ASL LIBRARY NEWS

What's New in the Library?

- The 2000-2001 CALI CD-ROMs have arrived! This year, CALI offers even more lessons and tutorials in twenty-five legal subjects. CALI has added thirty-three new lessons, including more in criminal law (excuse, mistake, defenses) and contracts (statute of frauds, unenforceable contracts), among other subjects.

  You can download only the lessons you need, run lessons off the web site, or take home the CD-ROM for three days and install it all. (If you installed the program last year, you will need to reinstall this version; it expires every year.)

  To download the lessons, follow the directions in Legal Research Guide 20: CALI (all research guides are posted on the wall opposite the Circulation Desk). To run the lessons from the web site, use the password ********* (all one word, all lower case) [REMOVED IN THE INTERNET VERSION].

  If you want the CD-ROM, stop by the Circulation Desk (with your ID!) and check it out for three days. We even provide the instructions for installation. We have ten copies hidden in Reserve, waiting for you!

- We have a new Westlaw student representative. Nathan Lyons (3L) will assist you with your Westlaw questions. His office hours will be posted soon (look on Chris King's door and on the Library bulletin boards).

- The Library has purchased a subscription to History Universe, which provides access to two major collections: Women's Studies and African American Studies. These databases contain case law, historical documents, and even pictures and maps. To use History Universe, you must be using an ASL computer or be connected to our network (access is determined by IP addresses).

  History Universe was created by CIS, which also makes Congressional Universe, State Capital Universe, and Statistical Universe. All of these products can be accessed by going to the Library's home page (**http://www.asl.edu/library/**) and selecting "Electronic Databases." You must be using an ASL computer or be connected to our network to access these databases.

- **The Library will be staffed from noon until 8 pm on Monday, September 4 (Labor Day). You will still have full (24-hour) access to the Library with your ASL ID card.** Our regular hours remain in effect for the rest of September.

Other News

- There is some confusion about photocopying, printing, and incurring charges.

    - Photocopying - You will be charged for every photocopy that you make while at ASL. If you use your ASL-provided PIN (personal identification number), you will be charged seven cents per page. If you use change, you will be charged ten cents per page. If you "forget" your PIN, check with the Business Office or at the Circulation Desk.

    - Printing - Students are allowed 250 "free" printed pages per semester. Any pages printed over that amount will be assessed a seven cents per page fee. [The Student User Guide erroneously reported the charge would be five cents. We apologize for the error.]

  The Library does not set the fees nor does it manage the billing. If you have questions or concerns, please talk to the Dean.

- We have heard several complaints about our "ID check" every night. Please allow us to explain our reasoning for this rule.

    - We check IDs nightly to ensure that only the appropriate people (ie, the ASL community) are left in the building when our staff leaves.
    - The ID check is a reminder to you that you will need your ID card for the rest of the evening to enter the building if you should leave (study break? smoking break?).
    - We check nightly to make it a habit for you; we don't want to throw you out if you don't have an ID to show our new staff members.
    - Although we have been called miracle workers at times, it is getting harder to remember so many new faces and names each year (and we're not getting any younger, either!).
    - Finally, we check everyone's IDs to avoid any charges of discrimination or favoritism.

  If you have further questions about this policy, please see Chris King, Public Services Librarian.

- Our Library Research Guides have become quite popular over the last few weeks. We are slowly adding these guides to our web site (**http://www.asl.edu/library/** then choose "Library Publications"). Keep looking for more!

- Due to our small staff size at the moment, we cannot provide reference service on Saturday or Sunday. Please save your hard questions for Chris on Monday mornings!