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We Was Robbed (Again)!

by Nonie Watt

For the eighth (that's right, eighth) consecutive year, the Law Library sponsored a team in the Monroe County Public Library's VITAL Quiz Bowl. The Quiz Bowl is an annual trivia contest with local area teams competing against each other in an effort to raise money to support the library's adult literacy program. Perry and the Masons (otherwise known as Juliet Smith, Dick Vaughan, Nonie Watt and making an impressive debut appearance, Laura Winninghoff) reluctantly faced the team from One World Enterprises, owners/employees from Lennie's and Pizza Express. I say reluctantly simply because they have a long record of winning games in the contest and we have a long record of losing them (see previous issues of *Res Ipsa Loquitur* for details).

We started out strong, correctly answering a virtual plethora of questions on topics ranging from James Dean to Jim Jones. Since our lead seemed rather commanding, we didn't worry much when One World came on at the end. Imagine our horror when the buzzer sounded and we found ourselves on the short end of a 130-125 score. Not to worry though, Quiz Fans. The Library's Associate Director, Linda Fariss, videotaped the contest. (She just loves these things!). Upon close examination of the tape, it was found we didn't lose—we tied. Never one to go down gracefully, we reported our findings to Quiz Bowl officials and were invited back the next night for a sudden-death playoff. One question—winner takes all. Here's the question: What U.S. President signed into law the bill that required warning labels on cigarette packages? Of course, we all knew the answer was LBJ but alas, we couldn't get our buzzers to work fast enough. For the second night in a row, we left the library with heads hung in absolute, yet gracious, disappointment.

On a cheerier note, congratulations are certainly in order for Professors Bob (Antonio) Heidt and Joe (Giuseppe) Hoffmann, members of La Forza Viola. Whipping through four opponents, their team went on to play in the final round of the tournament. Clearly at the top of their game on questions concerning septicaemia and black-legged kittiwakes, they ultimately fell in the closing minutes of the round to the team from Wonderlab. Perhaps they might consider tutoring Perry & Company before next year rolls around.

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New and Noteworthy: Spring Has Sprung!

It's that time of year again. The graduation display is up, 3L's are anxiously anticipating their first day "on the job," and the 1st and 2nd year law students are starting to realize that the end of law school comes sooner than you think. While the Office of Career Services will, no doubt, become your key resource in the job hunting process, the Law Library offers numerous tools that can assist you in planning your post-law school career.

In addition to the standard directories and guides (*Martindale-Hubbell*, *National Directory of Legal Employees*, etc.) found in the Reference Department, the Library has several titles in the Classified collection that might be helpful. Listed below are just a few.

Arron, Deborah L. *What You Can Do with a Law Degree: A Lawyer's Guide to Career Alternatives Inside, Outside and Around the Law*. Seattle: Nolo Press, 1999. [KF 297 .Z9 A77 1999]

JD Preferred!: Legal Career Alternatives. Washington, DC: Federal Reports, 1995. [KF 297 .J39 1995.]

Henslee, William D. *Entertainment Law Careers*. Chicago: American Bar Association, 1998. [KF 299 .E58 H4 1998]

Munneke, Gary A. and William D. Henslee. *Nonlegal Careers for Lawyers*. Chicago: American Bar Association, 1994. [KF 297 .M862 1994]

So You Want to Be a Lawyer: A Practical Guide to Law as a Career. New York: Bantam Doubleday Dell, 1994. [KF 297 .Z9 S6 1994]

Turnicky, Ann. *How to Get the Job You Want in a Law Firm*. New York: Wiley, 1997. [KF 297 .T875 1997]

Walton, Kimm Alayne. *Guerrilla Tactics for Getting the Legal Job of Your Dreams*. Chicago: Harcourt Brace Legal and Professional Publications, 1995. [KF 297 .W34 1995]

Williams, Philip C. *From Metropolis to Mayberry: A Lawyer's Guide to Small Town Law*

Practice. Chicago: American Bar Association, 1996. [KF 297 .W55 1996]

And finally, just in case reading these titles raises more questions than answers, you might want to look at T. D. Lewis' *The Law School Rules: 115 Easy Ways to Make the Challenges of Law School Seem Like "Small Stuff"* [K 184 .L49 1998], or better yet, Ralph Warner's *29 Reasons Not to Go to Law School* [KF 297.Z9 W33 1994].

Dick Vaughan
Acquisitions & Serials Control Librarian

ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR COMES TO AN END

As you read this article, you will be in the middle of finals, and possibly thinking ahead to the bar exam, a summer clerkship, a summer associate position, or just enjoying the summer on some ocean beach. For those of us here at the Law Library, summer means a more relaxed atmosphere (usually), easier time parking (usually, but maybe not this summer), lots of new books, and the American Association of Law Libraries annual meeting (this year in Washington, D.C.). It is a time of transition--of first relaxing from the pace of the school year, to settling into a different routine, building into the preparation for the new school year beginning in August. It makes us melancholy to see the 3rd year students leave, but it is exciting to see the new 1st year students in the fall.

All of this is to say, have a great summer! Good luck to those of you taking the bar exam. To those of you clerking, in summer associate positions, or just working in regular jobs, we hope you enjoy the summer in addition to all the hard work. We will look forward to seeing back in Bloomington in August.

Michael Maben
Cataloging Librarian

HUMAN RIGHTS RESEARCH ALERT

The European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms is the oldest human rights treaty in the world, and has served as a model for other, similar agreements, such as the Inter-American Convention on Human Rights. At the time the European Convention was adopted, it was applicable in all 17 states that were members of the Council of Europe. The most remarkable aspect to the treaty was that it established a European Court of Human Rights (as well as a European Human Rights Commission, which functioned as a court of first instance), and granted a right of petition to individuals.



For many years, the European Court of Human Rights faced a relatively small number of cases. However, today the Council of Europe comprises 40 member states with 750 million citizens. At the same time, the number and variety of topics forming the subject of individual complaints has grown too. As a result, the workload of the European Court has increased dramatically over the past ten years or so. In 1998 alone, the European Human Rights Commission received roughly 5000 complaints of human rights abuses.

In order to accommodate this increased caseload, the Convention was recently amended by a protocol that replaces the old, part-time judicial machinery with a permanent court of 40 members, one from each member-state. This new European Court of Human Rights was created last November, and is now in operation.

Human Rights researchers will find that these changes have brought changes in the publication of cases as well. Most importantly, official publication of decisions of the Court has apparently ceased. According to information distributed by the Council of Europe, "it will not be possible for the Court to send out copies of its judgments on a systematic basis." Presumably this statement refers to both *Series A: Judgments and Decisions* and *Series B: Pleadings, Oral Arguments, and Documents*. However, decisions of the new Court will be available on the Internet, at <http://www.dhcour.coe.fr>. For those without access

to the Internet, the Council of Europe will publish a monthly summary of case law. The Law Library will of course subscribe to this monthly newsletter, and researchers should keep in mind that the decisions of the new Court will still be available in print in the monthly case reporter, *European Human Rights Reports*. But for citation purposes, it will now be necessary to choose between a printed, unofficial source, and an official, electronic source.

Ralph Gaebler
International Law Librarian

Beyond Lexis and Westlaw: Online Full-text Journals and Newspapers

The Main Library subscribes to a number of databases with full-text journal and newspaper articles. These databases are accessible via the Internet from any computer connected to the I.U. Bloomington network. Just point your web browser to <http://www.indiana.edu/~libfind/>. You'll find multi-disciplinary databases, humanities and social sciences databases, sciences and medicine databases, and dictionaries, encyclopedias and literary texts. The reference department has created some databases guides, which are available at http://www.indiana.edu/~libugls/Publications/handouts_database.html. In addition to these guides, there is a searchable database for locating online full-text journals and newspapers at <http://www.indiana.edu/~librcsd/fulltext/>. Students and faculty working on interdisciplinary papers and articles will find these sources incredibly helpful, offering more non-legal material than Lexis and Westlaw.



Juliet C. Smith
Electronic Services Librarian

WORKING THE HALLS

Welcome! New Staff:

Linda Sievers, Director of Communications and Marketing

Happy April Birthdays to:



- Rebecca Bertoloni
- Meli on the 6th
- Prof. Pat Baude on the 7th
- Kim Bunge on the 8th
- Linda Fariss on the 13th
- Marjorie Young on the 16th
- Prof. Rob Fischman on the 17th
- Rolf Rockliff on the 23rd
- Juliet Casper Smith on the 23rd
- Jan Turner on the 25th
- Prof. David Williams on the 25th
- Prof. Val Nolan on the 28th

Happy May Birthdays to:

- Amanda Burnham on the 1st
- Ralph Gaebler on the 3rd
- Maryll Jones on the 6th
- Prof. Susan Stuart on the 6th
- Prof. Alysa Rollock on the 10th
- Jeanne Brown on the 19th
- Prof. Fred Cate on the 20th
- Prof. Don Gjerdingen on the 22nd

SEMESTER BREAK HOURS

MAY 8 - 16, 1999

MAY 8 SATURDAY 10:00 am. - 3:00 pm

MAY 9 SUNDAY 11:00 am. - 3:00 pm

MAY 10-14 MON.-FRI.

9:00 am - 5:00pm

MAY 15 SATURDAY CLOSED

MAY 16 SUNDAY 1:00 am - 6:00 pm

SUMMER HOURS

MAY 17 - AUGUST 7, 1999

SUNDAY 1:00 pm - 12:00 midnight

MON-THURS 8:00 am - 12:00 midnight

FRIDAY 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

SATURDAY 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

EXCEPTION: SUNDAY, JULY 4
CLOSED

A fond farewell and best wishes to Kelly Townes and Kathleen Austin as they move on to their new positions. Kathleen Austin will be leaving the Law School after graduation for a position in the University Real Estate Office. Kelly Townes has recently left the Law School to begin her job as Director of

The Suggestion Box

Suggestion: Have to go to Student Union to put money on access card. Place a campus access machine in Law School so that students can put money on their cards.

Response: You probably are not aware of this, but we used to have a card regenerator in the Law School. It was removed for lack of use! That was before making copies with a card was cheaper than using coins. The problem is that we do not own these machines, but have to request one from Communications Services. I will speak with them again this summer and perhaps something can be worked out for the fall. Thanks for your suggestion.