It was the day after Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday, and Legal Research and Writing professor Kate Weatherly decided to go over King’s “Letter from a Birmingham Jail” — using the rules of classical rhetoric — to analyze a real life example of powerful persuasive advocacy.

Weatherly, who wrote about her teaching techniques last August in Second Draft, the bulletin of the Legal Writing Institute, said, “King’s letter is powerful on several levels — it’s a wonderful example of the classical introduction to an argument. He establishes goodwill, summarizes his argument, lays the groundwork for an argument whose subject he asserts has been misrepresented, and presents his credentials. Students see later in the semester that they do something similar in an appellate brief.”

Not your father’s LRW program, is it?

Led by Associate Professor Suzanne Rowe, nationally known for her series of books on state-specific legal research, the five Legal Research and Writing Program faculty members boast many years combined experience clerk ing for state and federal judges, practicing in Wall Street and Oregon firms, and working for public interest organizations.

The school has professionalized writing instruction, Rowe says. “Alumni who graduated before 2000 may be surprised to hear about how much personal contact today’s students have with their writing teachers, how committed the LRW faculty is to the field of legal research and writing, and how comparatively small the classes are.”

In 2000, Rowe said, students were saying “LRW is intense and difficult and we hate it. In 2005, they’re saying LRW is intense and difficult and invaluable — give us more personal help.

So how is all of this working? One remarkable turnaround story is 2L Karl Kaufman’s. “I came to law school with a degree in studio art and no writing experience,” he said. His first semester was frustrating and his grades showed it.

He credits his turnaround to Joan Malmud’s summer intensive writing course — a high-octane exercise for a dozen or so students. “It was a godsend,” Kaufman said.

“My professor took the time to understand my learning style, I learned the theory behind a writing technique instead of memorizing guidelines, I was in a small class of dedicated students, and I did a lot of hard work,” Kaufman said.

It worked. He made law review.

“We have such terrific teachers,” Rowe said, “and we are trying to keep them longer. Two are in their fifth year of teaching and several hope for careers in legal research and writing. This will be big news to alumni who might have had a newbie teacher with a short-term attitude.”

Her five-year plan includes second and third year course offerings, in addition to the summer intensive writing course. And it includes closer relationships with practicing attorneys as well.

Feedback on UO law students on the job is “uniformly positive,” said Malmud. “After the first year, students work during the summer drafting briefs and motions, and the lawyers and judges they work for think they are fantastic. The students come back to school with great confidence — they realize ‘Hey, I am an attorney!’”
Laird Kirkpatrick

OUTREACH TO GREATER COMMUNITIES, FACULTY GROWTH, AND ENHANCED REPUTATION MARK HIS TENURE AS DEAN, UO PRESIDENT SAYS

After three and a half years as dean, Laird Kirkpatrick left the rainy Willamette Valley last December for the Foggy Bottom district of Washington, D.C., where he is spending the next year teaching evidence and a seminar on psychology and law at George Washington University School of Law.

“I am enjoying my promotion back to the faculty and am delighted to be in the classroom again,” Kirkpatrick said. He also will work on another edition of his five-volume treatise on federal evidence law, which is often cited by federal courts — and by the United States Supreme Court as recently as November. He leaves the law school in excellent shape.

“Laird is one of our own whose tenure as dean has been marked by outreach to larger communities, faculty growth and development, and a greatly enhanced reputation for the UO School of Law,” said University President Dave Frohnmayer.

“His national reputation as a scholar and a teacher has added luster to the school. ”

In his years as dean, Kirkpatrick has overseen six new faculty appointments, doubled the amount of scholarships for entering students, made seven new appointments to endowed professorships and fellowships, and used the dean’s fund of unrestricted gifts strategically for new initiatives, such as the Loan Repayment Assistance Program. He created new programs in Portland and in public interest and public service, and strengthened our other three centers of excellence in dispute resolution, business, and environmental law.

Learn more about Kirkpatrick’s accomplishments plus comments by those who worked with him.

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Indian Law Grant

GRANDE RONDE CHALLENGE GIFT KICKS OFF FUNDRAISING FOR OREGON TRIBES PROFESSORSHIP

The clock is running — in October, the law school received an outright gift of $100,000 from the Spirit Mountain Community Fund plus a chance to earn two dollars for every three dollars raised by the law school over the next year towards the Oregon Tribes Professorship.

“This is a marvelous gift and an inspiration to go further — we have one year to raise $300,000 to match the $200,000 offered by Spirit Mountain,” said Assistant Dean Matt Roberts, the law school’s major gifts officer. “We will be reaching out to other tribes, law firms and school supporters. It will be a lot easier with such a large lead gift in hand.”

The fund, the charitable arm of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, has given over $30 million to non-profit organizations since it was founded in 1997. The tribe donates six percent from the profits of Spirit Mountain Casino to the fund. It is the eighth largest grant maker in Oregon.

The Oregon Tribes professorship will cap the law school’s significant offerings in Indian law and highlight the position of Indian law in the legal community.

Law professor and former dean Rennard Strickland, who is from an Osage-Cherokee family, wrote one of the letters supporting the grant application to the grantors. He introduced Indian law into the national university curriculum and is a leader in the renaissance of American Indian culture.

“High quality legal education on Native topics is important not only for tribal peoples but for non-Indians who make decisions about important issues in the Indian community,” he said, “I see the role of the Oregon Tribes Professor as being out beyond the ivory tower and working on key issues with Oregon’s Native people.”

Once the challenge is met, the $600,000 endowment will fund a legal scholar and teacher who has contributed significantly to Indian law and will encourage stronger ties with Oregon and Pacific Northwest tribes. It will strengthen the law school’s efforts to attract and retain more faculty members who work with Native issues and attract more Indian law students as well.

A number of alumni and other supporters formed an ad hoc advisory committee to help prepare the grant and write letters of support: Howie Amett ’77, Warm Springs tribal attorney; Vernon Peterson ’78, who practices in the area of federal Indian law; Dan Hester ’81, Umatilla tribal attorney; Craig Dorsay ’79, Samish and Siletz tribal attorney and expert on the Indian Child Welfare Act; and Olney Patt Jr. of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. Spirit Mountain Fund board chair Kris Olson and member Richard Bottieri helped the rest of the board understand the importance of legal education and scholarship to the Indian community. Olson is a former U.S. attorney and Bottieri is a retired Portland attorney who is working on a UO master’s degree in legal history.

Indian Law Resources at Oregon

Programs
ENR Center
Native Environmental Sovereignty Project

Wayne Morse Center 2005-7 Theme of Inqury:

Faculty
Mary Christina Wood
Professor and Dean’s Distinguished Faculty Fellow
National expert on Federal Indian Trust law, tribal natural resources law, and treaty rights.

Rennard Strickland
Philip H. Knight Professor of Law
(Osage-Cherokee)
Introduces Indian law into the national university curriculum.

Author of 40 books on Indian law, history and art.

W. Richard West, Jr.
2006-7 Morse Professor
Founding director of the National Museum of the American Indian

Books
Cohen Handbook of Federal Indian Law
Two editors of this bible of Indian law were UO law faculty. It was edited at the law school.

To An Unknown God: Religious Freedom on Trial
UO law professor Garrett Epps wrote this prize-winning book on First Amendment freedom and Native religious practice.

Externships
Umatilla Tribe, Native American Rights Fund, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission and others.

Conferences
Tribal Water Advocacy Conference

Environmental Justice conference
“Native Sacred Sites: Chief Joseph and the Preservation of the Wallowas.”
April 2005

Sovereignty and Native Education
October 2005

Women in Tribal and Community Leadership
November 2005

Intersections of Native American Culture, Politics and Law
February 2006

Public Interest Environmental Law Conference
Native perspectives and issues featured every year.
March 2006

From the Warrior Viewpoint: The next Generation of Indian Law
April 2006

Places
Many Nations Longhouse
The nine federally recognized tribes of Oregon hosted its opening in 2005.

UO Museum of Natural and Cultural History
Research and exhibits on 15,000 years of Northwest cultural history. (Both are directly behind the Knight Law Center)

Classes
American Indian policy
Federal Indian Law
Property Law
Wildlife Law

Groups
Native American Law Students Association
Sponsored Navajo Supreme Court visit.

Public Interest/Public Service program
Sponsored Umatilla Tribal Court visit.
Minding the Gap
LRAP AIMS TO EASE GAP BETWEEN PUBLIC SERVICE SALARIES AND HIGH STUDENT DEBT

Law student debt doubled in the past ten years and the average law school graduate leaves school owing $61,000. Meanwhile, the salary gap between new lawyers working in private firms and those working for public agencies or nonprofits such as Legal Aid is steadily increasing as well.

Who can afford to help the little guy?
The news may be getting better. Thanks to the generosity of our alumni, over $300,000 has been raised to endow the Loan Repayment Assistance Program for graduates who work as public defenders, legal aid attorneys, prosecutors, children’s advocates, and in other modestly-paid public interest jobs.

The recipients of the first two $4,000 awards are Coos Bay public defender Stacey Kay Lowe ’03 and Coos County Juvenile Court judge Laura Sadowski ’05, who clerks for Judge Kip Leonard at Lane County Juvenile Court and hopes to continue a legal career helping children.

The awards were announced at a gala champagne reception at the law school last November 4. A sculpture by Sheridan artist Walt Mendenhall was unveiled honoring major donor Jackie Romm ’81 and other contributors — including the Hon. David Brewer ’77, Christy Cox ’03, Deirdre Dawson ’86, Richard Roseta ’72, Caroline Forell, Gary ’70 and Anne Marie Galton, Laird Kirkpatrick ’83, Law School

THANK YOU, LRAP DONORS! A new sculpture of a tree branch honors Loan Repayment Assistance Program donors with a leaf. LRAP organizers, donors and well wishers gather in front of it at the November 4 celebration.

LRAP
We’re on our way to our first
$1 Million
to fund ten annual grants of $5,000 each.

Support Oregon’s public interest lawyers with a small leaf ($1,000) or a large one ($5,000)! The students and alumni who worked hard from 2002-5 to create the LRAP program welcome your gifts:
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http://law.uoregon.edu/lrap

Fifty books in 40 years... and lots of movies

Rennard Strickland’s historic movie posters show Indians through the film industry’s eyes. Visit the “Marquee Massacre” exhibit through March 4 at the Jacobs Gallery, Hult Center for the Performing Arts, in Eugene.

Then, on April 14, Strickland will read from his story, “Grandfather was a Good Witch,” at the gala celebration honoring the publication of his fortieth book and his fortieth year of teaching. Speakers include Cherokee Nation luminaries Wilma Mankiller and Chad Smith.

Find out more
www.morsechair.uoregon.edu/strickland.html

Get ready for Commencement 2006!
Oregon Congressman Earl Blumenauer will deliver the commencement address at Class of 2006 graduation ceremonies on Sunday, May 14 at 1:00 p.m. in the Silva Concert Hall, Hult Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Eugene. A reception follows at the law school in the Wayne Morse Commons.
Legal thinker and national commentator Erwin Chemerinsky will keynote a conference for Oregon judges and appellate attorneys on the courts’ role in disentangling church and state on Friday, March 24 from 8:30 A.M. until noon at Portland’s World Trade Center, 121 SW Salmon.

Named one of the top 20 legal thinkers by Legal Affairs magazine in 2005, Chemerinsky is a well-known commentator on the constitution, civil rights, and the burning policy issues of our time. He is an appellate lawyer and professor of law and political science at Duke University.

Other speakers and panelists include Ninth Circuit Court judge and author John Noonan, who has written on religious liberty in American law; Oregon Appeals Court Judge David Schuman, former state legislator and Portland attorney Kelly Clark, Willamette law professor Steven Green, the former head of Americans United for the Separation of Church and State, Portland civil rights lawyer Charles Hinkle; and Islamic law expert Clark Lombardi, University of Washington. Admission is free, but seating is limited. Three CLE credits are available. For information, call (541) 346-3835 or email dwarren@law.uoregon.edu.

UO law professor Tom Lininger will moderate.

The conference is an annual event made possible by the law school’s Kenneth J. O’Connell Program. Chief Justice O’Connell served on the Oregon Supreme Court for 19 years and was a law professor at Oregon during the 1930s, 40s and 50s. Admission is free, but seating is limited. Three CLE credits are available. For information, call (541) 346-3835 or email dwarren@law.uoregon.edu.

Find out more www.law.uoregon.edu/news/article.php?show=179
Chief judge and court officials of the Umatilla visit

PIPS brought the court of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla to the law school on November 17. Students learned about the court structure, the role of the judge, and what it is like to practice in the tribal court.

Chief Judge William Johnson (pictured) spoke, as did Associate Attorney General Brent Hall, Judicial Assistant David Quaempts, and Public Defender Renee Caubisens.

The court tries criminal cases involving Indians on the reservation and violations of treaty hunting and fishing rights by tribal members outside the reservation. The court also has oversight of the civil laws, codes and policies of the Confederated Tribes.

Headquarters of the 500,000-acre Umatilla Indian reservation are in Pendleton, Oregon. It includes the people of the Cayuse, Walla Walla, and Umatilla tribes of Northeastern Oregon and Southeastern Washington.

Former Navajo Nation president talks on Native education

The Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics sponsored a daylong conference on Sovereignty and Native Education on October 20. Keynote speaker Peterson Zah spoke on “The Navajo Sovereignty in Education Act of 2005.”

Zah (pictured at right) is the former president of the Navajo Nation and now advises Arizona State University’s president on American Indian Affairs. The conference covered a number of Indian education issues, including the new generation of Indian-run schools designed to preserve traditional knowledge and provide quality education for tribal youth.

Morse Center’s “Indigenous Peoples” theme creates excitement

The Morse Center 2005-7 theme of “Indigenous Peoples” has already shown the university and law community the excitement of the Native renaissance.

Modern medicine is reaching back to historical traditional medicines; legal systems are adopting native concepts of mediation and restorative justice; language, music, art, and literature find inspiration from the works and ways of indigenous peoples. Tribes have renewed confidence in their ancient ways and how their values apply to this complex and challenging world.

The message has been delivered by a number of inspiring visitors from all over the U.S. — not least the law school’s own Indian law scholar and former dean Rennard Strickland, a 2005-6 Resident Fellow, and 2005-6 Morse Professor Wilma Mankiller.

Strickland is pictured here with Mankiller, Peterson Zah and Morse Center director Margaret Hallock.

Wilma Mankiller talks with University President Dave Frohnmayer at her public lecture in the Erb Memorial Union on November 9, 2005.
**Lectures and Awards:**

**From Felix Cohen to WorldCom**

On September 15, two noted legal writers from George Washington University Law School sparked lively discussions on corporate social responsibility and Indian law.

Legal historian Dalia Tsuk talked about *Encounters with Pluralism: The Life and Thought of Felix S. Cohen*, her forthcoming biography of the famed legal realist and Indian law scholar. She is pictured below with Rennard Strickland and Carl Bjerre.

Larry Mitchell (right), author of *Stacked Deck: A Story of Selfishness in America*, which was submitted for the 1998 Pulitzer Prize in general nonfiction, spoke on corporate social responsibility. Mitchell wrote his 2001 book, *Corporate Irresponsibility: America’s Newest Export*, before the Enron and WorldCom fiascos.

Tsuk and Mitchell are just two of the visitors hosted by the law faculty’s lectures and awards committee each year. Intimate discussions for the university and legal community also include a number of legal theory workshops and the “Thinking Aloud” series on our own faculty works in progress.

**Against the Grain: Working for the Public Interest**

The lead counsel in a 2004 class action that won new educational guarantees for thousands of California’s poorest school children keynoted a September 30 symposium sponsored by the Public Interest/Public Service Program. In the early 1990s, featured speaker John Affeldt assisted in the trial of Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega. In 2004, he was named attorney of the year by *California Lawyer* magazine. He now heads Public Advocates, a thirty-five-year-old San Francisco law firm that fights on behalf of the poor and dispossessed.

“Against the Grain: Working for the Public Interest,” is an annual event, organized by the PIPS student group and faculty director Tom Lininger.

**Tell it to the Jury**

Joe Metcalfe, who teaches criminal law and trial practice, brought in alumni experts last September 23 for a wide-ranging discussion on jury selection. The panelists were plaintiff’s lawyer Don Corson ’85, whose Eugene practice emphasizes catastrophic personal injuries; Los Angeles attorney Tom Dempsey ’89, president of TLPJ, a national trial lawyer’s public interest firm, and Lawrence Riff ’82 of Steptoe and Johnson’s Los Angeles office, who defends oil and chemical companies in toxic torts cases.
In the Thick of It
THE SIERRA CLUB’S MIKE MCCLOSKEY ’61

Mike McCloskey did not enjoy law school. The retired Sierra Club’s director’s story should be an inspiration to all 1Ls who worry about their professional future and wonder whatever possessed them to become lawyers.

McCloskey visited the law school on January 26 to enjoy dinner with environmental and natural resources law alumni and to sign his new memoir, In the Thick of It: My Life in the Sierra Club (Island Press 2005).

In the first chapter, he says, “I wanted to shape the law, not just apply and interpret it. While becoming a politician was one way to do that, I could also work for a cause organization… A law degree might help me work for this cause, I concluded, but I didn’t need to practice law.”

McCloskey went on to become an architect of the modern environmental movement. Right after law school he became the first field organizer for the Sierra Club. Later on, as executive director, he helped it gain 430,000 new members, directed the lobbying for over 100 environmental laws, and was a leader in establishing the National Environmental Policy Act.

In his visit to the school, he said that — practicing lawyer or not — a legal education had proven useful in his career as an advocate. In fact, after spending time in management, he said “I realized that taxation and the regulation of nonprofit organizations were very, very important and I developed something of a specialty in those areas.”

Excerpts from In the Thick of It: My Life in the Sierra Club

On Eugene in the 1930s and 40s
Eugene then was a town of only 14,000 people, home to the University of Oregon and to a large lumbering business. The slow rains of mild winters nourished great stands of forest on the surrounding hills… These old-growth stands of Douglas fir, hemlock, and cedar were among the greatest temperate rain forests that ever existed. More mass of wood was found in the average acre of these forests than in any other in the world… I took the lumber industry for granted, but I also took the old-growth forests as a given. Only slowly did I come to understand that the one spelled the end of the other.

On the UO campus in the 1940s
The campus at the time was a marvelous playground for kids. I watched WPA workers dig trenches for tunnels to hold steam pipes to heat the university. I dug fossils out of the shale of excavations for university building. I spied on ROTC students who were trying to disguise themselves with camouflage in the nearby woods as World War II began.

On Environmental law at Oregon 1958-61
Today, the University of Oregon Law School is one of the nation’s leaders in teaching environmental law. But at that time, the field of environmental law did not yet exist. I took all of the public law courses available, but no course on natural resource law was even offered then. Unguided, I prepared an extended note for the Oregon Law Review on the origins and meaning of the Forest Service’s Multiple-Use-Sustained-Yield Act of 1960, which was well received. I argued that the Forest Service’s basic law gave the agency the grounds to preserve the national forests as well as to log them. Oddly enough, the Forest Service took ten years to prepare an answer to my argument. In that article, I also predicted that citizen lawsuits would someday be brought under statutes like that. A decade later, I helped make that prediction come true by initiating pioneering legal cases as a leader of the Sierra Club.

In Memoriam

Robert Beattie Abrams ’52 died September 4, 2005 at the age of 80. Most recently living in Portland, he spent most of his legal career in eastern Oregon (Fossil, Heppner and Pendleton), and was a circuit court judge in the 6th Judicial Circuit (Pendleton) for many years, prior to being forced into early retirement by a stroke. Judge Abrams was able to attend his 50th law school reunion in 2002. He is survived by his wife, Marion Morrow Abrams of Portland, a son and four daughters.

Hollis E. Barnes, Sr. ’00 died August 11, 2005 in a motor vehicle accident. Prior to his death, Barnes had been with the Klamath County Defender Services and had most recently been in private practice in Klamath Falls. Barnes had served as a lieutenant in the Army during the Vietnam War and continued to work for the military as a civilian. Upon retirement with the rank of major, he decided to attend law school. He is survived by his former wife, LaVerne, and a son.

John Stear Butterfield, Jr. ’79 died September 21, 2005 of cancer. Butterfield practiced law in Portland, Oregon for 10 years then returned to his home state of California to work as a tax counsel for the state’s Board of Equalization in the Appeals Section. He is survived by his wife, Diane Wolfe, son John David and daughter Julia.

Edward Clair Harms, Jr. ’49 died November 12, 2005 of a heart attack. The law school faculty acknowledged their colleague with the following resolution (adopted November 16, 2005): “Ed Harms was a highly respected and loyal alumnus of the Oregon Law School, and longtime supporter of the Law School’s educational program. He gave cordial counsel as an understanding mentor to both faculty and students and regularly taught Local Government Law and frequently participated in seminars. Always cheerfully friendly, Ed Harms was a colleague who gave freely of his time and talents in contributing to public service and the educational efforts of budding young lawyers. The faculty of the Law School greatly appreciates the unheralded service Ed Harms made to the cause of Legal Education in Oregon.” Among his other contributions to the community, Harms had served on the Springfield City Council from 1950 to 1952 and as Springfield mayor from 1952 to 1960. He also served as city attorney for the city of Springfield. Harms is survived by his wife, Patricia Walker Harms, and their daughters Kathleen Harms, Kerry Harms Taylor and Kim Harms Weston.

Frank Erwin Nash ’39 died November 13, 2005 of age-related causes. Nash had been with several Portland, Oregon law firms and most recently was senior partner at Miller Nash LLP. After retirement, he moved to Eugene. Nash also served as an officer in the Counterintelligence Corps during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel. Nash had a lengthy community service record, including serving on the Board of Visitors of the University of Oregon Law School. In 1993, he funded a professorship in law at the University. He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth “Betty” Kibbe Nash; and is survived by his daughter, Frances White, and sons Carl, Robert and Thomas.

Jay Hueston Saify ’80 was killed on September 11, 2005 in Medford, Oregon. Saify had practiced family law in Medford, but in recent years had been battling mental illness and substance abuse. Most recently, Jay had volunteered with addiction recovery agencies in the Rogue Valley and the Gospel Mission in Medford.
APRIL 21: FROHNMAYER AWARD BANQUET HONORS

Multnomah Circuit Court Judge Clifford Freeman

A stern and compassionate judge, Clifford Freeman ’76 has devoted his career to breaking the fall of Oregon’s most troubled children and helping those who strive against tough odds. He will be honored with the 2006 Frohnmayer Award for Public Service at a Portland banquet at 7:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21 at the Embassy Suites, 319 SW Pine Street.

Oregon Appeals Court Judge Ellen Rosenblum ’75, who has known Freeman for thirty years, said, “To me, he personifies the qualities of a good judge, a public servant, and a mentor — he doesn’t seem to be affected by his own considerable power as he goes about living an exemplary life for the good of his community.”

A circuit court judge since 1996, Freeman was in at the beginning of Portland’s Community Courts and presided over them from 1998 until 2002. He is a civil servant who used his University of Oregon degrees in economics, education, and law to serve others. He has defended the poor and mentally ill; developed education policy for the state; advocated for minority-owned, women-owned, and small businesses; and advanced the welfare of Oregon youth. He has been a member of many local, state, and national boards and commissions.

Freeman, a Portland native, is currently Oregon’s only African-American state judge.

The Frohnmayer Award is given each year in Portland by the UO School of Law Alumni Association. It recognizes a graduate, faculty member, or friend whose public service brings honor to the school. Tickets for the reception and dinner cost $85. Tables for 10 are available for $1,000. Watch for your invitation in the mail in February, or call (541) 346-3970 or email colleen@law.uoregon.edu.

Promoting children’s well being

DUNCAN CAMPBELL ’73 FUNDS OREGON CHILD ADVOCACY PROJECT

Portland native Duncan Campbell graduated from the University of Oregon School of Law in 1973. He became a successful entrepreneur — the founder and chairman of The Campbell Group, a preeminent timberland investment firm. But perhaps his greatest entrepreneurial success has been in creating new organizations that support, advocate for, invest in, and nurture Oregon’s poor and disadvantaged children and teenagers.

In 2005, Campbell gave a generous gift to the law school to teach law students child advocacy skills and to make systemic legal changes that promote children’s well being.

The new Oregon Child Advocacy Project’s first national conference will be held at the law school on March 24-5, 2006.

“He personifies the qualities of a good judge, a public servant, and a mentor.” — ELLEN ROSENBLUM ’75

“Protecting Children’s Need for Nurturance” features child psychologist Joy Osofsky, the president of Zero to Three, a national resource for parents and professionals who are concerned about the healthy development of young children. Conference participants include policymakers, academics, and attorneys who will examine laws and policies that affect children’s relationships with caring adults.

Family law professor Leslie Harris directs the project. She said, “The commitment of a nurturing adult is so important to a child’s growth into competent, happy adulthood. Unfortunately, laws and policies don’t always work to preserve such relationships. Duncan’s gift enables us to involve law students in reform efforts that support children and help the next generation of children’s lawyers become effective advocates.”

The project funds two student fellows each year. The 2005-6 Campbell Fellows are Molly Allen ’06 and Tehan Wittemyer ’06.

Allen spent the past two summers working with and advocating for abused and neglected children at Juvenile Rights Project, Inc. in Portland, Oregon. She is also a 2005 Henry Bergstrom Child Welfare Law Fellow.

Wittemyer volunteered in New York City public schools while she was attending Columbia College. She later joined Teach for America and taught for five years in struggling Washington DC public schools. Wittemyer was a Wayne Morse Fellow from 2003-5.

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THE THIRTIES
Clifford Powers ’30 was profiled in the October 2005 issue of the Oregon State Bar Bulletin. Powers, who recently turned 100, worked daily in his Portland office of Powers, McCulloch & Bennett until he was close to 99 years of age and had 73 years of active membership in the Oregon bar. He derived great personal satisfaction from his career, citing examples of representing a number of Japanese-Americans during and after World War II.

THE FIFTIES
Paul A. Thalhofer ’55 has been reelected to a fourth 4-year term as mayor of Troutdale, Oregon. In his political life Thalhofer has served on the planning commission and city council of Pendleton and was mayor there for two years. He was also the first district judge for Umatilla County from 1957-1960.

Wayne Annala ’57, Annala, Carey & Baker (Hood River), received the Edwin J. Peterson Professionalism Award last December from the Oregon State Bar.

THE SIXTIES
S. David Eves ’67 is of counsel with Evashevski, Elliott, Cihak & Hediger (Corvallis). He continues to specialize in personal injury, medical malpractice and insurance litigation.

Stephen A. Hutchinson ’67, Hutchinson, Cox, Coons & DuPriest (Eugene), has been certified as a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, a group of trial lawyers who have won million and multi-million dollar verdicts, awards and settlements.

Kenneth D. Stephens ’67, Tonkon Torp (Portland), is listed with the Oregon State Bar.

THE SEVENTIES
Peter Richter ’71, of Miller Nash (Portland), has joined the law school’s Dean’s Advisory Council. He is in The Best Lawyers in America for bankruptcy and creditor-debtor rights law, along with colleagues David Culpepper ’74 for real estate law and Jonathon Goodling ’79 for maritime law.

THE LAW CLASS OF 1955 was inducted into the Order of the Emerald on their 50th reunion last fall. (L to R): Clarence Barrett, Ralph Hillier, James Moore, Robert Funk, Noreen McCraw, and James Goode.

THE EIGHTIES

Joshua Marquis ’80 and David Schuman ’84 have joined the Law School Alumni Association board. Marquis is Clatsop county district attorney and Schuman is on the Oregon Court of Appeals. Marquis is also vice president of the National District Attorneys Association.

THE NINETIES
Daniel Field ’90 is the new director of government affairs and public policy for Kaiser Permanente-Northwest region.

Linda Kessel ’90 has joined Herscher Hunter (Eugene). She is with the employment law practice group.

Timothy Delong ’91, Stoll Stoll Berne Lokting & Schlachter (Portland), is listed in intellectual property in Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business (2005-2006).

Brian Gingerich ’91 is a shareholder with Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt (Bend). He focuses on real estate, business transactions, appellate litigation, employment law and arbitration.

David Leith ’92 is attorney in charge of the Oregon Department of Justice special litigation unit.
Brian M. Thompson ’93 has joined Luvaas Cobb (Eugene), emphasizing estate planning, elder law, federal income taxation, business law, probate and charitable organizations law.

Matt McKeown ’94 is now the number two attorney for U.S. Department of Justice Environment and Natural Resources Division. His new title is principal deputy assistant attorney general.

Gregory Moore ’94, The Moore Law Group (Newark, NJ), is attorney for the ABA Newark Express basketball team. He crafted an agreement with the team and Rombo Sports and Entertainment to produce a television series that will follow team owners Marsha Blount and Jacqueline Halyard, among the few African-American women who are owners of a professional sports team.

Angela Lee ’95 joined the Anthony V. Altabezzi firm (Bend). She will focus on bankruptcy, estate planning, guardianship/adoption and real estate law.


Rudyard Coltman ’96 was profiled in the August/September issue of the Oregon State Bar Bulletin. Cinetopia, his entertainment venue in Vancouver, Washington, combines an eight-screen movie theater with a high-end restaurant, a wine bar and an art gallery. He says he is following footsteps of his patent attorney grandfather with the invention of several devices that enhance the movie-going experience.


Karen “Ren’ Adams-Moran ’98, an administrative analyst with the Fourth Judicial District (Portland) wrote, “I am recently married to my favorite Aussie. Dr. Andrew Keith Adams-Moran, a computer scientist who founded a software company, Galois, six years ago. We delayed our honeymoon until January to enjoy Australian summer in a rainforest tree house!”

Michael O’Connor ’97 is a partner with Garvey Schubert (Portland).


Litigator Todd Johnston ’99 is a partner with Hershef Hunter (Eugene).

Elizabeth Coberly Knight ’99, Davis Wright Tremaine (Portland), is a director of the Multnomah Bar Association Young Lawyers Section.

THE TWO THOUSANDS

A July 24, 2005 sports article in Eugene’s daily newspaper, The Register-Guard spotlighted four UO Law alumni who were also Duck athletes. Former linebacker Michael Callier ’04 is an associate with the Portland firm of Tonkon Torp and his teammate, former offensive lineman Michael Relise ’05, is with the Portland firm of Hoffman, Hart & Wagner. Former basketball player Jeffrey Potter ’03 is with the Illinois State Attorney General office in Chicago. Not all former Duck athletes have stopped competing, though. Former track star Nicole Comissiong ’00, of Bulivant Houser Bailey in Portland, is in training and hopes to compete in the Olympics for Canada.

Amy Bilyeu ’00, Samuels, Yoelin, Kantor, Seymour & Spinnard (Portland), was one of two recipients of the New Lawyers Division’s Public Service Award, given by the Oregon State Bar in December.

Kimberly Bulkley ’00 moved from Vienna to Tashkent, Uzbekistan with the Organization for Security & Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) as economic and environmental officer. She has also been acting head of the Political Military Department and the Human Resources Department, and “from time to time when the ambassador is out of the country, Acting Head of Centre.”


Daniel C. Robertson ’00 is a shareholder in Allen & Morrison (Roseburg). His practice emphasizes personal injury, wills, trusts, estate planning and elder law. He is a board member of Umpqua Community Development Corporation, FISH Food Pantry, Umpqua Actors Community Theatre and the Neighborhood Partnership Fund.

Sean T. Waters ’00 joined Harrang Long Gary Rudnick (Portland), where he focuses on complex civil and commercial litigation.

Ben Kearney ’01 has joined with his father Michael Kearney to form Kearney & Kearney, PC in Eugene. Ben previously spent four years in active duty as an attorney with the Army Office of the General Counsel. His practice will focus on business law, real estate transactions and estate planning.

Chris J. Shaffner ’01 is a staff attorney with Southwestern Oregon Public Defenders as a staff attorney. Before that, she clerked for Douglas Mitchell ’83, Lane County Circuit Court Judge.

Margarita Molina ’02 is a new associate general counsel with the Portland Development Commission. She says, “I’ll be working on some of the biggest and coolest real estate projects in the city and also helping low income people buy homes. I’m thrilled with it!”

Thomas Sean Brennan ’03 is an associate attorney general with the Oregon Justice Department, working in the business transactions section of the general counsel division.

Sarah Field ’03 was a Presidential Management Fellow and now works with the State Department in Washington, DC.

Shawn N. Menashe ’03, Gervurtz, Menashe, Larson & Howe (Portland) is on the junior board of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Oregon.

Aaron Noteboom ’03 has landed back in Eugene after nearly a year in Iraq, along with the Army Reserves unit he commanded. He is now with Arnold Gallagher Saydack Percell Roberts & Potter (Eugene) focusing on business law.

Simon Ravona ’03 is a Presidential Management Fellow with the Social Security Administration in its San Francisco office.

Timothy Williams ’03, Roy Dwyer Attorney (Bend), is on the board of governors of the Oregon Trial Lawyers Association.

James Avery ’04 and Maggie Langlas ’04 were the two Presidential Management Fellows from their class. He works with the Social Security Administration in Seattle in its Office of Hearing & Appeal. She works with the Bureau of Land Management in Washington, DC.

Morgan Diment ’04 joined Stahancyk, Kent, Johnson & Hook (Bend). He will practice family law in Bend and Eugene.

Anna Sortun ’04 is with Tonkon Torp (Portland), focusing on labor and employment law. She previously clerked for Judge Ted Goodwin ’51 of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Diane M. Weisheit ’04 is with Arnold, Gallagher, Saydack, Percell, Roberts & Potter (Eugene). She practices bankruptcy, creditors’ rights and business law.

Sean M. Bannon ’05 is with Gleeves Swearingen Potter & Scott (Eugene) He focuses on civil litigation and business law.

Katherine Fisher ’05 is in the litigation section of Hershef Hunter (Eugene).

Lacy Westfall Heinz ’05 writes that she is now permanently employed with the City of Yakima legal department as an assistant prosecutor, and she is “really enjoying this position.”

Sean Lanz ’05 is with Beckley & Longtin (Eugene). He practices criminal defense and business transaction law.

Jeff Sagalewicz ’05 is with Miller Nash (Portland) practicing commercial and business litigation.

Barry Smith ’05 is with Thorp, Purdy, Jewett, Urense & Wilkinson (Springfield) practicing business and real estate law, transactions, and hospitality law.

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