



THE DIGEST

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW ~ HARRISBURG CAMPUS
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

- 24 **Jobs and Pizza**
- 31 **Have a Heart for Chained Dogs Campaign Begins**

February

- 2 **BLSA Presentation**
- 9 **BLSA Presentation**
- 10 **Graduation Photos**
- 10 **Foreign Programs Open House**
- 14 **Valentine's Day**
- 16 **In-Service Day (no classes)**
- 17 **Law Journal Symposium**
- 22 **Pizza and Policy in the Pit**
- 23 **BLSA Presentation**
- 23 **Delaware/Harrisburg Moot Court Competition Final Round (Delaware Campus)**

March

- 7-11 **Spring Break**
- 22 **Pizza and Policy in the Pit**
- 22 **Jurist in Residence Presentation**
- 26 **Barrister's Ball**

REGISTRAR'S INFORMATION LINE

717-541-1941

STUDENT INFORMATION LINE

717-541-1939

WIDENER LAW STUDENTS

JOIN US AT OUR OPEN HOUSE ON
FEBRUARY 10th FROM NOON TO 1PM
AND FROM 5 TO 6 PM
IN THE PIT

Do you want to earn credits abroad this summer?

Do you want to study international law topics and then scuba on the Great Barrier Reef or go on safari?

Or how about studying in Switzerland, the country known as the International Center for Peace and Diplomacy?

Check out Widener's Summer Law Institutes.

You can earn up to six credits in four weeks while visiting exciting places.

Widener has summer law institutes in: Sydney, Nairobi, Lausanne and Venice.



**Legal Perspectives in African American History:
A Weekly Lecture Series on African American Landmarks
That Changed American Legal History**

February 2011

African Americans have made valuable contributions to our legal landscape throughout American history. In honor of African American History month, the Black Law Students' Association (BLSA) of Widener Law School-Harrisburg Campus will sponsor a lecture series entitled, *Legal Perspectives in African American History*. During the month of February, faculty members will present three separate lectures highlighting landmarks in African American history that changed the American legal system.

Professor Williams will begin the series on Wednesday, February 2, 2011, at 11:00 a.m. with a lecture on the historical school desegregation case of Brown v. Board of Education featured in a forthcoming article co-authored with Legal Methods faculty members. Professor Randle Pollard will follow on Wednesday, February 9, 2011, at 12:00 noon, and Professor Tonya Evans will close the series with a capstone lecture on Wednesday, February 23, 2011, at 12:00 noon. Each lecture will take place in the Pit where the professors will lead a question and answer session following each lecture. Refreshments will be served.



Black History Month

"Freedom is never given; it is won."
-A. Phillip Randolph



Who Started Black History Month?

In 1926, Dr Carter G. Woodson initiated Negro History Week in order to bring national attention to the contributions of black people throughout American history.

Woodson, the son of former slaves, grew up working in the Kentucky coalmines. When he was 20 he enrolled himself in high school and graduated within two years.

Eventually Woodson earned a Ph.D. from Harvard. During his studies he became increasingly disturbed to find that most of the textbooks and information sources available to him lacked basic information about Black Americans. When Woodson did find information about Black Americans it was usually demeaning, reflecting the racist views of the time.

Because of his Harvard education, Woodson was in a perfect position to understand and challenge the status quo. In 1915, he established the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (now known as the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History.) A year later he founded the widely-respected Journal of Negro History, and in 1926 he started what we now celebrate as Black History Month.

http://www.trenton.k12.nj.us/mack/who_started_black_history_month.htm

STUDY ABROAD - 2011

	June 12 – July 15, 2011 Nairobi Summer Program
	June 24 – July 24, 2011 Venice Summer Program
	June 12 – July 15, 2011 Sydney Summer Program
	June 5 – July 2, 2011 Lausanne Summer Program

WIDENER HAS SUMMER LAW
INSTITUTES IN SYDNEY,
NAIROBI, LAUSANNE, AND
VENICE

LET YOUR ADVENTUROUS
SPIRIT WORK FOR YOU AND
EARN UP TO 6 CREDITS IN FOUR
WEEKS WHILE VISITING
EXCITING PLACES.

FOR INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

law.widener.edu/summer

Or contact Arlene Trapuzzano at
artrapuzzano@widener.edu



Resolve to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

The New Year is traditionally a time when change is praised and encouraged. Now is a great time to start the New Year off with a plan. Maybe you want to break that plastic bag habit, get that commute to be a group affair, or increase your recycling efforts. Begin planning your changes for 2011 today.

Ready, set, go green!





Have a Heart for Chained Dogs



Help send the message that it is time to bring them out of the cold, into the heart & home.

Donate coupons for dog food & treats or handmade valentines for the 2011

**Dogs Deserve Better
Valentine's Day outreach.
Jan. 31—Feb. 3, drop-box
located above student mailboxes.**

www.saldf.org

<http://dogsdeservebetter.org/Valentines2011.html>





Law students from Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania are invited to attend:

The ABA Law Student Division 2011 Spring Meeting and Governor Election

Friday-Saturday, February 11-12, 2011, at

Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Delaware

There is no registration fee to attend this meeting yet just look at all the valuable opportunities available to you during the Spring Meeting:

- Learn from practicing attorneys about how to thrive in the legal profession;
- Cultivate your leadership skills through practical approaches and tips from other student leaders and experienced attorneys;
- Learn about the scope and future of the profession and take home tips for finding your first legal job, internship or clerkship;
- Take home valuable tips and strategies for adjusting and thriving in the legal profession; and
- Begin establishing relationships within the legal profession with members of the bar from every practice setting, both veteran and new to the profession, that will prove invaluable to you not only now but in the future, and on a professional, and many times personal level. Members have commented that relationships established during their time in the Law Student Division have resulted in lifetime friendships and collaboration.

Join us:

February 11- Networking event in Wilmington, DE

February 12, 2011 - Speakers and panels including Judges, attorneys, and a former Congressman, as well as the Election of the new Governor of Third Circuit.

Catered breakfast and lunch provided, resume review and mock interviews provided by Widener's Dean of career development. Students can sign up, more details forthcoming.

Hotel Accommodations:

ABA members are eligible for discounts on room rates from Starwood Hotels. Mention the "American Bar Association" to obtain the discounted rate. The Doubletree is within walking distance to the campus.

Doubletree Hotel Wilmington

4727 Concord Pike
Wilmington, DE 19803
302.478.6000



Phi Alpha Delta, the world's largest law fraternity, recruiting on campus! We are a fraternal and professional service organization that was founded one hundred and seven years ago by law students for law students!

Phi Alpha Delta is a fraternity of firsts; we were the first to welcome members of all races, genders and creeds to membership. Any student attending an ABA approved law school where we have a chartered Chapter is eligible for membership.

Phi Alpha Delta currently has over 300,000 members located in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico as well as fifty-five other countries. With that many members, law students who belong to P.A.D. have incredible networking opportunities that no other law fraternity or student organization can offer. P.A.D. has over 200 Law School Chapters with an active rate of 89%.

All Chapters exist to fulfill the fraternity motto: "Service to the Student, the School, the Profession, and the Community." Each Chapter fulfills that motto at the local level by holding programs that can and will provide you with the tools and opportunities necessary to succeed whether you use your law degree in a traditional or non-traditional way. Typical Chapters hold programs in the following areas:

- Academic Assistance Programs (Ex: A How-To Series that covers note taking, outlining, exam preparation as well as Bar and Bar Prep course reviews);
- Professional Development Programs (Ex: Professional Speaker Series, How-To Find a Job series that includes Interviewing Skills and Etiquette);
- Alumni Networking Events

There are also numerous financial benefits through our membership benefits. These include T-Mobile Cell Phone service, Geico Car Insurance, health insurance, rental car discounts, clothing discounts, etc. Please go to www.pad.org for more information.

P.A.D. members are also given many opportunities to develop leadership skills that can benefit them throughout school and in their legal careers. All members are eligible to run for local, regional and international leadership positions as well as attending leadership conferences and International Conventions during and after their time in law school. In this day and age with the economy and job market, there is no better way to network while in law school than to become an active member or an officer of a P.A.D. Chapter.

This is a great time to become a leader in an International Organization.!

Please feel free to contact **Luke** by email at ljsovelak@gmail.com for any additional questions on how to join P.A.D.!

CLOSINGS OR DELAYS!!!

THE FOLLOWING STATIONS WILL GIVE INFORMATION ON CLOSINGS OR DELAYS FOR THE HARRISBURG CAMPUS

WGAL-TV 8

www.wgal.com

WHP-TV CBS 21

www.whptv.com

WHTM-TV ABC 27

www.abc27.com

WLYH-TV 15

www.cw15.com

WITF-TV 33 & 89.5 FM

www.witf.org

WRBT - 94.9 FM

www.bobradio.com

KISS 99.3 FM

www.993kissfm.com

WRVV - 97.3 FM

www.river973.com

WLAN - 96.9 FM

www.wlan.com

WHP - 580 AM

www.whp580.com

If you are in doubt as to whether or not the School of Law is closed, please call the Harrisburg Campus Information Line at 717-541-1939.



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Submission information:

The *NEXT* issue of *The Digest* will be published on February 7, 2011. All information should be submitted to *Dorothy Koncar*.

(dakoncar@widener.edu), Administration Building, by **NOON, Tuesday, February 2nd** in order for the news to be published.

February Birthdays

- Lee Zimmerman, Maintenance
- Phil Ayala, ITS
- Vice Dean Robyn Meadows
- Kim Rebuck, Maintenance



SIDEBAR CAFÉ

January 31—February 4, 2011

Breakfast from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Monday	Kettle Classic	Cheddar Cheese Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Chicken Jerk Sandwich
	Café Feature	Egg & Cheese Bagel
	Itza Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza by the Slice
Tuesday	Kettle Classic	French Onion Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Genoa Salami with Fresh Mozzarella
	Café Feature	Egg & Bacon Sandwich
	Itza Pizza	Sausage Pizza by the Slice
Wednesday	Kettle Classic	Chicken Noodle Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Turkey Provolone & Red Pepper
	Café Feature	Egg & Sausage Bagel
	Itza Pizza	Broccoli Pizza by the Slice
Thursday	Kettle Classic	Vegetable Barley Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Horseradish Roast Beef Sandwich
	Café Feature	Egg & Ham Bagel
	Itza Pizza	Meat Lovers Pizza by the Slice
Friday	Kettle Classic	New England Clam Chowder
	Montaque's Deli	Crab Cake Sandwich
	Café Feature	Egg & Sausage Muffin
	Itza Pizza	Cheese Pizza by the Slice