Amy Moore, a first-year law student, shared this report of her summer experience:

"I had been to Africa two other times, but had never managed to sort out just how to go on a gorilla trek. Last year, I decided I was going to go while there were still some gorillas left to see."

"I landed in Kigali, met my guide, and drove for two hours to Ruhegura. You have to be at the office at the Nseng National des V活着 for 7 a.m. Even though it was early, it was exciting to see Rwanda in daylight. The first of three treks was to the Kwitonda family. They were from the Congo, but had been in Rwanda since the beginning of the year when the rebels in Congo started to kill gorillas again. There was one silverback killed in January, and a female killed in May. Sadly, in August, another silverback was killed, along with three females, one that was pregnant. The trek the first day was relatively short, only about 10 minutes. That was a good thing because the elevation is about 9,000 meters, and I wasn't used to it yet. The gorillas were on the outside of the park; the lake was through the steep potato fields. The next day I went to Group Thirteen. The hike was about 20 minutes to the park, and then another hour in the park. The park had marked pathways to follow, but it was still a lot of climbing over roots, and crawling under branches. The mud was about ankle deep, but it wasn't too steep. There had been a baby born overnight in the group. The silverback wasn't happy that we were there, so we only saw them from about 20 feet away. The mother and newborn were not with the group, so we never saw them. The last day we went to the Hirwa group. It was a 20-minute hike through the fields to the park, and then about an hour and a half to the group. It was raining, and of course, misty. The lake was very steep, and the mud was knee-deep in some places. This group had three relatively young gorillas that stayed close to their mothers and the silverback. There were six juveniles that were running around, climbing up the trees, and then falling out of the trees practically on top of us. There were no words to describe what it is like having gorillas doing somersaults all around you."

"It was back to Kigali that afternoon, in wet muddy clothes. Staying at the hotel that was made famous in Hotel Rwanda (wasn’t that nice, don’t recommend it). The following morning I went to the Genocide Memorial. I had been to several other genocide museums/memorials in Cambodia, Nanjing and Croatia. You can never really be prepared for what you see. This memorial didn’t have any skulls or bones on display like some of the other ones I have been to, so I thought I would be able to get through without crying. There were six rooms that was really moving, there were only pictures of eight or 10 kids. Under their pictures it had their name, their age, and how they were killed. So much for being able to get through without crying. There was one room that was really moving, there were only pictures of eight or 10 kids.

"I tried a case with Diane about 10 years ago, and it was there that I saw this extraordinary combination of outstanding intellect and an individual with a clear moral compass who understood what was right and demonstrated good judgment consistently," Charlton said. "One of the qualities you need to be a U.S. attorney in Arizona is to have a great deal of sensitivity to issues in Indian country, and no one has been better able to exemplify that than Diane."

EXAM-TIME STUDY HELPS

As exam time approaches, the Law Library staff would like to remind you about the following helpful study tools and services they have produced to assist you in preparing for exams.

STUDY ROOMS

The law library has group study rooms available for the exclusive use of College of Law students, faculty, and law alumni studying for the bar exam. During exam periods three to four-person groups may reserve a room for up to a maximum of six hours per day and free to six-person groups may reserve a room for up to 12 hours per day. Rooms will be held for one week in advance. Reserved rooms will be held for 10 minutes. Exam study room policies will go into effect Nov. 26. Please stop by the Law Library Circulation desk to reserve a room.

LAW SCHOOL PAST EXAMS

Many faculty members make their past exams available to students as a teaching aid. In an effort to provide students with the broadest possible access to past exams, the Law Library has placed them online. You may access them from the Law Library’s homepage.

STUDY SKILLS COLLECTION

It is now easier for you to find books that will help you succeed in law school. The Library staff has created a Study Skills Collection. Located in the Reserve Reading room on the first floor of the Law Library, the collection brings together an array of study aids, legal research and writing texts, exam and bar exam materials.
INTERSESSION COURSE ON INT’L BANKRUPTCY

Bankruptcy as a global issue is the focus of an intersession course that will be offered in January at the College of Law by two noted judges from Phoenix and Italy.

Luciano Panzani, Chief Judge of the Corte d’ Cassazione in Rome, Italy, and Judge Chuck Case, who served on the Bankruptcy Court at the University of Arizona, will offer the one-credit, two-week course. It will be held Jan. 2-15.

Requirements of Loyalty to the Client, Part I (Jan. 4) – Duties regarding prospective, present and former clients, the hot-potato rule and positional conflicts.

Requirements of Loyalty to the Client, Part II (Jan. 5) – The application of conflicts rules to specific areas (personal interests of the lawyer, criminal cases, insurance matters) and improper disqualification rules.

Advising Clients (Jan. 7) – Ethical doctrines relating to advising individual and corporate clients and contacting represented and unrepresented persons and issues concerning the role of the lawyer as negotiator and evaluator.

Ethical Problems in Litigation, Part I (Jan. 8) – Sanctions for litigation misconduct, litigation tactics, disclosures of law and fact to your adversary and handling physical evidence.

Ethical Problems in Litigation, Part II (Jan. 9) – Ethical issues relating to false testimony and contact with jurors before, during and after trial, as well as special rules relating to prosecutors.

Delivery of Legal Services (Jan. 10) – Advertising and solicitation, referrals to specialists, unauthorized practice of law and multi-jurisdictional practice and issues surrounding the provision of pro bono legal services.

Students can go to www.asu.edu/interactive and register for the class up to the day it starts, under Winter 2008 using course number 90266. State Bar of Arizona lawyers can register at www.myausbar.org/CLE.

HELPSPOT COMING IN JANUARY

The IT department will be debuting a new and improved HelpDesk software called “HelpSpot” in January. The new software will be easier to use and include self-service features for those who like to solve their own IT problems. It also will allow for better tracking and better requests, both current and past. There will be a demonstration of the software on Dec. 18 and several trainings in January and February.

FACULTY NEWS

Art Hinshaw, Associate Clinical Professor and Director of the Lodestar Dispute Resolution Program, has been appointed to the Board of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas William S. Boyd School of Law on Nov. 9.

Erica Rosenbaum has been appointed as a university representative on the Governor’s Forest Health Council, a new council formed this year. It will develop, oversee, and facilitate implementation of the statewide strategy for restoring Arizona’s forests and protecting rural communities and their economies, as well as advise the governor on matters of forest restoration, community protection and fire management.

RALSTON TO JUDGE CODE AWARDS

The Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity is conducting a holiday food drive for the United Food Bank, which serves Maricopa County. Boxers are in the SideBar Cafe through Nov. 21. United Food Bank of Arizona served more than 92,000 Arizona residents last year, 40 percent of whom are children.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STOCKING-STUFFER DRIVE

The Advocacy Program Against Domestic Violence is collecting donations for the shelters where they volunteer. A box will be in the Steppes & Johnson Rotunda until Nov. 30. The group also will pick up large-sized donations. To make arrangements, e-mail Alexandra.Hicks@asu.edu. Donors will receive a letter for their tax deduction.

CONGRATS TO AAJ MOCK TEAM

The ASU American Association for Justice Board announced the following winners of the 2007 AAJ In House Competition: Sarah Barrios, David Chami, Jimmy Cool, Kristine Reich, Gabriel Sagavedra, Paul Singleton and Ashley Villalvado. All winners have been given a slot on the 2007-2008 AAJ Mock Trial Team and will compete in the AAJ Competition in Las Vegas in March.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

In the News

Professor Linda Demaine, director of the Law and Psychology Graduate Program, recently was quoted in the Monitor on Psychology. The article, written by Amy Cynkar, is localized. “More disciplines are folding psychology into their curricula. Here’s how.” It states that psychology, a field dedicated to analyzing the human condition, has become a basic ingredient in nearly every discipline. Demaine told the reporter that psychology can provide expertise in the field of law, which involves the study, prediction and shaping of human behavior.

ATTENTION MAY GRADS

If you plan to graduate in May, you must complete a graduation check-out form after finalizing your spring schedule. To find the form, go to http://www.law.asu.edu/Registrar/Forms/Grad/Audit.Cfm, click on the bottom of the page and print the form for the year in which you entered law school under “Graduation.” If your form indicates less than the required number of credits or a discrepancy in any of the graduation requirements, see the College’s Registrar for clarification or correction. The completed form must be submitted to the Registrar’s Office by Dec. 21. For more information, contact Tammy Vavra at (480) 965-4617 or e-mail tammy.vavra@asu.edu.