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LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL
ALUMNI NEWSLETTER
WINTER 1999

“DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS” ROBERT C. BAKER HIGHLIGHTS 1999 ALUMNI DINNER FEB 18

Loyola Law School will honor three very diverse, yet equally impressive, members of the Law School community at this year's Annual Alumni Dinner scheduled for February 18, 1999, at the Petersen Automotive Museum. Robert C. Baker '71, truly a "gentleman lawyer", has been selected to receive the 1999 Distinguished Alumnus Award; Henry C. Yuen '80, the dynamic and innovative CEO of Gemstar International Group, will accept Loyola's Corporate Excellence Award; and the Law School will bid a fond farewell to a great friend, The Reverend Thomas P. O'Malley, S.J., who is stepping down as President of Loyola Marymount University.

The Alumni Association Board of Governors will present their Recognition Awards to five distinguished members of the Loyola Law School community at a private reception preceding the Dinner; they will also be introduced during the Dinner program. Those honored by the Board this year include Robert W. Murray, Jr. '91, Mark J. Spaulding '86, Maria C. Vargas-Rodriguez '73, Grace K. Tevis, and Maria D. Villa '86. These individuals are recognized by the Board for the positive impact they have made in either their professional or private lives on their own community, the community at large, the legal profession or the Law School.

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LOYOLA ADOPTION DAY – PRO BONO OPPORTUNITY FOR ALUMS & STUDENTS

Here's one of those "feel good, everybody wins" situations ... The Loyola Women's Roundtable (and FIRM) under the direction of the Law School's Pro Bono Office and Public Counsel, will sponsor a Loyola Adoption Day on Saturday, January 30, 1999, on the Law School campus. You don't have to know anything about adoption, you just have to want (or need) to give some time to pro bono work - as much as you want, or as little as two hours. And, this is not a "for women only" event, it is open to all Loyola alumni and students.

Adoption Day will begin with registration and check-in at 9:00 a.m., followed by a training session for students and alumni, for which attorneys may receive MCLE credit.* Lunch will follow, then a 2-hour session during which cases will be assigned. Alumni who are not taking on a case themselves will be

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WOMEN’S ROUNDTABLE SPONSORS SPA DAY AND “KICK ASS CHARM SCHOOL” IN MARCH

“Kick Ass Charm School – Make Over Inside and Out,” an entertaining and informative presentation by alumna Kimberly Smith ’84 and her colleague, Katherine James, a jury consultant, highlights the Loyola Women’s Roundtable fundraiser on Sunday, March 7, 1999. Full spa services will be available before, after and between class sessions, and snacks and lunch will be provided.

The course, approved for two hours MCLE credit, offers valuable insights into how to present oneself, both verbally and physically, to get a message across. Tips on delivery, taking charge, reading verbal and non-verbal cues will be presented, as well as advice on how to create the impression of you that you want. This is a “for women only” event, but is not limited to Loyola alumnae. Participation is being solicited from a broad base of professional women who will benefit from both the education and the relaxation of the spa. Alumnae are encouraged to invite friends and colleagues to enjoy this unusual opportunity to learn and relax together.

Cost for each person will be determined by the spa services selected. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Alumni Relations Office 213.736.1029. Proceeds benefit Women’s Roundtable programs and scholarship fund which provides dependent care scholarships for students with the added expense of such care while attending law school.

WANT TO SIT WITH US?
The Women's Roundtable has reserved tables for the Alumni Dinner on February 18th. If you would like to be seated with us, please note it on your response card, or contact the Alumni Office via Fax: 213.384.1659 or E-mail: Nora.Romero@lls.edu

BYOBS PLANNED FOR SPRING

Loyola’s own brand of BYOB events, Bring Your Own Businesscard Networking Receptions, are being planned for spring. These events bring together Loyola alumni in various geographic areas to get reacquainted with former classmates, to bond with the Law School, and, most importantly, to help individuals build a strong network of Loyola alumni on whom they can call and to whom they can refer business.

All those attending bring a number of business cards, which are assembled so each person receives a packet of cards as they leave. The events are planned as an after office hours drop-in, generally from 6 to 8 p.m., with hors d’oeuvres and a no-host bar. They are held at law firms, residences or a local hotel or restaurant. A nominal contribution is usually requested to help off-set expenses. Invitations are sent to all alumni in a particular geographic area, and we list all up-coming BYOBs in the Alumni Newsletter as soon as we have definite dates and locations.

Plans are underway to hold BYOBs in the West San Fernando Valley, the San Gabriel Valley, West Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego.

Please contact the Alumni Relations Office if you or your firm is interested in co-sponsoring a BYOB, or if you would like us to notify you when an event is scheduled in your area, or an area of particular interest to you.

Alumni Relations Office via fax 213.384.1659; via E-mail karen.parks@lls.edu.

ST. THOMAS MORE LAW HONOR SOCIETY WILL HONOR FOUNDERS

Sunday, March 21, 1999
12 Noon
Location to be determined

Honorees:
The Honorable Manuel Real ‘51
U.S. District Court, Ninth Judicial Circuit
Roger Sullivan, Esq. ‘52
Partner, Sullivan, Workman & Dee

Tickets & Information: John DeFrance 323.460.2494
SILBERFELD NAMED LOYOLA "TRIAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR"

Roman M. Silberfeld, managing partner of the Los Angeles office of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi, will receive the Law School’s 1999 “Trial Lawyer of the Year” award at a dinner preceding the final rounds of the Scott Moot Court Honors Board Competition. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, beginning at 5:00 pm on the Law School campus.

The Final Round will be judged by three distinguished federal judges, The Honorable Terrence T. Evans, U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Judicial Circuit (Milwaukee, WI), The Honorable David Trager, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York (Brooklyn, NY), and The Honorable Kim M. Wardlaw, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Judicial Circuit (Los Angeles, CA). This Round is the culmination of several days of elimination rounds.

Silberfeld was selected this year in recognition of the totality of his career, during which he has earned “the respect, affection and admiration of even opposing counsel” according to Craig deRecat, vice president of the Alumni Association Board of Governors. “Roman is always a gentleman, the embodiment of the finest traditions of our profession.” Silberfeld was part of the team of lawyers from his national firm that successfully represented the State of Minnesota and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota in a lawsuit against the tobacco industry. The May 1998 settlement of that case provided not only financial compensation to the plaintiffs but also resulted in four permanent injunctions against tobacco industry efforts to market their products to children.

All alumni are invited to attend the Dinner and Final Rounds. You may contact Alumni Relations office to request an invitation, which will be mailed the first week in March. Interested individuals may call 213.736.1029, or e-mail Nora.Romero@lls.edu.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO ALUMNI FOR SUMMER 1999

**BOLOGNA, ITALY**
The University of Bologna  
2 OR 3 WEEK PROGRAMS  
MAY 30 – JUNE 18, 1999
- International Litigation
- Comparative Business Organizations
- International Arbitration

Application Deadline: March 15, 1999

**COSTA RICA/BELIZE**
The University of Costa Rica in San Jose  
3 WEEK PROGRAM  
JULY 17 – AUGUST 10, 1999
- International Environmental Law  
  *With Field Trip to Belize*

Application Deadline: April 9, 1999

**BEIJING, CHINA**
The law School of the University of International Business and Economics  
2 Week Program  
July 26 – August 7, 1999
- Comparative Securities Regulation
- International Products Liability Law

Application Deadline: March 30, 1999

All programs provide MCLE credit and are open to a limited number of alumni; the programs are primarily designed for current students.

For Information and Applications:  
Vlasta Lebo: 213.736.1423  
E-mail: Vlasta.Lebo@lls.edu
Alumni Dinner (continued from First Page)

Robert Baker was selected for this highest honor of the Alumni Association in recognition of his service to the Law School and the regard in which he is held in the legal community. Baker is considered a particularly strong role model for Loyola students. "You can't find a better lawyer anywhere. He's smart, articulate and a real gentleman," according to Dean Gerald T. McLaughlin.

The Petersen Automotive Museum was chosen as the venue to lend a new look and feel to the Dinner, and plans are for a high tech presentation, with large screens offering live feed of the program so everyone has an unobstructed view. The Museum itself adds a new dimension to the Dinner—the exhibits will be open to Dinner guests during the reception hour from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. A Program Book, which will carry greetings from Law School supporters, and friends and colleagues of the evening's honorees, was also introduced this year. The Book gives voice to those who wish to express their support and may not be able to attend, as well as to those who attend and would like to demonstrate their support in a more observable manner. Also new this year, the Alumni Office has reserved some tables in the center of the room for those attending by themselves. "In the past, many people have felt isolated when they attended the dinner alone, not being with a sponsoring firm. By assigning tables for these people in the center, we hope to make them feel more included and as important as they are to us" states Karen Parks, Director of Alumni Relations.

The Law School invites sponsorship of the Alumni Dinner as a means to underwrite some of the expense and provide additional scholarship funds to law students. Sponsors of the 1999 Dinner (as of the press date of this publication) include: Law Offices of Oscar A. Acosta; Alumni Association Board of Governors; American Building Maintenance; Arnett Electric; Barton Protective Services Inc.; Baker, Silberberg & Keener; Bank of America; Berger, Kahn, Shafton, Moss, Figler, Simon & Gladstone; Buchalter, Nemer, Fields & Younger; Burke, Williams & Sorensen; Christie, Parker & Hale; Daniels, Baretta & Fine; Epstein Becker & Green; Family & Friends of Robert C. Baker; Michael J. Fourticq-Hancock Park Associates; Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher; Girardi & Kees; Grant Parking Inc.; Haight, Brown & Bonesteel; Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe; Homburg Jaguar Inc.; JCM Facilities Planning & Management; Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue; KPMG Peat Marwick; Law Office of Thomas B. Kristovich; Manatt, Phelps & Phillips; Donna D. Melby, Esq.; MGM Grand; O'Melveny & Myers; Paxton Automotive Corp.; Peck/Jones Construction; Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi; Edward P. Roski, Jr. & Majestic Realty Co.; Simke Chodos; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom; Sullivan, Workman & Dee; Talcott, Lightfoot, Van de Velde & Sadowsky; and Geoffrey L. Taylor & Associates.

Sponsorship, Program Book pages, and tickets for the Alumni Dinner are available through the Alumni Relations Office. Please call Nora Romero at 213.736.1029 for further information or to make reservations.

Save this Date!

Saturday
June 26

1st Annual
Latino Alumni Scholarship Gala
Honoring Latinos in the Arts

For information, contact:
Office of Alumni Relations
213.736.1046
PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE TO RECENT ALUMS

Recent graduates who have a demonstrated commitment to public interest law are encouraged to apply for a one-year post graduate fellowship now available from the Law School. 1998 and 1999 graduates are eligible for 1999-2000 Fellowships.

Anyone wandering around the second floor of the Burns Building at the Law School in the last few weeks may have noticed that the Pro Bono office seemed to be missing, and something called the Public Interest Law Department appeared to have taken its place. Those who work in this mysterious new office are extremely proud of this change, for it reflects Loyola Law School’s growing commitment to public interest law.

Since last June, under the leadership of Sande Buhai, the Public Interest Department Faculty Director, the Department has set about the task of taking all of the various public interest related projects that had been scattered among different departments and putting them in one centralized office, hoping to make access to the wide range of information and resources more easily available to students and alumni.

At the center of all of this effort is the mandatory forty-hour Pro Bono requirement, which contributes well over 15,000 hours of student legal services each year to non-profit organizations throughout the community. Other programs include: scholarships, grants for summer public interest jobs, grants for loan repayment assistance to graduates working in public interest, and postgraduate fellowships. The 1998-99 Fellowships were awarded to Jed Minoff ’98, now working at Public Counsel, for his dedication to the legal representation of homeless and at-risk youth, and Denise Baez ’98, now employed at the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, for her commitment to the representation and advocacy of children and women in detention facilities.

Contact Todd Lawrence at 213.736.1059 for further information and applications for the Post-Graduate Fellowships. The deadline to apply is March 1, 1999.

1950  John Anderson and Patrick C. Haden ’82 were featured in a November article in the Los Angeles Business Journal dealing with the viability and growth potential of large and small businesses in the current economy.

1957  Thomas T. Roberts has been renominated to the Los Angeles Employee Relations Board. He also served as the independent arbitrator for the GM/UAW hearings in Flint, Michigan, and was featured in an article in the Orange County Register in July, 1998, in conjunction with those hearings.

1964  Thomas Girardi was profiled in the October 23, 1998, edition of The Recorder.

1967  Joseph C. DiBenedetto retired in April, 1998, and is enjoying it.

1968  Hon. Francis J. Hourigan was honored as the Superior Judge of the Year by the L.A. County Bar Association, criminal section.


1971  Anthony Rackauckas was elected Orange County District Attorney in November, 1998.

1972  Steven E. Brunette has accepted the position of General Counsel for Leiner Health Products, Inc., headquartered in Carson, CA. Mark Robinson, Jr. was featured in a November 10, 1998, article in the Orange County Register.

1973  Dennis M. Devitt has joined the firm of Nossaman, Guthner, Knox & Elliott LLP as a partner in its Los Angeles offices. Lloyd William Pellman was sworn in as the new Los Angeles County counsel in August, 1998. Maria Vargas-Rodriguez has been elected President of the Board of People’s College of Law, a post she has filled numerous times in the past.

1974  Presiding Justice Manuel A. Ramirez of the 4th District Court of Appeal, was featured in an article about the Court in San Diego Daily Transcript in October, 1998.

1975  Hon. George Genesta was profiled in the LA Daily Journal in July, 1998. Joseph Pannone of the firm, Kane, Ballmer & Berkman, was hired by the South Pasadena City Council as its new city attorney. He also serves as general counsel for the Culver City Redevelopment Agency and is assistant city attorney for Palos Verdes Estates.

1977  Samuel H. Gruenbaum has been named CEO of Western Dental Services Inc. Hon. Angil P. Morris Jones, Merced County Superior Court, was profiled by the LA Daily Journal in November, 1998.

1978  Correction: Apologies to Jonathan Aleck: we had most everything in the previous listing completely mixed up. Dr. Aleck previously served as Senior Legal Counsel in the Australian Civil Aviation Safety Authority’s Office of Legal Counsel. From that position, he became Acting General Manager of the Aviation Safety Compliance Branch of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority. In October of 1998 he was appointed to serve as the Australian Repre-
representative on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. **Mark S. Armbuster**'s firm was named as one of the top 10 Los Angeles lobbying firms, based on city Ethics Commission reports for 1997. **Fred T. Ashley** was featured in the "Litigator's Strategy" article in the Los Angeles Daily Journal October 8, 1998. **Commissioner Beverly Mosley** was featured in an article entitled "Rude Roads" in the LA Times on July 21, 1998. **Barbara Schwerin** is teaching a class in "cancer rights law" at Loyola Law School in conjunction with her position there as Director of the Cancer Legal Resource Center. Her work was noted in "The Paper Chase" column of the LA Daily Journal in October, 1998.

**1979** Stephen Glassman authored an article entitled "The Modified American Plan: Eliminating The Tort of Malicious Prosecution" for the University of West Los Angeles Law Review. **Alan B. Rabkin** was elected Chair of the Corporate and Securities National Law Committee of the American Corporate Counsel Association, a group of over 10,000 members across the nation. He is currently General Counsel at SierraWest Bank in northern Nevada. **Michael Santoro** has joined the real estate group at Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler LLP as partner, focusing on real estate structured finance transactions as well as general real estate and commercial matters. **Hon. Thomas L. Willhite Jr.** was profiled by the LA Daily Journal in October, 1998. **Linda Grant Williams** was named by Street & Smith's Sports Business Journal a "master ... of sports business" in financial and legal innovation, in their January 4, 1999, edition.

**1980** Suzanne Viau Chamberlain is currently serving as vice president of the Horizons Unlimited Chapter of the American Business Women's Association.

**1981** Christopher J. Leanders has joined the Irvine law firm of Wood, Bohm & Francis on an "of counsel" basis.

**1982** Cathryn (Brogan) DeYoung won a seat on the Laguna Niguel City Council in November, 1998. **Patrick C. Haden** and John Anderson '50 were featured in a November article in the Los Angeles Business Journal dealing with the viability and growth potential of large and small businesses in the current economy. **Bradley F. Tellam** is one of eleven attorneys who opened a new Oregon labor and employment firm, Barran-Liebman LLP, in September, 1998. **Timothy M. Thornton, Jr.** was named Pro Bono Alumnus of the Year by Loyola Law School's Public Interest Law Foundation and Public Interest Law Department.

**1983** **Geoff Bey** was featured in an LA Daily Journal article entitled "Lawyer Ditches practice for Pool Hall," in November, 1998. **Richard Stone** has been appointed to serve a two-year term on the board of governors of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers.

**1984** **Mark E. Benson** joined the Irvine office of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold, focusing on insurance coverage issues. **Carolyn Rae Cole** has accepted a position as Vice president Marketing and General Counsel with MaxCell Bioscience, Boulder, CO. **Lloyd Greif** and **Liam E. McGee** were featured panelists for the Small Business Strategies Conference in October, 1998. Greif was also featured in an article about family businesses in the November 30, 1998, edition of the Los Angeles Business Journal.

**ADOPTION DAY** *(continued from First Page)*

asked to assist students as they begin the process of completing an adoption case. Further assistance and supervision of students will be provided by the Law School Pro Bono Office. Following the completion of all the Loyola cases, there will be a special Loyola Adoption Day in court. All student and alumni participants will be invited to witness the adoptions.

*MCLE credit is available for $75.00 for 3 hours. However, the fee will be waived for any alumnus who either takes on a case, or assists a student during the 2-hour work period following lunch.

You may register to participate by calling the Alumni Relations Office, Nora Romero at 213.736.1029.
Bonnie Carrasco Ramirez is transitioning to a translation practice doing legal, medical, commercial and editorial translation. Glenn Mondo, having passed the Nevada Bar, joined the firm of Broyles & Mondo, specializing in public and private works construction law.

1985 Geoffrey S. Payne joined the Irvine office of real estate law firm Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP in early 1998 as senior counsel. Alejandro Mayorkas has been nominated by President Clinton to become U.S. Attorney in Los Angeles.

1986 Jonathan Curtis has joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton real estate department as a partner in the Los Angeles office. Leela Kapur was recently promoted to Assistant County Counsel, Public Services Division. Daniel A. Lev has joined the Los Angeles office of Arter & Hadden LLP as of counsel, becoming part of the firm’s bankruptcy group. Jeffrey R. Stoke became a partner at Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch this fall. Maria Villa has been elected to the board of the California Women Lawyers, District 7.

1987 Worrell Z. Nero has joined the Caribbean Bar after successfully completing studies in Trinidad, West Indies.

1988 Bruce A. Baldwin has joined Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP as an associate in the Los Angeles office, in the firm’s compensation and benefits group. Ralph Ortolano, Jr. was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal in November 1998 for excellent service. He is currently serving as the Second Officer aboard the USNS SISLER. Barbara Tang has become Managing Counsel for Mazda Corporation.

1989 Adrienne Byers is the President-elect of the Black Women Lawyers. Justine M. Casey, a partner at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton, was profiled in the October 5, 1998, edition of California Law Business for her extra-curricular activity as a hockey player. Albert J. Harnois, Jr. has joined the firm of Christie, Parker & Hale.

1990 Roberto Longorio is the Deputy in Charge at the Public Defender’s Office in East Los Angeles. Valerie Smith was promoted to Special Counsel at O’Melveny & Myers LLP, Los Angeles. She specialized in securities and project finance. Patricia Torres has joined the County Counsel’s office in the Public Works section.

1991 Paul Gleason has been added to the partnership ranks at Brobeck Phleger & Harrison in Austin, TX. Guy R. Gruppie has been named a partner at Murchison & Cumming. He will continue his practice in product liability and business tort. Julie M. Kaufer has been elected to partner at Troop Steuber Pasich Redlich & Tobey LLP in Century City. David A. Plumley was a featured panelist for the Small Business Strategies Conference in October, 1998. Tracy Thomas is an Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Akron School of Law.

1992 Jennifer Richmond was named senior attorney for KCET, responsible for handling the company’s business and legal affairs.

1994 Nancy Wheeler Balboa is the Director of Business Affair for Discovery Communications in Bethesda, MD. John R. Ricci has been made Branch Chief, Office of Enforcement, SEC. Kurt Andrew Schlichter was featured in the “Litigators’ Strategies” column of the LA Daily Journal October 23, 1998. Anthony Ramos has joined England, Whitley, Schroeder and Tredway LLP in Oxnard. Victoria Suh has joined the staff at Prudential California Realty as residential specialist marketing properties in the San Gabriel Valley.

1995 Heather M. Noelte has joined Pircher, Nichols & Meeks’ Los Angeles office as a business and commercial litigation associate. Rick Stuhlberg recently joined Bowman and Brooke LLP in Torrance, working in the area of product liability. Tal Vijderson joined Katten Muchin & Zavis’ entertainment department as an associate.

1996 Nadia Davis is a member of the Santa Ana Unified School Board. Suzanne Emerson has joined the Century City office of Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Marmaro LLP as an associate in the corporate department. Dien Le left the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals to join Nordman, Corman, Hair & Compton in Oxnard as a litigation associate. Alexis I. Torres has opened a book store, specializing in Spanish language books.

1997 Kiren K. Chohan recently joined the Century City office of Seyfarth, Shaw, Fairweather & Geraldson as an associate specializing in employee benefits/ERISA. K. Lynn Finateri has joined the firm of Grace, Genson, Cosgrove & Schirm. Padideh Sharif joined Cox, Castle & Nicholson in Irvine as an associate early last year.

ALUMNI IN THE JUDICIARY

Correction: Daniel Curry '60. Judge Curry was appointed to the California Court of Appeal, 2nd Appellate District.

Alfonso M. Bazan '64 retired from the bench after twenty-four years' service.

Richard W. McLain '68 was appointed to the Los Angeles Superior Court, South Central District, in April, 1998.

Henry J. Walsh '70 was appointed to the Ventura County Superior Court.

Kevin McGee '79 was elected to the Ventura County Superior Court.

Sam Ohta '89 was appointed to the Los Angeles Municipal Court in December, 1998.

FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Richard LaBowe '82 announces the birth of his third child, Kaitlyn Rose, on January 2, 1998.

Barbara Fox Dunn '83 and husband Bill announce the adoption of their son, Michal Devon Joseph, born February 19, 1998.

Regina Danner '85 announces the birth of her son Christopher, born May 30, 1998.

Debra Morris '91 announces the birth of son Bailey Morris on October 2, 1998.

Sonia Cohen Plesset '91 and husband David announce the birth of their third child, Benjamin Andrew on August 29, 1998.

Ann Sato '91 and Adjunct Professor Max Huntsman welcome their first child, Emily Masako, born on August 28, 1998.

Erica Peterson Dornan '92 and her husband William welcomed their first child, Danielle Mallory Dornan, on June 15, 1998. The Dornans reside in Jackson Hole, WY.

Benjamin E. Soffer '95 and his wife Judy announce the birth of their second daughter, Sharon Leora, on October 14, 1998.

IN MEMORIAM


Christopher A. Burrows '83 January, 1999.


**Engagements & Marriages**

Lisa Kleinman '90 and Mark Esses were married on September 26, 1998, in Beverly Hills.

Patricia Torres '90 is engaged to marry Charles Murray.

Jill Stickstein '92 will marry Dr. Jeffrey Crausman in January, 1999.


Nathan Wirtshafter '95 will marry Elisa Frame of Philadelphia, PA, on February 14, 1999.

Katherine Braun is engaged to Don Mankin, Ph.D.


Jeffrey Lewis '96 and Gina McLeod '96 are engaged to be married.

Miriam Schimmel '96 is engaged to marry Dave Chavez in March, 1999.

Elizabeth Wang '96 and Jeffrey Cheng '96 will be married on June 12, 1999. The couple are living in Manhattan, New York, but will wed in Los Angeles.

Carlyle Hall '96 and Pamela Reeder '96 were married August 14, 1998, in Los Angeles.

Andrew Goodman '97 and Samantha Slotkin '97 are engaged to be married July 11, 1999.


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The Alumni Office now has a new database system and we're ironing out the kinks. But, we can only be as good as our data. Will you take a moment to update our files by giving us any new information? If you have a new business address that we may not have, please send us your current business card. Please provide below any information that you think we may not have (especially e-mail addresses):

NAME ____________________________________________

Class Year ______

New home address _________________________________________

City, State, Zipcode _________________________________________

Telephone number(s) _________________________________________

Fax number(s) _____________________________________________

E-mail address _____________________________________________

Please share with us news for the next Alumni Newsletter

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Thank you for responding. Please return this form or the requested information to:

**Alumni Office, Loyola Law School, 919 S. Albany Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015**

**Fax No: 213.384.1659 or E-mail to: Nora.Romero@lls.edu**
A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WESTERN LAW CENTER FOR DISABILITY RIGHTS

Dear Loyola Law School Alumni:

The Western Law Center for Disability Rights provides great on-campus externships for up to 30 Loyola Law School students each semester. And, at the same time, we provide needed legal services for people with disabilities whose civil rights have been violated. But we really need your help!

We have three great programs that need volunteer attorneys:
• The Civil Rights Litigation Project represents people with disabilities in actions to enforce their rights under the state and federal civil rights laws;
• The Disability Mediation Center (DMC) provides expert mediation and conciliation services to resolve disability-related disputes without litigation; and
• The Cancer Legal Resource Center (CLRC) provides legal information, resources, and referrals to people battling cancer.

These programs provide real-world legal experience to students at Loyola Law School and provide meaningful assistance to people who desperately need it. But the Western Law Center has a very small staff. We rely on pro bono co-counsel and volunteer mediators to assist with much of the Center’s work. Through these cooperative efforts, the Western Law Center can take on more cases, and give both students and volunteers a meaningful experience.

The Litigation Program needs litigators to assist with disability discrimination cases. The DMC needs volunteer mediators with disability experience to assist the DMC’s staff mediators. The CLRC Volunteer Attorneys Network needs attorneys with experience in insurance law, employment, government benefits, Medicare/Medical, and estate planning.

I hope you will consider volunteering your time and talent to one of the Center’s programs. It is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the new Loyola Law School students and to help them develop their talents as future attorneys. Together, Loyola Law School, the Western Law Center, and you can provide an education that truly prepares students to excel in the practice of law. At the same time, you will help a person whose rights are being violated, learn about the field of disability law, and even enjoy yourself!

For more information about volunteering, call
Civil Rights Litigation Project - (213) 736-1031 (voice); (213) 736-8310 (TDD)
Cancer Legal Resource Center - (213) 736-1455 (voice); (213) 736-8310 (TDD)
Disability Mediation Center - (213) 736-8104 (voice); (213) 736-8311

Thanks!
Eve L. Hill
Executive Director
CALENDAR

JANUARY 30 (Saturday)
9 am - 3 PM
LOYOLA ADOPTION DAY
Law School Campus

FEBRUARY 1 (Monday)
5:30 - 7:30 PM
WASHINGTON, DC ALUMNI RECEPTION
Inter-Continental Washington

FEBRUARY 2 (Tuesday)
6:00 - 7:30 PM
NEW YORK ALUMNI RECEPTION
Renaissance New York Hotel

FEBRUARY 18 (Thursday)
6:00 PM - Reception / 7:00 PM Dinner
ANNUAL ALUMNI DINNER
Petersen Automotive Museum

MARCH 7 (Sunday)
9:00 AM
“Kiss Ass Charm School” & Spa Day
Women’s Roundtable “For Women Only”

MARCH 21 (Sunday)
12 NOON
ST. THOMAS MORE BRUNCH
Location to be determined

APRIL 14 (Wednesday)
5:00 PM Dinner / 7:00 PM Final Rounds
“TRIAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR” AWARD DINNER
and SCOTT MOOT COURT FINAL ROUNDS
Law School Campus

Please see articles in the Newsletter for further information about these events, or contact the Office of Alumni Relations, Nora Romero 213.736.1029.

LATER....

MAY 16 ......................... Commencement
MAY 22 ......................... Class of ’74 Reunion
JUNE 3 ...................... Bob Cooney Golf Tournament
JUNE 26 .............. Latino Alumni Scholarship Gala

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