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What's New in the Library?

- Join the Library in celebrating National Library Week from April 3 through April 7! On each of the first four days, we will have some increasingly-challenging puzzles available at the Circulation Desk (and on our web site). Turn in your answers before the deadline, and you will be eligible to win prizes donated by LexisNexis and Westlaw. The prize give-away will be held on Friday, April 7.
- As of press time, we had not finalized our exam access hours for this semester. We will, of course, post signs as finals approach, and we'll be sure to post the information to our web site.
- The Library will have modified hours on Sunday, April 16 (Easter). The Circulation and Reserve Desk will only be available from 2 pm to 6 pm. There will not be any reference assistance. Students with a valid ID will still have card access from 9 am to midnight.
- As a helpful reminder, please pay any Library fines before finals begin. We don't want to have to invoke our right to do mean and nasty things to people who don't pay, so be sure to get that taken care of as soon as possible!
- Thanks to all who participated in the Library Survey. It looks like we may have broken the record for "most participation"! If you haven't turned in your form yet, you still have a little time – it's due before the end of day on April 7 (Friday). We'll share some of the results with you in the May newsletter; the complete results will be available on our web site.

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Kandi Campbell joins us as our new Circulation Assistant. Kandi is a native of Buchanan County, having graduated from Garden High School (now Twin Valley) in 1995. She received her B.A. in Political Science from Berea College (Berea, KY) in 1999. She has one daughter, Ciara Noel.

For biographies of our other Library employees, visit our web site at <http://www.asl.edu/library/bios.php>

Other News

- It's time to "spring ahead" again on Sunday, April 2. Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour on that weekend. Next year, due to the "Energy Policy Act of 2005" (109 P.L. 58, codified at 15 U.S.C. 260a), we'll be changing our clocks on the second Sunday in March (so you'll likely lose an hour of Spring Break!).
- As finals loom ever closer, we want to remind everyone about the many resources we have available in the Library. There's CALI CDs that check out for three days, or register to use the online version with our authorization code **[not in online version!]** (which is case-sensitive, so watch the CAPS LOCK key!). There's Hornbooks and Nutshells for every class (and many more). There's the ever-popular "Examples & Explanations" series, and the "Understanding" series. We even still have those "required readings" from the first few weeks of school that you didn't ... uh ... quite get to reading yet. Check at the Circulation Desk for these and other study materials.
- April is tax season, and there's just no getting around it. And since your Final Four bracket picks have likely all been eliminated, why not spend some time perusing our tax collection on the first floor (KF6300s)? Or go online to <http://www.irs.gov/> where you can find endless amounts of tax forms and instruction manuals (including the ever-popular Form 4868, which is the four-month extension!). To find state tax forms, one helpful site is <http://taxsites.com/state.html> where you can pick the state you want ("Forms" is helpfully in bold for each state). If those resources don't help you, stop by our Reference Desk and we'll walk you through the CCH and BNA databases.
- We're big fans of proper spelling (and, thus, spell-checking word processing software), but this story proves that proofreading with your own eyes might be better for your practice. Apparently, one lawyer's spell-checker didn't recognize the wonderful Latin phrase *sua sponte* (which, although it sounds like an Italian pasta, means "of one's own accord," and is usually used when a court looks at an issue without it having been raised by any of the parties). Instead, the phrase was changed to the not-so-Latin "sea sponge."

So the opening brief had sentences like "It is well settled that a trial court must instruct sea sponge on any defense, including a mistake of fact defense." The lawyer did file a reply brief with a correction. No word yet on whether the sea sponge lobby plans a defamation action. (The original article appeared on [law.com](http://www.law.com).)

- This one's a few years old, but with so many people using the Library to finish off their research combined with the Easter holiday this month, it seemed too cute not to pass along. Check out "Peep Research: A Study of Small Fluffy Creatures and Library Usage" at http://www.millikin.edu/staley/fluff/peep_research.html

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