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The Weekly

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Upcoming Events:

- NCCU Provost Reuben has scheduled a meeting with students, faculty and staff in the Moot Courtroom on Monday, Oct. 28 at 4:00pm. Please plan to attend.
- Oct. 29 and Nov. 6: Trial Ad events ... turn over or look on page two for details!
- Weds., Oct. 30, at 3:00pm, persons interested in playing on the softball team in the Law School Softball Tourney against UNC, Duke, Campbell and Wake on Nov. 9 should meet in the lobby. Be prepared to tell what position you want to play! Final call!
- Oct. 30 and 31, at 7:00 pm, Clifton E. Johnson Competition, Moot Courtroom!
- Classes will be suspended from 9:00am until 12 noon on Friday, Nov. 1, 2002 for the Annual Founder's Day Convocation.

2L Focus Group Discusses Curriculum With Law School Administration

The Law School Administration met with a 2L Focus Group consisting of several students on Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 1:00pm (over pizza, of course!) to discuss various issues relating to their first year in law school. The focus group was made up of students who volunteered, as well as a few who were "cajoled" into service. All 2Ls were offered the opportunity to be a part of the group.

Spearheaded by Academic Support Director Nichelle Perry and Associate Dean Renee Hill, the group started by first generally discussing the first year experience (Pro Bono Coordinator Page Potter, another member of the Law School's Academic Sup-

port Staff, also took part in the focus group).

Students were asked their views about the 1L course load and the helpfulness of the tutorials. They said the number of hours for the 1L year was manageable, but that the writing course seemed too much time for one hour of credit. They discussed possibly combining it with Legal Bib.

A strong majority of the students liked the tutorials and said they would like to have more practice exams. But,

they said, just hearing the material again was helpful.

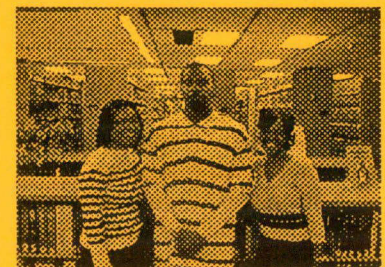
Other comments: students wanted more feedback in general from professors ... the grade expectation curve was discussed ... and students discussed the need for better dissemination of information (about registration, for example).



The focus group meets in the Dean's Conference Room with pizza to discuss various issues

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

The George White Bar awarded three NCCU School of Law students with scholarships at its annual banquet on Friday, Oct. 18, 2002 at the Sheraton Imperial in RTP. 2Ls Shayla Galloway and Tommie Wright-Kearney were Law School scholarship recipients, and 3L Dakeer Farrar was the Buddy Malone Scholarship Recipient. Congratulations to these students!



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INNOCENCE PROJECT SOLICITATION A BIG SUCCESS

On Thurs., Oct. 24, 2002, an invitational meeting of students interested in participating in a pro bono project to investigate claims of innocence in criminal cases was held at the Law School—and the response was overwhelming! Speakers, including Mark Montgomery and Lisa Miles, attorneys for Terence Garner, wrongly convicted of armed robbery and attempted murder, colorfully presented the story of how Terence DeLoach, not Terence Garner, was finally identified and Garner ultimately released from prison. Peter Weitzel, Director of the Innocence Project for Duke and North Carolina law students, talked about the project, and Walter Buzzetta, a second year Duke law student, spoke about the project from a law student's perspective.

We had a great response, but if anyone else is interested in finding out more about the project, or wants to sign up, please see Page Potter, the Pro Bono Coordinator, in Room 203-B or Professor Marshall Dayan.

STUDENT NEWS:

The 2002 Clifton E. Johnson Appellate Advocacy Competition will be held in the NCCU School of Law Moot Courtroom on Oct. 30th and 31st at 7:00 p.m. Come support your fellow law students! There will be refreshments.

From the Trial Ad Board:

Mike Easley Interest Meeting

Oct. 29 @ 6:30 Room 206

All questions will be answered concerning the problem and the competition.

Mike Easley Competition

2L Only

Nov. 6 @ 7:00 Moot Courtroom

If you are interested in competing in out of school competition in the Spring and did not take part in the Mary Wright Competition, you must do this competition to be eligible.

Please address all question to Tiffany Wilson or Tonia Cutchins. All members of the trial board please download from TWEN (trial board) - all information and events are placed on the website.

Look elsewhere in *The Weekly* for specific information about the Client Counseling Competition.

TRIVIA QUESTION FOR THIS WEEK: What Law School faculty member has been at NCCU the longest and what year did they start? Give Dean Lavelle your answer ASAP. Open to students only!

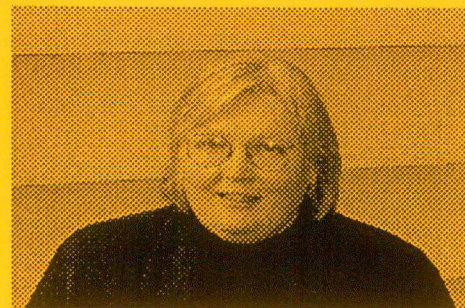
SCHOOL OF LAW SPOTLIGHT ... Dean Meddock!

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She teaches Property, Global Intellectual Property, Intellectual Property, Relational Injuries, Legal Writing, and Entertainment Law. She is the advisor for the Trademark Moot Court, Intellectual Property Law Society and the Sports & Entertainment Law Society.

Dean Meddock is a member of the North Carolina State Bar, and the South Carolina State Bar (inactive). She is on the Board of Directors of the Triangle Intellectual Property Law Association, and a former board member for the Volunteer Lawyer for the Arts. She is a frequent presenter to artists and attorneys on intellectual property issues.

She was a touring member of an obscure 1980's punk band "The Beef People" and a vocalist for the band "Bloom" from 1990-92, each of which produced limited edition recordings. She has also served as a disk jockey for WXYC and WXDU college sta-



Dean Meddock once traveled with a punk band! Details in article.

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