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ST. THOMAS LAW GATEWAY TO GREAT LEGAL CAREERS

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Cristina Salem, a 2L student, accepted a paid internship with the Shaked Law Firm, PA., in Miami (see p. 3).

Kemar Thomas, a 2016 graduate, accepted a position as an Assistant Public Defender at the Palm Beach Public Defender's Office (see p. 3).

SUMMER IN SPAIN

St. Thomas University School of Law and Barry University School of Law are pleased to announce the 23nd annual Summer in Spain Program, scheduled for May 27 through June 27, 2017. The venue is San Lorenzo de El Escorial, Spain, commonly referred to as El Escorial, a beautiful university and visitor-oriented village seated in the foothills of the Guadarrama Mountains, about 45 minutes northwest of Madrid. Transportation into Madrid (and elsewhere) is readily available by bus and train service. El Escorial is one of the Spanish royal sites and functions as a monastery, royal palace, and museum. The monastery is the second largest stone structure in the world and has been the burial site for most of the Spanish kings of the last five centuries. With an elevation of 3,432 feet, El Escorial enjoys a pleasant year-round temperature. Students and faculty stay in a three-star hotel, and enjoy a full buffet breakfast and multi-course mid-day meal as part of the cost of the program. Also included is access to the large community sports facility (with weight room, gym, swimming pools, etc.).

WHAT'S GOING ON

January 19: L & L Jobs &

Opportunities in

Bankruptcy, Room 104@

noon

January 20: Orientation 2.0 for 1L

Students, Moot Courtroom

@1:15 p.m.

January 23: L & L Prosecuting the

'Crime of Human

Trafficking Under State

Law', Room A-111 @ noon

January 25: Prayers and Reflection,

Room 109A @ noon

January 28: VITA Tax Preparation,

Hanna Legal Information

Center @ 10:00 a.m.

February 1: CD Breezeway Chatter,

Cordero Breezeway@ noon

Four 3-credit courses will be offered, and each student may enroll in two of them. Enrollment is limited. The four courses being offered this year are Comparative Public Health Law, Comparative Environmental Law, International Aviation Law, and Human Trafficking Law and Policy.

All courses comply with the standards of the American Bar Association, and the program has been approved by the Accreditation Committee of the ABA Section on Legal Education.

Grades earned in the Summer in Spain courses are factored into the grade point average of St. Thomas Law students. The application fee is \$75.00. Payment of the application fee secures a place in the program. The cost of the program, including six credits, and room and board (double occupancy), is \$5,900.00. Students can get a single room by paying an additional \$900.00. Students are eligible to receive financial aid to cover the cost of the program, travel to and from Spain, and other necessary expenses.

A booklet with more information is available online at the St. Thomas Law Website. The application and payment of the deposit are processed electronically. Space is limited and filled on a first come-first served basis. In the past few years, this program filled to capacity, so interested students are encouraged to pay the registration fee as soon as possible to secure a position. If you have any questions, contact the Program Director, **Roy Balleste**, or Program Coordinator **Catherine Hayes**.

ORIENTATION 2.0 FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

Orientation 2.0 is scheduled for Friday, January 20, 2016, at 1:15 p.m. This program is geared to help 1l students in the spring semester and the upcoming semesters. All 1l students will receive information regarding clinics, externships and internships, Career Services, and the pro bono program, financial aid as well as information to help them succeed academically in law school.

SPECIAL ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR 2L STUDENTS

On, Saturday, January 28, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., in A-112, Alumnus **Roy Bahadur** '03, will conduct a Special Academic Success Workshop for second-year students. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided at the all day workshop.

Professor Roy Bahadur has developed a law school Active Learning program that is unique and effective. His program has helped students learn and self-contextualize processes and skills to identify and extract rules of law from cases and class notes; pick up on cues during class time that indicate critical material; develop a schema for each doctrinal area and find where each rule belongs; develop a Pavlovian association of certain types of facts with certain rules; distinguish between facts and inferences; and organize case briefs, lecture, notes, and problem sets to create an attack sheet for legal analysis on final exams.

Professor Bahadur is one of only 26 Professors featured in the new Harvard University Press book, "What the Best Law Teachers Do". He is one of the leading presenters on Active Learning in the Large Law School Classroom at legal education conferences in the U.S.

DONOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Jacqueline Allee Scholarship

Daniel Joseph

C. Clyde Atkins Memorial Scholarship Samuel Rony

Benvenuti-Mulvey Scholarship Portia Bethea, Nathacha Bien-Aime,

Claudia Capdesuner, Agnieszka

Chiapperini, Judy Herbstzuber-Echavez, Austin Jones, Diego Machado, Herboo Marceau, Janna Mateo, Alina Perez,

Natasha Rivera, Cynthia Rosa, Amal Uthman, Jennifer Weiss, and Chanae

Wood

Jose Angel Espino Memorial Scholarship Victor Gabuardi

James "Jamie" Harkins Scholarship Pedro Diaz

Richard & Jeannette Hausler Scholarship Garett Faulkender

Darryl G. Menzies Memorial Scholarship Leighton Regis

Patino Family Endowed Scholarship Marling Garcia

Mary Russomanno Scholarship for Women Patricia Pena

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

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Cristina Salem, a 2L student, accepted a paid internship with the Shaked Law Firm, PA. in Miami.

ALUMNI(AE) NEWS

Ana Maria Arocha, a 2014 graduate, accepted an Associate position with Revilla Law Firm, in Miami, specializing in Immigration Law.

Edward "Trey" Nazzaro, a 2014 graduate, accepted the position of City Attorney at the Town of Gulf Stream, in Hallandale, FL.

Kemar Thomas, a 2016 graduate, accepted a position as an Assistant Public Defender at the Palm Beach Public Defender's Office (15th Judicial Circuit).

Faculty Announcements

Professor Marc-Tizoc Gonzalez was appointed Chair of the Poverty Law Section for the AALS Section Executive Committee.

Professor **Jennifer Martin** was appointed Chair-Elect of the Evidence Section and Treasurer of the Women-in Legal Education Section of the AALS Section Executive Committee.

Professor Ira Nathenson was appointed as Chair of the Civil Procedure Section and member of the Executive Committee for the Section on Internet & Computer Law for the AALS Section Executive Committee.

Professor Marcia Narine was a speaker on the panel entitled Socio-Economics and Whistle Blowers. Other speakers on the panel were William K. Black, University of Missouri-Kansas City

School of Law, and Benjamin Edwards, Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law.

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