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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of February 26, 2007

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

2:30 p.m. Room 277. The **Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series** presents **Diarmuid Rossa Phelan**, Faculty of Law, Trinity College Dublin, speaking on *“The Effect of European Integration on the Identification of Law.”* Details on page 3, Larry Bush/International Legal Studies Program column.

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Stella’s. 1L Law Firm Reception. Sponsored by White & Case. Details on page 3, Career column.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 277. Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series presents **John Haley** speaking on *“The Evolution of Law Enforcement in Japan and What We Can Learn from Japanese Experience.”* Details on page 4, Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture column.

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.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

4:00 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90). **Mandatory Meeting** for anyone considering a **Full Term Externship** in Fall 2007 or Spring 2008. Details on page 4, Full Term Externship column.

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

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THURSDAY, MARCH 1

12:30 p.m. Room G85. Summer Federal Work-Study Awards: Everything You Need to Know.

Details on page 3, Assistant Dean Comstock's column.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

12:15 p.m. Room G85. The Graduate Legal Studies Program and the **LL.M. Association** present the **2007 LL.M. Seminar Series** with **Sergio Latorre** and **Yehya Ikram Ibrahim Badr**. Details on page 3, Assistant Dean Cramton's column. Lunch will be served.

3:30 p.m. 165 McGraw Hall. Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series and **Cornell University Department of Anthropology** present **Sally Engle Merry**, New York University School of Law and Department of Anthropology, speaking on "***Making Women's Human Rights in the Vernacular: Legal Pluralism and Traveling Rights in India, China, and the USA.***" Details on page 4, Clarke Program column.

8:30 p.m. Omega Sigma Tau House, 200 Willard Way. Cornell Law School's **Student Animal Legal Defense Fund** and **Veterinary School fraternity Omega Tau Sigma** present the **Bob Barker Invitational Tournament for the Animals**. Details on page 5, Student Organizations.



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 27 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

• **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 PAT HALSTEAD, CERTIFICATION COORDINATOR

Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE)

The **Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE)** is assembled and administered three times per year by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) as partial fulfillment of the requirements for application for admission to practice law in most states. It is held at established test centers across the country. **The Holiday Inn, 222 S. Cayuga St., Ithaca, NY 14850, is the March test center for the Ithaca area.** The exam is scheduled for **Saturday, March 10, 2007**, approximately 9:00 a.m.

Applicants must report to the test center by 9:00 a.m. Testing will begin as soon as all applicants have been checked in and seated. If you arrive after testing has begun, you will not be admitted. NCBE cannot be responsible if you are delayed or unable to reach the test center because of weather or road conditions. Beginning and ending testing times may vary depending on the size of the test center and the number of rooms used. Applicants can expect testing to be completed between 2 to 3 hours.

In order to be admitted to the test center, you must present your test center Admission Ticket with your photograph attached, as well as a current form of identification bearing your photograph and signature. Please bring a #2 pencil to the exam with you.

FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Rescheduled presentation

Thursday, March 1, 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 JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SERVICES, LIZ PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES & STACEY WILEY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR CAREER SERVICES

First Year Students: On **Monday, February 26** from **6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** at Stella's, White & Case will be hosting a 1L reception. Please RSVP to **Ali Gabriella Iannuzzo** at aiannuzzo@whitecase.com.

FROM CHARLES CRAMTON, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Friday, March 2

12:15 p.m. Room G85

The **Graduate Legal Studies Program** and the **LL.M. Association** present the **2007 LL.M. Seminar Series**. Lunch will be served.

Sergio Latorre will speak on *“Internally displaced persons in Colombia: A challenge to law and a criticism of its current emphasis.”*

Yehya Ikram Ibrahim Badr will speak on *“The Question of Political Leadership in Islam : The Sunna and the Shia Perspectives.”*

FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Monday, February 26

2:30 p.m. Room 277

The **Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series** presents, **Diarmuid Rossa Phelan**, Faculty of Law, Trinity College Dublin, speaking on *“The Effect of European Integration on the Identification of Law.”*

Diarmuid Rossa Phelan is a member of the law faculty at Trinity College Dublin, where he lectures in the areas of competition law, jurisprudence and European Community Law. He also is a practicing barrister and attorney, licensed to practice in Ireland and New York. Mr. Phelan has the following

university degrees: a BCL from the National University of Ireland; an LL.M. from the University of California--Berkeley; and, a Ph.D. from the European University Institute, Florence, Italy.

CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE COLLOQUIUM SERIES

- **February 27, 12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 277**

John Haley, Washington University School of Law will present “*The Evolution of Law Enforcement in Japan and What We Can Learn from Japanese Experience.*”

John O. Haley, Wiley B. Rutledge Professor of Law and Director, The Whitney R. Harris Institute for Global Legal Studies, School of Law, Washington University in St. Louis. He has taught and lectured internationally including Aoyama Gakuin University, Kobe University and Tohoku University in Japan and Tübingen University in Germany. The author or editor of nine books and monographs, his book on *Authority Without Power: Law and the Japanese Paradox* and his article on “The Myth of the Reluctant Litigant” are considered leading works in their field. A lunch will be served.

- **March 2, 3:30 p.m. 165 McGraw Hall**

Sally Engle Merry, New York University School of Law and Department of Anthropology will present “*Making Women's Human Rights in the Vernacular: Legal Pluralism and Traveling Rights in India, China, and the USA.*” Program co-sponsored by the **Cornell University Department of Anthropology.**

How do human rights travel from their centers of creation to local communities? This paper explores the process of translating human rights into the vernacular, arguing that as rights ideas travel and land, they do not stand alone but form assemblages of various kinds with other social movements.

This comparative study, conducted in conjunction with **Peggy Levitt**, shows how women's human rights join with existing social justice ideas in China, India, and the U.S.A. It is based on an ethnography of two women's NGOs in each country. In each situation, the turn to a human rights framework adds new dimensions to the practices and ideology of the organization and shifts its assemblage of ideas and techniques. However, each human rights assemblage differs from that of other countries depending on the historic role of rights and other social justice ideologies in each place. In all the locations studied, there were ongoing political and ideological tension between human rights ideas, grounded in the universal and international, and national ideas of rights that shaped the nature of the assemblage. For more information contact **Donna Hastings** at: donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu

FULL TERM EXTERNSHIP FALL 2007 OR SPRING 2008

Mandatory Meeting (rescheduled from February 14)

Wednesday, February 28, 4:00 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)

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.

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

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 Spring 2007 semester.

When: Wednesday, January 24 through Wednesday, May 23, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., room 252 Myron Taylor Hall. **Note: there will be no office hours on Wednesday, February 28, 2007.**

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

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Cornell Law School Student Animal Legal Defense Fund

On **Friday March 2 at 8:30 p.m. at the Omega Sigma Tau House, 200 Willard Way** (10 minute walk across west campus from the Law School). Cornell Law School's **Student Animal Legal Defense Fund** and the **Veterinary School fraternity Omega Tau Sigma** present the **Bob Barker Invitational Tournament for the Animals** to benefit the Tompkins County SPCA's Low-Income Spay and Neuter Program. There will be food, great prizes, and a little friendly competition with the Vet School. Register your doubles team in the Foyer. Co-sponsored by GPSAFC. Questions? Contact **Deborah Press** at ddp26@cornell.edu

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The LII (www.law.cornell.edu) is taking applications for summer editorial posts. Projects span the entire LII site and include Supreme Court term highlights, lexicon entries, and topical backgrounders. To apply, please email a resume and writing sample to **Sara Frug**, ssf6@cornell.edu

UPCOMING EVENT OF THE INSTITUTE FOR THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND LAW SCHOOL

Thursday, March 15 (rescheduled from February 15)

8:30-10:00 a.m. 146 Myron Taylor Hall (ISS Conference Room)

ISS Evolving Family Theme Project Seminar “*Social Science and Legal Policy: The Case of Heterosexual Cohabitation*”

Cynthia Bowman, Marc & Beth Goldberg Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law

Bowman's research examines the social science literature about heterosexual cohabitation and concludes that unmarried couples together for two years or with a common child should be given the legal rights and obligations attached to marriage. For more information contact **Anneliese Truame**, ISS Administrative Coordinator at: amt58@cornell.edu

UPCOMING UNIVERSITY EVENTS

• Thursday, March 8

12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m. Anabel Taylor Hall, One World Room

Office of Diversity and Inclusion presents **The Women's Power Lunch Series**

“*Advice from Corporate Hallways: Things We Learned the Hard Way.*”

A special event with members of the President's Council of Cornell Women. This event offers: a unique networking opportunity and a commemoration of Women's History Month with a diverse and distinguished panel of accomplished, senior level executive alumnae. Come out and meet with Johnson School students, faculty and staff, and influential women in business.

Space for this event is limited, so **RSVP to Aubrey Lang** in the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, 213 Sage Hall or by email to: ajl63@cornell.edu

• Saturday, March 10

Time and Location to be announced

“*Predators and Prey: What Cornellians can Learn from Jeffrey Dahmer, John Hinckley, and the Unabomber*” presented by **Park Dietz**, M.D., M.P.H., PH.D.

Spend a Saturday afternoon with a 1970 Cornell alumnus who has examined the most notorious criminals of the past 25 years and used the lessons they teach to help millions of Americans avoid victimization. He pulls no punches in explaining why predators look for the weak, the intoxicated, and the naïve.

Educated at Cornell and Johns Hopkins, **Dr. Dietz** simultaneously earned an M.D., a Masters degree in public health, and a Ph.D. in sociology. He was a psychiatric resident at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and Chief Fellow in Forensic Psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania. He served as an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the Harvard Medical School and as Professor of Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry and Professor of Law at the University of Virginia. He is now Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at the UCLA School of Medicine. Dr. Dietz is the founder and head of both Threat Assessment Group, Inc. and the forensic consulting firm of Park Dietz & Associates, Inc., both of which are headquartered in Newport Beach, California. For more information, contact **David Drew** at djd36@cornell.edu

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