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Events & Opportunities

JLSA 'Lunch & Learn' Wednesday

The Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) has rescheduled its "Legal Lunch and Learn" for this Wednesday, Oct. 20, noon-1 p.m., room TBA.

Child Welfare Clinic Session

The Child Welfare Clinic will hold an informational session this Wednesday, Oct. 20, 11 a.m.-

12:30 p.m. in 230BG (CGR conference room). For information, e-mail Supervising Attorney Monique Haughton Worrell at haughton@law.ufl.edu.

Sign Up For State Prison Tour

The Criminal Law Association is organizing tours of Florida State Prison for Tuesday, Nov. 16, and Thursday, Nov. 18, both at 1:15 p.m. The prison is near Starke, about an hour from

Gainesville. Participants from previous tours have
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Classes Held Friday of Homecoming

Due to the impact of the recent hurricanes, classes will be in session at the College of Law on Friday, Nov. 12. The University of Florida and most law school staff offices will be closed for the Homecoming Parade and other activities.

UF Law Student Externs at SEC

UF law student James Crenshaw (3L) externed this summer with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) at its headquarters in Washington D.C., as well as at a south Florida law firm. He spent eight weeks at the SEC, where he worked in one of its four major divisions, the Division of Investment Management. Fewer than three out of approximately 1,400 students who apply each year to the SEC are placed with that division, which oversees the nation's entire investment management industry, including mutual funds and hedge funds.

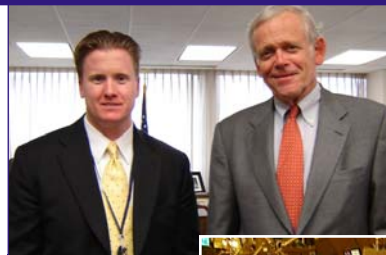
"From the outside, the SEC is sometimes perceived as an ominous and highly intimidating agency," said Crenshaw. "The greatest benefit to me was seeing how the commission functions, from the top down. Their program allows summer associates regular interaction with branch chiefs, division directors, and even commissioners. Associates are encouraged to regularly attend open hearings and, most notably, weekly non-public meetings with the chairman and commissioners regarding enforcement actions and policy discussions. Going into the SEC, I was expecting ultra competitive Type A personalities. In reality, the group I worked with wound up being the friendliest group of professionals I've ever worked with."

Prior to law school Crenshaw worked for two years at the international headquarters of Franklin Templeton Investments, where he worked directly under the general counsel, primarily assisting in the registration of various investment funds, and as an assistant equities trader on their Global Equity Trading Floor.

"The Division of Investment Management was a great division to be in, not only personally, but due to the rapid regulatory changes going on in the mutual fund industry right now. The hedge fund industry in particular is facing unprecedented reforms, in large part due to recent scandals and market timing in international funds. My division was in the spotlight on a number of highly publicized issues this summer, including the SEC's controversial approval of a proposed rule to register hedge fund advisers, which passed during a hearing I was fortunate to attend with the staff," said Crenshaw.

"Another great thing about working at the commission is the meaningful work experience. The SEC has too much real work on their plate to assign pointless memos to summer associates. For instance, my first project was to write, on behalf of the Division of Investment Management, an eight-page comment to a \$200 million investment company that was requesting the commission's exemptive relief from one of the provisions under the 1940 Investment Company Act," he said.

"While the SEC tends to be dominated by northeastern law schools, it values significant work experience in the securities industry above anything else. That was definitely the one common factor I noticed all SEC lawyers and interns have. Given the strength of UF's securities courses and the caliber of work experience our students are bringing to the table, there is no reason why more UF students shouldn't get jobs at the SEC. The fact that the SEC doesn't recruit directly on campus shouldn't deter students from applying." □



Crenshaw (above, left, with SEC Chairman William H. Donaldson, and at right on the floor of the NYSE) was one of three out of 1,400 applicants chosen to work in the SEC's Division of Investment Management.



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Career Services, Resources & Opportunities

Register by Wednesday for Public Interest Conference & Career Fair

The deadline to pre-register for the Equal Justice Works Conference and Career Fair in Washington, D.C. Oct. 28-29 has been extended to this Wednesday, Oct. 20. Participants **must** pre-register with Jessie Howell Wallace in Career Services. More information is in last week's *FlaLaw*, online at www.equaljusticeworks.org, or from the Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) or Career Services representatives.

Hiring in Smaller Law Firms

(Reprinted from *NALP Bulletin*, February 2002.)

Medium-size law firm hiring characteristics (26 - 50 attorneys)

- Advantages include more responsibility, more client contact, and more relaxed and personal relationships with other attorneys.
- Disadvantages might be a lower starting salary, difficulty in specializing, and fewer resources and library facilities in-house.

Applying for jobs in these firms outside the on-campus recruiting program requires different strategies. Hiring practices of medium-sized firms can vary greatly, and can resemble those of either a large or small firm. Medium-sized firms may recruit on campus in the fall or spring, most will not. The majority recruit as the need arises. Clerking for one of these firms can be a successful means of securing a job.

Small law firm hiring characteristics

(1-25 attorneys):

- Most small firms cannot predict their hiring needs in advance and hire as the need arises.
- Most small firms do not interview on campus.
- Many small firms concentrate on finding the right person for the job instead of emphasizing the highest academic credential.

Source: *The Florida Bar*.

Finding Positions in Small Firms

- Do not rely solely upon advertised positions. Many solo and small firm practitioners are simply too busy to advertise and search for help.
- To locate small firms, try accessing the "Solo and Small Firm" sections of the American Bar Association, the state bar, and many local bar associations. For little or no cost, students can often obtain a solo/small firm mailing list from local bar associations to prepare a targeted mailing.
- Obtain a student membership to Solo and Small Firm sections of the state and/or local bar associations. Attend CLE seminars focused toward general and small firm practitioners.
- **NETWORK.**
- Make cold calls to small law firms, armed with information on the firm and a resume. Students **DO** get hired in small firms this way. Keep in mind that to



Stop by the "One Quick Question" table in the courtyard for assistance with career-related issues.

get past the "gatekeeper," you must make a good presentation, display friendly demeanor and be willing to persistently follow up.

- Demonstrate your value, the well-rounded total package. The ideal candidate is confident, ambitious, self-motivated, has local ties, excels in both written and verbal communication, and can "hit the ground running."
- To combat two primary small firm concerns — efficiency and bringing in clients — small firm employers prefer to see course work emphasizing lawyering and practice management skills. Experience that shows an entrepreneurial spirit should be highlighted.
- When selecting a writing sample, a well-crafted motion or brief is more valuable than an esoteric piece published in a law review (unless directly relevant to the firm's practice).
- Preparing for the interview poses another challenge, since a small firm's reputation is generally established through word of mouth. Plug the firm or practitioner's name into Westlaw or Lexis case law directories. Do a search for the firm's Web site.
- In the interview, demonstrate appreciation for differences and expectations of the small firm. Know that the "right fit" is crucial. Do not envision a well-established policy manual, or inquire about firm retreats, or a "typical" pace for advancement in the firm. This type of query will be met with extreme skepticism.
- The salary may be less, but small firms often provide creative compensation plans that could include incentives for bringing in new clients, or variable compensation based upon fee dollars generated.
- Be **PERSISTENT** and **WELL-PREPARED**.

Source: Linda Calvert Hanson, "Preparing Students for Small Firm Practice."

New CCS Committee Members

Returning members of the Center for Career Services' 2004-05 Student Committee include Rob Birrenkott, Erica Peterson, Alex Sevak, Katrina

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Join 'Make Strides Against Breast Cancer' Walk This Saturday

The UF law Center for Career Services and the Caribbean Law Students Association (CARIBLAW) invite others in the law school community to join them in "Make Strides Against Breast Cancer®," a noncompetitive walk to raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer. The walk is 8 a.m.-noon this Saturday, Oct. 23, at Northeast Park (Duckpond area), 400 N.E. 16th Avenue. The funds raised will be dedicated to life-saving American Cancer Society research, education, patient support, and advocacy programs.

Participants can order a Career Services t-shirt for \$8, "Interview the rest, Hire the best...UF Law," to wear during the walk.

To sign up for the walk or order a t-shirt, contact the Center for Career Services, 244 Bruton-Geer Hall, 392-0499. E-mail Keisha Usher at kusher@ufl.edu to join the CARIBLAW team.

Flu Shots Cancelled

Flu shots will not be offered at the law school as previously announced due to a shortage of vaccine.

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called the tours “incredible,” and in particular mention their views of death row and the executions site. (The FSP does not guarantee access to these areas in all tours. Past participants emphasize that the tour is worth it regardless.)

To participate, sign up via e-mail to gatorcrimlawassoc@yahoo.com as soon as possible, since there is usually a waiting list. (CLA will need your driver’s license number and gender for registration purposes.)

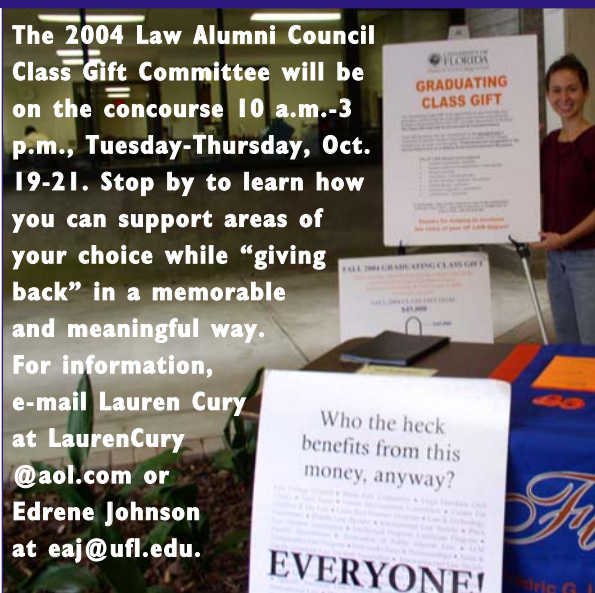
Coat Drive for Local Homeless

The Center for Governmental Responsibility and Phi Delta Phi are collecting winter coats, sweaters and boots through

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The 2004 Law Alumni Council Class Gift Committee will be on the concourse 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday-Thursday, Oct. 19-21. Stop by to learn how you can support areas of your choice while “giving back” in a memorable and meaningful way.

For information, e-mail Lauren Cury at LaurenCury@aol.com or Edrene Johnson at eaj@ufl.edu.



Haitian Relief

The American Constitution Society (ACS) and Caribbean Law Students Association (CARIBLAW) are co-sponsoring a Haitian relief effort to help the hundreds of thousands of victims whose lives were devastated by Hurricane Jeanne. Your assistance is gravely needed.

Collection boxes will be set up next to the JMBA Office and in the breezeway near 180A through Nov. 5. Needed items include: water, rice, canned goods (milk, tuna, sardines, etc.), beans, powered milk, cooking oil, spam, spaghetti, salt, flour, band-aids, peroxide, alcohol, cotton, gauze, first aid kits, matches, blankets, tools, diapers, clothing, candles, batteries and flashlights.

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Thomas and Whitney Untiedt (representing APIL). New members include Norm Bledsoe (JMBA), Charlie Jimerson (EASLS), Matt Napiltonia (Insurance Defense Law Association) and Whitney Hipsh. The committee will meet monthly to exchange ideas about how Career Services can best assist students in meeting their career goals and examine ways for Career Services to partner with student organizations.

Graduating?

If you are graduating in December and have yet to accept an offer, or if you have questions about employment options, schedule an appointment now with Career Services to avoid missing out on valuable contacts and experience.

Networking Opportunities

- Attend a local bar luncheon or join a local bar committee or the Young Lawyers Division where you would like to work. Local bar associations welcome law students and frequently offer reduced membership fees or permit you to attend a meeting or two as a their guest.
- Career Services contacted local bar associations across the state to obtain membership directories, monthly bulletins and information about meetings. Contact the center to check it out.
- Review the local bar event calendar before you head “home” for a long weekend or during breaks. Perhaps they need volunteers to help with a holiday or public service project. Working side-by-side with attorneys away from the pressure of the office can be insightful and rewarding. You can gain essential contact with local attorneys who can tell you about their practice areas, share their career paths and provide you with perspectives on the local job market. These contacts may lead to part-time law clerk positions, summer employment or possible externship opportunities.

- Joining a committee offers networking connections and experiences you can include on your resume to demonstrate an interest in the area. If an attorney is writing an article or compiling materials for an upcoming CLE program, offer to perform research or to make phone calls to other committee members to help organize an event.
- Selected upcoming networking opportunities include the Volusia County Bar Association Cocktail Party/ Membership Meeting, Deland Museum of Art, Oct. 21, 6-8 p.m.; Collier County Bar Association Second District Court of Appeals, Oct. 21; Tallahassee Bar Association Annual Celebrity Waiters Dinner, Fundraiser for legal aid at Chez Pierre (celebrity waiters include Senator Al Lawson, Attorney General Charlie Crist, State Attorney Willie Meggs and more), Oct. 23; and Eighth Judicial Circuit (EJCBA), Gainesville, Nov. 5, 11:45 a.m., Sovereign Restaurant, with speaker Judge Chester Chance.
- Also consider getting involved in specialized bar organizations. (Complete list is available on the Florida Bar Web site at www.Flabar.org, under “voluntary bars.”)

Programs This Week

- One Quick Question, Tuesday, Oct. 19, 9:30-11 a.m. Director Jessie Howell Wallace will be at the CCS table in the courtyard to help with career-related issues and sign up participants for the “Make Strides Against Breast Cancer” walk Oct. 23 (see page 2).
- Preparing For The Final Mile, Wednesday, Oct. 20, 5-7 p.m., cafeteria, co-sponsored by BLSA and PMBR. Speakers will include Assistant Dean Linda Calvert Hanson and Aarti Surtani, who will cover everything you want to know about The Florida Bar, application to exam. Pizza provided by PMBR.
- Career Opportunities in Criminal Law, Friday, Oct. 22, noon, Bailey Courtroom, co-sponsored by Criminal Law Association. Speakers: Francine Turney, State Attorney’s Office; Arthur Jones, Public Defender’s Office; and Edrene Johnson, PD externship program. □



Friday Writing Workshops

Writing Professor Lois Randoph will offer writing workshops Fridays at 11 a.m. in 285D on Oct. 22 (Word Choice) and Oct. 29 (Punctuation).



JMBA Online Outline Bank

The John Marshall Bar Association (JMBA) has expanded its online outline bank to include more courses and professors. For information, go to: <http://www.ufbarassociation.org/jmba/outlines/>.

Note: Outlines are property of the John Marshall Bar Association and provided only for use by its members. Outlines are presented as is, with no guaranty of accuracy or completeness. You assume any inaccuracy that may be present by copying or downloading any outline. You also agree to abide by all rules and regulations established by the Levin College of Law Honor Code. The unauthorized use of any JMBA outline will be deemed an Honor Code violation, and violations will be dealt with in any manner permissible by the Honor Code, at the discretion of the JMBA executive council.

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Wednesday, Nov. 3, for distribution to the homeless at the “Breakfast on the Park” event held by the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry. Bring items to collection boxes outside Career Services, in the lobby next to the JMBA Office, and in the cafeteria. For information, e-mail brookebornick@yahoo.com.

JMBA Events

- **Make-a-Difference Day**, Saturday, Oct. 23, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m., at the Ronald McDonald House. All who wish to “make a difference” on this school-wide public service day are welcome to sign up for a two-hour shift.
- **JMBA’s First Annual Fair Day**, Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Alachua County Fair. The first three members to sign up for “Make-a-Difference Day” get a free all-day armband, and the first 27 JMBA members to sign up get an armband for just \$8. Others are charged \$15. Sign up in the JMBA Office through Wednesday, Oct. 20. Armbands will be distributed Friday, Oct. 22, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., and 3-5 p.m.
- **Annual JMBA Halloween Party**, Thursday, Oct. 28, at Fat Tuesdays.

- **Champagne & Jazz**, Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art.

Support for Soldiers, Spouses, Kids

- The Military Law Students Association (MLSA) is sponsoring a **Care Package Drive** beginning today and running for as long as items continue to be donated. A list of needed items is available at drop off points or from any MLSA member. MLSA will consolidate items, then mail them to soldiers serving in the “War on Terrorism.” (If you have a friend or family member who is deployed and would like to send them a care package, e-mail Matt Brannen at brannenm@ufl.edu.)
- **MLSA’s Deployed Spouses Support Operation** also kicks off today. The project provides services such as child care, yard work, shopping and moving. The support network for reservist and national guard soldiers is not as good as the one that exists for active duty military, and spouses without a strong support network have a difficult time. Help our soldiers by helping their loved ones here. If you know of someone in the area whose spouse is deployed and who needs help or more information, contact Brannen or any MLSA member.

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Estate Planning & Elder Law Opportunities Showcased at Oct. 6 Presentation

About 40 UF law students attended a program, “Estate Planning and Elder Law Opportunities,” at the law school Oct. 6 to learn more about this broad area of the law, a practice area particularly important in Florida, which has one of the nation’s largest senior citizen populations.

Three speakers offered their perspectives to J.D. and LL.M. students. Professor C. Douglas Miller, director of the Center for Estate and Elder Law Planning, spoke about the college’s Estates and Trusts Practice Certificate Program and breadth of the elder law profession. Attorney Carla Deloach Bryant detailed the rough start of her estate planning practice, then explained “how satisfying it was to ensure the fate her client had chosen, even after death.”

Senior Staff Attorney for the Eighth Judicial Circuit Court Jean Sperbeck wrapped up the presentation with a review of the probate externship she conducts and the positive aspects of her position.

The three very different perspectives gave participants an excellent overview of what elder law, probate and estate planning entails in today’s rapidly aging society, and the importance of helping to guide older adults into efficiently planning for their future.

ETELS Vice President Lauren Cury said, “Richard Needham once said, ‘For the first half of your life, people tell you what you should do; for the second half, they tell you what you should have done.’ However, when it comes to asset protection, estate planning and health care decision-making during the second half of life, an older adult simply can’t wait to be told what they should have done. Rather, the older adult must be told by a competent attorney what they should do.”

The program was co-sponsored by the Estates, Trusts & Elder Law Society (ETELS) and Center for Career Services. There will be another similarly co-sponsored event Monday, Oct. 25, featuring Lauchlin Waldock, a Tallahassee Elder Law attorney. J.D. and LL.M. students are encouraged to attend.

If you have questions or suggestions, e-mail ETELS President Hanna Dewberry at hannadew@yahoo.com or Lauren Cury at laurencury@aol.com. □

Attorney Carla Deloach spoke on estate planning Oct. 6.



Attorney Carla Deloach (from left), Eighth Judicial Circuit Senior Staff Attorney Jean Sperbeck, Professor C. Douglas Miller, and ETELS VP Lauren Cury.

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• **“Toys for Tots”** kicks off in November. Look for a drop box at the law school to donate a new, unwrapped toy to help kids have a great Christmas. This is a national effort assigned to the Marine Corps Reserves, and a great opportunity to help those less fortunate.

For information about MLSA and its projects, e-mail C. Matthew or Heather Brannen at g8rbrannen@earthlink.net.

Family Law Certificate Meeting

Students interested in learning more about the practice of family or children’s law and available careers in this meaningful area are invited to attend the Center on Children and the Law’s semiannual information/orientation meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, in 285A. Refreshments will be served. For information, go online to www.law.ufl.edu/programs/ccl/.

ABA-LSD Meeting Tuesday

There will be a general American Bar Association-Law Student Division (ABA-LSD) meeting for all law students this Tuesday, Oct. 19, at noon in 180A. Topics will include the upcoming 3-on-3 basketball tournament, missing ABA membership cards, and distribution of prizes to ABA members. For information, contact ABA President Michael Wild at MichaelDWild@aol.com.

Phi Delta Phi Meets Today

Phi Delta Phi Legal Honor Fraternity will meet today, Oct. 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the Skylight Lounge (outside the Legal Research and Writing offices) for their first general meeting of the semester. All newcomers are welcome. For information, e-mail PDP President Michelle Leyva at leyva1@ufl.edu.

Florida Amendment Forum Features Senator Rod Smith

Several amendments to the Florida constitution are on the ballot this Nov. 2. UF law students can discuss the amendments this week with Senator Rod Smith (D) and other community lead-

Salliant Earns Yegelwel Fellowship

UF law student Megan Salliant (IL, right) has been named the recipient of the 2004-05 Evan Yegelwel Fellowship, according to the the school’s Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR). Salliant will receive \$2,000 to support research on crime motivated by hate, prejudice or stereotyping.

Salliant earned her degree in Policy Studies from Indiana University in 2001, then served for a year as an Americorps VISTA in Denver and Atlanta. As a VISTA, she helped students in schools in low-income communities with issues relating to literacy and college preparedness. She also has worked as an investigator with the Montgomery County Public Defender’s Office in Rockville, Maryland. She plans to pursue a career in civil rights or criminal law.

The Yegelwel Fellowship is made possible by a generous gift from UF law alumnus Evan Yegelwel (UF JD 80), a partner in the Jacksonville firm of Brown, Terrell, Hogan, Ellis, McClamma, and Yegelwel. □



Essay Contests

- **New York University School of Law Environmental Law Essay Contest:** Winner receives \$1,000, courtesy of the New York University Center for Environmental and Land Use Law, and will be published in the *New York University Environmental Law Journal*. Other exceptional essays also considered for publication.
- **Roscoe Hogan Environmental Law Essay Contest** (topic to be announced): Winner receives \$5,000 plus all-expenses-paid trip to Toronto to receive award in person at the annual Roscoe Pound Law School Awards Reception July 24, 2005.
- **Elaine Osborne Jacobson Award for Women in Health Care Law:** Winner receives \$3,000 plus all-expenses-paid trip to Toronto to receive the award in person at the annual Roscoe Pound Fellows Reception July 24, 2005. Now in its 14th year, this unique national award is given annually to a woman law student with a demonstrated interest in health care law.

For additional information, see the Financial Aid Bulletin Board on the concourse.

ers in an informative discussion and debate at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19, in 285B. Smith, also an adjunct UF law professor, will offer a legislator’s perspective on the amendments. Be an informed voter and come out for a comprehensive look at the amendments so you can do your part to educate others. For information, e-mail Will Reich at reichw@ufl.edu.

JLPP Welcomes Invitees

The University of Florida *Journal of Law and Public Policy* (JLPP) welcomes Fall 2004 Write-On Invitees Tobi Butensky, Jonathan Carroll, Michael Curry, Stephen Kelly, Edward Lyman, Jasmine McNealy and Tara Trevorrow.

Improve Skills at Toastmasters

Florida Law Toastmasters Public Speaking Organization will meet at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, in 345. Observers and newcomers welcome. For information, e-mail Florida Law Toastmasters President Ray Dominick at r12345@ufl.edu. □

Law School Republicans Host Minck, Join With CLA to Host Oelrich

The Law School Republicans (LSRs) are maintaining an active pace this campaign season, and have lined up a variety of events and speakers before the election. The organization will host Mark Minck (right), a candidate for County Commission District 3, at their next general meeting Thursday, Oct. 21, at 4 p.m. in 345. The meeting also will feature information on other Republican activities planned in our area. Pizza will be served. Contact uflawgop@hotmail.com or visit uflawgop.com for information.

The Law School Republicans and Criminal Law Association will co-host Alachua County Sheriff Steve Oelrich (left) Thursday, Oct. 28, at 4 p.m. in 180A. The sheriff will discuss a variety of issues facing the county, and will take questions on police practices, department policies and other law enforcement issues. Pizza will be served. □





Graduating seniors who missed senior picture appointments should call Ricky at Picture Perfect Studios at 332-8111 to make an appointment this week.

Trade, Labor & Environment Lectures

All are invited to two guest lectures presented as part of a Trade, Labor & Environment seminar taught by Governor Buddy MacKay and Professor Berta Hernandez-Truyol. The following will be offered from 5-7 p.m. (rooms TBA):

- **Thursday, Nov. 4:** Former Chief Judge, WTO Dispute Resolution, Jim Bacchus, now a managing partner with Greenberg Traurig in Orlando, on "The Future of WTO."
- **Thursday, Nov. 18:** Dean & retired U.S. Ambassador Dennis Jett, UF International Center; Dr. Terry McCoy, UF Center for Latin American Studies; and International Trade Program Director Steve Powell discuss current trade, labor and environmental issues.

Apply By Wednesday for 2005 Spring Clinics and Trial Practice

If you plan to take Criminal, Civil or Mediation Clinic or Clinic Prep this spring, you MUST obtain a clinic application from Student Affairs and return it by 5 p.m. this Wednesday, Oct. 20. Informational sheets are on the bulletin board outside Student Affairs.

- **Criminal Clinic.** Variety of locations. Before spring semester begins, students must have completed 48 credit hours, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy, Police Practices and Adversary Systems. (Important: Criminal Clinic requires 20 hours per week in addition to class time in spring/fall. Participants MUST attend a MANDATORY meeting.)
- **Full Representation Civil Clinic.** Students must have completed at least four semesters of law school and received 48 semester hours of academic credit. No clinic prep requirement. First three weeks of the semester (two weeks in summer) — the "Intensive Seminar" — require 20 hours of class time per week (scheduled around students' other classes).
- **Mediation Clinic.** No prerequisites. First two-and-a-half weeks are Intensive Seminar (20 hours total), scheduled around other courses. Friday mornings must be available for mediations downtown.
- **Trial Practice.** No application required. Priority to 5th-semester students. Remaining slots filled by 4th- and 6th-semester students, in that order.
- **Juvenile Prep/Juvenile Clinic.** Two-semester sequence. Students take Juvenile Clinic Prep in spring and Juvenile Clinic in fall. Registration for the sequence is by application to Juvenile Clinic Prep (students in Juvenile Clinic Prep automatically proceed to Juvenile Clinic). Preference given to 5th-semester students who have taken Children's Law, Family Law, Evidence, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy, and Juvenile Externships, Family Law Judicial Externships or Domestic Violence Externships. (Other preference courses are listed on the online application.)
- **Pro Se Clinic Prep/Pro Se Clinic.** Two-semester sequence. Students take Pro Se Clinic Prep in spring and Pro Se Clinic in fall. Registration for sequence is by application to Pro Se Clinic Prep (students then automatically proceed to Pro Se Clinic). Preference given to 5th-semester students



The Conservation Clinic, directed by Tom Ankersen (left), offers unique experiential learning opportunities in Gainesville, Costa Rica and elsewhere (see below).

who have taken Family Law, Evidence, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy and Family Law Judicial Clerk Externships or Domestic Violence Externships.

- **Conservation Clinic.** Enrolls up to 12 students each semester. Applicants must have completed three semesters of law school. Preference given to students who have enrolled, or intend to enroll, in the Environmental and Land Use Law Certificate Program. The clinic also is offered during the summer through the Costa Rica Program, and some clinic projects that are executed in Costa Rica are developed during spring and fall semesters. Interested students are encouraged to consult with Conservation Clinic Director Tom Ankersen prior to applying. Students may learn more and download an application at <http://conservation.law.ufl.edu>. Applications also are available in the Student Affairs Office and Center for Governmental Responsibility, both in Bruton-Geer Hall.
- **Child Welfare Clinic Prep.** Two-semester sequence. First semester includes a prep class and onsite clinical orientation for six credits. Second semester consists of a clinic lab for three credits. Preference given to 5th-semester students who have taken Child, Parent, & State, Family Law, Advanced Topics in Family Law Seminar, a Juvenile/Family Law externship, and other preference courses listed on the online application. For additional information about this clinic, contact Professor Haughton-Worrell at Haughton@law.ufl.edu.

For information on Clinic and/or Trial Practice applications, contact Registrar Kim Thomas in the Office of Student Affairs (392-0421, Bruton-Geer Hall). □

Dealing With Stress and Exam Anxiety

— By Resource Counselor Erica L. Byrnes

Everyone has anxiety. In fact, most people begin contributing to their tension and anxiety within a few minutes of waking up. We review mental lists of things we have to do today, events that are coming up in our lives, and things that we didn't complete yesterday.

Throughout the day, we unconsciously contribute to our own tensions and carry that anxiety in our bodies. Anxiety surrounding specific events, such as test anxiety, is carried in our bodies in much the same way.

The presence of anxiety in our bodies can create a range of physical symptoms, from fatigue to physical illness. Similarly, anxiety can generate negative mental effects such as forgetfulness (blinking out), decreased functionality (poor test performance), and distraction. It is important to be aware of your anxiety



Levin College of Law Resource Counselor Erica Byrnes offers free, confidential counseling and workshops to students. For information or to make an appointment, e-mail her at byrnes@law.ufl.edu, or complete an appointment request form in Student Affairs.

as the first step toward eliminating tension and its effects on your body.

There are numerous strategies you can employ to decrease your general and test-related anxieties. In general, adequate preparation will serve to decrease test-related anxiety. In addition, adequate rest leading up to the exam, as well as regular exercise, will facilitate your body's processing of its tension. Other strategies, such as relaxation exercises, visualization exercises and breathing exercises, will help contain and control test anxiety.

To discuss these strategies and how they may apply to you specifically, contact me at byrnes@law.ufl.edu. (Note: If you are consistently well-prepared for exams and still experience significant anxiety that impacts your performance, seek professional assistance.) □



Study Off-Campus in Law Library

The Legal Information Center (library) temporary annex in the former Publix in Butler Plaza on Archer Road is a quiet and convenient place for study and research. The annex offers plentiful, free parking, computer stations, open table seating and study carrels. Hours are:

- Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.;
- Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.;
- Saturday, 1-5 p.m.;
- Sunday, 1-9 p.m.

State holidays and special events will cause hours to vary.

For information, contact LIC reference staff at 392-0417.

Spring 2005 Pre-Registration Begins Oct. 25

Spring 2005 pre-registration is Oct. 25-Nov. 9, and appointment times are now available on ISIS. Access ISIS for your appointment time at www.isis.ufl.edu.

To get to ISIS from the law school home page:

1. Click on "Student Affairs."
2. Click on "ISIS" (from Quick Links list).
3. Find "Registration Preparation Information" under "Dates" on the main ISIS home page.
4. **IMPORTANT:** You must have your gatorlink user name and password to access the system. If you don't know them, contact the CIRCA help desk at 392-help. You may set up a gatorlink account or check your account at www.gatorlink.ufl.edu.

Prior planning is essential to using ISIS successfully. Check the schedule of classes posted on the law school Web site prior to registering for classes, as well as the *College of Law Handbook* for any pre-requisites. Also:

- **HOLDS.** If you have a "hold" on your records, you will not be able to pre-register until it is cleared. You may check your "holds" prior to pre-registration on ISIS under the "Registration Preparation Information" link.
- **APPOINTMENT TIMES.** Your pre-registration appointment time is when you can go to ISIS to pre-register for Spring 2005. ISIS will not let you register before your time. However, you may register any time after your appointment time. Appointment times are determined by the total number of hours earned by the end of Summer 2004. The person with the most hours has the earliest appointment time. Students with the same amount of earned hours will be ran-

domly assigned a registration time at intervals to avoid system overload. (A person with fewer

hours will never have an earlier or same appointment time as a person with more hours.) Transfer students should check the accuracy of their appointment times with Registrar Kim Thomas in Student Affairs.

- **ACCESS TO REGISTRATION ON ISIS.** Your gatorlink user ID and password are used to access ISIS. The social security number and pin are no longer used. If you have questions or problems regarding your gatorlink account, contact the CIRCA helpdesk at 392-help.
- **PRE-REQUISITES.** Use your catalog and directories in Student Affairs when planning your schedule(s) to be sure you have completed the appropriate pre-requisite courses. ISIS MAY OR MAY NOT CHECK FOR PRE-REQUISITES. It is especially important to check the Seminar Directory in Student Affairs. Students without proper course work will be administratively dropped from the course.
- **FALL 2004 ENTERING CLASS.** You will be automatically registered for your Spring 2005 required classes.

If you experience problems during pre-registration, immediately contact Registrar Kim Thomas in the Office of Student Affairs (392-0421, Bruton-Geer Hall). □



Please Use Closed Drink Containers

The law school community is asked to please remember to use appropriate drink containers with securely fastened lids in classrooms.

LEXIS Representative Bonita Young (above) distributed complimentary LEXIS mugs that meet the requirements on the concourse last week. For details: Contact Bonita at 379-0232 or bonita.young@lexisnexis.com.

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Faculty Scholarship & Activities

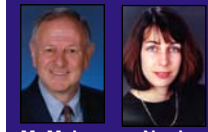
- Adjunct Professor **Larry A. DiMatteo**, Associate Professor/Chair of the Department of Management, Warrington College of Business, published (lead author), "The Interpretive Turn in International Sales Law: An Analysis of Fifteen Years of CISG Jurisprudence," 24 *Northwestern Journal of International Law & Business* 299 (2004). He has another article in press, "Reason and Context: A Dual Track Theory of Interpretation," *Penn State Law Rev.*, Vol. 109 (2004). He also is lead author of *International Sales Law: A Critical Analysis of the CISG*, Cambridge University Press (2005), and the second edition of his textbook (with Lucien Dhooge), *International Business Law: A Transactional Approach*, is due out in the spring.
- Chesterfield Smith Professor **Michael W. Gordon's** 3rd edition of the Nutshell *International Trade and Economic Relations* (with Folsom & Spanogle) has been published by the West Group. (It was previously published as *International Trade & Investment*, which has been moved to their forthcoming 7th edition of the *International Business Transactions Nutshell*.)
- Professor **Marty McMahon** published "Recent Developments in Federal Income Taxation: The Year 2003," 6 *Fla. Tax Rev.* 445-574 (2004).
- Research Associate **Barbara Noah** published "Bioethical Malpractice: Risk and Responsibility in Human Research," 7 *J. Health Care L. & Pol'y* 175-241 (2004).



DiMatteo



Gordon



McMahon



Noah



Jordan



Magnarella



Weyrauch



Jackson

- Associate Professor **Cally Jordan** participated in a small group seminar at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. Oct. 6 on the impact of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley (GLB) Financial Modernization Act of 1999. The event was co-hosted by the Nomura Research Institute and discussed implications in the United States, Europe and Japan, as well as priorities for financial sector policy.
- Affiliate Professor **Paul Magnarella** was awarded the Distinguished Service and Leadership Award by the president of the Association of Third World Studies at the association's annual meeting Oct. 7-9.
- Professor **Walter O. Weyrauch** was extensively cited and quoted in a book, *Calum Carmichael, Ideas and the Man: Remembering David Daube*, Vittorio Klostermann Publishers, Frankfurt Main, Germany (2004). Daube (1909-99) was Regius Professor of Civil Law at Oxford University. The book is largely based on unwritten sources, among them conversations between David Daube and Weyrauch in the last 30 years of Daube's life.

Jackson Named 'Outstanding Advocate'

Legal Skills Professor Joseph Jackson received the award "Outstanding Advocate for the Homeless" at the annual meeting of the Florida Homeless Coalition in Tampa Oct. 5. In his nomination for the award, Arupa Freeman wrote, "UF law professor Joe Jackson provides outstanding service to homeless people as an advocate, negotiator, and advisor. Joe rides with the HOME van, taking food and friendship to homeless people in the woods and parks. He has won their trust; they pass his name around and he frequently receives calls seeking advice or representation, which he has provided — without charge — in criminal matters, probate matters, claims for destruction of property by the police, access to property in a towed car, and a ban on access to the library.

"Joe also advocates effectively for service providers...has established contacts with city officials and law enforcement personnel, and acts as a liaison when homeless people are harassed, convincing the authorities to respect homeless people's rights and even practice compassion.

"Joe serves actively on the Florida Bar's Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness, helped organize and moderate an all-day seminar on the legal needs of the homeless, and has repeatedly lobbied City Commissioners and other officials to create needed facilities and eliminate unreasonable restrictions on panhandling." □

• UF LAW CALENDAR •

October

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| 19 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career Services, One Quick Question, 9:30-11 a.m., courtyard • Florida Amendment Forum w/ Senator Rod Smith, 3 p.m., 285B • ABA Meeting, noon, 180A • Phi Delta Phi, 5:30 p.m., skylight lounge |
| 20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toastmasters, 5 p.m., 345 • "Meditation in the Fishbowl," 5:15-6 p.m., 355A • Career Services, BLSA, PMBR, Preparing for the Final Mile: Bar Application & Exam Information, 5-7 p.m., cafeteria |
| 21 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSR General Meeting w/ Speaker Mar Minck, 4 p.m., 345 • Family Law Certificate Meeting, 2 p.m., 285A |
| 22 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing Workshop, 11 a.m., 285D • Career Services and CLA: Legal Careers in Criminal Law, noon, Bailey Courtroom |
| 23 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JMBA Make-a-Difference Day, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Ronald McDonald House |
| 24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JMBA's First Annual Fair Day, Alachua County Fair |
| 25 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career Services, Attorney General Charlie Crist, Government Honors Program, 3 p.m., Bailey Courtroom • Criminal Law Association Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Room TBA • Advanced registration for Spring 2005 Semester begins, ends Nov. 5 |
| 26 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career Services, One Quick Question, 9:30-11 a.m., courtyard |
| 27 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career Services: Environmental Law Opportunities, noon, 355D • Toastmasters, 5 p.m., 345 |

The updated Fall 2004-05 Faculty Enrichment Speaker Schedule is at www.law.ufl.edu/faculty/enrichment.shtml.