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## What's New in the Library?

- During Thanksgiving, we will be modifying our hours. We will be closing the Library at noon on Wednesday, November 26, and it will remain closed through Thanksgiving Thursday. We will then offer access-only hours from 10 am to 7 pm on Friday, November 28, and on Saturday, November 29. Our Circulation Desk will re-open on Sunday, November 30 at its regular 9 am starting time.
- We will begin our extended exam hours right after Thanksgiving Break. Beginning the evening of Sunday, November 30, the Library will close at 2 am instead of midnight. Extended hours will run through the end of exams, until we close the building for Winter Break on Friday, December 12, at 5 pm.
- Westlaw training will be held during the first week of November. Reference Attorney Manager Jeremy Pischke will be training 1Ls on Monday, November 3, and Tuesday, November 4. He will also be holding some 2L/3L training on Wednesday, November 5 (we'll have sign-up sheets for the upper-level classes at the Circulation Desk).
- Now that exams are looming closer, we want to remind everyone about our group study room policies. We've now designated two specific rooms (202 and 210) as the rooms we'll use first to accommodate students who need to watch videos for a particular class. That means students using those rooms may be "bumped out" if necessary. We apologize for the inconvenience, but we're very limited with space and alternative options.

## Who's New in the Library?

Tiffany Hardy joins us as our new Serials Assistant. Tiffany was born in Virginia but raised in Florida. She moved back to Virginia in 2005, and graduated from Grundy Senior High School in 2007. She will receive her A.A.S. in Education in 2009. Tiffany has a son, Landon Alexander, who was born on August 12, 2008.

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

## Other News

- November 2 is the end of Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to "fall back" one hour before you go to bed that Saturday night .... one more hour of sleep!
- Then November 4 is Election Day. If you're registered to vote nearby, don't forget to take some time to cast your ballot!
- Since CALI lessons offer some great pre-exam practice in learning various areas of law, you're not helping yourself if you haven't created an account yet! Look for the link to CALI on our "Electronic Databases" web page. The CALI authorization code is **[not in online version!]** (and it is case-sensitive). You can also check out a DVD from the Circulation Desk for three days.
- We promise: this is the end of this saga (well, for now). The *Kennedy v. Louisiana* case we've been writing about all semester (the death penalty case) has been denied a full rehearing. The justices made a few modifications to their original opinion to pretend they knew all along about the not-cited-in-arguments federal statute.
- Lexis and Westlaw might not have all the answers. Sure, you expect to hear that from the book-loving librarians, and maybe your Legal Process professor, but the Chief Justice of the United States seems to think so too. In a recent speech in Iowa, he pointed out the necessity of critical thinking when preparing for argument. The thirty-minute lecture is available online at <http://tinyurl.com/cjroberts>
- The Chief Justice's speech was a little too late for one Iowa lawyer who found an Internet document too good not to reuse. He took the first twenty pages of the law-review-quality article and then added some introductory material to it explaining the facts in his case. The bankruptcy court was a bit surprised at the "extraordinary amount of research" in a fairly routine pleading and did a bit of investigating. Finding that the lawyer's "ethical shortcoming was in misrepresenting [the original authors'] work as his own, and not in failing to adequately disguise their authorship," the court required the lawyer to retake a professional responsibility class from a law school. Also interesting to note: the lawyer charged his client almost \$6000 for about twenty-five hours work on this pleading, which the court was quick to point out didn't quite add up. The case is *In re Burghoff*, 374 B.R. 681 (Bankr. N.D. Iowa 2007); we noticed it on the always-entertaining (despite the name) TaxProf Blog, at [http://taxprof.typepad.com/taxprof\\_blog/](http://taxprof.typepad.com/taxprof_blog/)

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