

These are from a book called "Disorder in the American Courts" and are things people actually said in court, word for word, taken down and now published by court reporters that had the torment of staying calm while these exchanges were actually taking place.

ATTORNEY: Doctor, before you performed the autopsy, did you check for a pulse?  
 WITNESS: No.  
 ATTORNEY: Did you check for blood pressure?  
 WITNESS: No.  
 ATTORNEY: Did you check for breathing?  
 WITNESS: No.  
 ATTORNEY: So, then it is possible that the patient was alive when you began the autopsy?  
 WITNESS: No.  
 ATTORNEY: How can you be so sure, Doctor?  
 WITNESS: Because his brain was sitting on my desk in a jar.  
 ATTORNEY: I see, but could the patient have still been alive, nevertheless?  
 WITNESS: Yes, it is possible that he could have been alive and practicing law.

ATTORNEY: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?  
 WITNESS: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.  
 ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?  
 WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?  
 ATTORNEY: The youngest son, the twenty-year-old, how old is he?  
 WITNESS: He's twenty, much like your IQ.  
 ATTORNEY: ALL your responses MUST be oral, OK? What school did you go to?  
 WITNESS: Oral.

ATTORNEY: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?  
 WITNESS: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.  
 ATTORNEY: Can you describe the individual?  
 WITNESS: He was about medium height and had a beard.  
 ATTORNEY: Was this a male or a female?  
 WITNESS: Unless the circus was in town, I'm going with male.  
 ATTORNEY: Is your appearance here this morning pursuant to a deposition notice which I sent to your attorney?  
 WITNESS: No, this is how I dress when I go to work.



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**Brent Jackson**  
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**High School and College Officiating: The Inside Scoop**

If Bill Straus tells you he can pull a 20-minute presentation out of his pocket at the drop of a hat, believe him. That's what he did last Thursday when our scheduled speaker had to cancel at the last minute.

Many of you know that Bill is a world renowned photographer with a specialty in thoroughbred horseracing. (And, if you didn't, go to his website, w, for a beautiful gallery of horse farms, Derby winners, races and other amazing shots.) However, you may not know that Bill has over 30 years' experience officiating in high school and college sports, specifically football, baseball and basketball. Drawing on that experience, Bill gave us the scoop on what happens on the field or court when the microphones are off. Here's a sampling of what we learned.

- Rules knowledge is a problem—for coaches, players (and probably sports-writers, parents and fans). "Don't get your rules from announcers."
- Football is the least interactive sport—"they wear too much gear" for the officials to communicate with the players.

- In football you can call something on almost every play. But the key is "did it affect the play?"
- Officials should never personally step into the middle of a fight on the field—"They're big and wear stuff."
- In baseball, the umpire should make friends with the catcher. "He'll support you when the coach is yelling."
- Sliding plays are hard to call. "If the ball beats the runner, we call them out."
- Sometimes what happens when the umpire goes out to talk to the coach is not what it appears to be. It could be about where to go for dinner or what's happening after the game.
- Officiating in basketball has advantages—"it's warm and dry inside."
- The toughest call to make is any call you don't expect to see.
- "Over the back" should be called only if there is contact that gives an advantage.
- Regarding the 3-second shot rule, the count gets suspended if a player in the paint gets the ball. And the rule doesn't come into effect until the ball gets in the front court.
- Palming and high dribbles are not equal. High dribbles are legal.
- Sometimes the referee talks to the coach to prevent things from happening. He may, for example, suggest benching a kid who's about to lose his temper.

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- Mar. 26 Kelly Hampton, "The Boy Scouts of America"
- Apr. 2 TBA
- Apr. 9 Dr. Augusta Julian, KCTCS
- Apr. 16 Lexington Legends
- Apr. 23 Rotary Scholarship Day
- Apr. 30 Nick Nicholson, KY Derby Predictions

MARCH 2009

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• And some plays your remember your entire career...like the high school kid ("his jersey was challenged not to burst at the seams") who was carried off the floor by the fans in the stands. As it turned out, the kid had managed his team for three years and never missed a practice. In the last home game of his senior year, when his team was up by 30 points, the coach sent the kid in to take the final shot. When he did, the crowd rushed the floor, lifted the kid overhead and carried him off the court. When Bill got the back story from the coach, he called Allen Cutler, who did a feature on that play.

— Judy Worth



**ROAMING ROTARIANS**

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**MEET A NEW (OLD) ROTARIAN**



**Barry Schwartz**

Barry Schwartz is returning to Lexington Rotary after a several-year hiatus during which he was busy serving as a board member of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Bluegrass and being named 2004 Big Brother of the Year for Kentucky. He has been employed by AAA and Energy Insurance as a commercial insurance specialist for twenty-four years.

He and his wife Jan (a soon-to-be retired Fayette County school teacher) have two sons, Cameron (28 years old) and Evan (23 years old) and one grandson, Landon, age 2. Barry lists his hobbies as fishing, hiking, boating, and collecting hot sauce(?).



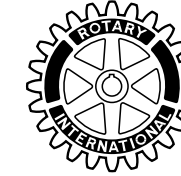
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If you would like to help C4S and see what else they have to offer, please visit their website at [www.CYCLE4SUNDAY.com](http://www.CYCLE4SUNDAY.com).

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