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A Week of Public Interest Opportunities

FORT WORTH, Texas – As part of the law school's continuing efforts to promote the variety of career opportunities in public interest law, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law will host several events during Public Interest Week, Feb. 18-20.

On Monday, Feb. 18, Xergio Chacin, coordinator of Catholic Charities Diocese of Fort Worth's Immigration department, will speak at noon in room 107. Alternately, a group of students who received fellowships for the summer of 2007 will share their experiences in room 207 at noon.

On Tuesday, Feb. 19, at noon, Chris Curtis of the Federal Public Defender's Office will speak in room 207.

On Wednesday, Jackie Flynt of Legal Aid of North West Texas will speak at 5:15 p.m. in room 107.

Food will be provided at each event, and fellowship applications will be available for students interested in applying.

In addition to the week's scheduled speakers, an information fair will be held on Equal Justice Day, Wednesday, Feb. 20, in the Bernie Schuchmann Conference Center. Attorneys and legal service providers from approved *pro bono* organizations will be present to discuss opportunities that apply as credit toward students' mandatory 30-hour *pro bono* requirement.

Participating organizations currently include Legal Hospice of Texas, Tarrant County Probate Court, CLEAT, the Federal Public Defenders Office of the Northern District of Texas, Legal Aid of North West Texas, Tarrant County Probate Court, the Wesleyan Innocence Project, SafeHaven of Tarrant County, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Wesleyan Law Fellowship. Additional organizations are expected the day of the fair.

The fair will take place from 11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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