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Loyola’s April 27 Alumni Dinner To Honor Dean And Recognize Eight Distinguished Graduates
by Eloise Teklu, Editor

"The 2000 Alumni Dinner provides an excellent opportunity for the community of Loyola alumni to come "home" to the acclaimed Loyola campus, to honor several of its own and to celebrate the many accomplishments and the leadership of Dean Gerald T. McLaughlin," states Karen Rinchart '96 of McKenna & Cuneo, L.L.P., and chair and the Year 2000 Alumni Dinner.

Gerald T. McLaughlin, who steps aside following nine-and-a-half years as dean of Loyola Law School in late June, will receive special recognition at this year's Annual Alumni Dinner, to be held on the Law School's campus the evening of Thursday, April 27, 2000. Three distinguished alumni will receive the Law School's "Corporate Excellence Award" this year for having distinguished themselves in the fields of finance, entertainment, and banking. They are: Lloyd Greif '84, president, CEO and founder of Greif & Co.; Helene Hahn '75, top executive of Dreamworks, SKG; and Liam E. McGee '84, president of Bank of America Southern California. Five Loyola graduates will be the recipients of the Alumni Association's year 2000 "Board of Governor's Recognition Awards." The recipients are alums Patricia Diaz Dennis '73, Angela Hawekotte '79, L. Hunter Lovins '75, John P. McNicholas '62 and Kathryn Van Houten '89. Also receiving recognition during the evening will be members of the class of 1950, who are celebrating the golden anniversary of their law school graduation.

Spotlight On The Honorees

Special honoree Dean Gerald T. McLaughlin's accomplishments are numerous and notable, and the forthcoming issue of the Loyola Lawyer alumni magazine will more thoroughly explore his nearly 10 years of leadership at the Law School. Shortly following his becoming dean of Loyola in January 1991, the ashes of the Los Angeles Riots fell onto the campus, and soon thereafter McLaughlin's plans for this Law School began to reflect his sincere concern for the community. One of the new dean's first achievements was to establish a mandatory pro bono graduation requirement; an educational tool bringing law students in closer contact with people in need of legal services. Dean McLaughlin also spearheaded the development and growth of The Center for Conflict Resolution and the Cancer Legal Resource Center, and expanded the workforce of the Western Law Center for Disability Rights, which in recent years has added disability mediation services. Dean McLaughlin's endless fundraising efforts have supported the complete renovation of a neighboring building into the new Founders Hall, and more recently, the renovation of the William M. Raines Library. Following the conclusion of his tenure as dean, McLaughlin will maintain his membership on the Loyola Law School full-time faculty.

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Corporate Excellence Award recipient Lloyd Greif '84, president and CEO of Greif & Co., founded the independent investment banking firm in 1992 in order to better meet the corporate finance needs of middle market and emerging growth companies. Greif engineered the $240 million acquisition of Jon Douglas Real Estate Services Group, the $250 million sale of Rose Hills Mortuary and Cemetary, the $205 million acquisition of Bumble Bee Seafoods, and the $70 million acquisition of Mrs. Gooch's Natural Food Markets.

Corporate Excellence Award recipient Helene Hahn '75 joined DreamWorks SKG in 1994, where she is responsible for all business and legal affairs and administration of the company—which is engaged in the development, production and worldwide distribution of a broad range of entertainment product including theatrical animation, live action film, television programs, music recording and publishing, and consumer products. Prior to DreamWorks, Hahn was executive vice president of Walt Disney Studios for seven years, and senior vice president of business and legal affairs for Walt Disney Pictures for three years.

Corporate Excellence Award recipient Liam E. McGee '84 was named president of Bank of America, Southern California, in June 1998 and holds overall senior management responsibility in the company's largest and most profitable market. McGee is responsible for all lines of business in Los Angeles, Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. While head of Bank of America's California Retail Bank from 1990-96, McGee successfully managed the largest component of the then—biggest merger in U.S. banking history—Bank of America and Security Pacific National Bank.

The Alumni Association's "Board of Governor's Recognition Award" is presented to members of the Law School community who have made a positive contribution to society, their own community, the practice of law or to the Law School. Patricia Diaz Dennis '73, a labor and communications law specialist, is senior vice president and assistant general counsel for SBC Communications, Inc., a leading diversified telecommunications company whose brands include Pacific Bell and Cellular One. Diaz Dennis has held positions with the labor law department of the American Broadcasting Corporation, the National Labor Relations Board and the Federal Communications Commission. Angela Hawekotte '79 is a partner with the Pasadena firm Adams, Hawekotte & Hudson, practicing business and estate planning, trust and probate administration, tax and corporate law. A tax accountant prior to entering law school, she comes from a long line of certified public accountants. Hawekotte has been an active member of Loyola's Board of Governors for many years.

Also to receive this award will be L. Hunter Lovins '75, who is co-CEO (Strategy) of Rocky Mountain Institute, a Colorado-based nonprofit resource policy think tank. Lovins also helped establish and for six years was assistant director of the California Conservation Project ('Tree People'), an urban forestry and environmental education group. She is the author of nine books on conservation and the environment. John McNicholas '62, trial lawyer, is the principal of his civil litigation firm McNicholas & McNicholas. He has represented the Isley Brothers, The Holy Sea, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and GTE Corporation. Presently, McNicholas is one of 30 attorneys statewide serving on the Judicial Nominees Evaluation (JNE) Commission. Kathryn Van Houten '89 is an attorney with Irsfeld, Irsfeld and Younger and in 1999 was named one of the top 10 businesswomen by the American Business Women's Association. Van Houten is active in the Girl Scouts, the Kiwanis, Young Women's Club of America and Glendale Healthy Kids.

"The Annual Alumni Dinner has been a Loyola Law School tradition," says President of the Board of Governors Craig deRecat '82 (of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips). "It is important to recognize our outstanding alumni. One terrific benefit of the dinner is that it allows for networking with colleagues and classmates. This year, having the dinner on the Law School campus will allow many of us to see the growth of the campus and the outstanding Frank Gehry architecture."
Location, Location, Location

As this is Gerald T. McLaughlin's final year as dean of Loyola Law School, it is but fitting that alumni be invited back to their alma mater to witness their campus' expansion during the last decade of the 20th Century. Upon arrival, guests will receive nametags and seating assignments at the registration tables located in the Esplanade. Preceding the dinner will be the private Board of Governors Recognition Awards Reception, to be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., in the Student Lounge. A cocktail reception for all guests also precedes dinner, at 6 p.m., in the tented courtyard of Founders Hall (northeast corner of campus). The Year 2000 Alumni Dinner will be held al fresco at 7 p.m., in an elegantly tented area south of the parking structure. Following conclusion of the dinner and program, guests will adjourn to the standup dessert and coffee bar, featuring live jazz from the David Dyson Trio, in the Esplanade and central patio areas. Complimentary parking will be available in the parking structure.

Dinner Ticket Information

Alums will be receiving their invitations to the dinner very soon. Due to the generous sponsorship of the Fritz B. Burns Foundation, funds raised by this year's dinner will create the Gerald T. McLaughlin Library Research Room at Loyola Law School. There is a variety of choices available for purchasing a ticket, and there are several options for sponsorships and program book tributes (see below). The ticket price per person is $125. If you are working in public interest or government, the cost is $100 per individual. The ticket price for recent graduates (classes of 1995-99) is $85 per person. Alumni and friends also have the option of purchasing a seat to be assigned to a Loyola Law School student, at the cost of $125 per student.

The cost of sponsoring a table of 10 persons is $1,500, and includes the publishing of a Silver Page (a full-page tribute) in the program book – please consult Alumni Relations for print deadlines. Payment by check, and Visa and Mastercard, is accepted. Please note that for your tax preparation purposes, the fair market value of each dinner reservation is $80. The registration deadline for reserving individual dinner ticket/s and table reservations is Monday, April 17.

Sponsorship Opportunities

There are three selections for sponsorship, and here is what sponsorship includes:

**$5,000 "Gold" Sponsorship**
- Six guests at the private Board of Governors Recognition Awards Reception.
- Special signage at the Board of Governors Reception.
- A named table of ten persons at the Alumni Dinner with option of designating seats to students.
- A featured listing in the dinner program and on signs at the dinner reception.
- Gold Page tribute in the dinner program book.

**$2,500 "Silver" Sponsorship**
- A named table of ten persons at the Alumni Dinner with option of designating seats to students.
- A featured listing in the dinner program and on signs at the dinner reception.
- Gold Page tribute in the dinner program book.

**$1,500 Table Sponsorship**
- A named table of ten persons at the Alumni Dinner (with option of designating seats to students).
- A featured listing in the dinner program and on signs at the dinner reception.
- Silver Page tribute in the dinner program book (may be upgraded to Gold Page for $100 additional).

Can we add your firm/company name to this list? As of this newsletter's press deadline, the following law firms and groups have committed to purchasing a table at the 2000 Alumni Dinner.

**Dinner Sponsor**
The Fritz B. Burns Foundation

**Gold Sponsors**
Greenberg, Glusker, Fields, Claman & Machtinger, LLP
Buchalter, Nemer, Fields & Younger

**Silver Sponsors**
Great Parking, Inc.

**Table Sponsors**
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- Barton Protective Services, Inc.
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- Epstein, Becker & Green
- Geoffrey I. Taylor & Associates
- Haight, Brown & Bonstedt, LLP
- Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue
- Katten, Muchin & Zavis
- KPMG, LLP
- Law Offices of Oscar A. Acosta
- Law Office of Thomas B. Kristovich
- Lathrop & Villa
- Lyon & Lyon, LLP
- Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP
- McNicholas & McNicholas, LLP
- Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker
- Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi, LLP / Simke Chodos
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Horn, LLP
- Sullivan, Wrotenman & Dee, LLP
- Talcott, Lightfoot, Vanaveilve, Salowsky, Medvene & Levine
- Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP

**Program Book Tributes**

Tributes (which are typeset "messages of congratulation and well wishes" or professional prepared art) for the 8½" x 11" dinner program book also may be purchased without utilizing the sponsorship opportunities mentioned above. A Gold Page (a full page tribute) is $400. A Silver Page (a full page tribute) is $350. A Black & White Page (a full page tribute) is $275. And, a Black & White Half-Page tribute is $150. Mary Dettmers in Alumni Relations, 213.736.1029, is available to assist you with preparation of the tribute (note: typesetting/layout services are available) and to take orders for placements. Dettmers has a printer's "Specs" (or specifications) sheet which may be faxed to you, which will answer most questions on preparing camera-ready artwork for the program book.
Because this will be my final Alumni Dinner as Dean, I very much hope that you can come to celebrate the achievements of the Law School during the last 10 years. Last year we had more than 600 graduates and friends at our Alumni Dinner. I would like to see that number increase to more than 800 this year. Apart from being a wonderful and pride-building occasion, the dinner will provide an opportunity for you to meet old friends and make new ones. April 27, 2000 promises to be a memorable evening, and I hope you are making plans to join us.

Gerald T. McLaughlin
Dean Gerald T. McLaughlin

Please note that if you live outside of Southern California, an invitation will not be mailed to you. However, if you plan to attend and would like to receive an invitation, please call 213.736.1029 to have one mailed to you.

Loyola Law School
Winter/Spring 2000 Events
Watch your mail for an invitation to the following events, or call 213.736.8153 for more information.

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Westside Networking & Social Reception
Friday, April 7, 6 – 9 p.m., $15
The Peninsula Hotel, Beverly Hills

Trial Advocates Awards Dinner
Wednesday, April 12, Evening
Loyola Law School, Student Lounge
"Trial Lawyer of the Year" and "Jurist of the Year" Award Presentation
Hosted by the Scott Moot Court & Byrne Trial Advocacy Teams

Annual Alumni Dinner
Thursday, April 27, 6 p.m.
Loyola Law School campus
(see story page 1)

Law Day Red Mass
Thursday, May 4, Evening
Mass at Immaculate Conception Church
Reception at Loyola Law School follows

African-American Alumni Reception & Concert
Wednesday, May 10
Music Center

Loyola Law School Commencement Ceremonies
Sunday, May 14, 1 p.m.
Loyola Marymount University

Santa Barbara Alumni Reception
Saturday, May 20
Home of Hon. Tom Anderle
Suggested Donation of $25

The Class of 1967 Class Reunion
Saturday, June 10
Home of Patricia Phillips, LaCañada

DATES TBA

Asian Alumni Reception
The City Club, Los Angeles

Latino Scholarship Reception
Staples Center

Swearing-in Ceremony for New Attorneys
June

Loyola Small Practice Network (LSPN)
Spring Event
BY INVITATION
Loyola Law School
Bob Cooney Golf Tournament
If you play golf and want to play in the 2000 Loyola Law School/Bob Cooney Golf Tournament with other alumni, contact Liz Fry, 213.736.1096 to receive an invitation.
Women’s Roundtable Reception Slated for Mid-March

Behind the Billion Dollar Verdict – Litigation Techniques from the Co-Counsel on Anderson vs. General Motors

Co-Sponsored by the National Association of Women Lawyers (NAWL) and the Women’s Roundtable of Loyola, "Behind the Billion Dollar Verdict – Litigation Techniques from the Co-Counsel on Anderson vs. General Motors" promises to be an evening of intellectual enlightenment and an excellent opportunity for networking. Christine Spagnoli ’85, of Green, Broillet, Taylor, Wheeler & Panish in Santa Monica, will be the guest speaker. Spagnoli was one of the plaintiff’s attorneys (and the only woman attorney) in the $4.9 billion verdict against automaker General Motors – the largest award ever given in a personal injury lawsuit.

**Behind the Billion Dollar Verdict**
Thursday, March 16
6 to 7:30 p.m.
Student Lounge, Loyola Law School.

Light refreshments will be served. The cost is $30. One hour of MCLE credit is available. Watch your mail for an invitation or call Mary Dettmers in Alumni Relations at 213.736.1029.

Search for New Dean Underway

Gerald T. McLaughlin, who has served as Dean of Loyola Law School since 1991, will step aside on July 1st to return to full-time teaching. A search committee appointed by President Robert B. Lawton, S.J., has narrowed the applicant field to four finalists – Associate Dean David Burcham, Loyola Law School; Dean Neil Cogan, Quinnipiac College of Law; Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, University of New Mexico Law School; and Professor Linda Mullenix, University of Texas Law School. They will visit Loyola in February to meet with faculty, students, staff, and alums. Thereafter, the faculty will make its recommendations to Fr. Lawton who will select the new dean.

[Editor’s Note: an in-depth article profiling Dean McLaughlin will be published in the upcoming issue of the *Loyola Lawyer* magazine.]

Attention Loyola Law School Alumni: Watch the Mail!

All alumni with current addresses soon will be receiving an important questionnaire in the mail. This questionnaire is being sent to give every alumni the opportunity to be accurately listed in the upcoming new Loyola Marymount University-Loyola Law School Alumni Directory.

**Important:** Please be sure to complete and return your directory questionnaire before the deadline indicated.

Once received, your information will be edited and processed by Loyola’s publisher, Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company Inc., for inclusion in the Law School’s new directory. At a later point in the project (and before the final composition stage of the book), you will be contacted by Harris directly to verify that your personal data is absolutely correct.

If you do not return your questionnaire, it is possible you may be inadvertently omitted or your personal information printed incorrectly. So don’t take a chance... watch for your questionnaire form and remember to return it promptly. Call the Alumni Relations office should you not receive your questionnaire by March 1.

**Editor’s Note:**

The “alumni news” section of *The Loyola Law School Public Record* will be published in a future issue.

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**Change of Address & Alumni News**

☐ Yes, I would like news about me (please see below, or the attached) published in the *Public Record*.

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Grad Year ______

Please note my change of ☐ home address ☐ work address ☐ both

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