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Pictured.

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Introducing the Fed Soc Newsletter...

The strength of our community has always been one of the most important things about the Harvard Law School Federalist Society. To help maintain that sense of community, we are proud to present the first edition of the HLS Fed Soc e-newsletter! This newsletter will come out once per semester and will contain information about the events that the chapter has had during the past semester as well as information about upcoming events and opportunities to get together. This will help both alumni and current students to stay connected to each other and to the HLS Federalist Society. We hope you enjoy!

Members of Section 6 with Professor Charles Fried, Fed Soc’s Faculty Sponsor.
Thanks to your support, this year has been tremendously successful for HLS Fed Soc.

Our chapter continues to be the largest and most active student chapter in the country, with more than 230 dues paying members and 580 signed up for our emails. Last year we hosted more than 30 speakers and 15 student debates—bringing conservative and libertarian ideas on critical legal and policy issues to campus. Our chapter was a significant presence at the National Convention in Washington, D.C., and the Student Symposium, in Gainesville, Florida. We provided a welcoming community for our members with 20 social events, widely attended by the chapter.

But we have much more to do. Some of our highest impact programs are in need of serious improvement:

- The National Convention is one of our key events. Students have the opportunity to hear from and meet with both the heavyweight speakers and the practicing attorney Fed Soc members. We currently offer a small subsidy to only 10 students, but the weekend is prohibitively expensive for many of our members. Your contribution helps ensure that students can attend National Convention.

- Our professional development resources for the clerkship process and the Early Interview Program are highly valued by our members, helping where Career Services does not. We want to improve our student support in part by providing our members more interaction with you, our HLS Fed Soc alumni. Building an access-controlled alumni directory will help our members—current students and alumni—leverage the connections we have. Your contribution helps us build out the infrastructure necessary to take these programs to the next level.

- Excellent speaker events are our highest impact activity—they are the primary way we promote debate across campus. Nationals provides limited resources, but for big-name speakers and sufficient food for large audiences, we must supplement national funds. Your contribution helps ensure that we continue to get the best speakers and that those events are well attended.

- The best way for our students to interact with speakers is in small group settings. Many of our speakers are willing to have a meal with students after their events, and we need the funds to host them. Your contribution helps ensure that our members meet leading academics.

Thank you in advance for your support of our joint endeavor.

May Davis, HLS Fed Soc President 2014-15

Alumni and Current Member Happy Hours

Join Fed Soc for Summer Happy Hours across the country! Tentative details are below, and more information is to come.

New York
Wednesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
The Winslow NYC
Contact Sara Nommensen
snommensen@jd16.law.harvard.edu

DC
Tuesday, July 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Irish Whiskey
Bar Tab, Appetizers, & Special Guest, the Honorable Paul Clement, former United States Solicitor General
Contact Paige Burroughs
pburroughs@jd16.law.harvard.edu

Dallas
Thursday, July 17, 7 p.m.
Tate’s
Contact Daniela Gutierrez
dgutierrez@jd16.law.harvard.edu

Houston
Thursday, July 17, 7 p.m.
Location Forthcoming
Contact Daniela Gutierrez
dgutierrez@jd16.law.harvard.edu
Spring Events Recap

Our chapter hosted many events this past semester, including:

- An End of January Term Celebration at Queen’s Head Pub (January 25)
- A Colloquium on Constitutional Interpretation (February 13)
- A Conference, Co-Sponsored with ACS, on Reconsidering the Insular Cases (February 19)
- The Intelligence Squared Debate: Affirmative Action on Campus Does More Harm Than Good, Co-Sponsored with ACS and IQ2 (February 27)
- A Post-Parody and Post-1L Brief Draft Party (February 28)
- A Conference on Political Civility and Dialogue in an Age of Polarization, Co-Sponsored by the Harvard Negotiation Law Review and ACS (March 1)
- A Group Trip to National Student Symposium at University of Florida (March 7-8)
- Jimmy O’Madison’s Social at Grafton Street (March 13)
- Banquet, with the Journal of Law & Public Policy (April 2)
- A Moot Court for Lane v. Franks (April 16)
- The Harvard 2014 Spring Conservative Reception (April 21)
- Lunch talks featuring: Clark Neily, Senior Attorney with the Institute for Justice, speaking about vindicating economic rights (February 5), the Honorable Reena Raggi of the US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, who discussed Federal Sentencing Guidelines (April 2), and Judge Hardiman of the Third Circuit, who discussed students’ First Amendment rights (April 7).
- Coffee Series with ACS on Abortion (February 18), Criminal Justice (March 4), Immigration (April 1), and Campaign Finance (April 15)

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Carol Szurkowski and Dan Loveland, recipients of this year’s James Madison Awards.

Justin Patrick, Tristan Manley, and Bryan Cleveland at Fed Soc’s Jimmy O’Madison’s Social.