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FREE FOOD WATCH

As a public service message to the nutritionally challenged, free food will be served on the following dates:

3/10: rm. 112 @ 4:00 pm 3/11: rm. 102 @ 12:30 pm 3/12: rm. 102 @ 12:00 pm 3/12: rm. 102 @ 5:00 pm 3/26: rm. 102 @ 12:00 pm

Presentations will be of varying degrees of entertainment value. Be wary of possible sales pitches. Please watch for flyers in the lunchroom. Times, dates, and rooms are subject to change. Dicta assumes no liability for indigestion.

AND WE'VE GOT THE BIGGEST...

With apologies to AC/DC, the Barrister's Ball is coming upon us. Tickets go on sale March 10th. Prices are \$30 if purchased before spring break, and \$35 if purchased after. This year's event will be held Saturday March 29th at the Trianon Ballroom at the Stardust Hotel and Casino beginning at 6:30 pm.

For those who do not know what the Barrister's Ball is, it is the law school's version of the prom. This means it is a formal event so dry clean your party dress and let out the waist on your tux.

For those who do not know what a Barrister is, Webster's defines it as a "Counselor at law; counsel admitted to plead at the bar, and undertake the public trial of causes, as distinguished from attorney solicitor." or While we do not make such distinctions in the U.S., the alliteration worked better. The SBA refused "Lawyer's Luau," "Solicitor's Shuffle," "Mouthpiece the Mambo."

This event is especially timed to fall after Spring Break, but before finals. This way there is no excuse. For further questions about the Barrister's Ball, contact the committee chairs, Marissa Geffen or Maren Parry.



PROFESSOR BRYANT UPDATE

As most of the Boyd students know, Professor Bryant will be leaving BSL at the end of this semester and moving to Cleveland, OH. What many

do not know, however, is why anyone would move from beautiful Las Vegas, NV (sin city) to Cleveland, OH (Hell's armpit). Next Month, Professor Bryant will contribute to Dicta his thoughts, farewells, recipes, and anything else he has time to write.

This was supposed to be ready for the February newsletter, but was not complete by press time. Nor was it complete for this issue. Suffice it to say, we have already knocked him down two letter grades. Of course, if it is not ready for the April issue, he will receive an incomplete for the course.

In the meantime however, here are some teasers for next month:

- 1. Yes, it actually IS Cleveland.
- 2. The Drew Carey Show had no comment.
- 3. The movie, Major League, had nothing to do with his decision

TIP OF THE MONTH

Current 2L's will be filling out their Nevada Bar applications next year. Due to this year's fiasco, Dicta makes the following suggestions.

1. Begin filling them out early. Applications are due Feb. 1, and it takes a really long time. Contact Career Services with any questions.

- 2. Sharpen your crayon often. After a few pages, it becomes difficult to read.
- 3. Go to the antique store and buy a typewriter. After you fail the bar exam, you can make some extra bucks typing other student's applications next year.
- 4. Do not put down that you shot a man in Reno just to watch him die. Johnny Cash will sue you.



SPRING FASHION

Not that this winter was particularly cold, but it looks like Spring is finally among us. As the birds, bees, and rabbits will soon discover, Spring is a very special time.

In keeping with nature, BSL students will soon, if not already, be displaying the human analog to plumage. Before you head to the Mall, the Swap Meet, Thrift Store, or wherever it is you go to get whatever it is you where,

here are some Spring fashion tips for students.

You are not a lawyer yet. Leave the suit, tie, wingtips, heels, and hose at home. If you have a parttime job or externship, change in the car. For one, its too hot. For another, it is not necessary to rub it in the face of the unemployable.

Cover your toes. Unless you paint your toenails, leave your sandals at home. Nobody wants to see gnarly toenails, hairy feet, calluses, and bunions. There is a difference between dressing down and being a beatnik. Jesus wore sandals, and unless you can turn water into wine keep it that way.

Shorts are fine, unless your legs are akin to a bear's. It would be sexist to say that only the female students may wear shorts. The fact is, male or female, some people should just not wear shorts. You know who you are. If any of the following describe please save the shorts for the weekend: cankles, fur, roadmap, twigs, knobs, hail damage, and mayonnaise.

Spring tops are usually bright or pastel. Flowers are always in, especially Hawaiian. Avoid stripes, however, as you will see enough of these in the near future when you lose your case and your client gets 10 years, a striped

wardrobe, and 3-hots and a cot.

Remember, this is a learning institution. We you to express yourself, but if you appear distractive more than Maxim Online, please see me at lunch. Shorts should not be less than 2" above the knee, waistbands should not be more than 5" below the navel, and necklines should be no lower than your armpits. And for crying out loud, unless you are wearing a Members Only jacket, take off your gold chain and button up your shirt.



TUITION UPDATE

Last month, Dicta predicted that tuition would rise in conjunction with the ABA accreditation. was about as surprising as finding Macaulay Culkin's toothbrush at the Neverland ranch. Nonetheless, it is a meager increase and basically boils down to less than the price of a cup of coffee each day. Struthers Sally unavailable for comment.

Remember that the ABA strictly enforces the

20-hour maximum work hours for full-time students. Some future guidelines for future classes include a 10-hour per week maximum of television and no full-time law student may have more than 2 children/step-children

Students exceeding the maximum number of offspring will be forced to either sell the youngest on the black market, or transfer to the part-time program.

Moreover, any student who has been the victim of a shark attack will not be allowed to practice in California, as this would create a conflict of interest.

Beginning in 2005, the ABA will strictly enforce the name requirements. All male lawyers will have to use the first initial followed by the middle name. Example: Jefferson Davis Hogg would be J. Davis Hogg. Female attorneys, on the other hand, must hyphenated names. last Thus, married attorneys could use a hyphenated combination of their maiden and married names. Non-married attorneys could use either their middle-last names ٥r mother's maiden name hyphenated with their last name. Attorneys licensed to practice law prior to 2004 will be exempt from this requirement.

SPRING BREAK!!!

Spring Break is here March 17-21. Students who do not have Friday classes will be off March 14-23. Students who do not have Friday or Monday classes will be off March 14-24. The following destinations are recommended based on your budget, school standing, and occupation:

Scholarship: Cancun
Mommy's Money: Tijuana
Spouse's Money: Ricardo's
Student Loan: Taco Bell
Doctor: Tahiti
Nurse: Hawaii
Orderly: Los Angeles
Below: The Trop
Law Review: Greece
Moot Court: Italy
Externship: Little Caesar's
Scholar: Israel
Journalist: Israel
Suicide Bomber: Israel

SCRATCH, SNIFF, AND WIN.

Match the Supreme Court Justices below with their favorite breakfast cereals. Winners will receive a box of corn flakes courtesy of the SBA

Justices:

- 1. William H. Rehnquist
- 2. John Paul Stevens
- 3. Sandra Day O'Connor
- 4. Antonin Scalia
- 5. Anthony M. Kennedy
- 6. David Hackett Souter
- 7. Clarence Thomas

- 8. Ruth Bader Ginsburgh
- 9. Stephen G. Breyer

Cereals:

- A. Corn Flakes
- B. Bran Flakes
- C. Farina
- D. Cocoa Pebbles
- E. Fruity Pebbles
- F. Cocoa Puffs
- G. Trix
- H. Boo-Berry
- I. Cap'n Crunch

Place entries in the blue bin inside the locker room. Winning entry will be announced in the next issue. Former Supreme Court Justices not eligible.

TOP TEN

From the home office in Ely, NV, here are the Top Ten Worst Excuses for not having your paper completed.

- 1. My secretary is still transcribing it.
- 2. My wife got it in the divorce settlement.
- 3. I thought it was optional.
- 4. Dean Morgan said it was OK to get it to you next year.
- 5. Justice Scalia hasn't sent it back to me yet
- 6. I accidentally recycled it.
- 7. Don Castle reformatted my hard drive.
- 8. I'm waiting for the decision on the appeal.
- 9. Like you are going to actually read it anyway.
- 10. I already sold the movie rights.