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GIANT PAPER CHAIN TO SYMBOLIZE WORLDWIDE DEBT

The University of Dayton Center for Social Concern will gather the University community from noon to 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, outside Kennedy Union to make a large paper chain to symbolize how debt shackles poor countries. "Many countries are unable to improve their economies and ways of life because of being saddled with debt. We hope the size and scope of the chain will open some eyes to the amount of poverty in the world," said Nick Cardilino, director of the Center for Social Concern. "We hope to empower people to encourage the richer nations of the world to forgive this debt so poorer nations can gain solid footing and improve society as a whole." For more information, contact Cardilino at 937-229-2576.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, STEPHEN KING

University of Dayton English Professor James Farrelly will celebrate author Stephen King's 63rd birthday in his "Stephen King on Film" class at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22. During the celebration, students will eat cake, discuss the life and work of King, and view a portion of the 1997 CBS 60 Minutes segment on King. "I think King has a great imagination," Farrelly said. "It's not just a story he's weaving here, it's something that represents the universal struggle of good and evil. He tries to get around how evil works its way into situations. He always ends up with a clear ethical statement." Farrelly is a long-time teacher of King's work; this is his 35th year teaching King novels and the 15th year of the Stephen King on Film class. When King visited the University in 1982, Farrelly spent time with King at a movie and discussing his career and life. For more information on this event, contact Farrelly at 937-229-3435 or James.Farrelly@notes.udayton.edu.

CO-AUTHOR OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT TO SPEAK SEPT. 22

Rus Funk, a national spokesperson working to end men's violence against women, will give a free, public talk — "Trafficking and Beyond: Preventing Sexual Violence and Exploitation" — at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, in the Kennedy Union ballroom. Funk is the author of Stopping Rape: A Challenge for Men, and he helped write the federal Violence Against Women Act. A counselor of victims of sexual and domestic assault and male batterers since 1983, Funk sits on the boards of the D.C. Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the National Training Center on Domestic and Sexual Violence and the National Association of Social Workers Task Force on Violence Against Women. The University of Dayton's women and gender studies program, the University of Dayton Women's Center, the University of Dayton Office of the Provost and Southeast Dayton Weed and Seed are sponsoring the event. For more information, contact Rebecca Whisnant at 937-229-4290.

LAW SYMPOSIUM TO EXPLORE BRANDING IN THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE

John T. Cross, the Grosscurth Professor of Intellectual Property at the University of Louisville School of Law, will discuss "Branding in a World of Global Marketing: Has the Lanham Act Kept Pace?" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, in Keller Hall during the School of Law's annual Current Issues in Intellectual Property Law. The Lanham Act, which developed federal statutes to govern trademark law in the U.S., was passed nearly 65 years ago, before the advent of social media, mega-manufacturing plants in China and global brands. Cross will discuss whether the Lanham Act should be revised or retired and how it would affect state trademark laws, what "sacred cows" exist in current trademark law could be changed and should the U.S. consider aligning its law more closely to laws in other nations. Cross has written five books and more than 30 law review articles on the subject. The cost is $50 and includes a reception with heavy appetizers and cocktails starting at 6 p.m., and 1.5 hours of continuing legal education credit. The deadline to register is Sept. 21. Contact Nan Holler-Potter at 937-229-4676 or hollernl@notes.udayton.edu to register or for more information.

‘FOOD FIGHT: JOURNALISM IN A DIVIDED COUNTRY’

Pulitzer Prize winning columnist, author and speaker Ellen Goodman will discuss "Food Fight: Journalism in a Divided Country" at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, in the Science Center Auditorium. Goodman will talk about the role of news media and opinion-journalism in promoting or undermining productive public discourse. Goodman also will address how she has seen
that role change through the years and give her sense on what needs to change in the current media landscape, according to Patricia Waugh, programming coordinator in the University of Dayton Women's Center. The talk is free and open to the public. Goodman has spent most of her life chronicling social change and its impact on American life. Goodman won the Pulitzer Prize for Distinguished Commentary and the American Society of Newspaper Editors Distinguished Writing Award in 1980. She also received the Hubert H. Humphrey Civil Rights Award from the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in 1988, the National Women's Political Caucus' President's Award in 1993, the Women's Research & Education Institute's American Woman Award in 1994 and the Ernie Pyle Award for Lifetime Achievement from the National Society of Newspaper Columnists in 2008. For more information, contact Pattie Waugh at 937-229-5490.

SUSAN WAWROSE NAMED DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE LAW PROGRAMS

The University of Dayton School of Law has named Susan Wawrose director of the School of Law's graduate law programs. She will lead the school's two graduate programs — a Master of Law (LL.M) and Master in the Study of Law (M.S.L) — in Intellectual Property and Technology Law. Wawrose will work closely with Kelly Henrici, executive director of the School of Law’s Program in Law and Technology. The LL.M., an advanced law degree for anyone who already has a juris doctorate, combines a foundation in traditional legal theory with contemporary legal issues examining how technology is commercialized and rapidly integrated into society. The M.S.L. degree is designed for anyone who possesses an undergraduate degree in an area other than law but wishes to acquire advanced knowledge of the law within a particular area. Wawrose joined the School of Law as a faculty member in the Legal Profession Program in 1998.

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