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Chance and Calvert lead First Amendment panel discussion



If a survey done by the First Amendment Center is any indication, Americans have a bit of trouble understanding the First Amendment, according to UF Journalism professor Sandra Chance. According to the survey, 40 percent of Americans could not name a single right protected by the First Amendment. The survey produced some more interesting responses, though. "People also named rather bizarre rights they thought were

protected by the First Amendment like the right to own a pet. I am not kidding," said Chance, a UF Law alumna and executive director of the Brechner Center for Freedom of Information.

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Davis discusses Delphi bankruptcy case



To Professor Jeff Davis, deciphering the inner workings of a corporate reorganization is much like viewing a troubled marriage from the outside. "You can know what has happened and what is reported in the newspapers, [as well as] what has happened in court...but looking into a reorganization is sort of like looking into a marriage; you cannot really do it from the outside," he said. The particular corporate reorganization that

Davis was discussing was that of Delphi Corporation following its bankruptcy in 2005.

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Trivia Central

CONGRATULATIONS: Alan Meyerson. You won a golden gator pin for answering last week's trivia question correctly with **frisking**. Pick up your prize in 287 Holland Hall.

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2010 Costa Rica program to support regional initiatives in environmental law in Central American and the Amazon



As part of two regional initiatives to develop environmental law education in Latin America, the 2010 edition of the University of Florida-University of Costa Rica Joint Program in Environmental Law will be enriched by the participation of attorneys and law students from Central America and

Brazil. The Central American participants will be part of a cohort that is being selected to participate in the development of a regional environmental law diploma for Central America, part of a broader capacity building initiative under the environment chapter of the Central American Free Trade Agreement. Three participants will be selected from the pilot states of Guatemala, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic in 2010.

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Student Profile: Stephen Liverpool



Third-year law student Stephen Liverpool was the first in his family to attend a four year university when he came to the University of Florida as an undergraduate. On Nov. 22, he was elected president of Florida Blue Key and will serve as only the second African-American president in organization's 87 year history. This achievement is even more remarkable considering that less than a year ago, Liverpool suffered injuries that made him

wonder whether he would ever return to law school.

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Faculty Scholarship and Activities



The UF law faculty is comprised of highly accomplished scholar-teachers who bring remarkable experience and knowledge to the classroom. Keep up with what they're writing about and saying each week in FlaLaw by reading about their scholarship and activities, as well as their media

appearances.

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News Briefs

Moot Court advances to quarter-finals in Chicago Bar Competition



Four members of the Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court Board traveled to Chicago for the annual Chicago Bar Association's National Moot Court Competition. This event allows teams from top-tier law schools around the



country to compete against one another in appellate advocacy. The team of Philip Moring and Joshua Landsman, coached by Brandon Hueber, surpassed 18 other teams to make it to the quarter-final round. The team of George Eppsteiner and Jessica Miles, coached by Samantha Crawford, also competed with Eppsteiner receiving Second Best Oralist out of 26 teams. The teams argued the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act as well as the validity of a state's public policy against same-sex marriage. Both teams would like to thank their coaches for their tremendous support and dedication.

Students thank Mediation Clinic mentors



Seth Haimovitch presented a "Thank You Mediators" cake to several Alachua County mediators on behalf of the students in this fall's Mediation Clinic. The Alachua County mediators assist Professor Robin Davis in helping the mediation clinic students complete their mentorship as part of the students' requirements to become Florida Supreme Court certified mediators. Haimovitch was one of the Mediation Clinic students who mediated in Small Claims Court on Friday mornings at the Alachua County Courthouse this semester. Last Friday was the students' last day at the courthouse.

JTLP congratulates winners



The Journal of Technology Law and Policy congratulates Christina Wang for winning the Dawson Rowe Best Edit Award and Eric Feld for winning the Outstanding Case Comment Submission. Each recipient received a certificate and \$100. The journal also sincerely thanks and appreciates the outstanding work of the fall 2009 editorial board: Logan Gans, Zarra Elias, Kimberly Thomas, Alexandria Vita, Regina Frein, Michael Singer, Jared Seff, and Chris Ramsey.

Reminder to keep personal property secure

As we approach the end of the semester, more and more time is spent studying on campus. Students are reminded to stay safe and keep their personal property secure. Thefts are common this time of year. Our campus is open, and thieves know that students are spending long hours in the library, often walking away from their laptops, backpacks, and purses "just for a minute." Also students who seek isolation while studying may put themselves at risk if no one knows where they are. So the library staff reminds students: keep an eye on your stuff, and keep an eye on each other. And if you are leaving campus late at night, please call [SNAP](tel:392-SNAP) at 392-SNAP(7627) for an escort.

Library hours change during holidays

All students should be aware of the following dates in November when library hours will be affected:

Extended library hours for the exam period will begin on Thursday, Dec. 3. The exam period schedule is below:

Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. – 2 a.m.
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Saturday	11:30 a.m. – 2 a.m.
Sunday	10 a.m. – 2 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 18	7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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