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Upcoming Events:

"First Monday" Event: Mon., Oct. 7, 12:30 pm in the basement for all students—look elsewhere in *The Weekly* for details!

- A Meeting will be held for 2Ls and 3Ls interested in attending the October 25-26 "Equal Justice Works" Career Fair in Washington, D.C. 2L Mtg.
 Wed. Oct. 9, 1:00PM, room 204; 3L Mtg. Wed. Oct. 9 at 1:40pm, Criminal Justice building lecture hall following P.R.
- Students interested in playing on our team in the Law School Softball Tourney (scheduled for Sat., Nov. 9) should see 3L Dakeer Farrar ASAP!
- The Trial Advocacy Board will host the annual Mike Easley Competition on Nov. 6, 2002. The problem will be available on Oct. 23, 2002 in the library.
- Eno River State Park Outing and Hike, Sat. Oct. 19, 1-4pm sponsored by the Environmental Law Society. For more info, contact: Julie Tucker (greenlawtucker@yahoo.com).

Women's Caucus Gets Re-energized! ..

The NCCU School of Law Women's Caucus has several members this year ... and has a full agenda of tasks to accomplish during the 2002-2003 school year. This is due in no small part to the efforts of 3L Meeka Singletary, who decided she wanted to



Singletary makes a point to the group.

help energize the seemingly defunct group.

"In my years here at the Law School, I have noticed, within individual organizations, that activity can vary greatly from year to year," Dean Lydia Lavelle said. She noted that the enthusiasm of the organizers or officers, and the time members are willing to donate toward worthwhile causes or programs are two of the reasons organizations have successful years.

The Women's



Members discuss plans for the upcoming Wellness Program.

Caucus plans to have a Wellness Program On Sat., Nov. 16. The agenda includes a financial planner, a session on professional etiquette, and tips from a golf pro.

To join (men are also welcome!), see 3L Meeka Singletary.

2L STUDENTS NEEDED FOR FOCUS GROUP ... We want to hear from you!

2L students are needed for a focus group session on your "first year experience" at North Carolina Central University School of Law. The focus group session is tentatively scheduled for Tues., Oct. 22, 2002 at 1:00 pm. Pizza will be provided for participants. We want to get an idea of your likes, dislikes, suggestions on curriculum, schedule, building issues etc. If you are interested, please contact Attorney Perry by Oct. 11, 2002. Participation will be limited, so act fast. We value your input! Email news for *The Weekly* to Carol Stanley, Editor, at cstanley@wpo.nccu.edu.

ATTEND THE FIRST MONDAY EVENT!

On Monday October 7, 2002 the Pro Bono Office and the SBA are co-sponsoring *First Monday* 2002 from 12:30-1:30 in the student area in the law school basement.

The event will feature a short documentary video highlighting individuals who have been affected by new laws and policies passed following the September 11, 2001 attacks. The video presentation will be followed by a talk by Seth Jaffee, staff attorney for the North Carolina chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, who will discuss the Patriot Act and cases handled by the ACLU. Light refreshments will be served.

The video, "Of Rights And Wrongs: The Threat to America's Freedoms" is an original production of the Alliance for Justice (www. firstmonday2002.com). The film features noted historians and civil liberties experts including historian and writer Howard Zinn, George Mason University History Professor and Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Roger Wilkins, and Georgetown University Law Professor David Cole. Also featured are actress Susan Sarandon and the music of Bruce Springsteen.

CONGRATULATIONS BLSA !

Congratulations to BLSA for your leadership in academic support. The workshop that BLSA sponsored on exam taking techniques was a great success!

STUDENT NEWS:

Office of Academic Support Overdue Book Notice: The following students should return materials checked out of the ASP Library immediately-other students would like to utilize the materials. David McKenzie-A Student's Guide to Hearsay; Melaniece Bardley-Understanding Sales; and Othello Meadows-Evidence Roadmap.

All Student Leaders: Budgets have been reviewed by the SBA Executive Board. See 2L A'Sheika Penn to learn the outcome of your proposed budget. Remember: if you have an event with food that has been approved, you STILL need to go see Sarah Tugman at least three weeks prior to your event in order to get the financial paperwork rolling. And, if you have TRAVEL approved, you need to see Dean Lavelle (or your Moot Court/Trial Ad advisor) at least three weeks before you travel to get the paperwork rolling.

A representative from Phi Alpha Delta should see A'Sheika Penn ASAP about your proposed budget.

All student events such as fundraisers, meetings, elections, BARBRI and PMBR registrations are to be held in either the downstairs student commons area or in the back foyer entrance of the Law School's main floor. You will need to reserve these areas as soon as your event date has been established so that we do not have different groups overlapping each other in those areas. Reserve your event location by filling out a Special Events Request Form or emailing stugman@wpo.nccu.edu. Also, if you use the tables in the back foyer in another area in the building, it is your responsibility to return them back to the back foyer area.

Flyers and announcement notices are NOT to be posted on any glass, metal or wooden doors! This includes the glass doors and windows at the front and back entrances of the Law School. Please post flyers and announcements on the bulletin boards only!

LEXERCISE AND WIN A PRIZE! Stop by the Lexis Table this week and earn a scratch card that's worth points, plane tickets, \$50 Gift Certificate to Best Buy, and more! Also, everyday in October, Lexis will award 100,000 points to a lucky student. All you have to do is long on and research on Lexis.

SCHOOL OF LAW SPOTLIGHT ... Professor Wright!

Professor Wright earned a BA in Political Science from UNC-Greensboro in 1973 and a Juris Doctor from the National Law Center at George Washington University in 1976. After working as a legal services staff attorney, she taught at the Woodrow Wilson College of Law in Atlanta, Georgia. She joined the faculty at NCCU School of Law in 1985 where she taught full-time until she served as Assistant Dean for the Day Program in 1989-90.

The following year Professor Wright was appointed to serve as Interim Dean of the Law School, and accepted the position of Dean of the Law School in 1991. She returned to the classroom to fulltime teaching in the fall of 1994. Professor Wright's primary teaching areas are contracts, family law and legal reasoning. She has written in the areas of family law, contracts, and more recently, education law.

Professor Wright is a member of the North Carolina Bar, the District of Columbia Bar and the Georgia Bar. She is also a member of the North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers. Her community activities include service as a board member of the Land Loss Prevention Project, the Obi Nka Bi Development Collective, and Omuteko Gwamaziima, an African-centered school of which Professor Wright is a founding member.



This professor's portrait hangs on the wall of the Law School!

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