Rhonda Frank-Loron '00 has joined the Madison firm of Julian, Musial & Friedrich.

Stacy Leeds (L.L.M. '00) is the first woman to be named a justice on the Cherokee Nation's highest court, the Judicial Appeals Tribunal.

Glorify A. Lopez '00 has opened a solo practice in Madison, where she will focus on immigration and nationality law matters.

Andy Vught '00, an associate with the Portage, Wisconsin firm of Miller and Miller, is serving as a volunteer with STAR, Students Talking about Respect, Inc. STAR is a non-profit educational corporation that provides free violence-prevention materials and program structures to high schools.

Colin L. Fairman '01 has joined DeWitt Ross & Stevens in Madison. Fairman, who holds a Ph.D. from the University of Hawaii School of Medicine, will focus on intellectual property matters in the biotechnology field.

Shailaja Reddy '01 has joined Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek in Milwaukee, where she is a member of the technology team.

Melissa A. Abbott '02 has joined Solheim Billing & Grimmer, Madison, where she will practice estate planning, probate and tax.

Karal A. Bekeny '02 has joined the litigation/trial practice group of Arter & Hadden in Cleveland, Ohio.

Daniel J. Chanen '02 has joined the Milwaukee office of Davis & Kuehn. Chanen is in the labor and employment section, where he will focus on school law.

IN MEMORIAM

Carl W. Thompson '39 in Stoughton
John P. Frank '40 in Phoenix, Arizona
James H. Plier '41 in Oconto Falls
Joseph A. Sullivan '41 in New York, NY
Thomas Anich '42 in Ashland
Joseph A. Romig '46 in Duluth
James F. Clark '47 in Madison
Robert W. Feuer '49 in Fairfax, Virginia
Jerome H. Kaypers '52 in Bonita Springs, Florida
A. Glenn Evins '56 in Southfield, Michigan
Frank J. Pelisek '58 in Milwaukee
Zigurds L. "Zig" Zile '58 in Monticello, WI *
John M. Langer '60 in Baraboo
Thomas S. Brenner '61 in Waukesha
Jonathan I. Charney '68 in Nashville
I. Douglass Cofrin '68 in Green Bay
Warren Kenney '69, in Madison
Charles "Nick" Egan '72 in Green Bay
Thomas N. Akey '74 in Minocqua
Robert Dietz '84 in Fort McCoy

The next issue of Gargoyle will share remembrances of Professor Zile, who died November 26, 2002.

UW Law Alumna

Editor's Note:

Nancy Splain '77 is an example of one of our many alumni who have found a way to combine their "stateside" career with an international law-related experience. Splain spent two years in Ukraine, volunteering her services for the ABA's CEELI program, which works to develop and implement legal reform projects in Central and Eastern Europe. Here she shares her experience with Gargoyle readers. Another alumna who participated in the CEELI program is Hannah Dugan '87, who wrote on her month-long stint in Ukraine in the Milwaukee Bar Association's newsletter, The Messenger.

By Nancy Splain

A $I WAS sitting in my law office one day approaching my 20th year since graduating from the University of Wisconsin Law School, the question popped unbidden into my mind "Is this all there is?" Surprised, I immediately pointed out to myself that I had a successful law practice, participated in interesting civic projects and had a loving and supportive family-a rich life, what more could one want? Maybe a midlife crisis was looming. Or maybe it was the residual effect of having observed that every corporate executive client who had come to my office shocked at having been "invited" to retire early, recovered and embarked on new projects, in effect finding a "second life" every bit as fulfilling as the first.

Whatever it was, I was intrigued when an announcement addressed to me as President of the Scottsdale Bar As-