In June, four law school faculty members temporarily became students and attended the second annual UALR Service Learning Academy. Professor Paula Casey, Arkansas Bar Foundation Professor Lynn Foster, Assistant Professor of Clinical Education Suzanne Penn, and J. Thomas Sullivan, the Judge George Howard, Jr., Distinguished Professor of Law, attended the week-long class. Each wrote a syllabus for a service-learning course and received instruction on how to add service learning to the curriculum.

Terri Beiner
Nadine Baum Distinguished Professor Terri Beiner participated in media training in June with the Infinity Project, an organization dedicated to promoting women judicial candidates in the 8th Circuit. The training was in Minneapolis, and brought together women lawyers, judges and academics interested in this issue.

Beiner also served as moderator for the Ben J. Altzheimer Symposium on Cause Lawyering, held March 13 at the Bowen School of Law. She also delivered the lecture “The State of Women in the Profession” at the Arkansas Bar Association and Arkansas Association of Women Lawyers’ forum on Balancing Work and Family on Feb. 19.

During the nomination hearings for Supreme Court nominee Judge Sonia Sotomayor, Fox 16 news interviewed Beiner.

Paula Casey
Professor Paula Casey served as team leader for the Southern Regional National Institute of Trial Advocacy program at Southern Methodist University in June and taught at the National Session for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy in Colorado in July.

Michael Flannery

During the April CLE “Practical Animal Law,” Flannery lectured on “The Continuum of Childhood Animal Abuse and Domestic Violence (with a Legislative Focus on Cross-Reporting).”

Flannery continues to sit as a Special Judge for the 20th District Circuit Court, State of Arkansas, 4th Division, Faulkner County. In addition, journalists sought his expertise in interviews including:

• July 7, KTHV sought information on the probate process and the last will and testament of performer Michael Jackson
• June 25, KTHV researched social networking and the law.
• June 23, the San Diego Union Tribune reported on maintaining one home for children following divorces.
• June 19, KARN discussed legal issues involving on-line social networking forums.

Lynn Foster
Arkansas Bar Foundation Professor Lynn Foster presented “Real Situations/Real Solutions,” an ethics hour with S. Renee Brida and Dick Hatfield, and “Advising Your Client/Trustee,” at the Arkansas Bar Association Midyear Meeting in Memphis Jan. 9. The ethics hour was also later presented at the UALR Bowen School of Law’s Alumni Day May 2, and at the Arkansas Bar Association’s “Best of CLE” June 22.

Foster also presented a one-hour “Real Estate Review 2009,” with Cliff McKinney at the Arkansas Bar Association’s Best of CLE June 25 and repeated the presentation as a webinar June 30.

In May, Foster published two issues of the Real Estate Review, a “green” publication of the Arkansas Bar Association Real Estate Section published semianually. She serves as editor-in-chief of the publication, which contains cases abstracted by law students and articles and comments written by the editorial board members, all experienced real estate practitioners. One issue covered cases from July to December 2008, and the second was a special legislative issue, covering statutes of interest to real estate attorneys enacted during the 2009 General Assembly session. In June, she published the inaugural issue of the Probate and Trust Law Review, a similar publication of the Arkansas Bar Association Probate and Trust Law Section.

Also in May, Gov. Mike Beebe appointed Foster to the Arkansas Uniform Laws Commission. Also appointed was UALR law alumna Elisa White, class of 1997. Together they are the first women commissioners in Arkansas history. Foster is the first UALR law faculty member to receive such an honor. As members of the state commission, they also serve as commissioners of the national Uniform Laws Commission. They attended the week-long 118th Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws in July in Santa Fe, N.M.

Ken Gallant
Professor Ken Gallant has published The Principle of Legality in International and Comparative Criminal Law (Cambridge University Press, 2009). The book fills a gap in the scholarly literature concerning international criminal law, comparative criminal law, and human rights law. This is the first book-length study of the status of legality in international law – in international criminal law, international human rights law, and international humanitarian law.

Gallant served on an Aug. 2 panel sponsored by the International Law Section of the American Bar Association. He spoke on the growth of international courts and tribunals that supplement or rival the work of the International Court of Justice – the so-called World Court.

In addition, Gallant participated in a program sponsored by the ACLU titled “Restoring America.” He spoke about the topic of “Extraordinary Rendition,” the practice of transferring suspected terrorists to countries where it was likely that the suspects would be tortured, as well.
as about what will happen to Guantánamo detainees that are being released.

Charles Goldner
Dean Emeritus and Professor of Law Charles Goldner spoke at the Equal Justice Conference in Orlando, Fla., May 14-16. The topic for his lecture was "The Effective Utilization of State Access to Justice Commissions."

Ken Gould
Arkansas Attorney General Dustin McDaniel has appointed Professor Ken Gould as the Attorney General’s representative on the Arkansas Task Force on Water Source Protection. The Task Force was created by the 2009 session of the Arkansas General Assembly to study ways to preserve the water quality of water-utility owned or operated lakes. The Task Force is to report to the co-chairs of the Arkansas Legislative Council its conclusions and recommendations for revisions or additions to Arkansas law.

Wendell Griffen
May 18, Visiting Professor Wendell Griffen made a one-hour presentation to the National Association of Administrative Law Judges during its annual meeting in Little Rock on “Cultural Competency and Adjudication.” The presentation was an introduction to the issue of cultural competency and its relevance to the adjudication process.

Sarah Howard Hobbs
Sarah Howard Hobbs, the Charles C. Baum Distinguished Professor of Law, served as one of two moderators for the joint meeting of the Electronic Payments and Financial Services Subcommittee of the Cyberspace Law Committee, the Payments Subcommittee of the UCC Committee — which she chairs — and the Payments & Electronic Banking Subcommittee of the Banking Law Committee Aug. 3 at the annual meeting of the American Bar Association in Chicago. Hobbs’ three-year term as chair of the Payments Subcommittee of the UCC Committee ends in August.

Morell Mullins
Emeritus Professor Morell Mullins served on the planning committee which developed the first CLE program ever presented in Arkansas on animal law. The event was called “Practical Animal Law” and was held April 22. In addition to his duties on the planning committee, Mullins conducted a one-hour presentation on legal ethics issues for the program.

Ranko Oliver
April 23, Associate Professor Ranko Oliver presented at the 2009 Fair Housing Conference of the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission on the topic “Not of this Country: National Origin and Housing Discrimination.”

In addition, Oliver moderated two panels on immigration in the 2009 Ben J. Altheimer Symposium on Lawyering and Social Justice: Exploring the Roles of Immigration and GLBT Cause Lawyers.

Oliver participated in a program sponsored by the ACLU titled “Restoring America.” She spoke on public health issues affecting immigrants and individuals with disabilities and addressed the problems faced by each of these groups because of Medicaid cuts.

Kelly Browe Olson
Professor Kelly Browe Olson was invited to participate in the Future of Family Law Education Reform Conference at William Mitchell School of Law June 25-26. She facilitated a panel on innovation in family law teaching.

On July 28, Olson conducted a six-hour CLE and CME (continuing mediation education) program for the Arkansas Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission at the AOC. The program, “Creating a Successful Recipe for Mediation: From Soup to Nuts,” had 45 participants.

Melissa Serfass
Professor of Law Librarianship Melissa Serfass spoke at the April 22 Practical Animal Law CLE program. This event was the first local continuing legal education program dedicated solely to the emerging topic of animal law.

Kelly Terry
In March, Assistant Professor Kelly Terry’s article, “Shifting Out of Neutral: Intelligent Design and the Road to Nonpreferentialism,” was published in the Boston University Public Interest Law Journal (Fall 2008).

Terry also gave two presentations on her article, “Internships: A Signature Pedagogy for the Apprenticeship of Professional Identity and Purpose.” The first presentation was in February at a Junior Faculty Regional Workshop at the Washington University School of Law in St. Louis. The second presentation was in May at a Works in Progress Session at the Association of American Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education.

Footnotes Guidelines

- Scholarship or service for the prior month. However, in the August edition, we will play catch up with content since the beginning of the year.
- Scholarship includes publications and presentations at scholarly conferences that have already taken place. We will publish information about articles and books that have been published. Please remember to include the complete citation along with any web publications so that everyone can read your great work.
- Public service items will focus on service to the legal community and legal service to the community.
- Public service also includes invited appearances and interviews in local media that establish Bowen professors as subject matter experts in various areas of the law.
- Deadlines for copy will be on the last Friday of the month. An email reminder will be issued one week before the deadline.
- Footnotes is sent to faculty, students, main campus, alumni, local media, and friends of the UALR Bowen School of Law, as well as being displayed on our website. Our publication goal is to communicate professional faculty activities to these groups as well as our website visitors.