**Ambassador, alumna, speaks at law school**

Fay Hartog Levin, the U.S. ambassador to the Netherlands, spoke at the law school on November 18 in a program organized by the International Law Society (ILS). She is a 1975 graduate of Loyola’s law school. She was profiled in the September 2009 issue of *International News* after her appointment as ambassador by President Obama.

Ambassador Levin was in Chicago to participate in the 2010 Greenbuild international conference and expo taking place that week at McCormick Place, the city’s convention center. She spoke about the interest of both the U.S. and the Netherlands in promoting a green agenda.

She also spoke about U.S.-Netherlands relations, highlighting the historical and economic links that bind the two countries together despite their different sizes. Last year was the 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson entering New York harbor as he sailed for the Dutch East India Company; that milestone was commemorated by symposia and other celebrations. This year marked the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the Netherlands by Allied forces near the end of World War II. She mentioned the great interest of local people in helping maintain the U.S. military cemetery at Margraten, the only U.S. cemetery in the Netherlands and one of the largest in Europe.

The ambassador discussed the role of The Hague as the headquarters of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and other international tribunals and institutions. She referred in particular to Thomas Buergenthal, who stepped down in September from service as the U.S. justice on the ICJ. (Judge Buergenthal was Loyola Law School’s first speaker in its annual Wing-Tat Lee lecture in international law back in 1988 when he was a judge on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. This year’s Lee lecture will be presented during the spring semester 2011.)
Teresa Frisbie joins Loyola

Teresa Frisbie has joined the law school as director of the new Dispute Resolution Program. She is a former member of Loyola’s adjunct law faculty, where she taught courses in mediation advocacy and international arbitration. She has also coached several Loyola student competitions, including the international online mediation competition and the Vis international arbitration competition in Vienna.

Frisbie, a 1986 graduate of Loyola’s law school, has more than 20 years of private practice experience, and has served as a mediator and arbitrator in addition to litigating cases. According to a story about her appointment in the October 22, 2010 issue of the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, after practicing in commercial litigation for a number of years, she pursued her “strong interest in international law and went through training for international commercial arbitration.” Named a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London in 1997, she has served as executive director and a panel member for the Chicago International Dispute Resolution Association (CIDRA), among several other positions.

The Dispute Resolution Program, which is part of the Dan K. Webb Center for Advocacy, was launched this fall to broaden the law school’s curricular offerings in the advocacy and dispute resolution area in order to strengthen students’ skills in this growing field.

Professor Geraghty trains law faculty in Ethiopia

Professor Diane Geraghty and her husband, Professor Thomas Geraghty of Northwestern, were invited by Ethiopia’s Justice and Legal System Research Institute (JLSRI) to lead a five-day training program for Ethiopian law faculty in November.

In recent years the Ethiopian government has greatly expanded the number of public law schools and has established a national curriculum. As part of this curriculum, all students are now required to complete an externship and all law schools are required to begin in-house clinical programs in one or more of the following areas: child rights, domestic violence, family law, HIV/AIDS, restorative justice, and prisoners’ rights. These programs are scheduled to go into effect in 2011, but to date no faculty have been trained on the development and implementation of the new experiential learning curriculum. In response, JLSRI, the entity charged with implementation of the new curriculum, extended an invitation to the Geraghtys to develop materials and lead a training program for local teachers assigned to carry out the experiential learning requirements in the new curriculum. The training was held during the week of November 5 in Addis Ababa and was attended by 25 faculty members from across the country. The training focused on skill-building in the areas of case investigation, interviewing, client counseling, mediation, negotiation, courtroom advocacy and restorative justice. It also included lectures and panel discussions on topics related to clinical education, including how to establish a clinical program, supervise students, and work with members of the legal profession to support student learning and community service. The materials developed for the course include five case files and a clinical teacher’s manual. Although developed for the Ethiopian training, these materials are sufficiently universal that they can be adapted for use in similar programs throughout the developing world.
SJD candidates

Each year the School of Law welcomes a number of lawyers from the U.S. and abroad to its several graduate degree programs. This year five lawyers from outside the U.S. are studying at Loyola for an S.J.D. degree in Health Law and Policy. International News is highlighting three of those degree candidates below; other candidates will be profiled in subsequent issues.

Hang Jung Kim comes to Loyola from South Korea. He earned his Bachelor of Law and Master of Law degrees from Kookmin University in Seoul. He was a research assistant instructor in the Department of Law at Kookmin and practiced law with the SeoKwang law firm. He has been studying law in the United States for several years, earning an LL.M. in comparative and international law at Temple University’s Beasley School of Law and an LL.M. in health law at Case Western.

Adebanji Dada comes to Loyola from Nigeria, where he is a Legal Practitioner and Consultant (Solicitor and Advocate of the Supreme Court of Nigeria) with keen interest in public interest law, corporate social responsibility, human rights, arbitration, constitutional law, and health law and policy. He obtained his LL.B., LL.M. and MBA (Corporate Social Responsibility) degrees from University of Ibadan, Nigeria, Northwestern University Law School, Chicago, and Nottingham University Business School, England, respectively. He was the President of Corps Legal Aids Scheme, Port Harcourt, Nigeria where he championed the release of indigent minors held in custody without trial. He has worked with different law firms both in Nigeria and United States. He doubles as the Founder and Executive Director of Advocate of Rule of Law & Human Dignity, a nonprofit organization with focus on promoting noblest values. He is also the Founder and Managing Attorney of Dignity International Law Firm.

Suchita Rani Goneh comes to Loyola from India. She earned a B.S. (in physics and biology) at Dr. Brao University in Hyderabad, a LL.B. at AMS College of Law of Osmania University in Hyderabad, a post-graduate Diploma in Human Rights at the Indian Institute of Human Rights in New Delhi, and an LL.M. in international law, human rights and immigration law at the University of Illinois. She is enrolled in the Bar Council of Andhra Pradesh and a member of that state’s High Court Advocate’s Association. She is also a qualified patent attorney in the Indian Government, selected among one of the first twenty women patent attorneys. She practiced as a solicitor with a law firm and later as a patent and trademark attorney with a group of companies, both in Hyderabad, and was an adjunct law professor at the Prime Institute of Pre Law School there.