Legal Society Meets U.S. Supreme Court

By Robert Hallock

The Legal Society went on their bi-annual trip to the nation’s capital.

The group arrived in Washington, DC, at 9 a.m. The bus dropped them off at the White House for a 9:30 a.m. private tour. The White House was filled with pictures of former presidents and the freshest bouquets of flowers. Each room was beautifully decorated in a different color. Some of the furniture was from the early nineteenth century.

Following the tour we checked into the hotel and were free to tour Washington. I went to meet with congressmen; others went to the zoo where they saw rare and endangered animals like the Giant Pandas. The night ended with watching the play, "Capital Steps," it’s a political spoof with jokes ranging from President Bush’s wisdom to Bill Clinton’s colitis, and a historian’s hit called "R love: The President’s 30th." The audience was laughing with laughter. After the play some students wanted out to get a taste of the nightlife.

On Sunday we went sightseeing and took some tours. The group went in the Spy Museum and then to Ford’s Theater, the site of Lincoln’s assassination. The court Lincoln was wearing the night of his murder and the gun that was used to kill him were viewed.

The Holocaust Museum was also visited. The horror of the 1930s and 40s in Europe was an experience none of us could probably fathom. Museums such as the Holocaust Museum are quite emotional and stick in your memory.

While in the Washington Memorial we asked a randomly chosen person, who was standing in the line, if she would take our picture. She hesitated and asked what zone, telling us to make it quick because she was busy and had no time. We said yes she didn’t have to take the picture, but she insisted in a nice tone. As we were standing there trying to smile she changed her tone and said, "Say "preacher" in a faker voice. She took the picture from set down on the bench, took out her lunch and started to read a book. After that, every time we took a picture we would go, "Say, 'Preacher',"

We decided to go to the Lincoln Memorial to take a group photo. Afterwards we went back to the handler to get ready for our elegant dinner in Georgetown. The event was excellent; the dinner conversation was filled with laughter and joking. The service was incredible as well. After dinner we hung around the host playing card games and getting to know each other better.

In the morning we were all on foot at 7 a.m. for two and a half hours, at the steps of the Supreme Court, hoping to receive a ticket for one of the fifty open seats. Only two in the group were able to get in to see the full two-hour argument. The two of us were in for the five-minute argument.

We were captivated with the knowledge of the justices. It was as if they knew each page of every law written.

After the Supreme Court we all met for lunch at a local cafe. Following lunch the bus was loaded up and we headed home.

The entire trip from beginning to end was a great experience. Legal Society would love to thank Sharon Silversides and Perry Marsh for their assistance and the Office of Student Activities for their financial assistance.

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The Legal Society, outside the Reagan Building, the WJ1 Monument, inside a restaurant taking an advise photo. The Supreme Court, Legal Society meeting Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial.

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