

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT. 8

Sept. 8	Sept. 9	Sept. 10	Sept. 11	Sept. 12	Sept. 13
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MELSA General Meeting Noon B135  ILSA Event feat. Kristen Bowman Noon B139  Treasurer Training	High Tech Tues.  Noon feat. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff	BGLAd General Meeting Noon B135 SALSA General Meeting Noon B139 Legal Links Noon B142 Imnesty Internationa General Meeting Noon B142 Strategies for	Tax and Estate Planning Society Gemeral Meeting Noon B135  Law Moms & Dads General Meeting Noon B127  ILSA General Meeting Noon B142		
Noon B127		Success 4:30-5:20 pm Cowell AA Group 5-6 pm Benson 209	Federalist Society Event Feat. Roger Pilon Noon B237		

# QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"Really great people make you feel that you, too, can become great."
-Mark Twain

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## FROM THE EDITOR:

We've got a very busy week ahead of us.

The school year is in full-swing with club meetings, speaker events, and free food.

In SBA news- this week we will be holding elections for all of the SBA class representatives. I have printed candidate statements later in this issue. I don't think there's any question that your vote counts in this race, so read them carefully and choose wisely.

I also want to point out that 2 spots have opened up for the immersion trip to El Salvador. Many have mentioned interest, so here is your change. For more information, see page 3.

Yet again, a reminder:

Submissions received by Thursday at 10:00 PM will be published in the following Monday's issue. Due to printing deadlines, there will be NO EXCEPTIONS and late submissions will be pushed to the following week. Please email me directly at *crobinett@scu.edu*.

Advertisements need to be in JPEG or PDF format. Clubs and law programs are charged for ad space, but individual students can always talk to me about the possibility of submissions.

Have a great week Santa Clara.

Sincerely,
Caitlin E. Robinett
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There is still time to get in shape to run the Metro Silicon Valley Marathon, Half-Marathon or the 5k run on October 26, 2008!

The Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center (http://law.scu.edu/kgaclc/) is once again organizing "Swift Justice," a fundraising activity launched in conjunction with Olympic Trials qualifier and SCU alumn, JT Service. As part of the deal, JT will provide training tips, weekly inperson training sessions and answers to all your questions from now until October 26th.

In this activity, you commit to "Swift Justice" by setting the goal of running or walking the Metro Silicon Valley marathon, half-marathon, or the 5k run. This event is open to everyone: faculty, staff, students, non-students, friends, family, colleagues, etc., so please spread the word!

You decide how much money you want to raise for the KGACLC among your family, colleagues and friends. You make a difference when you sign up by raising money in one of three levels so that the KGACLC can continue to offer its free legal services to the community.

Please visit http://law.scu.edu/kgaclc/swift-justice.cfm for more information. If the Frequently-Asked-Questions section there does not answer your question, please send an e-mail to smlopez@scu.edu .

## **Interested in an Immersion Trip to El Salvador?**

Two places have opened up for the immersion trip to El Salvador (for 2Ls, 3 Ls and 4Ls). The one-unit course which is a prerequisite starts on Sept. 19.

The trip will take place from Jan. 1-10, 2009. Classes start on Jan. 12.

Each law student who has gone on an immersion trip says that the trip was probably the most educational experience he or she had while in law school. The Santa Clara Law Magazine (www.scu.edu/sclaw/fall2004) describes the trip and its impact in detail. Please look at that article to get an idea of what next January's trip will entail.

COURSE PREREQUISITE: 1-unit "Legal Systems in El Salvador"

CONTACT: Professor Cynthia Mertens (cmertens@scu.edu or 554.4025) for further information.

#### **REMINDER FROM Public Interest and Social Justice Coalition**

#### THIS WEEK

# SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CON LAW ISSUES FILM SERIES

Wed., Sept. 10, Noon to 1 p.m., Wiegand Arts & Sciences

Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred Korematsu Story (2000)

Facilitator: Margaret Russell

#### THIS WEEK

# SOCIAL JUSTICE THURSDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Thur., Sept. 11, Noon to 1 p.m., Bannan 139 Food Provided.

Summer Fellowships Information Session

Learn about funding social justice summer work. Featuring:

RICHARD BERG Professor of Law Emeritus and Chair, Public Interest and Social Justice Endowment Board
KEN MANASTER Professor of Law and Chair, Justice John Paul Stevens Public Interest Fellowship Committee
VICKI HUEBNER Assistant Dean for Law Career Services
RUSSELL MANGAN 2008 Stevens Fellowship recipient
LAUREN VAZQUEZ 2008 Public Interest and Social Justice Endowment Summer Grant recipient
BRAD JACKLIN 2007 and 2008 LGBT Legal Issues Summer Grant recipient

#### THIS WEEK

#### SOCIAL JUSTICE WORKSHOP: VOTING AND THE LAW OF DEMOCRACY

Thur., Sept. 11 at 4 p.m. in Bannan 333

Jocelyn Benson (Wayne State University Law School)

Towards Full Participation: The History and Relevance of Language Assistance for English Learning Voters

Professor Benson serves as the founder and executive director of the Richard Austin Center on Election Lawn and Administration, and is a member of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Election Law.



#### RUN. WALK. GIVE.

Help fight breast cancer by joining the SCU Law team in the Race for the Cure (5K walk/run). The event is Sunday, Sept. 21 in San Francisco (along the Embarcadero). Sign up for the SCU Law team and receive a free t-shirt. Registration is \$30.

Go to <a href="http://race.sfkomen.org/goto/sculaw2">http://race.sfkomen.org/goto/sculaw2</a> to join the SCU Law team and/or to donate money.

This is a great cause--get involved! And bring friends!

Help fight breast cancer by joining the SBA, W&L, PTLSA, SCU-NLG, APALSA, and Health Care Law Society in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.



# FIRST YEAR LAW STUDENTS

Give your parents and/or partners a look into your life as a law student!

# PLAN TO ATTEND THE PARENTS AND PARTNERS PROGRAM

Saturday, September 20, 2008 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Continental Breakfast – Levy Lounge, Bannan Hall Program – Bannan Hall, Room 142 Lunch – Bannan Quad

Program includes:

Welcome by Dean Donald Polden

Mock Class by Professor Jean Love

Panel Discussion – Educating & Supporting the Santa Clara Law Student
Moderator: Cynthia Mertens – Associate Dean
Susan Erwin – Senior Assistant Dean for Student Life
Joan Harrington – Academic Development Specialist
Vicki Huebner – Assistant Dean for Law Career Services
Dr. Kate Young – Staff Psychologist, Counseling & Psychological Services

#### FREE CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND BOX LUNCH

RSVP to <u>jschuller@scu.edu</u> or call 408-551-1776 by **September 12th** Please give the total number attending, including yourself, names and a daytime telephone number.

#### PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU AND YOUR GUESTS WILL BE STAYING FOR LUNCH.

Space limited to spouse/mate and/or parents - first come first served.



# **Special Guest:**

# **Kirsten Bowman**

Legal Officer, International Criminal Court SCU Law Grad '05

## "Working at the International Criminal Court"

Monday, September 8, 2008
Bannan 139
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Lunch Provided

### **About Kirsten Bowman:**

Kirsten Bowman graduated from SCU Law in 2005 with a specialization in international law. Since then she has worked for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) in the Prosecutor's Office and at the International Criminal Court as the legal advisor to the Vice President of the Court. Most recently, she has been the legal advisor to Vice President Blattmann of the ICC, who is hearing the first case before the ICC, against Mr. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Kirsten has been working on the The Lubanga case for the last year and a half. Unfortunately, the case was recently halted due to disclosure difficulties. She will be returning to the ICTR in Africa on a short term project to help them negotiate with national States to implement international law into their domestic jurisdictions.

Kirsten will discuss the path she took to get her positions with the ICC, describe what the work entails, and give an overview of the work on the Lubanga case.

For more information please contact Center for Global Law & Policy: cglp@scu.edu

In compliance with the ADA/ 504 please direct your accommodation requests to: Galina Pappu at 408-551-1955 or call TTY-California Relay, at 1-800-735-2929 at least 72 hours prior to the event.

# SBA REP. CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Elections for SBA Class Representatives will be held this week. Candidates were asked to write brief statements for your careful consideration.

## 1L Class Reps

#### Carlos Rosario:

My fellow students, I'd love the opportunity to be your full time 1L representative. I would be grateful for this opportunity to promote student life at Santa Clara, increase student awareness and promote intercollegiate activities. I was raised in Santa Clara, went to a Jesuit high school in San Jose and I am excited to be back in the South Bay Area.

As far as qualifications go, at Southern Cal I was on the boards of the Society of Hispanic Engineers, National Society of Black Engineers, Engineering Graduate Association, Linux Users Group, and Amnesty International. With all of these organizations I planned fundraisers, pre-professional programs, community service activities, and intercollegiate social events. As a class representative I would like to act as a liaison between you, the class of 2011, and your SBA. I'm excited, qualified and ready to serve.

**VOTE FOR CARLOS!!** 

#### Malia Vella:

I served as a class rep for college government for 4 years.

- I was the social chair for 2 different student organizations.
- As social chair, I organized numerous social events and fundraisers.
- I am willing to give up my Saturday surf sessions to represent YOU.

Let's have fun! You should hella vote for Vella.

#### ZJ Hull:

Why would I make a good class rep? I thought I would just start with the generic list

- I'm hard working (but who in law school isn't?)
- I make bad law jokes
- I have leadership experience (I was Lead Engineer at my previous job)
- I'm awful/awesome at karaoke.
- etc...

But to me the most important qualification for this job is the ability to get our fellow classmates involved in the Law School experience. Whether through actively recruiting (read peer-pressuring) people to come out to Karaoke nights and our first Bar Review or by helping setup some of the pre-orientation meet-ups where some of us first met, I've been active in this community from the start and want to continue to do so in a greater capacity.

#### **Dominic Dutra:**

I feel qualified to be a class representative at Santa Clara Law for several reasons. Last year while working on trial teams at a law firm, our teams prioritized issues in cases and found multitudes of ways to approach various problems. The collaborative discourse I was involved in parallels the constructive dialogue that the Board of Governors requires. I also gained valuable experience as a member of the Steering Committee for the Monte Vista High boy's lacrosse team. The Steering Committee does comparable work to the Board of Governors, including discussing and appropriating a budget, planning schedules, events and fundraisers, and mapping a plan of success for the teams. My experience with the Steering Committee mirrors the type of work the Board of Governors does, and I believe that my familiarity in that arena most qualifies me to represent the team of JD candidates for 2011.

### 1L Part-time Reps

#### Jenni MacArthur:

#### Vision:

- To make the opinions of the Part-Time student body heard and to have our specific needs voiced and met.
- To ensure all first year law students are given the same opportunities for success.
- For Part-Time 1L's to feel comfortable, welcome and supported during their challenging transition into Law School.

#### Experience:

- Started and co-lead a non-profit organization for adolescents with disabilities.
- Organized and aided in the accreditation process for a charter school for children with disabilities.
- Has been an office holding member of 16 clubs and organizations

#### Skills and Offering:

- Dedication to fellow students
- Integrity as a representative
- Leadership experience
- Organizational skills
- Positive Attitude
- Approachable and Caring
- Able to listen and hear the needs of others
- Ability to confidently present information on behalf of the 1L class

#### James Lauth:

Jim Lauth & Molly too! 2 for the price of 1. How can you beat that – especially when one is as intelligent, adorable and charming as Molly. I'm not too shabby either. Besides my work and academic accomplishments, I've had much experience in working in leadership roles of organizations ranging from treasurer of my college fraternity, Kappa Sigma, to president of the Cherrywood Homeowner's Association at my former residence, to serving on the Board of Directors of a non-profit organization, The Options Foundation, and as a member of the City of Sunnyvale's Advisory Committee on Accessibilty. I would like to be able to bring my leadership and teamwork experience to the SBA in order to continue what I believe is the most remarkable attribute of Santa Clara Law that I've found in my few short weeks here- a truly amazing and supportive community. Thank you for your consideration.

## **2L Reps**

#### **Bob Gambino**

I am qualified for 2L class representative in many ways. Most significantly, I am a 2L. What more could the 2L class ask for?

When I questioned my peers as to what they looked for in their class representative, I heard countless cries of "what do they do?" This is unacceptable. Obviously, the incumbent 1L class representatives did a poor job of representing his or her peers. I say his or her, because I do not know who these people are.

What I do know, however, is what it takes to be an effective class representative. I plan to keep the 2Ls informed of what the 1Ls, the 3Ls and those few 4Ls are doing. I also intend to get the student body more involved outside of the classroom, be it through alumni relations, social gatherings, and arm wrestling contests.

If nothing else, next year's 3Ls will know what a class representative does.

Make Time for Your Career!



# The LCS News

September 08-September 14

#### www.law.edu/careers

#### SCU Law Jobs

Log onto SCU Law Jobs: www.scu.edu/law/careers and find jobs like these:

#### **Current Resume Collects:**

Nixon Peabody (San Francisco) Job ID# 3751 Summer Associate (2L/3LE) Please see SCU Law Jobs for more information about this exciting opportunity!

#### O'Melveny & Myers LLP (Menlo Park, CA) Job ID# 3767

(For 3L's) First Year Litigation Associate Please see SCU Law Jobs for detailed information.

#### Stoel Rives LLP (Salt Lake City, UT) Job ID# 3783

Patent Summer Associate Please see SCU Law Jobs for details.

#### Current Open Positions: Levine Bagade Han (Palo Alto, CA) Job ID# 3793

Patent Agent (2L's, 3L's, 4L's)
See SCU Law Jobs for details.

#### San Francisco Immigration Court Job ID# 3795

Spring 2009 Volunteer Internships See SCU Law Jobs for details.

#### Bay Area Legal Aid: Santa Clara County Regional Office (San Jose, CA) Job ID# 3774

Job ID# 3774
Poverty Prevention Law
Clerk-See SCU Law Jobs.

## Lunch Hour Programs:

#### Tues 9/9

How to be a Successful Associate Presentation by Dechert, LLP Bannan 127, 12-1

Do you have questions about what it takes to be a successful, effective and efficient associate? If you would like to find out the answers to questions regarding firm life, successfully handling assignments and working with fellow attorneys, along with what it means to incorporate and recognize "firm citizenship," as well as, time and billing management, please join Law Career Services as we welcome SCU Law Grad (Class of 2000) Sarah Wager, from Dechert, LLP for a highly informative presentation about her perspective on what it means to be a successful associate. 1L's, 2L's and 3L's can all benefit from this program! Don't miss it! No RSVP required. Lunch

# sponsored by Dechert.

Please direct any questions to Morgan Dain at Mdain@scu.edu

#### Wed 9/10

Junior Associates at Trial-A Presentation by Day Casebeer Bannan 127, 12-1

If you have an interest in IP litigation and general patent law, don't miss this informative panel discussion with Day Casebeer attorneys Krista Carter '02, Andy Chan '05, Berrie Goldman and Larry Peck '06 –who will share with you their tips, strategies and advice on what it takes to be an effective IP litigator. A brief presentation followed by an interactive panel discussion will make this a program you won't want to miss!

# Lunch sponsored by Day Casebeer.

#### No RSVP required.

For questions, please contact Morgan Dain at MDain@scu.edu

## **Upcoming Events:**

9/9 How to be a Successful Associate (Presented by Sarah Wager '00, Dechert, LLP)

9/10 Junior Associates at Trial (Presented by Krista Carter, Andy Chan, Berrie Goldman and Larry Peck of Day Casebeer)

9/11 Finding Summer Funding (LCS & APD joint program)

9/15 Service Members Legal Defense Fund-Presentation by Zoe Dunning

#### LCS Staff Members:

**Vicki Huebner** is the Assistant Dean for LCS.

**Matthew Wayman & Morgan Dain** are the Assistant Directors.

**Christina Johnson** is the LCS Program Coordinator.

**Jetaun Stevens and Audrey Kyu** are the Public Interest Law Career Coordinators.

## Career Advising with LCS:

To schedule an appointment with a LCS career advisor, go to our website at: http://law.scu.edu/careers and click on "Make an Appointment" or call **408-554-4350** to schedule an appt. over the phone.



The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Clara Law Diversity Gala will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at the de Saisset Museum. The Diversity Gala celebrates the rich diversity of Santa Clara Law and its student body. Members of the bench and bar are afforded the opportunity to meet and form relationships with this highly diverse group of individuals. Mark your calendars for this exciting networking opportunity! Please ask LCS for more details about this great event!

If you have a disability and require a reasonable accommodation, please call Law Career Services at 408-554-4350, or 1-800-735-2929 (TTY – California Relay) at least 48 hours prior to the event.