
Cornell Law Scoops

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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of March 5, 2007

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

3:00-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab. Details below, Dean Schwab's column.

3:00-7:00 p.m. Room 305. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 4, Walter Bubl 's column.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

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 4, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

5:00-7:00 p.m. Room 305. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 4, Walter Bubl 's column.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

12:15 p.m. Room 279. The **Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series** presents a luncheon talk, "**Time to Rethink the W.T.O. System**" by **Hugh Corbet**, President, Cordell Hull Institute. RSVPs required for luncheon by March 6. Details on page 2, Berger International Legal Studies column.

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

Office Hours for Students

I will be holding office hours for students this **Tuesday afternoon, March 6 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.

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, is the March test center.** 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 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, March 12** from **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** at the **Statler Hotel, Skadden Arps** will host a reception for all first-year students to learn about the firm and meet some of their attorneys. Please RSVP to **Sandy Choi** at sanchoi@skadden.com by **March 8**.
- **First-Year Students:** On **Tuesday, March 13** from **6:30 pm to 8:30 pm** at the Statler Hotel, **Linklaters Law Firm** will host a reception for all first-year students. Please RSVP to uspractice.recruitment@linklaters.com

FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Thursday, March 8, 12:15 p.m., Room 279

The **Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series** presents a luncheon talk, "**Time to Rethink the W.T.O. System**" by **Hugh Corbet**, President, Cordell Hull Institute.

Please RSVP to **Dawne Peacock** at dfp7@cornell.edu by **March 6**.

Hugh Corbet has been the President of the Cordell Hull Institute, Washington, DC, since 1998. He was previously the Director of the Trade Policy Program at the Sigur Center for Asian Studies, George Washington University (1993-97), and before that was a Guest Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson

International Center for Scholars and the Brookings Institution, Washington (1990-92). For over twenty years, Mr. Corbet was the Director of the Trade Policy Research Centre (TPRC), London (1968-89) and, in addition, founded and was editor of *The World Economy*, Oxford and Boston (1977-89).

At the TPRC in the 1970s, Mr. Corbet initiated the debate on extending the GATT system to trade in services, then promoted the idea internationally. He was also the first to propose that “producer-subsidy equivalents” be used in trade negotiations on agriculture – eventually taken up in OECD and GATT talks as the “aggregate measurement of support”.

In 1982-88, as part of the international, behind-the-scenes consensus-building effort to launch and promote the Uruguay Round negotiations, Mr. Corbet convened eight “informal” roundtable meetings of trade ministers, senior officials and independent experts in different parts of the world. These were successively hosted by the Australian, British, Korean, German, Spanish, Japanese and Indonesian governments. At the Cordell Hull Institute he convened similar meetings in Gressy-en-France (near Paris), Gotemba (near Mount Fuji), Warrenton (near Washington) and Rio de Janeiro in 2001-02; and in Paris in July 2004, in conjunction with Cornell Law School.

Mr. Corbet was born in Perth, Australia, and was educated at the University of Adelaide and at Keele University in England. He began his career as a journalist, eventually becoming the specialist writer on international economic affairs for *The Times*, London (1965-68), where he also covered South-east Asia.

FROM PAUL WEBER, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

NetIDs

The IT Department would like to remind all students to close the NetID authentication window after using any Cornell systems that require NetID authentication, especially on public access machines like those found in the Computer Lab, Saperston Student Lounge and the Foyer. You should also follow this practice when using a laptop in an open area such as the Library Reading Room or Atrium. Leaving your NetID active potentially exposes much of your personal and confidential information to the next person who accesses that computer, and it may have financial implications. In the Computer Lab, another user could also print jobs using your account. Net Print **will not** reimburse students for print jobs under these circumstances. The University has a strong policy regarding the use of your NetID.

Finally, if you see the NetID authentication window open on a machine that you intend to use, it is a good practice to close out that session. This way you will not risk violating University policy. Here is a portion of the University Policy regarding NetID use.

Should I let my family or co-workers use my NetID and password?

No. **Your NetID is for your exclusive personal use.** If someone has your NetID and password, he or she can look up and/or change personal and confidential information about you, including your benefits package, your tax information, your grades, your web page, your address, and your emergency contact information. He or she could read your electronic mail, and send e-mail from your address pretending to be you. He or she could also commit computer crimes through your account, and you could be held responsible for any damages that result.

For those reasons and others, it is a violation of University policy to share your NetID and password with your family, your roommate, your supervisor, or your office's computer support personnel. There is no reason for anyone else to know your password, despite what he or she tells you. You are the **only** person who should ever use your NetID and password! Likewise, you should **never** use anyone else's NetID and password, **even if the owner says that it is okay!**

The complete **Information Technology Rights and Responsibilities Policy** can be found at:

<http://www.cit.cornell.edu/policy/responsible-use/>

FROM JAMIE HOFFMIER, INTERIM DIRECTOR, LAW SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND AND SARAH BURTON, INTERIM ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, LAW SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND

Law School Annual Fund Phonathon: Calling All Students

The **Annual Fund Office is still hiring student callers for their March phonathon**. As you may know, phonathon callers raise tax-deductible contributions for the benefit of the Cornell Law School from alumni across the country. These gifts benefit law students in many ways, providing scholarships (60% of the Annual Fund is earmarked for scholarships), technology enhancements, visiting lecturers, law library purchases, and program support. The phonathon is an important aspect of the Law School Annual Fund, since Cornell Law School depends on support from alumni and friends to make up the difference between what tuition revenues provide and the cost of operating the School. **Every graduate of Cornell Law School has benefited as a student from the gifts of alumni who preceded them, because tuition never meets the full cost of a Cornell legal education.**

Each night of the phonathon begins with dinner (on us!) and training about phonathon procedures and techniques. Phonathon callers are paid **\$10.00 per hour** and have the chance to make new friends while uniting in the common goal of seeking support for Cornell Law School.

Spring 2007 Phonathon Schedule

Held each evening in room 276

Wednesday, March 7

Training and dinner: **5:30 p.m.**

Calling: **6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Monday, March 12

Training and dinner: **6:30 p.m.**

Calling: **7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

Thursday, March 8

Training and dinner: **6:30 p.m.**

Calling: **7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, March 14

Training and dinner: **5:30 p.m.**

Calling: **6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Sunday, March 11

Training and dinner: **5:30 p.m.**

Calling: **6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Thursday, March 15

Training and dinner: **6:30 p.m.**

Calling: **7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

If you are interested in working as a phonathon caller, please contact **Sarah Burton** at 254-4722 or smb227@cornell.edu. Thank you for your consideration! We look forward to working with you!

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.

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

UPCOMING LAW SCHOOL EVENT

Monday, March 12

6:00 7:30 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)

“Seeking Global Justice: Should the United States Join the International Criminal Court?”

Moderated debate on the topic of **U.S. policy towards the International Criminal Court** between **John Washburn**, Convener of the American Non-governmental Organizations Coalition on the International Criminal Court, and **Jeremy Rabkin**, Professor of Government at Cornell.

The International Criminal Court (ICC) was founded in 2002 as a permanent tribunal to prosecute crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes. The ICC has been actively investigating situations in Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Darfur. The United States, along with Russia, China, India and other countries, have opposed the ICC, expressing concern about politically-motivated prosecutions, weak procedural safeguards, and interference with state sovereignty. Meanwhile, in January, the ICC took substantial steps towards initiating its first trial, charging former Congolese rebel Thomas Lubanga with using child soldiers, and recently presented evidence against two individuals in the Darfur investigation. As the ICC increases its role in international criminal law and approaches its fifth anniversary, an informed conversation about the U.S. position towards the ICC is due.

Sponsored by Cornell Law School through the Briggs International Law Society, the Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series, and the Federalist Society. Free and open to the public. Reception to follow. **Questions?** Contact: **Ferve Ozturk** at: feo2@cornell.edu or **Maxim Kogan** at: mak228@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” presented by **Cynthia Bowman**, Marc & Beth Goldberg Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law

Cynthia 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**

2:00-4:30 p.m. Uris Hall Auditorium

"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.

Dr. Dietz has testified and/or consulted in all 50 states, notably participating in cases involving John Hinckley, Jeffrey Dahmer, the O.J. Simpson civil suit, Susan Smith, Polly Klaas, the Menendez brothers (retrial), John DuPont, the New York Zodiac, the Prom Mom case, the Unabomber, the shootings at the Vera Wang Bridal Salon, Empire State Building, and U.S. Capital, the DC sniper cases, the school shootings at Columbine and other locations, and workplace violence cases of every description, including mass murders across the U.S.

He is a forensic psychiatrist for both the FBI's Profiling and Behavioral Assessment Unit and the New York State Police Forensic Sciences Unit. He has authored more than 100 publications. He was a member of the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Trauma Research, has conducted numerous studies of sex offenders, mentally disordered offenders, and violent criminals, directed a five-year study for the National Institute of Justice on mentally disordered offenders who threaten and stalk public figures, and recently completed a two-year privately funded study of risks to the children and families of executives and other public figures. For more information, contact **David Drew** at djd36@cornell.edu

Scoops is the weekly publication of the Cornell Law School. *Scoops* publishes notices of Law School events, administrative notices, notices from student organizations and other informational notices of general interest to the Law School community. It is published every Monday while classes are in session. Items for the newsletter should be submitted to the Law School Registrar's Office or by email to: scoops@lawschool.cornell.edu no later than 12:00 Noon on Thursdays for inclusion in the following week's edition. Please note that items may be edited if necessary.

A Special Invitation for Cornell Law Students!

As a Cornell Law student, you are eligible to join The Cornell Club-New York!

If you join The Club by March 31, 2007, you will receive a \$100 house credit applicable to any of The Club's facilities (excluding dues).

As a Member of The Cornell Club-New York, you will be able to enjoy the full benefits of membership, including:

- Staying in one of the forty-eight overnight guestrooms
- Holding or sponsoring business meetings in one of The Club's five elegant banquet facilities
- Using the business center to check email and voicemail messages
- Meeting colleagues and friends in the Big Red Tap & Grill during the day
- Working out in The Club's Health & Fitness Center
- Retreating to the Andrew Dickson White Library or Cayuga Lounge to escape from the loud streets of Manhattan in the middle of the afternoon
- Dining on the pre-theatre dinner menu (\$29 per person) in The Cayuga Room
- Attending the theater, US Open, and other events with club procured tickets
- Attending the various Club programs and events
- Utilizing one of the eighty reciprocal clubs around the world while traveling with friends and/or family

These are some of the many reasons we encourage you to join The Cornell Club-New York.

Please contact **Samantha Ng '04, Membership Manager**, for further membership information and an application at 212.692.1380 or s.ng@cornellclubnyc.com

Or, feel free to visit our website at: www.cornellclubnyc.com

We look forward to seeing you at The Club!