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## FROM THE DEAN: TOWN MEETING WEDNESDAY

Welcome back! I will hold a town meeting with all students at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 21, in the Moot Court Room. I have much to report, including new resources in the Career Services Office, results from the Law School Survey of Student Engagement that you completed last year, information about alumni boards that will be at the school in the next few weeks, the status of plugs in the classrooms, practitioners in residence, and more. I am looking forward to seeing you and hearing your questions.

All my best,

Lauren Robel

## EVENTS & LECTURES

### RECEPTION NEXT TUESDAY FOR VISITING PROFESSOR

Ivan Shearer, the Challis Professor of International Law at the University of Sydney, will be in Bloomington from Jan. 25 through Feb. 21 as the George P. Smith Distinguished Visiting Professor-Chair. Next Tuesday, Jan. 27, there will be a reception held in his honor in the Faculty Lounge from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

On Feb. 2, Shearer will give a public lecture, titled "In Fear of International Law." During his visit, Shearer will also meet with student groups, give guest lectures in classes, and be available for consultation on issues relating to international law.

## **LAW SCHOOL CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF LANDMARK DECISION**

May 17, 2004, marks the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's announcement of its decision in *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka*. To honor and celebrate this landmark, the School of Law will sponsor several events throughout the spring semester. Events will be open to all members of the Law School community.

### **Feb. 16**

#### **Student Presentations**

All law students are invited to submit short essays on the subject "What *Brown v. Board of Education* Means to Me" to BLSA President Freedom Smith, by e-mail at [fssmith@indiana.edu](mailto:fssmith@indiana.edu) or by placing a printed document in her mailbox. Essays should be no longer than two pages, single-spaced, and should be submitted by Saturday, Feb. 7. A committee of students and faculty will select students to present their thoughts at a noon-time event in the Moot Court Room. The goal will be a variety of perspectives on *Brown* and a lively discussion. This event is sponsored by BLSA.

### **Feb. 1-29**

#### **Library Display**

The Law Library's annual Black History Month display will focus on *Brown v. Board of Education*.

T.B.A.

Panel Discussion: International Aspects of *Brown v. Board of Education*

This panel will examine the *Brown* decision and the U.S. Civil Rights Movement from an international perspective and, conversely, the international contributions to the decision and to the movement.

### **March 31**

#### **Center for Law, Society, and Culture Speaker and Workshop: Gary Orfield**

Gary Orfield, of the Harvard School of Education, is the foremost authority on the resegregation of public education following *Brown*. Orfield, whose demographic work lies at the intersection of law and society, will speak about the use of social science in the law. The presentation will be followed by a workshop with participants from the Law School and other departments on the Bloomington campus.

### **April 7-8**

## **Visit by Alvin Chambliss**

Alvin Chambliss, a civil rights litigator, represents the non-settling parties in litigation against the state of Mississippi for its failure to fund historically black universities (Jackson State, Alcorn, and Mississippi Valley) at the same level as other state universities.

**April 8**

### **Film Screening and Discussion: *The Road to Brown***

*The Road to Brown* describes the legal strategy that Charles Hamilton Houston and Thurgood Marshall devised to bring *Plessy's* separate-but-equal rule before the Supreme Court. An introduction and subsequent discussion will put the film in context, fill in other perspectives, and encourage discussion.

More details and events will be announced at a later time. In addition, in late March and early April, as part of his Afro-American studies class, Racism and the Law, Frank Motley (former dean of admissions for the Law School) is showing episodes of *Eyes on the Prize, America's Civil Rights Years 1954-1965*, a film by Henry Hampton. Watch the *ILA* for more details.

## **CAMPUS EVENTS**

### **FORMER AMBASSADOR TO AFGHANISTAN TO SPEAK THURSDAY**

The first U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan in more than 20 years, Robert P. Finn, will give the Chancellor's Forum Lecture, "Afghanistan: Where Do We Stand?" at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 22, in the Georgian Room at the Indiana Memorial Union. In his talk, Finn will discuss the changes in Afghanistan since 9/11. Afghanistan was one of the poorest countries in the world before it was destroyed by 23 years of civil war. The worldwide effort to aid Afghanistan since 9/11 has brought a new government, the war on terrorism, and a multi-billion dollar program of assistance. Finn will examine each of these and their effects on Afghanistan, where movement is taking place, and what the needs are for the future.

Finn is currently the Ertegun Visiting Professor in the Near East Studies Department at Princeton University. He served as the U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan from March 2002 until August 2003. Previously, he held the position of Ertegun Professor at Princeton, following service as the U.S. Ambassador to Tajikistan. His other diplomatic postings include Istanbul, Ankara, and Izmir in Turkey; Lahore, Pakistan; and Zagreb, Croatia. He opened the U.S. embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan, in 1992. He has received numerous awards from the U.S. government, including one for heroism.

### **WATCH BASKETBALL, SUPPORT CANCER RESEARCH**

During this Sunday's women's basketball game against Purdue, the Hoosiers will be looking to "Pack the Hall" as they team up with Vera Bradley, Inc., to battle breast cancer. If the Hoosiers can draw at least 10,000 fans to the game, Vera Bradley, Inc., will make a \$10,000 donation to

fight breast cancer through the Vera Bradley Center for Breast Cancer Research. The game is at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 25, in Assembly Hall.

## TALK ON PHILANTHROPY AND THE RISE OF CIVIL SOCIETY

Kathleen McCarthy, who is on the faculty at City University of New York, will speak at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Coronation Room (inside the Tudor Room) at the Indiana Memorial Union. Her topic will be her new book, *American Creed: Philanthropy and the Rise of Civil Society, 1700-1865*, looking at the rise of civil society and paying particular attention to the roles of African Americans and women.

If you have questions, contact the Poynter Center at 855-0261 or [poynter@indiana.edu](mailto:poynter@indiana.edu).

## NEWS FROM THE FACULTY

Professor **Sarah Jane Hughes** will present the working draft of an article on electronic payments systems and their current legal environments at the Winter Working Meeting of the American Bar Association's Cyberspace Law subcommittee in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., on Jan. 23-24. This article is scheduled for publication in 2004 in *The Business Lawyer*.

On Jan. 10, Professor **Ajay Mehrotra** gave a presentation at the American Historical Association's annual conference in Washington, D.C. His paper was entitled, "Lawyers, Guns & Public Monies: The U.S. Treasury, WWI, and the Administration of the Fiscal State." (See more news about Mehrotra in the Announcements section below.)

Professor **Aviva Orenstein** delivered a presentation on attorney-client privilege in the Clinton White House, drawing on various sources, including her colleague Fedwa Malti-Douglas' book, *The Starr Report Disrobed*, and Hillary Clinton's *Living History*. In the talk, she examined the special issues raised when government lawyers attempt to assert a privilege against another arm of the government. Orenstein also delivered a luncheon address on civility to the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana last November. She and 2L **Torrence Lewis** have written a law review article on civility for the inaugural issue of the DTCL's law journal, questioning among other things how judges and law professors can model civility. Orenstein was also recently featured as an expert negotiator on WTIU's children's program *The Friday Zone*.

Professor **David Snyder** became chair-elect of the AALS Section on Contracts at the annual meeting.

## NEWS FROM STUDENT AFFAIRS

### PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETING

The semester meeting of the presidents, chairs, and chiefs of student organizations will be held at noon on Tuesday, Jan. 20, in room 122. If leaders cannot attend, a delegate or representative should be sent in their stead.

## **NEWS FROM CAREER SERVICES**

### **PUBLIC INTEREST PRESENTATION**

**Sara Slaughter**, JD'88, will speak to students interested in careers in public interest law at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 22, in the Moot Court Room. Slaughter is the program director for Chicago Metropolis 2020, a not-for-profit organization created by the Commercial Club of Chicago. She is known for her work in child advocacy, including the movement for access to preschool in Illinois. Before taking the position with Chicago Metropolis 2020, Slaughter served as a senior policy advisor to former Indiana Governor Evan Bayh, as an associate with Kirkland & Ellis, and as a federal judicial clerk.

### **INDIANAPOLIS JOBS CONNECTION**

**Susan Macey** will be working with the Career Services Office to help students connect with central Indiana employers. Macey, JD'80, works as a mediator, arbitrator, and private judge in Indianapolis. After graduation, she was a solo practitioner, worked as a staff attorney with several governmental agencies, and practiced labor and employment law at Barnes & Thornburg, Indianapolis.

Macey is very familiar with the court system in Marion County and surrounding areas, where she served as a court commissioner for four years and as a state trial court judge for an additional eight years. Some of you may know her as an adjunct professor here at the Law School, where she taught Mediation Skills during the 2003 spring and fall semesters. Macey is very active with both the Indiana State Bar Association and the Indianapolis Bar Association and has forged alliances with many central Indiana legal employers over the last 20 years.

Macey will be available approximately one day per week to meet with students in the Career Services Office. Her first day here will be Tuesday, Jan. 20. Most weeks, she will be available on Fridays. Sign up in the Career Services Office or contact Bruce Farrand (bfarrand@indiana.edu; 855-0258) to schedule an appointment.

## **NEWS FROM STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **BUSINESS AND LAW SOCIETY MEETING NEXT TUESDAY**

The Business and Law Society will hold a meeting at 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the Student Lounge. Come and share your ideas regarding business/law joint degree programs.

### **LAW AND DRAMA SOCIETY ASKS: CARE TO JOIN ME IN THE DINING ROOM?**

At 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 29-30 in the Moot Court Room, the Law and Drama Society will perform *The Dining Room*, by A.R. Gurney. Seating will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$2 each (cash only) and go on sale next week. They can also be purchased directly from Dave Campbell.

Written in 1982, *The Dining Room* is set in the dining room of a typical well-to-do household. The action consists of a mosaic of interrelated scenes, some funny, some touching, some rueful, which, taken together, create an in-depth portrait of a vanishing species: the upper-middle-class WASP. Dovetailing swiftly and smoothly, the varied scenes coalesce, ultimately, into a theatrical experience of exceptional range, compassionate humor, and abundant humanity.

Renowned co-directors Beth Chitty and Erin Knowles have assembled a tremendous cast, featuring Justin "Solid Gold" Treasure, Anthony "Make It So" Spotts, Cassie "Stuck on You" Stekly, Komail "Noonan!" Mooman, and more! Seats will fill up soon, so get your tickets now!

Dramatically Yours,

Dave Campbell and Justin Treasure

Co-Presidents, Law and Drama Society

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## **WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY**

The Women's Law Caucus will be having our first general meeting of the semester at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 21, in room 122. We will be discussing the auction, and refreshments will be served. Please plan to attend!

## **WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS AUCTION NEXT MONTH**

Mark your calendars! This year's Women's Law Caucus Auction will be held on Friday, Feb. 6, at the Bluebird. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Look for details to follow in the coming weeks!

## **NEWS FROM INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

### **INFORMATION SESSION TODAY ON THE NEW YORK BAR EXAM**

International students interested in taking the New York bar exam should attend the information session at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 20, in room 214.

### **JOB RESEARCH AND NETWORKING TALK NEXT WEEK**

If you are interested in job research and networking, please attend the Career Services/International Programs Office session about this topic at noon on Monday, Jan. 26, in room 122.

### **NEW YEAR PARTY IN FEBRUARY**

The Office of International Programs (Lesley Davis, Tim Martin, and Lisa Farnsworth) is planning a Chinese/Taiwanese/ Korean New Year Party. The tentative date for the party is Thursday, Feb. 5. We need help planning the party! If you are a Korean, Chinese, or Taiwanese student or scholar interested in helping to plan the party, please contact Lesley Davis or Tim Martin. Don't worry, Thai students, there will also be a Thai New Year party in April!

## **ENGLISH CONVERSATION PARTNERS**

The English Conversation Partners Program will begin again this semester. If you did not join the program last semester but wish to join now, please e-mail Lesley Davis at leedavis@indiana.edu. If you joined last semester but do not wish to continue, please also e-mail Lesley Davis. If you joined last semester and you DO wish to continue, you do NOT need to e-mail anyone! You will be contacted automatically via e-mail about the first meeting of the semester. The first meeting date has not yet been finalized, but it will probably be in the last week of January.

## **F-1 VISA INFORMATION FOR SPRING AND SUMMER GRADUATES**

F-1 visa students graduating in May or this summer: If you want to work in the U.S. after graduation or plan to take the New York bar exam in July or February, please read the following important information from the IU Office of International Services about your visa status!

If you meet all of the above criteria, you need to sign up for and attend an OPT (Optional Practical Training) information session as soon as possible. (Summer grads, please sign up for a session four months in advance of graduation.) OPT provides you with U.S. work permission within your field of study for up to one year after graduation. OPT takes three to four months to process, so we need to submit your requests as soon as possible. We will provide you with the application forms and instructions only at the OPT information sessions.

Please sign up at <http://webdb.iu.edu/InternationalServices/scripts/ois/myOISLogin.cfm>. This should give you access to MyOIS Services. Alternatively, go to [www.indiana.edu/~intlsvr](http://www.indiana.edu/~intlsvr) and click on MyOIS.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Professor **Ajay Mehrotra**, who welcomed a new addition to the family last week Siddhartha Vishal Mehrotra (7 lbs., 4 oz., 21").

### **STUDENT AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Admissions Office is seeking student volunteers to participate in the Student Ambassador Program. As a student ambassador, you will give prospective applicants and visitors tours of the school, take them to classes, and answer general questions about the school, program, and

community. If you are interested in participating, please stop by the Admissions Office, room 230, to pick up a schedule. If you have questions, please call the office at 855-4765 or contact Dani Weatherford (maweathe@indiana.edu), Kristy Frye (klfrye@indiana.edu), or Pat Clark (psclark@indiana.edu).

## **THAI TRANSLATION HELP NEEDED**

The Law Library has received two books in Thai and needs some help from a Thai student in order to read and catalog them. If you can help, please contact Michael Maben at mmaben@indiana.edu. Thank you!

## **SCHEDULING EVENTS**

All e-mail about reserving classrooms must be sent to BL-LAW-EVENTS. Mail must be sent to the correct address, bl-law-events (for Outlook users) or bl-events-law@exchange.indiana.edu (for non- Outlook users). Please include the date and time of event, length of time room will be needed, classroom requested and number of people attending event. Requests should be sent at least one week before the event and include the name of the person requesting, the organization planning the event, and an e-mail address. Confirmations will be sent by reply e-mail. Thank you!

## **AUDIO - VIDEO SERVICES**

Requests for AV services may be sent to Beth at av@exchange.indiana.edu. Please include the name of your group and the e-mail address of the contact person, a description of what you want to do, and the date, location, starting time and duration of the event. Requests must be made at least 48 hours in advance and will be confirmed by e-mail.

## **CALENDAR**

**Jan. 20:** Student groups presidents' meeting, noon, room 122; New York bar exam information session, 5 p.m., room 214

**Jan. 21:** Town Meeting with Dean Robel, noon, Moot Court Room; Women's Law Caucus meeting, noon, room 122

**Jan. 22:** Career Services presentation: Sara Slaughter on public interest careers, 4:30 p.m., Moot Court Room

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**Submissions:** Information and articles for the ILA should be submitted by Friday at 3 p.m. for inclusion in Monday's edition. Please e-mail all submissions to [ila@indiana.edu](mailto:ila@indiana.edu).