

JURY POOL NEWS

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It's Ladies' Night Out for These Jurors

MEET "THE JURY LUCK CLUB,"
A LIVELY, ALL-FEMALE SEPTET
 who formed a lasting bond while on jury duty in Manhattan last year. Ranging from twenty-somethings to grandmothers, the group communicates regularly via e-mail, tries to get out to dinner at least once a month and recently formed a movie-night "subdivision." The ladies also do house parties.

"Once we got together for that first dinner, the group just took on a life of its own. We've had discussions on everything from finding a date to menopause," jokes Mary Ellis, who's in airline catering and has become something of the group's social director since volunteering to collect the women's e-mail addresses as they parted company on their last day of jury service.

The seven were actually part of a jury selected to hear a civil case.

Unfortunately, when another of the jurors got a bit too chatty about a personal experience with a lawsuit, the judge decided it was in everyone's best interests to disband the jury.

"Of course, we were all disappointed not to have been able to see the case through to the end, and rather than just end our association that way, we decided to e-mail one another," explains Diana Krigelman, who at 60 calls herself "the old lady of the crowd." A Brooklyn native who moved to Philadelphia and was on the Wharton School's administrative staff for over 20 years before returning to New York City in 1999, Ms. Krigelman is the newest member of a committee just appointed to study juror utilization throughout the state (see page 4). Like Ms. Ellis, she finds it intriguing that seven women of such varied ages, backgrounds and interests could meld so easily.

Jury Luck Club member Jennifer Casler, a 26-year-old who hails from Albany, New York, and works for a Madison Avenue ad agency, thinks the lifestyle and career differences of the

women are what make the group so much fun. "We all just clicked. We're genuinely interested in each other's work and what's going on in everyone's life in general," she says, adding that she always enjoys sharing experiences and ideas with the Jury Luck Club ladies.

Along with Mary, Diana and Jennifer, the group includes executive chef Maggie Moore, Kathleen Henn, who's in finance, Barbara Giove, an assistant deputy commissioner for the New York City Human Resources Administration, and science writer Kirsten Weir. Of gaining such a valuable network of friends in the course of doing one's civic duty, Ms. Weir sums it up this way: "They are just a great, intelligent group of people. Things couldn't have turned out any better." ♦



Jury Luck Club members (left to right) Mary Ellis, Kathleen Henn and Barbara Giove on an after-work get-together at Grand Central Station.

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Courts Host Forum for New York City Clergy

With many people turning to their local clergy for help with domestic, housing and other matters that often wind up in our courts, the New York State court system hosted a one-day forum to acquaint New York City clergy members with their courts so that they can better assist their congregants. Over 100 community leaders took part in the court-clergy dialogue, held this past March at The Interfaith Center, an educational organization located in mid-Manhattan.

The Very Reverend James Parks Morton, president of The Interfaith Center, expressed delight at the large turnout, calling the event the work of “an amazing collaboration.” Welcoming the day’s guests, Reverend Morton, who also is dean emeritus of The Cathedral of St. John the Divine in Manhattan, said, “We all interact with the justice system, which many of us don’t know quite well . . . We can be more effective religious leaders working with the justice system.”

Chief Judge Judith Kaye called on the Clergy Day attendees to aid the courts in better addressing the needs of their constituents. “For most people, coming to court is a stressful

time. People rarely come to court by choice. A better understanding of the courts can go a long way in relieving their anxiety. . . Our hope is that today’s discussion, and the information in the binder that you can take with you, will help you give aid . . . to those who rely on you,” she said. Every Clergy Day participant received a binder describing the court system’s role and structure and containing other vital information, including a directory of names, addresses and telephone numbers for courts, legal services, government agencies and other resources.

A “Courts 101” for Men and Women of the Cloth

Clergy Day attendees were given an overview of New York’s legal system—from the range of cases handled by the courts to the services available to poor and moderate-income litigants—by New York State Deputy Chief Judge for Justice Initiatives Juanita Bing Newton, who also shed some light on the role of jurists. “Judges can resolve real-life matters before us; that’s our job. Judges can’t make laws. We interpret and apply laws in real cases,” she said.

At one point, the judge, discussing the challenges faced by courts in the five boroughs and throughout New York in assisting the growing ranks of self-represented litigants, implored audience members, “Please remember our clerks are not lawyers and can’t give legal advice, but can give legal—including procedural—information.”

Reporting that the court system operates several “Offices for the Self-Represented” staffed by specially trained personnel whose aim is “to



James Parks Morton, president of the Interfaith Center and dean emeritus of The Cathedral of St. John the Divine in Manhattan, joins Chief Judge Judith Kaye prior to addressing the Clergy Day guests. The Interfaith Center helped organize the event, which was held at its mid-Manhattan headquarters.

provide as much information as possible,” she also informed those at the conference that a user-friendly Web site tailored to the needs of the self-represented will be launched by her office this summer.

Immigration, Other Legal Experts Join Discussion

Later that morning, Janet Sabel, managing attorney of the Legal Aid Society’s Immigration Law Unit, described how changes in the country’s immigration laws in 1996 broadened the range of crimes for which lawful permanent residents, or “green card” holders, faced expulsion from the United States.

“So all of a sudden, if you had a minor marijuana possession or two turnstile jumpings, you were now deportable,” she said, urging attendees, “Your congregants must talk with their lawyers and demand accurate advice and counseling before they take a plea to something that appears minor.”

Another subject much on the minds of many of the attendees: landlord-tenant disputes and housing matters in general. Administrative Judge for New York City Civil Court

“This has to be the start of something. We have to do more. This is not amenable to ‘drive by’ education.”

– Trial Lawyer and Clergy Day moderator Raymond M. Brown

Courts Celebrate Nation's System of Checks and Balances

“IT IS, EMPHATICALLY, THE PROVINCE AND DUTY OF THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, TO SAY WHAT THE LAW IS.”

So wrote John Marshall, our nation's third chief justice, in *Marbury v. Madison*, a landmark case that firmly established the judiciary as a co-equal branch of government. On Law Day 2003, celebrated the first week of May, courthouses statewide marked the 200-year anniversary of this historical court decision and paid tribute to our nation's rule of law.

In her Law Day 2003 address, Chief Judge Judith Kaye called judicial independence the public's assurance against “arbitrary exercises of government authority.” “Obviously, judicial independence doesn't mean that the courts are immune from criticism or beyond accountability to the public. Our courthouses and the business conducted within them are wide open for public viewing and comment,” she said. The chief judge spoke before a standing-room-only crowd assembled in the atrium of the courts' newly inaugurated judicial training center at the Pace University School of Law campus in White Plains.

Judicial independence was also the

focus of talks given by guest speakers Lieutenant Governor Mary Donohue, outgoing New York State Bar Association President Lorraine Power Tharp and Caitlin Halligan, the state's solic-



Judicial independence was the focus of talks given by Lieutenant Governor Mary Donohue (pictured here), outgoing New York State Bar Association President Lorraine Power Tharp and New York State Solicitor General Caitlin Halligan at a Law Day celebration held last May at the courts' newly opened judicial training institute in White Plains, New York.

itor general. Attributing the judiciary's strength to the constant tension among the three branches, the lieutenant governor, a former jurist, said judges must remain free to make unpopular decisions. “Yet the people as well as the executive and legislative branches must feel free to criticize and

LAW DAY: ITS ORIGINS

1957

As a response to the Soviet Union's May Day parade of weapons during the Cold War, American Bar Association President Charles Rhyne proposes a special U.S. celebration to commemorate the rule of law in a constitutional democracy

1958

President Dwight D. Eisenhower establishes Law Day U.S.A. to celebrate the significance of both the principles and practice of law and justice.

1961

May 1 is designated by joint resolution of Congress as the official date for celebrating Law Day

debate the advisability of decisions,” she emphasized.

Law Day 2003 was celebrated with equal fanfare, if less formality, outside the Bronx County Civil Courthouse, where 31 legal and social organizations handed out free literature to locals. Court employees served up hot dogs and burgers for the visitors, who also took in the sights and sounds of a local marching band and enjoyed the zany antics of “clown” Michael Chung, a Manhattan housing court attorney who volunteered his time to entertain locals and their little ones. Along with the Bronx and White Plains Law Day celebrations, courts around the state hosted tours, mock trials, law-related seminars and other festivities. ♦



Court Officers Kevin Brown and Darryll Cross, and attorney Rudy Carenaty (left to right), all employees of the Bronx Housing Court, work the grill during a Bronx Law Day gathering co-sponsored by the borough's Civil Court.

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Fern Fisher provided a glimpse into the city's high-volume housing courts. "They're very much courts for the self-represented. About 85 percent of tenants come without lawyers. On the flip side, 80 percent of owners are represented, though with the economic pressures of today, more and more small owners are showing up without attorneys. It's an explosive issue," she said. To accommodate the large number of self-represented litigants, housing courts in New York City offer free literature, legal assistance and other services via on-site resource centers which are open during court hours as well as some evenings, Judge Fisher informed audience members.

Other focal points of discussion over the course of the day included family disputes, privileged communications with congregants, clergy's obligation to report criminal matters, drug treatment and other specialized courts, and alternatives to litigation, such as mediation and arbitration.

Model for Future Meetings

Pandit Ramlall, a Hindu priest from Queens, New York, walked away from Clergy Day with a much clearer picture of the court system. "As a priest, you're a psychologist, a

counselor, a spiritual guide, a teacher. A lot of congregants come to me with immigration, domestic and housing problems. I learned so much here, information that will be very helpful to my community," he said.

Attorney Mashumi Khan, whose clients are primarily from New York City's Bangladeshi immigrant population, attended Clergy Day to learn how she could be a more effective advocate for her community, which she described as underserved. "I want to thank the organizers for putting together this wonderful panel," she said during an afternoon question-and-answer session.

And for the many attending the conference who expressed an interest in taking part in more such dialogues, including Mr. Ramlall and Ms. Khan, the good news is the Manhattan event will serve as a model for future court-clergy gatherings to be held in New York City and around the state. As veteran defense attorney Raymond M. Brown, an Interfaith Center board member and one of the day's moderators, stated in closing, "This has to be the start of something. We have to do more. This is not amenable to 'drive-by education.'" ♦

NEW COMMITTEE SEEKS TO OPTIMIZE JUROR UTILIZATION

Prompted by a study revealing that as many as 82 percent of New Yorkers called for jury service never get past the voir dire stage, Chief Judge Judith Kaye recently appointed a special panel to explore what can be done to enhance juror utilization and otherwise make jury service a more pleasant and enriching experience. The newly formed Commission on the Jury, comprising judges, jury commissioners, prosecutors, defense attorneys and civil litigators from across the state, will examine the various factors at play in the jury selection process, looking at ways to ensure that optimal numbers of citizens get the opportunity to serve on a jury, with their time spent as productively and efficiently as possible.

"It was extremely disconcerting to learn that so many New Yorkers who report for jury service never have the opportunity to participate in a jury, especially since we know that people find jury service more enjoyable and rewarding if they actually are able to sit on a case," says Judge Kaye, who adds she is eagerly awaiting the Commission's findings. The Commission held its first meeting this past April and will commence public hearings this summer. Stay tuned for news of the panel's recommendations and the jury enhancements that are likely to follow.

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Teens Join One of New York's Top Jurists for "Telechat"

Geographical barriers and video monitors seemed to fade away as high-schoolers from Rochester and Long Island engaged in lively discussion with New York State Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Ann Pfau during a teleconference this past April. Judge Pfau, who oversees court operations in New York's 62 counties and also sits on New York City's criminal bench, fielded questions from the teens, all students enrolled in law-oriented programs that focus on criminal justice and related issues. The youngsters were linked to Judge Pfau's office in downtown Brooklyn from their local courthouses in Rochester and Suffolk County, where earlier that day they had observed arraignments and other proceedings.

Students' Queries are Numerous and Diverse

"I see future lawyers and judges and hope we start enticing some of you . . . I'm just delighted to have you," said Judge Pfau, welcoming the students, who at first appeared a bit awestruck but quickly got up the courage to share with her what was foremost on their minds.

Many of the teens were particularly interested in drug courts—which they'd been learning about in class—including these courts' use of graduated sanctions and rewards for nonviolent offenders with a drug addiction. "Why reward drug court defendants?" asked one young lady. Judge Pfau pointed out that small rewards such as praise from the judge and applause from those in the courtroom help to put offenders, many of whom have never before been held accountable for their behavior, on the right path.

Upon learning that Judge Pfau presides over criminal cases in New York City, the students were curious as to whether or not she had ever felt any animosity toward an offender who came before her. "Certainly, you have defendants who act up in court, are disruptive. As a judge, you have to make sure to control that," she said, also

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Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Ann Pfau during a three-way teleconference connecting high-schoolers in Rochester (pictured here) and Long Island with her office in downtown Brooklyn. The youngsters were linked to Judge Pfau's office from their local courthouses, which they toured earlier in the day, observing arraignments and other proceedings.

Students Give Personal Best at Mock Trial Contest

You could cut the tension with a knife as the prosecutor rose to deliver her opening statement in the filled-to-capacity courtroom. Citing penal law and calling school violence "a scourge that prevents teachers from doing their job," she asserted the defendant—a student charged with third-degree assault on school grounds—had acted without provocation. As she spoke, two other "prosecutors," in neighboring courtrooms normally occupied by Albany's Court of Claims and Appellate Division, were trying the identical case before volunteer judges as six high-school teams battled for finalist status in the New York State annual mock trial competition, the largest such tournament in the country.

Earlier that May afternoon, the 50-plus semifinalists—out of some 6,000 competitors statewide—gathered for lunch at the Albany headquarters of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA), a co-sponsor of the annual competition launched 21 years ago to promote cooperation between educators and the legal community while enhancing students' understanding of the law and honing their analytical and public speaking skills.

As they swept into the lobby, the youngsters exuded nervous energy, chatting and laughing with their team members and coaches in between sips of soda and bottled water.

Clara Seaman, a sophomore at Minisink Valley High School in Orange County, admitted to feeling a

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discussing the tough decisions jurists must make on a daily basis. “Judges talk amongst themselves about sleepless nights spent wondering whether they’d set a defendant’s bail too low,” Judge Pfau told the students, though she encouraged those so inclined to pursue a career on the bench, describing it as “the best job in the world.”

Juvenile crime came up more than once during the dialogue, with the judge calling on the youngsters to spread the word to their peers about the dangers of drugs and the consequences of breaking the law. “What you saw in court today, pass it along to your friends,” she implored, adding that over the years she’s seen many drug defendants who started out convinced that they could never become addicted. In response to a query on how to best approach the problem of repeat juvenile offenders, Judge Pfau said there is no one-size-fits-all solution. “It depends on the circumstances and history of that offender. Incarceration may be appropriate in some instances, vocational and other

training in others, but judges must have enough remedies open to them,” she emphasized.

Judge Shares Recipe for Success

Balancing courthouse security with public access to the courts, enhancing minority representation among judges and meeting the challenges of an ever-growing caseload were among the other matters addressed by the end of the forum. As the talk neared to a close, one young man asked Judge Pfau what she would like the students to take back to their school, based on what she had learned in her years as a jurist. “Be patient, be patient,” said the former special education teacher, instructing the teens to listen to and show respect for one another. Her parting words of wisdom to the youngsters, following a question on the difficulties of pursuing a legal career: “Enjoy what you’re doing, and all things are possible. I attended law school at 35, had a young baby . . . and would never look back.” ♦

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bit on edge, but said her anxiety always manages to disappear once she steps into the courtroom. It’s her second year in the tournament, which the outgoing Ms. Seaman described as “a fun way to learn the law.”

Although science is her primary field of interest right now, Ms. Seaman said her participation in the law-centered competition has really helped her to think on her feet.

Ritesh Agnihotri, who at the moment dreams of a legal career, was thrilled to be among this year’s semifinalists, especially as it was this freshman’s first year in the competition. “I’ve learned so much about court procedures. I was always interested in the court system. I want to be a part of it,” said the soft-spoken Broome County Vestal High School student, who in the next few hours would take the witness stand on behalf of his team.

Gaining Lifelong Skills

Over a buffet lunch, outgoing NYSBA President Lorraine Power Tharp congratulated the teens and their coaches and attorney-advisors for their outstanding commitment. “Think for a moment how far you

have come from your involvement in this extraordinary program. Remember when you first looked at the case pattern, first heard the guidelines, first thought about what approach



Part of the Albany Academy for Girls’ mock trial competition team (left to right): Rebekah Sokol, Kelly Nealon, Cary Mayberger, Wallis Howe, Natalie Krumdieck and Gabrielle Denby. This year’s tournament drew some 6,000 students from high schools around the state, with the young ladies pictured here among the competition’s 50-plus semifinalists.

you would take in presenting your argument . . . you have now gotten a glimpse of what it’s like for every lawyer to begin his or her first case in court,” she told the youngsters, adding, “These skills are transferrable to any area of law. Whether you choose a career in law or another path, these skills are going to be useful over a lifetime.”

“Our concern is that the youngsters develop citizenship skills

as they go out into the world,” says the mock trial’s statewide administrator, Emil Zullo,* echoing Ms. Tharp’s sentiments.

A former teacher and mock trial coach, Mr. Zullo says he’s witnessed many a shy teen blossom into a confident young adult via the program, which is co-sponsored by the State Education Department, funded by the New York State Bar Foundation and reliant for its long-term success on the volunteer efforts of hundreds of educators, attorneys and judges. “Two things we’re very proud of, that the youngsters tell us they’ve gained, are self-confidence and a sense of the legal process as a peaceful, civil method for resolving disputes,” adds Mr. Zullo, who serves as assistant director of the NYSBA Law, Youth and Citizenship Committee, which guides the selection of case topics and fact patterns for the competition.

Everyone Goes Home A Winner

That evening, the semifinalists learned their fate during a dinner held in their honor. Team members from New York City’s Hunter College High School and Long Island’s W. Tresper Clarke High School would go on to

*We note with sadness the passing of Emil Zullo—a great, inspiring teacher—on May 29, 2003.

English Tradition Gains Popularity in New York's Legal Community

From Buffalo to Brooklyn, members of New York's bench and bar are forming local Inns of Court—patterned after the centuries-old English model of legal apprenticeship—giving law students and novice attorneys the opportunity to break bread with and learn from some of the sharpest legal minds in the community. The New York inns are part of a national network, the American Inns of Court, founded in 1980 by then U.S. Chief Justice Warren E. Burger to promote excellence in legal advocacy and foster collegiality among those in the profession.

There are several Inns of Court membership categories, ranging from pupil to master, with individuals from these various subdivisions comprising “pupillage teams,” each responsible for a yearly presentation on a topical legal issue.

Sharing Ideas, Stirring up Dialogue

“The intention is to come together in an informal setting to discuss the law and its applications, to stir up dialogue, with the goal of helping lawyers become more effective advocates and counselors and develop a keener ethical awareness,” says former Eighth Judicial District Administrative Judge Vincent Doyle, founder of Buffalo's Charles S. Desmond American Inn of Court. Established in 1999, the inn is named for the Buffalo native who sat on New York's Court of Appeals for 25 years, serving as chief judge from 1960 to 1966.

“Everyone is involved and having fun, which makes it much more interesting than a straight lecture,” says attorney Jennifer Runfola, of The Charles S. Desmond Inn of Court presentations she's observed over the course of her membership. A former assistant district attorney who's now

in private practice handling criminal, family and other matters, Ms. Runfola appreciates the casual, open atmosphere of these gatherings. “You get the chance to bounce ideas off people who either have more experience in another area of the law or more legal experience overall,” she adds.

Brooklyn Team Handles Tough Topic with Finesse

At one of their spring meetings, members of The Nathan R. Sobel Kings County American Inn of Court—which bears the name of one of Brooklyn's legal icons—filled a downtown Brooklyn courtroom to ponder the controversies surrounding the death penalty. The evening's program, entitled “The Death Penalty on Trial,” was researched and presented by Kings County Supreme Court Judge Abraham Gerges' team, with team members taking on the various courtroom roles to present all sides of this complex and sensitive issue.

As the “jurors” engaged in deliberations, several notables from the past, including Plato, Saint Thomas Aquinas and Sojourner Truth, showed up to share their insights on the subject at hand. In between, audience members argued the merits of retribution and the effectiveness of the death penalty as a deterrent to crime, with veteran trial lawyer Mark Longo acting as moderator.

Not surprisingly, the jury was deadlocked, and then it was off to a nearby eatery to continue the thought-provoking discussion and do some networking. “I really put my heart into it, though I was a bit nervous being in front of all these people,” confessed attorney-cum-thespian Carmen Pacheco, the night's Thomas Aquinas. Another of the evening's players, trial lawyer Manuel



Attorneys Michelle Goldberg-Cahn, Carmen Pacheco and Chia Kang (left to right) of the Nathan R. Sobel Kings County American Inn of Court, following their team's presentation, “The Death Penalty on Trial.” The inn, one of several in the state, provides law students and novice attorneys an informal setting in which to exchange ideas with experienced members of the bar and bench.

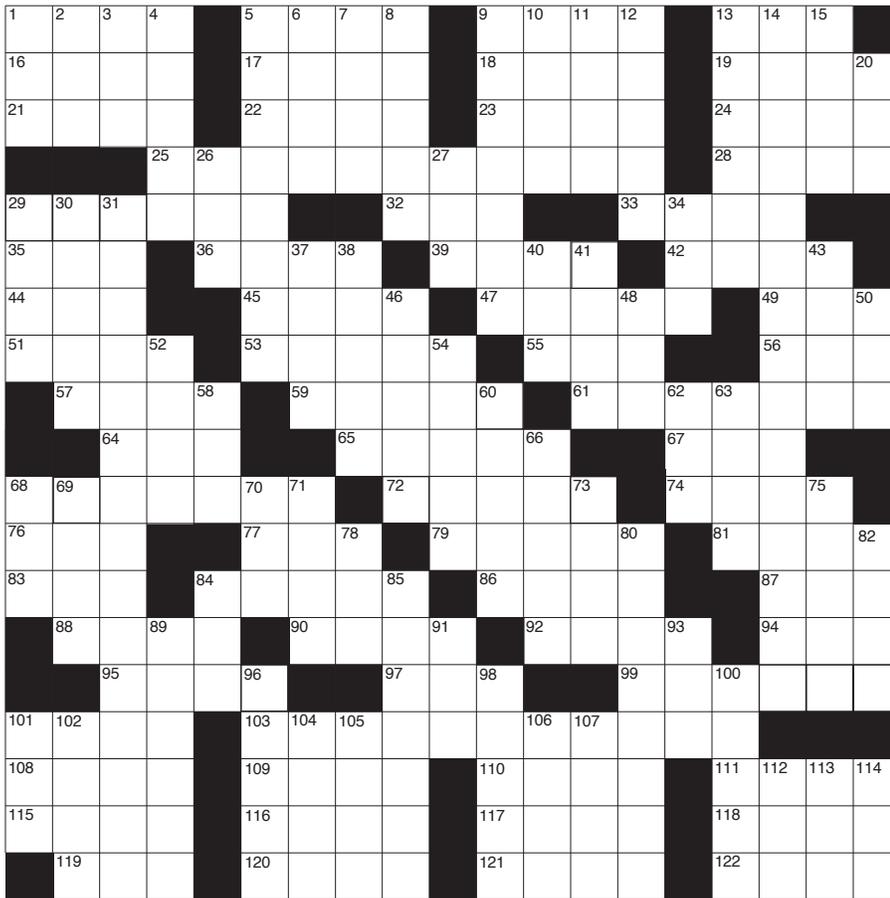
Romero, recalled with amusement that while vacationing in Florida, he got a call from Supreme Court Judge Edward Rappaport, the Brooklyn inn's president, inquiring if he'd been working on his presentation. “We take it seriously, but make it fun,” he said.

Student Savors Chance to Mix with Veterans

“With these kinds of programs, the important thing is to make them demonstrative and pragmatic. They shouldn't be law lectures. We even brought in a magician for one presentation, called ‘Do You See What I See,’ which examined how several people, though they may witness the same incident, can see things differently,” said Judge Rappaport, who kicked off the evening.

At dinner, the judge joined a table of students from the City University of New York School of Law, among them a bubbly, young woman named Farhid Sedaghatpour. Calling the gathering—her first inn meeting—an eye-opener, Ms. Sedaghatpour added, “To be able to carry on conversation with people who've been in the field for so many years, to debate with them on current and historical issues, it's such a wonderful opportunity.” ♦

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DOWN

1. Attorneys' field of study
2. Organization for I-Down: abbr.
3. Stationery store item
4. Engage in larceny
5. "Book," a second time
6. Plantlike organism
7. Dance sensation-turned-German spy
8. Stocking mishaps
9. Remark
10. Woodwind
11. Simba, for one
12. Camping items
13. It's the 49th state
14. Disobey the judge's order and you're charged with this: 3 words
15. Fork part
20. Snare
26. Yiddish title
27. Originally called
29. Baseball need
30. Broadway role for Bernadette Peters
31. Globally
34. ___ Arbor, Michigan
37. Island in the West Pacific
38. Use some elbow grease
40. By way of
41. Scream
43. Dark
46. Swiss cheese feature
48. ___-de-France
50. Distress call
52. Canadian diva
54. "The ___ Man," Graham Greene work
58. Milk container: abbr.
60. Move swiftly
62. Test for many future master's degree holders: abbr.
63. Fleming and McKellen
66. Washed (down)
68. Police rank: abbr.
69. Brusque
70. Period
71. Engrossed
73. "Tonight Show" host
75. First name of Swedish-born director Hallström
78. In favor of
80. Reschedules, as a court date
82. Bosc, for example
84. Middle: abbr.
85. Asked to a party
89. The 1995 film "Sabrina" is one
91. Slippery one
93. Relating to us
96. Proposal
98. Mary ___ Moore
100. Marble or granite
101. Do a farmer's work
102. Clothed
104. See 56-Across
105. First name of 7-Down
106. Greeting in 84-Across
107. Rowing need
112. Voice, to 95-Across
113. Boxing great
114. Land parcel

ACROSS

1. Swimming distances
5. Sounds from the cheering squad
9. Young horse
13. Play a part
16. Assist a thief
17. Spirit
18. Award for Off-Broadway productions
19. Butcher's cut
21. Ebb
22. Taj Mahal site
23. Sky sighting
24. Ms. Klein, of fashion
25. Certain court proceeding
28. Editor's direction
29. Author of "The Naked and the Dead"
32. View
33. Order at a Japanese restaurant, perhaps
35. Traveler's resting stop
36. Makes an urgent request
39. The "green-eyed monster"
42. Moniker
44. Explosive
45. Very; especially
47. Connect with something relevant: 2 words
49. Commercial-free TV outlet: abbr.
51. Evened, as the score
53. Fortune-telling cards
55. Everybody
56. Besides
57. Guitarist Clapton
59. Stubborn sorts
61. Armies
64. Negative
65. Remove from the starting lineup
67. British military arm: abbr.
68. Device for one who dabbles in digital photography
72. Bar feature
74. Addition to a letter, for short
76. Belly
77. Knock sharply
79. Hebrew prophet
81. Bathing need
83. Prefix with "state"
84. Island near Naples
86. Look after
87. Employ
88. Type of civil case
90. Sound quality
92. Where karate students train
94. Cape Town is its legislative capital: abbr.
95. Successor of Claudius
97. Old-timer, for short
99. Expulsion
101. Con game
103. Tribunal for most domestic matters: 2 words
108. Earthenware vessel
109. Lacking sparkle
110. Pinocchio, for one
111. Egg-shaped
115. Stroll
116. Map direction, for Juan
117. Make, as a living
118. ___ contendere, plea in a criminal case
119. Hair coloring need
120. Street
121. A Supreme
122. Stage direction

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the finals to be held the next morning at the Foley Federal Courthouse, with New York State Court of Appeals Associate Judge George Bundy Smith presiding.

The Westbury, Long Island, team may have prevailed in the end, but all the students returned home true champions. Recapping the youngsters' performance this year, Aaron Ben-Meere, a Bronx County court attorney and the outgoing chair of the NYSBA Committee on Citizenship Education, said, "It's a pleasure to watch the students in action, to see them run with the ball. They're extraordinary." ♦