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Dear Colleagues,

Please plan to attend the PILF auction on Saturday, March 5th at 6:00 p.m. in Campion Ballroom. The PILF auction serves as a grassroots effort to provide summer grants to graduating students who plan to work in public interest law upon graduation.

As with previous years, the Dean's Office will cover the cost of tickets for faculty and staff to attend. You can sign up to attend at the table on the court level all this week. I hope to see you on Saturday!

Best regards, Mark

Events

Social Justice Monday & Student Financial Services Loan Workshop w/ Guest Speaker Heather Jarvis

Monday, February 28, 2011 12:00 – 12:50 p.m., and 5:00 – 5:50 p.m., Room C5

Faculty Development Presentation

Professor Kathryn Abrams, University of California, Boalt Hall School of Law Fear and Loathing in Maricopa County: The Law and Emotions of Immigration Reform Monday, February 28, 2011 12:00-12:50 p.m., Room 109

Faculty Meeting

Tuesday, March 1, 2011 12:00 – 1:50 p.m., Room 109

CPD: Washington Defense Trial Lawyers Speed Networking Event

Wednesday, March 2, 2011 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Gallery

CPD: Solo and Small Firm Job Fair

Thursday, March 3, 2011 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Campion

CLE: Promise of Civility Part 2

Friday, March 4, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Room C5

Admissions – UW Tacoma Visit

Friday, March 4, 2011 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., Courtroom

PILF Auction

Saturday, March 5, 2011 6:00 – 10:00 p.m., Campion Ballroom

Moot Court Mock Trial Competition

Saturday, March 5, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Courtroom & All Classrooms

Faculty Development News

Scholarship

Richard Delgado submitted an essay on critical legal thought to Oxford University's *Encyclopedia of American Political and Legal History*.

Tayyab Mahmud's article, "Law of Geography and the Geography of Law: A Post-Colonial Mapping," has been accepted for publication by *Washington University Jurisprudence Review*.

John Mitchell's article, "Chatting with the Lady in the Grocery Store About Hernandez v. Robles, The New York Same-Sex Marriage Case," 6 *Seattle J. Soc. Just.* 255 (2008), will

be reprinted in Volume 1, "Family and Youth," of the *Library of Essays on Sexuality and Law* (Ashgate Publs., 2011) (Ruthann Robson, ed.).

Scholarly Presentations

Richard Delgado presented a paper at a law review conference at University of Alabama on the "rotten social background" defense. The symposium, which featured speakers from Penn, Berkeley, Washington & Lee, and Howard law schools, marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of Delgado's 1985 article on a criminal law defense of severe environmental deprivation and will appear as a special issue in the review next fall.

Tayyab Mahmud presented a paper, "Debt & Discipline: Neoliberal Financialization, Household Debt, and the Working Classes," at the Law & Society Association's West Coast Retreat in Los Angeles.

Other Notable News

Tom Antkowiak presented "International Law and Victim-Centered Remedies" at the Víctor García Moreno Conference in Bogotá, Colombia, co-sponsored by the International Criminal Court. Joining him on the panel was a Colombian Supreme Court Justice and a law professor from the State University of Rio de Janeiro.

Lorraine Bannai and **Stephanie Nichols** presented at the Color of Justice Program in Sitka, Alaska. The program seeks to encourage Alaskan high school students of color, especially Native Alaskan students, to pursue careers in law. The program included leaders in the legal profession, including Justices on the Alaska State Supreme Court and members of the Governor's staff. Lori presented "So What Do Lawyers Do?" based on the Supreme Court case of *Frederick v. Morse*. Stephanie presented on a panel discussing the law school admissions process and a career in the law.

Richard Delgado and **Jean Stefancic** were interviewed by the editor of a blog for lawyers on the subject of their 2005 Duke University Press book, *How Lawyers Lose Their Way: A Profession Fails Its Creative Minds.*

Eric Eberhard was recently quoted extensively in the article "Tempest in a Tea Party Potshot" featured in *Indian Country Today*. The article discussed the potential cataclysmic results for Indians of Senator Rand Paul's plans for the BIA and IHS.

Jack Kirkwood debated climate change policy with John Kunich, a law professor at the University of North Carolina and author of *Betting the Earth*. The debate, a Diversity Week event, was sponsored by the Federalist Society and the *Seattle Journal of Environmental Law*.

Tayyab Mahmud has been appointed to the International Programs Committee of the Law & Society Association.

Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to

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