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**THIS WEEK:**

**Guided Meditation:** The College of Law will host guided meditation as a means to reduce stress and increase focus during the semester. All are welcome. **Tuesday, March 21, 8:00-9:00 a.m.** Meditation will be held in **Room 256**, just off of the **Marshall Gallery**.

**NIU Law Breakfast Club:** Join us at Breakfast Club Wednesday mornings for coffee, bagels, and excellent conversation. Coffee & bagels will be provided by Barb City Bagels. This week's subject is non-competes and trade secrets with attorney Jeffrey Bunn. **Wednesday, March 22, 9:00-11:00 a.m., Marshall Gallery.**

**Open Chess:** Challenge amateurs and experts to the Game of Kings every **Wednesday, March 22, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the North Wing of the Library.** Whether you are starting out, haven't played for a while, or are a seasoned expert, all are welcome to learn and play. Boards are provided and avid players will be there to help you get started or improve your game. See you there!
**Third Thursdays:** These special presentations will start at the law school and then move to Fatty's Pub & Grille in DeKalb for receptions immediately afterward. This week, Irakere Picón, the first undocumented immigrant to practice law in Illinois and a 2015 Northern Law graduate, will share his story of going from immigrant to attorney to activist. **Thursday, March 23, 4:00-5:00 p.m in the Riley Courtroom.**

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**The Federalist Society:** Jordan Lorence from Alliance Defending Freedom will join us for this presentation. He is a prominent First Amendment attorney who has argued many cases in front of the United States Supreme Court (including one a week before this event). Please join us to hear his insights in this very special presentation. **Thursday, March 30, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Room 188.**

**Law Review Symposium:** The Northern Illinois University Law Review would like to invite everyone to our 2017 Symposium, entitled "Making Murderers: Legal Implications of Wrongful Convictions and the Death Penalty." Presenters will discuss police interrogation methods, the changing landscape of eyewitness testimony, the death penalty, and will highlight a recent wrongful conviction case. The event will take place on **Friday, March 31 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Altgeld Hall Board of Trustees Room.** The event is free for students, faculty, and staff. The Criminal Law Society will provide lunch immediately following the Symposium in the Marshall Gallery. If you have any questions, please email Symposium Editor, Rachel Krmenec, at rkrmenec@niu.edu.

**Student Bar Association:** Please join us for the NIU College of Law's Annual Barrister's Ball **Friday, March 31, 6:30-11:45 p.m.,** hosted by the Student Bar Association at the Acquaviva Winery in Maple Park, IL. Complimentary bus transportation will be provided. Ticket prices are $75 per person and $140 per couple. Be sure to get your tickets!

**OFFICE OF BUDGET AND RECORDS:**

**May 2017 & Dec 2016 Grads:**

- Commencement Announcements are now available to be picked up in Room SP285 (Office Budget & Records - Office hours 8:00 a.m. – noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.) **Note: Any Announcements not claimed by 4:30 p.m. on March 17 will be made available to others on a first come, first served, basis.**

**Reimbursement Process:**

- **Purchases:** For purchases on behalf of NIU College of Law events, expenses must be
approved by 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 us even if you have prior permission of faculty or staff member.

**Travel:** For reimbursement for travel on behalf of NIU College of Law, you will **need the approval of Dean before the travel** occurs. You must also see Julie (SP285) or Christina (SP280A2) **before** travel occurs to ensure that your reimbursement will be processed with appropriate required documentation.

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The Docket is published every Monday by the Office of the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. Announcements for publication must be submitted to Lisa Hoebing in Room 276 or by e-mail to lhoebing@niu.edu no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursdays.