

PILS Auction Breaks Record

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The Public Interest Law Society (PILS) auction is one of the more delightful traditions of the Law School, and not only because it gives students an excuse to trade grungy t-shirts and sandals for elegant eveningwear. The \$21,175 the event raised this year—the highest amount ever for the auction—will fund stipends for students who participate in the PILS summer fellowship program and those working in non-paying public interest jobs.

The auction, last year renamed the “Howard B. Eisenberg Do-Gooders Auction” in memory of the late Dean of the Law School, was started 11 years ago by Maureen Fitzgerald, L’95, while she was a law student. This year’s auction drew 275 people—members of the local legal community, faculty, staff, students, and alumni including Maureen Fitzgerald—to the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts on February 13 to mingle, browse among tables with dozens of donated items, and listen to live jazz.

The evening’s auctioneer was Roland Cafaro, a shareholder with the Milwaukee law firm of Halling & Cayo, S.C. He kept it lively and coaxed the audience to break previous years’ record bids. In fact, the winning bid for a Cajun dinner for 10 prepared by Prof. Gregory O’Meara, S.J., was an astounding \$825. Students who received fellowships funded by last year’s auction spent the summer working with groups including Appalachian Research Defense Fund, Catholic Charities, Earth Justice, World Relief, and Legal Aid. •



Truman Q. McNulty Scholarship and Award

Well known. Highly respected. Role model. Truman Q. McNulty, L’48, who passed away on January 26, 2004, lived the Marquette mission of service, excellence, leadership, and faith. In his memory, the Law School established a special fund from the memorials given in his name. Truman’s many leadership positions in the American Bar Association and State Bar of Wisconsin and his public service in the community and in state government spanned more than 50 years. He was highly respected as a trial lawyer, for his expertise in professional ethics, and for his active undertakings on supreme court committees for rules of professional conduct. Truman was a member of Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek, S.C.

The McNulty Fund is a current-use fund that will offer a \$500 scholarship to a 3L law student who has demonstrated an interest in legal ethics or otherwise reflects the values by which Truman lived. It also will fund an award to be given to a lawyer who has displayed high moral and ethical standards. It is expected that this award will be given in conjunction with the Law School Awards Program.

Truman, who was born and raised in Superior, Wisconsin, had a distinguished military career in the U.S. Army and the U.S. Army Reserve. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Emily McNulty, and their four children: Mark, Mary Kay, Brian, and Erin.