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What's New in the Library?

- Our new director has arrived! Professor Timothy P. Chinaris is now in Grundy and is slowly moving into his new office. Stop by to say hi and chat about your favorite legal reference book (or the Baltimore Orioles).
- We're trying to add more shelving for future growth. This will also require us to shift (move) sections of books to different areas, and move furniture to accommodate the new shelving sections. If you can't find something, be sure to ask at our "new" Circulation Desk. Please be patient with us as your favorite computer or series of books changes location.
- The Library would like to thank all the students who responded to the Library survey. The numbers strongly suggest that most of you are pleased with the services and the collection. We will be processing the numbers soon, and will provide a full report in next month's *ASL Library News*. A few comments deserve a bit of explanation:
 - Several students asked for more copies of certain books, including Virginia materials and legal research books. A second copy of the Code of Virginia is located in Reserve (2-hour checkout with your ID). Likewise, many legal research and writing books are in Reserve. These can be located by using SIRSI's WebCat, our online library catalog (we're too new to have a card catalog!). Instructions for accessing WebCat are posted by all Library computers, or ask us at the Circulation Desk.
 - One student asked if reference services are still being provided since Chris King was promoted from Reference Librarian to Public Services Librarian this summer. The answer is yes, Chris is still available to help with reference questions, or, his specialty, printer problems. Professor Chinaris can also assist with legal research questions. We are still looking for a Reference Librarian; we will have several candidates on-site in the near future.
 - A few students asked us to remind everyone that the Library should be a quiet place to study and do research. If you're in the middle of a debate on the Rule against Perpetuities or some other conversation anywhere in the Library -- including the entrances -- please move into a study room or the "fishbowl." Thanks.

Other News

- Another Supreme Court term starts on the first Monday in October. The hyped-up case this term could be Microsoft's antitrust case, which the Supremes still have not yet decided to hear. On the Supreme Court's docket this year are cases involving
 - arbitration awards that are denied to people who test positive for drugs
 - vehicle checkpoints where law enforcement officers review license & registration, as well as drug use
 - hospitals that test pregnant women for cocaine use and turn those results over to police
 - private citizens that want to sue non-consenting states in federal court under the Americans with Disabilities Act (which may or may not be prohibited under the 11th Amendment)
 - police who, while searching a suspect's house, prohibit him from entering the premises during the search.

Also, on November 1, the Supreme Court will hear arguments in Rogers v. Tennessee, which discusses the "year and a day rule" so well known by our second-year class.

For more information about the schedule of the Supreme Court and the cases they will hear, ask for U.S. Law Week, which is on Reserve. If you prefer electronic information, the Court has a new website, although it's not as informative as U.S. Law Week. The website address is

<http://www.supremecourtus.gov>

- Don't forget that Daylight Savings Time ends at the end of this month. Let your clocks "fall back" an hour in the early morning of October 29, the last Sunday in October.
- The American Bar Association accreditation visit has been tentatively scheduled for November 5 - 8.

ERRATA: Last month, we provided the wrong contact information for the new print charges. If you have questions about billing, please talk to Mary Mullins in the Business Office. The *ASL Library News* regrets the error. Also, if you would like to know how many pages you have printed during the semester, please talk to Brian Ratliff, the Computer Administrator.