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Upcoming Events

May 2011

June 7

15th Annual Alumni Golf Tournament Prestwick Golf Club, Woodbury, MN

1:00 p.m. Shotgun start/scramble format

6:00 p.m. Dinner, prizes and drawings

All proceeds to benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship & Programs Fund

For more information, contact Anne Markus at 651.523.2943

June 23

MSBA Convention: Hamline Law Alumni Reception
Target Field, Third Avenue between Fifth and Seventh
Streets

5:15 - 6:15 p.m., complementary hors d'oeuvres and beverages

For more information, contact Anne Markus at 651.523.2943

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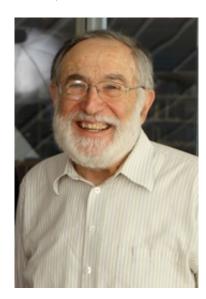
News

Professor Failinger Honored by Minnesota Women Lawyers



Professor Marie Failinger received this year's Myra Bradwell Award from Minnesota Women Lawyers at the organization's annual meeting in May. The award is presented to a Minnesota Women Lawyers member who "expresses the highest ideals of the legal profession and who possesses the qualities exemplified by Myra Bradwell such as courage, perseverance and leadership on issues of concern to women." In 1892, Myra Bradwell became the first woman to be admitted to the Illinois bar.

We Are Mourning the Loss of our Friend, Colleague and Teacher, David M. Cobin



In memoriam, Professor David M. Cobin

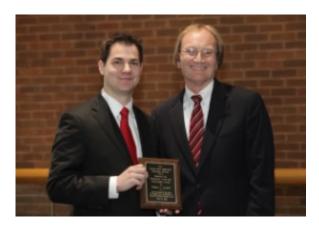
We were all stunned and saddened by the dreadful news that our friend and colleague David M. Cobin passed away early Saturday, May 21. At the commencement eve dinner on May 19, David received the Wesley Award, the university's highest honor, a fitting recognition as he neared retirement after 34 years as a faculty member at the Hamline University School of Law.

As I thought about the best way to describe the tremendous contributions David made to Hamline and to others far beyond this campus, I realized that Professor Marie Failinger's eloquent Wesley Award nomination for David, printed below, is an excellent tribute.

Professor Failinger was admitted in Indiana and is currently a member of the Minnesota bar. Formerly a staff attorney with Legal Services Organization of Indiana, she has continued her work on behalf of the disadvantaged as a founding member of the National Equal Justice Library, AALS Poverty Law Section, Law Teachers for Legal Services, American Indian Policy Institute and MICAEL (arts and law organization.) She also serves as the editor of the internationally recognized Journal of Law and Religion, as an editorial board member and contributor to the online Journal of Lutheran Ethics and a founding member of the Church Innovations Institute and Lutheran Innovations. She has been professionally active in the American Association of Law Schools and Minnesota Women Lawyers and has served on nonprofit boards or committees on legal services to the poor, adoption, fair housing, medical ethics, children and the law and human rights issues. She has also taught in the clinical program at Valparaiso University School of

Professor Failinger is also one of the founders of the Infinity Project, which was formed to "increase the gender diversity of the federal bench to ensure the quality of justice in the Eighth Circuit." The Infinity Project "believes it is necessary to have a bench that reflects the society as a whole in order that judicial decisions reflect public policy that takes into account differing life experiences and points of view."

Hamline Student Datzov Honored by Federal Bar Association



Hamline law student Nick Datzov (3L) recently received the Judge Jacob Dim Memorial Award from the Minnesota Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. The award is named for the Honorable Jacob Dim, who served as a federal bankruptcy judge in the District of Minnesota. The Honorable Donovan W. Frank ('77), a Hamline alumnus, presented the award. Judge Frank is a United States District Judge of the United States District Court, District of Minnesota.

The Judge Jacob Dim Memorial Award recognizes excellence in the study of federal law and practice. Each year, a graduating student is selected with the help of faculty members and receives an engraved plaque and a check for \$2,000.

Donald M. Lewis Dean and Professor of Law

I wish to nominate my faculty colleague, David M. Cobin, for the John Wesley Award for 2011. David has taught continuously at Hamline since 1977, when the law school was only five years old. Since he has been at Hamline, he has been a director of our Lawyering Skills Program, as well as the founder and the only director of our Hamline-Hebrew University Program in Law, Religion and Ethics (originally a summer program, now a J-term program), and an important anchor of our curriculum, teaching bar courses such as Civil Procedure and Constitutional Law. Professor Cobin has served on many of the standing committees of the law school, and has been a participant in many nonformal activities of the law school, including its law and religion program, and its Public Law Community.

However, to list David's formal activities at Hamline is almost to miss the point. David is the consummate teacher-mentor to his students. In his first-year courses, he reaches out with humor and invitation to new students, helping them surmount the stresses of law school and encouraging them to let them know that they can succeed. He has students coming to his office regularly to talk about their ideas as well as their courses and career plans. An advisor to the student Jewish Law group, David has over the years invited countless students, particularly those who are far from home, to his home to celebrate the Jewish holidays and on other occasions. He regularly celebrates the academic work of his studentsone year, for example, he was so impressed with the students in his seminar that he tried to find a way to publish their papers as a book. David has had an abiding commitment to justice for oppressed people, which he has shared with students in courses such as his slavery seminar as well as in his large lecture courses; and many have been touched and inspired by his teaching that justice is the key pursuit of the

The Federal Bar Association, founded in 1920, is dedicated to the advancement of the science of jurisprudence and to promoting the welfare, interests, education and professional development of all attorneys involved in federal law. The Minnesota Chapter has sponsored the Law Student Award Program, which recognizes outstanding law students, for more than 20 years.

Hamline Student Boon Honored by Minnesota State Bar Association



Ashton Boon (3L) was honored for her efforts in providing legal services to the disadvantaged. Boon was presented with the 2011 Bernard P. Becker Award by the Minnesota State Bar Association at its April 28 Assembly meeting. Only one student receives the award each year.

Boon is a Minnesota Justice Foundation pro bono law clerk. She assists attorneys from Leonard, Street and Deinard with Social Security cases, including legal research, drafting memorandum on assigned issues and other duties. She works with a variety of clients including those that do not speak English as a first language and those with mental health issues. She also works at the Minnesota Aids Project, managing over 40 cases.

The Becker awards are presented each year for work that exemplifies the dedication and commitment to helping poor people that marked the career of the late Bernard Becker, a renowned legal aid attorney, law professor and magistrate judge.

Business Law Institute Announces Certificate

The Business Law Institute (BLI) is proud to announce its first certificate offering, a Business Law Certificate for current JD students. The certificate includes coursework, practical experience and networking opportunities. The BLI is eager to connect students with business lawyers.

The BLI certificate provides an exciting opportunity for Hamline law students to earn a credential that will enable them to "hit the ground running" as capable, ethical business lawyers. Connecting our students with alumni and our alumni with timely speakers and symposia will create a valuable two-way street that enhances the value of the Hamline law degree.

law and lawyers.

David has also been a wonderful and hospitable colleague to many of us. He is always stopping colleagues in the hall to see how we are and to offer some words of encouragement and support. (He is always offering me remedies for my many winter viruses, and I am not the only one he takes care of in this way.) He is always willing to talk ideas or plans with both new and more seasoned faculty. As with his students, David and his wife Susan have opened their home to a number of faculty members, for many occasions. He has also worked with CLA colleagues such as Earl Schwartz on projects of common scholarly interest, and been generous in reviewing scholarly work for others.

David's commitment to issues of peace, justice and understanding among people with different backgrounds led him to create the Hamline-Hebrew University Program in Law, Religion and Ethics, which is perhaps the only law school program in the country to bring students from the United States and countries around the world to study critical human issues from the perspective of the three major Western faith traditions, Christianity, Judaism and Islam. In doggedly pursuing the development of this program, David made friends (and found teachers) for the law school of a Muslim gadi and his friends, a Jewish rabbi who is among the foremost world authorities on religious medical ethics, a Christian Israeli government official and an Israeli mediator who resolved high-level disputes such as the Church of the Nativity occupation and the Gaza pullout, just to name a few. David has also organized programming that has brought many of these friends of the law school to visit Hamline, and, unbeknownst to most of my colleagues, has contributed significantly from his own pocket to help finance a number of programs that the law school has offered in the area of law, religion and ethics.

David's commitment to tradition and to inter-religious understanding has

If you are interested in learning more about the BLI certificate program or in connecting certificate students with mentors and internship placements, please contact Ann Graham, Professor of Law and Director, Business Law Institute: kgraham01@hamline.edu.

Dispute Resolution Institute: Rethinking Negotiation Teaching Project

Sixty-one preeminent negotiation scholars and practitioners from around the world gathered for a conference in Beijing, China for the last phase of the multi-year Rethinking Negotiation Teaching Project. The project, which has already produced two books and two special issues of journals, was conceived of and sponsored by the Hamline University School of Law's Dispute Resolution Institute (DRI). This year's conference was offered in conjunction with Leading Negotiation Institute (China) and Convenor Conflict Management with financial support from the JAMS Foundation. DRI Director Sharon Press and DRI Senior Fellows Jim Coben and Ken Fox represented Hamline at the 6-day conference.

At the conference, the launch of the Chinese-English Journal on Managing Conflict was announced. This journal is jointly sponsored by HUSL-DRI, Leading Negotiation Institute, Convenor Conflict Management and the JAMS Foundation. It is the first of its kind in China. The first issue will be published in June and the website is already operational, www.negotiationchina.com.

This summer, the DRI will offer a new certificate in International Business Negotiation as an outgrowth of this project. The certificate program will include the important features for Negotiation 2.0. This fall DRI will offer an executive style Negotiation Training Program which also incorporates the lessons from this project. Watch for more details about this special program.

Mediation Center Works on Collaborative Project To Improve Clarity and Predictability for Parenting Consultants

Based on the challenges of working with high conflict families and increased ethics complaints against family neutrals, there was a perceived need for clarity and predictability of the Parenting Consultant (PC) role in Minnesota. In response to this need, the Mediation Center at Hamline University, the Minnesota Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and the Minnesota Chapter of the Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers convened a group of PCs and family court/ADR professionals. The goal of the group was to create and provide a tool for judges, attorneys and neutrals that present high standards of practices for PCs. Representation included: family court services, family law attorneys, parenting consultants, family therapists, a family court judicial officer, ADR Ethics Board members and a Hamline University School of Law student. For a copy of the group's

reached beyond the law school, not only in his scholarship on the Jewish legal history and the history of slavery, but also in his service to the American Association of Law Schools Jewish Law Association and to the Executive Committee of the International Jewish Law Association, (where he served as Secretary for the World Outside of Israel, 1993-1998). Those who know him from these efforts speak warmly of him to me and my colleagues.

Thank you for considering David. He is a gracious, genuine teacher and person, and well worthy of this honor.

Professor Marie Failinger

For Professor Cobin's obituary, please visit here. The School of Law has created the David Cobin Memorial Fund to receive gifts made in memory of David and his 34 years of service to the Law School. Gifts can be made online at www.hamline.edu/giving or sent by mail. Please mark checks or the online comment section indicating that the gift is designated to the Memorial Fund.

Class Notes

Due to the overwhelming response of Class Notes on the Alumni Update Forms, we will be spreading them out over the next several e-Newsletters.

1976

Joseph Winne '76 received Martindale-Hubbell's 2010 Rating of AV Preeminent, and was a member of Leading Lawyers Network from 2009-2010.

1977

Rich Downey '77 was selected as a biographee in *Who's Who in American Law, Superlawyer* in Virginia and in *Superlawyer* in Washington D.C.

1978

John Fristik '78 qualified and competed in the Ironman 70.3 Triathlon World Championship in Clearwater. Florida on November 13.

Give

ALUMNI ANNUAL FUND

Only a few weeks remain in this year's campaign for our School of Law. We appreciate the hundreds of alumni who have already generously contributed or pledged their support. Join them in supporting students and advancing Hamline by visiting www.hamline.edu/giving. Thank you.

Stay Connected and Get Involved!

Get Involved and Mentor HUSL Students!



The HUSLink Mentor Program is now live and open to students and alumni who would like to be proteges. This Symplicity-based program was designed to make mentoring and networking available to Hamline University School of Law students and alumni in a flexible, timely and customized manner. Please join fellow Hamline Law alumni in mentoring students who need your help as they navigate career choices or ask for advice on a variety of issues.

Do You Ride a Motorcycle?

If so, we are interested in meeting you. We are Street Legal Motorcycle Club. We are a group of professionals in the legal field that share an enthusiasm for motorcycles. As a group, we go on several rides per season. We also meet up for monthly happy hours. To learn more contact <u>Kurtis Berg</u>. Check out our <u>website</u> or "like" us on Facebook!

Network



2010.

1979

Paul Magers '79 gave the keynote address at San Gabriel Valley Alumnae Panhellenic's seventh annual "Dollars for Scholars" benefit luncheon. He currently co-anchors the evening newscast on KCBS television in California.

1980

Douglas Duncan '80 was named to *Florida Super Lawyers* 2010, completed a term as member and chair of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission and is Vice Chair of Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission.

1983

The Honorable David M. Ortley '83 was elected to the District Court in the Eleventh Judicial District located in Kalispell, MT, after serving as a Judge in Justice Court for eleven years.

1985

Sidney F. Ansbacher '85 is publishing a feature article on Public Trust Doctrine in an upcoming issue of Nova Law Review. He's also a 2011 graduate of Leadership NE Florida.

1988

Mary Jo McGuire '88 recently won the special election for the state Senate seat for Senate District 66, which covers much of Saint Paul.

1989

Lonn M. Kohn '89 held Valpak's honor of number one local sales in North America for 2010.

Donald McNeil, Jr. '89 has served as Board President for PACER Center, a national nonprofit supporting children with disabilities.

1991

Terence Hislop '91 has started a

Alumni e-Directory

Search for fellow Hamline Law classmates by name, year, geographic location and more! You can also update your contact preferences and employment information quickly and easily. This site is secure and available only to Hamline alumni with a password. Don't know your login information? Contact alum@hamline.edu.



Hamline Law Group on LinkedIn

Join the "Hamline Law" group on LinkedIn! Alumni can connect with each other as well as Hamline Law faculty and staff. Have a question, need some advice or want to share some news? You can post a discussion and receive instant feedback from your classmates. Also, opt to join the law subgroups (Health Law, IP Law, Public Law, Moot Court Alumni, Tax Moot Court Team, Seattle Area Alumni, Chicago, IL Area Alumni) to connect with alumni in your area of practice or geographic location. (Don't see a subgroup pertaining to you? Let us know and we'll create one!)

Faculty Notes

Professor Allen Blair recently published "Hard Cases Under the Convention on the International Sale of Goods: A Proposed Taxonomy of Interpretive Challenges," 21 DUKE J. COMP. & INT'L L. 269 (2011).

Professor Jonathan Kahn recently published "Keep Hope Alive: Updating the Prudent Investment Standard for Allocating Nuclear Plant Cancellation Costs," 43 FORDHAM ENVTL. L. REV. (2010).

Professor Marie Failinger served as vice-chair of the Infinity Project in 2010-11. She received the Myra Bradwell Award from Minnesota Lawyers on May 11, 2011. She also chaired the MSBA Section on Legal Assistance to the Disadvantaged (LAD) Law School Initiatives Subcommittee in 2010-11. Failinger also recently presented "The Paradox of Madness: Toward Reclaiming a Dignity for Us All in Our Treatment of Mental Illness" at the Beyond Rights: Vulnerability and Justice Workshop sponsored by Emory University Law School at Smith College on May 6, 2011.

Professor Jon Garon recently published "Searching Inside Google: Cases, Controversies and the Future of the World's Most Provocative Company," 30 LOY. L.A. L. Rev. 429 (2010).

Professor David Allen Larson published an article with the Nevada Law Journal, which is the law review for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, William Boyd School of

new law practice in Phoenix, AZ specializing in personal injury and product liability.

1995

Liz Reppe '95 received one of the first annual Amicus Curiae Awards awarded to attorneys from the First Judicial District. Liz, the Dakota County Law Librarian, was recognized for her leadership in continuing the Dakota County Family Self Help Center that assisted over 400 litigants represent themselves without attorneys in court matters in 2010 and for her effort in developing and implementing the Criminal Defense Panel of Dakota County.

1997

Elizabeth Feyrer Bagley '97 recently established her own practice where she focuses on family law, including divorce and paternity. She was also named a Rising Star 2010 by Wisconsin Super Lawyers.

1999

Sherri Gryboski '99 is proud to announce she is now in private practice.

Erik Mudrinich '99 received an L.L.M in Space and Telecommunications (Cyber) Law from the University of Nebraska in 2011. He is also currently a Major in the United States Air Force and will be assigned to Vandenberg AFB, California.

2001

Dale Klitzke '01 was recently promoted to First Sergeant and is being deployed in May of 2011 to the Middle East. This is his second deployment.

2003

Katharine Hannher '03 recently moved from clerking for The Honorable Tony N. Leurgin in Hennepin County Juvenile Court to clerk for The Honorable Anne. K. McKeig in Hennepin County Family Court.

Law. The article is titled "Brother Can You Spare A Dime? Technology Can Reduce Dispute Resolution Costs When Times Are Tough and Improve Outcomes." The article is published at 11 Nev. L.J. 523 (2011) and is available at http://papers.ssm.com/sol3/papers.cfm? abstract id=1846723.

Professor Bobbi McAddoo published an article in the Missouri Journal of Dispute Resolution, "A Mediation Tune Up for the State Court Appellate Machine." The article reports the results of Professor McAdoo's evaluation of the pilot program for the mediation of family cases before the Minnesota Court of Appeals; and discusses the elements of program design most likely to make such court programs succeed, in terms of both efficiency and procedural justice.

Professor Larry McDonough successfully lobbied in the Minnesota Legislature against passage of H.F. No. 440. Sections 11 and 12, and S.F. No. 875, Sections 8 and 9, which would have eliminated the rights of landlords and tenants in Hennepin and Ramsey counties to have judges hear eviction, repair and lockout cases and to have judges review decisions of referees in these cases. He testified and presented his report, 2010 Hennepin and Ramsey County Housing Court Judges Review Cases, in which he analyzed all of the judge-reviewed cases in 2010 and concluded that the proposals would save little time and money for the housing courts, but would increase appeals to the Court of Appeals and increase costs to landlord and tenants of moderate means. The House Judiciary Policy and Finance Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee removed the sections from the bills.

Professor Sharon Press recently published "Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation in Florida - Implementation Challenges for an Institutionalized Program," 11 NEV. L.J. 306 (2011).

Professor Sharon Sandeen recently published "The Value of Irrationality in the IP Equation" in *Economic and Social Justice Perspectives* (Flanagan and Montagnani, eds., 2011).

2006

Melisa Lopez Franzen '06 was honored to be one of 28 Young Hispanic Corporate Achievers selected in 2011 to be recognized nationally by the Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility in Washington D.C. on their 25th anniversary.

Jessica White '06 was featured on the cover of the March edition of *New Business Minnesota*. She provides Human Resources Consulting and related legal services to small businesses.

Obituaries

Rebekah M. McDonald '03, beloved wife, mom, daughter, sister, aunt, dear friend, age 35, passed away peacefully at home after a lengthy battle with Behcet's Disease. After graduating from Hamline, Rebekah had a private practice in family law.

If you have career or personal news to share with the Hamline Law community, please feel free to drop us a note at lawalum@hamline.edu.

Attention Seattle-area Alumni!

Have you ever wondered who else from HUSL is in the greater Seattle area? Are you interested in an informal, no-host, meet and greet with other Seattle-area Alumni? Check your calendar for Friday June 17th, 5:30-7:30pm! Please join us for happy hour at List Restaurant (2226 1st Avenue, Seattle, WA, www.listbelltown.com). Just tell the hostess you're looking for Hamline! Morgan Gabse is coordinating the event. Questions: mgabse01@hamlineuniversity.edu or 651-343-6440. RSVPs not necessary, but appreciated to give the venue a heads up.

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