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The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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This Week's Events

Hurricane Harvey Diaper Drive

Cumberland's Public Interest & Community Service organization is joining Samford's Orlean Beeson School of Education in their diaper drive. There will be a drop-off location in the Breezeway

from Tues., September 5th until noon on Friday, September 8th.

We will be collecting diapers of all sizes, including adult diapers. Monetary donations are welcomed as well.

Plan Ahead



A Conference on Law Enforcement and Civil Rights

September 17-18, 2017

Free Admission: Registration for each day is required at www.bcri.org



The conference is free and open to the public, but registration is required for each day. **Please go to www.bcri.org to register.** A panel from Charleston, SC will discuss the Dylann Roof church shooting case. Additionally, Professor Cassandra Adams will be on a panel. Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein will be the keynote speaker on Sunday, September 17th. More details are forthcoming.

Get Connected to Cumberland School of Law for all the latest updates. The official Facebook page is "Cumberland School of Law" and the official Twitter account is "CumberlandLaw"

Plan Ahead

 Cumberland's Public Interest & Community Service organization will be hosting a dodgeball tournament on Thursday,
September 28th from 4-9 pm in the Bashinsky gym.

The tournament will raise money to fund a Cumberland Summer Public Interest Fellowship and our annual Christmas drive, which provides gifts for children under the care of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). The tournament is open to all students, faculty and staff members of Samford's graduate schools. To register, email CPICS at cpics@samford.edu.

International Student Meet-n-Greet

Come meet Cumberland's Fall 2017 International Students on **Tuesday, September 12** from 10:30 - 11:30 am in the Bishop Conference Room (226).



Ritika Banerjee joins us from NALSAR University in India. Will Hawkins, Imogen Swash, Abby Robinson and Dominic Currins join us from the University of East Anglia in England. Students, faculty and staff are invited to drop in, have a doughnut and a cup of coffee and meet these students.

Cumberland Street Law Volunteers

The Alabama Center for Law and Civic Education (ACLCE) in conjunction with the Cumberland Public Interest Project Program is seeking law students to serve as volunteers for the Cumberland Street Law Program.

An orientation session is scheduled for **Monday, September 11th from 4:00 – 5:00 pm in Room 120 in Robinson Hall** for anyone interested in learning more about the program and how to become a Street Law volunteer. All law students are eligible to apply.

During weekly training sessions, volunteers will be trained to



teach up to six lessons about the laws that affect youth. The training will start in January. Using the lessons which have been learned, the volunteers, working in pairs, will teach an assigned class of middle or high school students approximately one hour a week for up to six weeks. For more information prior to the meeting, please contact Alan Stevens, Executive Director of ACLCE, at asteven4@samford.edu or Mike Milton, 3L, at mlmilton@samford.edu.

Law School Announcements

AJTA 2L Member Earns Vulcan Materials Co. Award

• Each summer, members in the top one-third of Cumberland's rising 2L class are invited to participate in a competitive writing program for membership on the American Journal of Trial Advocacy. Afterward, the top papers from the writing program are considered by a committee of faculty members for the prestigious Vulcan Materials Co. Scholarship Award for Outstanding Candidate's Paper. The winner of the 2017 Vulcan Award is **Kimberly S. Fasking** for her paper written on Beck v. McDonald. Fasking earns the \$1,000 prize made possible by Vulcan Materials Company and Journal alumnus, **John M. Floyd ('88)**. Kim's paper will be published in issue 41:2 of the American Journal of Trial Advocacy. The runner-up for this year's award is **Haleigh E. Chastain**, whose paper on Doe v. Mercy Catholic Medical Center will also appear in issue 41:2 of the Journal.

• The AJTA extends a very special thank you to **Professors Mark Baggett, Lynn Hogewood, and Kandice Horsey**, who took time out of their busy beginning-of-the-year schedules to read the papers and determine this year's award.

Faculty Notes



• On September 7th and 8th, **Judge John Carroll** will be a facilitator at the American Inns of Court National Advocacy Training Program in Chicago. That program brings together American lawyers and English barristers to train American lawyers with less than 5 years experience in basic trial advocacy skills using the "Hampel" method which is the trial advocacy training method used in England.

Photo of the Week



The Lanier Ford law firm hosted an alumni reception last week with special guest, Judge "Rusty" Johnson in Huntsville

Want to see your photos featured?

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