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GOLD RUSH IN NEW YORK CITY

The first regional UB Law GOLD (Graduates Of the Last Decade) Group has been formed in New York City, according to Daniel Ibarrando Cruz '89. A steering committee is currently working out the organizational details and planning events. Similar to the highly successful Buffalo-based group, NYC GOLD includes all recent UB law alumni/ae.

The new group's first social was held on Thursday, Feb. 22 at Finbar, 426 Amsterdam Ave. More events, including an educational seminar, are being planned.

"All UB Law graduates are automatically members upon graduation — and remain members for ten years," says Assistant Dean Ilene Fleischmann. GOLD Group directors organize social and educational activities for GOLD Group members, the legal community and law students that are enjoyable, informal and inexpensive — yet are priceless for career and social networking. New Yorkers interested in making the GOLD connection should call Dan at (718) 636-3712.

BUFFALO GOLD OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Volunteers who wish to be considered for the GOLD Group's board of directors should submit their name for consideration to Membership Chair Judith A. Shanley at 848-1290.

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SURVIVAL STRATEGIES FOR LIFE AFTER LAW SCHOOL

GOLD is proud of its role as a founding partner with the Bar Association of Erie County and the UB Law Alumni Association in creating the model education program for newly-admitted attorneys, "Survival Strategies for Life After Law School."

Both last year and this year, GOLD presented the "nuts and bolts" segment of the program that deals with filing necessary documents with the court system, with special attention to such areas as real property law, matrimonial and family law, Surrogate's Court, business law, bankruptcy law, criminal law and town justice court.

GOLD "SPRINGS" INTO ACTION

On June 8, 1996, GOLD will present its annual spring GOLD Links to Practice seminar, "Courtroom Decorum." A panel of judges will advise new lawyers and law students how they can achieve better results for their clients when they utilize appropriate courtroom behavior. The seminar will be held in the Center For Tomorrow on the Amherst Campus. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. with the seminar to follow at 9 a.m. For more information call Education Chair Natalie Lesh at 856-3646. To make a reservation call 645-2107.

Last year, the GOLD Group's spring seminar focused on the topic of real estate title insurance. More than 80 attorneys and paralegals attended. Some of the area's top experts in the field were featured. Our thanks to Michael A. Piette, Esq. of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugal; Edward G. Zimmerman and Patricia L. Fulwiler, Esq. of Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company; Paul T. Nesper, Esq. of Nesper, McElvein, Ferber & DiGiacomo; and John E. McIntosh, Jr. of McIntosh & McIntosh Surveyors. ■

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