

Diversity Week Recap!

Diversity Week 2011 at Thomas Jefferson School of Law was one of the most action-packed ever. There were at least a dozen events on campus connected with TJSL's commitment to and celebration of diversity – along with the issues that are part of it.

The week began with a Black Law Students Association (BLSA) event on Saturday, April 9 titled "De-Mystifying the Law School Admissions Process," that was presented to students from Crawford High School and others in the San Diego community. BLSA was a co-sponsor along with the Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association of a mentoring program workshop on Sunday, April 10, to help students master cover letter and resume writing.

On Monday, April 11, Professor Kaimi Wenger conducted a presentation on the Micro-reparations Movement in connection with slavery in the United States. Also on Monday, the Christian Legal Society held a Bible Study & General Meeting.

Tuesday, April 12, featured a panel co-sponsored by MELSA & Career Services –"Going Solo." Several San Diego attorneys who are sole practitioners shared their insight on setting up a solo practice. Also on Tuesday, Professor Marjorie Cohn discussed her new book: "<u>*The United States and*</u> <u>*Torture: Interrogation, Incarceration, and Abuse*</u>" at a National Lawyer's Guild chapter event.

Wednesday evening featured a career symposium presented by BLSA, APALSA, La Raza, and the Women's Law Association. It was followed by a post symposium Blues and Copyright Law Reception with a presentation by Professor K.J. Greene – complete with live music – both blues and jazz.

One of the highlights of the week is always the Annual Diversity Luncheon last Thursday, which was held for the first time in Student Organization Headquarters on the fifth floor. That evening, Professor Kaimi Wenger hosted a panel where several students made presentations on Critical Race Theory.

BLSA Shadow Day on Friday was a chance for students from Crawford High School to be law students for a day.

The WLA's Annual Spelling Bee on Friday evening was a fundraiser – and was also a "funraiser" for those who were there.

Closing out the very successful week was the Christian Legal Society's – "Second Annual Easter Fun Day" held here at TJSL on Saturday.



Kim Carter , BALSA Career Services/Alumni Relations Chair



Dave Carothers, Managing Partner Carlton Disante & Freudenberger, LLP



Valerie Garcia-Hong, Associate Pettit Kohn Ingrassia & Lutz



Aurelia Flores, Senior Counsel AAIC PowerfulLatinas.com Founder



Jerilyn Malana (moderator)

Bridging the Gap Between Yesterday and the Future... An Evening for Diversity! By Kim Carter

Besides being the "Jewell" of San Diego's East Village, Thomas Jefferson School of Law has another important distinction: it has one of the most diverse law school campuses on the West Coast. According to the ABA's statistics, of the 792 students attending the law school as of Fall 2010, approximately 37% of the student body are diverse. This is approximately 10 – 11% higher than the two other law schools in San Diego.

In celebration of its diverse make-up, TJSL every year reserves a week for the faculty, staff and students to celebrate the differences located on the campus and to highlight the various cultures that make up the student body. In addition, students are encouraged to reach out to the community and engage in open dialogue concerning issues minorities face in the legal field.

This year, true to the spirit of collaboration on the law school's campus, TJSL's Asian Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA), Black Law Student Association (BLSA), La Raza and Women's Law Association (WLA) combined forces and hosted the first ever Diversity Career Symposium (DCS). The theme for this event was "Bridging the Gap: Between Yesterday and the Future," and combined diverse representatives from the minority bars in the professional community as panel members . They discussed the importance of cross-cultural networking and relationship building to encourage growth for minority representation in the legal community.

The event's moderator, Ms. Jerrilyn Malana, is not only a share-holding partner at Littler Mendelson, P.C., but is the former president of the San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA) where, under her reign, a number of diverse initiatives came to fruition. Ms. Malana's professional yet candid demeanor created an interactive and engaging dialogue between her and the panelists.

Xavier Carr, president of the TJSL BLSA, commented on Ms. Malana's approach, stating, "I have never seen a panel where the moderator facilitated the discussion so effortlessly, which encouraged students to take part."

The panelists included: an Associate of Pettit Kohn Ingrassia & Lutz, Valerie Garcia-Hong; Senior Counsel of SAIC, Aurelia Flores; and Managing Partner of Carlton DiSante & Fruedenberger, Dave Carothers. They all were equally engaging in their own right. Each panelist spoke from their personal and professional experience and research to address issues such as: Utilizing Cross-Cultural Relationships and Mentorship Opportunities as an Advantage for Career Development; the Importance of Sponsorship over Mentorship for Minorities to Break the Glass Ceiling; and How Minorities Can Prepare as an Associate to Become

Partner.



Stacey Murray, Singer



Professor K.J. Greene



Speakers/Moderator/ BLSA, La Raza, APALSA presidents



Speakers/ Moderator/ Kim Carter

Ms. Garcia-Hong, a fairly new attorney, shared her personal experience on how through her community commitments she was able to obtain her first client. In addition to her professional achievements, Ms. Garcia-Hong is committed to diversity in the legal field with two pipeline initiatives targeting underserved African-American and Asian high school students in promotion of legal education.

For all the theories concerning why diversity is stunted in the legal community, Ms. Aurelia Flores, who in addition to being Senior Counsel at SAIC is the founder of PowerfulLatinas.com, addressed the need for minority women to go beyond mentors and find Sponsors. She explained how a Sponsor is more than a person that offers advice; but rather uses their influence to promote their sponsoree to the Senior Partner, corporate counsel or hiring manager and is vested into that persons professional growth and success.

Mr. Dave Carothers, who besides being managing partner in Carlton DiSante & Freudenberger, also serves as a Deputy Labor Commissioner, shared with the attendees what he wished he knew when he began his career; essentially the importance of Business Development. He shared tid-bits of wisdom which included the importance of treating your colleagues as potential clients; stay connected and follow your colleagues careers as a foundation for your network base; and in order to keep and grow your business take care of the file on your desk!

Following the discussion, the diversity theme continued with the transition to a network/mixer with a unique Interactive Discussion on the Blues and the Law, featuring Thomas Jefferson's own Professor K.J. Greene accompanied by the soulful sounds of Stacey Murray the Stimulators. Professor Greene briefly discussed the history of the blues in America highlighting how such a unique and dynamic art form, met with many legal challenges concerning copyright law; while Stacey Murray crooned renditions of the greats such as Jelly Roll Morton and James Brown. This was the first time Professor Greene conducted such a creative media for discussing the law; for certain the experience was a huge success!

The rest of the evening ended to the melodic sounds of Stacey Murray the Stimulators. The students, professionals and alumni who were fortunate to partake in this event, which was free admittance, walked away encouraged, empowered and motivated to continue in their studies and professional development and understand how each of us have a role and responsibility toward diversifying the legal community.









Pejman Kharrazian 3L, Amber Nevada 1L, Molly Fashola 1L, Wade Tang 3L



Diversity Luncheon... Yumm

One of the highlights of Diversity Week at TJSL is always the Diversity Luncheon – with dishes contributed by various student organizations.

They had your palate covered at the luncheon, which was held this year in the student organization area on the fifth floor.

APALSA brought a great spread of Asian food, including spring rolls and loompia.

The ABA chapter brought a full luncheon buffet from Kentucky Fried Chicken – which was a *finger*, *licken*, *good* big hit.

Also on the menu were lasagna, Mexican food and cupcakes for dessert!

The event is symbolic of the diversity on the TJSL campus – and shows that like music, food is a great uniting force among cultures and groups.



A Hippity Hoppity Good Time! By Samantha Massau

The Christian Legal Society's Second Annual Easter Fun Day held this past Saturday was a success and the Easter spirit was in the air. The Student Lounge was transformed into a pastel colored kid zone with Pandora Disney station playing over the sound system.

When the kids arrived they were greeted by the Easter Bunny, CLS incoming President, Cameron Spencer, and given a plastic bucket for the egg hunt. They had an opportunity to have their faces painted by artists Meghan Buckner and Ryan Ciriaco, paint hard-boiled eggs with Marshall Lurtz, and Brett Bettesworth, color Easter pictures with Stephanie Ross and Samantha Massau, and play games like Pin the Tail on the Bunny and the classic "Duck Duck Goose." The highlight of the event was the Easter egg hunt! CLS members hid 100 plastic, candy-filled eggs around the lounge before the kids arrived. The day ended with a pizza party and eating the Easter candy found on the hunt.

It was really fun to take a break from the books and interact with the kids. It's nice to be reminded of the simple joys of life, coloring outside the lines or finding a candy-filled egg. If students on campus that day were lucky, they had a chance to be greeted by the Easter Bunny who later took a stroll through the building. Happy Easter everyone!





Professor Thomas Golden



Professor Julie Greenberg



Spelling Bee Winner Andrea Monk '10

WLA Spelling Bee Success!

The Women in the Law's Annual Spelling Bee was all the buzz at TJSL on Friday, April 15.

Professors Julie Greenberg and Thomas Golden dusted off their famous bee hats to judge this year's Spelling Bee.

The WLA fundraiser event was held here at TJSL for the first time.

This year the winner was alumna Andrea Monk '10 – who won the event two years ago and was first runner up last year.

The winning word? Pronouncement.

The runner-up was Hadas Livnat, Evening/Weekend Circulation/Reserve Librarian.

The winner won a \$100 gift certificate to Mr. A's and the runner up won a \$50 gift certificate to Cefalu's Pizza in Old Town.



On Tuesday, April 12, the Middle Eastern Law Students Asso ciation and Career Services co-sponsored a very insightful event titled "Going Solo After Law School."

The event was a panel moderated by Professor Luz Herrera, and comprised of various solo attorneys who shared their experience es pursuing a solo practice. The presenting panelists were TJSL Professor William O'Nell, Quintin Shammam, Esq. and Eric Rol lason, Esq. The turnout of students was great, and the panelists

were presenting tip after tip in how to start up your own practice, how to maintain it on the business side and how to promote growth and efficiency.

At the end of the panel, students were lining up for questions and advice. The panelists were equally eager to provide a laundry list of advice that many would spend hours and hours trying to figure out on their own. Needless to say, the information that was freely shared between students and panelists was priceless. A special thanks goes out to Career Services and MELSA for putting together this one, it was a huge success!





Clinton Minus & Gustavo Guererro



Crawford Students Argue their case



BLSA Shadow Day

BLSA's Shadow Day is a chance for students from Crawford High School's Law Institute and Mentorship Bond Program to be law students for a day. It's a chance to visualize themselves in a law school like TJSL – and to see themselves as lawyers one day.

Some of the Crawford students already do see themselves as lawyers, like junior Muna Mohamed, who sat in one of the TJSL classrooms and said: "I see myself sitting here with my laptop. I see opportunity." Mohamed says she is definitely interested in applying to TJSL.

"This is a great program, said 1L Clinton Minus, "and a great event to expose soon to be lawyers to law school." Minus is the Liaison to the CLIMB Program, a special program TJSL has initiated at Crawford to mentor and inspire the students.

"They inspire us by coming to school and motivating us," says Crawford junior Asmasia Ali." "Students really benefit from what they have to say."

"CLIMB has inspired me," says Mohamed. "Nothing is going to stop you from going for your goal."

That's exactly what 2L Abrina Wheatfall wants to hear. "This is unique and important, especially for under-represented groups who may not see themselves in the legal profession," she says. "This is good at exposing the legal profession to them."

There are other Shadow Day participants who said they are interested in becoming lawyers, among them Gustavo Guerrero and Karen Jimeno.

The Crawford students got to tour TJSL, then they split up into teams and prepared to argue cases before a mock court, president over by "Judge" Teresa Watts, 3L.

2L Noel Heard gets as much out of the program as the students: "For them to have an opportunity to connect and to have a mentor for the rest of their lives is precious to me."





Wendy Santiago presents on images of Black women in the media



Amy Willis Estrada presents on Lemon Grove antidiscrimination case



Nicole Nuzzo presents on felon disenfranchisement



Professor Wenger, Panel Organizer

Critical Race Theory Presentation by Professor Kaimipono Wenger

Four students from last year's Critical Race Theory class presented their work during a panel on Thursday afternoon in the moot court room. Critical Race Theory is an approach which examines ways in which law can reinforce societal racism. During the course, students chose a topic they were interested in and wrote a research paper on it. They also presented their findings during in-class presentations. Those class presentations were excellent, and we wanted to let the TJSL community hear some of them. On Thursday, four of the students presented as part of diversity week.

Student panelists Wendy Santiago, Nicole Nuzzo, Amy Willis Estrada, and Abrina Wheatfall presented their work on a variety of fascinating topics. Wendy's presentation discussed ways in which current media images of Black women and sexuality perpetuate historic stereotypes (such as the Mammy/Jezebel dichotomy) and continue to negatively impact society today by legitimizing the continued objectification of Black women and girls, leading to increases in areas like teen prostitution. Nicole's presentation discussed negative effects of felon disenfranchisement laws on Black participation in the electoral process, including her own new statistical analysis of how disenfranchisement laws affect the numbers of Black elected officials in different states. Amy's presentation examined complicated and fascinating history of a little-known but important desegregation case right here in San Diego -- the Lemon Grove case in the 1930s, which predated Brown v. Board of Education, and which illustrates some of the difficulties and complexities in desegregation strategies, as well as the complex history of the status of Latinos under law. And Abrina's presentation examined the history of the Republican Party and race, including its initial creation as the Party of Lincoln, the longstanding Black loyalty to the Republican party in the South, the demographic and political shifts during the New Deal era and through Nixon's Southern Strategy, and current political impact of President Obama's election.

Students and members of the TJSL community who attended enjoyed the panel and the questions. The moot court room provided an excellent setting for the in depth conversation. The panel was a definite success, and students are already talking about looking forward to seeing it again next year.



Congratulations Professor Winchester

Professor Richard Winchester has been named as a Fulbright Scholar to teach in Tunisia during his sabbatical leave, which begins in January of 2012.

Very excited to be accepted into the program, this completes a 30 year dream of Professor Winchester's to teach in Northern Africa

which began when he was in Paris.

"I expect to spend my time in the nation's capital of Tunis, at Universite du 7 Novembre a Carthage," he says. "It has the country's most distinguished law faculty and also offers an advanced degree program in Anglo-American commercial law."

Professor Winchester will teach tax and business law to Tunisians who want to pursue careers in international business.

Why Tunisia – a country that has just experienced a revolution? "I speak French," Professor Winchester says of his choice of Tunisia – a choice made before the revolution. "I am excited to be a witness to the changes there," he says, "and to be a part of the transition there."

As for Tunis, Professor Winchester says, "It's another San Diego. It's right on the Mediterranean and it's where a lot of people go for the sun and the surf." He should feel right at home there.

Congratulations from everyone at TJSL for this prestigious honor!



TJSL at the San Francisco Regionals of the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition By Paul J. Spiegelman, Director of Advocacy & ADR Programs

Please join me in congratulating Jinny Campbell and Sean Smith and their coach Stephen Nicholson for achieving "Best Brief -- second place" in the San Francisco Regionals of the ABA National Appellate

Advocacy Competition. The regionals brought together 32 teams from all of over the country.

Among the teams whose briefs our TJSL team bested were: UCLA, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Hastings, George Mason, Golden Gate, University of Minnesota and Loyola (Chicago), Pepperdine, Case Western, Northwestern, Tulane, and Baylor. This is the second straight year a TJSL team has excelled in brief writing at the ABA Regionals. In 2010, TJSL won the Best Brief award at the Las Vegas Regionals. In the overall competition (brief + oral argument) this year, Jinny and Sean advanced to the octofinals.



Top 16



Current team with top 2

Moot Court Honor Society Tryouts A HUGE Success!

The Moot Court Honor Society annual tryouts were held on Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10. Forty-four 1Ls and 2Ls competed in the twoday oral argument tournament. Everyone who tried out argued two rounds; once for the petitioner and once for the respondent. The problem involved the permissibility of a warrantless protective sweep of a private home by police officers. The top 16 scorers in Saturday's preliminary rounds qualified for Sunday's Octo-finals, which involved head-to-head elimination rounds.

Ruthann Bergt (1L) won the Moot Court Honor Society tryouts with Jesse Allen (1L) runner up. Semifinalists were Megan Buckner (1L) and Brendan Marshall (1L). The performance by the 1L class was remarkable as they were competing against a strong field of 2Ls who also performed very well. Quarter finalists included: Elizabeth Knowles, James Balch, Sarah Davidson, and Teresa Gutierrez. Current Moot Court Honor Society members and Professor Paul Spiegelman, the

team's faculty advisor, were thrilled to see so many 1Ls doing so well: "It makes the future of our program even brighter because we will have people who have the potential to compete in multiple competitions and grow as advocates over their careers."

Quarter-finalist received automatic invitations to join the Moot Court Honor Society. New members were also invited to join the team. Please congratulate these students when you see them around campus! They are sure to lead the Moot Court team to many victories next year!

Brendon Marshall Sevy Fisher Mike Wang Katie Grzechnik Ashok Pathi Pavel Kazlou Megan Buckner Sarah Davidson Samantha Massau David Vallero Ashok Pathi David Meyer Rane Casalegno Evan Garcia Jonathan Yu Katie Hanes Kyle Bird Susanne Prochazka Alice Geladjian Teresa Gutierrez

Jesse Allen Elizabeth Knowles James Balch Ruthanne Bergt Pavel Kazlou Zachary Reutz



Mexican Navy Patrol Boat



Mexican Navy



Mexican Navy Gunship

Los Coronados Dive

By: Scott Greene 2L

On Sunday, April 10, 2011, I went on a scuba diving trip to the Coronados Islands, which are located a short distance into Mexico from the U.S. border, with a chartered dive boat named the Horizon. After having three great dives in the morning and afternoon, we were headed to a site near Point Loma for a final dive of the day.

The boat we were on had bunks below, so I had gone down to sleep for the journey. I woke up to the captain on the loudspeaker telling us that all passengers were needed on deck. When I arrived on deck, I witnessed a 25-foot Mexican Navy vessel with about 15 military personnel carrying M16s, attempting to get close enough for some of the soldiers to board our boat. It was explained to us by the captain that we needed to stay on the port side of the deck and not move until further instructed. He also mentioned that the Mexican soldiers should just need to check our permits and it was no big deal. I was a little concerned, because the boat wasn't flying a flag and I thought to myself "how do we know this is really the Mexican military?"

The soldiers came on deck. While several guarded the 34 passengers, other soldiers searched the entire boat. Nothing seemed out of the ordinary to me until I noticed a much larger boat approaching us. It was a military vessel and even had cannons; it resembled a small, World War II -era battleship. This boat started circling ours and I witnessed at least three or four people watching us with binoculars. My only concern was that this incident was somehow escalating.

This went on for approximately an hour. At some point, the captain told us that it was going to be some time, but that we were now allowed to go inside the cabin of the boat instead of just on the deck. The total time of the incident was almost three hours, at which time the soldiers guarding us went back on their boat, the battleship left and we were allowed to leave Mexican waters.

It was later explained that the dive boat hires an agency to make sure the boat had all necessary legal issues taken care of before we go into Mexico. The problem is that a lot of times, this agency is more in the know about the current Mexican laws than the military personnel on patrol, which likely contributed to this. Apparently they were asking for a permit that didn't exist and some attorneys in Mexico City had to get involved and contact the military to straighten things out. It is my understanding that they basically kicked us out of Mexico, however, so I don't think the issue was ultimately decided that day. At this point, I'm not sure what else may have happened afterwards.

Editor's Note: The incident was covered in the media and Greene was one of those interviewed.



Transactional Law Clinical Program Fall 2011

What is it?

The Transactional Law clinical program at Thomas Jefferson School of Law will provide legal assistance and representation to micro-entrepreneurs, small business, and non-profits that do not have the means to hire an attorney to advise them. Students who participate in the Transactional Clinic will have the opportunity to assist clients by forming their entities, drafting, negotiating and reviewing contracts, and helping them through the regulatory process. Students will be guided during representation by a licensed California attorney but students will have primary responsibility for their cases.

Students enrolled in the Transactional Law clinical program are required to participate in a weekly class meeting that focuses on the lawyering skills necessary to effectively represent clients. In addition to discussing client interviewing and counseling, students will also focus on the substantive areas of law that are relevant to students' cases, including issues of professional responsibility. The Transactional Law Clinic Seminar is scheduled to meet on Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.

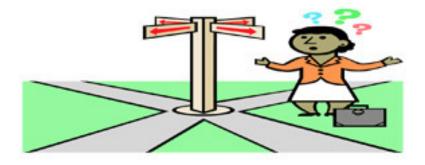
How does this fit into my academic program?

Participation in the Transactional Law Clinic satisfies the Practical Skills graduation requirement. Students who participate in the Transactional Law Clinic are eligible for 2, 3 or 4 units of live client work. Each unit is equivalent to 5 hours per week. The required clinical seminar is an additional 2 units. A minimum commitment of 10 hours per week for client representation is required.

What is required to participate?

To participate in the Transactional Law Clinic, students must have completed Professional Responsibility and be a California certified law student. To become California certified law student, students must complete their first year of law school, be in good standing and have completed or be concurrently enrolled in Civil Procedure II and Evidence. To register for the clinic, students must apply directly to Professor Luz Herrera by sending a statement of interest and a resume to <u>lherrera@tjsl.edu</u>. The statement of interest should describe the reasons why you are interested in participating in the clinic and should highlight any past experiences or future plans to work in a transactional law practice setting.

Priority for the Fall 2011 course will be given to students currently enrolled in the Community Economic Development seminar and any research assistants involved in clinic planning during the summer of 2011. For more information about how to become a research assistant for the clinic or to enroll in the clinic, please contact Professor Herrera.



MAY 2011 GRADS: EXIT INTERVIEW WORKSHOP

The Financial Aid Office will conduct <u>mandatory</u> group exit counseling workshops for all students who borrowed at least one student loan while enrolled at TJSL. The session times will be: Session 1: April 20, 10-noon, Room 225 Session 2: April 20, 8-9:30 p.m., Room 323 Session 3: April 21, 10-noon, Room 325

FEDERAL REGULATIONS REQUIRE ALL STUDENTS TO COMPLETE AN EXIT INTERVIEW

The group session is expected to last 1-2 hours. During the meeting, we will discuss Loan Consolidation, Public Service Loan Forgiveness, Income Based Repayment (IBR), deferment, forbearance, and other repayment options. As a courtesy, a listing of all your federal loans from the National Student Loan Database (NSLDS) will be provided.

Snacks and refreshments will be provided to all who attend.



Discounted San Diego Padres Tickets!

The San Diego padres are welcoming TJSL to the neighborhood by offering TJSL students, alumni, faculty, staff, friends and family) a discounted ticket package for the 2011 season, that includes 9 games.

To partake in this offer, go to <u>www.padres.com/promo</u> and enter the promo code: TJSL. For any of the selected games on the list, you will receive a 20% or 25% discount on each ticket depending on the ticket category. There are ticket categories ranging from \$13.50 to \$66.50 each game. Games \$19.50 per ticket or less receive the 20% discount. Tickets \$21.50 or higher receive the 25% discount. You can only purchase tickets for these nine selected games using the TJSL promo discount and the purchases must be made online.

Available games:

Friday, April 22nd vs. Philadelphia Philles Friday, June 10th vs. Washington Nationals Friday, July 15th vs. San Francisco Giants Friday, July 29th vs. Colorado Rockies Friday, August 19th vs. Florida Marlins Friday, September 2nd vs. Colorado Rockies Friday, September 16th vs. Arizona Diamondbacks Friday, September 23rd vs. Los Angeles Dodgers



Parking and Baseball Game Information for TJSL students

Students who park across the street in the Padres Parkade must leave the parkade 90 minutes before a Padres game starts.

Game day that will affect all students is May 2.

Games that will affect part-time / night-time students are April 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, & 26. A parking option will be provided for part-time / night-time students.

Options during Padres Home Games

During Padres home games, students who need to get to campus have two options available:

Option 1 – Park at Trolley Lot and Ride Trolley to Campus

Students can drive to one of the (3) **free** Trolley Station parking lots listed below and then take the trolley to the Law School. The Park & Market station on the Blue and Orange line is the Law School station and is located directly across the street from our campus. A map of the San Diego trolley lines is attached for your reference. A trolley day pass is \$5.00.

Qualcomm Stadium Station – 5,000 Free Spaces 9449 Friars Rd.

Hazard Center Station – 1,500 Free Spaces 7611 Hazard Center Dr.

Old Town Transit Center – 787 Free Spaces 4009 Taylor St.

Option 2 – Park at an Alternative Parking Garage Downtown

707 Broadway Garage -- \$8 during games - Located on Broadway between 7th and 8th Avenues (Washington Mutual Building). Entrance to this garage is on 8th Avenue.

Horton Pacific Garage -- \$8 during games. Located on First Avenue between E and F Streets. Entrance and exit is on First Avenue.

11th and C Lot -- \$5 during games. Located on C Street between 10th and 11th Avenue. Entrance and exit to this surface lot is on 10 th Avenue or 11th Avenue between C Street and Broadway.



May Graduation Information: Graduation will be held on May 21 at 11 a.m. at Copley Symphony Hall located at 1245 Seventh Avenue, San Diego 92101. The Valedictorian is Dea Franck.

GRADUATION NOTICES

1. Graduation Regalia - The deadline to order regalia is April 25th, after this date you will need to pay express shipping to receive your regalia in time for the ceremony, 138 graduates have ordered as of today

2. Hooding - We would like to have at least 4 Professors/Deans hood graduates on stage. The decision is based on graduates vote, so send me an email stating which FOUR Professors or Deans (not including Dean Hasl) you would like for hooding. The following Professors will not be attending the ceremony: Alex Kreit and Steve Berenson.

3. Program Verification - Attached is the information submitted for the commencement program, please verify the spelling. The information was verified by the Academics, Registrar, and Internship/Externship Departments, centers are highlighted because verification has not been received yet. I must receive your response by Friday, April 15th, no exceptions. (Attachment sent out twice previously via email).

4. Honor cords are here, Academic honor sashes have not arrived yet. See your Student Organization President to retrieve your cord.

You will receive information/instructions for graduation day in a couple of weeks. Please feel free to contact ANGELA BAYNE (<u>abayne@tjsl.edu</u>) should you have any questions.

**** If you see that someone is not included on the attached list and is graduating please pass along the information to contact me, we would like to include all graduates in the program. Thank you!

Please remember that involvement with the Student Bar Association, Student Organizations, or Academic Competition Teams will be listed separately toward the back of the commencement book.

THOMAS GRADUATION EXIT INTERVIEW

If you have not yet completed your Career Services Exit Interview, please schedule it now! If you'd prefer to do your exit interview via phone, please

email Dovie King directly at <u>dking@tjsl.edu</u>. If you'd like to meet with someone in person, please log onto Symplicity - go to <u>https://law-tjsl-csm.symplicity.com/students</u>. Your email address is your username. If you cannot remember your password, select 'forgot password' and the system will email you a new password. Then click on 'Request a Counseling Appointment' to find the times that best fit your schedule. *Exit interviews must be scheduled by April 25th, and completed by May 4th*. A graduation hold will be placed on those who haven't completed their exit interviews by that time.

A message from Lisa Ferreira Director of Student Services

Along with all other law students at Thomas Jefferson School of Law, TJSL's Student Services is asking you to tell us about your activities and what you feel you are gaining from your law school experiences overall. One reason this research project is so important is that it involves students at law schools across the country. The results will allow us to learn more about the experiences of you and other students at Thomas Jefferson School of Law and compare them with those of students at other law schools throughout the country. Taking the 10-15 minutes required to complete the survey will help us a great deal in improving educational opportunities for you and for future TJSL students.

The survey is at: <u>https://www.lawschoolsurvey.org/?id=2AB7B59E2D</u>

If you have any difficulty logging in, please e-mail <u>help@lawschoolsurvey.org</u> or call 1-877-295-3064 for assistance. If you have questions about the study, you may contact the Law School Survey of Student Engagement at 812-856-5824 or <u>lssse@indiana.edu</u>.

Should you have any questions about the project at our law school or our interest in using the results, I encourage you to contact me at 619-297-9700 Ext: 1481 or <u>lisaf@tjsl.edu</u>.

Finally, I want to thank you personally for considering this request. I expect that the information you and other students provide will identify areas in your educational experience where we can improve and lead to constructive changes at our law school.

(If you have problems accessing the link posted above, please follow these instructions: In your Web browser, type: <u>lawschoolsurvey.org</u> and in the Login ID box, enter: 2AB7B59E2D)





MCLE: ETHICAL CHALLENGES IN THE PRACTICE OF CRIMINAL LAW TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011

Room 229

5:45 p.m. Registration 6:00 p.m. Ethical Challenges in the Practice of Criminal Law Panel 7:00 p.m. Reception

Panelists include: Justice Richard Huffman San Diego County Deputy District Attorney Wendy Patrick District Attorney Bryn Kirvina Charles Sevilla, criminal defense attorney and

top-10 San Diego SuperLawyer across all categories

RSVP by Thursday, April 14 to alumni@tjsl.edu 1 hour of Ethics MCLE credit available. This is a free event

Thomas Jefferson School of Law 1155 Island Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101 Information contact: Chris Guzelian <u>cguzelian@tjsl.edu</u>

Mock Jurors Needed for San Diego Inn of Court GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

The San Diego Inn of Court needs mock jurors for its annual **Trial Skills Practice Program for new lawyers**. At the first workshop, on May 3rd, the group members will be practicing voir dire (jury selection) skills, and law students are needed to serve as mock jurors. This is a great way to meet practicing attorneys and sitting judges who are there to critique the performance of the new attorneys participating in the program. The workshop will be held on May 3rd beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the San Diego Superior Court, Hall of Justice, located at 330 West Broadway. It will last about 90 minutes. You will be assigned a courtroom when you check in.

There is no need to prepare anything. You will play the role of a potential juror and sit in the jury box. To give the new lawyers a more realistic experience, you are asked to assume an identity other than law student, for example a job you had before law school or a fantasy occupation. The idea is to give the lawyers a hard time: so you're encouraged to express reservations about being able to be a fair juror, that you don't like lawsuits, etc. In short, to be like a real juror. Most importantly, this will be a fun experience and a great way to meet lawyers and judges! To RSVP email Todd Stevens, President of the San Diego Inn of Court (and Partner at Keeney Waite & Stevens) at <u>TStevens@keenlaw.com</u>.



Wednesday, April 20, 10 - 10:45 a.m. Litigation Research class Location: 5th floor of the library at the Learning Center

Kristen Knepper, the Westlaw Representative for TJSL, and Jake Feldeman, the Lexis representative for TJSL will join Research Librarian June MacLeod to conduct a Litigation Research class. This short,

45 - minute class will help students locate sources for litigation type materials on Westlaw, Lexis and in the TJSL library. Where and how to locate such items as examples of court documents, procedural rules, jury information on each of the databases and in print will be discussed.

Thursday, April 21, 4 – 5:30 p.m. Judicial Externships: How to Apply for Fall 2011 Location: Room 229

If you will have completed **30 units by Fall 2011**, you are eligible to apply for prestigious positions working with judges through our Judicial Externship Program. These are amazing opportunities to be trained within the courts, build your resume, get impressive writing samples, and earn units! If you are interested in **applying for Fall 2011 or any future semester**, you should attend this workshop. This will be a full overview of the Judicial Externship application process. Gita Varughese will provide an overview of potential strategies in obtaining a position and substantive direction in crafting your application materials. Erica Hernandez will go over the administrative aspects of the application process. Appetizers Provided.



April 21, 11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. *Renowned German Scholar to Speak at TJSL Location: Room* 227

Professor Susan Bisom-Rapp is pleased to announce that Professor Manfred Weiss will give a lunchtime talk on Thursday, **April 21,** from 11:30 a.m. -12:50 p.m. in room 227. This event is co-funded by the Center for Global Legal Studies and the Center for Law and Social Justice. Center directors Sue Tiefenbrun and Alex Kreit will provide lunch at the event to those who RSVP. The International Law Society is co-sponsoring the talk.

Professor Weiss's talk is titled "Developments in European Union Social Policy: What the Shift from Hard to Soft Law Means for the Future of EU Employment and Labor Law."

Manfred Weiss is a major name in international and comparative workplace law circles. His long career is based at the J.W. Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany, where he was full professor from 1977 - 2008. He is presently professor emeritus there since October 2008. Additionally, Professor Weiss has taught as visiting professor in residence in Belgium (Catholic University in Leuven; University of Ghent), France (University of Paris-Nanterre; University of Strasbourg; the Sorbonne; University Montesquieu Bordeaux; University of Bordeaux); South Africa (University of Cape Town; University of Western Cape; University of Stellenbosch); and the United States (University of Pennsylvania; University of Florida; New York University).

He is also former president of the German Association of Industrial Relations and the International Industrial Relations Association, and former deputy president of the German Lawyers' Association. Professor Weiss has served as a consultant to the International Labour Organization (ILO), working on ILO missions to Zambia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Trinidad, Hungary, South Korea, Poland, Bulgaria, South Africa, and Romania. He has published widely in several languages.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 19, to Donna Gehlken at: <u>dgehlken@tjsl.edu</u>. Faculty, staff and students are welcome to attend.



PRESENTS

SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES AND THE NEXT 20 YEARS!

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2011 Time: 5PM to 7PM Location: Thomas Jefferson School of Law 1155 Island Ave, Downtown Moot Court Room, 2nd Floor 1 MCLE Credit: RSVP at alumni@tjsl.edu by Noon on April 20. This is a FREE event

Panelists

Sherri Lightner Councilmember, San Diego City Council, District 1

Lynn Reaser, PhD Chief Economist, Fermanian Business & Economic Institute

S. Wayne Rosenbaum Partner, Foley and Lander LLP; Adjunct Faculty, TJSL

Gabriel Solmer (Tentative) Interim Executive Director, San Diego Coastkeeper

Please email all questions to environmental@tjsl.edu



Thursday, April 21 Doors open, 11:30 a.m. Program and lunch, 12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Location: The Bristol Hotel 1055 First Avenue Downtown San Diego, 92101

There's still time to register for *Bring Your Child to Work Luncheon* & Court Tour featuring Suzy Spafford of Suzy's Zoo.

Artist **Suzy Spafford** will draw her famous characters, talk about the legal and other aspects of building a thriving business, AND there will be art activities for the kids.

Following the luncheon, **Hon. Robert Trentacosta** will lead a tour of the San Diego Superior Court House.

Members, \$25. Children, \$14. Non-members, \$30. At the door if space is available, \$30.

To register online log onto <u>http://www.lawyersclubsandiego.com/</u> <u>cde.cfm?event=347930</u> or call (619) 595-0650.

If you need to cancel your reservation please let us know 24 hours in advance by calling (619) 595-0650 or by emailing <u>rsvp@lawyersclubsandiego.com</u> Failure to cancel in advance will result in registrant(s) being billed.



Thursday, April 21, 7 - 10 p.m. LSRJ's 3rd and final part of "Dinner and a Movie" series Location: Room 231

If you have not yet been to "Dinner and a Movie" you do not want to miss out on your last chance to attend this semester!

LSRJ "Dinner and a Movie" includes watching a thought provoking film, great discussion, great company and great food!

Please RSVP through one of the following by Thursday April, 21 at noon: Email Catrina Skor at <u>skorcc@tjsl.edu</u> or RSVP on LSRJ's Facebook page!

Food will only be ordered for those who RSVP. REMEMBER: If you know someone interested in attending who is not currently a LSRJ dues paying member, it is ONLY \$5 to attend the event or \$5 to become a member.

Friday, April 22, 4:30 - 5:30 CLIMB First General Meeting Location: Room 225

The Crawford Law Instituete & Mentorship Bond (CLIMB) program will be hosting its first on-campus meeting for spring 2011. Everyone is welcome to join and learn how CLIMB is assisting the community. If you would like more information, about how to get involved with this program email minuscm@tjsl.edu.

CLIMB is an organization sponsored by TJSL's Diversity Committee, chaired by Professor Maurice Dyson.



Thursday, April 21, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Student Bar Association Second Debt Seminar: How to Manage Your Money & Debt by GL Advisors Location: Room 316

The SBA of TJSL presents its second "Manage Your Money and Debt" session on financial best practices for law students by Cornel Catrina of GL Advisors. Mr. Catrina will provide information and strategies on managing debt as a graduate law student. The session will provide students with information on their debt portfolios and inform them of the options available to consolidate their debt while enrolled in school and after graduation. Mr. Catrina also will inform the students of federal loan forgiveness programs available after graduation. The loan forgiveness programs are contingent on income and working in public service or in firms. The Student Bar Association (SBA) encourages attendance at the Debt Seminar to be aware of how loans and debts are processed and paid back. Last, Mr. Catrina will offer students a more in depth analysis of their debt if the student chooses to provide their contact information.

Saturday April 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. TJSL Alumni Board Presents: DUI Defense CLE Location: Room 325

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00 a.m. "Approaching the DUI DMV hearing" by Michael Malowney '93
10:15-11:15 a.m. "Attacking field sobriety tests" by Eric Ganci '08
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. "Understanding DUI chemistry" by Leo Summerhays
No Charge for TJSL students, but they must RSVP by Tuesday, April 19 to <u>alumni@tjsl.edu</u>.
Nobody will be let in without RSVPing to <u>alumni@tjsl.edu</u>.

Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Father Joe's Villages and the Student Bar Association Volunteers needed for the day before Easter special meal.

Contact Sterling Williams, Student Bar Association, Community Events Committee: swilliams001@gmail.com.

The South Asian Bar Association

of San Diego

SABA-SD proudly presents "Emerging and Evolving Areas of Law",

a panel of distinguished attorneys discussing clean energy and new technology, securities, mergers and acquisitions, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and employment law, and how the current economic climate has affected their practices.

April 21, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. Cooley Godward, 4401 Eastgate Mall, San Diego, CA 92121



Our panelists include:

Barry Clarkson, partner, Latham & Watkins Josh Clorfeine, Senior Counsel, SAIC Micky Minhas, Vice President, QUALCOMM Jerrilyn Malana, partner, Littler Mendelson Tony Taranto, partner, Luce Forward Moderated by our former President, Mazda Antia, partner, Cooley Godward

Space is limited for this event. Please RSVP by April 15 to: rchiruvolu@butzdunn.com

Challenge the Chessmaster! (Professor Saccuzzo)



Tuesday, April 26th from 11:00 – 12:45pm \$10 to challenge

Professor Saccuzzo will play two 8 minute speed games (against each paying participant). He will provide the board and clock as well as chess books for prizes. To win a prize, you just need to hold out (not lose) for one 8 minute game. That is, Professor Saccuzzo must check mate you within the allotted time in both games to win. Think you have skills? Sign up and show us!

Sign up with Elizabeth Knowles or Julie Garrett.

Last Day of Class Run-Walk

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Join your professors for an end of the year run-walk and help raise \$\$ for PILF. **Participating Professors Include:**

> Eniola Akindemowo Steve Berenson Leah Christensen Marjorie Cohn Julie Greenberg Marybeth Herald

Maureen Markey Steve Semeraro Ben Templin Ken Vandevelde Ellen Waldman Kaimi Wenger

Julie Cromer Young

May 4, 2011 11:40 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

Cost for participants: \$10 Distances: 1 mi / 3 mi / 5 mi

Run Start: Meet in the lobby of the school. The run starts promptly at 11:45 am. *Run End:* Meet back in the school lobby to nosh on fruit, energy bars and water. *Course:* All courses follow an "out and back" route along the Embarcadero.

Mark your calendars!

Bowling With the Professors!



Hit the neighborhood lanes with your Professors for some 10-pin! There are two dates to choose from! Bowling will take place at East Village Tavern and Bowl. Professors will cover cost of lanes and shoes.

On Friday, April 22, join Professors Golden, Mitnick, Kreit, and Semerarot Bowling will begin at 11:00 AM and continue until everyone gets a shot at them. Professors will provide some nachos, chicken wings, and sodas.

On Wednesday, April 27, join Professors McCuskey, Boles, and Cooper for some spirited competition at the lanes! Bowling on this date will begin at 5:30 PM.

If you haven't already signed up to bowl, there's still space!

\$20 to join in on the fun. All proceeds go directly to the PILF Scholarship Fund. Pick whichever date is most convenient for you. You can pay buy using PILF's paypal link, by dropping payment off at Julie Garrett's desk on the 6th floor or by leaving payment with Elizabeth Knowles. Please designate which date you will play with your payment. *Sign ups end on Tuesday, April 19 at Spm!* Join us for some laughs in the Moot Court Room for a One-Time Screening of Professor Semeraro's film about the move from Old Town to the new campus!



Friday, April 22nd from 7-9 PM!

- > One showing only on April 22nd---Don't Miss it!
- Reserve your seat for \$5!
- Popcorn and Refreshments provided by Professors Herald and Keller!
- Email knowleem@tjsl.edu or pay at the door!

Now Through May 4th SBA's Clothing Drive & Mother's Day Drive to Benefit Father Joe's Village Location: Donation Bins are located in the Student Organization Area on the 5th floor, outside SBA's President, Jeremy Evan's office.

The Student Bar Association is continuing its efforts to support Father Joe's Village in the mission to provide clothing for the homeless. This semester the Student Bar Association will continue with the Business Attire Clothing Drive and host a Mother's Day Drive as well. Both clothing drives are designed to give Thomas Jefferson School of Law students, faculty, staff and friends an opportunity to assist those who are less fortunate. The bins are appropriately labeled and awaiting your donations.

Thursday, May 5, 5:30 p.m. MCLE - Leins: Know Them and Deal With Them When Settling Your Case **Room 325** You must RSVP to alumni@tjsl.edu by May 2.

Friday, May 13 Deadline for Public Law Section of the State Bar Annual Student Writing Competition

The winner receives \$1,000; paid attendance at the State Bar Annual Conference and an invitation to the Public Lawyer of the Year reception. Click here for more information: http://goo.gl/nuQOO



Saturday, May 14, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Village Volunteer Appreciation Event Location: Jinny Jo Park, just east of the Father Joe's Village, at the corner of Commercial Street & 17th Street

Elizabeth Knowles & Sterling Williams

This gathering with Father Joe will honor volunteers with a barbecue at Jinny Jo's park. Outstanding volunteers will be celebrated including TJSL's very own Sterling Williams for his continuing community service endeavors.

Congratulations Sterling!

HARVEY MILK DIVERSITY Friday, May 20, 7:30 a.m. TJSL OUTlaw: The 2011 Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast Location: Hilton San Diego Bayfront Hotel, 1 Park Blvd.92101 The Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast seeks to bring together all San Diegans who support equality and justice and to join together in celebrating this influential civil rights activist.

Tickets can be purchased at: <u>https://secure3.convio.net/sdlgbt/site/Ticketing?</u> view=Tickets&id=100081&JServSessionIdr004=zcwynzggo4.app331b Fore information, log onto <u>www.harveymilkbreakfast.com</u>.

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FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP Week ending April 15, 2011

Susan Bisom-Rapp

Presentation: Increasing the Employment Rate of Older Workers: European Objectives and US Lessons, Europe 2020: Comparative Perspectives and Transnational Action, Marco Biagi Foundation, University of Modena, Modena, Italy, March 17, 2011 (presentation with Professor Malcolm Sargeant)

Marjorie Cohn

Presentation: The Erosion of *Miranda*, Criminal Defense Lawyers Club, San Diego, April 13 2011

- Presentation: The United States and Torture: Interrogation, Incarceration, and Abuse, National Lawyers Guild, TJSL, April 12, 2011
- Presentation: International Law in the Libyan conflict, Teach-in: Revolution in the Arab World Past, Present, Future, National Lawyers Guild and San Diego Coalition for Peace and Justice, TJSL, April 9, 2011

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 17 Saturday, April 16 & Sunday, April 17 Mock Trial Tryouts Beach Volleyball Tournament & BBQ at Mission Beach: To sign-up, Raj Matani, Student Bar Association, Athletic Events Director: <u>matani- ra@tjsl.edu</u> | 18 | 19 | 20 10 - 10:45 a.m. <i>Litigation</i> <i>Research</i> <i>class</i> Location: 5 th floor of the library at the Learning Cen- ter | 21 11:30 a.m. SBA Second Debt Sem- inar: Location: Room 316 4 p.m. Maritime Law Society Meeting Student Org Room 7 - 10 p.m. LSRJ's "Dinner and a Movie" Location: Room 231 | 22 Padres Games that will affect part-time / night-time students who park in the Padres Parkade are April 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, & 26. | 23 8:30 a.m 12:30 p.m. TJSL Alumni Board Pre- sents DUI Defense CLE Room 325 |
| 24 Easter | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Now Through May 4th SBA's Cloth- ing Drive Loca- tion: Donation Bins located in the Student Organization Area on the 5th floor, outside SBA's Presi- dent, Jeremy Evan's office. |
| May 01 | 02 Padres Game day that will affect all students Parking in the Padres Parkade | 03 | 04 Last day of Classes | 05 5:30 p.m. MCLE - Leins: Know Them and Deal With Them When Settling Your Case Room 325 | 06 | 07 |