**The Crier**

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The Crier consists of Law School announcements and meeting notices, Law Library news, and Student calendar and news. Items for all sections should be submitted to Academic Services by 12:00pm on the Thursday prior. Academic Services produces The Crier. E-mail submissions may be sent to: lawnews@u.washington.edu.

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### Dates to Keep in Mind

- **February 21**: Presidents Day
- **March 11**: Last day of classes
- **March 14-18**: Final exams

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**CLASS CHANGE**: Law A 512 Secured Transactions will meet in room 133 on Friday, Feb. 11 instead room 119.

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**SPRING QUARTER SCHEDULES**

2L, 3L, and LLM students (except Tax) should be sure to check their adjusted schedules online for the status of their choices for Spring Quarter classes. In a few weeks, add codes for registration will be available. Students need to limit their class credits to 16 to receive add codes.

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Students who wish to make changes to their schedules should send those requests to lawnews@u.washington.edu.

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### 8 WEEK COURSES:

As part of a pilot program, there will be a few eight week courses offered in the Spring Quarter 2005. They will meet more often than other classes each week in order to get the required class time in during the shorter period.

The courses are identified on the line schedule with a “#” symbol. (Most of these courses already have a waiting list.)

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### NEW CLASSES FOR SPRING QUARTER

Some additional classes have been added to the Spring Quarter schedule:

- **Law A 580 Family Law** (Kelly)-MTWTh 11:30-12:30 (4 credits);
- **Law B 506 Conflicts of Law** (Dowdle)-MTWTh 2:30-3:20 (4 credits);
- **Law B 567 Externship Perspectives Seminar** - Wed. 6:00-9:00pm (2 credits).

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**Law B 599 Special Topics: Business Advising** focuses on the role of the lawyer as an advisor to privately-owned businesses and their owners on issues such as tax and business considerations, tax traps and pitfalls, and creative planning strategies. Designed to broaden the student’s substantive knowledge on a broad range of structural issues and to help develop analytical and planning skills.

Students should email lawnews@u.washington.edu to request a spot in any of these courses.

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**STAFF SPOTLIGHT**

by Cathy Owens, Secretary Senior

Next time you see Harold Daniels in the Clinics on the 2nd floor, ask him about the magic word, MQRS. Motivated, Quality, Responsive Service is the "magic word" and official slogan of the Clinics Support Staff! And Harold is a great example of this as he fills his position as Clinical Law Program Support Supervisor.

Harold is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Clinical Law Program. He provides support to the Clinics students and faculty with respect to office operations, the case management system and computer issues. He also supervises the Clinics staff, and coordinates with outside representatives on administrative matters. He also provides administrative support to the three off-site clinics. So needless to say, Harold is a very busy man!

The law students have the chance to interact with Harold as he insures that they have access to the restricted Clinics area and are licensed to use the case management software; he answers questions regarding computer software and hardware; serves as liaison to Computing Services for technical problems; serves as Clinics rep. to the Regional Planning Group (a panel of public service oriented legal providers in the Seattle area); assists in planning for the annual Clinic Fair and Clinic Student Orientation; and coordinates development and manages the new Clinics Language Bank.

Mr. Daniels has been with UW since October 2003. Previous to that, he was a real estate broker in South Carolina; a lawyer in private practice (9 yrs.); a managing attorney for a legal services office (16 yrs.); and was in the Army Reserve (30 yrs.).

Unbeknownst to many people, English is not Harold's first language—it's German! He was born in Germany, has lived in Europe and Japan, and has also lived on both coasts of the U.S. He loves hiking, paddle boats, and traveling. His family includes two daughters, a son and two grandsons.

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ROBERT C. FINLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2005-2006

The Robert C. Finley Scholarship Fund was created in recognition of Justice Robert Finley’s extraordinary record of service to the legal profession, the system of justice, and the people of the State of Washington. Justice Finley served on the Supreme Court of Washington for 25 years, from 1951 to 1976. During his years on the bench he was known for his compassionate and caring approach and his genuine concern for fairness and justice. Justice Finley was a firm believer in the obligation of citizens to participate in community activities, and led by example in this area through his personal involvement in a wide range of programs and efforts at the local and state levels. He was also a strong advocate of public understanding about the law and was an active leader in advancing Bench - Bar - Press relationships and educational efforts.

This scholarship is specifically restricted to applicants who will be second-year students during the 2005-2006 academic year. The 2004-2005 award was $6,100.

Evaluation of your application will be based on your demonstrated financial need and your response to the following essay question:

Describe your personal interest and involvement in civic or community activities particularly as they may relate to current and emerging societal issues and concerns such as (but not limited to) the environment, the provision of legal services to the poor and under-represented segments of the population, and public understanding of the law.

Although not required, you may also submit a letter of recommendation and a resume as part of your application. Application deadline is April 1st, 2005.

Attention winter grads! Consider consolidating your loans now.

If you are graduating after winter quarter and have been receiving Federal Stafford Loans this might be a good time to consolidate. I encourage you to do your own investigating but I think that the interest rates may go up this year. The change will be made on July 1, 2005. You can consolidate while in-school at the current rate and still receive your full grace period. If you decide to wait, if you consolidate in your grace, you will go into repayment after 6 weeks. This is a good opportunity to get a great consolidation rate. Please schedule an appointment with me if you have questions.
CAREER SERVICES CENTER
Room 346
8:30am-6:00pm, M-TH
8:30am-5:00pm, F
206-543-9097
careerps@u.washington.edu
pservice@u.washington.edu (for externships)

CAREER SERVICES EVENTS CALENDAR & GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The 1Ls have won the resume upload contest and each of you can retrieve your Starbucks gift card in room 346.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Remember to RSVP via Symplicity for all events. You may NOT make a reservation by sending an email to the CSC.

The week of February 7-12

Monday, 2/7 from 12:30-1:20 in Room 133
Major, Hagen & Africa Recruiter’s Presentation
The nation’s leading attorney search firm will come to meet students and discuss a variety of topics. They will talk about how to take charge of your careers, clerkships, and summer programs. They will also discuss what to expect from your first year(s) of practice and what recruiters do and why, as well as providing a glimpse into the current employment trends in Seattle. The speakers are: Karen Andersen, Office Head and UW Law Alumnae; Sarah Hunter, Associate Placements Practice Head; Inti Knapp, In-House Placements and Business Development. RSVP via Symplicity.

Wednesday, 2/9 from 7:30-8:30am in Room 115
Public Interest Connections Breakfast
Join Career Services for an early morning breakfast and networking event with several alumni involved in various Public Interest positions. Space is limited. RSVP Now. Following are the UW Graduates who will be attending: Hank Balson, Public Interest Law Group; Amy Holt, KC Prosecuting Attorney; Kristin Peterson, Office of Public Defense, Snohomish County; Maureen Cyr, Washington Appellate Project; Evan Chinn, Law Clerk to The Honorable Ronald E. Cox; Esther Park, Union Gospel Mission; Meena Menter, NW Justice Project; Quentin Yerxa, WA ST Attorney General’s Office, UW Division

Saturday, 2/12 10:00am-12:00 in Room 119
Saturday Skills Workshop
Join our two career coaches, Aurora Bearse and Josie Mitchell for an interactive presentation focused on networking and interviewing skills. This is an opportunity to discuss issues, gain new insights, and refine skills in problem areas. Space is limited. RSVP Now.

Other February Events:

Tues, 2/15 in Room 119
The Basics of Clerkship Applications
Aurora Bearse will provide the nuts and bolts of applying for clerkships.

Wednesday, 2/16 12:30-1:20
Washington State Attorney General’s 1L Orientation
The Law Clerk Recruitment Team from the Washington State Attorney General’s Office will present an overview about the office and positions available there. They will also provide descriptions about the types of work that the office does, the types of duties clerks do in our office, and a discussion about our recruitment process. The orientation session is focused on 1L’s because 1L recruitment will be well underway. However, 2Ls and 3Ls are more than welcome to attend.

Thursday, 2/24 4:00-6:00 4th Floor Lounge
WSBA IP Section Meet and Greet Reception
Several members from the WSBA IP Section will come to meet students and network. Refreshments will be provided. RSVP via Symplicity.

Thursday, February 24
The Etiquette Dinner at Columbia Tower
Deborah King, President of Final Touch Finishing School, has over twenty-five years of experience in the image and etiquette industry. She will present a three-hour program that intertwines etiquette instruction with a pleasant two-course meal and beverages. Come, Network, Etiquette. Space is still available. Be sure to get your $20 payment in by Friday, 2/18. Checks only please.
Pursuing Presidential Directives
--Cheryl Nyberg

Presidential directives are a mystery to most legal researchers. Presidential directives establish a policy and may have the force of law. But unlike their better-known cousins—executive orders and proclamations—presidential directives are not required to be published in the Federal Register or the Code of Federal Regulations. For example, many directives have been classified for national security reasons.

Recent presidential directives generally cover issues relating to national defense and homeland security, for example:

- Combating terrorism through immigration policies (Homeland Security Presidential Directive 2)
- Trafficking in persons (National Security Presidential Directive 22)
- U.S. commercial remote sensing policy (National Security Presidential Directive 27)


Historical collections include:

- A Compilation of the Messages and Papers of the Presidents (20 vols.) Covers through 1925 (J81.B96g at Classified Stacks).
- Documents of the National Security Council (microfilm). Covers from 1947 (Microfilm A6617 at Suzzallo’s Microforms and Newspapers Collection).

Lost Something? Check the Lost & Found

If you’ve lost something in the Gallagher Law Library or in Gates Hall, check the Lost & Found located at the Library’s circulation desk. The items are kept there for two weeks and then taken to the campus-wide Lost & Found at the Husky Union Building Information Desk. HUB's location and hours are posted at: http://depts.washington.edu/sauf/hub/infodesk.php.

--Shannon Malcolm, Reference Intern

You’re probably well aware that not everything is on the Internet; a great deal of information is only available in print resources. Of what is available on the Internet, however, Search Systems provides an excellent portal to information of interest to legal researchers. If you are not yet familiar with this site, http://www.searchsystems.net/, you should consider taking a look at it. If you have ever been reduced to fruitlessly Googling as your desperation grows and the urge to stick a pen in your eye mounts, Search Systems may be just what you’re looking for.

The site is free. It links to public records of all kinds, organized by jurisdiction: “U.S. Nationwide,” “U.S. By State,” “U.S. Territories,” “Canada Nationwide,” “Canada By Province,” “Worldwide” and—no fooling!—“Outer Space.” The U.S. and Canadian materials are the most robust, but the others are worth investigating, especially if alternative avenues have proven unavailing. Within each jurisdiction, materials are topically arranged (e.g., “Adoptions,” “Foreclosures & Properties,” “Securities,” etc.).

The information available ranges from the ridiculous to the sublime, but a great deal of it has potential use for legal work. You can find out about monetary contributions to political candidates, scan missing persons listings, examine deadbeat parents’ arrears, browse the yellow pages for Macau, or discover to whom a particular aircraft is registered. I even found my father’s cemetery plot number in Pennsylvania!

Search Systems itself is not an integrated tool like, say, FindLaw or LoisLaw. Rather, it provides a single interface linking to other resources and databases; its value lies in its facilitation of one-stop shopping for researchers. Selecting a topic leads to a more detailed menu of particular resources you can choose to search. Handy scope notes, which explain a bit about each resource’s contents, are provided in hyperlinks immediately beside the resources’ names. The menus also indicate whether or not the resource is free or must be paid for. I must make one “Jeer within a Cheer” (with apologies to TV Guide) about Search Systems: some of the ostensibly free resources actually direct you to sites where you can get only superficial, largely useless information, but which attempt to entice you into paying for some service or other which will allow you access to the more useful databases. This last observation is the only real gripe to be made about Search Systems, and it isn’t that big a deal. Beggars can’t be choosers, and when you consider how much information is collocated here and made available free of charge, it sure beats sticking a pen in the eye!
The individual resources Search Systems links users to can vary in quality, but my experience has been that most are quite useful indeed. Technophobes may be a bit put off by the variations among the different resources’ interfaces, but most are pretty intuitive, and are not any more difficult than using an Internet search engine. Besides, it always helps to be flexible. The organization you wind up working for might not have access to arguably more sophisticated (and expensive!) records locating systems like InteliUS, so you should keep Search Systems in mind.

Remember that in the “real world” there will be plenty of factual research (vs. purely legal research) to be done, especially for areas like civil litigation, guardian ad litem work, or handling certain probate matters. While the usual suspects—Westlaw and LexisNexis—provide access to many public records, they may be unavailable or prohibitively expensive. Or they may simply not have what you are looking for. Search Systems provides a great resource to augment these and other traditional legal research tools, at no cost. So the next time you’re tempted to surf the ‘Net on your laptop when you ought to be working on a seminar paper or paying attention to your professor, go bookmark this site instead of checking out the latest edition of the *Onion*, and maybe you won’t feel quite as guilty about losing your focus.

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

February marks the beginning of Black History Month, an annual celebration that commenced in 1926. In celebration of Black History Month, the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) will furnish historic information about prominent African-American leaders and events that has impacted the cultural, political, and socioeconomic infrastructure of America and the Black community to the UWLS community each week.

**This week’s highlights include:**

**Events:**

- **Kwanzaa** is a family holiday. Each evening of the holiday, family members are encouraged to gather around the celebration table to read the Seven Principles and meditate on the principle of the day while the youngest child lights one of the candles. Celebrants are encouraged to find a way to add to the celebration that best expresses their individuality. The name *Kwanzaa* comes from the East African language of Kiswahili and means "the first" or "the first fruits of the harvest." The second "a" distinguishes the African-American from the African Kwanza. Kwanzaa was founded in 1966 by Dr Maulana Karenga, a Black Studies professor. Kwanzaa originated as a cultural idea and an expression of the nationalist "US" organization that was headed by Dr Karenga.

Kwanzaa is observed from December 26th through January 1st. Kwanzaa is traditionally celebrated along with Christmas.

**People:**

- **Mary McLeod Bethune** was born on July 10, 1875, in Mayesville, South Carolina. Bethune, born to former slaves a decade after the end of the Civil War, devoted her life to ensuring the right to education and freedom from discrimination for African Americans. Bethune believed that through education, blacks could begin to earn a living in a country that still opposed racial equality. In 1904, Bethune opened the Daytona Normal and Industrial Institute for African American Girls. Bethune served as director of the National Youth Administration's Division of Negro Affairs (1936), Vice-President of the NAACP (1940), and served on President Truman’s Committee of Twelve for National Defense (1951). She also continued working with many organizations, such as the National Urban League, the Association of American Colleges, and the League of Women Voters. Mary McLeod Bethune died on May 18, 1955, leaving a legacy of interracial cooperation and increased educational opportunity for African Americans.

- **George Washington Carver** (1865-1943) was an American scientist, educator, humanitarian, and former slave. Carver developed hundreds of products from peanuts, sweet potatoes, pecans, and soybeans; his discoveries greatly improved the agricultural output and the health of Southern farmers. Before this, the only main crop in the South was cotton. The products that Carver invented included a rubber substitute, adhesives, foodstuffs, dyes, pigments, and many other products.

- **Mae C. Jemison** (October 17, 1956 - ) was the first African-American woman in space. Dr. Jemison is a medical doctor and a surgeon, with engineering experience. She was accepted into NASA's astronaut program in 1987. She flew on the space shuttle Endeavor (STS-47, Spacelab-J) as the Mission Specialist; the mission lifted off on September 12, 1992, and landed on September 20, 1992.
### STUDENT CALENDAR & NEWS

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To request disability accommodation, contact the Disability Services Office at least ten days in advance at: 206.543.6450/V, 206.543.6452/TTY, 206.685.7264 (FAX), or dso@u.washington.edu

### SBA COLUMN

**Student Forum Wednesday, February 9th at 12:30 in room 138**

All students are encouraged to attend the SBA-hosted student forum on 2/9. This meeting will be a way for the SBA to update students about important issues, including semesters v. quarters, clinical education, residency status for out of state students, and next year’s tuition. In addition, students will have an opportunity to comment, ask questions, and voice concerns.

This is an important way for the SBA to communicate and establish a dialogue with students, so I hope that you will attend. Plenty of *pizza* will be provided.

In the event that you are unable to attend, or have something you would prefer not to discuss in a public forum, please do not hesitate to contact me or any other SBA officer. That’s why we are here, and we would welcome the opportunity to speak with you.

See you on Wednesday at 12:30 in room 138.

**Attention 2Ls: Hump Day is approaching!**

Congratulations 2Ls! You’re almost halfway complete with law school! Your 2L class representatives, Sara Ayoubi and Rali Badissy have been working hard to ensure that your hump day celebration will be a fun and memorable evening. More details will follow soon, but for now, keep the evening of Wednesday, February 16th free.

**Working Together**

We have a vibrant community here in the law school; and our community is made all the more vibrant as a result of the diverse interests and varying perspectives of its members.

While our varying interests and agendas this can present unique challenges and obstacles, I think it’s important to always keep a larger perspective in mind. We all have an interest in making our law school community both strong and supportive, and we invest much time and effort building that community and making contributions to our school.

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Hopefully keeping this perspective in mind will provide common ground and allow us to work together to a larger extent. I am confident that our community will continue to be strengthened when we collaborate and support each other.

Have a great week,

Suzie Love
SBA President
loves@u.washington.edu

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**STUDENT FORUM NEXT WEDNESDAY!**
**Room 138 at 12:30**

The student forum is next Wednesday, and the SBA encourages all students to attend. The SBA will discuss a number of topics of importance to the general student body and will also answer questions and address any concerns students may have.

Plenty of pizza will be provided! We look forward to seeing you there.

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**CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS & JUSTICE TGIT!**

Join CHRJ for snacks and beverages. Bring in your used lawbooks to donate or consign! Buy legal writing and research books at a steep discount!

February 10 at 3:30, outside. Hope for sun!

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**PALS (PARENTS ATTENDING LAW SCHOOL) HOSTED COFFEE**- Tuesday, February 8th

Parents Attending Law School (PALS) will be hosting our monthly coffee Tuesday, Feb. 8th from 12:30-1:20 at the Burke Cafe. Come enjoy a beverage on us while we discuss our Career Services event. Come and learn more about us if you have children of any age, have a significant other with children, or are considering having children while in law school. We welcome everyone!

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**STUDENT HEALTH LAW ORG. PANEL DISCUSSION**

Please join SHLO for a lively panel discussion on medical malpractice on Tuesday, February 8th at 12:30 in room 119. Two local attorneys who practice medical malpractice defense will share their experiences with interested students.

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**BLOOD DRIVE, FEB 8TH**

Your gift can save a life. Give Blood.

Puget Sound Blood Center Blood Drive
Tuesday, February 8, UW School of Law
Bloodmobile parked in lot N-1, next to William H. Gates Hall Sponsored by SHLO and the PSBC ([www.psbc.org](http://www.psbc.org))

The Puget Sound Blood Center provides the blood for 70 hospitals and clinics in Western Washington, including the University of Washington Medical Center and Washington's only level I trauma and burn center, Harborview Medical Center.

Click on this link for online appt. sign up: [http://www.psbc.org/mobiles/giveblood.asp?URL=0935](http://www.psbc.org/mobiles/giveblood.asp?URL=0935)

Drop-ins are welcome, but to ensure your desired time, please sign up for an appointment.

If you have questions or concerns about your eligibility to give, please e-mail clinicalprogram@psbc.org or call 1-800-DONATE-1, ext.2543.

THANKS for taking the time to read this and consider donating.

-Craig A. Gonzales cagonzo@u.washington.edu

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**Westlaw Announcements:**

Thank you!
Thanks to all the 1Ls for attending second round of 1L training. Please visit a Westlaw Rep in the computer lab if you need assistance with any Westlaw Research. Hours are posted on the Westlaw shelf! We are here to help.

Westlaw Certification
Two more sessions now added!
February 14 @ 1:30 & 2:30
to sign up: [www.lawschool.westlaw.com](http://www.lawschool.westlaw.com)
click on Westlaw Training and find UW
Build your research skills and your resume!
Be proud to say you're "Westlaw Certified!"

Coming Soon:
Prepare to Practice! Are you working this summer?
Attend this class to impress your employer and learn cost-effective research skills!

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