
Cornell Law Scoops

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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of March 10, 2008

There will be no issue the week of Spring break.

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

MONDAY, MARCH 10

12:30-1:15 p.m. Room 290. Class of 2010: Paul Hastings lunch panel: “*Tips to Becoming an Outstanding Attorney.*” Co-sponsored by LALSA. **RSVPs** required. Details on page 5, Student Organizations.

6:00 p.m. Room 276. The **Briggs International Law Society & The Berger International Legal Studies Program** present “*Implementing a Peacekeeping Mandate with Integration of Security Council Resolution 1325: The Liberia Case Study*” - **Ms. Joanna Foster**. Reception to follow in the Foyer. Details on page 4, Berger International Studies Program column.

6:00 p.m. John Thomas Steakhouse. 1L Students: Knobbe Martens dinner for students with technical backgrounds who are eligible to sit for the patent bar. Details on **eligibility and RSVP process** on page 3, Career Services column.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl ’s column.

4:15-5:55 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Professor **Bernadette Meyler** and guest speaker, **Richard H. Weisburg**, discussing “**Public and Private Codes in *The Merchant of Venice.***” Details on page 6, Law School Event.

6:30-9:00 p.m. Stella’s. 1L Students: Choate, Hall & Stewart reception. **RSVPs** required. Detail on page 3, Career Services column.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

12:30-2:30 p.m. and 4:00-5:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl ’s column.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

1:00-4:30 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students with Maurice Haltom Therapist/Counselor, Counseling and Psychological Services. Details on page 5, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

1:25 p.m. Uris Hall Auditorium. The Leo Nevas Human Rights Fund and The Clarke Program in East-Asian Law and Culture present “Militarization and Counter Terrorism Measures in Thailand: The Effect on Women Human Rights Defenders” - Virada Somswasdi ’74, Professor, Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiangmai University Thailand.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Student Leaders Roundtable with the Dean. Presidents/chairpersons of student organizations are **invited to join Deans Schwab and Lukingbeal at the second roundtable** of the spring semester. **RSVPs** requested. Details below, Dean Schwab’s column.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

12:20 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Lunch with Karma Gos who will be speaking on: **“What Organic and Other Food Labels Really Mean for Animals.”** Presented by Cornell Student Animal Legal Defense Fund. Details on page 5, Student Organizations.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

9:30-10:30 a.m. Law School Foyer. Donuts with the Dean. Come and enjoy conversation and donuts, coffee, and other treats.

SATURDAY, MARCH 15-SUNDAY, MARCH 23

Spring Break. University and Law School closed. No classes.



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

• **Student Leaders Roundtable**

Wednesday, March 12, 4:15-5:15 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge

Presidents/chairpersons of student organizations are **invited to join Deans Schwab and Lukingbeal at the second roundtable** of the spring semester. Light snacks will be provided. **RSVP** to **Lynda Swafford** (email lms82@cornell.edu or call 255-3539).

• **Donuts with the Dean**

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FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

Spring 2008

• **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.

- **New University Student Records System** - The University is implementing a new student administration system (PeopleSoft) in mid-March.

Law students will continue to interface with University services by using the new Just The Facts/Student Center. Please read carefully all communications you receive from the Office of the University Registrar. Learn more at: <http://registrar.sas.cornell.edu/Student/jtf.html>

When pre-registration for the 2008 fall term begins, law students will use the University system to select their non-law courses. The pre-registration period for law students to select non-law courses is tentatively scheduled for April 2-18. Please note that pre-registration for LAW courses will continue to be handled at the law school registration site: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> and will occur during the summer break. You will be notified by email to your NetID email account when Law School pre-registration is available.

As you use the new system, please share your experiences with us.

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

Law School Prize

I am delighted to announce that thanks to a **recent gift from the family of John J. Kelly** (Law School Class of 1947) we will once again award a prize in Mr. Kelly's memory to a graduating Cornell Law student who, in the judgment of the Dean of the Law School, best exemplifies qualities of **scholarship, fair play and good humor**. The prize is a cash gift of \$500. Please submit written nominations to me before **Friday March 28, 2008** at Noon. It will be very helpful to the selection committee if you indicate the reasons why you think the nominee would be an excellent candidate for this award. Many thanks.

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AND CAREER SERVICES, ELIZABETH PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES AND SUZANNE HESS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES

- **1L Students:** On **Monday, March 10, Knobbe Martens**, in intellectual property firm, will host a dinner at **6:00 p.m.** at **John Thomas Steakhouse** for students *with technical backgrounds who are eligible to sit for the patent bar*. If you are not sure whether you are eligible, please see Section III in this document: <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/olia/oed/grb.pdf>. If you are eligible and wish to attend the dinner, please **RSVP** to **Jacque Avakian** at jacque.avakian@kmob.com.

- **1L Students:** On **Tuesday, March 11, Choate, Hall & Stewart**, a Boston firm, will host a reception from **6:30-9:00 p.m.** at **Stella's** to introduce you to its summer program. Please **RSVP** to **Precillia Soares** at psoares@choate.com if you wish to attend.

- **1L Students:** Occasionally, students seeking summer employment in the **private sector** come across opportunities with corporations which are unpaid and which require **academic credit**. These jobs are especially common in the sports and entertainment industry. While Cornell Law School does not have a formal summer internship program for the private sector (we DO have such a program for government agencies, non-profits and judges), we may be able to assist in arranging for credit on a case-by-case basis. Please contact **Dean DeRosa** if you come across this sort of opportunity and wish to pursue it.

FROM LARRY BUSH, THE BERGER INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- **Monday, March 10**

6:00 p.m. Room 276

The Briggs International Law Society & The Berger International Legal Studies Program present *“Implementing a Peacekeeping Mandate with Integration of Security Council Resolution 1325: The Liberia Case Study”* - Ms. Joanna Foster, Senior Gender Policy Adviser to the Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission in Liberia. **Reception** to follow in the Foyer.

- **Wednesday, March 12**

1:25 p.m. Uris Hall Auditorium

The Leo Nevas Human Rights Fund and The Clarke Program in East-Asian Law and Culture present *“Militarization and Counter Terrorism Measures in Thailand: The Effect on Women Human Rights Defenders”* - Virada Somswasdi '74, Professor, Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiangmai University Thailand.

Professor Somswasdi is an associate professor of law and the founder of the Women's Studies Center at Chiangmai University, Thailand. She is also an LL.M. program alumna of Cornell Law School. For more information on Professor Somswasdi, see last week's *Scoops*, Berger International Legal Studies Program column.

- **Monday, March 24**

12:15 p.m. Room G85

The Clarke Middle East Fund presents **Judge Ra'id Al-Sa'edi, Iraqi High Tribunal speaking on “Iraqi High Tribunal: The End of Immunity.”** Please **RSVP** to **Dawne Peacock** by **March 19** at dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon

- **Tuesday, March 25**

11:15 a.m. Room G85

The **Berger International Legal Studies Program** presents **Don Wallace**, Professor, Georgetown University Law School speaking on *“The Settlement of Investment Disputes.”* This lecture will be part of Professor Ndulo's International Foreign Investment Class.

FROM KARLA VARGAS, DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL AID

How To Renew Your Financial Aid

- **Follow these easy steps and you will renew your Federal loans:**

File your tax returns

Complete your FAFSA no later **April 15, 2008**

Send a copy of your Tax returns or Non-filing statement to the Financial Aid Office.

Complete the Federal Verification Worksheet

Please note: If you complete your **FAFSA** later than **April 15** and do not alert the Financial Aid Office, we cannot ensure timely payment of loan funds. The **Non-Filing Statement** and the **Federal Verification Worksheet** can be picked up at the Financial Aid office after **April 1**

- **Follow this easy step and you will renew your private loan**

Contact your lender and apply for a new loan for 2008-2009

- **Follow this easy step and you will renew your Graduate Plus Loan**

Contact your lender and apply for a new loan for 2008-09

- **Grants do not need to be renewed**

FROM MAURICE HALTOM, COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

Let's Talk: Free and confidential support is available to all students

No appointment necessary. Just drop in.

- * stress * academic problems * anxiety * relationships * adjustments to a new culture
- * family problems * depression * financial * other concerns

When: Wednesdays, 1:00-4:30 p.m. (January 23 through May 21, 2008)

Where: Myron Taylor Hall, Room 252

Who: Maurice Haltom, LMSW, Counselor from Gannett Health Services

For additional hours and counselor bios: www.gannett.cornell.edu/LetsTalk

FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with JD students in **room 309:**

Tuesdays: 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 12:30-2:30 p.m. and 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- **Latino American Law Students Association (LALSA)**

Class of 2010: Paul Hastings would like to cordially invite you to a **lunch panel** titled: *“Tips to Becoming an Outstanding Attorney.”* The event will take place on **Monday, March 10 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. in room 290.** A delicious Cuban lunch will be provided. Co-sponsored by LALSA. **RSVPs to Jodi Remer (jodiremer@paulhastings.com)** at Paul Hastings were required by **Friday, March 7 at 4:00 p.m.** if you were interested in attending. Please contact **Mirna Cardona** at mrc23@cornell.edu if you have questions about the event. We look forward to seeing you there.

- **Cornell Student Animal Legal Defense Fund**

Please join the Cornell Student Animal Legal Defense Fund for **Lunch with Karma: “What Organic and Other Food Labels Really Mean for Animals.”** **Karma Gos**, a local farmer of organic poultry and pigs, will lead this informal discussion over lunch (provided) in **Saperston Student Lounge**, on **Thursday, March 13 at 12:20 p.m.** **Questions? Contact Deborah, ddp26@cornell.edu**

- **Women’s Law Coalition (WLC), Public Interest Law Union (PILU) and Law Students for Reproductive Justice**

Coming Event

March 26, at 12:20 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge

The Women’s Law Coalition (WLC), the Public Interest Law Union (PILU), and Law Students for Reproductive Justice are pleased to announce **the annual Panel.**

The Panel will feature:

- ▶ **Angela Cornell**, Associate Clinical Professor of Law and Extension Associate, School of Industrial and Labor Relations.
- ▶ **Aya Fujimura-Fanselow**, Legal Advisor for International Litigation and Advocacy, Center for Reproductive Rights.
- ▶ **Andi Friedman**, Esq., Vice President and Senior Counsel, Global Justice Center.
- ▶ **Marcia E. Greenberg**, Adjunct Professor of Law.
- ▶ **Bernadette A. Meyler**, Associate Professor of Law

Join us in **Saperston Student Lounge** on **March 26, at 12:20 p.m.**, to hear five dynamic and successful women attorneys discuss their experiences working in government, academic, and public interest fields. Lunch will be served. Questions? Contact Erin Wiley at: ekw22@cornell.edu

LAW SCHOOL EVENT

Tuesday, March 11

4:15-5:55 p.m. in the Saperston Student Lounge.

Law & Humanities Colloquium with Professor **Bernadette Meyler** and guest speaker, **Richard H. Weisburg**, Walter Floersheimer Professor of Constitutional Law at Cardozo Law School. **Professor Weisburg** will discuss **“Public and Private Codes in *The Merchant of Venice*.”** Contact: **Heidi Best** at shb5@cornell.edu or 255-9093.

INSTITUTE FOR THE SOCIAL SCIENCES EVENTS

- **March 11**

GMO: Authoritative Framing and its Discontents

[Ron Herring](mailto:Ron.Herring@cornell.edu), Contentious Knowledge Team Member and Professor of Government, Cornell University
(<http://www.socialsciences.cornell.edu/0609/Herring.html>)

12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. ISS Conference room (146 Myron Taylor Hall)

Lunch will be served.

- **March 25**

Transnational Diffusion in Electoral Revolutions in Post Communist Eurasia

[Valerie Bunce](mailto:Valerie.Bunce@cornell.edu), Professor of Government, Cornell University
(<http://falcon.arts.cornell.edu/Govt/faculty/Bunce.html>)

12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m., ISS Conference room (146 Myron Taylor Hall)

Lunch will be served.

For more on this ISS research team: http://www.socialsciences.cornell.edu/0609/contentious_desc.html

Questions? Contact **Anneliese Truame**, ISS Administrative Coordinator: amt58@cornell.edu

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