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From the Editor

CARRY ONE WITH YOU
Course evaluations will be conducted April 20-24. This semester, the law school is using a new form for course evaluations. During the last week of class, please bring a number 2 pencil.

The questions on the evaluations are the same as they have been in the past. The only difference is that the questions are on a scan sheet. All of the questions, except the last two, are open-ended. As you have in the past, you may write comments as short or as lengthy as you wish. You may use pen or pencil.

The last two questions on course evaluations have always been forced choice or multiple choice (i.e., excellent, above average, average, below average, poor). Students will now bubble in their responses to these last two questions. You must use pencil. Outside of these two questions, you should not use any of the scan bubbles. Remember to bring a pencil.

AWARDS PRESENTATION
At noon on Wednesday, April 22, Acting Dean Lauren Robel will present the Leon Wallace Teaching Award for outstanding teaching. In addition, PILF will present the Leonard D. Fromm Public Interest Award to a faculty member for their role in advancing the public interest. Both award presentations will occur in the main foyer. All students, faculty and staff are invited to enjoy some refreshments and relaxation as we celebrate the recipients of these two awards.

News from the Faculty

Professor Cate gave a paper on "Privacy and Telecommunications" at the 1998 Business Law Symposium at Wake Forest on April 3. His article on the same subject appears in the current issue of the Wake Forest Law Review.
During March 1998, Professor David P. Fidler: (1) gave a presentation in Geneva, Switzerland to the Ad Hoc Group of States negotiating a Protocol to the Biological Weapons Convention entitled "Selected Legal Issues and the BWC: The Importance of the International Health Regulations and Protection of Confidential Information"; (2) had meetings with World Health Organization officials in Geneva on the revised draft of the International Health Regulations, tobacco control, and food safety issues; (3) gave a presentation in Geneva to World Health Organization staff and officials entitled "The Future of the World Health Organization: What Role for International Law"; and (4) attended a Symposium on the role of non-state actors in international law held at the Walther-Shuecking-Institute for International Law at Kiel University, Kiel, Germany.


Ms. Smith has also posted on her homepage the presentation slides from the CLE for our alums that she conducted in Indianapolis on March 24, 1998--"Secrets of an Internet Junkie: Finding Relevant Legal Material on the Web."

News from Student Affairs Office

Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington, Loan Reduction Assistance Program

On April 17, 1996, the Law School established a Loan Reduction Assistance Program (LRAP). This program is intended to lessen the educational debt burden of students who are committed to securing employment with public interest organizations. In contrast to the loan or grant repayment programs, our school's program will help the public service oriented and committed student reduce the amount of loans needed to meet educational costs by providing special public interest fellowships in the last semester of their third year. An LRAP fellowship is both a reward to those who have demonstrated their public interest commitment, before and during law school, and is also an encouragement and stimulus for looking for public service positions after graduation.

The first LRAP fellowships were awarded for the 1996-97 academic year. Third Year students anticipating graduating in December of 1998 or May or August of 1999 are eligible to apply for LRAP fellowships for next year.

Application Process: A student applying for an LRAP fellowship must submit, by June 1, 1998, to Dean Fromm: 1. A regular law school fellowship application; 2. An essay detailing public interest experience and commitment and reasons for merits so such a fellowship. Included should be a statement detailing plans for finding a full time public interest position after graduation; 3. A resume; and 4. Recommendations from public interest employers (at least one required).

Applying for one of these LRAP fellowships does not exclude one from consideration for a fellowship in our regular fellowship program.
Selection Process: The Law School Fellowship/Scholarship Committee makes the selections for LRAP fellowships. In deciding, the Committee considers the following criteria: a. Public Interest experience and commitment; b. Total educational loan debt; c. Quality of essay; d. Quality of recommendation; e. Academic merit; f. Student Organization and Law School contributions.

Award Amounts: It is anticipated that the awards in the program will range from $2500 to $6500. The total amount of the award will be given to the student for the last semester of school only.

Repayment Responsibilities: Recipients of LRAP awards are asked to repay them (moral obligation) for future student use only if they do not find or take a public interest position within three years of graduation and do find employment above public interest salary levels.

News from Student Organizations

SHERMAN MINTON MOOT COURT COMPETITION - 1998-1999 INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR FIRST YEARS
The Sherman Minton Moot Court Board will hold an informational meeting for all current first-year students (and second-year students enrolled in a four-year joint degree program who have not previously participated) who are interested in the competition for next year. Board members will discuss the competition format and address questions concerning the rules and responsibilities of the competition. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 123. All first-year students are encouraged to attend.

MOOT COURT MEETING FOR INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS
The 1998-1999 Sherman Minton Moot Court Board will hold a meeting for all incoming Board members on Tuesday, April 14 at 12:15 p.m. in Room 124.

WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS
Voting for WLC elections will take place on Monday, April 13 from 12-2 p.m. in the lobby. Dues-paying members will receive ballots in their mail boxes Monday morning. If you wish to vote and have not paid dues, you may pay and receive a ballot between 12-2 p.m.

WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP
WLC is giving a summer scholarship to a law student who will be employed for no pay this summer in an area that involves women's interests. The scholarship is worth $200. We plan to make this scholarship permanent and to give a larger amount in future years. Scholarship applications are now available in Dean Fromm's office. If you are interested, please pick one up right away. The award will be announced before finals. Again, all law students are eligible.

FEDERALIST SOCIETY
The Federalist Society would like to thank the Women's Law Caucus for co-hosting the exchange of ideas concerning the Supreme Court's treatment of abortion under the Constitution last Wednesday in the Moot Court Room. Notre Dame Law Professor Charles Rice, recent IU law graduate Andrew Straw and IU doctoral candidate Julie Thomas offered strikingly different critiques of current abortion law and their contributions were greatly appreciated. Finally, the
Society would like to thank Professor John Scanlan for his role in facilitating the attendance of students in his constitutional law class at both this event and Michael Greve's lecture last month on affirmative action.

The Federalist Society will hold elections this Wednesday, April 15 at 12:15 p.m. in Room 120. For more information, contact Kristi Prutow at 334-7749.

Announcements

ANTARCTIC LAW WEB SITE PROJECT
Any law students who might be interested in working this summer on an Antarctic Law Web Site Project with a graduate of the Law School, please contact Professor David Fidler in Room 249, 5-6403, davidfidler@law.indiana.edu. The work would involve preparing various legal documents, articles, and other materials for placement on a World Wide Web site dedicated to Antarctic Law. Students with interests in international law and/or environmental law might find this project interesting.

Events, Lectures

WLC HOSTS A DISCUSSION ON WOMEN AND LEADERSHIP
As the number of women law school graduates increases, we may see an increase in the number of women who become our elected officials, as the business and public interest leaders of our communities. What role have women historically played in leading communities and taking part in public service? What effects will result from the greater representation of women in leadership positions? What can women who choose to lead expect from the current political network? Must women play golf to have influence? Join us for a discussion of these and other issues on Tuesday, April 14, at 4:30 pm in the faculty lounge. Refreshments will be served.

Calendar

Wednesday, April 15

...Federalist Society elections, 12:15 p.m., Room 120.

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