



DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF LAW

Newsletter

April 16, 2010

Welcome to this issue of **your** student newsletter. If there is something you would like to see featured in this newsletter send a message to depaulnews@depaul.edu. The final edition for the semester will be published Friday, April 30th.

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University News You Can Use – from Public Safety

Safety Tips from the Office of Public Safety

In an urban environment crime is a fact of life. Your effort to avoid becoming a victim is a large step towards beating the odds of victimization. Alertness, confidence, and trust in your instincts are your best resources. We have a few tips on personal safety for you:

1. Thieves are looking for an opportunity, for easy prey. Leaving your valuables unattended even for a short time opens the opportunity window to the wily. Since there is so much public traffic through our buildings, community members should not get too comfortable and forget that valuables, particularly small items, can easily be concealed and lifted.
2. Study in open areas around other people. An isolated, empty classroom might be quiet but it is not as safe and secure as a general area.
3. After you have locked your locker, give the lock a good tug to insure that it has caught then give the tumbler a spin.
4. Travel with friends. Avoid people on the street who you feel might present a problem.
5. Let us know about suspicious individuals or activity. Please report any and all crime.

Lost and Found

The University maintains a Lost and Found office within the Office of Public Safety. At the Loop campus lost items can either be taken to the Communication Center, Lewis Hall-LL101, 25 East Jackson, Chicago or can be turned in to officers at Loop Public Safety stations. All items are kept in the Public Safety Office (lower Level Lewis Building) for 30 days. So if you lost something in the last month, you might want to check with Public Safety again – it may have been turned in.

**The DePaul Journal for Social Justice presents
Five Years After the Storm: Social Justice Perspectives Post Katrina and Rita**

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 room 903

11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. lecture, 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. Q&A Lunch will be provided!

The Continuing Storms: Structural Discrimination in Gulf Coast Disaster Recovery

Speakers:

Craig Baab, Senior Fellow/Policy & Development, Alabama Appleseed Center for Law and Justice

Maddie Sloan, Staff Attorney, Texas Appleseed

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 room 804

11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. lecture, 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. Q&A Lunch will be provided!

Social Justice: A Post-Katrina Perspective on Thought and Action

Dr. Jerry W. Ward, Jr., Distinguished Scholar and Professor of English and African World Studies, Dillard University

Thursday, April 22, 2010 room 905

11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. lecture, 1:00 to 1:20 p.m. Q&A Lunch will be provided!

Fair, Just, and Equitable Public Services in the Storm's Aftermath: New Orleans After Katrina

Gloria Simo, Assistant Director, Chaddick Institute of Metropolitan Development and Assistant Professor, DePaul University

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Public Interest News – Pro Bono Service Reception

The *Pro Bono* and Community Service Initiative Service Reception is scheduled for April 21, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in the Rinn Law Library Rare Book Room. All students who have reported at least fifty hours of service will be honored, but everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Misericordia Candy Days Friday, April 23rd and Saturday, April 24th.

DePaul law students are invited to participate in the annual Misericordia Candy Days on Friday, April 23rd and Saturday, April 24th.

Misericordia / Heart of Mercy is a private Chicago non-profit organization that provides a home and services to persons with developmental disabilities. For more on Misericordia visit <http://misericordia.org>

Candy Days is a fun and simple way to help raise funds for Misericordia. You can volunteer to sign-up by contacting DePaul staff person Liz Coughlin (ecoughli@depaul.edu). Volunteering for Candy Days would not be an all-day effort – the minimum time commitment is only two hours (although volunteers are welcome to stay longer!). Because Candy Days takes place throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, people can volunteer near DePaul or in their own neighborhoods. Volunteers can check out Misericordia's Facebook page to see some locations

For questions, contact Liz Coughlin of The DePaul University Center for Writing at ecoughli@depaul.edu or Chaplain Tom Judge at tjudge@depaul.edu

Intellectual Property Scholarship Opportunity – deadline May 20, 2010

Applications are now being accepted to be the DePaul College of Law's nominee for the Jan Jancin Award sponsored by the American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation. More information regarding the award can be found at http://www.aiplef.org/scholarships/jan_jancin. A copy of the application form is available by emailing Asst. Dean Taylor at ctaylor@depaul.edu and requesting the 2010 Jan Jancin Application. The deadline for submitting applications is May 20, 2010. Applications should be submitted to Professor Bressler at bbressle@depaul.edu.

Justinian Society of Lawyers Scholarship - Deadline April 30, 2010

The DuPage County Chapter of the Justinian Society of Lawyers will, once again, be awarding a scholarship to a student of Italian extraction who has completed at least one semester of law school. As of today, NO APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY A.S.A.P. The scholarship program is only for students attending colleges in Illinois. They generally award two scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000. The scholarships will be awarded May 27, 2010. Submissions must include a completed application; a brief written statement from the applicant indicating professional objectives, the reasons why this scholarship should be awarded to the applicant and any special factors that the Committee should consider; a letter of recommendation by a faculty member of the law school attended by applicant (which may be sent directly to the Committee but must be received by the Committee before the application deadline); and a copy of the applicant's most recently filed Federal income tax return and a copy of W2s and 1099s for subsequent calendar years. Applicants must attend the Justinian Scholarship and Installation Dinner on May 27th. Applicants may include a more detailed breakdown of income and expenses if he or she believes that information regarding financial need is important for the Committee to know. All applications and recommendations must be received no later than April 30th, 2010. For a copy of the application with all the submission guidelines, send an email to Dean Taylor at ctaylor@depaul.edu and request the Justinian Scholarship Application.

37th Annual Latino Law Student Association (LLSA) Scholarship and Awards Banquet Celebrando Nuestras Raices

Friday, April 23, 2010 6:00 p.m.
National Museum of Mexican Art
1852 West 19th Street, Chicago, Illinois

Keynote Address: Jose E. Lopez, Executive Director, Puerto Rican Cultural Center
Community Service Award Honoree: Immigrant Youth Justice League

Tickets may be purchased at the door: \$40/alumni and faculty, \$30/student. Seating is limited. Please RSVP to llsa.depaul@gmail.com or 312-362-5145.

American Bar Association – join by April 30th and get 4 months free

Membership in the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association can be a powerful resource! As an ABA law student member, you can:

- Apply for internships and scholarships in various practice specialties.
- Become a national leader and advocate for law students across the country.
- Participate in writing contests and national practice-related competitions.

- Receive a monthly magazine focused on law student issues as well as the *ABA Journal*, the nation's most read and respected legal magazine.
- Learn more about specific practice areas through membership in 30-plus specialty groups.

At just \$25 a year, this is a good investment for all law students. Whatever your year in law school, now is the time. It's easy to enroll online at www.abanet.org/join/career. Or join by phone at 1-800-285-2221. Be sure to enroll by April 30, 2010, to receive an additional four months free.

If you would like to submit something to the newsletter, send an email to depaulnews@depaul.edu

Information on WRITING COMPETITIONS will be sent out every other Friday on the dates that the newsletter is not published.