

REMARKS OF WILLIAM J. BOWE
AT THE 25TH REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1967
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL

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[Before Dinner]

The band will be here til 11:30 this evening

Welcome classmates, friends and guests. For those of you who don't know me, I am Bill Bove. It is my pleasure this evening to introduce our brief program before the dancing begins.

and the parkas now reopened

~~First, as is appropriate for a gathering of lawyers, The Rule of the Evening. Smoking is permitted in the cocktail area only.~~

~~Next~~ Some thanks are in order. All those who were at the Alumni Dinner Thursday night owe Linda Neal a thankyou. She was introduced as the new National Alumni Chairman at the end of a long evening when everyone was ready to go home. She approached the podium and said, "And now my address...5609 South Kenwood."

I know all those at our class cocktail party last night also join me in thanking our host Jim Hunter. Although your setting was a little cramped, Jim, the food and drink were perfect.

Finally, thanks for the band this evening go to Keith Eastin, Jim Hunter, Mark Levy, Art Mastolo, Mike Meyer, Chuck Murphy, Peter Ostroff, Mike Sigal and Dave Woss

A few prizes are in order for those who made exceptional efforts to get here. Hans Petter Lundgaard joins us from Oslo, Norway. He serves as an appeals court judge there after ten years as Ombudsman. Gene Dye and his wife joined us by traveling from Paris, France.

Gene is birthday no less.

for

first

and his wife Janet

In the category of missing and present politicians, we have the Right Honorable Sir Geoffrey Palmer. The former Prime Minister of New Zealand pulled no punches as to why he's not here. He said it was too far to come. John Ashcroft, Governor of Missouri, did ~~(not)~~ make it, and David Minge, who announced for Congress from the state of Minnesota last Sunday is ~~(is not)~~ with us.

together with his wife Karen

In the category of strangest and most unbelievable excuse for not making it we have Duncan Kilmartin. He's staying put in Vermont. Don Samuelson tells me this is because Vermont is like India in that it protects cows as sacred. It seems

under the law

hit by a car

Duncan is representing a cow just now. He apparantly has represented them before as well. Udder misery, it you ask me. More believable was Geof Braun's excuse. He is performing in a concert in California tonight on his 50th birthday. I would have thought he would have preferred our company on his natal day. Maybe one of you could send him a particularly smarmy Hallmark card and poem.

Phil Neal, ~~Harry A. Bigelow~~ and

Before introducing Linda Neal, who will report on the success of our class fundraising efforts, I wanted to briefly mention to you the startling results that turned up in the Class of '67 Reunion Questionnaires that were returned. You may remember that at our 10th Reunion a similar questionnaire was filled out and returned. It showed that 82% of our classmates reported that they finished in the top half of our class. Well, who says we don't get smarter as we get older. Tonight, it is my distinct honor to report to you that 92% of us finished in the upper 50% of our class.

~~With that good news, Linda, would you please tell us how we did on our class gift in our 25th Reunion Year.~~

~~PHIL~~

[LINDA NEAL REMARKS]

Phil Neal Intro

One of our very special guests here tonight is Phil C. Neal, Harry A. Bigelow Professor Emeritus of Law at the Law School. Phil graduated from Harvard, where he was president of the Law Review. He clerked for Justice Robert H. Jackson and was a regular member of the faculty of the Law School from 1962 to 1984. He was Dean of the Law School from 1963 to 1975. Phil is now a partner in the law firm of Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg in Chicago. Phil has always had a special affection for our class, although as nearly as I could tell the only reason was because Linda Thoren was in it. Perhaps in his remarks tonight Phil will look deep in his heart and find another reason for his high regard for us. Phil.

holding us in

[REMARKS OF PHIL C. NEAL]

Geoff Stone Intro

We are fortunate this evening to be joined by Geoffrey R. Stone, Harry A. Kalven Jr. Professor of Law and Dean of the Law School. Geoff attended the Law School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Law Review. He ~~clerked~~ ^{clerked} for Justice William J. Brennan Jr. ~~of~~ ^{the} Supreme Court. He has been a member of the faculty since 1973. President Hanna Holborn Gray has appointed Geoff to a second five-year term as Dean, effective this July 1. During his first five years, Geoff has extended the Law School's public service program, expanded the Mandel Legal Aid Clinic, established the Law and Government Program and the Center for the Study of Constitutionalism in Eastern Europe, encouraged closed dialogue with students, and expanded interdisciplinary studies. * Geoff, our class has made a fine 25th Reunion gift to the Law School to help start you on your way to another successful five-year term as Dean. *are you going to spend it all in one place?*

[Introduction by Phil Neal]

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* just this past winter, Geoff ~~met~~ ^{Stone} met another ~~challenges~~ ^{challenges}. ~~the~~ ^{the} feminists ~~and~~ demanded a list of faculty members broken down by sex. Geoff said, "I don't think we have any of those. I think alcohol is our only problem." Its attacks like this that caused Geoff to contract the rare and much misunderstood disease of apathetic paranoia. He knew people were out to get him, but he didn't care anymore.

He asked that it
be read "later in the
evening when their
tolerance it part" the
official showed" the
Class of 1967

From: Norval Morris
Melbourne A09

Date: May 4, 1992

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- ② Norval Morris letter
- ③ W3 Comments to Quaternary
- ④ Phil Neal note
- ⑤ Geoff Stone note
- ⑥ Linda Neal note

We came together in '64 and for one quarter you allowed me to substitute for Frank Allan, which is the only false step ever taken by my class, that greatest of classes, the class of '67.

You moved on to diverse distinctions while I stayed put, my time spent marvelling at your various successes. For a time one monosyllabic member of your class, Franklin Zimring, stayed with me but then he too defected and I was left to cope with the lesser breeds of less vintage classes.

It is a sadness for me now to be at the antipodes of your ceremonies, but on the evening of your celebratory dinner I shall throw another shrimp and another yabbie and some crocodile meat and kanga tail on the barbie and lift more than one bumfer of plank in honor of my class, the _____ Class of '67'67.