THIS WEEK:

Candidates for Faculty Positions: All students are invited and encouraged to attend classroom presentations for students being given by faculty candidates visiting the College of Law for interviews. Anne Choike’s presentation will take place on Monday, November 7, from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m. in Room 186. Ms. Choike is currently a clinical fellow at the University of Michigan Law School, and her teaching interests include business associations, nonprofit law and contracts. Student presentations will also take place on Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11, at the same time and location. The November 10th presentation is by Sarah Adams-Schoen, whose teaching interests include environmental law, land use planning and property, and the November 11th presentation is by Justin Murray, whose teaching interests include criminal procedure, criminal justice and remedies.

Public Interest Law Society: PILS will be selling pizza and pop to raise money for public interest internship opportunities for law students. Come by and enjoy a delicious and inexpensive lunch from your friends at PILS on Monday, November 7, at 11:45 in the Marshall Gallery.

Law Library Halloween Event Winners: Congratulations to Abby Peretz and Kristin Grossman, the two winners from the October 31 Law Library Halloween event! Abby won a Starbucks gift card for receiving the most votes for her pumpkin in the
Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Kristin won a Starbucks gift card for having the most correct answers to the Halloween Horror Movie Trivia Contest. Thanks to all who participated and who attended the event! We hope you enjoyed it!

**Lawyers' Assistance Program Office Hours:** A clinician from the Lawyers’ Assistance Program (LAP) will be available on **Thursday, November 10, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in Room 149** (next to the Chessick classroom) to meet with NIU College of Law students. Get *free and confidential* help with: Stress, Anxiety, Depression, Worries about Character & Fitness, Addiction (alcohol, prescriptions, gambling, etc.). All discussion is confidential, and there is no record of the visit. A LAP clinician will be available to talk confidentially. The clinician will also have literature and resources on hand to address many ethical or bar application related questions. No member of the administration is involved, ensuring absolute confidentiality. *Walk-ins are welcome* -- For an office hours appointment, please email Chelsy Castro at ccastro@illinois.org.

**Embracing Diversity:** On **November 10, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in the Riley Court Room.** the Embracing Diversity Speaker Series brings you *No More Versus:* a panel discussion to mend the gap between Black Lives Matter and Blue Lives Matter, featuring Chief Danny Langloss, Dixon, IL Police Department; Commander Jason John, NIU Police Department; Dr. Laverne Gyant, NIU Center for Black Studies; Dr. Rodney Cohen, President, Association for Black Culture Centers; and Amirius Clinton, President, NIU NAACP. Admission is free, all are welcome, and food will be served.

**NIU Law Breakfast Club:** All are invited to join the **Breakfast Club** on Saturday, November 12 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the north wing of the law library in Swen Parson Hall, for coffee, bagels, and excellent conversation. The discussion topic for November 12 will be **Exam Preparation Tips.** As always, coffee & bagels will be provided by Barb City Bagels.

**PLANNING AHEAD:**

**Career Success Program:** Alumnus Jeff Lenkov (*’91) will present “Using Your NIU Law Degree for Success” on **Monday, November 14, from 12:00-12:45 p.m., in the Riley Courtroom.**

**3L Composite Photos:** *Attention all 3Ls – the composite photos* will take place on **Tuesday, November 15, from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in Room 256.**

**Library Study Aids and Exam Prep Brownbag:** NIU Law students are invited to join Professors Kuehl, Clarke, and Nejdl on **Tuesday, November 15, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in Room 187** for an overview of the law school study aids available in print and electronically from the NIU Law Library, as well as the Law Library resources that can be helpful for exam preparation! Bring your lunch and feel free to ask questions!

**Trial Advocacy Society:** An informational meeting regarding the 1L Closing Argument Competition will be held on **Tuesday, November 15, at noon in Room 188.** All 1Ls are invited to attend.
Professionalism and Ethics Society and the Family Law Society: Please join us for this year’s Family Feud event on **Wednesday, November 16, at 5:30 p.m. in the Marshall Gallery**! Get your teams of 5 together— that's 4 students plus 1 Faculty or 1 Alumnus for food-drinks-games-raffles. Competition is expected to be fierce, so grab the most experienced faculty and alumni now (shhh, don't tell anyone that Jones and Walton are professionals). The cost for all this food, fun, and drink is only $55 per team. Only $50 per team when the team brings in one suit or business outfit donation for the suit drive — this event is also a drop-off point for business attire/suits for the spring PES suit-drive spectacular! Get those closets emptied out! Events will start with a pre-game social just prior to the tournament. Then, we gear-up for final rounds with pizza and libations!

**BLSA Thanksgiving Dinner:** Join the Black Law Students Association on **Thursday, November 17, in the Thurgood Marshall Gallery from 12:00-2:00 p.m.** for their annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Enjoy home-cooked comfort foods and stuff yourself until you need a nap. Perfect for anyone who won't be able to spend Thanksgiving with their family — or who’s just really hungry! A portion of the proceeds will go to the Hope Haven homeless shelter in DeKalb. Tickets for a plate are available for $10 from any BLSA member in the law school from **November 2-11**, and limited tickets will be available at the event. **Don’t wait.** This event is hugely popular, so don't miss out!

**EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Space Available in Spring Legal Clinics:** The Civil Justice Clinic, Criminal Defense Clinic and Foreclosure Mediation Clinic still have some openings for Spring 2017. All applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. (Please note that the Health Advocacy Clinic will not be offered in Spring 2017, but will return in future semesters.) The Spring Clinic Application and instructions are available as a [fillable PDF form](#). Applications will be submitted through email from the PDF once you have completed the form. You will not be able to enroll in a clinic directly through MyNIU when you register for other classes. **Reminder: for those matriculating in Fall 2015 or later, there is a experiential learning requirement in order to graduate. Legal clinics and for-credit externships meet that requirement.** Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the clinical faculty if you need any additional information about one of the clinics: Anita Maddali, Associate Professor of Law and Director of Clinics, [amaddali@niu.edu](mailto:amaddali@niu.edu); Paul Cain, Clinical Professor, Criminal Defense Clinic, [pcain@niu.edu](mailto:pcain@niu.edu); Wendy Vaughn, Clinical Associate Professor, Civil Justice Clinic, [wvaughn@niu.edu](mailto:wvaughn@niu.edu); Colleen Boraca, Clinical Assistant Professor, Health Advocacy Clinic, [cboraca@niu.edu](mailto:cboraca@niu.edu); Alan Boudreau, Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor, Foreclosure Mediation Clinic, [aboudreau@niu.edu](mailto:aboudreau@niu.edu).

**OFFICE OF BUDGET AND RECORDS:**

Email and Reimbursements:

- **The NIU z-email address is the official email for all students. Please check it frequently** to ensure receipt of all official notices, especially if you have forwarded the z-email to another address. Communications do not always forward as expected and can be lost, dumped into trash.
or blocked. You are responsible for all official notices sent by z-email, whether or not you have opened and read them.

- For purchases on behalf of NIU College of Law events, expenses must be approved by the Dean and Office of Budget & Records before purchase is made. NIU Accounting reimbursement procedures change occasionally, so to ensure your reimbursement will be able to be processed, please contact the Office of Budget & Records even if you have prior permission of faculty or staff member.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Examination Rescheduling: Exams are approaching quickly! If you have two exams scheduled on the same day or three exams scheduled on three consecutive calendar days, you are entitled to reschedule. To set up the rescheduling, please submit a signed and completed Petition to Reschedule Exam to Associate Dean Coles in Room 276. Except in situations involving extraordinary circumstances, petitions are due by no later than noon on Tuesday, December 6.

Part-Time and Overload Petitions: All students taking fewer than 12 hours next semester are reminded that they must submit a Petition for Special Consideration to Associate Dean Coles in Room 276. Students with cumulative GPAs below 2.4 must file a petition for approval on the same form if they are planning to take more than 16 hours next semester. Petition forms are available from Lisa Hoebing in Room 276 or on the College of Law website under Resources for Current Students – Forms.

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