## **ASL LIBRARY NEWS**

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## What's New in the Library?

- The Library will offer extended exam access beginning on Sunday, April 17.
   Students will be able to enter the Library with a valid ID card until 2 am each evening. Extended access runs through the exam weeks, and ends on Friday, April 29, at 5 pm. Then the Library will be closed completely on Saturday, April 30, and Sunday, May 1.
- If it's April, that means it's time for National Library Week, which is April 11 through 15 this year. As in prior years, the Library will be presenting paper-based puzzles to test what you know (or can figure out!) about the law and libraries. You can pick up a puzzle each day (Monday through Thursday) or print them out from our web page. Turn them in for a chance on Friday to win prizes donated by Lexis and Westlaw. Due to our web site upgrades, the new URL is <a href="http://www.asl.edu/Library/Library-Services/National-Library-Week.html">http://www.asl.edu/Library/Library-Services/National-Library-Week.html</a> (follow the link from "Library Services").

Becky	Congratulations, graduates!	Glenna Kandi
Beth	Good luck with finals!	
Charlie	Have a great summer!	Michelle
Chris	nave a great summer:	Teresa
Elise	from the Library staff	Tiffany

• If you are not traveling far from Grundy this summer, we'll point out that the Library has a shorter summer schedule, which begins May 2. We generally have staff here Mondays through Fridays, 9 am to 5 pm. There will be slightly longer hours for card access: Monday through Friday, 8 am to 10 pm; Saturday, noon to 6 pm; and Sunday, 5 pm to 10 pm. We'll be closed completely on Commencement weekend (April 30/May 1), Memorial Day (May 30), and Independence Day (July 4). Stop by the Circulation Desk or check the web site for a copy of the summer schedule.

## **Other News**

- It's tax time! April is when most filers are required to provide the IRS with some documentation, even if it is only a request for an extension to file. Due to a mostly-unknown holiday outside DC, taxpayers get an extra few days to file, as Emancipation Day falls on Friday, April 15, and that closes the IRS headquarters. Therefore, taxes will be due on Monday, April 18. That means you have a few extra days to peruse the wealth uh, sorry of tax materials we have, including CCH's Standard Federal Tax Reporter and the Tax Management Portfolios (found in the KF6300s; ask at the Circulation Desk for help finding them).
- If you have received a note about an unpaid fine, please pay the fine (and return all your Library books!) before finals. We'll accept money Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm. If you have photocopy/printing fees, please pay the Business Office.
- Please check at the Circulation Desk if you have lost something during the school year. After Memorial Day, we're cleaning out! (We tend to donate materials to charity, unless it clearly deserves to be thrown out.)
- Don't forget to ensure your continued access to Lexis and Westlaw over the summer! Generally, the services drop into a "reduced" mode, only allowing a limited number of hours (or a limited number of databases) unless you extend your access by clicking on one of the links below.
  - Lexis offers password extensions to externs, law review staff, and recent graduates. The promo probably won't appear until mid-April; you'll see something that says "Summer Access" after logging in at http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/
  - Westlaw provides full access to externs and law review staff (and 5 hours each in June and July for new graduates). There will likely be a giant "box ad" on your Westlaw sign-in screen by the middle of April, but if you want to get there now, go to
    - http://lawschool.westlaw.com/registration/SummerExtension.aspx
- In March, we told our graduates to be looking for the "Bar Examination Resources" page, but we didn't have a specific address to give at press time. The new URL is http://www.asl.edu/Library/Library-Services/Bar-Examination-Resources.html we've posted links to state bar agencies, and provided links to any prior exams (and even answers, when available). In the Library, we have some helpful materials like past bar exams for some states (Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia), some sample multistate exams, and some general books on how to study for the all-important exam. Stop by the Circulation Desk for many of these items; for recommendations, ask at the Reference Desk!

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