majorities to publicly advocate our tenacious beliefs. I have marched before during Pro-Choice rallies, however, the relative anonymity and security guaranteed by masses of like-minded people was not to be mind this day. I meet my best friend in the lobby. It is partly because of her counsel, and our conversations that I have come down off the ideological fence to plant myself firmly on the fertile ground of commitment. Together we don our identification strips of colored bed sheets that will later distinguish us from the "ants" (the popular term for operation rescue participants), sign in and await further instruction. I am amazed at how organized this militia is. With some of the trappings of most institutions, a hierarchy is none the less evident. The leaders are equipped with high-tech group.

While new inductees like myself are summarily trained in defensive strategies, with an emphasis on non violent, peaceful, lawful resistance, the leadership is communicating with agents who have been staked out at the anti's hotel. Word comes that they are on the move. The woman with the phone calls for silence, hangs up her phone and asks for volunteers to head for 17th and J, the location of a local clinic near Dupont Circle. It seems that the "ants" are to the metro and headed that way. A group of 50 or so depart.

Another call, bodies are needed at Capitol Women's Center (CWC) at 22nd and Q. My friend and I volunteer to take up position there. Upon arrival at CWC, we begin to mill about. A person with a cellular phone arrives and we begin to plan the defense of this place. She emphasizes using the structure of the building, and the adjacent fence for support. We form ranks, I take my position.

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Thanks for the Gifts

The Gifts/Donation Committee of the 1991 Holiday Party would like to offer a late, but very sincere thanks to all who contributed to the giving campaign. Through the efforts of faculty, staff, and students, the following gifts were collected, delivered, and with great reception, received by the organizations so noted:

* 15 Stuffed Animals
* 15 Books
* 5 Christmas Cards
* 5 Gift Baskets

(C.F.L.S.)

* 40 toys, books, puzzles; 40 baby or maternity clothing items; and, 1 humungous stuffed bear went to St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home.

In addition, the surplus of toys (a total of 7 boxes) collected during the toy drive for the Family Literacy Program went to the toy drive at C.F.L.S. They were very beautifully displayed with hundreds of other toys on December 19, the shopping spree (for free) day for many families who otherwise would have gone without a holly, jolly Christmas.

To The Editor:

The following message is posted around campus: "On January 22, 1992, D.C. is being invaded by Anti-Choice Bigots trying to control women's lives by controlling their bodies! The reason I participated in the March for Life on January 22nd had nothing to do with bigotry. My justification for marching was as follows: Every day, over 4000 very small but clearly identifiable human persons are killed by surgical abortion. Abortion destroys a being who possesses the vital characteristics of personhood which merit legal protection. The being in utero has the capacity to know and to love, to exercise his or her freedom, just as you or I possess these abilities. Such capacities give human life precious value.

A possible response to this argument is that an unborn does not yet exercise his or her capacity to know and to love as we do, and hence, is not yet a person. But this response does not recognize that the capacity to know and to love is the dispositive fact of personhood. First of all, my adorable little sisters, Molly and Christine, now 8 and 13, were certainly persons even when they were screaming, irrational newborns. Related to this point is the fact we are all human even though for a great part of our lives we are unable to exercise our powers to reasons and love. We are still persons even when we are asleep, a state we are in for one third of our lives. (I don't think a law student is more human than an average person because the law student sleeps less). Furthermore, if we view ourselves into a cell which was projected to last for nine months, the law would certainly still protect us. Second of all, throughout our lives, we gradually develop our capacities to know and to love. Obviously, Georgetown Law Professor, while knowing the ins and outs of contract law, is not more human than the thoroughly confused first year taking his class.

But, of course, the humanity of the unborn is not an issue for many abortion-rights proponents. When you get right down to it, abortion is justified simply for the reason that it maximizes one's power to control one's life, regardless of who suffers because of one's choices. For example, the new "pro-choice" sticker going around campus reads as follows: "Abortion on demand and without apology." The message: Abortion - Whenever I want it, for whatever reasons I want it, regardless of the consequences. (maybe that will be the new sticker next year).

Another example: I attended Mass at the National Shrine on January 21 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. John Cardinal O'Connor gave the homily. He focused on the need to build a society which "puts families and children first." Suddenly, a loud voice interrupted him from the back of the Shrine. "Put the choice of women first!" Put the choice of women first ... "The message of the outrider seemed to be the following: No duties that I may have to my family or children can transgress my right to do as I please.

This ethic of unfeathered personal autonomy must be overcome. It ignores the duties we owe our children, our families, and our community. And most importantly, it ignores the fact that we become happy by sacrificing ourselves for others.

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New PILS Scholars for 1992

R. David Harden

Mr. Harden spent two years as a Peace Corps volunteer in Botswana, where he started a school in a remote village. Since then, he has worked with the International Rescue Committee to resettler Vietnamese families in the Washington area. He also worked for two years in Pakistan, helping with agricultural reconstruction and narcotics control projects.

Tracey L. Kitzman

At Marquette University, Ms. Kitzman was President of the South Africa Coalition. Before attending law school, Ms. Kitzman then spent two years as a Peace Corps volunteer in Cameroon. She taught English and helped four villages to build dams. At Georgetown, she has been a volunteer food server at Martha's Table.

Daniel Rosenberg

Mr. Rosenberg has served as an intern at Amnesty International, a research associate at the Democracy Project, and a research assistant at Food First, where he analyzed materials for a book on the social effects of economic policies in Chile under the Pinochet regime. At law school he has been serving as a member of the Board of the Georgetown chapter of the National Lawyers' Guild.

Grace Won

While at Harvard College, Ms. Won helped to design an international relations tutorial program for students at ten high schools in Cambridge. She also planned a ball that raised $15,000 for CityStep, an organization that teaches movement and dance to elementary school students. In addition, she has raised funds for the Names Project, which raises public awareness of AIDS.
The State of the Union

BY Scott Shuda and Larry Stratton

As President of the United States, George Bush has two fundamental responsibilities to the American people. First, he must secure the national defense against any aggressor. Second, he must maintain economic stability throughout the nation by promoting domestic policies that encourage industrial growth and entrepreneurial initiative.

Tomorrow, President Bush will give the annual State of the Union Address. In doing so, he will simultaneously outline the executive branch's plans for the coming year and launch the platform for his 1992 re-election campaign. Few outside his personal staff will give much attention to Mr. Bush's report on foreign policy successes and initiatives. All ears will be turned to hear the President's plans for dealing with the strained American economy. With his plummeting approval ratings tied directly to the faltering economy, tomorrow's speech had better be truly spectacular.

Yet, instead of bold leadership, we will likely hear a collection of ideas that embody a political insider's response to election year politics. President Bush's "growth package" will promise something to every major interest group, from defense contractors to the farm belt. The large business, passive loss allowances for real estate, tax credits for energy efficiency, a grab-bag of small tax subsidies for what the Wall Street Journal calls this year's "political icon," the middle class.

While Bush will use these proposals as evidence of an economic policy in this year's political debate, the proposals will do little to stimulate the American economy. The country does not need a return to the budget gimmickry of the 1970s; it needs a president who will fight for the return of government to the position of helper rather than constantly hindering American business. Proposals we would like the President to make in his State of the Union Address include the following:

- Meaningful across-the-board tax cuts
- Despite the lagging recession, elements within Congress continue to call for tax increases. The most recent example is the plan to grant a further extension of unemployment benefits financed through an increase in payroll taxes.
- This is madness, fueled on by Congress' insatiable desire to spend every more money. An economic recovery requires tax cuts, not another tax increase. Who gets their taxes cut first is irrelevant, but tax cuts should eventually extend to all Americans.
- Perhaps the most useful tax cut would be a reduction in the assessment on capital gains. Currently, only the U.S. and Australia tax capital gains at the same rate as ordinary income. Other nations - and most economists have long known that capital gains taxes discourage business investment by lowering the expected return. The proof is in the fact that even America followed this logic from 1921 to 1986. Only political gamesmanship in the form of "tax fairness" prevents a return to a more rational policy.

- Reduction in government spending
- Over the last three years, spending has increased by more than 10% a year. That is faster than spending increased under Jimmy Carter and even under Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty. Despite an increase in government revenue from $206 billion in 1988 to an expected $1.1 trillion this year, excessive spending produced a record 1991 deficit of over $300 billion dollars. It is predicted that this year's deficit will be even larger.
- The promotion of work rather than welfare
- It is time our government realized that it cannot eliminate poverty by indiscriminately throwing money at the problem. As Jack Kemp has pointed out, "If you subsidize something, you get more of it." Certainly, our compassion as a society should not be defined by the number of people receiving welfare, rather it should be defined by the percentage of people who do not require government assistance to survive.

Some twenty-eight states are currently reviewing their own welfare programs with an eye for eliminating those that create unemployability. Last year, Michigan removed able-bodied men from the general assistance rolls. Other states, including California, are reforming state administered Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs to end the existing incentives for welfare mothers to have more children and thereby receive more money.

- Reduced regulation of business
- Under the "Regulatory President" Bush, the federal bureaucracy has churned out new regulations at a terrifying rate. The effect of this increased regulation on business has been dramatic. After expanding seven per cent a year from 1982 to 1988, new-business formation dropped 5.1 per cent in 1989 and is virtually stagnant today. Investment in manufacturing that rose 12 to 16 percent in 1987 and 1988 has declined dramatically during each of the last two years.

These trends signal a death knell for American competitiveness in the world market. Anti-pollution costs alone have risen to 2.3 per cent of GNP. That is three times the burden faced by businesses in Western Europe and Japan. Is it any wonder that their products are cheaper despite comparable wage rates?

The President should not be spending his energy on dramatic foreign trips designed to open Asian markets to fair trade. He has enough to do battling excess taxation and regulation which together have strangled the American economy. Through its own economic policy mistakes, America has pulled itself down from the position of wealth and prosperity it once enjoyed. Only through the return of sound economic policy and the encouragement of business growth can America fight its way back. This should be the message and the agenda the President outlines in his State of the Union Address.

More Res Pendens

Georgetown Outreach Volunteer Day!
On Saturday February 8, G.O. will sponsor a community Volunteer Day. This is a perfect opportunity for all those who made a New Year's resolution to help others. G.O. will be sending volunteers to organizations in D.C. for activities such as afternoon visits with retired airmen and soldiers, a day of indoor painting and renovation, preparation and service of a meal at a local soup kitchen, tutoring of local elementary and junior high school children, and a field trip to the Smithsonian with local children. Sign-ups will begin January 30th in front of the Chapel.

Community Service
Colin Meartins, a former student at GULC, is in need of assistance. Colin is blind. He needs a person or persons to read bar exam information into a tape recorder which he listens to at a later date. Please see or call Tricia at the G.O. office (22922), or call Colin directly at (202)943-6387 if you are interested. The time and place of the reading/recording will be made convenient for the volunteer. Colin would be most appreciative of any help.

The Writing Center Is Open
Are you suffering form procrastination? Are you struggling with papers or notes? Upperclassmen may sign up in front of Room 460 for an appointment with a Senior Writing Fellow. The Writing Center is designed to assist students with writing concerns such as improving style, getting started, becoming more efficient at research, using technology effectively, or revising drafts. Senior Writing Fellows will be available at specific times throughout the week and by appointment for evenings.

Every Drop Is Needed
Donate Blood!
Our area is experiencing a critical blood shortage, but you can help. Give BLOOD here at the Law Center on Tuesday, February 4 from 10-3 or Wednesday, February 5 from 12-5. Reserve your time slot on the Red Cross sign up in front of the Chapel. NOTE: If you have recently recovered from an illness like the flu, you may be deferred until GULC's April blood drive. Sponsored by the Taft Chapter.
The police begin ordering the demonstrators to disperse or be arrested for violation of D.C. Code 32-1107. In commodating (a charge less than a misdemeanor that carries a $50.00 or OR (probable within 5 days). This message is repeated an obligatory 3 times. While this is going on, police begin arriving in droves equipped with riot gear. Charged buses pull up in front of the clinic, ready top take away the arrestees. The street warnings are given, and the OR people lay or sit down on the ground. We are told by the police that we may now leave or face arrest, this in spite of the fact that we are on private property by invitation. A quarrel breaks out with the police about our presence, told to go or be arrested. We reluctantly retreat after assurances that access to the clinic will be guaranteed by the columns of police in front of the door.

No sooner do we relinquish our post then the ants, like a swarm of fress lemmings rush to the broad. One door is over come, the second is kept open only by police holding forth the night sticks. The OR people begin to be arrested, passively resisting and cowering as police drag them. They are dragged to the street, handcuffed with plastic bracelets, quickly handcuffed, read their rights and placed on an awaiting bus. While this is going on, escorts are assisting patients as they approach the clinics. I am called to assist such an escort and join in a tight circle around a patient. We are justified by OR people who accuse the patient of murder and pleaded with her to change her mind. Although we are more than three of ourselves, they say that they will abort the baby. They hold pictures of babies, some whole, some mutilated in front of the patient. I can only imagine what that patient must be feeling. I know that I am torn.

As we got closer to the door, we have to step over bodies on the ground who call out to her, pleading for her to change her mind. Upon reaching the door, I wish her good luck and tell her, "its your choice, god bless you," I say a prayer to myself for her, and one for me seeking for forgiveness if I am wrong in my convictions. I went inside to deal with the consequences of her decision, I turned and walked away to face man.

The arrests continue for several hours until several busses are filled. During this time, I am assigned to "shutting" a false escort who is dressed in a T shirt, similar to the ones worn by Pro-Life escorts. I forget her name, but I don't forget her resolve. She is from Florida and she has come here with her children to participate in OR's blockade. Her three children, accept for her 6 year old who accompanied her, are across the street, in front of the clinic door, awaiting arrest. Her husband, on par for participating in previous blockades, was not with her that day for fear of violating the conditions of his bond. She chooses not to be arrested so that she can go back out the kids. She is a pleasant woman, and very much about our different views. I talk with her son, and tell him that he is learning a valuable lesson in democracy and later, after the demonstration was over, and the clinic was clear of all, she was arrested. She was all in over three busses loads of 200 people. She is arrested and removed, including her children. All of the patients gain access to the clinic. Both sides turn and head off to regroup for the next day battle.

Day two is a repeat of the first except for the numbers on the clinic side have grown. We arrive at the "mock" site move our protest position and await the "hit. No hit comes until after 9:00 due to the mismanagement of OR's leadership in assigning transportation. The stakes are higher today since it is the 19th anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the Supreme Court has agreed to review the Pennsylvania Statute. The pattern is the same except for no escorts are jumped by an OR demonstrator as he goes to assault a patient. The arrests are fewer, the "ants" ranks thinner than in day one.

My job does, I head off to teach a class on criminal law, ethics, social problems and both personal and political. I am contaminated by a number of deep moral and ethical issues. This whole situation does not bode well. I fear that we face a civil war. Throughout the day, I have been called a killer, a conscious Christian, a devil worshiper, agent of exercising their right how I picture myself. I go home, tired and confused. I am not ashamed of my actions, I believe in supporting a persons right to choose. It is hard to reconcile my basic desires and feelings about life with the images flashing in my mind of decapitated fetuses. I remain convinced of the just nature of my decision of not participating in abortion, yet none the less, I lay myself down to sleep, I get on my knees, and pray for all those who are so painned by this debate, and for forgiveness if I am wrong. For you see, this writer is not pro abortion, he is simply pro choice.

THE VOICE
By CHRISTOPHER B. DOLAN
I have been asked by my most esteemed colleague Mr. Larenbaum to continue this column, I would appreciate any questions on suggested for University Improvement left in my file. I will write periodically in this space.

I just want to say a few things about the Productive rights debate. I wish to commend my classmate who took a stand, wherever may have been on this issue. Especially Beth Kingsley for her dedication in organizing and maintaining the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force. People, take a stand on something in your life, sometime. It is the essence of life to stand up in the ongoing drama of life. Don't continue to live your life as a fly on the wall. Life is full of role of ethical issues are harder to deal with and it is not always clear when you should stand. I say to you stand better to die on the wrong side of battle of principals than from social atrocity.
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Music World’s Best of 1991

By BOY R.D. & DICK TATER

1991 began with the question “Is Rock’n’Roll dead?” and progressed to whether Rap was also dying. Disco, which had died in the 70’s, was revived in 1991. Dance music exploded across the country with the success of C+C Music Factory, Black Box, Deee Lite, and many forgettable one-hit wonders. As record sales slumped, the new Soundscan charting system was implemented by the Billboard charts. Years of record company chart manipulation was brought to an end as such diverse artists as NWA, Nirvana, and Garth Brooks made it to number one demonstrating the huge following Rap, Alternative and Country music have.

1991 was a transition year for the music industry as independent labels, the spawing ground for new talent, foundered and saw their acts jump to major labels as corporate control of the industry expanded. As 1991 ended the major labels began firing employees right and left as the recession hit hard. In 1992 we will have to wait and see if corporate greed that ripped off the general public by charging $14 for CD’s that cost $1 to manufacture will end, as record company executives come to their senses that music fans will refuse to pay $30 for just two albums.

1992 was a wild year and included were many notable album releases among the mounting crap put out by record labels. With that in mind here are our top ten lists for 1991.

BOY R.D.

10. Brand New Heavies, Massive Attack, and Definition of Sound. These acts from the UK put out some of the most creative acid jazz, funk, and hip hop tracks to be produced in a long while.

9. Midnight Voices, Creator Unique—Voices with live band and original music rocked the house at the DNA club in San Francisco while Creator Unique used innovative staging and choreography to put on a kick ass show. Paris, France. These relatively new artists can teach the Rap music industry much about what a live show means.

8. Nirvana, Fugazi—With Aeromith and the Rolling Stones signing huge new contracts it and the unoriginal DEAD music from bullshit Classic Rock Radio, corporations and a mindless public had succeeded in killing off rock’n’roll. These two bands proved Rock’n’roll still has some spirit.

7. Soundscan—This new point of purchase tabulating system implemented by the Billboard charts ended years of corporate chart manipulation and showed that the so called major labels of NWA, Nirvana, Metallica, Public Enemy, Ice Cube, and country superstar Garth Brooks with the huge following each of these acts enjoy.

6. KMD, LONZ, Naughty by Nature, Pete Rock & CL Smooth, Gangstarr, Brand Nubian, and Black Sheep. Although in the minds of New Yorkers it is the Hip-Hop capital, for the rest of the country it had been slippin’. These artists brought a much needed jolt of originality to the decadent birthplace of Hip-Hop.

5. Lofapalooza—Although this tour was haunted by pasty face gloom and dodgy fans of such mindless bands as the Cure and Siouxie and the Banshees, kick ass performances by Jane’s Addiction and ICE T made this the only arena tour worth seeing.

Fuck Operation Rock’n’Roll.

4. Indigo Girls, Tracy Chapman, and R.E.M.—Fortunately new releases by these artists did not get any radio airplay. Well, I really don’t even know if they had any new releases. Who cares?

3. OAKTOWN—Raw Fusion, Digital Underground, Del Tha Funko Homosapien, Midnight Voices, Tupac and Too Short proved OAKTOWN is the most innovative city on the Hip Hop map, and not only that but put on a huge show with Ice Cube and Too Short that had NO violence. Further the GAVIN report convention is replacing the NEW Music Seminar in New York as the best in the music biz.

2. Gilbert O’Sullivan—Yes another one of these fucking Turtles dudes who had some stupid hit song in 1972 sues Biz Markie and wins. A racist judge really and threatens the Biz with jail time. Granted the Biz’s album wasn’t all that but these stupid 1960 and 1970 artists must have caught the VAPORS if they think they put out anything that deserves monetary compensation.

1. CYPRESS HILL—LA once again shows New York what Hip Hop was meant to be.

Dick Tater: Since BOY-R-D has covered the music business in general in his Top Ten list, I’m writing a simple list of the year’s best indie rock. Not being a hot shot reviewer like Mark Jenkins I didn’t get any free promo stuff so I was limited to what I could afford. What I obtained through HOME TAPING. I would like to review jazz records for the Law Weekly as well but jazz records only come out on CD now. I’m still holding out against the pernicious encroachment of “digital” technology and its foolish adherents. Yeah, they’re shiny, but the great “improved sound” is really irrelevant or necessary in about 5% of what most people listen to (do we really need the Butthole Surfers on CD?) and at twice to twenty buck per disc, it will never be worth it. Here is my list weighted heavily towards bands few people have heard of. It’s up to you to decide whether they should remain that way.

Nirvana—Never mind. Oh, sure, your kid brother or sister probably sent you a tape during finals as Nirvana began their MTV-propelled rocket ride up the revolutionary Soundscan charts (see Boy R.D #7.). Maybe you caught the video to their hit “Smells Like Teen Spirit” on MTV when you should have been studying. So, how can I say Nirvana is a band you never heard of? They thrashed out the show of the year at the 9:30 club in October to a 20-22 full house, I asked plenty of classmates to go (in the EXPERIMENTAL section) and no one knew who I was talking about. Ah, well, if you had only listened to Dick and Boy ... in any event this is certainly the album of the year with themes not to endorse or promote nihilism and love and song and shouted in Chris Cobain’s hoarse Paul Westerberg-like (Replacements) voice. This album’s parent is the first Cheap Trick album from 1977, also with themes of love and darkness and with the music powerfully alternating between acoustic and crunch. If you don’t want to sound old and in the way when talking with your kid brother or sister (they don’t care about the new Talking Heads album and neither should you) then check out this record.

Well, I’ve used almost all my allotted space for the Nirvana review. Time to get brief.

Uncle Tupelo—Still Feel Great. If you didn’t pay attention to Nirvana until the bandwagon was full, here is another chance to be cool and impress your classmates. The second album by this trio from a very small town in Illinois play a blend of country (old style not like Garth Brooks) and rock that recalls both Neil Young and the Minutemen. Two song writers with lyrics both wise and weary beyond their years. They opened for the incredibly boring Danny Gatton at the 9:30 during finals. Buy the record (and the excellent first album N’s Depression) so you are prepared for their return.

Fugazi—Steady Diet of Nothing. Fugazi are from DC but you would never know it because there is no radio station here to play them. Fugazi is one of the most respected of the American Independents (recently on the cover of Option magazine) and a lot more substantive than the Pixies. A combination of members from Minor Threat and Rites of Spring, Fugazi is the only band playing beautiful political hardcore since the death of D. Boon broke up the Minutemen. This album is a little slower than the last but pays repeated listening. Check out the song to Justice Brennan “Dear Justice Letter.” The Red Hot Chili Poppers can only dream of being as good as Fugazi.

Wedding Present—Curse of the Malignant Man.

The Fall—Shiftwork

While neither of these albums is as good as their predecessors (The Fall’s 1990 Excruciate and the Mekons’ 1989 Rock n’ Roll) both bands remain far ahead of most of the self-referential, self-conscious and self-abusive indie bands in either America or England. The Mekons and The Fall have both been recording (with many personnel changes) since 1977. Both bands are nominally political being from the industrial towns of Manchester (Fall) and Leeds. These albums both lack the focus and energy of much of their earlier work (are they getting old?) but the Mekons did a long, fun, and excellent show at the 9:30 club in November for their handful of followers (three GULC students in attendance). Both albums import only.

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From Under the Bar

By VERONICA ANGULO and STEPHANIE RUBIN

Where can a stressed out 1L go when it's "Miller Time" in D.C.? Where can an overworked 2L dance her job blues away? Where can 3Ls fill with ennui, find the strength to remain in this city long enough to graduate? Certainly there are lots of places where you can go to drink and dance in D.C., but we here to tell you where you should go. As two veterans of the Miami and New York bar and club scenes, our goal is to find places—other than the fraternity-like environs indigenous to Georgetown—in which to blow off steam.

With this in mind, our first destinations were Notte Luna and the Spy Club, two places you may have heard of but not had a chance to visit. Located in the heart of the business district, Notte Luna's bar is an ideal spot for early evening socializing. During the week, the restaurant's neo-Italian decor attracts a lively, yet sophisticated, post-work crowd that has been known to include the likes of Jessica Lange and Ted Kennedy (aent Willies). On the weekend, its proximity to the Spy Club makes it a great place to meet before a night of dancing. Wood paneling, marbled walls and flittering pink lighting create an atmosphere equally suited to flirtatious mingling or a romantic date. But be forewarned; no baseball caps here. Although Notte Luna caters to a fairly affluent, over-twenty-five clientele, drinks still run about what one is used to in the District: approximately $3.00 for beer, $4.25 for most mixed drinks. Be sure to try the Frozen Peach Bellini, a specialty of the house that is particularly popular during the warmer months.

Notte Luna is the latest creation of the Capital Management Group, the people who brought us the popular Paolo's and J. Paul's restaurant/bars in Georgetown. Like its Georgetown siblings, Notte Luna combines all the essential elements of a crowd-pleasing place in addition to its creative decor, service is personal and friendly. Manager Augustine "Gus" DiMillo wouldn't have it any other way—you may find him personally bringing your order or even checking your coat. Want to brush up on your Italian? A trip to the restroom will suffice. Bertolucci-like Italian lesson-recording tapes are continuously played in the restroom making an everyday experience a truly international one. On Sunday nights, you can enjoy a quilter ambiance by listening to a live jazz trio from 7-10 p.m.

From Notte Luna, we moved next to cover up his illiteracy—may refuse to even check the list for your name (as happened with us). No matter; we were rescued by a slightly embarrassed manager, who escorted us into the inner sanctum.

For all its pretentious trappings, once inside, we found the Spy Club to be inviting and comfortable. Patterned after New York's Crane Club (same owners), a large entrance foyer leads into the club's main room, decorated with columns, large impressionistic paintings, and hand-made furnishings suggestive of old money. It houses the club's primary bar where you can refresh yourself with your favorite drink, and where you are most likely to make a new friend in the crowd. Mixed drink prices run between $4.00 and $4.60.

The main room features a large dance floor on which a fairly homogeneous group of well-groomed, young professionals dance to a mixture of mainstream music calculated to keep everyone happy. Enzo, the cheerful d.j., assured us that the Spy Club at all times strives to create an upbeat, "East-Hampton" mood. On Thursday nights a live band—usually local—is often featured and, late on Saturdays, d.j. Sluggo has been known to play a slightly more progressive mix. Still, you're more likely to hear a set of Frank Sinatra or your favorite "Animal House" tunes, than anything close to Nirvana. Slam dancing is definitely not welcome, but slow dancing is encouraged.

If you're not in the mood to dance, you can get away from the noise and the crowds by sitting at one of the tables flanking the dance floor or by visiting one of the club's three other rooms. Adjoining the main room, is a cabana-style area that contains its own bar, small tables, and sofas perfect for enjoying conversations with your friends or with someone you may have just met and want to get to know better. In a solitary mood? Slip into the library where you can choose from among several books for your reading pleasure. The third room is reserved for members only and comes equipped with a pool table and its own bar, as well as cozy seating arrangements.

Open less than a year, the Spy Club has succeeded in becoming the hottest night spot for its targeted patrons: yuppies and flyers (fun loving youths en route to success). The result is that the Spy Club tends to attract many couples, while maintaining an environment in which well-heeled singles can mix and meet. So, if you're out to get down and dirty or to go wild, don't go to the Spy Club. But if what you're looking for is a night of good, clean, tasteful fun, the Spy Club is a place designed with you in mind.

NOTTE LUNA
808 15th Street, N.W.
(Brun H & I Sts.)
(202) 408-8920

CLOSEST MARRY TO BOTH: McPherson Square (blue line)

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805-15th Street, N.W.
(Alley 15th/H Sts.)
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Anyone who wishes to recommend a bar or nightclub that we should review, may leave a note in either of our folders. We welcome your comments.
File Loan Deferment Form Before It's Too Late

If you took out a student loan to attend school prior to GULC or if you borrowed from a different lender while at GULC than the lender that you are using this year, you may need to take care of some paperwork so that your lender will not place you into DEFAULT status for non-payment.

Full-time students and part-time student whose grace periods have not yet expired should arrange for a loan deferment form to be sent to their previous lender(s) if they did not borrow from the same institution for the 1992-93 year. Many lenders will assume that a student is no longer enrolled and therefore is no longer eligible for loan deferments if a new application or deferment form is not received in subsequent years.

 Preserve your credit rating and save yourself from the problems that defaulters experience when they apply for future student loans!! BE SURE TO FILE A DEFERMENT FORM with your previous lenders. (Blank deferment forms are available at the Financial Aid Office. Deferment forms are certified by the Registrar's Office.)

Bar Exam Loans
Bar exam loan applications for students graduating in May 1992 are now available at the Financial Aid Office. Maximum loan amount for both Law Access (BEL) or Belo Loans (BSL) programs is $5,000. Students must have good credit records, prior loans from these lenders and not have reached the aggregate debt limit for the respective lender to be eligible for either BEL or BSL. Application deadlines are:
May 31, 1992 for BEL; May 1, 1992 for BSL.

CONSERN Loans Available Until March 1992

The CONSERN loan program has recently notified GULC Financial Aid Office that loan funds are still available, and that applications will be accepted until March, 1992 for the 1991-92 academic year.

The current interest rate is 9.5%. Contact the DC Consen Program for more information and application forms by calling (202)387-6614. You may borrow through this program for the amount of any remaining eligibility you have.

Office of Career Services

Programs—The Office of Career Services and the Women in Law as a Second Career are co-sponsoring a program on January 28 at 4:30 in room 834. On Adjunct Employment Relations: An Internship Career, The Speaker will be Ms. Debra Cohn, Director of Government Relations at VT, Sina Hospital.

US Attorneys Office is accepting resumes and job offers after which they will send the application. Send resume/corver letter to: Ms. Barbara Jacobs, US Attorneys Office, Judiciary Center Building, 555 4th Street NW, Washington DC 20001. Deadline is January 31.

On January 29th the Lawyers at Home Forum of the Women's Bar Association will be hosting a panel entitled Time Off from Law Strategies from Successful Sequencers at 7:30 PM. A reception will be held prior to the presentation of the panel form 6:30. The panel will be composed of five women who took time off from their careers to be with their families, and subsequently returned to the workforce. The panel consists of:

2. Shyam B. Rastogi, Esq., President of the Environmental Policy Institute.
3. Carol Bruce, Esq., Covington & Burling.

Small Firm Interview Program

Will be held April 4 at George Washington University. Details will be coming soon in the Office of Career Services.

1992 National Apartment Exchange

Will assist students in finding and subleasing a summer housing successful apartments available and summer sublets sought throughout the United States. Form is available in the Office of Career Services and is due on February 19th in the Office of Career Services.

The Office of Career Services has several job opportunities. Check in the office on a regular basis for new listings.

U.S. Department of Energy's Summer Law Internship Program at Oak Ridge National Laboratory is now open. Receive a monthly stipend of $2000.00 and travel expenses to and from Tennessee. The deadline is February 15, 1991. Contact Career Services Office for more information.

Attention California-Bound Law Students

Interested in learning more about the California Bar Exam? Barpassers will be hosting a free informational presentation followed by a question and answer session on Monday, January 21, from 3:30-4:30 pm in Hall 206. The presentation will be given by Cory E. Cullen, Esq., Director of Barpassers, and all interested students are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

We want to hear from you!

We have a suggestion and comment box at our front counter so our students may let us know how we are doing and offer comments on areas that need our attention. If the writer will list his/her name and address, we will respond. Anonymous cards are also welcome. Comments and responses of general interest will be posted on our front office bulletin board without identification of the initial correspondence.

Current/Local Address

All students are urged to update their biographical information to make sure that we have their current local address and telephone number for future mailings. If you have an office number, please give us that, too.

Student Disciplinary Code

A student is held to have notice of the GULC Student Disciplinary Code and its provisions by virtue of enrollment at the Law Center. The Code appears in the Bulletin, Student Roster/Privacy Act.

Financial Aid Office

Loan Consolidation Software

The Financial Aid Office has a loan consolidation program that helps students evaluate their loan payments under regular and consolidation repayment plans. The program was developed and provided to the Law Center by United Student Aid Funds, a guaranteed agency located in Indianapolis. Copies of the program are available at the Financial Aid Office and at the Circulation Desk in the Library. Students may also bring a disk, formatted disk to the Financial Aid Office to have a copy made. The program can be copied on either 5 1/4 or 3 1/2 disks and is compatible for use on IBM compatible computers.

Emergency Loans

The short-term emergency loan program for spring begins Wednesday, January 8th. Applications are accepted Wednesday and Thursdays of each week, the check is available at the Financial Aid Office the following Wednesday after 2:00 p.m.

Pick-up Your 1992-93 Year GAPSFS in Your Message Folder

The 1992-93 year GAPSFS have arrived and are available for pick-up along with your Student loan checks in Room 218. If you did not pick up your GAPSFS packet, please check your message folder. All Students applying for GULC aid, Stafford/GSL, SLS, and Work-study funds must file a new GAPSFS each year. Students who did not apply for financial aid this year, but wish to apply for the 1992-93 year may pick up a GAPSFS packet at the Law Center Financial Aid Office or call the Office to have one mailed to you. The deadline for filing 1992-93 year GAPSFS is April 1, 1992.

Save Copy of Your 1040's

Be sure to keep a copy of your 1991 tax returns before sending them to the IRS. Student and in some cases parents' tax returns are required from most financial aid applicants.

Office of the Registrar

Grade Posting

Grades are posted on the Bulletin Boards outside Room 202 each weekday at 12:30 and 5:30 p.m. Fall grade deadline is January 27th. Transcripts will be mailed by February 7th.

Inclement Weather Policy

It is the policy of the Law Center that classes will be held as scheduled unless weather or road conditions are extremely hazardous. In the event that weather conditions require late opening or early closing of the Law Center, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations. Information may also be obtained by calling the class cancellation recording at 442-9446.

February and May 1992 Graduates

Please check the bulletin board outside Room 140 to see that your name is listed and spelled correctly. If your name is not listed and you expect to graduate please come to the Office of the Registrar immediately.

Fall Exam Review

requests/forms are available at the Office of the Registrar. Deadline to review Fall exams is February 28th.

Exam Conflicts

Students who wish to petition for relief from a Spring exam conflict may do so at the Office of the Registrar. Deadline for submission of exam conflict forms is January 27th.

Save Money on the Bar Exam

It is possible to save money on certain Bar applications if you file early, even if you are a first-year student. Details concerning the Florida, Maryland, and Ohio Bars are posted on the bulletin board next to the eastern elevators on the first floor (cafeteria level).