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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of December 1, 2008

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

This is the last issue of *Scoops* for the fall semester.
Good luck on your exams.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl 's column.

3:30-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab. Details on page 2, Dean Schwab's column.

4:15 p.m. Room G81. The Student Advisory Committee for Faculty Appointments (SACFA) will be meeting with **Mr. Jackson**, an entry level candidate for faculty appointment, interviewing at the Law School today. Details on page 5, Student Organizations

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

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

4:00-7:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. End of Semester Massage Party sponsored by the Offices of the Dean and the Dean of Students, the Cornell Law Students Association (CLSA), and LEXIS. Details on page 3, Associate Dean Lukingbeal's column.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl 's column.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90). Mandatory Exam Procedure session for all LL.M. and Exchange students. Assistant Dean Cramton and the Registrar's Office will review exam procedures for the up-coming exams. Details on page 3, Assistant Dean Cramton's column.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

Last day of fall semester classes.



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

Office Hours for Students

I will be holding drop-in office hours for students on **Tuesday afternoons between 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.** Students wishing to see me may sign up in advance with **Rachel Lukens** in room 263 or stop by and sign in during the office hours.

FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

• Fall Term Examination Period

Examinations begin **Monday, December 8**

Examinations end **Friday, December 19**

- **First Year Students - Lawyering** for the 2009 Spring Term begins **Tuesday, January 13, 2009.**
- **Grades** - (Assuming no unusual computer difficulties either here at the Law School or in the University Registrar's Office) grades for Fall 08 will be available to view online at the University Student Center on **Monday, January 12, 2009.**
- **Tuition Statements** - Students are reminded to check their billing address, for Spring 2009 tuition statements, in the University system by using the online Student Center (<http://studentcenter.cornell.edu>)
- **Summer Study** - Students may petition the faculty for permission to take law courses in summer-school programs or winter intersession programs of other ABA-approved law schools, and upon their successful completion, to receive credit toward their Cornell J.D. degree. In no case is credit in excess of 6 hours granted for all such summer or intersession law studies. **Petition forms are available on line at the Registrars site under Course Registration/Registration Forms** (https://support.law.cornell.edu/students/forms/Summer_Winter_Credit_Petition.pdf). Interested students should submit this form request to the Law School Registrars Office (addressed to Dean Lukingbeal) by **April 1 for summer 2009 programs.** Petitions for Winter Intersession Study were due by November 1.
- **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

Registration with the Bar Authorities. Deadlines may be approaching. The rules of certain states (not New York) require either notifying the bar admission authorities of intent to begin the study of law or registering with the authorities when law studies begin. Students should obtain instructions from the proper source (usually the state board of bar examiners or the clerk of the court of highest jurisdiction) in the state in which they intend to practice. Failure to comply with the instructions may substantially delay admission to the bar. For current bar requirements, applicants should consult the *Official American Bar Association Guide to Approved Law Schools* (call number: KF 266.A512.), published annually by the American Bar Association. This book is on reserve in the Law School Library. See me in the Law School Registrar's Office for more information.

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

End of Semester Massage Party

On Wednesday, December 3, the Offices of the Dean and the Dean of Students, the Cornell Law Students Association (CLSA), and LEXIS will sponsor a therapeutic massage party in the Saperston Student Lounge from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please stop by and enjoy a free 10-minute chair massage from one of seven licensed massage therapists. There will be drawings by a LEXIS representative. Healthy snacks will be served. Faculty and staff are welcome from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. We hope to see you there.

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

ILs: Good luck with your finals and have a wonderful break! If you would like to schedule a phone appointment with a counselor for over break, please contact Lisa Carberry at lac16@cornell.edu or 607-255-5873.

FROM CHARLES CRAMTON, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES AND NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

Mandatory Exam Procedure Session for LL.M. and Exchange Students

On Thursday, December 4, from 4:15-5:15 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90), Nan Colvin and Nancy Osborn from the Registrar's Office and I will review examination procedures at the law school. This session is mandatory for all LL.M. and Exchange students.

FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

- **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 pm is 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.
- **Building Hours Friday, December 1 - Tuesday, December 19.** The building will be locked 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 want to get in 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 (December 5-December 24, 2008):

Friday, December 5	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 6 & Sunday, December 7	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.

• **Law Library Hours**

Exam Period Extended hours for Law Students (December 5-December 24, 2008):

Monday, December 8-Friday, December 12	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 13 & Sunday, December 14	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.
Monday, December 15-Thursday, December 18	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday, December 19	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 20 & Sunday, December 21	Closed
Monday, December 22-Wednesday, December 24	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Semester Break (December 25, 2008-January 12, 2009)

Thursday, December 25-Sunday, January 4	Closed
Monday, January 5-Friday, January 9	8 :00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 10 & Sunday, January 11	Closed
Monday, January 12	8 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, January 13	Resume Regular Hours

Regular Schedule (beginning Tuesday, January 13, 2009)

Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	12:00 Noon-5:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 Noon-10:00 p.m.

• **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. Click [here](http://www.rlg.org/en/page.php?Page_ID=634) (http://www.rlg.org/en/page.php?Page_ID=634) for a list of participating SHARES libraries (www.rlg.org). **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 can get 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, December 8 through Thursday, December 18, 2008.** 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 School Monitors, 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. As of December 1, monitors work to make sure non-law school people are out of the building at closing time: 5:00 p.m. **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.

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 p.m.-4:30 p.m. September 3 - December 17

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 1L JD students **Tuesdays and**

Thursdays 1:00-5:00 p.m., room 252. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at wgb7@cornell.edu

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Cornell Law Student Association

To **all** Interested students: **Robert Jackson**, an entry level candidate for a faculty appointment, will be interviewing on-campus on **Tuesday, December 2**. Students will be meeting with the candidate at **4:15 p.m. in room. G81**. Mr. Jackson's fields of special interest include: business associations, security regulations and corporations. If you are interested in participating in SACFA, or otherwise attend any interview please contact **Jesse Horn**, Senior Vice President of CLSA at jth87@cornell.edu

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Professor Valerie Hans would like to hire one or more research assistants during the period between semesters (December 2008/January 2009) to work on projects related to the jury system. Hours are flexible. For more information about the projects, please contact Professor Hans at vh42@cornell.edu. If you would like to be considered, please email a resume to **Bonnie Jo Coughlin** (bjc42@cornell.edu), along with information about your availability during the break period.

WRITING COMPETITIONS

The **Attorney-CPA Foundation** presents the **2008 Attorney-CPA Foundation Essay Contest**. Student currently enrolled as candidates for a law degree are eligible to submit essays. Submissions must be received by **February 27, 2009**. Essay contest rules and topic information is available at the Registrar's Office and on-line at: www.attorney-cpa.com/foundation

FROM THE CORNELL LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI AFFAIRS OFFICE

- **Cornell Law School Alumni Reception in conjunction with the AALS Conference**

Wednesday, January 7, 2009

6:30-8:30 p.m.

San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina

Point Loma, South Tower/Level 1

333 W. Harbor Drive

San Diego, CA 92101-7700

Please **RSVP by December 31, 2008** at the link or phone number listed below.

• **The Cornell Law School & Law Association New York Annual Luncheon**
Friday, January 30, 2009

Featured Speaker - **Sarah K. Abrams**, JD '84

Reception: Noon / Lunch: 12:30 pm

The New York Helmsley Hotel

212 East 42nd Street, New York City

Cost \$75 / \$45 Public Service or Young Alumni (Classes of 1998-2008)

• **Annual Public Service Awards Celebration**

February, 5 2009

Please join us for the **Annual Public Service Awards Celebration**

The Cornell Club in New York City

Please **RSVP by January 29, 2009** at the link or phone number listed below.

For more information or to register for any events, please visit www.lawschool.cornell.edu/alumni or call Alumni Affairs at (607) 255-5251

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