

## Prima Facie Launches Newspaper to Augment Student Voices and Unity

By: Sharon D. Brown

The inspiration for starting this newspaper stemmed from my unique experience of attending four law schools. Between Hurricane Katrina and my own ambitions to ultimately practice in Philadelphia, Temple Law became my fourth and final law school.

What I gained from that buffet of law schools is some insight on Temple's comparative strengths and weaknesses. One of our weaknesses is that in a dense urban setting, our school has some logistical challenges. We cannot easily buy land or otherwise expand our school's social spaces. As a result, our student body tends to be

physically fragmented in our activities, with many events being held off-campus. I believe that this physical fragmentation has caused us to be less informed and vested in each others' activities. In other words, our logistical challenges have translated into a fragmentation of our student body identity.

Yet we have an amazing and dynamic student body, full of bright, grounded individuals with diverse talents and experiences. We are a hardworking, active bunch and Temple Law is doing an outstanding job of preparing us for "Real Law" in the "Real World." In my opinion, Temple Law is shamefully unaware of how terrific a school we are.

This led to the idea of launching a newspaper. I have observed how newspapers at other schools serve not only as forums for student communication, but also as a means of reflecting on our identity as members of broader communities – from the student body, to the school, to the legal community, and beyond.

Great thanks are due to the small army of Temple Law students who committed themselves to bringing the inaugural issue of *Prima Facie* into fruition. Kudos to the 1L class for having so many students dedicated to what we hope will become a long-standing tradition for Temple Law. Welcome to *Prima Facie*.

## Dean Reinstein: "I have always been drawn to Temple"

By: Charles Anderson

Robert Reinstein, Dean of the Beasley School of Law, first taught at Temple Law in 1969. He became University Counsel in 1982, Dean of the law school in 1989 and Vice President of International Programs in 1997. Reinstein graduated from Harvard Law in 1968 and taught off and on at Temple for the next 40 years. While there were many "distractions" along the way he always wanted to get back to teaching and he "always came back to Temple." When asked if he ever thought about leaving Temple, he smiles and replies, "Not seriously; it has always been fun to visit other places but I have always been drawn to Temple because I think Temple has a mission that's quite special and that's very important."

In addition to 2 years at the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Reinstein spent 8 as a consulting attorney with the NAACP where he worked on ground breaking cases that integrated the Pennsylvania State Police and the Philadelphia Police and Fire Departments.

Reinstein served as University Counsel until 1989, on which he reflects, "It gave me a better idea of what the law school could do with the support of the faculty."

During his tenure as University Counsel, Reinstein became "very, very committed to international education," which would lead to his appointment as Vice President of International Programs for the university in 1997. Reinstein points out that programs have excelled during his tenure, including international programs, the trial advocacy program and the intellectual property discipline. Reinstein attributes these successes to faculty interest and support.

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### Miraculous Endorsement: Lincoln Welcomes the New Jewish Law Student Association



Students who made it through the inclement weather on Friday, February 22, 2008 witnessed a miraculous sight on the front steps of Klein – melting snow gave the Lincoln statue the appearance of wearing a yarmulke. When asked about the phenomenon, the President of the newly formed Jewish Law Students Association, Lee Shlamowitz, commented, "Personally, I'm elated that Abraham Lincoln has been so outspoken about his support for the JLSA."



## Temple Hosts Forum on Gun Violence

By Drake Bearden

The debate over combating violence in Philadelphia took center stage at the Temple University Law School on Tuesday afternoon, February 19, 2008. "The crime plan in essence ... is about changing the culture," Deputy Mayor for Public Safety Everett Gillison said in the standing room only Moot Court Room in the Klein Building. Students, faculty and members of the community listened intently as, Gillison, the former long-time Philadelphia Public Defender laid out newly elected Mayor Michael Nutter's plan to reduce crime. The city plans to add 200 police officers by May 1, according to Gillison, and another 200 by this time next year.

However, he reassured the audience that more police did not necessarily mean more young people in prison. "Don't automatically assume that with 400 more police officers, we'll have 400 to 500 to 600 more arrests," Gillison said. "You're only going to be arrested if you're suspected of doing something."

Gillison was sitting in for Nutter, who was scheduled to be on the panel, but had a scheduling conflict according to Kaitlin Gurney, of Temple Law School's Student Public Interest Network (SPIN) and co-chair of the forum. Also absent from the event was John J. McNesby, President of the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police (FOP). A spokesman said only that McNesby would be willing to speak whenever Nutter joined the panel.

The event, sponsored by SPIN, also featured Temple Law Professor David Kairys, who focused on methods of combating gun violence. "It's easier for a young man to get a handgun than an up-to-date school book," Kairys said in reference to many of the poor and minority neighborhoods in Philadelphia. Kairys insisted that the reluctance of state officials to create stricter gun laws and allow Philadelphia to implement its own gun regulations has contributed to the proliferation of guns in the streets.

The panel was rounded out by Brett Mandel, the Executive Director of Philadelphia Forward and Mary Catherine Roper of the Pennsylvania ACLU, along with moderator JoAnne Epps, the Dean of Academic Affairs at Temple Law school. Roper insisted Nutter's new plan must focus on changing the culture of the police department. "Philadelphia also has a police problem," Roper said, "there will be no change in violence ... until police are working with the community."

Roper further criticized the FOP for their absence on the panel that afternoon. "The FOP would not serve on the panel with Mr. Gillison," she said, because his job was oversight and accountability of the police.

McNesby did criticize Nutter's selection of Gillison in a January Philadelphia Inquirer article, because as a public defender Gillison represented the man who killed Philadelphia Police Officer Gary Skerski in 2006.

However, McNesby's spokesman at the meeting did not mention any police tensions with Gillison as a reason for McNesby's absence from the panel.

## Top Ten Most Annoying Classroom Faux Pas

By: Charles Anderson and Sharon Brown

10. Fawning over attractive professors.
9. Constantly arriving late and then insisting on a seat that causes further disruption.
8. Using a loud, assertive tone to present a personal and completely irrelevant comment.
7. Unpleasant body odors.
6. Creating hypothetical sagas for the professor during class. (It's called "Office Hours," folks.)
5. Mentioning your work background every time you ask a question.
4. Asking questions so often that the professor is compelled to tell you to shut up.
3. Asking questions that signal that you have not read the case.
2. Asking questions that regurgitate what the professor just said.
1. Asking questions 30 seconds before class is over.

### ► **Reinstein** *continued from p. 1*

Reinstein is looking forward to rejoining the faculty and pursuing scholarship focused on constitutional law and civil rights. Reflecting on 40 years of legal work, Reinstein says the best advice he got was that there are a lot of great opportunities out there for people with law degrees and that you should find a job you really love, one you love coming to every morning. Whatever the job title, it is clear that Dean Reinstein loves being part of Temple.

# Possible Flight Paths for Night Owls

by James Barger

The path of a Temple Law evening student can take several twists. Some of the twists are necessary to cope with the challenges of the four year program, and some of the twists yield unique opportunities for the night-timers. Four such paths for evening students include: transferring to the day division, taking advantage of working to minimize their final debt burden, dealing with a lack of free summers for job programs and taking extra credits during summer sessions.

**First**, evening students may plan to transfer to the day division. To ease their transition, some first-year, part-time evening students decided to enroll in a day division course this semester. According to an e-mail from Dean Esten, those students taking a day division course this semester had to commit to transferring and need to take some credits this summer. The extra course this semester

will give them more flexibility in future course choices, compared to those who transfer to full-time without taking the extra 1L class.

**Second**, evening students can work during the day and use their income to minimize their final law school debt burden. This frees up many evening students to pursue lower-paying, but potentially more fulfilling, public interest careers.

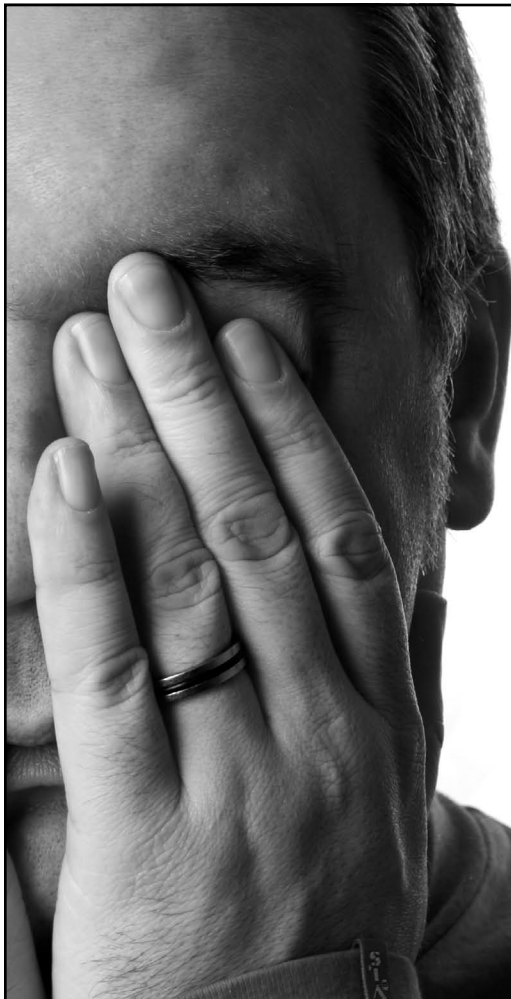
**Third**, evening students must deal with the lack of free summers for job programs, such as internships or summer associate positions. To overcome this difficulty, some students maintain a job at a law firm through most or all of their law school years, building contacts and law-related experience. Others seek year-long judicial clerkships during one or more years. Still others quit their regular job in their last year so they can accept summer associate positions.

At least one local judge specifically seeks out 1L Temple Law evening students to hire

as her judicial aide. Judge Marlene Lachman needs a full-time commitment for at least 18 months, something a full-time student cannot offer. The position could provide useful experience, as Judge Lachman's judicial aide has significant responsibilities, such as guiding the jury selection process, according to 4LE Joel Benecke, who is vacating the position and recently described the job to the 1LE class.

**Fourth**, evening students may take extra summer credits to finish one semester early, according to the Temple Law "Wise Guide." By finishing after the fall semester of their fourth year, an evening student enters the job market at a time when there is less competition for the many smaller firms, government agencies, and public interest organizations that might be hiring.

The path of the Temple Law evening student is full of unique challenges and choices, but with a little thoughtful planning, it can also yield unique opportunities.



## Grade Shock: How to Cope with a 'C'

By: Kristin J. Jones

It shocks every 1L in January. Grades start rolling in and there it is, staring at you under that B you got in Contracts and the B+ you got in Torts: a C. You heard that it happens, but never expected it would happen to you. If you weren't sitting in the library, you'd burst into tears. Don't fret! The infamous 1L Cs happen to everyone.

*Here are some tips for moving on:*

- 1. Don't take it so seriously.** Stop looking at OwlNet every thirty minutes. Your time is better spent studying, so you don't hit that same bump in the road next year. I promise, it isn't the difference between being unemployed and making six figures after graduation.
- 2. Look for a trend.** Did the C come in the first exam? The last? Did you study differently or was the test multiple choice instead of essay? Or did it pop up in LRW? Talk with your professors – not just in the class you did worst in, but the classes that you did well in. Ask what they liked and didn't like about your papers. Identifying these trends will help you figure out what needs improvement.
- 3. Try to improve.** The best way to deal with having a C is to know you won't make the same mistake twice. Once you've identified possible reasons for your C, ask upperclassmen how to fix it. Don't know any upperclassmen? Join a club, such as, ahem, the newspaper and introduce yourself – before you know it, you have a mentor.

It is important to realize that this happens to many of your classmates, whether they admit it or not. Law school is a highly competitive arena – we were all at the top of the heap in college. Don't let your self-worth hinge on grades. Just assess and adapt – you will get the hang of exams and you will still be a terrific lawyer.

# APALSA Banquet a Stellar Success

By Jesse Chen

On Friday, February 8, Temple Law School's Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA) kicked off the first Lunar New Year Banquet of this century. The last APALSA Lunar New Year banquet was held a decade ago.

APALSA Vice-President Gina Tran said that the banquet was held for several reasons. First, the Temple APALSA chapter needed to raise its profile in both the law school and beyond. Second, the New Year of the Rat presented a chance to weave in the zodiac rat's theme of opportunity.

"We thought that opportunity was a good thing for APALSA to restart the annual banquet tradition," Tran said. Tran added, "We wanted to give opportunities to ASIAC by giving them some money."

## Partnering Up

ASIAC is the local non-profit group, "AIDS Services in Asian Communities." Why did APALSA choose ASIAC?

"It's a local charity and it focuses on issues affecting the Asian community," Tran stated.

"They're specific enough, and after reading their website we thought they were the best charity for us."

The banquet was held at the Saigon Maxim Restaurant to celebrate the Lunar New Year. Over 120 people attended the event, and over \$1,000 was raised for ASIAC. The attending crowd included not only Temple students and staff, but also local law firms and organizations. Guests chatted over a sumptuous eight course meal, and a Korean drum band livened the mood. Festivities did not end even after the main event, as APALSA had arranged for drink specials at a neighboring bar.

## Guest Speakers

APALSA also invited several speakers to the event. They included ASIAC Program Manager Junnie Cross, and Community Legal Services senior staff attorney Paul Uyehara, a Temple Law alumna with twenty-five years of public interest law experience. Assistant Dean for Career Planning Louis Thompson attended and spoke at the event as well.

The banquet is reflective of APALSA's overall success. The student group's ranks



Costumed drummers entertained APALSA banquet attendees with both traditional and modern instruments. Photo courtesy Matt Rong.

swelled to approximately 40 members this year. Major goals include the recruitment of LL.M. students and expanding networking opportunities for its members. As for the future, APALSA is holding another Quizzo tournament in the coming weeks, a highly popular schoolwide event last year that was the brainchild of APALSA Secretary Pong Chulirashaneekorn.



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## GAS Supports *Prima Facie*, Greener Philly Streets and Lobbying Competition

The Government Affairs Society would like to take a moment to congratulate *Prima Facie* for their entrepreneurial spirit in starting up a new student organization and publication. Having just entered our second year of existence we are happy to see the dynamic spirit of enterprise bubbling around the school.

We are working on an initiative to get the city of Philadelphia to include recycling bins on street corners alongside trashcans in the new multi-year street furniture contract. Higher recycling rates have provided jobs and a new industry in many cities including San Francisco and Seattle. If this proposal is

included in the upcoming Street Furniture Contract, it will provide Philadelphia with both street furniture and advertising revenue from ads posted on the street furniture. [www.hallwatch.org](http://www.hallwatch.org).

In other news, this Spring we are participating for a second year in the Legislative Drafting and Lobbying Competition at The George Washington University Law School in Washington, DC. Last year Henry Sauter and David Corbett argued for the humane killing of poultry using Controlled Atmospheric Killing (CAK) technology. They both eat chicken with some reservation now.

# By The Numbers: Fun Facts About the SPIN Auction

By: Kristina Moon

- ✓ Students pitching in with donations of bizarre and valuable talents = 49
- ✓ Temple Law faculty getting into the spirit and donating . . . themselves = 37
- ✓ Items in the 2008 auction, donated from all over the country = 312
- ✓ Supreme Court Justice bobble-heads in the 2008 Auction = 2
- ✓ Years of throwing a party disguised as an auction = 16
- ✓ Cases of beer and wine ordered for 2008 Auction = 10
- ✓ Party Bus to bring you & all your friends from Temple campus to the Auction at Duane Morris = 1
- ✓ Retiring Temple Law Dean to receive the Inaugural SPIN Award at 2008 Auction = 1
- ✓ Dollars raised at the 2007 Auction = \$22,000
- ✓ 2007 matching award from Dean Reinstein and Temple Law School = \$22,000
- ✓ Law students who might've worked for peanuts but instead received a SPIN grant in 2007 = 25
- ✓ Public Interest Organizations that benefited from full-time legal interns in 2007 = 23
- ✓ Dollars paid to law students to provide public interest services since 1992 = over \$200,000
- ✓ **Spending the summer putting all those class hours into legal action where it's needed most = PRICELESS**

The Online Auction is Friday February 29th until Friday March 7th., with bids accepted at [www.temple.edu/spin](http://www.temple.edu/spin). The Live Auction will be on Wednesday March 5th at Duane Morris, LLP with the free reception starting at 5:00pm. Keep a lookout for information about the SBA-sponsored "party bus" from Temple to Duane Morris (30 South 17th St). Email [spin@temple.edu](mailto:spin@temple.edu) with questions.

## CLINICAL ROUNDTABLE

Compiled by  
Carol Kim and Sharon D. Brown



*Temple Law offers a wide variety of clinical courses that enables students to serve real clients and gain real practice skills. Below, students share insights about their experiences in a few of the clinical courses.*

### Lesbian Gay and Bisexual Transgender Clinic

*Eugena Oh (3L)*

In the Fall of 2007 I worked for the LGBT clinic, the only civil rights clinic offered last year. The clinic supports Equality Advocates Pennsylvania ("EA"), whose mission is to "achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Pennsylvanians through direct legal services, education, and policy reform." EA is the only Pennsylvania organization – and one of only four in the nation – that provides direct legal services for individuals facing discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

The clinic itself is structured to have a one-hour classroom component per week, led by EA's legal director, Lenore Carpenter (Temple, Beasley School of Law, Class of 2000) covering topics related to legal issues that the LGBT community faces such as employment discrimination, anti-sodomy laws, issues facing the transgender community and the rise in popularity of "defense of marriage acts". The other 9 or so clinic hours are spent staffing the clinic hotline - a direct service provided to Pennsylvanians who are facing discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity. As legal advocates, we conduct intake for hundreds of phone calls and ensure that callers receive the information, resources, or direction that she or he seeks. For many, we will be the only option for free legal services. For others, EA will offer the only expert assistance in the state as they navigate complex legal issues with which other attorneys are unfamiliar.

An unexpected, but terrific bonus to this clinic was the fact that I got to meet wonderful, civil rights-minded attorneys who were doing real civil rights work, many of whom were Temple Law graduates! I keep in touch with the inspirational and supportive staff and attorneys that I have met at EA.

### Representing Charitable Organizations

*Alyssa Williams (3L)*

I am currently working in the Representing Charitable Organizations Clinical. This is one of the few transactional clinicals offered and is run out of the law school through the Center for Community Nonprofit Organizations. The clinical gives students the opportunity to assist nonprofit organizations in incorporating, getting tax exempt status as well as aiding organizations with other legal needs.

The clinical is structured so that the first few weeks of the semester you have a one-day a week classroom component on Wednesdays. As the semester progresses, you work five hours a week of established office hours. Your additional five hours are spent with some continuing classroom components, meeting with clients and doing further client work.

The Representing Charitable Organizations clinical provides exposure to both tax and business law issues, and provides students with the opportunity work with a variety of different organizations doing work in the community.

### Philadelphia Housing Clinic

*Sharon Brown (3L)*

When landlords and tenants have disputes, they can file complaints with the Philadelphia Housing Court. The court gives the parties the option to participate in mediation before resorting to a court hearing. For the clinic we are trained to be mediators. We interview the parties, facilitate negotiations and if the parties come to an agreement, we write up the terms of a "Judgment Agreement." Judgment Agreements are binding and are not appealable.

Mediation seems to yield better solutions

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for both parties than hearings. Mediators have the time to hear both sides out in a less formal setting. In hearings, parties tend to be unrepresented and unnerved in front of a judge. I have only completed two mediations so far, but I think all of my parties left feeling they each had their say and participated in a reasonably satisfactory process. It is really

gratifying to feel like you are part of a process generating practical solutions.

Whereas in other settings we are taught to advocate zealously or to sympathize with our clients, I was surprised how difficult it is to shift into a “neutral” mediator role. To treat both sides fairly and equally, you have to be careful of your body language, of giving the parties equal opportunities and time to speak,

and of framing questions and comments with neutral wording. I am also surprised at how polite all the parties tend to be towards each other – which I am told is typical of most mediations. However, there is occasional drama, and while those situations can be stressful, they are opportunities for me to build a yet another skill that will be helpful in my future transactional work.

## The Bar Review

*Note: A mixed bag of bar and restaurant reviews, Ben's ratings are on a 6-star scale.*

By Ben Parisi

### Vietnam Café

814 South 47th Street | (215) 729-0260

I've heard good things about the restaurant Vietnam, in Center City, so I was excited when the owners opened a small offshoot in my West Philly neighborhood. This place is gorgeous. The décor is very modern, hip, with slightly

Food: ★★★★★☆  
Atmosphere/décor: ★★★★★☆  
Value: ★★★★★☆  
Service: ★★★★★☆  
Total: ★★★★★☆

low lighting—a perfect date spot. I went there with my cousin Eric, so the romantic vibe was not in the air, but we still had a good time. It is BYOB, always a

plus for those of us on a budget. The service was attentive and friendly, noticeably more so after I asked for a bottle of Sriracha hot sauce. The prices are reasonable, with few entrees on the menu going for over \$10; pho is about \$6. Everything we had was delicious, the only disappointment being a feeling that Vietnam Café's food is a bit watered-down and sanitized for the American palate. Now, I'm no expert on Vietnamese cuisine—I never tried it until I came to Philly. But since coming here I've had my fair share of pho at places with considerably less atmosphere and a considerably more Vietnamese clientele, and the food here struck me as being turned down from a 10 to 7 on the

dial. Now, I can understand their desire not to scare the hell out of people trying Vietnamese food for the first time, e.g. dishes with those little baby ducks still in the egg. But, I would like to be able to order tripe in my pho, and I feel mocked by the substitution of tofu on the menu. They are missing an opportunity to show average Americans why all the truly great cultures of the world include offal in their cuisine. I digress. Though this is somewhat Americanized Vietnamese food, everything we tried was delicious, and I plan to go back there again soon—hopefully not with a cousin. One important tip: if you are meeting people there, know that because of the small size of the place, there is only one seating per party, so you will be waiting in the tiny, tasteful foyer until everybody gets there.

### Sugarmom's

225 Church Street | (215) 925-8219

This review is written as a public service to those who haven't been to Sugarmom's. It goes into the larger category of dive bars, but as its Queen. It is a huge brick basement, and looks like

where a revolutionary war-era restaurant kept its ale and provisions. Seating is mostly your

typical bar stools and tables, but if you get there early enough you can snag one of the ancient, yet somehow clean-looking (well, “I'm not going to get a rash from sitting on this” looking, anyway) couches, or an old bumper car. There are cheap, fun little plastic toys to play with, and an excellent jukebox with Tom Waits albums, need I say more. Sugarmom's has a pretty decent food selection, better than the typical straight from the freezer into the deep-fryer dive bar fare. There is a good beer selection too, though not anything as extensive as some other places in Philly. And, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, from 7 to 11 o'clock, 16-ounce cans of Pabst Blue Ribbon are \$1. Yes, PBR is awful, and the real bill always comes the next morning. But you can spend a night at Sugarmom's for less than \$10, if you want (or need) to. The crowd is diverse, somewhat hipster-laden before about 10 o'clock, and somehow, inexplicably, there is a strong meathead presence later on. If you are a bar-goer, you are doing yourself a disservice if you don't check out Sugarmom's at least once. I have only two advisories. One, don't order a Campari there. Two, after about 11 o'clock there is a blue cloud of cigarette smoke in there so thick you can't see the opposite wall. If you're not a smoker, you'll have to take a long, hot shower after you get home, and hang your jacket outside to air out. But it's all worth it.

### Unfortunate Case Names

By: Caleb Kruckenberg

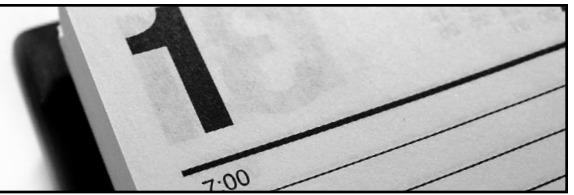
1. Matter of Assman, 388 N.W.2d 138 (1986).
2. Franks v. LL Bean, Inc., WL 890692, D.Me. (2006).
3. United States v. Satan and His Staff, 54 F.R.D. 282 (W.D. Penn. 1971).
4. Klump vs. Duffus, 71 F.3d 1368 (7th Cir. 1995).
5. God's Helping Hands v. United States, 3-90 Civ.

- 259 (D.Minn.3d 1992) (finding for the United States won unless the plaintiff admitted to being the alter ego of taxpayers).
6. Tampa Bay Devil Rays v. Crist, 331 F.3d 1177 (2003).
7. United States v. Dolt, 27 F.3d 235 (6th Cir. 1994).
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9. In re Good Taste, 317 B.R. 112 (2004).

10. United States vs. Estate of Grace, 395 U.S. 316 (1969).
11. Brokenleg v. Butts, 442 US 946 (1979).
12. U.S. v. Devil's Hole, Inc., 747 F.2d 895
13. Plough v. Fields, 422 F.2d 824 (9th Cir. 1970)
14. Golden Writ of God v. Department of Revenue, 9 OTR 475
15. Silver v. Gold, 211 Cal. App. 3d (1989).

# Coming up: Events



## SPIN:

Please join us for the 16th Annual SPIN Live Auction on March 5, 2008 to benefit students working in public interest jobs. Bid on dinner with your favorite professors, the much-coveted Justice Scalia bobblehead, museum tickets and more! The auction kicks off at 5:00 p.m. at Duane Morris, LLP at 30 Seventeenth Street in Center City, Philadelphia.

This year's event will honor Dean Robert J. Reinstein with the inaugural SPIN Award for a Member of the Temple Law Community Dedicated to the Public Interest.

## The Women's Law Caucus:

- *3/2 Spring Brunch hosted by Professor Myers:* The WLC will be having our spring brunch next Sunday at Professor Myer's house in the Art Museum area. This event will allow members to connect with female faculty as well as alumnae in a low key atmosphere. We are excited that Prof. Myers has offered to host and hope that this will be as successful as our fall brunch. Please respond to this email to RSVP for directions.
- *Spring Banquet:* The WLC Spring Banquet is tentatively posted for April 10th or April 17th. We will be honoring a Temple alum and awarding our annual scholarship. Tickets for students will be subsidized. For more information or to help plan this exciting event please email Colleen Mulhern at [cmulhe01@temple.edu](mailto:cmulhe01@temple.edu).

## Brehon Irish Law Society:

St. Patrick's Day Party! Come celebrate the most fun day of the year with \$1 beers and drink specials! Friday - March 21st - at the Irish Pub on 12th & Walnut.

## APALSA:

Quizzo is back! If you went last year, you know you don't want to miss this event with Dean Louis Thompson as MC. Get a team together and come get your Quizzo on: Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at McFadden's downtown (461 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street).

## SALSA:

Last year SALSA held the charity fundraiser "Ekal Vidayala" event and the entire Philadelphia graduate school community made it a huge success. Ekal Vidayala funds

are sent to rural schools in India. The event is tentatively scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>, so keep a spot on your calendars free for this year's fun and worthwhile event.

## LALSA:

Come add a lil' sabor to your day with LALSA. On Thursday, March 27, 2008, we will be selling food from 12:15-4:15 on the first floor of Klein. There will plenty of food that will ignite that hidden Latin flair in everyone!! Buen provencho!!

## Jewish Law Student Association:

- Stay posted for a JLSA Purim Party and/or a Brown Bag Lunch with a guest speaker before the semester is out.
- Join us for the upcoming Annual Networking Event for Jewish Law Students and Lawyers Across Philly, organized by the Brandeis Law Society and the Philadelphia Jewish Grad Student Network. The event will kick off with a cocktail hour and feature special guest speakers (TBA). The event is an opportunity to enroll in the mentoring program and establish a meaningful rapport

with a Jewish Lawyer. Also, information will be available about Brandeis Society Scholarship eligibility. March 25th from 5:30-8:30pm at Blank Rome.

## Prima Facie Newspaper:

We welcome new members and ideas any time. Whether it's doodles, haikus, your thoughts on groundbreaking cases or other burning law school issues, we want to hear from you. Our next meetings are this Wednesday, 3/5/2008 at 12:15pm and 5:15pm in K1D to discuss the next issue.

PARTICIPATION IS AS EASY AS AN EMAIL. Just send your original submissions to Sharon and Kristin ([sharon.davidson@temple.edu](mailto:sharon.davidson@temple.edu) and [ketelhu@temple.edu](mailto:ketelhu@temple.edu)).

To publish your student group announcements in the next *Prima Facie* issue, email them to [sharon.davidson@temple.edu](mailto:sharon.davidson@temple.edu).

## JUMBLE PUZZLE

BY SHARON D. BROWN

### WHO SAID THIS ABOUT PHILADELPHIA?

"IN BOSTON THEY ASK, HOW MUCH DOES HE KNOW? IN NEW YORK, HOW MUCH IS HE WORTH? IN PHILADELPHIA, WHO WERE HIS PARENTS?"

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UNSCRAMBLE THE FOLLOWING SIX WORDS RELATED TO TEMPLE LAW STUDENT LIFE TO FIND OUT.

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2. R E P E A T C C R

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3. F C E E I N F A

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4. E E E E S S C H K T A

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# SBA Delivers Survival Supplies to B.E.A.T.-up 3Ls

By Sharon D. Brown

In the half hour between 8:45 and 9:15 on any recent Saturday, students have been privileged to a rare sighting – throngs of 3Ls entering Klein.

As is widely known, 3Ls perform almost no work and frequently avoid the law school altogether. The phenomenon of a massive 3L presence at school – and on a weekend – would appear to defy reason. But *Prima Facie* has uncovered the truth.

Temple Law's Bar Exam Accelerated Testing program ("BEAT") is a series of Saturday sessions, approximately 4 hours in length each, wherein 3Ls are exposed to the basic format



of the bar exam. BEAT also reacquaints 3Ls with long-forgotten, thrilling topics of the 1L year such as Torts and Property. BEAT is also a constant reminder to 3Ls that they must submit those tortuously long bar exam applications soon as well.

However, the excitement of the 3Ls at BEAT is undeniable. If you look beyond their apathetic facades and slow-moving, sweatsuit-clad bodies, one sees a special twinkle in their eyes - the twinkle that seems to say, "This is dull as hell but I'm too scared of the bar exam to leave" and "only four months and I'm OUT of here, chump."

## SBA to the rescue

Well aware of the tenuous nature of 3L participation in any law school event, SBA has stepped in to offer two enticements for the 3L herd on BEAT Saturdays – sugary donuts and caffeination a la Dunkin Donuts. This critical early morning retrieval of Dunkin delights was courageously undertaken by Zach Fansler, SBA President.



In each issue, the esteemed Professor of Law H. Wilcox Brandywine, Esq. will answer your pressing questions utilizing his unparalleled and disciplined problem-solving skills.

### Dear Professor:

*Ever since Britney went off the deep end I don't know what to do. If celebrities can't handle fame and fortune, how can ordinary people survive?*

-Big Britney Fan

Dear "Big Brits":

You seem to labor, correctly, under the

rather prodigious notion that the true measure of societal advancement may be gauged in the negative by the misapplication of the normative delights of the elite strata. As Britney's aberrant conduct reveals, the true effect of the system upon which our aspirant's desires may lay can be to disjoin ourselves from these selfsame desires, forcing I fear the onus to be back upon us, however unfortunately this may construe our own goals, to form solutions without the empirical guidance of the class of celebutant.

-Professor Brandywine

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