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## ≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of April 23, 2007

This is the last issue of *Scoops* for the spring semester. Good luck on final exams and bar exams!

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

### MONDAY, APRIL 23

**12:15 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater** (room G90). **The Graduate Legal Studies Program annual LL.M. Program evaluation session.** Please join **Assistant Dean Cramton** to add your input on the year and on ways that we can improve the LL.M. program for the future. Lunch will be provided. Please **RSVP to Dawne Peacock** at [dfp7@cornell.edu](mailto:dfp7@cornell.edu) for the luncheon. Details on page 4, Assistant Dean Cramton's column.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 24

**12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 273. Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series: Yanchun Cao**, of Cornell Law School and Yanshan University will present "*The Past, Present and Future of Anti-discrimination in Employment in China.*"

**1:25-2:10 p.m. Room 290. Course Forum (rescheduled from Monday, April 16).** First-year students and any other interested students are invited to a Course Forum **sponsored by CLSA** to review distribution recommendations, degree requirements, concentration options, and sound course selection in the upperclass years. Details on page 2, Registrar Nan Colvin's 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 4, Walter Bubl 's column.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

**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 5, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

**4:00-5:00 p.m. Room 276. Legal Research 2.0: Beyond Cost Effectiveness - Free Web Sites.** Details on page 5, Law Library column.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25 (CON'T.)

**4:00-7:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. End of semester Massage Party** sponsored by **Cornell Law Students Association (CLSA), LEXIS** and the **Offices of the Dean and the Dean of Students**. Details on page 4, Associate Dean Lukingbeal's 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.



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

### Office Hours for Students

I will be holding office hours for students this **Tuesday afternoon, April 24 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

- **Course Forum - Tuesday, April 24, 1:25-2:10 p.m. room 290.** First-year students and any other interested students are invited to a Course Forum sponsored by CLSA to review distribution recommendations, degree requirements, concentration options, and sound course selection in the upperclass years. Associate Dean for Academic Affairs **Barbara Holden-Smith**, Executive Director of Clarke Center for International and Comparative Legal Studies, **Larry Bush**, Director of the Legal Aid Clinic **JoAnne Miner**, Professor, and Academic Programs and Planning Committee Chair **Kevin Clermont**, Registrar's Office staff members **Nan Colvin** and **Nancy Osborn**, and **CLSA representatives** will be available to answer questions.
- **To the Classes of 2008 & 2009 - Pre-Registration for Fall 2007 Law School courses** will occur over the summer recess. Students will be notified by email (to their Cornell NetID email address) of registration dates.
- **Laptops for exams - Laptop Problems after April 18?** If you have problems with your laptop after April 18 your options are:
  1. **handwrite your exams**
  2. **borrow another law student's laptop** who has received a Confirmation from Software Secure. You must contact the Registrar's Office if you plan to borrow a laptop.
- **Official Student Transcripts** are available at the University Registrar's Office in B7 Day Hall. There is no charge. Internal transcripts are available from the Law School Registrar's office and require a 24-hour advance written request.
- **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 the faculty member wishes to view the student's record.
- **Coat and Book Lockers** - Graduating students should be sure to remove all items from book and coat lockers by August 1, 2007. Continuing students may retain their lockers, however, anyone who has swapped lockers needs to notify the Law School Registrar's Office of the changes before August 1.

- **Summer Addresses**

- Class of 2007 Students**

- The Summer Address/Diploma Mailing Address link on the Registrar's website is available at the Registrar's website. Please visit the site at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> before the end of the semester and provide us with information about your summer mailing addresses. If you need to make changes to any of the information you enter, you may revisit this site as many times as necessary to correct/update the information.

- Summer email address and forwarding your NetID email:** We will continue to use your NetID email address if we need to contact you over the summer. For more information on the forwarding service, please use the link at the Summer Address site on the Registrar's website.

- Class of 2008 & 2009 Students**

- The Summer Address link on the Registrar's website is available at the Registrar's website. Please visit the site at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> before the end of the semester and provide us with information about your summer mailing address. If you need to make changes to any of the information you enter, you may revisit this site as many times as necessary to correct/update the information.

- Summer email address:** We will be using your Cornell NetID email address to communicate with you.

- **2007 Spring Term Grades**

- Class of 2007** - Spring term grades, graduation letters, and diplomas will be available at the Law School Registrar's Office beginning **Tuesday, May 29, 2007**.

- Continuing students** - Spring term grades are expected to be online on **Wednesday, June 13** through **Just the Facts** on the University UPortal site: <http://www.uportal.cornell.edu>

## **FROM PAT HALSTEAD, CERTIFICATION COORDINATOR**

### **Reminder To All Graduating Students**

- **New York Bar Applications** for the New York State Bar for the **July 2007 Exam** must be postmarked between **March 26 and April 25**.

- **California and Connecticut Bar Applicants** please stop by the Registrar's office to complete a transcript release form.

- **All Other Jurisdictions.** A **certificate of law school attendance/graduation** is required by most state bar authorities (**but not New York State**). Some states require that the certificate be made on a form they provide, and others require it on Law School letterhead. Certificates are completed and mailed directly from the Law School Registrar's Office. **Certificates of graduation will be sent after May 27, 2007**. If you have questions, please contact me at the Registrar's Office, email: [paf7@cornell.edu](mailto:paf7@cornell.edu) or at (607) 255-4748.

- **Official Transcripts** - Please remember that they are not processed at Cornell Law School. Students can request an official transcript (including Spring 07 grades) in **May** at the University Registrar's Office, B7 Day Hall. The request should include the following information: **Hold for Grades and Degree - Graduating Law** and where you want it sent.

- **Fingerprinting (not all bar applications require fingerprints. New York does not)**

- Fingerprinting is available on campus at the **Public Safety Office, G2 Barton Hall**, 24-hours a day and at the **Ithaca Police Department, 120 E. Clinton St., Ithaca**. You will need to take the fingerprint card

from your bar application packet with you, and two forms of picture ID. The Ithaca Police Department is only available to process the cards on Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and charges a \$10.00 fee. Their number is (607) 272-9973.

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

### **End of semester Massage Party**

On **Wednesday, April 25**, the **Offices of the Dean and Dean of Students, CLSA and LEXIS** will sponsor a therapeutic massage party in the **Saperston Student Lounge from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.** Please stop by and enjoy a free 10-minute chair massage from one of seven licensed massage therapists. A representative from LEXIS will sponsor a raffle. Fruits, vegetables, and other healthy snacks will be served. We hope to see you there. **Faculty and staff are welcome from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

## **FROM CHARLES D. CRAMTON, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES**

**Monday, April 23**

**12:15 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)**

**The Graduate Legal Studies Program** will be having the annual **LL.M. Program evaluation session**. Please join me to add your input on the year and on ways that we can improve the LL.M. program for the future. We very much appreciate your thoughts and comments on what has worked well, what can be improved, and what should be added to make it an even better year for LL.M. students. Lunch will be provided. Please **RSVP to Dawne Peacock** at [dfp7@cornell.edu](mailto:dfp7@cornell.edu) for the luncheon.

## **FROM THE CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE**

- **Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series**

**Tuesday, April 24, 12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 273**

**Yanchun Cao**, Cornell Law School and Yanshan University will present *“The Past, Present and Future of Anti-discrimination in Employment in China.”*

- Professor Annelise Riles is **seeking applications from JD or JSD students who wish to serve as teaching assistants for Government 313, the Nature, Function and Limits of Law**, a course in legal studies offered at the law school for undergraduate students, **in Fall 2007**. Teaching assistants lead a weekly small group meeting of the course, hold office hours, attend lectures, and grade a short paper and the final exam. Teaching assistants can elect to receive course credit or payment on an hourly basis. If interested, please submit a resume to **Donna Hastings** by **May 1** to room 213 Myron Taylor Hall or [donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu](mailto:donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu)

- The **Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture sponsors an annual student essay prize competition** to recognize scholarly work that expands the purview of our understanding of legal institutions, ideas or practices in East Asia. We welcome submissions of papers authored by Cornell J.D. students in their second or third years, Cornell L.L.M. students, or graduate students from other departments or schools within the university by **May 30, 2007**. The winner will receive a cash award of \$300 and will be invited to present his or her paper in the Program workshop in the following semester. Papers can be submitted by students or by their advisors on their behalf. Papers should be no more than 10,000 words in length. Please submit papers to **Donna Hastings** at: [donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu](mailto:donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu)

## **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 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](mailto:mh84@cornell.edu)

## FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

- **Legal Research 2.0: Beyond Cost Effectiveness - Free Web Sites**

**Wednesday, April 25, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Room 276**

Do you realize that many public interest entities **don't** have access to Westlaw or Lexis? You are invited to a special research session that will focus on **free web sites** that provide relevant and reliable legal information. **Learn how to research successfully without a commercial database subscription!** Handouts and snacks will be provided. If you plan to attend, please **RSVP** to Jean Callihan at [jc374@cornell.edu](mailto:jc374@cornell.edu) to help us get a head count.

- **As you study for exams:** Hornbooks, study aids, and casebooks are on reserve at the Circulation Desk. These and other library resources can be useful for your outlining and studying. Overnight checkout at 8:00 p.m. are available for reserve books.
- **Study Rooms:** Group study rooms in the Law Library are available to law students on the fourth floor and in the Casual Study Room (at the top of the stairs at the east end of the Reading Room). Study rooms and unreserved carrels are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Food and Drinks.** Drinks are allowed in the library in containers that have covers, such as water bottles, coffee cups with lids, and soda cans. Food is not allowed in the library, in order to protect the materials and to prevent attracting rodents and bugs.
- **Cell phones.** Be sure to turn off the ringer on your cell phone while in the library, and please leave the library when you conduct a cell phone conversation.

• **Research Consultations** are available throughout the year but are especially helpful to prepare for summer employment. An appointment will focus on your unique research needs, and can range from covering resources in a specific jurisdiction or practice area to refreshing research skills. **Appointment forms are available at the Circulation Desk and online** for you to pick a date and time and Research Attorney preference, if any, at <http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/library/SERVICES/Students/app.htm> . Take advantage of this opportunity to get a competitive edge on fellow summer employees.

• **Building Hours Friday, April 27 - Monday, May 14.** The building will be locked and closed at 5:00 p.m. Non-Law School community people should not be in the building after 5:00 p.m. Be sure to bring your Cornell ID card if you need access to the building after 5:00 p.m. Contact the Facilities Office, room G62, if you do not have a pink authorization card which is needed if you are in the building after 5:00 p.m.

• **Law Library Hours**

**Exam Period Extended hours for Law Students (April 27-May 14, 2007)**

Friday, April 27:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 28:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 29:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Monday, April 30-Friday, May 4:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 5:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 6:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Monday, May 7-Friday, May 11:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 12:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 13:	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Monday, May 14:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 15-Friday, May 18:	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Summer Hours (May 15-August 12, 2007)**

Monday-Friday:	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturdays and Sundays:	Closed
Monday, May 28:	Closed
Wednesday, July 4:	Closed

• **Visiting other libraries: The Law Library is a member of the Research Library Group (RLG)**, an international consortium of major research libraries. The SHARES Program of RLG allows students and faculty to gain access to the collections of those libraries in the program by showing their institutional ID card. You will not be able to check out materials, but will be able to have full use of the collection within the library you visit. **It is recommended that you make your initial contact during the day** at whatever law library you visit; full-time staff who are aware of the reciprocal arrangements are around then to make your entry easier.

Access to non-SHARES libraries cannot be guaranteed. For institutions not participating in the SHARES program, it is recommended that you bring a letter of introduction in addition to your Cornell ID. You may obtain a letter from **Chris O'Hara**, in room 360. We ask that you request such a letter at least 48-hours in advance.

## **FROM MICHAEL PADO, FACILITIES MANAGER**

• **Study Rooms: Monday, April 30 through Monday, May 14, 2007.** The following rooms, **G80, G81, 273, 387 and 389**, will be available as study rooms, no reservations required. Daytime hours may vary, so please check the daily schedule, available at the Registrar's Office, for the exact hours the rooms will be open. And of course, the daytime schedule is subject to change if room(s) are needed for exams.

- **A reminder to law students that you need to carry your Cornell picture ID and your pink authorization card when you are in the Law School after hours.** You need to have both these cards to remain in the building after it is closed; Law Library staff, and Cornell Police may request to see them. The Law School has not authorized law students to have guests with them after hours and all guests are required to leave when the library and building closes. If you need an authorization card, you may request another from the Facilities Office, room G62, during business hours.

- **Reminder.** Please do not leave any personal belongings unattended in the library. This is the time of year when laptops, wallets, and backpacks are stolen. If you must leave for any length of time, please ask the person sitting next to you to watch your belongings until you return.

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**2Ls Interested in the Internet, working for Federal Agencies, and/or Administrative Law.** Be part of a multidisciplinary project doing cutting edge research in Web-based rulemaking. See <http://ceri.law.cornell.edu/>. Work begins next fall, with orientation this spring. Email **Professor Farina:** [crf7@cornell.edu](mailto:crf7@cornell.edu) , attaching your resume.

## UNIVERSITY EVENTS

- **Operation DEEP**

**Help bring language to the world! Operation DEEP** (Developing Elementary Education Possibilities) is participating in a nation-wide **book drive to help teach elementary-level English** to school children in rural China. Please donate any old or extra children's book to this drive! Drop boxes are located throughout campus and at the Law School in Saperston Student Lounge. **Questions?** Contact **Sachin Desai** at (908)-415-4494. Information about Operation DEEP is available at the Cornell Public Service Center's website: <http://www.psc.cornell.edu/students/service-groups/default.html>

- **Historian Michael Kazin to Speak on William Jennings Bryan and the Scopes Trial**

Historian Michael Kazin, author of *A Godly Hero: The Life of William Jennings Bryan* (2006), will present a talk sponsored by Cornell's Program on Ethics & Public Life on **Thursday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the HEC Auditorium, Goldwin Smith Hall.**

The talk, titled "*The Last Act of a Christian Liberal: William Jennings Bryan and the Scopes Trial,*" will provide some timely historical background for Cornell's Schwartz Center presentation (April 26-28/May 3-5) of *Inherit the Wind*, the courtroom drama loosely based on the 1925 trial of a Tennessee schoolteacher arrested for teaching Darwin's theory of evolution. For tickets to *Inherit the Wind* call 254-ARTS. For **further information**, contact the **Ethics & Public Life program office**, 240 Goldwin Smith Hall, 255-8515, [epl@cornell.edu](mailto:epl@cornell.edu)

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