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## ≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of March 9, 2009

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

### TUESDAY, MARCH 10

**1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director.** Details on page 3, 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.

**6:00 p.m. Room G85. *Why Clerk? The Advantages of Post-Graduate Judicial Clerkships.*** Details on page 3, Assistant Dean for Public Service Comstock's column.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

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

**12:20-2:20 p.m. Moot Courtroom (room 390). *Jury Selection Demonstration and Q & A.*** Open to everyone. Details on page 5, Law School Event.

**3:00-4:00 p.m. Foyer. Warm Up From the Winter. Faculty/Student Coffee.**

### THURSDAY, MARCH 12

**1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director.** Details on Page 3, Walter Bubl 's column.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 14-SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Spring break. No classes.

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## 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

### Spring 09

- **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 ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

### Law School Prize Nominations Sought

I am delighted to announce that the law school will be awarding a prize in memory of John J. Kelly (Law School Class of 1947) 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. Please submit written nominations to me before **Friday March 27, 2009** 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

- **1Ls:** 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.

- **All Students:** For those of you seeking summer housing, NALP sponsors an **apartment exchange**. Visit [www.nalpexchange.org](http://www.nalpexchange.org) for more information.

## FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

*Why Clerk? The Advantages of Post-Graduate Judicial Clerkships*

Tuesday, March 10

6:00 p.m. Room G85

1Ls and 2Ls, would you like:

- a glimpse behind the scenes of a courtroom to the practical workings of a judges' chambers?
- unique knowledge and unparalleled skills development?
- a mentor who is a knowledgeable jurist in a position of influence and authority?

Come to this program to learn more! Sponsored by the Career Services Office and the Judicial Clerkship Committee.

### **Michelle Parikh '04**

**Clerkships:** Hon. Julia Smith Gibbons, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit, Hon. Alvin Hellerstein, U.S. District Court, Southern District of NY

**Post clerkship employers:** Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP, New York, NY, U.S. Attorney's Office, SDNY, New York, NY

### **Teresa Concepcion '07**

**Clerkship:** Hon. Roberto Rivera-Soto '77, New Jersey Supreme Court

**Post clerkship employer:** Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP, New York, NY

### **Professor John Blume**

**Clerkship:** Hon. Thomas A. Clark, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit

### **Professor John Mollenkamp**

**Clerkship:** Hon. Elwood L. Thomas, Missouri Supreme Court

## FROM KARLA VARGAS, DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL AID

### **How To Renew Your Financial Aid**

**Follow these easy steps to renew your Federal Loans:**

- File your tax returns
- Complete your FAFSA no later **April 15, 2009**
- Send a copy of your Tax return 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.

**Follow this easy step to renew your Private Loans:**

- Contact your lender and apply for a new loan for 2009-2010

**Follow this easy step to renew your Graduate PLUS LOAN:**

- Download and submit the 2009-2010 application form.

**Grants** do not need to be renewed

## 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](mailto:wgb7@cornell.edu)

## 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 21 through May 20, 2009)

**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](http://www.gannett.cornell.edu/LetsTalk)

## WRITING COMPETITIONS

- The **International Association of Defense Counsel announces its Legal Writing Contest**, open to all students who, at the time of submission of their entries, are enrolled for the 2008-09 academic year as J.D. candidates in an accredited law school. Entries must be submitted in the English language and they must cover the fields of tort law, insurance law, civil procedure, evidence, or other areas of practical concern to lawyers engaged in the defense or management of the defense of civil litigation. Entries, together with a completed entry form, must be sent via electronic mail on or before **May 15, 2009**. Contest rules, writing guidelines, and the entry form are available at the Registrar's Office.

- **The James E. Beckley Writing Competition** is for students interested in Securities Arbitration and Securities Law sponsored by the Public Investors Arbitration Bar Association ("PIABA"). The submission may address any aspect of Securities law; Securities arbitration; The Federal Arbitration Act, Title 9, US Code, Section 1-14; or FINRA Code of Arbitration, effective April 16, 2007 and any changes or proposed changes to that Code. The writing can be based in theory or practice, but should ultimately advocate a position on the topic area chosen. The competition is open to all students who attend a law school in the United States. Full-time students who are not law students but who write law-related papers as part of a course at an American law school are also eligible. Entries must be received via e-mail no later than midnight **August 17, 2009** and shall include the required entry form. The form and rules appear on the **Law Student** section of the PIABA website at: [www.PIABA.org](http://www.PIABA.org)

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Professor Barcelo** is seeking **research assistants** whose native language is English (or who have close to native language ability in English) and who are also perfectly fluent in French. The project involves translation of chapters of a French language treatise on EU law into English. Compensation will be at the research assistant rate. If interested, please see **Allen Czelusniak**, Professor Barcelo's administrative assistant, in room 315 or contact him via email at [ahc85@cornell.edu](mailto:ahc85@cornell.edu).

- **Professor Glenn Galbreath** would like to hire **one or two students to help with the Trial Advocacy** class Mock Jury Trials. The trials are held **Saturday and Sunday, April 4 and 5**, approximately 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at various courtrooms in downtown Ithaca. One student is needed for each day. If interested, contact **Helen Lang** in Room G40, or by email at [HEL3@cornell.edu](mailto:HEL3@cornell.edu)

- **Professor Valerie Hans** is looking for one or more students as research assistants for her Jury Jokes Project, collecting and analyzing jokes about jurors and the jury system. Hours flexible. Ability to use

Excel, to use SPSS, and to get started during spring break are all desirable but not required. Please send resume to Professor Hans at: [Valerie.hans@cornell.edu](mailto:Valerie.hans@cornell.edu)

• **Professor Annelise Riles is seeking applications from JD or SJD students** who wish to serve as **teaching assistants for Government 313**, The Nature, Function and Limits of the Law, a course in legal studies offered at the Law School for undergraduate students in the fall of 2009. Teaching Assistants lead a weekly small group meeting of the course, hold office hours, attend lectures, 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 by email to **Donna Hastings** at: [donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu](mailto:donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu) by **March 15, 2009**.

## LAW SCHOOL EVENT

**Wednesday, March 11**

**Moot Courtroom (room 390)**

**Jury Selection Demonstration**

**12:20-1:20 p.m.:** Demonstration

**1:20-2:20 p.m.:** Q & A

**Joseph Fazzary**, Schuyler County District Attorney

**Raymond Schlather**, Defense Attorney

Contact **Glenn Galbreath** if you have any questions: [ggg2@cornell.edu](mailto:ggg2@cornell.edu) or 255-4196. Open to everyone.

## UNIVERSITY EVENT

*“Mistaken Eyewitness Identification and False Confidence: The Creation of Distorted Retrospective Judgments”*

**Friday, March 27**

**2:15 p.m. Martha Van Rensselaer 114**

**Dr. Wells** is the Director of Social Science Research at the American Judicature Society’s Institute of Forensic Science and Public Policy in Greensboro, North Carolina and is an internationally recognized scholar in scientific psychology and his studies of eyewitness memory are widely known and cited.

His work has focused mainly on the reliability of eyewitness identification. His research on eyewitness identification is funded by the National Science Foundation and his findings have been incorporated into standard textbooks in psychology and law. His studies demonstrate that rates of mistaken eyewitness identification can be exacerbated by the methods that crime investigators use in conducting lineups and photo spreads. His research-based proposals on lineup procedures, such as the use of double-blind techniques, are being increasingly accepted in law enforcement practices across the U.S.

Presented by Law, Psychology, and Human Development, Department of Human Development, Cornell Law School, Center for Behavioral Economics and Decision Research, Department of Psychology. **Questions?** Contact: **Nicole Albright** at [nja35@cornell.edu](mailto:nja35@cornell.edu)

## FROM THE CORNELL LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI AFFAIRS OFFICE

• **New York, NY CLE Program & Reception**

**Thursday, March 12**

*“The Model Rules Have Arrived! A Preview of Comprehensive Changes to the New York Disciplinary Rules”*

Featured Speaker - Cornell Law School Professor **W. Bradley Wendel**

RSVPs were required

For details about this event, see the March 2 issue of *Scoops*, online at the *Scoops* back issues link: [http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back\\_Issues\\_2008-2009/](http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back_Issues_2008-2009/)

- **Seattle, WA Alumni Program & Reception**

**Tuesday, March 17**

**“Voice; A Look Inside The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation” with Robert Rosen**

Please log onto the CEN website to make your reservation:

<http://cen.cornell.edu/index.cfm/events.list/Seattle.htm?regionID=3>

For details about this event, see the March 2 issue of *Scoops*, online at the *Scoops* back issues link:

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- **Syracuse, NY Alumni Luncheon & CLE Program**

**Wednesday, March 18**

**“Some Thoughts on the Proposed Federal Journalists' Privilege”**

Featured Speaker - **Steven D. Clymer**, Professor of Law, BA '80, JD '83

Attendees will be eligible to receive 1 hour of NY CLE Credit in Professional Practice.

Please RSVP by **Wednesday, March 11**

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[http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back\\_Issues\\_2008-2009/](http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back_Issues_2008-2009/)

- **Silicon Valley Alumni Reception & Program**

**Wednesday, March 18**

**“Digital Information: Balancing Privacy & Transparency”**

Featuring: **Jane Horvath**, Senior Privacy Counsel at Google & **David Schellhase, JD '90**, Senior VP and General Counsel at Salesforce.com

For details about this event, see the March 2 issue of *Scoops*, online at the *Scoops* back issues link:

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- **Paris, France Alumni Networking Reception**

**Thursday, March 19**

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- **Cornell Law School Merchandise Sale and Book Signing with Honorable Richard Rosenbaum**

**Tuesday, March 24**

***No Room for Democracy: The Triumph of Ego over Common Sense***

**Honorable Richard M. Rosenbaum** JD '55

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Berger Atrium, Myron Taylor Hall

No RSVP Necessary

**Dick Rosenbaum**, born to a Jewish immigrant family in 1930s upstate New York, first met with discrimination as a young boy. Intensifying his personal struggle was the onset of alopecia hair loss at age 8. Through his new autobiography we learn that Dick Rosenbaum not only beat the odds but actually turned his hair condition into a major asset which he used to enhance his career throughout his remarkable life.

Rosenbaum traces his career as a Cornell Law student, a practicing attorney in Rochester, New York, and then head of his county's Republican Committee, which segued into a nomination as the youngest New York Supreme Court Judge in history. Quickly advancing to the pinnacle of state politics in the 1970s, Rosenbaum was appointed chairman of the New York Republican Party by millionaire Governor Nelson Rockefeller. This valuable connection would give Rosenbaum entrance into national politics when Rockefeller assumed the vice presidency under Gerald Ford. Rosenbaum's achievements are punctuated by his frank reflections on lessons learned from failed runs for the New York

governorship, his return to practicing law in the private sector, and the challenges of balancing family life with public service.

The Cornell Store will be selling paperback and hardcover copies of the book at the event for \$17.95 and \$27.95 respectively.

• **The Henry Korn Lecture Series in Art, Ethics and Commerce in the Contemporary Practice of Law** presents:

**Thursday, March 26**

***“Wanted Dead or Alive, and Other Tales of a Trial Lawyer”***

4:00 p.m. Presentation & 5:15 p.m. Reception & Refreshments

Room 285

Myron Taylor Hall

Please **RSVP** at the link below by Thursday, March 19

**John Kenney** has been trying cases since 1970 and has never been happier. The life of a trial lawyer allows the freedom to be involved in issues of life or death, literally and financially, and nearly everything in between. As a federal prosecutor, he has tried major cases of murder involving individuals as well as a bank. Other notable trial experience includes a matter relating to libel against a business, and another examining the cause of cerebral palsy. Mr. Kenney is also well known for his representation of prominent Washington public figures before both houses of Congress.

Mr. Kenney is a partner in the boutique litigation firm of Hoguet Newman Regal & Kenney, LLP in Manhattan. He was a partner in the firm Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, LLP from 1980 until 2005. From 1971 until 1980, he was an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Southern District of New York (Manhattan), and was the Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney from 1978 until 1980. Mr. Kenney is also a Trustee of Bennington College in Vermont and a Director of the Poetry Foundation in Chicago. He is a graduate of Saint Michael's College in Vermont and Fordham Law School.

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

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