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# The Weekly

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## Upcoming Events:

- "Students interested in playing on our team in the Law School Softball Tourney (scheduled for Sat., Nov. 9) should see St. 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.
- The 2L Students Focus Group Session is tentatively scheduled for Tues., Oct. 22 at 1:00pm. Pizza will be provided. Limited space available. Contact Attorney Perry by October 17.
- The Forum on the Innocence Project is scheduled for Thurs., Oct. 24, 11:30am - 1:00pm in the Moot Courtroom.

## First Monday Event Focuses on National Security Post-9/11

Students who attended the First Monday video and speaker program sponsored by the SBA and the Pro Bono Office on October 7 got a sobering reminder of how the government's efforts to protect national security can encroach on Constitutional rights of due process, privacy and free speech. The 25-minute documentary video produced by the Alliance for Justice detailed instances of racial

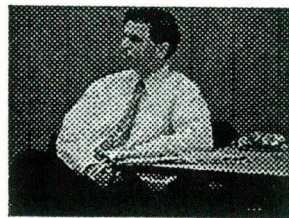
ment surveillance of political and religious groups during the Civil Rights era.

Guest speaker Seth Jaffee, staff attorney for the NC chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, briefly outlined other areas of concern posed by the new antiterrorism measures. On the "good news" side, Mr. Jaffee noted that many of the proposed measures – such as the TIPS program, in which meter readers and postal workers would report "suspicious activity" at homes they visited – have been revised or scaled back in response to opposition by individuals and citizen groups.

He emphasized the importance, and the effectiveness, of individuals expressing their views to their elected representatives.



Questions and comments from the group focused on the proposal for a national travel card, with a comparison being drawn to South Africa under the apartheid regime and to Stalinist Russia. Regulations allowing the government to eavesdrop on inmate/attorney conversations and the ACLU's position on the "Approaching the Qu'ran" controversy at UNC-CH were also discussed.



Seth Jaffee from the ACLU

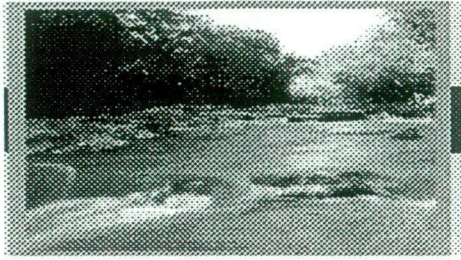
and ethnic profiling of Arab Americans and secret detention of immigrants following September 11, 2001, drawing parallels to the mass detentions of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Post-9/11 policies allowing expanded government surveillance of citizens were discussed in the context of govern-



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### Outing at Eno River State Park



The Environmental Law Society is sponsoring an outing at Eno River State Park from 1-4pm on Saturday, October 19. The hike will take place on Cox's Mountain Trail, which features a hanging bridge, beautiful scenery along the Eno River, and the highest elevation in the Eno River State Park. Everyone is welcome—students, staff, faculty, friends, family and dogs on leashes!

If you would like to carpool, please meet promptly at the Law School entrance at 12:30pm. Otherwise, meet at the Cox's Mountain trail head at 1:00pm. Directions and maps will be available by October 17th at the front desk. For more information, contact 2L Julie Tucker (greenlawtucker@yahoo.com).

### 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.

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**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.

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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.

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**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, every day in October, Lexis will award 100,000 points to a lucky student. All you have to do is log on and research on Lexis.

## SCHOOL OF LAW SPOTLIGHT ... Dean Douglas!

Dean Ronald S. "Steve" Douglas was born March 30, 1950 in New Rochelle, New York. He received his undergraduate degree in Economics in 1978. Prior to Law School, he bartended at the J.W. Marriott and was a Public Health Advisor for the District of Columbia.

While attending NCCU School of Law, Dean Douglas was hired as a Law Clerk for the District of Columbia's Office of Employee Appeals during the summer after his first year. Dean Douglas received his J.D. in 1982.

After receiving his J.D., he held the position of Legal Advisor to the OSHA Review Board for the State of North Carolina and was in private practice for many years in the Washington, D.C. area concentrating in criminal defense.

Dean Douglas currently serves as the Assistant Dean to the Day Program and is responsible for admissions, scholarships, grants, financial aid, and disciplinary matters.

He is a member of the American Bar Association Standing Com-

mittee on Substance Abuse and also serve on the Board for the North Carolina Land Loss Prevention Project. His interests and hobbies revolve around his son who is a basketball fanatic.

Trivia: Dean Douglas wears zebra stripes during the annual Law School Basketball Tournament held during Law Week!

