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A newsletter for the New York Law School community



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# Peruvian Presentation to be Held in Faculty Dining Room

Three eminent Peruvians will visit New York Law School on Tuesday, February 28, in the Faculty Dining Room (a location change) between 5:00 and 6:30 pm. The International Law Society is pleased to present Dr. Fernando Schwalb, Dr. Alberto Benavides, and Dr. Francisco Tudela, who will discuss the Peruvian point of view with regard to the conflict with Ecuador and the recent ceasefire. Please contact Eileen McCrohan at ext. 114 or via her mailfolder to reserve a spot.

#### from the Office of Student Services

Please see the binder in Student Services for more information on any of the following listings:

Prof. Nadine Strossen on Obscenity Laws

The Lesbian and Gay Law Students Association will present Professor Nadine Strossen, President of the ACLU and author of the book Defending Pornography, on Thursday, March 2, from 2:00-

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4:00 pm in the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room. Professor Strossen will discuss obscenity laws and their impact on lesbians and gays.

#### Essay Competitions

The New York Intellectual Property Law Association sponsors the William C. Conner Intellectual Property Writing Competition

TOPIC: Any of the traditional subject areas of intellectual property, i.e., patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. or related unfair trade or antitrust issues

DEADLINE: April 3, 1995 AWARDS: \$1,000, \$500

The Sovereignty Symposium, Inc. and Sovereignty Symposium VIII sponsor a law student writingcompetition

TOPIC: Any legal issue relating to Native Americans or other indigenous peoples

DEADLINE: March 13, 1995 AWARDS: \$250, \$100, \$50

## Diaspora Conference

BLSA is hosting its annual Diaspora Conference on Tuesday February 28, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room. The panelists will be Jackie Berrien of the Legal Defense Fund. Professor Randolph Scott-McLaughlin from Pace Law School, and Dana Cunningham. In addition, Professor Al Hammond will be honored for receiving tenure this year.

#### Yearbook Photos

Thornton Studios will be taking Yearbook photos of all graduating 3L's and 4L's, Monday, March 6, through Thursday, March 9. The Yearbook staff encourages you to have your picture taken during this time—the last chance to have it done. The sitting fee is \$5.00. Sign up for an appointment in the Office of Student Services, ext. 852, before March 6. Appointment times are:

March 6: 11:00 am-7:00 pm March 7: 10:00 am-7:00 pm March 8: 10:00 am-7:00 pm March 9: 10:00 am-8:00 pm

#### Student Communications Center

Reminder: the Student Communications Center has been established above the mailfolders in the Lower Level Student Center to provide an accessible open forum for posting communication and views about items of general interest. The Student Bar Association will administer this Center; questions and suggestions should be directed to Dominic Esposito, SBA President, ext. 125, or Helena Prigal, Director of Student Services, ext. 318.

#### Mailfolders

Student mailfolders are to be used for internal communication between members of the Law School community. It is expected that students will respect the purpose of the mailfolders and refrain from removing other students' folders.

#### Drug Policy Law Forum

The Association of the Bar of the City of New York will host a forum on the impact of New York's drug and mandatory sentencing laws on women drug users and an assessment of present policies.

Date: Tuesday, March 7

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Association of the Bar of the City of NY

42 West 44th Street

New York, NY 10036-6690

(212) 382-6695

# Panel Discussion on HIV Testing

The Association of the Bar of the City of New York will hold a panel discussion on the

mandatory HIV testing of newborns and pregnant women from medical, legal and public policy perspectives.

Date: Thursday, March 23

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Association of the Bar of the City of NY

42 West 44th Street New York, NY 10036-6690 (212) 382-6695

#### Student Organizations

The Journalism Workshop, sponsored by the *Reporter*, is scheduled for Saturday, March 4, at 1:30 pm in Room B-310. A professional journalist will speak about newspaper writing and editing, and all members of the NYLS community are welcome. Also, the article deadline for the next issue is <u>March 8</u>. Anyone who has a comment or criticism about the *Reporter* is welcome to submit a signed letter to the editor for publication in the first week of April. Visit the *Reporter* office, Lower Level Student Center, to submit articles or to sign up for the workshop.

# "Pornography and Hate Speech – The Debate Continues"

Come hear Professor Nadine Strossen debate Kathleen Mahoney on Thursday, March 9, at the 92nd Street "Y" at 8:15 pm. Their discussion will be "Pornography and Hate Speech – The Debate Continues" at Kaufmann Concert Hall, 1395 Lexington Ave. A booksigning will follow. For more information, contact Susan Engel, (212) 415-5619.

# Dean Invites Faculty to Celebrate Civil Law Clinic's Success

Dean Harry Wellington will hold a Sherry Hour in celebration of the Civil Law Clinic's recent attainment of political asylum for two refugees from Bosnia and China. Deans and faculty members are invited to attend on Wednesday, March 1, at 4:00 pm in the Faculty Dining Room.

# **Faculty Activities**

On February 28, **Professor Lenni Benson** will give a presentation on INS Undercover Operations at the monthly meeting of the New York Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild Immigrant Rights

Committee. Her discussion will be at 7:00 pm at the offices of the ACLU, 142 W. 43rd Street, 6th floor.

#### ACADEMIC AFFAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Registration Calendar For Summer '95 and 1995-96 Academic Year

Monday, March 6 – Friday, March 10 Distribution of registration materials in the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room.

Application forms and resumes for preregistration courses returned, and interview sign-ups available, if required.

#### Friday, March 10

All preregistration applications due back to the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room.

Tuesday, March 7 – Wed., March 22
Faculty interviews for some preregistration courses.

Monday, March 20 - Friday, March 24 Trial Advocacy Lottery Numbers distributed at Registrar's Office.

#### Monday, March 27

List of students eligible to register for preregistration courses posted outside of Room B-100.

Tuesday, March 28 – Wed., March 29 Lottery for Trial Advocacy in Ernst Stiefel Reading Room. Lists of sections with available spaces posted by 11:00 am, March 29, outside B-100.

Monday, April 3 – Wednesday, April 5
Registration for Summer 1995, Fall 1995, and Spring 1996. Forms to be submitted in Ernst Stiefel Reading Room on Monday, April 3, and Wednesday, April 5; in Room B-100 on Tuesday, April 4.

#### Monday, May 15

Program confirmations mailed, as well as "early change of program" material to those students closed out of a course.

Professor Arthur Leonard was quoted in the Chicago Tribune on February 22 in discussion of the Supreme Court's grant of certiorari in Romer v. Evans, a case concerning the constitutionality of a Colorado voter initiative intended to prevent the state from enacting civil rights protection for lesbians, gay men, and bisexuals.

Adjunct Professor Avraham C. Moskowitz has been in the news recently. He was the lawyer initially representing Ramzi Ahmed Yousef, the main plotter behind the World Trade Center bombing two years ago.

Professor Michael L. Perlin was quoted as an expert on the insanity defense in a February 18 New York Times article. The article referred to the "guilty but mentally ill" defense, which Professor Perlin called a sham, as it might apply to the Colin Ferguson case.

Adjunct Professor Ernst C. Stiefel co-authored "Civil Justice Reform in the United States—Opportunity for Learning from 'Civilized' European Procedure Instead of Continued Isolation?" with James R. Maxeiner, recently published in Volume XLII, Number 1, of *The American Journal of Comparative Law.* In addition, Professor Stiefel will speak on "The Contribution of German Jewish Emigré Jurists in 1933-1945 to the Legal Profession of the Western World, in particular the U.S." at the March 5, 1995, conference of the CEGLA Institute for Comparative and Private International Law in Tel Aviv, Israel.

Professor Nadine Strossen lectured about current civil liberties issues at the University of California, Berkeley, on February 9. On February 20, she lectured at the University of Cincinnati on "Civil Liberties in the Gingrich Era." On February 21, she addressed the 1995 Honors Assembly at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA. In recent weeks, she has done bookstore readings and radio and TV interviews in connection with her pornography book in Washington, D.C., Detroit, Ann Arbor, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Minneapolis-St. Paul. Reviews of the book appeared in the February 11 National Journal and in the February 18 Toronto Star. Also, a book that she coauthored, entitled Speaking of Face, Speaking of Sex: Hate Speech, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, was published this month by New York University Press.

#### Fellowship Opportunity for Faculty

The National Endowment for the Humanities announces its independent study and research fellowships program. The program provides six to twelve months of support for full-time, uninterrupted investigation of significant projects in the humanities. The application deadline for the 1996-97 NEH Fellowships is May 1, 1995. For more information, see the bulletin board outside the Office of Faculty Services, Room C-302, or contact the NEH for an application: Division of Research Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities, Room 316, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506; telephone: (202) 606-8466.

# Human Resources Update

The following positions have become available. If interested, contact Kitty Reyes in the Office of Human Resources, ext. 131.

# Associate Director for Employer Outreach/Office of Career Services, Grade Level 20

The Associate Director position is available to anyone with legal recruitment, career counseling, and administrative experience. He/she will report to the Director of Career Services and be responsible for developing job opportunities, conducting outreach to potential employers, and conducting individual career counseling. Candidates must be articulate, outgoing, and knowledgeable about the legal employment market. They must possess excellent written and oral communication skills, organizational skills, and computer skills. A J.D. degree and/or appropriate related job experience is required.

#### Communications Liaison/Admissions, Grade Level 16

The Communications Liaison is responsible for managing external communication for the Admissions Office and for directing all general Law School inquiries to the appropriate office or person. Primary responsibilities include responding to telephone inquiries, answering questions from prospective students, and fulfilling a general admissions counselor and recruiter function. A Bachelor's degree is required. Experience with admissions or student services is preferred, as well as experience with word-processing and database software. Candidate

should be goal-oriented, energetic and possess excellent communication and recruitment skills. Patience, diplomacy, friendliness, a sense of humor, and team-orientation are also necessary.

#### Senior Records Assistant/Registrar's Office, Grade Level 15

The Senior Records Assistant is responsible for accuracy of student transcripts and monitoring of grade submission. The assistant will record grades, compile information for the Academic Status Committee, work with faculty concerning submission of examinations and grades, and verify student academic progress for certification of Tuition Assistance Program awards. Candidate must have a minimum of two years related experience, a high school diploma or equivalent. typing skills (40 wpm), knowledge of word processing (WordPerfect preferred), effective written and oral communication skills, the ability to assemble, interpret, and summarize data in report form, as well as willingness and flexibility to work additional hours as required.

# Career Services Update

# Faculty Career Planning Luncheons

Upcoming lunches with faculty are:

- \* March 1, Professor Armando Belly will speak about career options in securities, derivatives, and commodities.
- \* March 8, Martin Gewirtz, P.h.D. from the Department of Health will speak about career options in health law.
- \* March 15, Judith Hancock, Recruitment Coordinator from the law firm of Bryan Cave, along with Francesea Runge, Recruitment Coordinator from the law firm of Whitman, Breed, Abbott & Morgan, will speak about the "do's" and "don'ts" of the law firm interview and application process.

All luncheons will be held in Room B-500 at 1:00 pm with limited seating. RSVP with Simonne Boyeau in the Office of Career Services, ext. 345. Reserved seats will be given to those on the waiting list if you are not on time.

#### The Annual Mentor Panel and Reception cosponsored by the Alumni Association

Don't miss the chance to meet and network with alumni participating in the Mentor Network Program who practice law in the following areas: entertainment law, elder law, matrimonial law, general litigation, commercial litigation law, intellectual property law, civil rights, personal injury, trusts and estates law, immigration law, environmental law, labor law, criminal law and international law. Firms that will be represented include: Herzfield and Rubin; Bronx District Attorney; Moghrabi and Larkin; Vedder and Prince; Fishbein, Badillo, Wagner, Itzler; White and Case; N.Y.C. Commission on Human Rights; Paganoni & Herb; National Music Publishers Association; and the Law Office of Barbara Rosenberg. The reception will take place on March 14 at 5:00 pm in the Faculty Dining Room. RSVP with Simonne Bouyea in the Office of Career Services, ext. 345, by March 8.

Graduating Students: Meet with the Director of Career Services to Review Your Job Search Plans Deborah Howard, Director of Career Services, invites all graduating students to meet with her on an individual basis between March 15 and March 29 to discuss job search plans. She also will be conducting group Job Search Workshops on March 13 and March 16 at 1:00 pm in Room B-500 (lunch will be served). Please call the Office of Career Services to sign up for an appointment or Workshop. Now is a good time to have your job search strategies reviewed to ensure that you are on the right track. If you have already secured permanent employment, please let Career Services know.

#### Felix A. Fishman Summer Fellowship

The Henry and Lucy Moses Fund, Inc. has established a summer public interest law fellowship in honor of Felix A. Fishman. New York Law School will nominate one student for the fellowship who plans to perform summer legal services in New York City. The fellowship will provide \$3,000 per summer, with the possibility of additional funding from NYLS. Contact Career Services for more information.

#### Spring On-Campus Employer

The law firm of Koerner Silberberg & Weiner has a summer law clerk position open for a first- or second-year student. Responsibilities will include conducting research and drafting memoranda with an emphasis on corporate issues. Please submit resumes to Career Services by March 17.

#### **Public Sector Reception**

On Thursday, March 9, the Offices of Career Services and Development & Public Affairs will host a reception for alumni/ae in the Public Sector and students interested in Public Sector careers. The program will be held in the Faculty Dining Room from 6:00-8:00 pm. This reception will also feature public sector practitioners who have previously hired lawyers and law students. including: Bonnie S. Bourstein, '79, Deputy Chief, Torts Division, New York City Corporation Counsel's Office; Darren M. Gelber, '92, Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, Bronx County; and Susan Jacobs, Esq., Legal Action Center, Center of the City of New York. They will be available to provide you with information about preparing for public sector careers. (Please note that this is not a job fair.) RSVP with Simonne Bouyea in the Career Services Office by Monday, March 6.

#### Reminders:

New York City Law Department will be conducting an open-house Corporation Counsel Law Student Recruitment Fair on February 28 at 100 Church Street, Second Floor, Room 160A, between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Please bring copies of your resume and one writing sample. For information, contact Lisa Limnios, 788-0324.

#### Summer Funding Opportunity Applications

American Bar Association John J. Curtin, Jr. Justice Fund: Deadline is March 1.

New Jersey Public Interest Summer Legal Intern Program: Deadline is March 1.

The remaining workshops in the "Step" Program series are:

Lexis Workshops: (Mendik Library)

March 6: 1:00 & 3:00 pm

March 7: 11:00 am & 12:30 pm

March 8: 3:00 & 4:30 pm

March 9: 5:00 pm.



# Calendar of Events

# beginning the week of February 27, 1995

#### Tuesday, February 28:

Presentation by Peruvian Spokesmen: Dr. Fernando Schwalb, Dr. Alberto Benavides, and Dr. Francisco Tudela. Faculty Dining Room, 5:00–6:30 pm. BLSA Annual Diaspora Conference, Ernst Stiefel Reading Room, 6:00–9:00 pm.

#### Wednesday, March 1:

Lexis Class, Mendik Library, 2nd floor Lexis Room, 12:00 pm.

Disability Law Association Meeting. "Aids and Its Impact on the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Heterosexual Communities." Room C-200, 12:45 pm.

Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon. Professor Armando Belly on Career Options in Securities, Derivatives, and Commodities, Room B-500, 1:00 pm. Latino Law Students Association General Membership Meeting, LaLSA Office, Lower Level Student Center, 5:30–6:00 pm

Dean's Sherry Hour, for Deans and Faculty, Faculty Dining Room, 4:00 pm.

#### Thursday, March 2:

Public Interest Coalition Meeting, Room A-600, 1:00–2:00 pm.

Professor Nadine Strossen on Obscenity Laws, sponsored by the Lesbian and Gay Law Students Association, Ernst Stiefel Reading Room, 2:00–4:00 pm.

"The Jewish Experience in Electoral Politics" Panel Discussion. Sponsored by the Jewish Law Students Association. Faculty Dining Room, 6:30–9:30 pm.

## Friday, March 3:

Westlaw Class, Mendik Library, 3rd floor Westlaw Room, 5:30 pm.

## Saturday, March 4:

Reporter Journalism Workshop, Room B-310, 1:30 pm.

#### **Future Events**

#### Monday, March 6:

Career Services "Step by Step" Lexis Workshops, Mendik Library, 1:00 & 3:00 pm.

#### Tuesday, March 7:

Career Services "Step by Step" Lexis Workshops, Mendik Library, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm.

#### Wednesday, March 8:

Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon. Martin Gewirtz, P.h.D., Department of Health, on Career Options in Health Law, Room B-500, 1:00 pm.

Career Services "Step by Step" Lexis Workshops, Mendik Library, 3:00 & 4:30 pm.

#### Thursday, March 9:

**Public Sector Reception**. Sponsored by Career Services and Office of Alumni Affairs. Faculty Dining Room, 6:00 pm.