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• DEAN'S MESSAGE •

I am pleased to report the successful conclusion of two major law school efforts — our search for a new leader for the Levin College of Law and another phase of our building campaign.

Most of you have learned by now of University of Florida President **Charles Young's** announcement that former University of Kansas Law School Dean **Robert Jerry** will join the college in July as its 13th dean. Jerry is now Missouri Endowed Floyd R. Gibson Professor at the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law. (*Complete story on Jerry at www.law.ufl.edu.*)

Many of you also may know that while we received the bulk of our funding — more than \$23 million in public and private funds — for construction before last fall, we continued to raise funds to enable us to again apply for state matching dollars and come closer to the estimated \$50 million needed to complete all phases of our construction and renovation plans.

We intensified this effort in September, and by the end of the year received \$564,000 in gifts and pledges — from \$25 to \$100,000 — from 105 donors. As a result, UF has placed the law school on a list for a Courtelis Fund match of \$1,128,000. Construction begins later this year.

More than \$300,000 of the contributions resulted from a fund-raising effort for the Justice **Stephen C. O'Connell** Supreme Court Reading Room. The project was initiated by his widow, **Cynthia O'Connell**, to seek gifts from his friends and colleagues to name a large study room in the new library space in his honor.

A special note of thanks and congratulations for the success of this project goes to our alumni leaders and Development Director **Donald Hale**, Associate Director **Kelly Wood** and others in the Development and Alumni Affairs Office for their



Dean Jon Mills



Incoming Dean Robert Jerry

hard work and dedication. As I have said, we need facilities that match the quality of our students, staff, faculty and alumni. Now we will fulfill that promise.

As you may read in the message below from Professor Jerry — sent to the law school community following President

Young's announcement — this kind of shared commitment to the advancement of an institution is vital to its success. Professor Jerry feels — as I do — that people here are dedicated to the best interests of the law school. He shares our vision for the future of this great place, and I am pleased he is joining us.

— Dean Jon Mills

Please know I am delighted that I will soon be moving to Gainesville to serve as dean of the Levin College of Law. My wife, Lisa, shares my enthusiasm. We are eager to make the transition and appreciate your many offers of assistance.

When the search process began many weeks ago, I spoke honestly when I told search committees, provosts and presidents that I did not want to be a dean again unless it could be at an institution where there was a shared commitment among the faculty, administration and alumni to take a strong institution and move it to the next level.

I believe I have found that situation at Florida. You already have faculty, staff, and students of extraordinary quality. But I am confident that if we work together and make good decisions that build on this foundation, the college's best years are in its future.

I will be making a number of trips to Gainesville before July 1. Although some of those trips will be short, I hope I will be able to visit with many of you on those occasions.

— Professor Robert Jerry

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Area Conferences Focus on Careers, Environment

- **Career Development Conference**
Saturday, Feb. 22, Sheraton Hotel.
For information:
<http://grove.ufl.edu/~lcc/conference/>.
- **Public Interest Environmental Conference**
Thursday, Feb. 27, UF Reitz Union.
For information:
<http://grove.ufl.edu/~els>

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Supreme Court Externships

Apply by 5 p.m. Monday (Feb. 24) for summer and fall externships at the Florida Supreme Court. Summer externships run May 19-July 11 (40 hours/week, six credits). Fall externships are semester-long (20 hours/week, five credits). Packets are available in the Centers for Governmental Responsibility and Career Services (Bruton-Geer Hall). For information: CGR Staff Attorney **Tim McLendon** (392-2237).

Professionalism Symposium

Fall 2002 entering students must attend a Professionalism Symposium Friday (Feb. 21), 9 a.m.-noon, Holland Auditorium. The event will include a presentation by south Florida attorney **Kat Silverglate** on the many "hats" an attorney wears, and panel and breakout discussions. It is offered in concert with the 8th Judicial Circuit Bar Association, for whom CLE credit is available. For information: Associate Dean for Students, Professionalism and Community Relations **Gail Sasnett** (sasnett@law.ufl.edu or 392-0421).

• CENTER FOR CAREER SERVICES •

Cross Joins Career Services

New Career Services Assistant Director **Mary-Ellen Cross** is responsible for individual career counseling, externships, judicial clerkships, the 1L Shadow Project, programming and the center website. Cross received her B.A. and M.A. (Public Administration) from James Madison University and J.D. from UF in 2001. She comes to the law school from Clayton-Johnston P.A. in Gainesville.



Cross

"We are thrilled to have someone with Mary-Ellen's excellent background and experience," said Career Services Assistant Dean **Kathy Urbach**. "As one of our graduates, she is familiar with the law school and what help students need most. She is a great addition to our already strong team, and will allow us to enhance our programs and services. I know students will enjoy working with her as much as we do."

Deadline Friday for Minority Clerkship

First-year minority students interested in a paid summer associate clerkship and \$5,000 cash award through Baker & Hostetler's Paul White Scholarship Program must apply by Friday (Feb. 21). (Form available in Career Services.)

Register Now for Interview Program

Your registration and check payable to Loyola School of Law (check **must** be received before deadline to register) are due by Friday (Feb. 21) for the Loyola University Chicago School of Law's 17th Annual Patent Law Interview Program (July 31-Aug. 2). The program enables students to interview with patent law firms and corporations and government

Trial Team Wins Regional, Final Four is Friday

The UF Law Trial Team recently won first place in the Regional American Bar Association after defeating Florida State in the final round. (Look for a full write-up in the next *FlaLaw*.)

The Trial Team Final Four Competition is Friday (Feb. 21), 12:30 p.m., Bailey Courtroom. In the case of *State of Liberty v. Taylor*, competitors for the state will be **Herman Felton** and **Gregg Hutt**, and for the Defense **Benjamin Sampract** and **Vanessa Maiorana**.



Students at the annual Pro Bono Symposium earlier this month discussed available placements with employers and learned about the benefits of volunteering.

agencies with patent law departments. Last year, 155 patent law employers, 135 schools and 900 students participated.

Apply by Monday for Externships

A list of available Summer/Fall 2003 externships is available in Career Services. Unless otherwise indicated, applications are due by noon Monday, Feb. 24.

Turn in Hours for Pro Bono Certificate

Students who have volunteered their legal expertise for 35 hours or more to benefit the underserved or underrepresented have earned a Pro Bono Certificate. To be eligible for a Spring 2003 Certificate, students **must** turn in their hours, signed by a supervisor, to Career Services no later than noon March 26.

'Ask the Expert'

Need help directing your job search? Assistant Dean Urbach will offer suggestions and guidance during a new Career Services "Individual Career Development Strategy" program Thursday (Feb. 20), 11:30 a.m., Bailey Courtroom. Come learn, ask questions and brain-storm with others.

International Law Meeting

The first International Law Society meeting of the semester is Wednesday (Feb. 19) at 5:30 p.m. For information: ILS Secretary **Christina Bobadilla** (Candide511@aol.com).

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'Children, Culture & Violence: Exploring Myths, Images & Realities'

The interdisciplinary conference "Children Culture, and Violence," co-hosted by the Center for Children and the Law and UF's Center for Children's Literature and Culture, will be held here March 20-21.

"Literally dozens of people collaborated to make this conference happen," said **Barbara Bennett Woodhouse**, Levin Chair in Family Law and director of the UF Law Center on Children and the Law. "After our first conference in late 2001, Center for Children's Literature and Culture Director **Jon Cech** and I brain-stormed about the role of culture in shaping children's environments — specifically violence and its effects. Our planning team then rapidly grew as other UF and community groups joined us."

The conference is coordinated with other community events, including a traveling art exhibit at the UF Harn Museum of Art, "The Culture of Violence," on exhibit until April 27. The exhibit contains thematic categories ranging from political to personal expressions of violence, including terrorist acts, hate crimes, youth violence, domestic violence and street crime.

Web experts at the Institute for Child Health Policy created the conference website and the new Institute for Child and Adolescent Policy will host a post conference site. The Gainesville Public Library is hosting a Teen Speak Out in connection with the conference, and SHANDS Healthcare is sponsoring scholarships for community youth workers to attend.

The conference will examine zones in children's lives where violence occurs (family, school, media and other public spaces, juvenile justice institutions and world) and explore its cultural manifestations (including representations of violence and real violence, portrayals of children and youth as violent predators, and intersections of violence with race, class, gender and sexuality). The closing session is on violence prevention.

Keynote speakers include:

- **Geoffrey Canada**, president of the Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families in New York City, recipient of the 1995 Heinz Foundation Award, and author of *Fist Stick Knife Gun* and *Reaching Up for Manhood: Transforming the Lives of Boys in America*.



This image representing the 2003 Children, Culture and Violence Conference is 'Learning to Trust' by Sharon Harper. A collection by the artist is part of the "Culture of Violence" exhibit at the UF Harn Art Museum.

- **Ntozake Shange**, poet and novelist, author of the Obie Award-winning choreo-poem *for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf* and many other works for adults, as well as such children's books as the recent, *Whitewash*, which has been adapted to film and is currently being screened on HBO.
- Chief Justice **Harry Lee Anstead** (JD 63) was appointed to the Florida Supreme Court in 1994. A native of Jacksonville, he grew up in the Brentwood housing projects, and has been a leader in improving the courts that serve Florida's children and families.

Registration deadline is March 3. Registration, agenda and information are online at: <http://childconference.ichp.edu/>. Cost: opening keynote and dinner - \$50; plenaries and workshops - \$100 (private sector)/\$75 (government). CLE Credit or Attendance Certificate available.

For general questions: Director of Conference Planning & Special Events **Barbara DeVoe** (392-8070 or devoe@law.ufl.edu). For Web or registration problems: **Syray Syed** (392-5904 x249 or sys@ichp.edu).

CSRRR Conference Explores Influence of Literature, Language & Lyrics on Race Relations

The Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations will host March 27-28 its fourth annual conference – "Rhyme, Rhetoric and Race: Exploring the Influence of Literature, Language, and Lyrics on Race Relations."

Sessions will focus on legal aspects of hate speech, censorship and literature promoting "emotional segregation," and will include discussions on legal rights and responsibilities and roles of educators, legislators, litigators and parents.

There also will be interdisciplinary presentations on history and the development of racialized literature and expressions.

CLE credits available. For information: www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr/events.shtml.

'Prisoners, Punishment and Profits'

Dr. Vivien Miller from the University of Middlesex, England, will speak on "Prisoners, Punishment and Profits in the Pre-Depression South: The Florida State Prison at Raiford as Showcase" at 5 p.m. March 4, Keene-Flint Hall, Room 105 (on University Avenue, west of Library West).

Miller is author of *Crime, Sexual Violence, and Clemency:*

Florida's Pardon Board and Penal System in the Progressive Era.

For information: Affiliate Professor of Legal History **Elizabeth Dale** (edale@history.ufl.edu) or History Professor **Brian Ward** (392.0271, ext.251 or wardb@ufl.edu).

Conferences Examine Money Laundering, IP

- **Anti-Money Laundering Conference** (Feb. 26-28, Miami)
- **Law & Technology Conference** (Feb. 28, Orlando)

For information: Director of Conference Planning & Special Events **Barbara DeVoe** (392-8070 or devoe@law.ufl.edu).

INSIDE THE LAW SCHOOL



Environmental and Land Use Law Program Director Alyson Flournoy (third from front) welcomed new faculty Christine Klein (second) and Mary Jane Angelo (fourth) with a canoe trip on nearby Lake Elizabeth. Joining them was Associate Professor Danaya Wright (front), Conservation Clinic Director Tom Ankersen (fifth) and CGR Staff Attorney Richard Hamann.

Top Faculty Join UF Law

In addition to new Dean **Robert Jerry** and Legal Information Center Director **Mary Kathleen Price**, both who arrive in July, UF Law will welcome in Fall 2003 Environmental and Land Use Law professors **Michael Wolf**, **Mary Jane Angelo** (arriving in Fall 2004) and **Christine Klein**; Associate Professor **Cally Jordan** and Assistant Professor **Christopher Peterson**. And George Yin will serve in Spring 2004 as a visitor in the Freeland Eminent Scholar in Taxation Chair.

Michael Wolf

University of Richmond Law and History Professor Michael Wolf earned his B.A. from Emory University, A.M. and Ph.D. from Harvard, and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. His focus is on Property, Land-Use Planning, Environmental Law, Environmental Law and Policy and Local Government. He also has been visiting professor at The American University Washington College of Law, Associate Professor at Oklahoma City University School of Law, and research associate and teaching fellow at Harvard. He is a prolific and widely published author.

"Michael draws on legal history extensively in his work on land use law; and his keen interest in the intersection of land use and environmental law is a great fit with our program, which emphasizes the relationship of these two fields," said Program Director **Alyson Flournoy**. "As the Richard E.



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Nelson Chair of State and Local Government Law, his interest in land use will enrich our program in state and local government law."

Christine Klein

Christine Klein clerked at the U.S. District Court (Colorado), then worked for the Colorado Attorney General's Office, where she specialized in water-rights litigation. She has taught at the universities of Colorado, Denver and Michigan State in environmental, land use and property law. She earned her J.D. from the University of Colorado and LL.M. from Columbia.

"The addition of Christine, with her practical experience and publications on western water law is timely, since there is ongoing discussion about reform of Florida's water law and the western model is often part of those discussions," said Flournoy. "Her scholarship also addresses important issues relating to public lands, building our strength in that field."

Mary Jane Angelo

Mary Jane Angelo focuses on environmental, water, bio-technology and administrative law. She has worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and St. Johns River Water Management District and taught as an adjunct at UF and Vermont Law School. She earned her B.S. in Biology, M.A. in Entomology and J.D. (top 5 percent) from UF.

"Mary Jane's background covers a broad range of environmental law — federal toxic substances and pesticide law, Florida water and wetlands law, and biotechnology regulation," said Flournoy. "Her scientific background and interest in problems of science and law lay the groundwork for interesting curricular and research developments."

Cally Jordan

Cally Jordan received a D.E.A. in French Civil Law with honors from the University of Paris; B.C.L., LL.B. from McGill University; M.A. from University of Toronto; and B.A. with distinction from Carlton University. Jordan has worked with a variety of other countries on corporate and financial law matters. Jordan has practiced in New York, Los Angeles, Washington D.C. and Hong Kong, and served as advisor to the Hong Kong Government Financial Services Bureau, Government of the United Kingdom, International Development Agency, American Arbitration Association and others.

Christopher Peterson

Assistant Professor Christopher Peterson has worked as a public-interest lawyer, focusing on ("Spotlight" continues next page)



Organizations Host Speakers, 'Round Up' Air Potatoes



Bryant Speaks at ETELS Luncheon

The Estates, Trusts and Elder Law Society (ETELS) luncheon earlier this month featured **Carla Bryant** (right, answering questions from the audience with ETELS faculty advisor Professor **C. Douglas Miller**, center, and ETELS President **Thomas Lacaillade** and Vice President **Stephanie E. Sauer**). Bryant spoke on opening her own practice and the reality of estate planning and probate work.

Estates and Trusts Practice involves counseling clients about how to effectively provide for themselves and for disposition of property during their lifetimes or at death. The Estates and Trusts Certificate Program is open to all law students. (Applications are available online at: www.law.ufl.edu/academics/etpcp/.)

ELULS 'Rounds up' Potatoes, Plans Events

Environmental and Land Use Law Society (ELULS) members (below, with Conservation Clinic Director **Tom Ankerson** at left with his children) were among more than 1,000 volunteers participating in the Fourth Annual Great Air Potato Round Up Feb. 1. ELULS member **Kelly Martinson** won a Camelback and **Quilla Trimmer-Smith** won gift certificates to Nature's Harvest at an "after party" at Morningside Nature Center.

Pending ELULS events include a meeting & speaker (March 19, 6 p.m.); camping trip to Ginnie Springs with the Criminal Law Association and Law College Council; meeting, speaker & elections (April 9, 6 p.m.); and Earth Day Celebration in the college courtyard (April 22, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.). To help, contact **Trimmer-Smith** (qearth@ufl.edu.)



Conference Explores Conservation

Dozens of national and state experts will focus on "Florida's Final Frontiers: Saving What's Left," at the Ninth Annual Public Interest Environmental Conference (Feb. 27-March 1).

Jan Schlichtmann, one of the country's leading civil litigators in environmental protection and product safety, will give the keynote address.

Sessions will examine Florida resources, land and development, water, wildlife and habitats and toxic tort litigation, including cases currently under review in the state.

The conference is sponsored by the UF Law Environmental and Land Use Law Society and Center for Governmental Responsibility in cooperation with the Environmental and Land Use Law Section of The Florida Bar. Financial support is provided by the Jelks Family Foundation, UF Student Government, Law College Council and Hopping Green & Sams, P.A. of Tallahassee.

To register or for more information: go to <http://grove.ufl.edu/~els> or call CGR at 392-2237.

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consumer protection and debt. He received B.A. degrees in political science and philosophy and J.D. from the University of Utah, then clerked at the U.S. 10th Circuit court of Appeals.

In The Spotlight

Information as provided by faculty and staff and searches of news media story reports.

☐ Publications/Professional Activities

• Chesterfield Smith Professor **Michael W. Gordon's** fourth casebook, *International Civil Litigation* (coauthored with Charles Baldwin, Ronald Brand and David Epstein), will be published in the fall by West. This will be his 22nd volume written or co-authored for West. Others include *Law of NAFTA*, *Comparative Legal Traditions* and



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International Business Transactions.

- Stephen C. O'Connell Professor **Christopher Slobogin** will speak this week on "The Structure of Expertise in Criminal Trials" at a Seton Hall Law School symposium on "Expert Admissibility: Keeping Gates, Goals and Promises."
- Irving Cypen Professor **Sharon E. Rush** is on sabbatical. She is speaking this week at the University of Utah, Utah Valley State College and Brigham Young University about racial equality in schools as part of their Black History programs.
- Professor **Dieter Birk** from Munster University is teaching in the college's European Taxation course for the next two weeks.



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Submit News to Docket Editors

The Docket is a forum for law student articles, opinions and commentary. Editors **Stephanie Mickel** (standing) and **Kristen Simmons** urge you to submit news for the student-produced newsletter. **Deadline: Noon Mondays for following week's newsletter.**

Submissions must be Word compatible, less than 500 words, and e-mailed to jmbadocket@yahoo.com. Include contact information and author's name — anonymous submissions are accepted only upon approval of co-editors. JMBA reserves the right to edit all news.

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Moot Court Final Four

Moot Court's "Final Four" is Friday, Feb. 28. There will be a Q&A session with justices from the 11th Circuit at 11 a.m. in Bailey Courtroom. Arguments begin at noon in the auditorium (arrive early to reserve a seat).

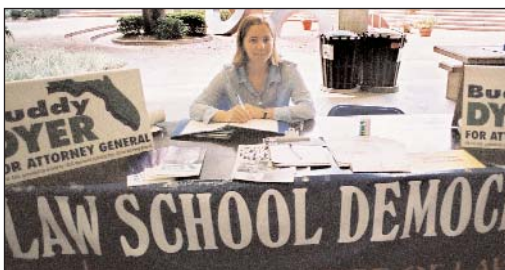
Visit the Moot Court website (www.law.ufl.edu/mootcourt) for updated information and team pictures, or contact Publicity Chair **Adam Vorhis** (vorhis@ufl.edu or 871-2060).

Phi Alpha Delta Meets

The Phi Alpha Delta Fletcher Chapter meets:

- Feb. 24, 7:30-9 p.m., 283 HOL (Induction Ceremony, wear courtroom attire)
- March 17, 7:30-9 p.m., 283 HOL
- March 31, 7-8:30 p.m., 292 HOL
- April 14, 7-8:30 p.m., 297 HOL

To join a mailing list or for information: Clerk **Louis Rosen** (saxman2@hotmail.com).



Law School Democrats Schedule

Law School Democrats will meet outside the Law College Council office at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25, March 18, and April 1 (club elections) & 15 (social event).

For information: LSD Secretary **Heather Brown** (hanachan@ufl.edu or 846-5884).

JLPP Meetings Set

A *Journal of Law and Public Policy* (JLPP) writing competition meeting is Thursday (Feb. 20), 5:30-7:30 p.m., 190 HOL, and will include a Q&A and Bluebook/Citation Session.

General Board Meetings will be held:

- Thursday (Feb. 20), noon, 190A HOL
- March 6, noon, 190A HOL
- March 27, noon, 190A HOL

BLSA Alumni Reunion Weekend March 27-30

The Black Law Students Association Alumni Reunion Weekend 2003, "Honoring the Past, Shaping the Future," is scheduled for March 27-30.

The weekend will include a Café Espresso Poetry Reading, Lani Guinier book signing, Wine & Cheese welcome reception at Emerson Alumni Hall, symposium on "Keeping Our Eyes on the Prize: New Strategies for a New Millennium," luncheon, and workshops/CLE sessions on "Shaping our future through empowering education."

CLE sessions will include presentations on Ethics and Professionalism by Professor **Lyrissa Lidsky** and Law Practice and Management by Legal Technology Institute Director **Andrew Adkins**.

Student-oriented sessions will be held on "How to obtain a summer or judicial clerkship," "The power of networking and professionalism," and "What can we do to shape the future of BLSA?"

A banquet in Emerson Alumni Hall will feature the 14th Annual Virgil Hawkins Awards Gala. Keynote Speaker will be **Ava Parker**, President of the Virgil Hawkins Chapter of the National Bar Association.

For information: BLSA, ARW Co-Chair **Yolonda Green** (219-8368).

- April 10, noon, 190A HOL
- March 6, Writing Competition Comments due by 5:30 p.m.

For information: Student Works Executive Editor **Debra R. Geiger** (debmitch@ufl.edu) or Student Works Senior Editor **Lisa Acharekar** (acharekar@msn.com).

Hone Speaking Skills

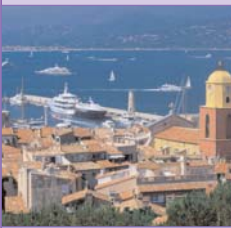
The Toastmasters Public Speaking Club meets Thursdays (Feb. 20 & 27), 292 HOL, 5-6 p.m. Observers welcome.

Apply By March 1 for Study Abroad

Florida law students gain international experience and exposure and an edge in today's competitive job market through exchange and summer study programs with renowned international institutions of law. **Applications for summer study in France, Costa Rica and South Africa are due by March 1.** For information, contact Student Affairs Coordinator **Noemar Castro** (castro@law.ufl.edu or 392-0421) or visit the Web at: www.law.ufl.edu/students/abroad/.

Summer in the South of France June 30-Aug. 1

The Summer Study Program at the University of Montpellier, France, provides students with an outstanding opportunity to study and live in a beautiful city and region in the south of France and learn at France's oldest law college. The program focuses on business and trade law in a global environment and exposes students to a different culture, according to Program Director/ Professor **George Dawson**.



"U.S. students have the opportunity to see what Europeans think about us — 'unfiltered,'" said Dawson. "It's good for our students to learn how to interact with people on their turf."

Field trips last year included tours of the Palace of Justice, French Countryside and a vineyard. (To speak to students who participated, contact Dawson at dawson@law.ufl.edu for e-mail addresses.)

"France was fabulous," said **Sarah Piantanida**, a 2L-participant. "I like their way of life. French people take more time than we do, and friends and family are very important."

Three two-credit courses will be offered: International Payment Systems (taught by Dawson); International Labor Law (Professor **Nancy Dowd**); and Introduction to French Business Law (Professor **Pierre Mousseron**, University of Montpellier Faculty of Law).

If you missed the first meeting.....

There will be a second informational meeting on the Summer Law Program in France Wednesday (Feb. 19), noon, 190C HOL. Information will be provided on what to expect, travel, payment methods and more.

Expand Your Horizons in Cape Town June 2-July 18

Participation in UF's South Africa Study Abroad program increased 70 percent last year, and drew participants from law schools nationwide. South Africa is a leading political and economic force with numerous opportunities for business, trade and cultural exchanges.



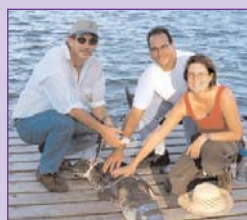
Destia Meghoo-Peddie, Associate Director of UF's Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRL), participated in a humanitarian effort during the 2002 program.

"I joined an entourage to Aburi Ghana with the NGO Rita Marley Foundation," Meghoo said. "More than 500 babies were immunized, and 2,000 villagers received diabetes and blood pressure checks. Our role was to ensure a level of respect and understanding for villagers' traditions and life style."

Environmental Law in Costa Rica June 16-July 28

UF's Center for Government Responsibility coordinates the Summer Environmental Law Program in Costa Rica. The six-week program offers courses in international and comparative environmental law.

Last year, students worked with lawyers and government officials from around the U.S., Caribbean and Latin America on five projects designed to advance regional environmental law and policy and provide the opportunity to work in a challenging, cross-cultural environment.



Students also participated in a two-day rafting trip on one of the world's premier white-water rivers and an overnight in a private cloud-forest reserve, and helped tag sea turtles at the Caribbean Conservation Corporation's biological station on Tortuguero Beach. The program concluded with a mock international environmental law moot-court competition.

For information, contact Castro, Program Director **Tom Ankersen** (ankersen@law.ufl.edu) or CGR Staff Attorney **Richard Hamann** (hamann@law.ufl.edu).

Fall Journals Available

- **University of Florida Journal of Law and Public Policy.** Includes "Reflections on Racism and World Order" by Professor **Winston Nagan**; "Economic Justice and Theory: Limiting the Reach of Neoclassical Ideology" by former UF Law Professor **Charles R.P. Pouncy**; and foreword by Associate Director for the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations **Destia Meghoo-Peddie**.
- **Journal of Technology Law & Policy.** Features articles on timely intellectual property law and technology issues, and includes a tribute to and essay by Professor/ Legal Information Director **Grace "Betty" W. Taylor** on technology advancements at the Levin College of Law.
- **Florida Journal of International Law.** Includes articles by UF Law students **Cristina Cardenas** and **Rinat Hadas**.

For information: Staff Editor **Victoria Redd** (redva@law.ufl.edu).

Need help contacting the appropriate Levin College of Law office or department? See listings at www.law.ufl.edu/information/contact.shtml.

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E-mail news to flalaw@law.ufl.edu, or bring disk (PC format, text in WordPerfect or Word, include contact information) to UF Law Communications, 288 Holland Hall. (Submit news for student newsletter, *The Docket*, to John Marshall Bar Association.)

Student Profile

Harper is 'Two Team Winner'

Bradley Harper (3L) is among the few students to win top honors in both Moot Court and Trial Team competitions. He recently helped Moot Court win its first national championship in roughly a decade, and earned Best Advocate in the Chester Bedell Florida Bar Trial Competition.

But he is modest about his success, and attributes the wins to true team efforts.

"These victories are not one person's to claim," Harper said. "It's mostly about team work."

Harper earned his accounting degree with honors from Moorehouse College: a private, all-male, traditionally all-black school whose alums include Martin Luther King Jr., Spike Lee and Samuel L. Jackson. Before coming to UF, he worked as director of operations for a flooring company in West Palm Beach and financial analyst with the Merger Project Oversight Team for the Bank of America/NationsBank merger in San Francisco.

His experiences gave him a good idea of what he wanted from law school. "I realized that major social and economic changes in this country come about through the law," Harper said. "More practically, I dealt with government con-

tracts in my job. Studying law helps people deal with bureaucracy."

Harper is a member of the West Palm Beach Rotary Club and serves on the Board of Palm Beach Atlantic College, Rinker School of Business, Lifework Planning Institutes, and Palm Beach County School Districts Community Satisfaction Board.

He is now externing in Federal Judge **Stephen Mickle's** office, and is scheduled to graduate this May. He is considering private employment, but also has applied for judicial clerkships.

"Overall, I've enjoyed law school," Harper said. "And I got what I came for. I'm now proficient in things such as analyzing and arguing law. It's definitely been worth it."

A West Palm native, Harper wants to stay in Florida. His practice interests include appellate work, litigation, real estate and municipal finance.



Bradley Harper (with picture of clinic namesake Virgil Hawkins), is a winner on Trial and Moot Court teams.

— By D. Cupples (2L)

• CALENDAR •

See complete academic & event calendars at: www.law.ufl.edu.

February

- 17 • EASLS, 4-4:50 p.m., 190A HOL
- 19 • BLSA Blood Drive/Health Fair, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Concourse
- 20 • Moot Court Off-Brief Day, 5-10 p.m., 190C HOL
 - JLPP Board Meeting, noon-1 p.m., 190A HOL
 - Toastmasters, 5-6 p.m., 292 HOL
- 21 • Professionalism Symposium for second semester students and 8th Judicial Circuit Bar, 9 a.m.-Noon, Auditorium
 - Moot Court Off-Brief Day 2, 5-10 p.m., Bailey Courtroom
 - Trial Team Final Four Competition, 10:30 a.m., Bailey

- Courtroom. Motions: 10:30 a.m.; Trial: 12:30 p.m.
- Faculty Workshop, Deborah Malamud, University of Michigan Law School
- 22 • Career Development Conference, Sheraton Hotel
- 24 • Phi Alpha Delta, 7:30-9 p.m., 283 HOL
- 25 • Professor Kenneth Nunn, "How to Write a Successful Exam," 5:15 p.m., 190B HOL
- 27 • Moot Court Final Four Reception
- ELULS Conference (Until March 1)
- 28 • Moot Court Final Four Luncheon, 2 p.m., Bruton-Geer Cafeteria
- Moot Court Final Four

- Competition, Noon, Auditorium
- BLSA Black History Month Celebration Concludes with Comedy & Game Night
- Faculty Workshop, Jerrold Israel, "Factors Promoting Similarity In the Laws of the 50 States: The Experience in the Field of Criminal Procedure — Is it Unusual?"

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- 1 • Deadline to Apply for Summer Abroad Programs in France, South Africa and Costa Rica
- 17 • Phi Alpha Delta, 7:30-9 p.m., 283 HOL
- 20 • Children's Law Conference