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Reno receives highest law school award

By Jon Gray **Assistant News Editor**

More than 500 people gathered in the Seelbach Hotel's Medallion Ballroom as Janet Reno received the Brandeis Medal from the Louis Brandeis School of Law.

In attendance were members of the Brandeis family as well as University of Louisville McConnell and Harlan Scholars.

The Brandeis Medal is awarded to people whose lives reflect Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis' commitment to individual liberty, concern for the disadvantaged and public service.

Reno served as United States Attorney General for nearly eight years during the Clinton administration.

She said that despite the politi-



Photo by Dan Spaulding

Janet Reno speaks to a group of U of L students at the Seelbach Hotel.

cal attacks she faced in her office, she wouldn't have missed the opportunity for the world. Reno added, "It is the greatest opportunity that any lawyer could have to use the law the right way to make America safer, freer and to give more people equal opportu-

She emphasized the importance of the law to help promote social well being.

"Public service has never been more important in America and I cannot stress that to you enough."

Reno further addressed the theme of lawyers as agents of social change, saying: "We can do so much if we but pursue public service."

Reno believes that today's lawyers and law students can change what role they play in society.

"We can solve the problems, we can turn despair into hope, we can turn hope into reality if we think anew about the role of the lawyer."

She also called for a more bipartisan effort to end crime in America.

"Crime is not a Democratic or Republican problem, it is America's problem that should be solved not by political rhetoric, but with an effort that [says] this is our problem."

Reno encouraged lawyers in attendance to use their power to begin to turn ideas into results.

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Students opposed to downtown arena

the many African-American neighborhoods that exist or have existed in the city of Louisville.

The discussion will be entitled "Louisville's Pocket Black Neighborhoods" and will take place in the Catholic Enrichment Center at 3146 West Broadway at 4 p.m.

Dr. Owen is interested in examining the way of life in areas ranging from Clifton Heights in the east to Portland in the west. He is seeking photographic documentation that provide a record of the civic life of the at least 17 pocket neighborhoods.

School of Music to kick off Jazz Week

The U of L School of Music will be kicking off its annual Jazz Week on Feb. 18. The celebration of America's indigenous musical art form will last until Feb. 23.

This is the ninth annual Jazz Week and will be presented by the Jamey Aebersold jazz studies program and funded by numerous community and university organizations.

Jazz Week will feature faculty, students, guest artists, and area high school and college students. There will be various concerts, clinics, lectures and workshops throughout the week across the Belknap campus and community.

There will be a concert every night, except for Wednesday, at 8 p.m. in the Margaret Comstock Concert Hall at the School of Music.

Some notable guests will be the Elvin Jones Jazz Machine and Lew Soloff, trumpeter for Blood, Sweat and Tears, on Saturday night.

For ticket information contact the School of Music at 852-6907.

For a complete schedule visit: www.louisville.edu/music/ jazzweek2002/schedule.html

University receives award from Greater Louisville Inc.

U of L recently received the Silver Fleur-De-Lis Award, along with Jewish Hospital in honor of the success of the AbioCor Replacement Heart Program.

Nancy Martin, vice president for research and Hank Wagner, president and CEO of Jewish Hospital Health Care Services, accepted the award.

Dates to be auctioned off for Engineer's Ball

On Tuesday, Feb. 12 there will be an auction for dates to this year's Engineer's Ball. The auction will take place on the steps of the J.B. Speed Building at 1:00 p.m.

This year's Engineer's Ball will be March 2 on the Star of Louisville. Some of the dates to be auctioned off include Katie Flerlage, Sarah Dailey, Shada Felli, J.P. Garcia and Travis Riggs. Each date comes with two tickets to the Engineer's Ball. Bidding will start at \$20 and all proceeds will go to the Loutenia and Lore to an C

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Reno to lawyers: "Build America the right way"

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"It's not just a matter of punishment, it's not just a matter of prevention. It's punishment, treatment, intervention," Reno continued. "The lawyers in this room may well acknowledge, but until they speak out, using their respected positions in the community, people think 'it's just another effort,' but we can make a difference."

Reno also noted that violence is a cycle and a way of life; that it is something learned, not an instinct in humans and that children who are exposed to violence come to believe that it is a way of life.

Reno concluded her speech by telling a story about her mother's confidence that her house would withstand a storm



Photo by Dan Spaulding Reno speaks at the Seelbach

because it was built with the right materials and in the right

"Lawyers of America, go build America the right way," she concluded.

After the speech, Reno noted that receiving the medal was a great honor. She said, "Justice Brandeis was one of my heroes in law and it's a high honor to be here with his family and receive it [the medal]."

Most attendees left with a positive image of Reno and the message she had to offer.

"I believe that what she said was very inspirational and it really reminds you that people are willing to make the world a more positive place through the law field," said Kelli Rollins, freshman political science major and Harlan Scholar.

Others felt that her speech centered on the true intentions of the law.

Cliff Wilson, sophomore political science major and Harlan Scholar, said: "I agreed with a lot of the stuff she said. I think that's what the law was originally intended to do."

Coach John L. Smith to kick off "Walk America"

By Stephanie Smith Staff Writer

An informational meeting for those wishing to form a team for the "2002 Red, White & Blue WalkAmerica!" will occur on February 20th at Masterson's Restaurant. The kick-off party includes a free spaghetti dinner, information about the March of Dimes Walk-America celebration and tips to improve walk totals or to start a new walk team. This year's theme is "Carry the torch for healthier babies."

Festivities will begin at 6 p.m.

to all organizations and members.

Special guests include head football coach John L. Smith, the women's basketball team, SOAR (Student Organization for Alumni Relations), RSA (Resident Student Association), and many others will make appearances at the

Sophomore J.P. Davis is cochair of the event and also a member of the March of Dimes National Youth Council.

"March of Dimes has a proud history," Davis said. "They have been responsible for numerous medical breakthroughs for infante

units. We, as today's youth are tomorrow's parents, so for that reason, it's a good feeling to know. that you can play a role in decreasing infant mortality and giving young children a better chance in

Masterson's is located at the corner of Third St. and Cardinal Blvd. All interested students or groups are asked to RSVP via email to J.P. Davis: johndavis2@louisville.edu.

The 2002 WalkAmerica will be held April 13 at Bowman Field and all proceeds go towards re-