THIS WEEK AT THE LAW CENTER

Monday, September 12  
CSO program on cover letters and resumes, 12:30 p.m., 414 and 5:30 p.m., 210.  
IL Workshop, IRAC, 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., FCR/BDR.  
Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) meets, 12:30 p.m., 209.  
International Law Students Jessup Competition meetings, 12:30 and 6:00 p.m., MFMR.  
Federalist Society hosts Villanova Law professor Tuan Samahon on judicial selection, 4:30 p.m., 410 (in Judicial Clerkship Seminar).  
SBA General Council meets, 10:00 p.m., MFMR.

Tuesday, September 13  
CSO program on federal government jobs, 12:30 p.m., 209 and 5:30 p.m., 414.  
PILOT Live Help training session, 12:30 p.m., 210. Details, p.2.  
AMICUS Gay-Straight Alliance meets, 12:30 p.m., 206.  
Touro Law Review Open House, 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., 308.  
Unemployment Action Center (UAC) hosts former ALJ Eugene Goldfarb on advocacy in admin law, 5:30 p.m., 409.  
Career retrospective/90th birthday celebration honoring Judge Jack Weinstein, featuring Professor Jeffrey Morris, 7:00 p.m., NYC Bar.

Wednesday, September 14  
Alumni Mentor Program information meetings, 12:30 p.m., FCR and 5:30 p.m., ABR.  
Faculty meeting, 4:30 p.m., 210.  
Annual Adjunct Faculty Dinner, 6:00 p.m., FCR/BDR.

Thursday, September 15  
APLSA Moon Festival, 12:30 p.m., 209.  
Student organization meetings, 12:30 p.m.: BLSA, 310; WBA, 210; SDRN, 412; PAD, FCR, LALSA, 206.  
Student organization meetings, 5:30 p.m.: SDRN, 412; PAD, FCR; LALSA, 206.  
Criminal Law Society hosts back-to-school mixer, 5:30 p.m., Lily Flanagan’s, 345 Deer Park Ave., Babylon.

Friday, September 16  
Staff meeting, 9:30 a.m., 209.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Monday, September 19  
IL Workshop, Outlining, 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., FCR/BDR.  
Environmental Law Society bulb sale fundraiser, noon-6:30 p.m., cafeteria, through Thursday, September 22.  
JLSA Grill the Rabbi, 12:30 p.m., MFMR.

Tues.-Wed., Sept. 20-21  
SBA voting, 10:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Atrium.

Tuesday, September 20  
Environmental Law Society hosts former NYS DEC Counsel Michael Lesser ’87, 12:15 and 5:25 p.m., FCR/BDR.

Wed., Sept. 21  
Student loan expert Heather Jarvis, 12:30 p.m., FCR/BDR.  
Faculty colloquium, Professor Michael Lewyn, 12:30 p.m., ABR.  
Bainbridge Moot Court finals, 4:00 p.m., AUD.

Thursday, September 22  
Fashion Law Society meets, 12:30 p.m., 210.

Friday, September 23  
Last day to exercise Pass/No Credit Option (see p.2); May ’12 grads must submit Advanced Writing Requirement Intent to Satisfy forms; new JD and LLM students’ immunization records & undergraduate or foreign law transcripts due. All to Registrar.

BAINBRIDGE FINALS SET

Keri Mahoney and Daniel Fischer, left, both second year part-time evening students, were selected as the two top advocates after the preliminary and semifinal rounds of the Bainbridge Intramural Moot Court Competition held at the Law Center on Sunday, September 11. Congratulations also to semifinalists 2PTE Michael Nolan and 2FT Genevieve Gadaleta; and to 2FT John Brolly, who won best brief honors; all of whom are new Moot Court Board members. Mr. Fischer and Ms. Mahoney will contest the finals on Wednesday, September 21, 4:00 p.m., before a bench that will include Canadian Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Silverman and US District Court Judge Leonard Wexler. In the competition, named for former Law Center Dean John S. Bainbridge, 2Ls write briefs and participate in oral arguments. Successful competitors are invited to join the Moot Court Board, the Law Center's elite appellate advocacy team.

9-11 OBSERVANCE MONDAY

The Law Center will mark the 10th anniversary of the 9-11 tragedy this Monday, September 12 by the sounding of the alarm bells at 10:28 a.m., the approximate time the second World Trade Center tower collapsed, followed by a school-wide moment of silence. Among the loved ones who perished the attacks, the Touro community lost Susan Dietrich Clyne, ’88, who died in the North Tower.

IL WORKSHOPS START MONDAY

IL Skills Workshops start this Monday, September 12, with sessions on IRAC-Legal Analysis, presented by Professor Suzanne Darrow Kleinhaus, Director of the Academic Success Program. Future sessions will cover: 
Outlining, Monday, September 19; Exam Writing, Monday, October 17; and Stress Management, Wednesday, November 2. All sessions are 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., FCR/BDR, lunch or dinner provided.

SBA ELECTION SCHEDULE

Elections are coming up to fill vacant SBA representative positions: 1L day and evening, 2L day and evening, 4L evening and a new 5L evening rep. Candidates will be announced after the petition period ends this Tuesday, September 13; campaigning is Wednesday-Monday, September 14-19, voting is Tuesday-Wednesday, September 20-21, 10:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Atrium. Only students in the group sought to be represented can vote for that rep, e.g., only IPTEIs can vote for IPTE rep.

PROFESSOR JEFFREY MORRIS FEATURED SPEAKER AT JUDGE WEINSTEIN CELEBRATION

Professor Jeffrey Morris will be a featured panelist at a New York City Bar career retrospective/90th birthday celebration honoring USDC SDNY Judge Jack Weinstein, one of the country’s most influential judges, Tuesday, September 13, 7:00 p.m., City Bar HQ, 42 W.44th St., NYC. Professor Morris is the author of the critically acclaimed biography Leadership on the Federal Bench: The Craft and Activism of Jack Weinstein. The program is free, for more, http://www.abcny.org/EventsCalendar/show_event_new.php?eventid=1719.
TOP STUDENT LOAN EXPERT TO SPEAK NEXT WEEK

Heather Jarvis, the nation’s leading student loan expert, will speak at Touro on Wednesday, September 21, 12:30 p.m. In 1998, Ms. Jarvis graduated from Duke University School of Law cum laude owing $125,000 in student loans and facing 30 years worth of $1,200 monthly payments. In order to pursue her dream of working as a public defender, she turned herself into an expert on higher education financing, and now specializes in working with high-debt-borrowers in areas like loan forgiveness and restructuring so that they, too, can pursue their dreams. She has helped thousands of students and recent graduates, advised Congress on student debt relief policy, and spent many years advocating for public service loan forgiveness. For more, see http://askheatherjarvis.com/

IL SECTION STUDENT-PROFESSOR MEALS

The IL student-professor lunch/dinner series provides an opportunity for students and section professors to get to know one another in an informal setting. The series begins on Monday, September 26, with a section A (LP 1-4) lunch. The remaining schedule: lunch, Section CA (LP 9-12), Monday, October 1, and Section BA (LP 5-8), Thursday, October 6; dinner, Section U (Evening), Monday, October 10. Lunches are 12:30 p.m., dinner 5:30 p.m., all FCR. Meals provided. RSVP, with section, to Marie Koch, Director of Student Services and Scholarship Aid, mkoch@tourolaw.edu by Friday, September 16.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION NEWS & NOTES

APALSA Celebrates Moon Festival. The Asian and Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA) will celebrate the Moon Festival this Thursday, September 15, 12:30 p.m., 209. The holiday is a harvest festival that has been celebrated in Asian cultures for more than 3,000 years. Sometimes called the Lantern Festival (after the traditional decorations) or the Moon Cake Festival (after the traditional food), the celebration corresponds to the autumnal equinox, when the moon is at its fullest and roundest. The Festival is one of the most important holidays in the Asian calendar, the others being New Year and Winter Solstice.

Federalist Society Explores Judicial Selection. The Touro chapter of the Federalist Society is part of a national organization of judges, lawyers and law students dedicated to conservative and libertarian principles, see http://www.fed-soc.org. The Federalists kick off a busy semester this Monday, September 12, with a visit by Villanova Law professor Tuan Samahan to the Judicial Clerkship Externship Seminar, taught by Professor (and former judge) Kenneth Gartner, for a discussion of the judicial selection process, 4:30 p.m., 410.

LawHelp is On the Way. Join LawHelp/NY and PILOT Tuesday, September 13, 12:30 p.m., 210 for a volunteer training session. LawHelp (http://www.lawhelp.org) is a non-profit online legal assistance and referral program that helps low and moderate income people find free legal aid programs in their communities, and where volunteers answer legal questions in live internet “chat” sessions. LawHelp work can be used toward satisfying the Public Interest Requirement.

Law Review Open House. Touro Law Review, the Law Center’s student-edited scholarly journal, will offer a Fall Write-On Competition for 2Ls and transfer-in students, from September 19-30. Competitors must attend the Open House on Wednesday, September 13, 12:30 and 5:30 p.m., 308.

Environmental Law Society. The ELS gets the semester under way with two events next week: a bulb sale fundraiser, Monday-Thursday, September 19-22, noon-6:30 p.m., cafeteria, and a program featuring Michael J. Lesser, ’87, former NY State DEC counsel, on environmental law investigation and enforcement, 12:15 and 5:25 p.m., FCR/BDR.

GRADUATION AUDITS REQUIRED

A graduation audit involves a thorough review of the status of graduation and bar certification requirements: number of credits, required courses, non-course requirements like Public Interest, ISR, AW, and documentation (undergraduate degrees, foreign study). December ‘11 grads (JD and LLM) must make an appointment to meet with the Registrar immediately for a graduation audit. May ‘12 grads should complete an audit before Spring semester registration begins in November.

EXAMS ON LAPTOPS

Students may take final exams (and midterms after Monday, October 10) on their laptop computers this semester, subject to the following:

- Register by Sunday, September 25, 11:59 p.m. by completing the Electronic Examination Form, available at http://lcweb.tourolaw.edu. (Choose Electronic Exam then Apply Online.) Requests received after this date will NOT be honored. On successful registration, an automatic confirming email will be sent to your Touro email address. If you do not receive this email, contact the IT Office at 631.761.7070 before the deadline. If you have difficulty registering, contact the IT Office before the deadline.

- Following are additional deadlines. If you fail to meet any one of these deadlines, you will not be able to take your exams on a laptop.

  - By Friday, October 9: 1. install the exam software. The software is updated every year, so ALL students who want to use laptops must install the updated software; and 2. download mock exam and upload mock answer.
  - 24 Hours Before Each Exam: download individual exam files.
  - Which laptops are eligible? PCs and Macs are eligible. (Macs must have both the Leopard OSX and Microsoft XP or Vista installed.) Touro does not provide laptops.
  - What if I receive exam accommodations? If you are submitting an Exam Accommodations Form (due Wednesday, October 19) to have an exam rescheduled due to a conflict or to request disability accommodations, the instructions above still apply. The Office of Student Services will send you an updated Exam Accommodations Form with your new exam date/times.

PASS/NO CREDIT OPTION

A student may elect to take up to 2 electives (no more than 1 per academic year) on a Pass/No Credit basis. Here’s how the option works: the student’s exam is graded in the usual way. If the student receives a C+ or better, the grade is converted to a P. The student receives credit for the course, but the P is not calculated in his/her GPA. For a C or below, the student receives the grade of NC, and receives no credit for the course, but as with P, the NC is not calculated in the student’s GPA. Professors may exclude their courses from the Pass/No Credit Option. The election for a fall semester course must be made by Friday, September 23, contact the Registrar’s Office.

FREE SHOTS

The Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SCDHS) will offer free MMR immunizations at Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) campuses on Wednesday, September 21, Grant Campus, Captree Commons, Crooked Hill Rd., Selden, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; and Thursday, September 22, Ammerman Campus, Babylon Student Center, 533 College Rd., Selden, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Appointments are not necessary, but bring your Touro ID. For directions, http://www.sunysuffolk.edu/About/Directions.asp or call SCDHS, 631.853.3055.

TOURO BRIEFS

Alumni Mentor Program Info Sessions Thursday. The Alumni-Student Mentor Program pairs students with graduates in practice areas and employment settings. For more, attend one of the information sessions this Thursday, September 14, 12:30 p.m., FCR and 5:30 p.m., ABR, or contact Kristin Matthews, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, x7063, kmathews@tourolaw.edu; or Margaret Williams, Assistant Dean for Career Services, x7035, mwilliams@tourolaw.edu.


CSO Programs This Week on Resumes and Fed Jobs. CSO will present 2 programs this week: Resumes & Cover Letters, Monday, September 12, 12:30 p.m., 414 and 5:30 p.m., 210; and federal government jobs, Tuesday, September 13, 12:30 p.m., 209 and 5:30 p.m., 414.

CSO, Writing Center Team Up. A bad cover letter can get your resume a one-way ticket to the trash. CSO and the Writing Center have teamed up to offer small-group custom cover letter help, two 45-minute sessions Wednesdays 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. beginning September 14. Sign up at CSO or call 631.761.7030.