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#### DEAN CRAIN

2. CHANGES RE NEW YORK STATE BAR INFORMATION

The New York State Board of Law Examiners recently revised certain rules, policies and deadlines that are effective immediately and will impact graduates planning to take the New York bar examination. Highlights of these changes are summarized in the linked memo. [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/barexam\\_Updates\\_2009.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/barexam_Updates_2009.pdf)

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4. EIGHT *PRO BONO* (LAW-RELATED) VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR SPRING

The Citizen Lawyer Program is now taking applications from students interested in participating in one of eight *pro bono* (law-related) volunteer placements: Iowa Legal Aid (research and web info pieces); divorce clinic; bankruptcy clinic; Public Defender; County Attorney (payment plans); VITA (income tax preparation); and Immigration/Domestic Violence. More information about the projects and how to apply can be viewed on the CLP's weblog at <http://clp.law.uiowa.edu/clp/>. Applications are due Jan. 23, except for the Immigration/Domestic Violence Project, which is due Jan. 20.

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nonprofit or governmental agency, and seeking approval to get law academic credit (up to 3 credits) for the experience, should e-mail Cymie Wehr in the Career Services office, [cymie-wehr@uiowa.edu](mailto:cymie-wehr@uiowa.edu). We want to keep a list of those who may be interested in this summer option to make sure that you are aware of the forms, deadlines, application process, let you know of application workshops, and answer any questions. Information can be viewed on the law school's web page at <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/legalexternships.php>. This web page contains documents including an FAQ, a list of placements used by other students in the past, the policy and application forms, funding sources, and an electronic guide to the whole process.

#### REGISTRAR

##### 6. LAW SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN ON JAN. 12

Spring classes for the College of Law will start on Jan. 12. The rest of the University starts classes on Jan. 20 (for those signed up for non-law courses).

##### 7. DROP/ADD DEADLINE WITHOUT SIGNATURES – JAN. 11

Students may drop/add online through Jan. 11 without instructor signatures. Starting on Jan. 12, students must complete a drop or add form, obtain the instructors signature, and return the form to Deb Paul for processing. These forms can be found at: <http://www.registrar.uiowa.edu/forms/students.aspx> If you know you will be making scheduling changes please do so sooner rather than later, we still have students trying to get seats in many of these classes.

##### 8. HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CLASS

The registration materials mistakenly listed the health care fraud and abuse course as a three credit course rather than a two credit course. It traditionally has been a two credit course, and will be given as a two credit course in the upcoming spring semester for a total of 28 class hours.

The course will be taught by Professor Gittler and generally will meet on Mondays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. In order, however, to accommodate a guest lecturer, who is a nationally recognized health practitioner, the regular Monday class schedule had to be modified. The preliminary schedule is as follows:

There will be no class on Monday January 12.

There will be no class on Monday January 19 (Martin Luther King Day).

Class will be held on Tuesday January 20 (1st class session), Mondays January 26, February 2, 9, 16, and 23, March 2.

There will be no class on Monday March 9.

Class will be held on Monday, March 23, Tuesday March 24, Monday, March 30, Tuesday March 31, and Mondays, April 6, 13 and 20.

#### CAREER SERVICES

##### 9. ABA BUSINESS LAW DIVERSITY CLERKSHIP PROGRAM – APPLICATION DEADLINE: JAN. 30

The Business Law Diversity Clerkship Program encourages students to pursue business court clerkship opportunities and to consider careers in the practice of business law. Up to nine first- or second-year law students will be given a summer stipend of \$6,000 and placed in business court clerkships in the Philadelphia Commerce Court or the Delaware Court of Chancery. Other possible internship locations include New York and Florida. Students must be Section or Business Law members. Applications for the 2009 program are available at <http://www.abanet.org/buslaw/students/clerkship.shtml>. Application deadline is January 30, 2009.

10. OCI MEETING: USING SYMPLICITY JAN. 15

This is a "must attend" workshop for 1L, 2L and 3Ls who want to participate in the Spring OCI; all sign-ups will use Symplicity. This program is scheduled for January 15 in Room 225 from 12:40 to 1:40 p.m. We will go over the OCI sign-up process, how to upload and manage your résumé and other application materials, how to use Symplicity to research employers coming to campus, etc. Employers will download student résumés on Friday, Jan. 23, so you should aim to upload an approved résumé by that date to make a good impression. Contact Craig Spitzer ([craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu](mailto:craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu)) if you have questions.

11. INTERVIEWING SKILLS WITH STINSON MORRISON HECKER – JAN. 16

This program is scheduled for January 16, 2009, 12:40 – 1:40 p.m., in Room 225. Attorneys from Stinson Morrison Hecker in Kansas City will discuss legal interviews and how to be successful at them. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to prepare for on-campus interviews. Lunch from Jimmy John's will be provided to those who RSVP in Symplicity under Events by end of business on Wednesday, January 14th. This program is primarily intended for 1Ls.

12. SUMMER OPTIONS – JAN. 16

This program is scheduled for January 16, 2009 from 2 to 3 p.m. in Room 245. This program is primarily for 1Ls interested in an overview of summer options available after the first year of law school. 2Ls and 3Ls will share their experiences about working (small firms, large firms, public interest organizations and/or government agencies), traveling abroad, taking summer school, and/or working as a research assistant. You will learn what effect their choices had on getting a job during the 2L year.

13. MIDWEST PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CAREER CONFERENCE NUTS & BOLTS – JAN. 20

This program is scheduled for January 20, 2009 from 4 to 5 p.m. in Room 245. This program is intended for those planning to attend the Midwest Public Interest Law Career Conference in Chicago on February 7th. The job fair will be held at the Northwestern Law School, located downtown off of Michigan Ave. We will discuss any last minute details concerning the conference/job fair, hotel arrangements, transportation and an overview of what you should expect at the fair. This will be a brief meeting to make sure those attending will make the most of the experience.

14. SPRING OCI REGISTRATION VIA SYMPLICITY – JAN 20-21

The OCI bidding process will begin at 9 a.m. on January 20 and end at 3 p.m. on January 21. Contact Craig Spitzer ([craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu](mailto:craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu)) with questions.

15. SARA SLACK (CLASS OF 2005) PRESENTATION – JAN. 21

This program is scheduled for January 21, 2009 from 12:40 to 1:40 p.m. in Room 275.

Lunch will be provided. Ms. Slack is an associate in the Environmental Regulation Practice Group at Foley & Lardner LLP. She counsels residential and industrial property developers, as well as municipal, nonprofit and institutional clients with regard to air emissions, waste management, underground storage tank compliance, and water discharge permitting and compliance. She will talk about her experiences as a student in the joint law and urban planning program and as an attorney in the legal profession.

16. WHAT MILLENNIALS SHOULD KNOW: HOW ARE YOU SEEN BY THE LEGAL EMPLOYER GENERATION(S) AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT – WHAT

#### EMPLOYERS ARE SAYING – JAN. 22

This program is scheduled for January 22, 2009 from 12:40 to 1:40 p.m. in Room 285.

Proposed speakers include Steve Langerud, Steve Mahieu (3L), and recent alums. The program will begin with the results of an informal survey of employers who interviewed Iowa students this fall. After commenting on these observations from a generation perspective, a panel of law students and lawyers will share their experiences and give suggestions on how to be an effective applicant, new summer associate or new lawyer. Topics will include communication styles and interpersonal dynamics, etiquette do's and don'ts, e-mail, handshakes, and socializing.

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#### FINANCIAL AID

#### 18. L1 \$2500 DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP - DEADLINE EXTENDED TO JAN. 12

The firm of Godfrey & Kahn offers a \$2,500 non-renewable scholarship to first-year law students at the University of Michigan, the University of Iowa, and Northwestern University for use during his or her first year of law school. One scholarship is awarded at each school. Students who are African American, Hispanic American, Asian American, Native American or GLBT are eligible to apply. Please print the application [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/finaid\\_godfreyapp.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/finaid_godfreyapp.pdf) and return it to Jessica Diers in Room 276 by noon on January 12. [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu)

#### 19. \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR STOP HUNGER VOLUNTEER SERVICE-DEADLINE FEB. 27

Applicants for the Sodexo STOP Hunger scholarship must have demonstrated ongoing commitment to their community by performing volunteer services impacting hunger in the United States within the last 12 months. For further information go to: <http://www.sodexofoundation.org/>.

#### 20. SPRING SEMESTER FINANCIAL AID DISBURSEMENTS AND REFUNDS FOR LIVING EXPENSES

Most students should have their spring semester refunds in their bank accounts Friday, January 16 or Tuesday, January 20. The ISIS system is usually the recommended way to check your aid disbursement status, however, because the main campus' classes do not start until Tuesday, January 22 your spring disbursement information may not be accurate in the ISIS system until the 22. If you would like to check your disbursement status prior to January 22, please contact [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu) Room 276. The most common reasons aid does not disburse on time are: (a) you did not pay your U-Bill that was due in December, or (b) you are registered for less than ten hours. Please check

your U-Bill and registration in ISIS. If you will be taking less than twelve hours for the spring semester, and you have not previously notified us of this, please contact [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu).

#### 21. SALARIED RESEARCH ASSISTANT TIMESHEETS

Please turn in December RA timesheets to Jessica in Room 276 as soon as possible. If you are not in Iowa City you may wait until you return for spring semester classes. [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu)

#### 22. SAVE THE DATE: L1 INFORMATIONAL MEETING ABOUT 2009-10 RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS (RA) – FEB. 5

Faculty will be starting to hire RA's for 2009-10! To help L1's understand more about the Research Assistantship program, all L1's are invited to an informational meeting about 2009-10 Research Assistantships (RA) at 4:15 p.m., on Thursday, February 5, 2009, in Levitt Auditorium. Information will be provided on the educational benefits of working as an RA, faculty and student expectations, the hiring process and salary and health benefits. [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu)

#### LAW LIBRARY

##### 23. LAW LIBRARY NEWS BRIEFS

Please click this link for the January newsletter, Law Library News Briefs, <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/library/NewsBriefs/January2009.pdf> which contains information on Martin Luther King Day library hours, carrel sign-up times and information on study aids. Print copies of Law Library News Briefs are available on the bulletin board in the Law Library. If you have any questions, just ask! [ted-potter@uiowa.edu](mailto:ted-potter@uiowa.edu)

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

##### 24. INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS

AAP Director Brian Farrell is available to meet with students one-on-one on to discuss study skills, exam-taking skills, time/stress management, and other issues impacting academic performance. Appointments can be made by e-mailing Brian at [brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu](mailto:brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu).

#### STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

##### 25. INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Phi Delta Phi invites you to play intramural basketball this winter. PHIDS has set-up Men's and Co-Rec intramural basketball leagues for the College of Law through Recreational Services. Games will be played on Fridays - Men's at 4 p.m. and Co-Rec at 5 p.m.. Registration takes place on Jan. 26 and 27 and registration forms must be turned into Field House Room E216. Be sure to mention you are signing up for the Friday law school league when turning in your forms. Mandatory Captains' meetings take place on Jan. 27 at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and on Jan. 28 at 4 p.m. in the Field House North Gym. Play begins Feb. 6. Registration forms and rules are available online at <http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu/programs/intramurals/events.htm>. For more information, visit the Recreational Services website at the link above or e-mail Nichole Johnson at [nichole-johnson@uiowa.edu](mailto:nichole-johnson@uiowa.edu)

##### 26. SAVE THE DATE – FEDERALIST SOCIETY EVENT MR. GURA – JAN 12

The Iowa Student Chapter of the Federalist Society is proud to welcome Mr. Alan Gura of Gura & Possessky to the College of Law. Mr. Gura was the lead attorney in the recent Supreme Court case of DC v. Heller, which for the first time defined the Second Amendment as an individual right to bear arms. Mr. Gura will be speaking about his experiences litigating the case and this theory of the Second Amendment. This event is Monday, January 12, from 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Room 115. All are welcome, refreshments provided. [timothy-hilton@uiowa.edu](mailto:timothy-hilton@uiowa.edu)

27. NEED A STUDY GUIDE OR CASEBOOK, OR GOT SOME TO GET RID OF? EJF USED BOOK SALE

Calling all law students, law professors, etc! Donate your used casebooks and outlines to EJF. EJF sells the used materials at a discount and all the proceeds goes to support public interest clerkships. Check out our current inventory at [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/ejf\\_events.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/ejf_events.php) Study aids range from \$10-\$15 and casebooks range from \$35-\$50. Contact the [law-EJF@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-EJF@uiowa.edu) if you are interested in buying or want to donate your used books. Contact [lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu](mailto:lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu) with questions.

28. THE JOURNAL OF GENDER, RACE & JUSTICE IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE PUBLICATION OF VOLUME 12, ISSUE 1

Please stop by our office in Room 186 to pick up your complimentary copy or contact Michelle Wheelhouse at [michelle-wheelhouse@uiowa.edu](mailto:michelle-wheelhouse@uiowa.edu).

29. SAVE THE DATE – JGRJ SYMPOSIUM – FEB. 26 & 27

The Journal of Gender, Race & Justice is pleased to announce the upcoming symposium, "As Iowa Goes, So Goes the Nation: Varnum v. Brien and Its Impact on Marriage Rights for Same-Sex Couples" is scheduled for February 26 and 27, 2009. For more information, to register, or to purchase banquet tickets, please visit <http://blogs.law.uiowa.edu/grjsymposium/>. Questions? Please contact Emily Winfield at [emily-winfield@uiowa.edu](mailto:emily-winfield@uiowa.edu).

OTHER

30. INAUGURATION DAY-JAN. 20

The Diversity Committee will broadcast the televised inaugural events in the 4th floor student lounge on Jan. 20 and welcomes everyone to stop by and witness history being made.

31. TRIAL ADVOCACY JURORS NEEDED

The intersession Trial Advocacy class is looking for students to be jurors for final trials. This is a great opportunity to see how trials work and it is very beneficial for the intersession students to have a jury to which to present their case. If students participate as jurors they will earn points to help them get into a Trial Advocacy class in the future. Trials will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday Jan. 18 and will last between 2 and 3 hours. Breakfast will be provided before the round starts. If you are interested, please e-mail [emily-scholten@uiowa.edu](mailto:emily-scholten@uiowa.edu)

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Recognized student organizations may submit entries to the Docket regarding their activities. All announcements for the Docket are due to [law-docket@iowa.uiowa.edu](mailto:law-docket@iowa.uiowa.edu) by 9 a.m. on each Thursday. Each submission should be print ready when submitted. All announcements must have a contact person and must be directly connected to the students and activities of the law school.

Each announcement will appear in the Docket for one week. Announcements may run for longer than a week at the discretion of the editor. Announcements should concisely convey necessary information. The editor reserves the right to shorten announcements for the purpose of keeping the Docket an easily accessible document.

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- 2. MURRAY LECTURE – FEB. 2

Professor Jack Goldsmith, Henry L. Shattuck Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, will deliver the University of Iowa College of Law's Murray Lecture titled "Our Enfeebled Presidency" on Feb. 2, 2009 at 3 p.m. in Levitt Auditorium in the Boyd Law Building. The lecture will discuss the many worrisome ways that presidential national security power has decreased over the past eight years. The lecture is free and open to the public. [julia-kramer@uiowa.edu](mailto:julia-kramer@uiowa.edu)

### DEAN CRAIN

- 3. APPOINTMENTS WITH DEAN CRAIN

Dean Crain is available daily to meet with students about any issue affecting their progress through law school. Please contact Rene Arps ([rene-arps@uiowa.edu](mailto:rene-arps@uiowa.edu)) to schedule an appointment

- 4. ACCOMMODATIONS

Please see this memo regarding classroom and exam accommodations. [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/students\\_exam\\_accomodations.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/students_exam_accomodations.pdf)

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- 6. WHY DO A LAW-RELATED VOLUNTEER PROJECT?

Before students get too busy with semester schedules, it's the time to consider a unique blend of reasons and benefits to volunteer in a law-related volunteer project managed by the Citizen Lawyer Program. Check out what other students have said about their experiences at

<http://clp.law.uiowa.edu/clp/?p=1137>. Eight projects are available, including two exciting new opportunities – at the Bankruptcy Court in Cedar Rapids and at the prosecutor's office in Iowa City. Check out all eight at <http://clp.law.uiowa.edu/clp/?p=1046>. Applications are due Jan. 23 (except for the Immigration/Domestic Violence, due Jan. 20) and can be requested by writing [law-clp@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-clp@uiowa.edu).

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<http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/legalexternships.php>. This web page contains FAQs, a list of placements used by other students in the past, the policy and application forms, funding sources, and an electronic guide to the process.

#### 8. THIS WEEK IN THE CLP WEBLOG: SCHOOL BUDDIES NEEDED

A school in Oxford, Iowa (15 miles from Iowa City - west of Tiffin) is in desperate need of law student volunteers to participate in its Big Brothers Big Sisters "School Buddies" program. Volunteers would carpool to the school once a week and help for 45 minutes. While at the school, volunteers would assist students with their homework, play games, or socialize. The school needs two groups of 4-5 volunteers to help. E-mail [law-clp@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-clp@uiowa.edu) as soon as possible.

#### DEAN WING

##### 9. MLK/HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK SPEAKER – JAN. 23

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##### 10. ARCACHON, FRANCE SUMMER PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS NOW

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#### CAREER SERVICES

##### 11. ABA BUSINESS LAW DIVERSITY CLERKSHIP PROGRAM – APPLICATION DEADLINE JAN. 30

The Business Law Diversity Clerkship Program encourages students to pursue business court clerkship opportunities and to consider careers in the practice of business law. Up to nine first- or second-year law students will be given a summer stipend of \$6,000 and placed in business court clerkships in the Philadelphia Commerce Court or the Delaware Court of Chancery. Other possible internship locations include New York and Florida. Students must be Section or Business Law members. Applications for the 2009 program are available at [http://maestro.abanet.org/trk/click?ref=zpqri74vj\\_3-7d86x350dax13241&](http://maestro.abanet.org/trk/click?ref=zpqri74vj_3-7d86x350dax13241&) Application deadline is January 30, 2009.

##### 12. REMINDER: INTERVIEWING SKILLS WITH STINSON MORRISON

HECKER – JAN. 16

This program is scheduled for Jan. 16 from 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Room 225. Attorneys from Stinson Morrison Hecker in Kansas City will discuss legal interviews and how to be successful at them. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to prepare for on-campus interviews. Lunch from Jimmy John's will be provided to those who RSVP-ed in Symplicity, under Events, by end of business on Wednesday, January 14th. This program is primarily intended primarily for 1Ls.

13. REMINDER: SUMMER OPTIONS – JAN. 16

This program is scheduled for Jan. 16 from 2-3 p.m. in Room 245. This program is primarily for 1Ls interested in an overview of summer options available after the first year of law school. 2Ls and 3Ls will share their experiences about working (small firms, large firms, public interest organizations and/or government agencies), traveling abroad, taking summer school, and/or working as a research assistant. You will learn what effect their choices had on getting a job during the 2L year.

14. REMINDER: MIDWEST PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CAREER CONFERENCE NUTS & BOLTS – JAN. 20

This program is scheduled for Jan. 20 from 4-5 p.m. in Room 245. This program is intended for those planning to attend the Midwest Public Interest Law Career Conference in Chicago on Feb. 7. The job fair will be held at the Northwestern Law School, located downtown off of Michigan Ave. We will discuss any last minute details concerning the conference/job fair, hotel arrangements, transportation and an overview of what you should expect at the fair. This will be a brief meeting to make sure those attending will make the most of the experience.

15. REMINDER: SPRING OCI REGISTRATION VIA SYMPLICITY

The OCI bidding process will begin at 9 a.m. on January 20 and end at 3 p.m. on January 21. Contact Craig Spitzer ([craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu](mailto:craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu)) with questions.

16. REMINDER: SARA SLACK (CLASS OF 2005) PRESENTATION- JAN. 21

This program is scheduled for Jan. 21 from 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Room 275. Refreshments will be provided. Ms. Slack is an associate in the Environmental Regulation Practice Group at Foley & Lardner LLP. Sara counsels residential and industrial property developers, as well as municipal, nonprofit and institutional clients with regard to air emissions, waste management, underground storage tank compliance, and water discharge permitting and compliance. She will talk about her experiences as a student in the joint law and urban planning program and as an attorney in the legal profession.

17. REMINDER: WHAT MILLENNIALS SHOULD KNOW: HOW ARE YOU SEEN BY THE LEGAL EMPLOYER GENERATION(S) AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT – WHAT EMPLOYERS ARE SAYING – JAN. 22

This program is scheduled for Jan. 22 from 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Room 285. Proposed speakers include Steve Langerud, Steve Mahieu (3L), and recent alums. The program will begin with the results of an informal survey of employers who interviewed Iowa students this fall. After commenting on these observations from a generation perspective, a panel of law students and lawyers will share their experiences and give suggestions on how to be an effective applicant, new summer associate or new lawyer. Topics will include communication styles and interpersonal dynamics, etiquette do's and don'ts, e-mail, handshakes, and socializing.

FINANCIAL AID

18. UNIVERSITY BILLING OFFICE CHANGES U-BILL DISTRIBUTION

Beginning Feb. 1, 2009, The University of Iowa will no longer mail paper copies of University Bills (U-Bills) to students. Instead, students will receive e-mail notification when their U-Bills are available for review and payment online through ISIS. E-mail notifications will be sent to students' University e-mail addresses ([student-name@uiowa.edu](mailto:student-name@uiowa.edu)).

#### 19. JANUARY FINANCIAL AID DISBURSEMENTS AND REFUNDS

Most students should have their spring semester refunds in their bank accounts by the 16th or 20th. The ISIS system is usually the recommended way to check your aid disbursement status, however, because the main campus' classes do not start until Tuesday, January 20 your spring disbursement information may not be accurate in the ISIS system until the 20th. If you would like to check your disbursement status prior to January 20 please check your account balance first, then if you still have questions please contact [Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu) in Room 276. The most common reason aid does not disburse on time: (a) you did not pay your U-Bill that was due in December, check this in ISIS; (b) you are registered for less than ten hours, check this in ISIS. If you will be taking less than twelve hours for the spring semester, and you have not previously notified us of this, please contact [Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu)

#### LAW LIBRARY

##### 20. REMINDER: LAW LIBRARY NEWS BRIEFS

Please click this link for the January newsletter, Law Library News Briefs, <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/library/NewsBriefs/January2009.pdf>, which contains information on Martin Luther King Day library hours, carrel sign-up times and information on study aids. Print copies of Law Library News Briefs are available on the bulletin board in the Law Library. If you have any questions, just ask! [Ted-Potter@uiowa.edu](mailto:Ted-Potter@uiowa.edu)

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

##### 21. TORTS EXAM REVIEW SESSIONS – JAN. 22

A final exam review session for Professor Hovenkamp's Torts section will be held at 10:10 a.m. on Jan. 22, in Room 235. The review for Professor Bohannon's section will be at 9:40 a.m. on Feb. 5.

##### 22. REMINDER: INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS

AAP Director Brian Farrell is available to meet with students one-on-one on to discuss study skills, exam-taking skills, time/stress management, and other issues impacting academic performance. Drop-in office hours are Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 2-3:30 p.m. Appointments can be made for other times by e-mailing Brian at [Brian-R-Farrell@uiowa.edu](mailto:Brian-R-Farrell@uiowa.edu)

#### WRITING CENTER

##### 23. UPDATED LIST OF LEGAL WRITING COMPETITIONS

Check out the Writing Resource Center website, <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/students/writing-center.php>, for the most recent list of legal writing competitions around the country. Some offer prizes of \$5000 or more.

##### 24. ASSISTANCE WITH WRITING SAMPLES, COVER LETTERS

If you're working on job applications, remember that members of the Writing Center staff are available to help you with your writing samples and cover letters. If you bring in your drafts one day, we can usually see you the next.

#### STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

##### 25. SAVE THE DATE: TLCP SYMPOSIUM - FEB. 20

On Feb. 20, 2009, TLCP will host its annual symposium entitled, "Global

Meltdown: Examining the Worst Global Financial and Economic Crisis Since the Great Depression." The event is scheduled to go from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please contact [kara-westercamp@uiowa.edu](mailto:kara-westercamp@uiowa.edu) for questions.

26. REMINDER: JGRJ VOLUME 12

The Journal of Gender, Race & Justice is pleased to announce the publication of Volume 12, Issue 1. Please stop by our office in Room 186 to pick up your complimentary copy or contact Michelle Wheelhouse at [Michelle-Wheelhouse@uiowa.edu](mailto:Michelle-Wheelhouse@uiowa.edu)

27. REMINDER: NEED A STUDY GUIDE OR CASEBOOK, OR GOT SOME TO GET RID OF? EJF USED BOOK SALE

Calling all law students, law professors, etc! Donate your used casebooks and outlines to EJF. EJF sells the used materials at a discount and all the proceeds goes to support public interest fellowships. Stop by our table in the BLB lobby this week or check out our current inventory at [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/ejf\\_events.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/ejf_events.php). Study aids range from \$10-\$15 and casebooks range from \$35-\$50. Contact [law-EJF@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-EJF@uiowa.edu) if you are interested in buying or want to donate your used books. Email Lindsay McAfee ([lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu](mailto:lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu)) with questions.

OTHER

28. BUCERIUS LAW SCHOOL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

<http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/bucerius.php> Study law in Germany, Fall 2009! Every fall, Bucerius sends all of its third-year students to study abroad and welcomes in their place students from the many leading law school in the United States, England and elsewhere. Students may earn up to 15 credits, choosing from a variety of courses taught in English as well as a research paper option. Cost is a normal tuition payment to UI. Application deadline is March 2. UI selections subject to approval by Bucerius, full application deadline is March 31. See Grace Tully for application or at <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/buceriusapp.php>. Questions: Grace at [grace-tully@uiowa.edu](mailto:grace-tully@uiowa.edu).

29. AGING PARENT - IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO PLAN AND LEARN ABOUT SERVICES

Regardless of your aging parent, relative or friend's health status, place of residence or need for service, it is not too early to learn about services. Two On-campus Seminars ---

Care Coordination – Learn about a service that finds resources to help meet the long term needs of your aging parent, relative or friend. For specific dates and times, visit

[http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare\\_info.pdf](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare_info.pdf)

Living Wills & End of Life Decisions; Health Care and Financial Powers of Attorney; and Estate Planning – Learn about substitute decision making from Leonard Sandler, College of Law faculty member. For specific dates and times, visit [http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare\\_info.pdf](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare_info.pdf)

To register for the seminars, visit the Self Service site,

<http://hris.uiowa.edu>, login, select the tab, Personal, see Learning and Development, and then click on My Training.

Meet Privately with a Geriatric Social Worker

UI Elder Care Guidance, Information and Referral – On-campus, individualized, private appointments scheduled with a geriatric social worker to discuss concerns and to access community services. It does not matter where your aging relative or friend lives. Visit [http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/eldercare_flyer.pdf) or e-mail [familyservices@uiowa.edu](mailto:familyservices@uiowa.edu).

For information on the above, contact Jane Holland at [familyservices@uiowa.edu](mailto:familyservices@uiowa.edu) or 335-1371.

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#### DEAN JONES

1. MURRAY LECTURE – FEB. 2

Professor Jack Goldsmith, Henry L. Shattuck Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, will deliver the University of Iowa College of Law's Murray Lecture entitled "Our Enfeebled Presidency" on Feb. 2, 2009 at 3 p.m. in Levitt Auditorium in the Boyd Law Building. The lecture will discuss the many worrisome ways that presidential national security power has decreased over the past eight years. The lecture is free and open to the public. [Julia-kramer@uiowa.edu](mailto:Julia-kramer@uiowa.edu)

#### DEAN CRAIN

2. APPOINTMENTS WITH DEAN CRAIN

Dean Crain is available daily to meet with students about any issue affecting their progress through law school. Please contact Rene Arps ([rene-arps@uiowa.edu](mailto:rene-arps@uiowa.edu)) to schedule an appointment

3. STUDENT SERVICES SPRING CALENDAR AND LIST OF EVENTS

An announcement in Symplicity shares a calendar of events and lists programs for all of Student Services. This includes events and programs sponsored by Career Services, Lawyers & Leaders, and Academic Achievement Program. Feel free to print the calendars but check back often to watch this list of events as it continues to evolve with the addition of new programs and changes to those already planned.

#### CITIZEN LAWYER PROGRAM

4. LAWYERS & LEADERS: ANATOMY OF A DISASTER: THE CEDAR RAPIDS FLOOD AND ITS AFTERMATH - JAN. 29

This program will be held at 12:40 p.m. in Room 245.. Speakers: Brian Fagan, Cedar Rapids City Councilor and Attorney, Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman; Lesley Shafer, 2L, Summer AmeriCorps worker, Cedar Rapids Volunteer Reception Center; Corey Luedeman (Iowa JD '98), Iowa Legal Aid. Natural disasters such as the summer 2008 flooding in Cedar Rapids have wide-ranging and long-lasting social, emotional, economic and legal impacts on communities. This multi-media program will highlight how a natural disaster devastates a community and touch on some of the challenges facing Cedar Rapids eight months after the disastrous flooding. It is also the "kick off" event to one of the law school's spring break options: the "Rebuild Cedar Rapids" project, continuing the service contributed during the fall Cedar Rapids Challenge service trips. On Saturday, March 7, students will work on rehabbing two houses in Cedar Rapids, which will serve as a construction skills training for the spring break service project (March 19 - 20) on other Cedar Rapids houses.

5. SPRING LAWYERS & LEADERS PROGRAM SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

The full schedule for the L&L programs has been posted on the Citizen Lawyer Program weblog and at [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/LL\\_S09.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/LL_S09.pdf). Download and mark your schedules now. Attendance at one L&L program each semester is required for membership in the Pro Bono Society.

6. BOYD SERVICE HOURS/PRO BONO SOCIETY

Don't forget to log BSA hours by February 7. Invitations for membership in the Pro Bono Society will be issued in the next week or so. Watch your mail folders! Remember that membership must be earned each semester by completing and logging on hours as required and attending one Lawyers & Leaders program.

7. MLK DAY OF SERVICE – THANK YOU

Thank you to all volunteers that spent their day giving back to the community on Monday. There were 35 students who gave approximately 210 hours of service to four different organizations. The day was a great success, and law students made up almost a third of the total volunteers from the University. Thank you for all of your hard work!

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REGISTRAR

10. NON-LAW COURSES – DEADLINE TO MODIFY TO PASS/FAIL

Are you taking a NON-LAW COURSE this spring semester? If you wish for the final grade in the non-law class to show on your grade report as a P/F you MUST complete and submit a pass/fail form. The deadline to apply for the pass/fail option for non-law courses is Monday, February 2 at 4 p.m. Have your instructor sign the form and return it to the Registration Center, 30 Calvin Hall or to Deb Paul. No exceptions to this deadline. Forms are available in the administrative office.

CAREER SERVICES

11. ANNOUNCING THE FINNEGAN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – DEADLINE: FEB. 27

1L minority students who have demonstrated a commitment to pursuing a career in IP law are invited to apply for the Finnegan Diversity Scholarship. The award of \$15,000 may be applied to costs associated with normal tuition, usual fees and a patent bar review course. The scholarship recipient will also accept an offer to join the firm as a summer associate. Additional information about the scholarship and the application form are posted at [www.finnegan.com](http://www.finnegan.com). The application deadline is February 27.

12. NALP'S SUMMER 2009 ONLINE APARTMENT EXCHANGE

Looking for a place to live this coming summer where you'll be working? As of January 15 and until May 15, you should check out NALP's Apartment Exchange web site and register (for free) to search for summer housing – or list your apartment in the Exchange. It's easy. Just visit [www.nalpexchange.org](http://www.nalpexchange.org)

13. READ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS IN SYMPLICITY

Be certain to always read the Announcements on the Symplicity home page! This is where you will regularly find important information, FAQs, useful handouts, and links to Iowa law student-specific (protected) documents. [law-careerservices@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-careerservices@uiowa.edu)

14. DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES DRAWING NEAR!

There is a list of fantastic opportunities for first year minority students to apply for employer-sponsored diversity scholarships. Log in to Symplicity and click on the link in the announcement entitled "1L Diversity Scholarships Available." You will also find an extensive list of diversity scholarship opportunities on the NALP web site, just click here for that list <http://www.nalp.org/memberdiversityinitiatives> [craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu](mailto:craig-spitzer@uiowa.edu)

15. MOCK INTERVIEWS BY APPOINTMENT –JAN. 28-29 & FEB. 4-5

Practice Interviews to hone your interviewing skills. Make an appointment with Cymie Wehr today to participate in a mock interview with different members of the Career Services staff. We run you through a practice interview to help you prepare for your spring interviews. Even if you are not planning on participating in Spring OCI, this program is useful because it helps you understand the process of OCI and get honest feedback about your interviewing skills. Also, it can help get the jitters out before the real thing.

16. OCI - JAN. 30 & FEB. 6

Spring interviews are held at the Pomerantz Career Center on the third floor of the Pomerantz Center unless otherwise noted. Campus interviews are 20 or 30 minute screening interviews. From there, the top candidates may be asked to come to the firm for full office interviews, often called "flybacks", or within the region they are known as "drivebacks." Students are expected to take their interviewing and flyback commitments seriously. The law school has a very strict policy regarding both the cancellation of campus interviews and "no shows," and the policy is posted online at [www.law.uiowa.edu/careers/policies.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/careers/policies.php). If offered a flyback, you must respond as soon as possible. No response to a flyback offer is the same as a "no show" for an OCI interview. Students should approach their interview opportunities maturely and responsibly, showing respect for fellow students as well as employers. If you've decided that you are no longer interested in interviewing with a particular firm, please let us know promptly so we can let one of your

classmates have the opportunity.

17. PUBLIC LAWYER CAREER PANEL – FEB. 3

This program will be held at 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Levitt Auditorium. Learn more about getting hired and working in the government/public sector; how to get involved with the ABA Government and Public Lawyer Division; and the Federal Legal Employment Opportunities Guide. Featuring a panel of successful public sector lawyers from employers like Iowa Legal Aid, HUD, JAG, City Attorney, and more to answer all of your question and enjoy free pizza! This program is sponsored by the ABA Government and Public Lawyers Division. For more information on the panelists, please see: [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/cso\\_ABA.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/cso_ABA.pdf). RSVP in Symplicity.

18. DEFINING SUCCESS: MAINTAINING PERSPECTIVE ON ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND CAREER PLANNING –FEB. 5

This program will be held at 12:40-1:40 p.m. in Room 245. How do my grades reflect on me as a law student? Can they change? How will my first-semester grades impact my future? Dean Steve Langerud and AAP Director Brian Farrell will discuss how to constructively react to law school grades. They will address how grades and class rank can change over the course of three years, the longer-range impact of your present performance, and the steps students can take forward from this point. While special attention will be given to first-year grades, this program is open to all students. A light lunch will be provided. RSVP in Symplicity.

FINANCIAL AID

19. STUDENT LOAN DEBT INFORMATION FOR BAR APPLICATION

Some states require your student loan information to complete your bar application. For your federal student loan information, including loan consolidation information, please go to [http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds\\_SA/](http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds_SA/). You will need your PIN number to access your federal loan information. If you borrowed an Iowa Law School Foundation Loan, your information is with ECSI at <http://www.ecsi.net/bwr/borrower.html>. If you borrowed a student loan through a private lender, such as the Access Group, <http://www.accessgroup.org/>, please contact your lender directly for your loan information. [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu)

20. BAR EXAM/STUDY LOANS

For those students interested in borrowing a loan to pay for their costs associated with taking a bar exam (such as the bar exam registration fee, the bar preparatory course and living expenses after graduation and while they study for the bar), the CitiAssist Bar Exam Loan <https://www.studentloan.com/findstudentloan/citiassistbarexamloan.htm> and the Sallie Mae Bar Study Loan [http://www.salliemae.com/get\\_student\\_loan/find\\_student\\_loan/grad/law\\_school\\_loans/bar\\_study/](http://www.salliemae.com/get_student_loan/find_student_loan/grad/law_school_loans/bar_study/) may be options. The interest rate and the ability to borrow a Bar Exam or a Bar Study Loan will be determined based on the student's credit scores. For more information or to apply please go online to [jessica-diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-diers@uiowa.edu)

ISBA BOOKSTORE

21. LAST DAY TO RETURN AND PURCHASE TEXTBOOKS - JAN. 23

January 23 will be the last day to return and purchase textbooks. Regular hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

22. FUNDAMENTALS OF LEGAL STUDY

1Ls are invited to participate in this voluntary five-week program aimed at developing stronger study and exam-taking skills. Please contact AAP Director Brian Farrell at [brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu](mailto:brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu) with questions. Persons wishing to participate should e-mail Brian by 10 a.m. on Jan. 29.

23. PLAGIARISM PROGRAM – JAN. 26

Nancy Jones will present Recognizing and Avoiding Plagiarism at 2:20 p.m. and again at 4 p.m. on Monday, January 26, in Levitt Auditorium.

24. REMINDER: INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS

AAP Director Brian Farrell is available to meet with students one-on-one on to discuss study skills, exam-taking skills, time/stress management, and other issues impacting academic performance. Drop-in office hours are Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 2-3:30 p.m. Appointments can be made for other times by e-mailing Brian at [Brian-R-Farrell@uiowa.edu](mailto:Brian-R-Farrell@uiowa.edu)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

25. 12th ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL – JAN. 29

OWLSS invites you to volunteer at the 12th Annual Souper Bowl Jan. 29 from 5-7 p.m. to benefit the Domestic Violence Intervention Program. Get Boyd Service Hours while helping out DVIP, sampling free soup from local restaurants, and listening to live music! The event is at the Quality Inn Highlander Convention Center in Coralville. E-mail [jillian-waterstraut@uiowa.edu](mailto:jillian-waterstraut@uiowa.edu) asap if you would like to volunteer!

26. REMINDER: NEED A STUDY GUIDE OR CASEBOOK, OR GOT SOME TO GET RID OF? EJF USED BOOK SALE

Donate your used casebooks and outlines to EJF. EJF sells the used materials at discount and all the proceeds goes to support public interest clerkships. Check out our current inventory at [http://spreadsheets.google.com/pub?key=pZEW\\_4S\\_2vkmcSnPOC9JEeg](http://spreadsheets.google.com/pub?key=pZEW_4S_2vkmcSnPOC9JEeg). Study aids range from \$10-\$15 and casebooks range from \$35-\$50. Contact the [law-EJF@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-EJF@uiowa.edu) if you are interested in buying or want to donate your used books. You can also drop off your books in the CLP office in Room 216. Contact Lindsay McAfee [lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu](mailto:lindsay-mcafee@uiowa.edu) with questions.

27. EJF SUMMER GRANT AWARD PROCESS

Miss the general EJF meeting today? No worries. Information about our grant process can be found on the web site: [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/grant\\_application.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/grant_application.php). Applications are due April 10. The application may be changed a bit, and we will make an announcement when it is ready. Questions can be directed to [law-ejf@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-ejf@uiowa.edu)

28. SAVE THE DATE: JOURNAL OF CORPORATION LAW SYMPOSIUM – FEB. 14

On Friday, February 13th and Saturday, February 14th, the Journal of Corporation Law will be hosting a Symposium entitled "Invention, Creation & Public Policy." The Symposium will feature prominent intellectual property and antitrust scholars from all over the country and Canada. Three panels will discuss patent law, copyright law, and competition policy in the context of incentivizing innovation. Our very own Professor Hovenkamp will serve on the competition policy panel, and Professors Janis, Bohannon, and Wetlaufer will each moderate a panel. Students can register for the Symposium either by signing up at a registration table in the law school lobby on Wednesday, February 11th or Thursday, February 12th from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., or may send an e-mail to [jcl@uiowa.edu](mailto:jcl@uiowa.edu). Registrants will receive free breakfast and lunch on Feb. 14th! For questions, please contact [casey-kannenbergl@uiowa.edu](mailto:casey-kannenbergl@uiowa.edu).

29. SAVE THE DATE: TLCP SYMPOSIUM - FEB. 20

TLCP will host its annual symposium entitled, "Global Meltdown: Examining the Worst Global Financial and Economic Crisis Since the Great Depression" on February 20th. The event is scheduled to go from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please contact [kara-westercamp@uiowa.edu](mailto:kara-westercamp@uiowa.edu) for questions.

30. INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Phi Delta Phi invites you to play intramural basketball this winter. PHIDs has set up Men's and Co-Rec intramural basketball leagues for the College of Law through Recreational Services. Games will be played on Fridays, Men's at 4 p.m. and Co-Rec at 5 p.m. Registration takes place on Jan. 26 and 27 and registration forms must be turned in to Field House Room E216. Be sure to mention you are signing up for the Friday law school league when turning in your forms. Mandatory Captains' meetings take place on Jan. 27 at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and on Jan. 28 at 4 p.m. in the Field House North Gym. Play begins Feb. 6.. Registration forms and rules are available online at <http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu/programs/intramurals/events.htm> For more information, visit the Recreational Services website at the link above or email Nichole Johnson at [Nichole-Johnson@uiowa.edu](mailto:Nichole-Johnson@uiowa.edu)

31. AALSA COOK-OFF CELEBRATING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR—JAN. 26

AALSA will be celebrating the Lunar New Year with a cook-off from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the 4th floor student lounge. Tickets will be \$5 if pre-purchased and \$7 at the door.

OTHER

32. STUDENT AWARDS REMINDER FROM PROFESSOR JOHN ALLEN

Each year, senior awards are presented to third-year students during graduation week at the end of the spring semester (students who graduate in December are eligible for these awards, too). The awards honor outstanding scholastic achievements and scholarly papers; contributions to the academic programs, co-curricular programs, and extra-curricular programs of the College of Law; leadership skills; public service activities; contributions to the advancement of human rights, equal opportunity, and social justice; outstanding service in the clinic program; and distinction in the trial and appellate advocacy programs.

The Student Awards Committee is continuing the process of collecting résumés from all third-year

students. If you have not already done so, please submit an updated version of your résumé (listing all of your achievements and activities both inside and outside the law school during your three years of law school) to the Student Awards Committee secretary, Vicki Burgess, in Room 421 immediately. Alternatively, you may send your résumé by e-mail to [vicki-burgess@uiowa.edu](mailto:vicki-burgess@uiowa.edu). The Student Awards Committee will begin deliberations for these awards within the next two weeks

### 33. CHILD CARE SERVICES SPRING 2009

#### Well Back-up and Mildly Ill Child Care

A program to help when your usual child care arrangements are disrupted.

[www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/occasional.html](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/occasional.html)

Come and meet the providers; you can register for the service too on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, noon to 1 p.m., Stuart Cullen Conf. Rm., 6426, JCP, UIHC or Wednesday, January 28, 2009, noon to 1 p.m., Northwestern Rm., 345, IMU. Information and materials will also be available at the "Speed Interviewing" event.

#### Hawkeye Kids Camp For School-Age Children, March 16 – March 20

Scholarships are available for lower income eligible UI families

[www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#hkc](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#hkc)

"Speed Interviewing" To Meet UI Student Babysitters (The Occasional Care Child Care Program) Interview UI Students Who Are Available To Do Babysitting.

[www.iowa4cs.com/parents/occasionalcare](http://www.iowa4cs.com/parents/occasionalcare) on Tuesday, February 10, 4 to 6 p.m., East Room, 8008 RCP, UIHC or Thursday, February 12, 4 to 6 p.m., W-401, PBB, College of Business .

#### School-Age Summer Camp And Child Care Fairs

Brochures describing summer camps, activities and child care programs within a 60 mile radius of campus will be disseminated. [www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#sumprog](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#sumprog)

Programs are scheduled for Sunday, February 15, 1 to 5 p.m., Meeting Rooms A, B, and C, I. C. Public Library; Tuesday, February 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., S-401, PBB, College of Business, and Monday, February 23, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., East Room, 8008 RCP, UIHC.

#### 13 Child Care Programs On & Near Campus

Center-based options on and near campus serving UI families. And, we have links to community listings. [www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#currentprog](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/index.html#currentprog)

Check often for availability of child care openings in centers on & near campus.

[www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/uipartners.html#open](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/childcare/uipartners.html#open)

The Family Services Office offers other services and resources in addition to those listed above.

For information, contact Jane Holland at [familyservices@uiowa.edu](mailto:familyservices@uiowa.edu) or 335-1371.

[www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/index.html](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/famserv/index.html). The Family Services Office is a unit of Organizational Effectiveness, University of Iowa Human Resources.

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## **"THE DOCKET"**

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January 30, 2009

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- 30. SAVE THE DATE: TLCP Symposium – Feb. 20
- 31. Barrister's Ball – Feb. 20

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- 32. Bucerius Law School Student Exchange Program

#### DEAN JONES

- 1. REMINDER: MURRAY LECTURE – FEB. 2

Professor Jack Goldsmith, Henry L. Shattuck Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, will deliver the University of Iowa College of Law's John F. Murray Lecture titled "Our Enfeebled Presidency" on Feb. 2 at 3 p.m. in Levitt Auditorium. The lecture will discuss the many worrisome ways that the presidential national security power has decreased over the past eight years. The lecture is free and open to the public. [Julia-Kramer@uiowa.edu](mailto:Julia-Kramer@uiowa.edu)

#### DEAN CRAIN

- 2. REMINDER: APPOINTMENTS WITH DEAN CRAIN

Dean Crain is available daily to meet with students about any issue affecting their progress through law school. Please contact Rene Arps ([Rene-Arps@uiowa.edu](mailto:Rene-Arps@uiowa.edu)) to schedule an appointment

- 3. REMINDER: L1 INFORMATIONAL MEETING ABOUT 2009-10 RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS (RA) – FEB. 5

Faculty will be starting to hire RA's for 2009-10! To help L1's understand more about the Research Assistantship program, all L1's are invited to an informational meeting about 2009-10 Research Assistantships (RA) at 4:15 p.m., on February 5 in Levitt Auditorium. Information will be provided on the educational benefits of working as an RA, faculty and student expectations, the hiring process and salary and health benefits. [Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu](mailto:Jessica-Diers@uiowa.edu)

- 4. REMINDER: CHARACTER & FITNESS APPLICATIONS - FEB. 13

This program will be held on Feb. 13, at 11:40 a.m.-12:40 p.m. in Levitt Auditorium. Representatives from the Iowa, Missouri and Wisconsin state bar offices will be on hand to discuss the character and fitness component for admission to the bar in their respective jurisdictions. College of Law staff will also provide information about bar admission in other jurisdictions such as Illinois and California. A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to [Rene-Arps@uiowa.edu](mailto:Rene-Arps@uiowa.edu) so that we may plan for food.

#### CITIZEN LAWYER PROGRAM

- 5. PRO BONO PLACEMENTS ANNOUNCED

Over 70 students have been placed in nine pro bono (law-related volunteer) projects managed by the CLP, in cooperation with legal non profits and courts. The projects this semester include: the Innocence Project of Iowa; Iowa Coalition against Domestic Violence

MUNA clinic; Iowa Legal Aid -- research and web; Iowa Legal Aid Volunteer Lawyers Project -- U.S. Bankruptcy Court and Sixth Judicial District Divorce Clinics; Public Defender; the Johnson County Attorney's Office, and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. Many students applied for these increasingly competitive experiences that combine service with exposure to the practice of law and a chance for trying out hands-on legal skills. Read more at <http://clp.law.uiowa.edu/clp/>.

#### 6. ATTEND A LAWYERS & LEADERS PROGRAM THIS SEMESTER!

The full schedule for the L&L programs has been posted on the Citizen Lawyer Program weblog and at [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/LL\\_S09.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/LL_S09.pdf). Download and mark your schedules now. Attendance at one L&L program each semester is required for membership in the Pro Bono Society.

#### 7. THIS WEEK IN THE CLP WEBLOG

Semester Lawyers & Leaders schedule announced. Report on law students' participation in MLK Day of Service. Prof. Sidel's seminars include service to human rights non-profits. ABA domestic violence essay competition. Pro Bono project placements announced. Read it all at <http://clp.law.uiowa.edu/clp/>.

#### REGISTRAR

#### 8. CLASS RANKINGS FOR FALL SEMESTER

Class rankings have been completed for the fall semester. Those students in the top 10% of their class will receive a letter with their exact rank. The grade point averages at the 12.5% and 37.5% for each class follows: Class of 2010 – 12.5% GPA 3.68 & 37.5% GPA 3.43, based on 210 students; Class of 2009 – 12.5% GPA 3.70 & 37.5% GPA 3.42, based on 222 students.

#### 9. DEGREE AUDIT

All upper class students should check their degree audit through their ISIS accounts. A number of edits were made to individual records this week and will be updated over the weekend. Deb Paul would appreciate feedback if something is not documented on your audit, or if you see other problems. May graduates - if you have not already looked at your degree audit, please do so now. You do not want surprises later in the semester.

#### 10. DEAN'S CERTIFICATE FOR THE BAR EXAM

If you have a dean's certificate form that needs to be completed as part of your bar application, please give it to Deb Paul. These will be completed and mailed to the bar examiners for you at the appropriate time. [Debra-Paul@uiowa.edu](mailto:Debra-Paul@uiowa.edu)

#### 11. 2009 PHOTO PANEL

It is not too late to have your photo taken and included in this year's photo panel for the Class of 2009. You have two options: 1) contact University Photographic Services -- C109 Seashore Hall, 335-2561, 9-11 a.m. or 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday (contact them just a few days before you are ready to have your picture taken) or 2) turn in a photograph you already have to Deb (Room 282) – it must be at least a 3x5 portrait (no Polaroids) along with a copyright release if it is a copyright protected photo. The cost is \$35 plus tax (\$37.10) as a processing charge. It is payable by check to the University of Iowa, which will include a 11x14 copy of the composite for either option. The DEADLINE is Feb. 13 and there are no extensions!

#### 12. MAY/SUMMER 2009 GRADUATES - DEGREE APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 6

An Application for Degree must be filed for a student to be considered eligible for graduation. Degree applications (for students in the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Law, Nursing and Pharmacy and College of Medicine undergraduate students) are available on ISIS. Log in with your ID and password and click on "Student Records" on the ISIS Quick Menu. Students may apply for the current session or one succeeding session. Students in all other colleges must submit the paper application form.

#### 13. NEW IOWA LAW STUDENT REGISTRATION AND BAR APPLICATION FORMS

The Iowa Board of Law Examiners is pleased to announce that they have created new law student registration and bar application forms. Significant changes have been made to both forms. The document is now a PDF with fields that applicants can complete on their computer and save in order to work at their own pace. Applicants will need Adobe Acrobat to complete the form. The new forms attempt to remedy some areas that have confused past applicants. Their web site has now been updated with the current documents to reflect the changes or Deb Paul can e-mail you the appropriate document. Please note: the new law student registration and bar application forms are now the only forms that will be accepted by their office.

Additionally, we'd like to draw your attention to the changes made to the Dean's Affidavit. The affidavit now clarifies that the Dean may certify either that the applicant has graduated OR that they are on track to graduate. As a result, a dean's affidavit MUST be submitted with each application. It is no longer necessary to wait until a student has graduated to submit the dean's affidavit. For any student planning to take the Iowa bar exam, please let Deb Paul know in a timely manner so this certification can be done for you before the deadline, sooner rather than later.

#### CAREER SERVICES

#### 14. REMINDER RE USE OF FACEBOOK AND OTHER SITES WHILE JOB SEEKING

For those students seeking employment, please remember that it is now a common practice for employers to check Facebook, MySpace and blogs when considering prospective hires. Remember it may not even be your entry, but that you appear somewhere else in what an employer may feel is a "lack of good judgment" situation. Make any deletions/corrections now.....it is not always as easy as one may think to delete something or have it taken down. We have in the past two years had students lose offers because of the above and have heard from employers last fall that in searching several of our students, they found information that entered into their hiring decisions. Please be cautious. What you post should be professional.

#### 15. STUDENT SERVICES PROGRAMMING CALENDARS

Student Services, which includes the Academic Achievement Program, Career Services, and Lawyers & Leaders, has worked diligently to plan great programming this semester for all students and for all interests. We have created a list of events with a brief description of each event. We also developed monthly calendars to help you keep track of the different opportunities we have scheduled, along with other important events you may want to keep

track of. The list of events and the calendars are always at your fingertips on our Symplicity home page. Just click on the link for the month you are interested in viewing. Of course, with any planning, there may always be last minute changes in times, rooms, and/or speakers so be sure to watch this space in The Docket for any updates.

<https://login.uiowa.edu/uip/login.page?service=http://law-iowa-csm.symplicity.com/sso/students/passthru.php>]

#### 16. REMINDER: PUBLIC INTEREST LAW INITIATIVE (PILI) 2009 SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

This program for first- and second-year students offers positions in areas such as Family Law, Civil Rights, Children's Rights, Environmental Law, and Disability Rights with public interest law agencies in the Chicago area. Interns receive \$5000 for the ten-week program. The application period opened on Oct. 15.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis through March of 2009. More information is available at [www.pili-law.org](http://www.pili-law.org) or [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/cso\\_PILI.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/cso_PILI.pdf)

#### 17. REMINDER: 2009 BOSTON LAWYERS GROUP 1L DIVERSITY CLERKSHIP PROGRAMS

The Boston Lawyers Group's (BLG) 2009 1L Diversity Clerkship Program is for first-year law students of color. Clerks will spend the first five weeks of the ten-week program working in the Boston office of one of the BLG's participating law firms and the second five weeks working with the Boston law department of one of the BLG's corporate partners or government agencies. New this year, they will also be offering unpaid clerkships with legal departments of government agencies. The Summer Internship Program introduces students from diverse backgrounds to career opportunities within Boston's legal community. In addition to the "on the job experience," the interns will participate in professional development workshops. All summer internships are paid positions, however, housing and travel are not provided. Applications are due on Feb. 13 and are available online at [www.thebostonlawyersgroup.org](http://www.thebostonlawyersgroup.org) [law-careerservices@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-careerservices@uiowa.edu).

#### 18. REMINDER: PUBLIC LAWYER CAREER PANEL – FEB. 3

This program will be held in the Levitt Auditorium, 12:40 – 1:40 p.m. Learn more about getting hired and working in the government/public sector; how to get involved with the ABA Government and Public Lawyer Division; and the Federal Legal Employment Opportunities Guide. Featuring a panel of successful public sector lawyers from employers like Iowa Legal Aid, HUD, JAG, and City Attorney to answer all of your questions...and enjoy free pizza! This program is sponsored by the ABA Government and Public Lawyers Division. RSVP in Symplicity.

#### 19. REMINDER: MOCK INTERVIEWS BY APPOINTMENT – FEB. 4 – 5 & FEB. 11 -- 12

Practice Interviews are a great way to hone your interviewing skills. Make an appointment with Cymie Wehr today to participate in a mock interview with different members of the Career Services staff. We run you through a practice interview to help you prepare for your spring interviews. Even if you are not planning on participating in Spring OCI, this program is still useful because it helps you understand the process of OCI and get honest feedback about your interviewing skills. Also, it can help get the jitters out before the real thing.

20. REMINDER: DEFINING SUCCESS: MAINTAINING PERSPECTIVE ON ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND CAREER PLANNING – FEB. 5

This program will be held 12:40 – 1:40 p.m. in Room 245. How do my grades reflect on me as a law student? Can they change? How will my first-semester grades impact my future? Dean Steve Langerud and AAP Director Brian Farrell will discuss how to constructively react to law school grades. They will address how grades and class rank can change over the course of three years, the longer-range impact of your present performance, and the steps students can take forward from this point. While special attention will be given to first-year grades, this program is open to all students. A light lunch will be provided. RSVP in Symplicity.

21. REMINDER: OCI – FEB. 6 & FEB. 13

Scheduled interviews for Spring OCI will be held between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. on the third floor of the Pomerantz Center. From there, the top candidates may be asked to come to the firm for full office interviews, often called “flybacks”, or within the region they are known as “drivebacks.” Students are expected to take their interviewing and flyback commitments seriously. The law school has a very strict policy regarding both the cancellation of campus interviews and “no shows,” and the policy is posted online at [www.law.uiowa.edu/careers/policies.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/careers/policies.php). If offered a flyback, you must respond as soon as possible. No response to a flyback offer is the same as a “no show” for an OCI interview. Students should approach their interview opportunities maturely and responsibly, showing respect for fellow students as well as employers. If you’ve decided that you are no longer interested in interviewing with a particular firm, please let us know promptly so we can let one of your classmates have the opportunity.

FINANCIAL AID

22. IMPORTANT NOTES RE FEDERAL TAXES: LIFETIME LEARNING CREDIT, 1098T FORM, AND MIDWEST DISASTER AREA

The University Billing Office is responsible for reporting payments applied towards tuition and mandatory fee charges during the course of each tax year, as well as financial aid applied towards any tuition or fee charges. The 1098T will be mailed to students current residing address by February 2. Lifetime Learning 1098T Information is also available on ISIS under the 'Student Records' link, 'Hope and Lifetime Learning 1098T Information.' If you have questions regarding eligibility for the tax credits, we suggest you contact your tax advisor. Additional information regarding these credits is available at: IRS Publication 970 (Tax Benefits for Higher Education)

Additionally, The University of Iowa is located in the Midwest Disaster Area. This designation allows qualified taxpayers to receive a larger Lifetime Learning Credit. The definition of qualified expenses have also been expanded to include room and board estimates up to the allowance for room and board used for Federal Financial Aid eligibility, which was \$4,635 for the spring 2008 semester and \$4,815 for the fall 2008 semester for a combined total of \$9,450. If you lived in university housing you must use the actual amount charged. If you have questions regarding eligibility for the tax credits, we suggest you contact your tax advisor or the IRS. Additional information regarding these credits is available at: IRS Publication 970 (Tax Benefits for Higher Education) and IRS Publication 17.

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

##### 23. REMINDER: TORTS EXAM REVIEW SESSION -- FEB. 5

A final exam review session for Prof. Bohannon's torts section will be held at 9:40 a.m. on Feb. 5 in Room 235.

##### 24. REMINDER: INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS

AAP Director Brian Farrell is available to meet with students one-on-one to discuss study skills, exam-taking skills, time/stress management, and other issues impacting academic performance. Drop-in office hours are Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 2-3:30 p.m. Appointments can be made for other times by e-mailing Brian at [brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu](mailto:brian-r-farrell@uiowa.edu)

#### LAW LIBRARY

##### 25. FORMATTING DOCUMENTS WITH WORD – FEB. 4 AND 5

Computer GA Brett Day is providing half-hour training sessions on how to format tables of authorities, tables of contents, and endnotes/footnotes using Word. Each session will meet in the Law Library's Computer Lab in Room 174. The training will be especially helpful for 1L students who are currently writing briefs. Sessions are being offered at the following times and no advanced registration is necessary: Feb. 4 at 5:30 p.m., and Feb. 5 at 12:40 p.m. [Rebecca-Lutkenhaus@uiowa.edu](mailto:Rebecca-Lutkenhaus@uiowa.edu)

##### 26. STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PHOTOS -- FEB. 2

On February 2, a photographer will be in the library taking photos for a new virtual tour of the facility and collections. The library is seeking student volunteers who are willing to appear in the photographs. The photos will be taken in half hour increments. If you are available during any of the following time slots and are willing to participate, or would like more information, please contact Becky Lutkenhaus at 335-9007 or [Rebecca-Lutkenhaus@uiowa.edu](mailto:Rebecca-Lutkenhaus@uiowa.edu). The time slots are: 10-10:30 a.m.; 10:30-11 a.m.; 11-11:30 a.m.; 11:30-12:00 p.m.

#### STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

##### 27. MELSA MEETING -- FEB. 5

The Middle Eastern Law Students Association (MELSA) will be having its first meeting of the semester February 5. The meeting will be in the fourth floor student lounge at 4:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join! Questions, please contact Parsa Fattahi ([parsa-fattahi@iowa.edu](mailto:parsa-fattahi@iowa.edu)) or Peter Nadimi ([peter-nadimi@uiowa.edu](mailto:peter-nadimi@uiowa.edu))

##### 28. LAW STUDENTS FOR REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE -- FEB. 5

Semester Start-Up Meeting will be held from 12:40 – 2 p.m. in Room 265. All members please attend to learn about and sign-up for spring events like the upcoming Midwest Regional Conference and Planned Parenthood Lobby Day. There will be pizza!

##### 29. JOURNAL OF CORPORATION LAW SYMPOSIUM -- FEB. 13-14

On February 13 & 14, the Journal of Corporation Law will host a Symposium entitled "Invention, Creation & Public Policy." The Symposium will feature prominent intellectual property and antitrust scholars from all over the country and Canada. Three panels will discuss patent law, copyright law, and competition policy in the context of incentivizing innovation. Our very own Professor Hovenkamp will serve on the competition policy panel, and Professors Janis, Bohannon, and Wetlaufer will each moderate a panel. Students can register for the Symposium either by signing up at a registration table in the law school lobby on Feb. 11 or Feb.

12 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., or may send an e-mail to [JCL@uiowa.edu](mailto:JCL@uiowa.edu) Registrants will receive free breakfast and lunch on Feb. 14. For questions, please contact [Casey-Kannenber@uiowa.edu](mailto:Casey-Kannenber@uiowa.edu)

**30. SAVE THE DATE: TLCP SYMPOSIUM – FEB. 20**

On Feb. 20, TLCP will host its annual symposium entitled, "Global Meltdown: Examining the Worst Global Financial and Economic Crisis Since the Great Depression." The event is scheduled to go from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please contact [Kara-Westercamp@uiowa.edu](mailto:Kara-Westercamp@uiowa.edu) if you have questions.

**31. BARRISTER'S BALL – FEB. 20**

It's that time of year! ISBA will host Barrister's Ball aka "Law Prom" in the Amos Dean Ballroom at the Sheraton Hotel on Friday, February 20 from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Barrister's Ball is the largest social event of the year and one event on the law school calendar not to miss! Tickets are \$15 and will be for sale in the BLB lobby between Feb. 9 – Feb. 20. ISBA sold out of tickets last year so make sure to get your tickets well in advance. Please do not let your excitement about Barrister's Ball overshadow TLCP's symposium examining the worst global financial and economic crisis since the Great Depression. There will be plenty of time to get ready for the dance and the topic of TLCP's symposium is so critical to our times! Hope you can make it to both events! Please e-mail [Jonathan-Brayman@uiowa.edu](mailto:Jonathan-Brayman@uiowa.edu) or [David-Wiest@uiowa.edu](mailto:David-Wiest@uiowa.edu) with any questions or concerns.

**OTHER**

**32. BUCERIUS LAW SCHOOL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

Please see <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/bucerius.php> for details about this great opportunity to study law in Germany during Fall 2009! Every fall, Bucerius sends all of its third-year students to study abroad and welcomes in their place students from the many leading law school in the United States, England and elsewhere. Students may earn up to 15 credits, choosing from a variety of courses taught in English as well as a research paper option. Cost is a normal tuition payment to UI. Application deadline is March 2. UI selections subject to approval by Bucerius, full application deadline is March 31. See Grace Tully for application or at <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/buceriusapp.php>. Questions: Grace at [Grace-Tully@uiowa.edu](mailto:Grace-Tully@uiowa.edu)

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