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**Week of December 11 2012**

**News and Notes**

**Mary Ellen O’Connell** received Notre Dame PR office’s “Media Legend” award, which recognizes “a faculty member who consistently brings attention to the University’s academic excellence through participation in media relations, the Web and other communications channels.” Congratulations Mary Ellen!


Simon Weldehaimanot joined the J.S.D. program in 2009. He earned his LL.B. in 2003 from the University of Asmara. He then worked as a lawyer for a governmental department. In 2006, Simon obtained his LL.M. in human rights and democratization in Africa from the Centre for Human Rights at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. After earning his LL.M., Simon worked for 18 months as a TMF Human Rights Fellow at the Center for Human Rights Studies at Columbia University. Simon’s committee includes NDLS Professors Paolo Carozza and Douglass Cassel and Professor Bereket Selassie from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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**Blast from the Past**
NDLS Faculty Trivia

How well do you know our faculty? Can you match the NDLS faculty member with an interesting fact from that individual’s life?

a. Patrick J. Schiltz
b. Tex Dutile
c. Nicole Stelle Garnett
d. M. Cathleen Kaveny
e. Alan Gunn
f. J. Eric Smithburn
g. Joseph P Bauer
h. Richard W Garnett
i. DavidT Link
j. John Garvey

1. Who worked as a cowboy and garbage collector before attending law school?
2. Who collects autographs from deceased members of the Baseball Hall of Fame and likes professional wrestling?
3. Who has expert knowledge of 1970s sitcoms, especially “The Brady Bunch”?
4. Who home-brews beer?
5. Who used to play guitar in a blues band?
6. Who used to fly a small, private plane?
7. Who flies model airplanes?
8. Who volunteers as an auctioneer for various charitable and educational institutions?
9. Who loves roller-coasters?
10. Who once accompanied Frankie Avalon on the piano?

Answers:
1-j, 2-a, 3-d, 4-c, 5-h, 6-g, 7-e, 8-f, 9-i, 10-b