

## Gift pleasant surprise to Law School



A businessman and author, Jim Rohn, has been known to say, “Let people be surprised that it was more than you promised and easier than you said.” That is certainly what Robert A. Chadek did. With no promise at all, Mr. Chadek, a 1950 graduate who died in August 2001, surprised his alma mater law school with an estate gift of more than \$490,000.

The Law School is ever grateful for Mr. Chadek’s generous estate gift and the positive impact it will have on the school and its students for years to come. Dean Eisenberg used a portion of the gift to establish the loan repayment endowment fund for students who accept public service positions after graduation. The fund, which was formally named the Howard and Phyllis Eisenberg Fund and enhanced by memorials after Dean Eisenberg’s death, pays part of a student’s loan if he or she enters a public interest law position. The

other portion of Mr. Chadek’s gift was invested in a building endowment fund to assist the Law School in improving the facility for students.

Mr. Chadek, who was a 1942 graduate of North Division High School, served in the U.S. Air Force as a radio operator flying B24 bombers during World War II. He was a decorated war hero, receiving the Air Medal, three oak leaf clusters, a good conduct medal, and five battle stars. Mr. Chadek’s family and friends fondly remember his life and treasure the memories of times and places that they shared with him. •

## Barbara Boxer receives Posner Award

On August 22, the Gene and Ruth Posner Foundation presented its annual Posner Pro Bono Award to Barbara K. Boxer, Marquette Law School ’94. Ms. Boxer, who is a shareholder at Reinhardt Boerner Van Deuren SC, was selected for her pro bono work and community service. As has been the case for a number of years, the award was given at an event marking the conclusion of the orientation for new law students. In accepting the award, Ms. Boxer made remarks to the entering first-year class concerning the importance of community involvement and the different ways in which lawyers can make particular contributions. Gene Posner, Marquette Law School ’36 (left in photo), personally gave the award to Ms. Boxer (center) and also gave a \$20,000 check on behalf of the Foundation to Dean Joseph D. Kearney (right). In thanking Mr. Posner for the check and for the Foundation’s involvement in the Law School, Dean Kearney stated that the contribution would be used to support public interest work by Marquette law students. •



## Career Services update

This past year has seen several positive changes in the Career Planning Center (CPC). The most notable change has been the addition of Erin Binns to CPC's professional staff as the new Assistant Director for Career Planning. The arrival of Erin, a former high school English teacher who practiced at Quarles & Brady after graduating magna cum laude from the University of Wisconsin Law School, has enabled CPC to enhance the level of service provided to students and to substantially increase the number of program offerings such as job search skills workshops and career panels.

Thanks to the Law School's new web page, most of CPC's job search guides and handbooks, forms, and handouts for students and employers, the CPC newsletter (*The Sidebar*), and myriad

other valuable information and resources are now available on the web. For example, this fall, everything related to the On-Campus Interview Program (OCI) is accessible via the web, and employers can register for OCI or post a job simply by completing and submitting an online form via the Internet. You can check out the Career Planning pages by going to [law.marquette.edu](http://law.marquette.edu) and clicking on the purple "Career Planning" tab.

Finally, CPC remains committed to the Alumni Career Assistance Network (ACAN). To date, 44 alums have registered to participate, and we strongly encourage others to join them. To learn more about ACAN or to obtain a registration form, please go to [law.marquette.edu/jw/acan](http://law.marquette.edu/jw/acan) or contact Paul Katzman at (414) 288-5236 or [paul.katzman@marquette.edu](mailto:paul.katzman@marquette.edu). •

## Alumni Authors Bookshelf

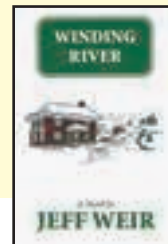
**Edward F. Hooper, L'96, and Andrew C. MacDonald, L'96**, co-authored *Your Life, Your Legacy: The Fundamentals of Effective Estate Planning*, a book written about revocable living trust-centered estate planning and intended to assist people in finding a qualified attorney to help design and implement their estate plan.

**Mark D. McGarvie, L'81**, is a co-author of *Charity, Philanthropy, and Civility in American History*, which presents professional historians' views on issues and theories offered to explain the history of American philanthropy and its role in society. Published by Cambridge University Press.

**Patricia Wendlandt Pellervo, L'84**, has co-authored a new tax guide entitled *The Consolidated Tax Return: Principles, Practice, Planning* (6th ed.), published by Warren Gorham & Lamont.

**Robert A. Ross, L'76**, co-authored *Giving: Philanthropy for Everyone*, a book of practical answers from America's foremost charitable planning authorities. Published by Quantum Press, LLC, Denver.

**Jeffrey M. Weir, L'66**, wrote *Winding River*, a novel about a law school graduate whose dreams of joining a big-city law firm are shattered when he goes to work for an older attorney in a small village in northern Wisconsin. This is Jeff's first novel and is published by Grimgrubber Books, LLC, Sturgeon Bay.



*Part of the traditional welcome and orientation for entering Marquette law students is the Dean's Address. In addition to delivering his own remarks to the new first-year students, in which he welcomed them to Marquette, to law school, and to the legal profession, Dean Joseph D. Kearney also invited the President of the State Bar of Wisconsin, R. George Burnett, to speak to the students. Dean Kearney came to this idea when Professor Thomas J. Hammer, L'75, recalled how impressed he had been in 1972 when State Bar President (and now-Judge) Thomas J. Curran, L'48, played a similar role in welcoming the new students. Excerpts of President Burnett's remarks follow:*

**Remarks of R. George Burnett to Entering Marquette Law Students**

Good morning. I consider it an honor to have been invited to speak to you today. This is a memorable day for you. It is the beginning of a new career in a new profession that will hopefully last you for thirty, forty, or even fifty years into the future. At the same time, it puts considerable pressure on someone in my position, for I feel an obligation to say something commensurate with the occasion, something that will be memorable, something that you will think back upon in those future decades. I must confess, however, that that will probably not be the case. I expect that I will tell you nothing profound, and



probably nothing that you have not heard before. Nevertheless, let us give it a try.

Your life in the next few days, weeks, and months—indeed, the next few years—will focus on parochial concerns. If you are like most, your thoughts will center on what you are doing one day and what you need to be doing the next. That is good, because you will be hon-

ing your talents and learning how to succeed in this great profession. For you time will be a luxury. You will have little time for deep contemplation or great thoughts.

But despite the importance of your task and the press of your responsibilities, I ask that you remember from time to time why we are here, why those who founded this great country conferred so much trust and responsibility on the legal profession. And, more specifically, I ask you to remember that the guiding principle that underlies all our work is a simple one: Every person counts for something.

You will soon find, if you do not know already, that this very simple principle underlies our entire Bill of Rights, indeed, our entire system of justice. It is the notion that underlies the right to free speech, the right to freedom of religion, the right to a jury trial, and all those other rights that our system of justice secures.

Soon you will be reading the great cases in the law. One of those cases that I expect you will read is *Gideon v. Wainwright*. It is the case that established that everyone has a constitutional right to a lawyer's representation in felony cases, regardless of the defendant's ability to pay. But what you will not read in the *Gideon* case is how it made its way to the United States Supreme Court.

The story goes like this. Clarence Gideon was convicted in a rural Southern court and sent to prison. He had no lawyer at his trial because he could not afford to pay for one. After the case worked its way through the appellate courts, Gideon petitioned the United States Supreme Court. Gideon believed—no, he knew—that his modest petition would be read and considered by nine United States Supreme Court justices. Consider such a case, where a barely literate inmate in a Southern prison can scrawl out a petition and have it read, much less heard, by the United States Supreme Court. There is no better proof that our system of justice takes very seriously the principle that every person counts for something. . . .

So I say, let that principle guide you in your career and, no matter what you do or where you practice, you will not fail.

On behalf of the 21,000 members of the State Bar of Wisconsin, I wish you great success in your future studies, and welcome you to our great profession. Good luck and God bless. •