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## ≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of February 12, 2007

All events will be held in Myron Taylor Hall unless otherwise noted.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**12:15 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (Room G90). Cornell Advocates for Human Rights and The Clarke Middle-East Speaker Series** present, **Dean Harold Koh**, Yale Law School speaking on “**The United States and Human Rights: Five Years After.**” Details on page 4, Berger Program column.

**6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Johnson Museum. 1L Law Firm Reception.** Sponsored by **Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP**. Details on page 3, Career Services column.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**3:00-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab.** Details on page 2, Dean Schwab’s column.

**3:00-7:00 p.m. Room 305. Office hours for Walter Bubl ,** Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl ’s column.

**4:00 p.m. Registrar’s Office. Deadline to submit S/U Grade Option form.** Details on page 2, Registrar’s column.

**6:30-8:30 p.m. Statler Hotel. 1L Law Firm Reception.** Sponsored by **Skadden, Arps LLP**. Details on page 3, Career Services column.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students with Maurice Haltom.** Details on page 6, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

**4:00 p.m. Moot Courtroom (390). Mandatory Meeting** for anyone considering a **Full Term Externship** in Fall 2007 or Spring 2008. Details on page 5, Full Term Externship column.

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

**12:30 p.m. Room G85. Summer Federal Work-Study Awards: Everything You Need to Know.** Details on page 4, Assistant Dean for Public Service Comstock's column.

**6:30-8:30 p.m. Statler Hotel. 1L Law Firm Reception.** Sponsored by **Willkie Farr & Gallagher**. Details on page 3, Career Services column.



**FROM STEWART J. SCHWAB, THE ALLAN R. TESSLER DEAN**

**Office Hours for Students**

I will be holding office hours for students this **Tuesday afternoon, February 13 between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.** Students wishing to see me should sign up in advance with **Sandy Most** in room 263 or stop by and sign in during the office hours.

**FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR**

**Spring 2007**

- **JD Students Only - S/U Grading Option Verification Form.** Classes of 2007 and 2008. Students must return their Grading Option Verification form for Spring 2007 course enrollment to the Law School Registrar's Office no later than **4:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 13, 2007.**
- **Release of information** - A reminder to all students: students asking faculty members to write recommendations will need to complete a release form with the Law School Registrar's Office if a faculty member wishes to view the student's record. You may complete and submit the release form on-line at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> using the on-line Cornell Law School Permission to Examine Student Record form at the Academic Matters link or in person at the Law School Registrar's Office.
- **Summer School Study** - Students may petition the faculty for permission to take courses in law summer school programs of ABA-approved law schools and, upon their successful completion, to receive credit toward the Cornell J.D. degree. Such petitions are considered on an individual basis, and in no case is credit in excess of six hours granted for all such summer school law study. For timely consideration of the petition, interested students should submit their petitions to the Law School Registrar's Office (addressed to Dean Lukingbeal) **prior to April 1.** Petition forms are available in the Law School Registrar's Office and online at the Registrar's site: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> at the Course Registration/Registration Forms tab/Summer/Winter Intersession Course Credit Request.
- **Past Notices:** Refer to previous issues of *Scoops* (available on-line in the Back Issues section) for information pertaining to transcript requests, certifications, bar registration, attendance and absences, etc.

## **FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS**

### **Multicultural Work Environments I & II**

**2008 and 2009 JD Students with F1 Visas.** The law faculty offers a course in the Law School available to students with F1 Visas who seek curricular practical training this summer: **Multicultural Work Environments I & II.**

**Eligibility & Procedures:** The course is open only to those students who will be working during the summer in a country other than that of their citizenship. Course II is open only to those students who have completed course I. Each is a one (1)-credit, S/U course and may be taken as an elective in addition to the required degree credits. The course grade will appear on the student's transcript.

**Objective & Assignment:** The goal of this course is to promote an understanding of the challenges encountered in the work environment as a result of cultural differences. To that end, students are required to complete a ten-page paper by September 15 following their summer internship.

**Registration** occurs in the spring, with a grade posted in the fall after the requirements are satisfied. **Registration is online** at: <http://www.isso.cornell.edu/immigration/fl/law673.php> **beginning February 1, 2007 and ending June 1, 2007.** Prior to registering for the course, students must obtain a summer internship offer. The internship may be in an organization which previously employed the student, but the position and work assignments should not substantially duplicate earlier work for the organization. Once that has been done, registration can be done online.

**After you register online for the course, you will receive an approval email from Sarah Hilsman** at the **International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO)**. The email will explain that you need to bring a copy of that email along with your job offer letter to the ISSO (B50 Caldwell Hall) in order to obtain your work authorization. More information about Curricular Practical Training work authorization is available on the ISSO website at: <http://www.isso.cornell.edu/immigration/fl/law673.php>. The ISSO contact is **Sarah Hilsman** (email [sw57@cornell.edu](mailto:sw57@cornell.edu); phone 255-8735).

You must notify the Law School Registrar if you change or drop the internship after registration. The internship may not be extended beyond the summer, and you may not drop the course after performing the internship without invalidating your work authorization. For more information about this course, stop by the Registrar's Office and ask for the one-page handout

## **FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SERVICES, LIZ PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES & STACEY WILEY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR CAREER SERVICES**

- **First Year Students:** Please RSVP if you think you might attend any of these receptions.

On **Monday, February 12** from **6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** at the **Johnson Museum, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP** will be hosting a reception to introduce first-year students to their summer associate program.

On **Tuesday, February 13** from **6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** at the **Statler Hotel, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP** will host a 1L reception.

On **Thursday, February 15** from **6:30-8:30 p.m.** at the **Statler (Taylor Room), Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP** will host a 1L reception.

## **FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE**

**Thursday, February 15**

**12:30 p.m. Room G85**

### **Summer Federal Work-Study Awards: Everything You Need to Know**

Planning to use your work-study grant to help fund your summer job? Work-study is a great program, but it involves federally-mandated paperwork that can seem daunting. First year students receiving summer work-study grants must attend!

## **FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM**

### **• Monday, February 12, 12:15 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)**

**Cornell Advocates for Human Rights and The Clarke Middle-East Speaker Series present, Dean Harold Koh, Yale Law School speaking on "The United States and Human Rights: Five Years After."**

**Harold Hongju Koh** is the Dean and Gerard C. and Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law at Yale Law School. From 1998 to 2001, he served as Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor. A graduate of Harvard College, Oxford University and Harvard Law School, he went on to serve as law clerk to Judge Malcolm Richard Wilkey of the D.C. Circuit, and Justice Harry A. Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court. Before going to Yale in 1985, he practiced law at Covington and Burling and at the Office of Legal Counsel at the Department of Justice.

**Dean Koh** has written more than 80 articles and authored or co-authored eight books, including *Transnational Legal Problems* (with H. Steiner & D. Vagts) and *The National Security Constitution*, which won the American Political Science Association's award as the best book on the American Presidency. Dean Koh has been awarded nine honorary doctorates and two law school medals and has received more than twenty-five awards for his human rights work. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, an Honorary Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, a Visiting Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford, and a member of the American Law Institute. He has served as an Editor of the American Journal of International Law and the Foundation Press Casebook Series. He has received Guggenheim and Century Foundation Fellowships and he sits on the boards of directors or overseers of Harvard University, the Brookings Institution, National Democratic Institute, Human Rights First, and Human Rights in China. He has been named by American Lawyer magazine as one of America's 45 leading public sector lawyers under the age of 45, and by A Magazine as one of the 100 most influential Asian-Americans of the 1990s. He received the 2005 Louis B. Sohn Award from the American Bar Association and the 2003 Wolfgang Friedmann Award from Columbia Law School for his lifetime achievements in International Law.

### **• Coming Event: Monday, February 19, 12:15 p.m. Room 277**

**The Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series Luncheon presents, Arthur Rynearson '76, Adjunct Professor of Law at the Washington College of Law of American University and Former Deputy Legislative Counsel of the U.S. Senate speaking on "Writing U.S. Foreign Affairs Laws: A Capitol Hill Career."**

**Arthur J. Rynearson** is the former Deputy Legislative Counsel of the United States Senate who served from 1976 to 2003 in the Office of the Legislative Counsel as the primary draftsman in the fields of U.S. foreign relations law, U.S. immigration and refugee law, and international law. He has drafted in whole or in part more than 20,000 bills, resolutions, and amendments, including legislation at every stage of the legislative process from introduced measures to conference reports. He has drafted hundreds of reservations and other conditions to treaties. He is a graduate of the Cornell Law

School with a specialization in international legal affairs and where he served on the Cornell *International Law Journal*. He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Hamilton College.

**Mr. Rynearson** is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and a course advisor in legislative drafting for the International Law Institute of Washington, DC. From 2004 to the present he has served as an adjunct professor of law at the Washington College of Law of American University, where he teaches the course "Congress, Lawmaking, and Foreign Affairs." The oral history of his career, entitled *Arthur J. Rynearson: Office of the Senate Legislative Counsel, 1976-2003*, was published by the Senate Historical Office in January 2007. **RSVP to Dawne Peacock by February 15 for the luncheon.**

## **FULL TERM EXTERNSHIP-FALL 2007 OR SPRING 2008**

### **Mandatory Meeting**

#### **Wednesday, February 14, 4:00 p.m. Moot Courtroom (390)**

If you are considering the possibility of spending this fall (2007) or next spring (2008) as an extern working full time for a non-profit organization, government agency or judge, you **must** attend this meeting. The instructors, **Glenn Galbreath** (Fall 2007) and **JoAnne Miner** (Spring 2008) and Associate Dean **Barbara Holden-Smith**, will discuss the course, its requirements, and the process and timetable for gaining admission. The session will start with three or four externs from last fall briefly sharing some of their insights. The meeting will be an hour. Feel free to review materials on the BlackBoard web site at [<http://www.blackboard.cornell.edu>] under the course title [law 7831-1 Full Term Externship (Fall - Professor Galbreath)]. Also there are three-ring binders in the Legal Aid Clinics secretarial area (G40) describing many placements previously used.

### **Timetable for Fall 2007 externships**

**February 14, 2007** - Mandatory meeting with externship faculty to learn about the process for applying for the externship for fall 2007

**March 16, 2007** - Applications to be submitted by interested students

**March 30, 2007** - Application forms to be returned to students, with notations of additional information required before final approval can be given

**April 20, 2007** - Final application forms to be submitted by students

**April 25, 2007** - Approval/denial decision sent to students

**April 27, 2007** - Meeting for all accepted students

**Two weeks before pre-registration closes** - Absolute deadline for any application that could not be completed earlier (only for extraordinary situations)

**One week before pre-registration closes** - Final approval for late applicants

## **FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR**

### **Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students**

Tuesdays 3:00-7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays 5:00-7:00 p.m., room 305. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: [wgb7@cornell.edu](mailto:wgb7@cornell.edu)

## FROM MAURICE HALTOM, COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), in collaboration with the Law School Dean of Students' Office, have arranged for the continuation of services in the Law School during the Fall 2006 semester.

**When: Wednesday, January 24 through Wednesday, May 23, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.**, room 252 Myron Taylor Hall.

**Who:** Any law student registered in the Law School wanting to consult about:

- personal growth and challenges
- depression, anxiety and stress
- relationship issues
- family issues
- cultural, racial and ethnic issues
- sexual health concerns
- negotiating academic environment
- any other issue of concerns
- referral and information

**How:** No need to make an appointment. Just stop by and follow the instructions on the door.

**Contact: Maurice Haltom**, Therapist/Counselor, Counseling and Psychological Services, Gannett: Student Health Services, 255-5208, [mh84@cornell.edu](mailto:mh84@cornell.edu)

## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

### Women's Law Coalition (WLC)

The Women's Law Coalition invites the entire student body to a **Wine and Cheese event** on **Wednesday, February, 14 in the Saperston Student Lounge** from **4:00-6:00 p.m.** hosted by **Wilkie Farr and Gallagher**. The event features Wilkie partner, **Shelly Chapman**. Ms. Chapman will be discussing, "Strategies for Success: Reflections on 25 years of Big Firm Practice," followed by a student Q&A focused on how to be a successful summer and first year associate. Questions? Contact **Renuka George** at [rrg27@cornell.edu](mailto:rrg27@cornell.edu)

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Professor Barcelo** seeks the assistance of students who are fluent in English and French to translate chapters of *L'Union Europeenne: Institutions Ordre Juridique Contentieux*, by Philippe Manin, from French into English. Students will be paid the hourly research assistant rate. Any student interested in participating in the translation project should contact Professor Barcelo's administrative assistant, **Allen Czelusniak**, at [ahc85@cornell.edu](mailto:ahc85@cornell.edu) or phone, 255-5883, for more information.
- **Professor Yale-Loehr** needs some research assistants this summer to help update his immigration law treatise. Prior exposure to immigration law is helpful but not required. Pay is at the standard Law School rate. This is an excellent job for a bright 1L. If interested, please leave a transcript, resume and writing sample with Professor Yale-Loehr's secretary, **Jan Rose**, in room 115. Please also indicate your dates of availability.

## SCHOLARSHIP

The **New York Bar Foundation** is pleased to announce the **Judge Bernard S. Meyer Scholarship**. The scholarship will be awarded to a law school student who excels in legal writing and advocacy skills. An

essay that displays excellence in legal writing and advocacy skills must be submitted for consideration of this scholarship. The scholarship is open to all second-year students as of Spring 2007 semester who are enrolled in a law school in the state of New York. All hard copy submissions must be postmarked no later than **April 2, 2007**. For complete guidelines for submissions, stop by the Registrar's Office.

## WRITING COMPETITION

The **National Lesbian and Gay Law Association, Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition** is dedicated to encouraging and recognizing outstanding law student scholarship on the legal issues affecting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons. It is open to students enrolled in an accredited law school during the 2006-07 academic year. **The topic:** a cutting edge legal issue affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and/or intersex community. Submissions must be received **by June 1, 2007**. Competition rules are available in the Registrar's Office. Questions? Please contact NLGLA-Law Student Division co-chair **Becca Levin** at: [becca@nlglaw.org](mailto:becca@nlglaw.org)

## UNIVERSITY EVENT

**Monday, February 12, 4:30 p.m. , 301 College Avenue Seminar Room**

**“Web 2.0 and Accessibility: What Challenges and Opportunities Await?”**

**University Computer Policy and Law Program** presents **Mark Greenfield**, Director of Web Services, University at Buffalo, speaking on: “The next generation web has arrived: Social Networks, User-Created Content, Rich Media, and the Mobile Web are now part of the landscape. What does this mean for Web Accessibility?”

**Can't make the session?** Archived video will be available 12 to 24 hours after the events. Visit <http://www.ucpl.cornell.edu> for more information.

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