Broad Spectrum of Events Held At Law School

As part of their legal education, U-M law students can participate in a wide range of extra-curricular activities.

Among these are a varied array of lectures, meetings, and conferences held at the Law School throughout the school year.

To illustrate the diversity of such events, U-M Law Dean Terrance Sandalow has suggested presenting a listing in Law Quadrangle Notes of some typical Law School activities.

The following were among events scheduled in the period from mid-October through mid-November, 1979, a particularly active time at the Law School:

- Talk by Fred Krupp of the Connecticut Fund for the Environment on “Founding Public Interest Law Firms.”
- Christian Law Students meeting International Law Society presents a panel discussion on Multinational corporate concentration.
- Presentation by the co-directors of the Peace Corps in the Philippines.
- La Raza and National Lawyers Guild present speakers from the Farm Labor Organizing Committee.
- Law School Student Senate meeting.
- William Delhey,Washtenaw County prosecutor, offers “An Overview of a Working Prosecutor.”
- Scottish country dancing at local fraternity house.
- Women Law Students Association presents Cathy Fotijak, a Washtenaw County commissioner and chairperson of the NOW Committee on Violence Against Women, who speaks on “Pornography: A Feminist Issue.”
- International Law Society sponsors a talk by Prof. Steven Meyers of M.I.T. on “Nuclear Non-proliferation.”
- Meeting of Environmental Law Society on toxic wastes project.
- Phi Alpha Delta discussion on job placement interviews, titled “Interviewing from the Other Side of the Table.”
- Zygmunt Platek, leader in the fight against the Tellico Dam in Tennessee, speaks on “The Role of the Lawyer in Administrative Agency Politics.”
- Committee of Visitors meeting.
- Guido Calabresi, Yale University law professor, delivers the 1979 Thomas M. Cooley lecture on “The New Law and Economics 20 Years Later.”
- U-M law Prof. Francis A. Allen repeats his William L. Storrs Lectures, first delivered at Yale Law School in early October. The topic: “The Decline of the Rehabilitative Ideal.”
- U-M Law School hosts the 1979 Midwest Regional Conference on Women and the Law.
- Presentation on “The Lawyer-Client Relationship” by Eugenia Boffi Harju of Michigan State University, sponsored by Women Law Students Association.

Meeting of Law School Democrats.
John O'Meara, Detroit labor lawyer, speaks on “Working with the United Auto Workers,” presented by Phi Alpha Delta legal society.
Fred Boncher, Grand Rapids lawyer, speaks on “Practical Aspects of Environmental Litigation,” presented by the Environmental Law Society.
William Durland, legal counsel to the Center on Law and Pacifism, speaks on the relationship of law and civil disobedience, under sponsorship of the Law School Speakers Committee.
Demonstration by Feminist Legal Services, Women Law Students Association, and the National Lawyers Guild against the showing of the film “Misty Beethoven.”
Jean King, Ann Arbor attorney, speaks on Title IX implications.
Open meeting of the Law School’s Curriculum Study Group.
Ambassador Yehuda Blum of Israel speaks on “Israel and the Palestinian Arabs.”
Dr. Andrew Watson, professor of psychiatry and law at U-M, speaks on the “Stress of Becoming a Lawyer” as part of the Lawyers Club Discussion Series.
Law School forum on “Can Protest be Censorship,” featuring law Dean Terrance Sandalow and Prof. Milton Heimann of the Department of Political Science.
Prof. Peter Westen speaks on appellate advocacy, under sponsorship of Phi Alpha Delta.

Prof. Charles Donahue Leaves Law School

After 11 years here, Prof. Charles Donahue, Jr., has left U-M Law School and accepted a professorship at Harvard Law School, effective Jan. 1, 1980.

Donahue said he plans to continue teaching basic and advanced property courses at Harvard, as well as English legal history and a Roman law course. Donahue’s work [with N. Adams] for the Selden Society, a volume containing cases from the ecclesiastical courts of Canterbury in the 13th century, is due out shortly, as is a Michigan Law Review article on the historical roots of the distinction between separate and community property.

At Harvard, Donahue said he plans to begin work on a book on the interaction of legal rules and social practice with regard to marriage in the Middle Ages, and continue work on an edition of records from the 14th-century ecclesiastical courts of York.

Donahue joined the U-M faculty in 1968 and was promoted to full professor in 1973. Earlier he had served as assistant general counsel to the President’s Commission on Postal Organization and as an attorney-adviser on the office of the general counsel to the Secretary of the Air Force.

A 1962 graduate of Harvard College in classics and English, Donahue received a law degree in 1965 from Yale Law School, where he was articles and book review editor of the Yale Law Journal.

“My debt to The University of Michigan is enormous,” said the professor. “My family and my wife’s family are both deeply rooted in the New York-New England area.”

Donahue’s published work includes his 1974 casebook on property law (with U-M law Prof. Thomas E. Kauper and Cornell law Prof. P. W. Martin), a 1975 course outline on basic property (with Martin), articles on Medieval ecclesiastical law and Roman law, and on comparative family law. He is also director of the American Society for Legal History.

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