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Academic and Student Events Bring Top Legal Minds to Campus

While Loyola was ranked fifth in 2010 by The Princeton Review for "Best Classroom Experience," the school has also been providing alumni and students with numerous learning opportunities outside of class. Loyola's leading-edge symposia attract expert lecturers, offering students an opportunity to explore their legal interests, as well as providing alumni and other legal professionals an opportunity to share in these experiences and earn CLE credits. The Law School's thought-provoking panels, led by prominent faculty and legal heavyweights, continue to bring students and alumni together for a true meeting of the minds.

The legal community flocked to this year's Fidler Institute on Criminal Justice, which took place at Loyola on April 9, 2010, to get current on criminal law topics ranging from stitching to cutting-edge issues in forensic science. Professor Laurie Levenson described the program's strengths by saying, "Once again, the Fidler Institute on Criminal Justice is tackling the toughest issues facing our criminal justice system today: prison reform, prosecutorial misconduct, snitches and how to responsibly handle forensic evidence. The Fidler Institute is the one place where prosecutors, defense lawyers, judges, professors, government officials and students can come together to find solutions. It is amazing to have so many people with such a variety of expertise under one roof. We are proud that Loyola is the go-to place for criminal law."

Loyola hosted the educational and inspirational symposium, "A Journey to Justice," in February 2010, which highlighted topics focused on civil rights law. The symposium included panels on race and litigation and innocence. Exoneratee and symposium panelist Herman Atkins described his 12 years in prison before being released from a 45-year sentence after DNA testing confirmed his innocence. The panels were followed by the presentation of the Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. Public Service Award to the Honorable Terry J. Hatter, Jr., Senior Judge and Chief Judge Emeritus of the United States District Court, Central District of California.

Loyola's law reviews have also been at the helm of creating opportunities to learn outside of the classroom. In March 2010, the Loyola of Los Angeles International and Comparative Law Review brought together international disability rights policy makers for a three-panel program examining the significance of the United Nations (U.N.) Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Speakers including Stephanie Ortoloives, former adviser on disability policy, U.S. Department of State, and Dr. Michael Stein, executive director of the Harvard Law School Project on Disability, discussed their strategies for widespread ratification and implementation of the convention.

Associate Dean Michael Waterstone said, "The symposium on the U.N. Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities was a fantastic success. We were able to hear from many of the people who were directly involved in negotiating the treaty, as well as those who are responsible for implementing it amongst various countries. In addition to these leaders engaging each other, they also engaged our audience, who became an active part of the day's sessions."

Yet another outstanding program presented by Loyola's Civil Justice Program was the March 2010 symposium, "Injuries without Remedies." The program brought together dozens of academics and practitioners alike through four panels examining the many facets of remedies. Professor John Nockleby described the intricacies of the symposium topic noting, "Many people assume that what the law defines as an 'injury' is constant over time. However, neither 'injury' nor 'remedies' are static, but changing in meaning and content over time. The

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SYMPOSIUM AND AWARDS RECEPTION (B)
Friday, February 19, 2010
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles, CA
Honoree: Hon. Terry J. Hatter, Jr., United States District Court, Central District of California; and the Hon. Michael Tynan, Los Angeles Superior Court
Speaker: Stanley Goldman, Loyola Law School professor and director of the Center for the Study of Law and Genocide

DEAN'S BRUNCH (C)
Sunday, March 14, 2010
At the home of Dean Victor Gold – Los Angeles, CA
Speaker: Stanley Goldman, Loyola Law School professor and director of the Center for the Study of Law and Genocide

WESTSIDE ALUMNI HAPPY HOUR
Thursday, February 25, 2010
X Bar – Los Angeles, CA

SAN DIEGO ALUMNI RECEPTION (G)
Wednesday, March 3, 2010
LB Steak/Lafayette Bank – San Jose, CA

SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI RECEPTION (D)
Thursday, March 4, 2010
Constellation Wines U.S. – San Francisco, CA
Host: Ken Minami '86

SACRAMENTO ALUMNI LUNCH (E)
Friday, March 5, 2010
esquire Grill – Sacramento, CA

LOYOLA DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS BRUNCH (F)
Sunday, March 7, 2010
At the home of Professor Laurie Levenson – Los Angeles, CA
Guest of Honor: Hon. Steve Cooley, Los Angeles District Attorney

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION (PILF)
Friday, April 2, 2010
Constellation Wines U.S. – San Francisco, CA

ATTORNEYS BRUNCH (G)
Saturday, April 3, 2010
Suede Lounge – Los Angeles, CA

1989 EVENING DIVISION REUNION (K)
Sunday, April 11, 2010
Rock’N Fish @ L.A. LIVE – Los Angeles, CA

1996 ALUMNI DINNER (H)
Wednesday, April 21, 2010
Montage – Beverly Hills, CA
Honorees: California Super Lawyers magazine for seven consecutive years. Samuel Liu, speaker chair for the SBA, loves the idea of bringing alumni like Phan back to campus. “Loyola has produced some of the best trial attorneys in the nation; they are leaders in every aspect of the law, and as students, we can really benefit from their experience and wisdom,” noted Liu.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION (PILF)
Friday, April 30, 2010
Constellation Wines U.S. – San Francisco, CA

LOYOLA DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS BRUNCH (F)
Sunday, April 4, 2010

SACRAMENTO ALUMNI LUNCHEON (E)
Friday, April 16, 2010
Rock’N Fish @ L.A. LIVE – Los Angeles, CA

1989 E VENING D IVISION R EUNION (K)
Saturday, April 10, 2010

LATINO ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION AND HISPANIC NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION Moot Court Competition Awards Ceremony (I)
Saturday, April 10, 2010
Suede Lounge – Los Angeles, CA

LOYOLA DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS BRUNCH (F)
Sunday, April 11, 2010

SACRAMENTO ALUMNI LUNCH (E)
Friday, April 16, 2010
Rock’N Fish @ L.A. LIVE – Los Angeles, CA
John Horn’s involvement with Loyola Law School’s Alumni Association Board of Governors began long before he was elected president of the group. He had his first experience with the board as a student while serving as SBA president. “I was an ex-officio member so I had attended several board meetings as a student,” Horn noted. Of his continued involvement with the school, Horn added, “I have always been involved in the Loyola community, serving on the SBA for four years, including two as president, as well as teaching dispute resolution as an adjunct professor.” As a professional, Horn felt that there was a tremendous need for alternative dispute resolution (ADR) to be taught from a practitioner’s perspective rather than a philosophical model. Horn approached Loyola with his ideas and a course plan, and for the past decade he has shared his expertise with Loyola students.

As president of the Board of Governors, Horn has projects in motion to bolster the alumni network through technology. When asked about his plans as president, Horn elaborated, “My primary goal for the year is to establish Loyola Connect as a viable and useful way for the Loyola alumni community to grow stronger and more valuable. Since content and connections are the most important keys to our success, now that the site has officially launched, my objective for this year is to drive as much traffic through the site as possible.”

Horn received his Juris Doctor from Loyola in 1998, his Master of Business Administration from the University of Southern California and his Bachelor of Arts from the University of California, Berkeley. He sits on multiple committees of the Dispute Resolution Section of the ABA. He is currently president-elect of the California Dispute Resolution Council and participates in the activities of numerous other bar and ADR-related organizations.

John Horn ’96 plans to make alumni networking a cornerstone of his presidency. With these wins under their belts, the teams went on to participate in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition in Chicago in April 2010. At the national final, the team of Peter Klausner, Ashley Farrell and Blake Osborn placed 12th in the country out of 201 teams with Peter Klausner being named the number three oralist in the country. The team of Jonathan Burke, Danielle Claxton and Brian Hong placed 18th in the country out of 201 teams. The winning teams were coached by Joel Richlin ’06 and Courtney Ryan ’09 with the direction of faculty advisor Rebecca Dellino. The Jessup Moot Court Team was also on a winning streak, placing third in the U.S. Pacific Super Regionals. The team consisting of Diana Rivero, Jessica Rankin, Sonya Servin, and Tatyana Gomerman beat out teams including Stanford, Hastings, UC Davis, Cal Western, USC and UCLA. Servin and Gomerman received Outstanding Oralist Awards out of 114 participants. Judith Weston ’99 coached the Jessup team.

The training and preparation of these competitions has given Loyola students an edge that helps them hit the ground running when they begin their legal careers. Gabriela Ramirez described the advantage gained by her participation on the HNBA Moot Court Team: “This experience has taught me so much about the art of appellate advocacy. Not only have I improved my writing and oral advocacy skills, but I have also had the experience of arguing before prominent judges and attorneys. All of this makes me feel ready and eager to begin my legal career.”