

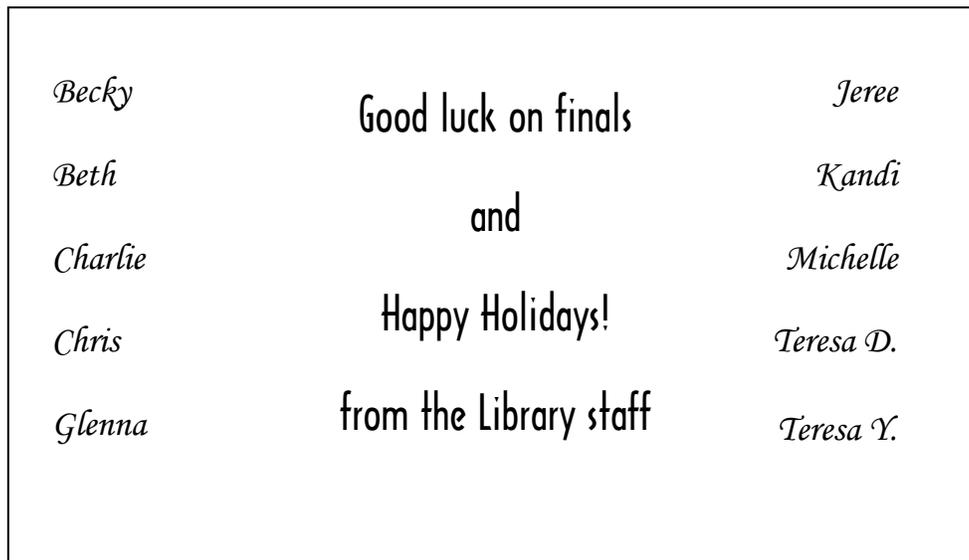
ASL LIBRARY NEWS

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What's New in the Library?

- **Exam Hours:** Now that finals are getting closer, we'll be extending our student access hours so late-night studiers have a little bit more time in the Library. Beginning the evening of Sunday, December 2 (technically, it's the morning of Monday, December 3), we'll stay open until 2 am. Please note that our Circulation/Reserve Desk hours will remain the same. We'll stay on the 2 am closing schedule until Friday, December 14, when we'll close at 5 pm.



- We'll have very limited hours during Winter Break. Generally, our Circulation/Reserve Desk will be open from 9 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday only, with no hours on the weekends. Student ID access will also be 9 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday. We'll be completely closed (with no ID access) on Friday, December 21; the entire week of December 24 through December 28; Monday, December 31; and Tuesday, January 1. We'll be starting up our normal school hours on Sunday, January 6. If you have questions about access during this time, be sure to ask at the Circulation Desk.

Other News

- If you've received a Library fines notice, please pay at the Circulation Desk anytime Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm, before the end of classes, or your grades may be withheld. Please also be sure to return all overdue Library books before the exam period begins.
- It's your last chance this semester to get signed up for CALI, the Center for Computer-Assisted Learning Instruction. The CALI folks (who, rather disappointingly, are not located in California) have put together almost 900 legal tutorials to help law students understand the complexities of various topics. We have DVDs to loan to those who have poor Internet connections at home, but if you'd rather have online access, you'll need to set up an account – and the account requires ASL's authorization code which is **[not in online version!]** [which is case-sensitive]. There's a new rule that you can't sign up with a Hotmail address, but your ASL e-mail account will work perfectly. If you have trouble signing up, stop by the Library and ask for Chris.
- Every year, the Judicial Conference of the United States looks at the federal court rules and updates them. This year's changes – which take effect on December 1 – only impact the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy. Most of the bankruptcy changes are "technical and conforming" amendments, but there's one new section setting out the requirements for documentation for a proof of claim on an open-ended consumer credit account (like credit card debt). Two of the criminal rules changes deal with international-type issues: one rule clarifies the location of the initial appearance of a foreign person extradited to the U.S. as the jurisdiction that sought the extradition; another rule allows the taking of pre-trial depositions outside the U.S. outside the defendant's presence in very limited circumstances. A new criminal rule (Rule 37), in the words of the drafting committee, "establishes procedures facilitating the remand of certain postjudgment motions filed after an appeal has been docketed in a case where the district court indicated it would grant the motion." To see the reports from the transmittal committee and the likely new rules, view the Administrative Office of the U.S. Court's web page at <http://www.uscourts.gov/RulesAndPolicies/rules/pending-rules.aspx>
- Over Winter Break, you may be daydreaming about your future legal job. If the thought of spending countless hours each week at a desk inside a stuffy office isn't encouraging you to finish your law degree, consider branching out like one attorney did: he took his love of Harley Davidson motorcycles and managed to carve out a niche law firm, which he details on his web site at <http://bikerlawblog.com/> (he spent the summer on an across-the-country trip, which he's currently blogging about, but there are hundreds of prior posts on safety education and motorcycle laws).

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