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What's New in the Library?

- The ASL Library will have extended exam hours beginning the night before finals. Starting Sunday, April 30, students with a valid ID card will be allowed to remain in the Library overnight. The 24-hour access period will end at midnight on Friday, May 12.
- On May 13, we will begin our "summer hours," which means we will be staffed fewer hours than during the academic year.

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

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

- Saturday, May 13 (Graduation)
- Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day)
- Friday, June 2 (Library staff training day)
- Monday, July 3 (Independence Day weekend holiday)
- Tuesday, 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). We'll also be around for reference questions, so give us a call (the phone number is (276) 935-6688).

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Congratulations, graduates!

Good luck with finals!

Have a great summer!

from the Library staff

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Other News

- Congratulations to all of our winners for National Library Week! The two grand prizes were awarded to Bryson Aldridge (3L) and Beth Stanley (staff). A complete list of prizes (and the puzzles) can be found on our web site at <http://www.asl.edu/library/nlw.php> Thanks to Lexis and Westlaw for donating prizes. If you somehow missed the fun this year, next year's celebration will be April 15 – 21.
- A few last-minute items:
 - Please be sure to pay all overdue fines before classes end!
 - If you have lost anything in the Library, check at the Circulation Desk. Anything not claimed by Memorial Day will be donated to charity (or discarded).
 - If you are not graduating, you should be able to extend your Lexis and Westlaw passwords for the summer. Check with Chris for instructions.
- **SHHHHH!** That's what your fellow students want us to tell you, based on the results of the 2006 student survey. We received a lot of complaints about the noise levels. Since finals are coming up, we'll be watching – and listening – more carefully, and do our best to make this more "library-like."

Another major complaint was our lack of enforcement of the "don't leave your stuff" rule. We've struggled with where to draw the line: we don't want to be so dictatorial as to throw people out of carrels if they step away for a quick bathroom or smoking break, yet we never expected students would "move in" and seemingly bring in all their worldly possessions. Unfortunately, there's very little likelihood of expanding our study space, so purchasing more carrels is not a realistic option. We have a few possible ideas that might end the complaints, so hopefully this will not be an ongoing issue next year.

And, for those who thought we hadn't noticed, we are in negotiations with some subcontractors to fix the leaky skylight.

Overall, though, the Library received good marks all around. There were some grumbles about the wild temperature fluctuations (it affects our offices too, so we're hoping that gets fixed), but most people were satisfied with our collection, our staff, and our services. We plan on taking the results – which you can read in full on our web site at <http://www.asl.edu/library/publications.php> – and using them to make improvements for next year. Thanks to all who offered suggestions.