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Hello FASPE friends!

In this issue of the FASPE newsletter you will find information about our 2013 programs, our named Fellowships, applications for 2014, our Reunion planning for January, and much more.

I hope these updates on all things related to FASPE will be of interest to our growing community of alumni, friends, and future applicants.

Bookmark the FASPE website (www.FASPE.info) and look for us on [Facebook](#) to see news updates on an ongoing basis.

To support FASPE, you can always contribute [online](#).

All the best,
Thorin Tritter

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2013 TRIPS

Congratulations to all the 2013 Fellows and faculty who made this year's trips so successful! Our first trip, which included 14 journalism and 14 law students, started at the Museum of Jewish Heritage on Sunday, May 26 and ended in Nuremberg on Thursday, June 6. Our second trip started hot on the heels of the first, with 14 seminarians and 15 medical students gathering in New York on Sunday, June 16.

Forced to travel to Poland first because of logistical needs, the program ended in Berlin on June 27.

As usual, FASPE faced several logistical hurdles during the 2013 trips, including a 7-hour delay and layover for the Medical and Seminary groups in Berlin's Tegel Airport. While many spent much of that time in the few coffee shops that provide free wifi, the group also managed to find a seminar room where a group discussion was held on "Preparing Oneself for Emotionally and Ethically Fraught Work." Thorin also spent some of the time developing a Tegel Airport Scavenger Hunt that will be ready next time, just in case. If anyone has time to waste in Tegel, feel free to ask Thorin for the activity sheet.

In other news, FASPE was delighted to welcome three new faculty members in 2013: Sheila Coronel (Journalism), Nancy Wiener (Seminary), and Lisa Lerman (Law).



Sheila, the Toni Stabile Professor of Professional Practice in Investigative Journalism at Columbia University, brought a wealth of experience from her career as an investigative journalist in the Philippines to seminars where she demonstrated her dynamic personality. Sheila, along with Professor Ari Goldman, engaged students in discussions that often carried on outside the classroom.

Lisa Lerman, a Professor of Law at Catholic University's Columbus School of Law, helped reshape the FASPE Law curriculum with a variety of case studies drawn from her textbook, *Ethical Problems in the Practice of Law*. Together with Eric Muller, the Dan K. Moore Distinguished Professor in Jurisprudence and Ethics at the UNC School of Law, the law curriculum focused heavily on the ethical issues that confront lawyers on a day-to-day basis.

Rounding out the new FASPE faculty was Rabbi Nancy Wiener, Clinical Director of the Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Center for Pastoral Counseling, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Working alongside LeRoy Walters, Professor Emeritus at Georgetown University, and Kevin Spicer, the James J. Kenneally Distinguished Professor of History at Stonehill College, Nancy added a variety of sessions that focused particularly on pastoral duties and challenges.

While no new faculty joined our Medical program, Dr. Jack Hughes, Professor of Medicine at Yale School of Medicine, returned for his third year with FASPE and

directed discussions with aplomb.

MEET OUR 2013 NAMED FELLOWS

Naming a FASPE fellowship is a meaningful and extremely helpful way to support the program. In 2013, FASPE received gifts to name two fellowships.

The first, as announced in the March edition of the FASPE E-Newsletter, came from Yossi Sagol who honored the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Museum of Jewish Heritage with his gift. We are pleased to announce that the



2013 Robert M. Morgenthau FASPE Law Fellow is Leslie Esbrook, a member of the 2015 class of Yale Law School. Before entering law school, Ms. Esbrook was the valedictorian at Vanderbilt University, where she studied French and Economics. She also spent two years teaching English in rural Turkey through a Fulbright scholarship. In her application to FASPE she described her current focus: “My interest in the field of law relates to the conception of justice as a means of returning society to its ‘proper

balance,’ or a state that allows individuals to continue to effectively participate in society and define themselves as members of that community.” Emphasizing what she hoped to gain from the program, she added “I wish to make the discussion of ethics in the field of law much more prominent and bring back what I learn in FAPSE to the law school through reading groups, a lunch time seminar, or other interactive programs.” After her FASPE Fellowship, Ms. Esbrook returned to Turkey for the rest of the summer, but we are confident that she will be sharing what she learned during our trip with other law students in New Haven when she returns.

The second named fellowship in 2013 was created by 73 different FASPE alumni who made generous contributions through our Alumni fundraising drive last year. We are pleased to announce that their contributions helped cover some of the travel costs for Alexandra Charrow, the 2013 FASPE Alumni Fellow. Ms. Charrow, who just completed her third year at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, grew up in Chevy Chase, Maryland and earned her BA from Yale. In her application essay she described some of the challenges she had seen in medical school, saying “like many



medical students, my year in the clinics complicated my initially naive view of medicine as I realized the power of medicine not only to create wellness, but to define sickness. My year in the clinics was a pendulum swinging between moments of true closeness with patients at their lowest points and time spent at great emotional distance, clouded with judgments of the patient’s body, health, and life-choices...My dream in participating in FASPE is to enrich my practice with ethical nuance—combining my ambitions before clinics with my aspirations since completing them.” Her dream is one that we share for all our Medical Fellows.

FASPE is deeply grateful to the contributors who made these two named fellowships

possible and hopes to be able honor additional students and funders in the years ahead with other named fellowships.

ALUMNI REUNION—JANUARY 2014—SAVE THE DATE

This year's FASPE Reunion and Symposium will be held in New York on January 19 and 20. We will be sending out a schedule of the weekend in October/November, but I hope you will start making your plans now. Sadly, we cannot cover housing costs during the Reunion, but couch surfing is a great way to see the Big Apple, catch up with old friends, and meet your fellow Fellows. Food, warmth, and friendship will be provided at the Reunion. We hope you can attend.

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA

As our alumni increase in number and disperse more widely, the FASPE website (www.FASPE.info) and our Facebook discussion pages are becoming increasingly important tools for keeping in touch. Our FB page, in particular, has become a site where stories about FASPE-related topics are posted by FASPE staff, alumni, and others interested in professional ethics. I hope you will share stories or links about your own work or about material that resonates with material we covered during our trip.

The 2013 Journalism Fellows also created a website (<http://www.faspe.info/journalism2013/>) that tracked our program earlier this summer, with daily dispatches, reflections, biographical sketches of WWII-era journalists, and feature stories that build on what students studied.

So take a look at the Journalism site, "[Friend](#)" us on Facebook, and look for us on [Twitter](#) (@FASPEnews)!

We welcome you to forward us any names and email addresses of friends, family, and colleagues who might be interested in receiving FASPE updates.

2014 APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE MONDAY, SEP. 16

FASPE is gearing up for the 2014 program. The applications will be available on the FASPE website on Monday, September 16. This year the deadline for Seminary students will be Friday, December 20 (with a notification date of February 1); while the deadline for Law, Medical, and Journalism students will be Monday, January 6 (with a notification date of March 1).

If you know people interested in applying, let them know about these dates! Interested students can now find even more on our website about FASPE, including copies of the itineraries and syllabi from 2013 under the "Programs for Students" tab.

Alumni interested in giving presentations about their experience to prospective applicants can contact Thorin Tritter (ttritter@faspe.info) for power point presentations.

HAVE NEWS? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We would love to hear your news, share alumni accomplishments, and publicize FASPE-related events! Please send information to: ttritter@faspe.info and include your FASPE year and discipline.

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