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What's New in the Library?

- Angela Fedele was the big winner of April's National Library Week. In a random drawing, she managed to win the top three "grand prizes," including the limited edition Sandra Day O'Connor bobblehead. The Library thanks the thirty-five students, faculty, and staff for participating. For a list of our winners, check out our web site at <http://www.asl.edu/library/nlw.php>. The Library thanks LexisNexis, Westlaw, and *The Green Bag* for providing prizes. If you didn't enter this year, mark your calendar for April 3-7, 2006!
- On May 16, we will begin our "summer hours," which means we will be staffed fewer hours than during the academic year. Our general hours will be as follows:

Monday through Thursday	9 am – 6 pm
Friday	9 am – 5 pm
Saturday and Sunday	Closed

Please note that we will **not** be staffed on the following days:

- Saturday, May 14 (Graduation)
- Thursday, May 26 (Library Staff training day)
- Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day)
- Monday, July 4 (Independence Day)

Check our web site at <http://www.asl.edu/library/hours.htm> for a complete list of our summer hours. Summer card-access hours have not yet been determined, so keep checking with us at the Circulation Desk (we'll post signs very soon).

Becky

Beth

Chris

Glenna

Jessica

Congratulations, graduates!

Good luck with finals!

Have a great summer!

from the Library staff

Katie

Lisa

Tonya

Tim

Vivian

Other News

- Those of you who are involved in externships (1Ls!) or research for a professor this summer can get extensions of your LexisNexis and Westlaw passwords – but you must register for this extended access. Both Westlaw and LexisNexis have little ad boxes on their web sites (Westlaw's says "Extend Your Password" and Lexis' says "Unlimited Summer Access"). If you have problems, check with Chris.

Usually both LexisNexis and Westlaw offer special "bar exam" study access for third year students who have just graduated. Unfortunately, no information about these potential benefits was available as we went to press. Keep checking both services' web sites to see what may be offered.

- Have you lost anything during the semester? We've got a few random books and other assorted items we've collected over the last few months. Check at the Circulation Desk before Memorial Day, or the items will be donated to charity (or discarded).
- Please pay all your Library fines before leaving campus! You can pay your Library fines at the Circulation Desk (photocopying and printing charges are collected by the Business Office).
- If you won't be in Grundy this summer, we're only a phone call away! Give us a call – (276) 935-6688 or (800) 895-7411 – or send an e-mail to **reference@asl.edu** and we'll do our best to help you with any strange summer externship question that comes your way!
- We have a follow-up to a story we ran in February's *ASL Library News*: According to the *ABA Journal*, the grand jury did not return an indictment against one man who had been telling lawyer jokes outside a New York courtroom (charges against a second man had been dismissed earlier).
- Although this doesn't sound like a joking matter, it is a story you may have heard before: some students flunked their bar exam because they stopped to help out another ill test-taker. Like most urban legends, this one does have some basis in a true story. Apparently, one man in California did suffer an epileptic seizure during the bar exam, and the five students who stopped to help him were not given extra time to finish their exams. Bar officials explained later that they would grade only the other parts of the exam for those students involved, but not the portion they were working on during the disruption. The Bar was satisfied when out of the five "good Samaritans," two passed, which mirrored the 44% pass rate for that test. See all the details about this story at **<http://www.snopes.com/legal/legalaid.asp>**

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