**Take Me Out to the Prof-Ball Game**

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Professor Richard Schragger concentrating on hitting a pitch. Photo courtesy of Natalie Affinito

**Jenna Goldman ’18 (she/her/hers) Editor-in-Chief**

After a five-year hiatus, on Sunday, October 13 at the North Grounds Softball League (NGSL) restored the tradition of the Faculty/Student Softball Game on Park Field 6.

The event occurred on a crisp fall morning thanks to the negotiation efforts of Jonathan York ’18, who approached Professors White and Hylton about forming a faculty softball team to play the students. “We felt this was too fun an event not to try and get it up and running again,” said York.

Why had it previously been so difficult to field a professor team? “According to Professors White and Hylton, two original members of the inaugural NGSL fall season, several other faculty softball enthusiasts left the law school and the remaining faculty became very concerned about injuries,” recalled York.

A former colleague broke a band during one faculty/student game, perhaps that deterred would-be faculty players from participating,” pondered Professor White.

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When I taught at Michigan Law in the ’80s we had a faculty (softball) team,” he said during the warm-up.

Professor Hylton, one of the founders of NGSL in 1976, and Professor White, who led the original faculty team in the league, and played collegiate baseball at Amherst, captained their respective teams.

Professor White assumed the role of pitcher, sporting an all-black track suit, sans tie. Professor Schragger and Professor Brown covered the outfield, along with student players Marc Capuzzo, Will Vieth, Joanna Kelly, Collette McNeela, Avia Gridi, Connor Kelley, Rebecca Kimm, and Danielle Pasco.

Professor Hylton played catcher for his team with Professor Cohen on first base, Professor Schauer on second base, and Professor Hayashi in left field. Student players included Jill Winter, Vince Flynn, Carly Crist, Jonathan York, Teddy Kratik, Rebecca Chandler, and Chris Oberg.

The game had a number of impressive moments: Hylton caught a throw from the shortstop to tag Schragger out at home, and Professor Brown laid down a bunt but was folded by a swift throw from the pitcher to Cohen on first, sending the criminal law professor back to the dugout. Professor Schragger made a daring outfield catch, where he appeared to have dropped the ball but regained control before it hit the ground for the out. After the game, Schragger said of his highlight play, “At least I didn’t get hurt.”

Called “the professor to watch” by Professor Spellman from the sidelines, Professor Hayashi hit the first home run of the game. Though Hayashi played baseball in high school, this was his first time playing with faculty and students at UVA Law. His wife and son, Peter, who delighted in the spectacle, cheered him on from the sidelines.

Peter Hayashi, age 3, led a pickup softball game on the spectator side of the fence against the Goluboff-Schragger kids. With impeccable form, Peter pitched against the Dean’s children, who are both twice his height and four times his age. When asked about whether he will pursue a career as a baseball player or a tax professor, Peter offered no comment. He did say his favorite team is the Toronto Blue Jays.

Though her husband played on Team White, Dean Goluboff offered cheers of support for everyone at bat. “It’s a beautiful day for this community event.” Goluboff remarked, saying she looks forward to the faculty/student game tradition continuing again. The Dean said she enjoyed watching students, professors, and their families all interact and hopes next time even more members of the UVA Law community will come out to play and spectate.

The contentious game ended 9-7 for Team White, but all celebrated with Ivy Provision sandwiches and a postgame practice together among the professors and students.

**Congratulations to ANG for starting ANG’s thoughts are with the victim’s of the Las Vegas shooting, vegasstrong**

**Thumbs up to Prof. Deeks, you ANG for one, will be wearing silk pajamas all week.**

**Pour one out for Hugh Hefner. ANG’s thoughts are with the victim’s of the Las Vegas shooting, vegasstrong.**

**Thumbs up to Ste- phen T. Parr. The weather this weekend was ideal for Octo- ber. ANG’s thoughts are with the victim’s of the Las Vegas shooting, vegasstrong.**

**Thumbs down to the 1LA discussing their ‘approved clerkship applications’ on the softball field. Recreational softball leagues are not where ANG (or any law student, or middle-aged singles looking to meet eligible males, or anyone) goes to think about career trajectory. Keep it to the gunner pat, please. It’s literallyمارورةو ينور.**

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The Role of Non-Black Allies

The Black Law Student Association hosted an informational dialogue last Monday night called “The Role of Non-Black Allies.” The event, which was organized by Tocarra Nelson ’19, the program allowed students and faculty members to discuss the experience of black students at the Law School, and what non-black students can do to educate themselves about Al(ly)ship. Originally scheduled for Purrell Reading Room, interest was so high that the event was moved to Caplin Pavilion and was attended by over a hundred participants. Ms. Nelson noted that the discussion could create discomfort, but during the discussion, participants spoke with respect while they shared their experiences with racism and Al(ly)ship.

The idea behind Al(ly)ship is that non-black people who are concerned about racism and violence against black people can also contribute by supporting black people in their community. “Al(ly)ship is not an identity,” said Ms. Nelson, “rather it is the lifelong process of building relationships.” One student noted that non-black people can be as simple as developing friendships, and that friends can express their support by asking questions about others’ experiences. Some students in the audience expressed a concern that people want to call themselves allies without actually doing anything, and that overt acts of support, such as supporting a black student in class, can be uncomfortable but highly valuable.

Ms. Nelson highlighted the importance of Al(ly)ship with statistics detailing the low numbers of black students in top law schools, the prevalence of racial profiling, and the staggeringly high rate of murder among black transwomen (1 in 2,600 women are murdered in 2015 to make way for shops and apartments between the University of Virginia and the Downtown area). The burden of combating racism was discussed as well, with many students noting the exhaustion and fatigue that comes with being the black person responsible for calling out racism. One student suggested that non-black allies can shift some of the burden by standing up to racist comments made in their presence. Classroom discussions are one place where non-black allies can have a crucial role, as it is often the case that there are few black students in the room.

Not only do black students feel burdened by having to speak out against racially insensitive comments, but these moments have a negative impact on black students’ participation in the classroom, which can in turn affect their academic performance. If a student or professor expresses a racially insensitive idea, suggested one audience member, non-black students should feel compelled to speak up. Ms. Nelson asked the audience if they had heard a racist comment in the classroom, and over half the audience raised their hands. Fewer kept them up when she asked how many times they had seen a Latinx person in law. We all sat down for the open discussion and spoke about our experiences so that we can become better allies to our fellow classmates.

Ms. Nelson also discussed what she says is the number one predictor of success within ourselves. Her message to us was that we already had everything we needed to be successful within ourselves. Many times, students of color get dismissed by being labeled as the “affirmative” hire. It’s ultimately a condescending way of saying that the institution is very real, and the Latinx community’s ability to work together is inspiring. One thing to remember is that non-black people who are allies can have a crucial role, as it is often the case that there are few black students in the room.

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During the second half of the program, Ms. Nelson invited UVa Law students Jeri Brown ’19, Keisha Myles ’19, and Michele St. Julien ’20 to the front of the room to answer questions. Ms. Nelson asked first for the panelists to describe some examples of positive steps towards inclusion, and then asked for suggestions on how to make more inclusive leadership roles. She said that VLW’s approach was intentional and accommodating, and had the goal of making people of color comfortable and safe. When asked about how to improve the quality of Al(ly)ship, Ms. St. Julien raised the issue of language, specifically that some non-black students use racially coded language without realizing how it may be offensive, as in the time she heard another student speak of visiting incarcerated individuals as a “fun surprise.” She noted that racism often takes subtler forms than that of Mr. Obama. Ms. Watkins identified the need in the Charlottesville community for everyone to understand what we need to go beyond the school and think about the greater Charlottesville community.

Both Ms. Watkins and Ms. Brown described experiences in which they were hit with a slipshod or insensitive comments about affirmative action in their own lives, and explained that the feeling of impostor syndrome can creep in at such moments, in which she is confident in both her qualifications.
the six-piece ensemble had been playing together for years, but that's not the case. Lead guitarist Ben Lucy '20 (2L- MBA) and lead vocalist Victoria Granda '19 first met during Libel rehearsals just this past spring. After bonding about being two of the three music majors in the 2019 class, they discussed forming a band. During those Libel rehearsals, Ben and Vicky listened to Jordan Naftalis '18 sing and decide to approach her about singing. Ben and Vicky listened to Jordan Naftalis '18 sing and decided to approach her about singing. Becca ended up meeting Jordan Naftalis '18 and Alex Degroat '19. "It took about five seconds of hearing both of them play for Ben and me to know we wanted them in the band," says Vicky. They became inspired by the band's drummer, respectively. The final search was to find a bassist. Even though they think similar, the two instruments require different mechanics to play. Becca informed Vicky of dedicated musicians coming together to show UVa Law students will have to fight for the music for our friends. The group is constantly looking for guest performers who are willing to join Gunners N' Roses at upcoming gigs. Ryan Snow '17 already has sold out his stage once, expanding their sound through his use of a brass instrument. Since then, support for the band has gone through the roof. People are responding to their aesthetic and high energy. Part of the credit for their great aesthetic certainly goes to Ariana Grande '19, the artist who made the logo that adorns the band's poplar Facebook page. As for any "rivalry" rumors going around the Law School, this journalist simply couldn't substantiate the claims. Becca quickly assured the BENCH that Gunners N' Roses supports music, period.

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several people emotional. His passionate contribution to the show added to the feeling of harmony in the air. Chris Stapleton took the stage next, providing beauti- ful chords and melodies to sooth the concert. The stadium took a breath as he played, finding a reflection of after moving prior acts. The break in high-energy performance ended when the next big set emerged—Ariana Grande was ready to rock. Coming from Asia to per- form at the concert, Ariana Grande set the tone with her hit single, "Side to Side." Run- ning around the stage to ener- gize the crowd, she motivated people to sing and dance along. Her performance ended with "Dangerous Woman" and "Side to Side," and the audience joined in. She started the song, "I'm not the only one on this stage to join together as one."

The band gave an incredible performance, including several beautiful and touching moments: "It's been over a week since the concert, but the experi- ence has left a lasting impres- sion on all those attended. Since the difficulties Charlottesville faced during the nation's support for this small city continues to exceed imagi- nation. Many students and others have donated themselves or their time to bring joy to this com- munity. All of our friends, and a few of example of that. "A Concert for Charlottesville" is one of the performances that we, as a nation, have never had to reflect much on it with November drawing near, but our memories of that night won't fade anytime soon.

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**LAW WEEKLY FEATURE: Court of Petty Appeals**

The Court of Petty Appeals is the highest appellate jurisdiction court at UVA Law. The Court has the power to review any and all decisions, conflicts, and disputes that arise involving, either directly, indirectly, or tangentially, the Law School or its students. The Court is comprised of four associate justices and one Chief Justice. Opinions shall be released periodically and only in the official court reporter: the Virginia Law Weekly. Please email a brief summary of any and all conflicts to jmg3db@virginia.edu.

### Anonymous 3L

**Docket 17-139**

An Action for Damages in the Court of Petty Appeals

Complaint

1. Procedural Posture

1. This complaint, made by Anonymous 3L to the Court of Petty Appeals (CoPA) against CoPA, results from CoPA’s refusal to publish CoPA opinions in the past two editions of the Virginia Law Weekly.

2. Having used the abbreviation CoPA for the Court of Petty Appeals, We now realize that CoPA looks, in print, like a kidnapper creating a ransom note by cutting letters out of recycled magazines, and We decline to use this abbreviation, and instead will refer to CoPA as Anonymous 3L.

3. The Court has jurisdiction because the Court of Petty Appeals is being sued and because Anonymous 3L has forgotten all Our CivPro and therefore does not remember what jurisdiction

4. We realize it may be difficult to learn how to speak like Italics. Although a tonal language, Italics is not difficult to master. Just speak English in the sardonic and dismissive manner of Prof. Mitchell’s storytelling.

5. Thanks to LRW and Prof. Fore for teaching me how to write a fake brief. What an impossibly valuable skill.

II. Anonymous 3L has been an avid reader of the distinguished columns of the Court of Petty Appeals since his 1L year, or basically for eternity.

II. Substantive Harms

1. Anonymous 3L noticed that no such opinion of the Court was published in the September 20 Issue of Virginia Law Weekly.


4. Maybe Crim charges, too? Seems as bad as felonious murder to Us, Prof. Ferranz.

5. We have appreciated the puns, wittiness, and pomf of the Court, its more important function is the rendering of impartial judgments among law students, faculty, and whomever else the Court damn well pleases to adjudicate regarding.

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- Ungrateful Anonymous 3L who doesn’t know what he/she is talking about

reference to important events of national significance that took place here in Charlottesville that the Law Weekly felt it had a duty to cover. We appreciate the coverage of national news, but We don’t remember seeing anything from our own source of information, InfoWars.com, about Charlottesville. Mostly just things about little green elves.

5. The September 27 issue of the Law Weekly again did not publish an opinion of the Court. Anonymous 3L began to worry that breakdown of law and order is imminent and commenced to file this action.

6. While We have appreciated the puns, wittiness, and pomf of the Court, its more important function is the rendering with unpublished opinions of the court, will lead to distrust in the system. Worse yet, Justices can render opinions that do not concord with our pre-ordained law and precedent, leaving litigants to ponder the impact of the whims and bizarre opinions of the judiciary to decide cases of the utmost importance. We don’t want the fact that CoPA has or has not published an opinion regarding.

7. The resolution of such issues by a fair and open judiciary and the publication of such resolutions is crucial to the Law School community’s trust in its overall system of governance.

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9. In short, unpublished opinions lead to tyranny. And as that one guy who lives in the van with the MNDSYE license plate has (too) often reminded us at the Law School events, tyranny is bad.

III. Remedies

1. Anonymous 3L requests a damage award from the Court of two opinions for the weeks of opinions lost, or in the alternative, a “best of” compilation of the Court’s best opinions from the years past.

2. CoPA refuses to start printing its opinions again, We believe the only option is for President Steve Glendon to appoint a special prosecutor to look into the matter. We think that CoPA was Gunter and the Wonderdog would be good choices. And if necessary, Lock them up! We appreciate the irony there.

3. We also believe that the Court of Petty Appeals should change its name to the Petty Supreme Court or the Court of Supreme Pettiness so as to indicate that it is the chief court of Pettiness in the land. Quiz confusing us like New York court system.

4. Robert Mueller was Our first choice, but he said he was busy.

5. ‘I onlyheckled three people yesterday!’

6. ‘For a good lawyer, this is pickpicking as a triumphal arch!’

7. ‘Hey! Who’s talking? I heard a good professor quote there?’

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**Correction**

In the September 20 article, “Hunkered Down for Irma,” the paper misidentified the author’s update time interval. The update interval should have read “bi-hourly.” The Law Weekly regrets the error.
We need to be prepared in order to make an informed decision. We need to have all the relevant information. We must connect with your friends. We must embody the spirit of interaction we ever had with an expert who feels that we are ok because what we know logically doesn’t easily translate to how we feel emotionally. This makes most meaningful interactions with people clearly difficult. With friendships or romantic relationships, we get jealous very easily. It is not because we think you are an unfaithful friend or partner, but rather because you are insecure. We see all your effort to be there for us. Why would you want to replace us with someone who is capable of being optimistic. The walls close in and we cannot breathe. Some of us experienced trauma that we will never shake. Some have always lived with anxiety. Sometimes there are no obvious symptoms, yet sometimes we are immobilized for minutes or hours on end. We call this a level 500 and it is the end of the world. We don’t get it wrong. We are fully aware that there are other logical explanations to your seemingly unmitigating “hi,” such as the fact that it could be 7 a.m. on a Monday. Still, even if it usually isn’t a level five, let alone level 500, as a matter of fact, there usually isn’t even a level. However, we have again created a whole alternate universe (that is, a very real to us) because of one single event. Here’s the problem: the little voice that tells us, “But what if?” It’s the “what if” that keeps us up at night, losing our minds over the one sentence you uttered or one test you sent. What if we misread your text, and you were actually upset? What if you’re no longer invested in us? What if we hurt your feelings? What if we turned in the wrong assignment? What if our email never sent? What if we read the wrong cases? We are scared of failure, and we are afraid of losses. We are terrified of people judging us. Some of us lost loved ones. Some of us were assaulted. Some of us injured ourselves. Some of us experienced trauma that we will never shake. Some of us have always lived with anxiety. Sometimes there are no obvious symptoms, yet sometimes we are immobilized for minutes or hours on end. The walls close in and we cannot breathe. It's the same reason that we are detail-oriented and excellent at risk analysis. It is that same skill that allows us to be empathetic and perceptive. We don’t need shining knights to save us. All of us, we didn’t get here without knowing how to cope with anxiety. What we need is understanding and patience. We just want someone to listen to the rationales behind our anxiety and panic and say, “That’s silly and I still love you.” Song suggestions for similar experiences: “Ready For Ya” by Demi Lovato, “Liability” by Lorde, and “Messey” by Fifth Harmony.

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as a law student and her ability to respond, she feels she might appear defensive. Ms. Watkins said that in her Constitutional Law class last year, she felt that arguing for affirmative action was the “epitome of being offensive.”

up in those moments would have been valuable. “Back-up is good because it gives an air of legitimacy,” said Ms. Watkins.

“Allyship is helpful where black people are traditionally excluded and alienated by others. “Sometimes stopping to explain takes away energy, so you can be more focused on what you need to occupy and have access to.” Ms. Brown added that black students would not get this feeling everywhere, and that non-black allies can “make the spaces you inhabit more bearable” such as in student organizations and in activities like softball. She also asked that students ask themselves who they tend to build relationships with, and reach out to black students. “They need those resources as well,” said Ms. Watkins.

Ms. Nelson concluded the presentation and trial because they want their cases in and out of the court quickly. Years down the line, those convictions become barriers for so many things.

We also talked a lot about the current standing of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program. This week is the cutover for people whose status are going to expire from now until March 5 to renew for the next two years. There are several proposed pieces of legislation going before Congress, many with bipartisan support. We spoke with an expert who feels that the DREAM Act probably has the best chance of passing. We encourage everyone in the UVa Law community to call their representative and senators to support this legislation; timing is important and the momentum we feel now is what will propel the passage of this protective legislation.

Attending the NLLSA Conference was a time of revitalization for our organization. We congratulate our very own Daniel Natale for being re-elected to the NLLSA National Board as the Mid-Atlantic Regional Director. We look forward to continuing to support Hispanic/Latinx students at UVa Law in every way we can and hope that our peers help us to do the same.

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VIRGINIA LAW WEEKLY
Last Thursday was the long-awaited 3L Bonfire. An event that some law students wait two and a quarter years to attend. Many even choose UVA Law just for the free hot chicken and s'mores served atop the Misty Mountain. And on Thursday September 28th, the evening finally came—for most 3Ls.

For the rest, the bus didn’t come for nearly an hour after its scheduled departure. That left about fifty starved 3Ls stranded in the parking lot by the JAG school. “Bus is three minutes away from the school,” said Connor Kelley, thirty minutes before the bus arrived to pick up its atrophied passengers. Asked for comment, normally-stoic 3L Steve Pet said “We are hungry, WE ARE HANGRY!!” Another 3L, saving his strength, commented breathily, “annoyed, frustrated, starving.”

While trying to drown out groaning bellies, one group broke into a game of charades. Interest waned when every clue was food related, and someone guessed “Donner Party!” with a touch too much enthusiasm. By the time the bus arrived, the fifty-person crowd had dwindled by half. “I have no idea where they went” said 3L Jeff Dahmer, who seemed satiated when the bus arrived.

Some remaining 3Ls were determined to redeem this hallmark of 3Lship. When asked if he planned to concede that chicken would not be forthcoming, Peter Bautz ’18 responded, “We will fight on the beaches, we will fight in the parking lot.”

The official story from event organizers Kelley and Laura Gregory, was that the bus company blundered the bus order, launching a large bus when there should have been a short. Why the buses were different sizes remains unanswered. Would not three large buses have worked just as well? Were the short buses a subtle snub at too-slow students not quick or cool enough for the 7:10?

Said Lia-Michele Keane ’18, “I was on bus two, it was empty. I then arrived at the bonfire, drank all the booze, and ate all the mac ‘n cheese because I’m a proponent of survival of the fittest or first in line.” To their credit, the organizers offered a full bus ticket refund to the surviving late-bus 3Ls.---
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Surviving 3Ls huddle for warmth. Photo courtesy Jenna Goldman.

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Managing Editor

CROSSWORD

This week, the editors at the Law Weekly decided that a change of pace was in order. Thus, we give you this crossword puzzle. Before we get a bunch of angry emails from our readers who depend on the reliability of sequential whole numbers to maintain order in their lives, sudoku and the docket will be back next issue. Answers will be published on Instagram @virginialawweekly and on our Facebook page.

Crossword Clues

Across
9. Law School Prom
11. Editorial staff most likely to make one terrified of trains
14. 1L equivalent of a treasure map
15. Thursday night fun (every two weeks at least)
16. Acronym for local cult

Down
1. Wi-Fi network name (or a small spaniel)
2. Glendon promises, and then fails to deliver, these
3. Topic of nervous interest for 1Ls
4. Longest running UVA Law tradition
5. Terror lurking under WB benches
6. 1L performance event that brings great joy
7. Local semi-annual pastel fashion show
8. See you at...
10. ABA 2017 Best Student Newspaper
12. Nickname for UVA Law Student “productivity” area
13. Bar Review is on