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SBA News

Highlights of the 9/16 Meeting

Commencement Speaker Committee: Dean Girth has authorized Robby Hughes to establish a Commencement Speaker Committee to report to Dean Girth.

Final Schedules: Professor Sobelson told Robby Hughes that the 4th floor is considering various student complaints regarding final schedules. A student survey on the issue was discussed.

Discrepancies in Catalog of Classes Listings: The Curriculum Committee has asked the SBA to compile a list of discrepancies between the classes advertised in the current catalog of classes and those actually being taught.

Student Evaluations: Dean Morgan has asked the SBA to evaluate the feasibility of the SBA coordinating and publishing Student Evaluations of Courses.

Committees: Several new committees were formed at the last SBA meeting. If you are interested in serving on any of these committees, please contact the committee chairperson.

Academic Calendar: Discussion regarding the effect on law students of various Religious Holiday schedule conflicts. It was suggested that a firm policy from the faculty regarding taping of classes for such excused absences would be helpful.

Old Business: Three items were tabled until the next regular meeting: student ranking policy changes, commercial coffee preparation, and non-law student loitering in the second floor lounge area.

Next Meeting: October 14, 1991 at 5:00 in Room 325A.

Notes from the Assistant Dean

Bar Exam Information: On November 4, at 5:00 in Room 100, Bucky Askew and Larry Thompson of the Board of Bar Examiners will answer questions you may have about the Bar and provide a sample question.

Surviving With Stress: Anxious? Tense? Do you have the December Exam Dreads already? Take a shot at managing the stress in your life and learn the specifics of relaxation before December arrives. On October 28 from 5:00-6:00, the first of a two-part seminar especially designed to help Law Students survive the end of the semester will be held in room 325-B. Dr. Katherine Bruss, Senior Staff Psychologist at the GSU Counseling Center, will

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Notice!

WARNING! - It has come to our attention that there is an individual who has harassed several people in the College of Law over the last few weeks. This individual can be described as follows:

Black male, 37 years of age, 5'10" tall, 175 lbs. He has a light brown complexion and heavy freckles with brown eyes, reddish hair and a medium build.

If you see an individual matching this description, **DO NOT** confront him, but call the Georgia State University Police immediately at 651-2100.

Escorts to the parking deck are available upon request. Call 651-2100.

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demonstrate some healthy coping strategies that could make the exam period less of a strain on you and your family. Sign up with the third floor receptionist if you plan to come (so we aren't so stressed out about how many people to expect). The saga continues in Part Two on November 25, same place, same time.

Moved? Moving? Be sure and let Charles or Tricia know your new address and telephone number when you move. How else to get those great grades in the mail?

Calendar Updates: We realize that not everyone has gotten their October events in the calendar, so look for updates--posted on the second and third floors. Check dates in the lower right-hand corner to see if the information is from the current week.

Jacqueline A. St. Germain

Update on the Law Library

Thank you for being very patient while the Law Library is being reassembled back to its original condition. Since the Library received heavy water damage, workers had to install new carpeting, repair walls, and clean shelving. Fortunately, no books or computers were damaged. The staff appreciates your great cooperation during this emergency situation.

Nancy Johnson

The Hearsay Column

Have you heard . . .

. . . that Andy Roberts has been accused (quite rudely) by a classmate of not living in the "real world"?

. . . about the unfortunate 2L who recently attended an on-campus interview with air conditioning in his suit when the seam of his trousers split?

. . . that GSU's proverbial Mr. Feelgood was heard saying as he entered the building last week, "I'll sure be glad when I'm outta this place. Anyplace else has got to be the best ever!"

. . . that the idea behind this column came from John Gravante?

Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity . . .

. . . welcomes all First Years, Second Years and Third Years to the new school year. Phi Delta Phi is the largest fraternity in the nation and in the world with chapters in such places as Costa Rica and Canada. Phi Delta Phi is proud to have as members six of the eight Justices currently sitting on the Supreme Court of the United States. And Phi Delta Phi would like to have YOU.

To join GSU's chapter of Phi Delta Phi, the Ben Johnson Inn, you have only to be in good standing as dictated by the GSU College of Law. Our activities this semester will include initiation in October, followed by a fraternity-sponsored celebration at Manuel's Tavern, a few service projects, and the Second Annual get-together at the Lawyers' Club in Atlanta, where prospective young attorneys can make great contacts.

Be sure to take advantage of all our RUSH activities. Applications are available outside Room 226, the law fraternity office. Once again, welcome, good luck, and COME JOIN US!

American Bar Association

If you have filled out an application to join the ABA and have not heard from them yet, we want to know. We will be contacting the ABA this week with a list of all people who have joined by who have not received any information from the ABA. If you are in this group of people, please let me know.

Kristen van der Linde

Publication Guidelines

- Items must be submitted by the 25th of each month in order to be included in the newsletter for the following month.
- Send items to Box #381, or leave them at the SBA office.
- Long items must be submitted on disk in WordPerfect format. Put your name on the disk.
- We cannot accept anonymous items however you may request anonymous publication.

"Racial Discrimination in Siting of Waste Facilities"

"Reality of Another Aspect of the NIMBY Syndrome?"

A Forum
with

Ray McKee - Georgia Environmental Project
and

Gordon Kenna - Chemwaste

Wednesday, October 2, 1991 at Noon. Room 170

Bring your own lunch.

Sponsored by the Environmental Law Society

Student Trial Lawyers Association

October Events

- Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, October 8 @ 12:15, Room 140. Assistant District Attorney Tom Jones will be on campus for our monthly meeting to discuss the fall tryout competition and answer any questions regarding the tryouts and explain what he expects from each participant.
- STLA fall tryouts, Friday afternoon, October 11 and Saturday morning, October 12, Room 140. If anyone needs a witness for the tryouts, check the sign-up sheet on the STLA office in Room 228.
- All 2L's please stop by the STLA office to fill out a questionnaire concerning a possible spring intraschool competition.

ATTENTION ALL EVIDENCE STUDENTS!
STLA still has a few "Federal Rules of Evidence" Review Cards for sale at \$7.00. See Susan Rappa, Mark Cole or Beth McFayden.

WANTED!

Cartoonist to publish caricatures and/or cartoons in *The Docket*.

Anecdotes for our new *Hearsay* column.

Your letters and comments.

Scholarship and Competition Opportunities

1992 Federation of Insurance and Corporate Counsel Foundation Student Essay Contest: any insurance related subject, including trial practice of liability litigation will be considered; prizes of \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,000 will be awarded; deadline for submission of essay on or before May 1, 1992.

American Society for Pharmacy Law/Upjohn Legal Research Award: paper in the subject area of "The Effect of Professional Codes of Ethics on the Standards of Practice of Pharmacy;" \$2,500 awarded, to be used for continuing the recipient's professional education; deadline for receipt of paper is November 30, 1991.

H. Thomas Austern Memorial Writing Competition, sponsored by the Food and Drug Law Institute; awards in the amount of \$3,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000; possible topics include an in-depth analysis of a current issue including a review of relevant case law, legislative history and other authorities, where agencies such as the FDA, the USDA, the FTC, the CPSC or the EPA are involved; deadline for receipt of paper is June 12, 1992.

\$5,000 Writing Scholarship sponsored by the 1992-93 Food and Drug Law Institute; for degree candidates in good standing who will receive a J.D. or an LL.M. during 1993; under the direction of the Professor teaching Administrative Law, prepare a paper of publishable quality on a subject relevant to the field of Food and Drug Law; deadline for receipt of paper April 24, 1992.

Law Internship Program at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Environmental Sciences Division; researching and analyzing energy-related legal questions in areas of waste management, environmental issues, human health effects, facility security, and administrative law; \$2,000 stipend per month, for summer term 1992 appointments; application deadline February 15, 1992.

SBA Bookstore

In view of the great response to the SBA bookstore this fall, the SBA will continue to offer study aids for sale. Exam time is fast approaching and students will be looking for a little extra help to prepare. If you have used study aids at home, bring them in and make them work for you! If you're looking for study aids, don't pay "new" bookstore prices until you've checked out ours.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 CLC: 12:00, Rm 325-A.	2 ELS: 12:00, Rm 170, <i>Environmental Racism</i> - Panel Discussion. PDP: noon and 5:00, Rm 325-A, Organizational Meetings.	3	4	5	6 BLSA: 3:00- Rm 227- Exec Comm Mtg.
7	8 STLA: 12:15, Rm 230- Gen Meeting. CLC: noon, Rm 325-A. ICLS: 5:30, Rm 230- Gen Meeting.	9 BLSA: 5:00-Rm 170- Reception For Hartfield	10	11 <i>MIDPOINT: LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW & RECEIVE "W".</i> STLA: 1:00-7:00 pm- Rm 140- Fall Tryouts for Competition Teams.	12 BLSA: 1:00- Rm 230- General Assembly Mtg. STLA: Fall Tryouts.	13
14 SBA: 5:00, Rm 325-A, Gen Meeting.	15 CLC: 12:00, Rm 325-A.	16	17 MOOT COURT- San Diego: National Criminal Procedure Competition. <i>Sigma Xi</i> : 3:00, Rm 310.	18 MTCT- San Diego.	19 MTCT- San Diego.	20 MTCT- San Diego. BLSA: 3:00, Rm 227- Exec Comm Mtg.
21 RWA: 1st open memo due.	22 CLC: 12:00, Rm 325-A.	23 MOOT COURT: Chicago- John Marshall Info & Privacy Law.	24 MTCT: Chicago.	25 MTCT: Chicago.	26 MTCT: Chicago.	27 MTCT: Chicago.
28 <i>Exam Stress Seminar-</i> 5:00-6:00, Rm 325-B.	29 CLC: 12:00, Rm 325-A. BLSA: 5:00- Rm 325A, Survival Skills: <i>Basic Exam Writing.</i>	30	31			