THIS SUMMER AT THE LAW CENTER

Tues.-Wed., July 6-7 Defensive Driving Course for staff members, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 11 Library open 24/6 for bar exam study, through Tuesday, July 27. Details, page 2.
Monday, July 12 Last day of non-clinical classes.
Monday, July 19 Golf outing, Hamlet Club, Commack.
Mon.-Wed., July 19-21 Summer session final exams.
Monday, July 19 Jewish holiday of Tisha B’Av.
Tuesday, July 20 TIAA-CREF representatives visit for retirement planning consultations, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., 408.
Tuesday, July 27 Last day of summer session clinic classes.
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Sunday, July 25 Professor T. Silver free MPRE course, session 1, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 1 Professor T. Silver free MPRE course, session 2, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 15 First Year Orientation begins, through Wednesday, August 18 (schedule, next column).
Thursday, August 19 First day of fall semester 2010 classes.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Staff members can take the NY State-approved six-hour Defensive Driver Course at the Law Center Wednesday-Thursday July 6-7, 4:00-7:00 p.m., each day. Staff members who successfully complete the course are eligible for 10% off their auto insurance and up to 4 points off their licenses. Check with your auto insurance carrier for more specific information. The course is free as long as you attend the class (no cancellations). If you sign up and then do not attend for any reason, you will be billed for the course ($35). All staff members must have their supervisor’s approval before signing up. Check with Assistant Dean for Budget & Planning Linda Baurle (x7002, lindab@tourolaw.edu) to see if there are any vacancies.

FREE MPRE COURSE

The Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam (MPRE) is a national two hour and five minute sixty-question multiple-choice examination, administered three times each year. A passing score is required for admission in virtually every US jurisdiction. The registration deadline for the Friday, August 6 MPRE is Tuesday, June 29. Late registrations will be accepted through Thursday, July 15, at double the normal $63 fee.

On Sundays, July 25 and August 1, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day, Professor Theodore Silver will present a free MPRE preparation course. Professor Silver is a nationally recognized test preparation expert, and the author of several books on study strategy and test-taking techniques. The entire course, including all materials, is free, but pre-registration is required. To register, email the Office of Administration, kenr@tourolaw.edu. For more information on the MPRE, visit http://ncbex.org/tests.htm.

ORIENTATION BEGINS SUNDAY, AUGUST 15
FALL CLASSES START THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

First Year Orientation begins on Sunday, August 15 at noon with a welcome ceremony, followed by an alumni luncheon (1:00-2:00 p.m.) and classes on professionalism and justice (2:15-3:15 p.m.). As a way of emphasizing the school’s public interest commitment, 1Ls will also have the option of participating in a community service project on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. on a historical preservation effort with the Central Islip Civic Council. Orientation classes are Monday-Tuesday, August 16-17 (10:00 a.m.-1:20 p.m. day students, 6:30-9:50 p.m. evening students). Tuesday’s session includes an “Ask Anything” discussion with upper-level students. Orientation wraps up on Wednesday, August 18 (all first-year students, day and evening) with a BBQ/student organization fair (5:30-6:30 p.m.), a class on case synthesis (6:30-8:40 p.m.) and a plenary closing session (8:50-9:50 p.m.). Fall Semester classes start Thursday, August 19. For the complete Fall 2010 academic calendar, see page 2.

Volunteers Needed. Student volunteers are needed to help out at Orientation, servings as guides and greeters, taking attendance and/or administering evaluations for several Orientation sessions. A large group is needed for the “Ask Anything” sessions, informal small-group Q&A sessions on Tuesday, August 17. Contact Marie Koch, Director of Student Services and Scholarship Aid, mkoch@tourolaw.edu, 631.761.7050.

SUMMER EXAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday, July 20 Professional Responsibility (Zablotsky)
Trusts & Estates (I. Cooper)
Wednesday, August 18 First Year Orientation begins, through Wednesday, August 18 (all first-year students, day and evening) with a BBQ/student organization fair (5:30-6:30 p.m.), a class on case synthesis (6:30-8:40 p.m.) and a plenary closing session (8:50-9:50 p.m.). Fall Semester classes start Thursday, August 19. For the complete Fall 2010 academic calendar, see page 2.

SUMMER EXAM SCHEDULE

Summer session exams are Monday-Wednesday, July 19-21. All exams begin at 6:30 p.m.

Monday July 19* Selected Topics Criminal Procedure (Cohen)
Family Law (Silverman)
Business Organizations I (Miller) (NYC)
Tuesday July 20 Professional Responsibility (Zablotsky)
Trusts & Estates (I. Cooper)
Wednesday July 21 Selected Topics in Tort Law (Zablotsky)
*The Jewish holiday of Tisha B’Av falls on Monday, July 19. Students who observe this holiday will have their exams rescheduled. Contact the Office of Student Services, Room 302, (631) 761-7050, studentservices@tourolaw.edu.

TISHA B’AV

The Jewish holiday of Tisha B’Av falls this year on Monday, July 19. Tisha B’Av is the saddest day in the Jewish calendar, because of the incredible series of tragedies that have occurred on that date throughout Jewish history. Tisha B’Av (literally, the ninth day of the Jewish month of Av) is a day of mourning, primarily to commemorate the first and second Temples, both of which were destroyed on the ninth of Av (the first by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.E.; the second by the Romans in 70 C.E.). Among the many other tragedies that occurred on this day were the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492, the start of World War I (which began the chain of events that led to the Holocaust), and the World War II deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto to the Treblinka concentration camp. Tisha B’Av is the culmination of a three-week period of increasing mourning. From the first to the ninth of Av, observant Jews refrain from eating meat or drinking wine (except on Shabbat) and from wearing new clothing. The restrictions on Tisha B’Av itself are similar to Yom Kippur prohibitions: no eating, no drinking (even water), no washing, no bathing, no shaving, no wearing cosmetics, no working, and no studying Torah.
Touro Briefs

NY Times Profiles Two Lives of Recent Grad, Lawyer and Rock Star. In a May 28, 2010 profile, “Punjabi Heart, Legal Mind, Hip-Hop Soul,” The New York Times highlighted 2009 graduate Bikram Singh’s two careers, as a dedicated tenancy’s rights lawyer, and as North America’s most famous performer of Bhangara fusion, an urban take on traditional Punjabi music, see http://www.nytimes.com/2010/05/29/nyregion/29bigcity.html; for a music video, see http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wZHkMg3IE.

PAD Featured in National Magazine. Touro’s chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International was featured in the April 2010 edition of the American Bar Association Law Student Division Student Lawyer magazine, for its efforts on behalf of an orphanage in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

3L Finalist in International Essay Contest. 3L Salaam Bhatti was selected as a finalist in an international essay contest on non-smokers rights. He presented his paper, in which he advocates restrictions on the sale of e-cigarettes, electronic devices that simulate the experience of smoking a real tobacco cigarette, at Seventh World Conference on Non-Smokers Rights in Washington, DC.

Nassau Bar Blood Drive. The Nassau County Bar Association (NCBA) is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Tuesday, July 13, 2010 from 1:15-7:15 p.m. at NCBA HQ, 5th and West Streets, Mineola.

Law Center/NY City Bar Co-Sponsor Summer Programs. The Law Center and the New York City Bar Association (NYCBA) will co-sponsor a series of free programs this summer, Tuesday-Thursday, August 3-5, on technology (Tuesday, August 3) healthcare law (Wednesday, August 4) and immigration law (Thursday, August 5). All programs are at NYCBA HQ, 42 W. 44th Street, NYC, 6:30-8:45 p.m. Touro students may also attend a “Boot Camp,” skills training for new lawyers headed for small and mid-size firms, Thursdays September 16 and 23. For more see http://www.nycbar.org/LawStudents/index.htm or call 212.382.6600.

SUMMER HOURS

LIBRARY (through Friday, August 13, 2010):

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.—2:00 a.m.*
Monday–Thursday: 7:00 a.m.—2:00 a.m.*
Friday: 7:00 a.m.—2:45 p.m.*
Saturday: closed

* From 7:00–8:00 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 11:45 p.m.—2:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, the library is open to Law Center students for study only Circulation and reference services are not available during these times.

Extended Bar Exam Hours. During the two weeks prior to the New York Bar Exam, the Library will be open as a 24-hour study hall: Sunday, July 11–Tuesday, July 27, except for Friday evening–Saturday evening, in observance of the Jewish Sabbath. The library will close on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. and will reopen on Saturdays at 10:00 p.m. With this exception, the library will remain open 24 hours a day. Students using the library after midnight must sign in and out. Library services will not be available during the overnight period, although a security guard will be on duty.

BOOKSTORE

Monday–Wednesday, 11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m., Thursday, 11:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m., Friday 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

FOOD SERVICE

Monday–Thursday, 8:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m., Friday, 8:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Saturday–Sunday: closed

Food service continues through Wednesday, July 21. Food service reopens Thursday, August 19.

LIRR SHUTTLE

CI LIRR to Touro: Monday–Thursday, 6:18 p.m.
Touro to CI LIRR: Monday–Thursday 4:40, 9:10 p.m. and 10:05 p.m.

Shuttle service continues through Wednesday, July 21. Shuttle resumes on a limited Orientation schedule the week of August 15. Regular shuttle service resumes on Thursday, August 19.

GOLF OUTING MONDAY, JULY 19

The 8th annual Susan M. Dietrich Clyne Memorial Golf Outing will take place on Monday, July 19 at the exclusive Hamlet Golf & Country Club in Commack, NY. The event honors the memory of Ms. Dietrich Clyne, a 1988 grad who died in the World Trade Center attacks on September 11, 2001. All proceeds benefit the Susan M. Dietrich Clyne Scholarship Fund. This year’s honoree is Frederick C. Johns, founding partner of Lewis Johs Avilone, LLP. For information about sponsorships and golfer packages, contact Aimee Pearlman at (631) 761-7064, apearlman@tourolaw.edu.

OUTSIDE GROUP PROGRAMS

The Law Center continues to host outside group programs throughout the summer. Faculty, staff and students may attend most programs free of charge. For information, contact the Office of Administration, x7002.

Wednesday, June 30 Project PATCH Law and Civic Education Summer Institute for high school teachers, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Project PATCH (Participatory Awareness Through Community Help) is a joint effort of the New York State Bar Association, Touro Law Center and the Northport School District, to provide education in law and civics to teachers and high school students, see http://northport.k12.ny.us/~patch/

Wednesday-Thursday June 30-July 1 LI Regional School Support/Eastern Suffolk BOCES “Lighting Pathways to Literacy” Conference, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., conference on teaching literacy for Long Island educators. Tues.-Fri., July 6-16 Urban League of Long Island job skills training for at-risk youth, 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Continues Fridays only July 23-August 13.

Wednesdays July 28 and August 25 EAC (Education and Assistance Corporation) legal seminar for non-custodial parents, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

FALL SEMESTER CALENDAR

Aug. Sun, 15 – Wed, 18 First Year Orientation
Thu, 19 First Day of Fall Semester Classes
Deadline for December ’10 graduates to submit Advanced Writing Requirement papers to Supervising Professors
Sun, 22 First Day of LL.M. Classes
Sept. Fri, 3 Last Day to Drop/Add Classes
Last Day to Elect to Officially Audit Elective Courses; Independent Research Proposal Forms Due to Registrar
Sun, 5 – Mon, 6 No Classes – Labor Day Weekend
Building closed
Tue, 7 No Classes
Wed, 8 – Fri, 10 No Classes – Rosh Hashanah
Building closes 3:00 p.m. Wed., September 8, closed all day Thurs. & Fri., September 9 & 10.
Wed, 22 Follows a Friday Class Schedule - Sukkot
Building closes 3:00 p.m.; Last Day to Exercise Pass/No Credit Option; Deadline for May 2011 Graduates to submit Advanced Writing Requirement Forms to Registrar; Immunization Records & Undergraduate Transcripts due to Admissions Office.
Thu, 23 – Fri, 24 No Classes - Sukkot - Building closed.
Mon, 27 Follows a Wednesday Class Schedule
Wed, 29 Follows a Friday Class Schedule - Sukkot
Building closes 3:00 p.m.
Thu, 30 – Fri, 1 No Classes - Sukkot - Building closed.
Nov. Thu, 25 – Fri, 26 No Classes – Thanksgiving - Building closed.
Tue, 30 Follows a Thursday Class Schedule
Dec. Thu, 9 Last Day of Classes
Fri, 10 Reading Day
Mon, 13 – Thu, 23 Final Examinations
Fri, 31 New Year’s Eve - Building closed.