

## **UM Receives Baucus Papers, Plans Institute**



Max Baucus, Montana's longest-serving U.S. senator, has departed to become ambassador to China, but a significant portion of his legacy will remain with the University of Montana.

On April 10, Baucus announced he would donate his official papers to UM's Archives and Special Collections. In addition, the Baucus Institute for Public Policy and Service will be established at the UM School of Law if approved by the state Board of Regents.

"As Mel and I considered where to place our papers and the work we hope to do after leaving government service, the University of Montana, located in the neighborhood where I first campaigned and home to the School of Law, rose to the top of the list," Baucus said.

Baucus will donate \$850,000 of his remaining campaign funds to the UM Foundation to cover the cost of archiving his papers. The institute will be funded through private contributions. It will include the creation of a Baucus Fellows Program, open to both undergraduate and graduate students, as well as a new lecture series.

"The School of Law has enjoyed a longstanding relationship with Ambassador Baucus," law school Dean Irma S. Russell said. "From the Montana Tax Institute to our China summer program; this new effort holds real promise for the school as we continue to build a premier regional law school with a national and global reach."

More details about the proposed institute will be announced in the coming months.

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## **Former Secretary of Defense and CIA Director Panetta to Lecture at UM**

The University of Montana School of Law will host former Secretary of Defense and CIA Director Leon E. Panetta for “A Conversation with Secretary Leon E. Panetta” at noon Thursday, April 24, in the George and Jane Dennison Theatre. The event is the 2014 Jones-Tamm Lecture and it is free and open to the public.

The conversation with Secretary Panetta will be moderated by attorney Robert S. Bennett, a friend of the UM School of Law and member of the Jones-Tamm Advisory Committee.

Panetta served under President Barack Obama as the 23rd secretary of defense. Before joining the Department of Defense, Panetta served as director of the Central Intelligence Agency, chief of staff to President Bill Clinton, and represented California’s 16th – now 17th – Congressional District from 1977 to 1993, serving as House Budget Committee chairman his final four years. He also is co-director of the Leon & Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy. He holds bachelor’s and law degrees from Santa Clara University.

The UM School of Law established the Jones-Tamm Lecture Series in 1997 to honor the memory of William B. Jones and Edward A. Tamm, two distinguished federal judges with strong ties to Montana. The lecture series now attracts leading jurists and scholars to UM to address relevant legal topics, such as judicial ethics, judicial decision-making and selection and education of judges.

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## **Law Week 2014**

The stage lights are down, the Smoker is over and Law Week 2014 is in the books. The week, a staple of spring at UM Law, featured events ranging from the creative parodies that mark the Smoker, to visits from the Board of Visitors and Clinical Board of Visitors, as well as the State Bar of Montana Trustees. Law Week also featured the third annual Law School Appreciation reception, which moved from a noon time event to an evening reception at the School three years ago.

Friday, April 11, the MT Supreme Court heard the oral argument in the case of PHILLIPS v. CITY OF WHITEFISH. UM Associate Professor of Law Michelle Bryan Mudd introduced the case to the audience at the Dennison Theatre. The case arises from long-term issues between the City of Whitefish and Flathead County regarding land use regulation in a 2-mile-wide “donut” surrounding Whitefish city limits. The District Court invalidated a 2011 City referendum which repealed a city-county resolution on the subject.

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The University of Montana School of Law is reviving an old tradition in honor of the Barrister’s Ball Centennial in 2015. The first Barrister’s Ball was held in January 1915 to commemorate UMSL’s admission to the American Law Association of Law Schools in 1914.

The Student Bar Association will contribute proceeds from the Ball to the Law Student Scholarship Fund. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information about donations and sponsorships, please contact John Mudd, Director, Development & Alumni Relations at [john.mudd@umontana.edu](mailto:john.mudd@umontana.edu) or by phone at 406-243-4319.

For tickets, visit: [umt.edu/law/calendarandevents/barristersball](http://umt.edu/law/calendarandevents/barristersball)

Date: April 26, 2014  
Barrister’s Reception - 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Wine and light hors d’oeuvres, dancing begins at 8 pm  
Location: Governor’s Room in the Florence Building  
111 North Higgins Avenue | Downtown Missoula  
Black-tie Optional



## Upcoming Events ([for more information, visit the UM Law Calendar of Events](#))

- April 24**     [Jones Tamm Lecture](#) featuring Leon E. Panetta, former Secretary of Defense and former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Dennison Theatre, UM Campus, Missoula, MT, 12:00 pm
- April 26**     [Barrister's Ball](#), Governor's Room, Florence Building, 111 North Higgins Avenue, Downtown Missoula, Black-tie Optional (details above)
- May 24**        [Law School Graduation and Hooding Ceremony](#), Dennison Theatre, 10:00 am
- May 26–30**    [Advanced Trial Advocacy Program](#)



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