

## A SALUTE TO THE 1992 OLYMPIC GAMES

Throughout the year, the world has been celebrating the "spirit of the Olympics." The *Seton Hall Journal of Sport Law* is proud to participate in this celebration by dedicating this portion of the Journal to the 1992 Olympic Games. Last year, the Journal was honored with a visit from a former Olympic great, Abel Kiviat. Until his death in August of 1991, Mr. Kiviat had the distinction of being the Oldest Living Olympian. Mr. Kiviat entertained the members with his stories of past Olympics, his Olympic roommate, Jim Thorpe and his appearance on the Johnny Carson Show. In keeping with the "spirit of the Olympics," we have invited two of Mr. Kiviat's friends to pay tribute to him. The following essays were written by Fred Lebow, President of the New York Road Runners Club and founder and director of the New York City Marathon; and Elliot Denman, former Olympic athlete, writer and columnist with the *Asbury Park Press*.

We are also honored to salute the Olympics with an essay written by former Olympic gold medalist, Aileen Riggan Soule. Ms. Soule writes about her experiences in the Olympics and what participation in the Games has meant to her. Buck Dawson, founder of the International Swimming Hall of Fame, also contributes to our Salute to the Olympics with his essay about the troubles that have surrounded each Olympic Game. Finally, our Salute ends with an historical note on professionalism in the Olympics.