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In honor of the contributions of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to the Civil Rights Movement, the Office of Diversity & Outreach presents:

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2012

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School 35 Camp Street, Providence, Rhode Island

"A Day On" Community Service Project

On the Monday holiday commemorating Martin Luther King, law students are invited to observe "A Day On" by engaging in a community service project. This year, Roger Williams University School of Law will be joining the Rhode Island School of Design, the Mt. Hope Learning Center and the King Elementary School for a "MLK Day of Arts and Service."

Please RSVP to Deborah Johnson at djohnson@rwu.edu if you are interested in participating.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012

4:00 p.m. Room 286 – *Reception to follow*

Keynote Address by Angela F. Chan, Esq.

Staff Attorney, Criminal Justice Reform Program, Asian Law Caucus, San Francisco, CA

What Does It Mean to be a "Real American?" – Challenging the Criminalization of Immigration



What does it mean to be a "real American," and what happens if the door to our society is harder to open for some? Under the Obama administration, a record number of deportations has occurred -- over 1.1 million. Immigration and Custom Enforcement's controversial Secure Communities Program (S-Comm) has contributed to a record number of deportations by automatically conducting immigration background checks on all fingerprints taken by local police at the point of arrest. The program began in 2008 and is slated to be active throughout the country by the end of 2012. S-Comm has been criticized for encouraging racial profiling and undermining community policing strategies. Learn about the Asian Law

Caucus' work to push back against S-Comm and other programs that criminalize immigration and funnel more individuals into the already overcrowded criminal justice and immigration systems.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Room 283

Dean's "Movie Night in the Afternoon" Movie and discussion

Join Dean Logan for this movie event, co-sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Law Students Association, which will feature a screening of the film *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred*



Korematsu Story. A facilitated discussion will follow the movie. Fresh popcorn and other snacks will be provided.

Fred Korematsu was probably never more American than when he resisted, and then challenged in court, the forced internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II. Korematsu lost his landmark Supreme Court case in 1944, but never his indignation and resolve. *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights* is the untold history of Korematsu's long, remarkable journey from being a convicted criminal in 1942 to receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1998, and the 40-year legal fight that finally turned a civil injustice into a civil rights victory.



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