

# The Foggy Notion

News of the Hastings Law Library

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**W**elcome back to our returning students and a hearty HELLO to our new students. Those of you who are new can find the *Foggy Notion* in both paper and elec-tronic formats. The paper issue comes out as part of the Hastings Weekly at the beginning of each month. The electronic version, including older issues, is available via the Library's website at [www.uchastings.edu/library/foggynotion.htm](http://www.uchastings.edu/library/foggynotion.htm).

## Library & Reference Desk Hours

Normal Library hours are:

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Normal Reference Desk hours are:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Remember that the Reference Desk is where to go for help finding books and articles, or to get assistance with your research. Come see us.

## Summer Projects in the Library

While many of you were enjoying your summer vacation or working hard at summer employment, life just kept going on here at the Hastings Library. We completed quite a few projects:

The Library added some titles to the collection of 460 law-related videos. You can see a list of all the video titles we own

by asking to see the printout at the Circulation Desk or by searching HOPAC (the Hastings Online Public Access Catalog). Just enter the word "video" as a CALL NUMBER search and an alphabetical list will pop up. Videos may be checked out for 3 days.

Another project involved moving the labor law materials (KF3301 - 3580) in with the regular book collection. We no longer have a separate Labor Alcove; all the titles that were there have been put in call number order on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor (in the area directly above the Circulation Desk).

On the Library website, we created a new page for the LL.M. students and updated several research guides.

Vince Moyer, International Law Librarian, updated the International Environmental Research guide, and created a guide to computer network access at Hastings. Susan Nevelow Mart, Reference Librarian, made significant changes to the California Regulations & Administrative Law guide, and created a handout on legal referral agencies.

We have improved the email reference link on the Library's homepage. Email us any reference questions you might have.

Up in the LRC, Jeff Malch, the Computer Services Assistant, installed a new HP scanner for images along with easy-to-use Photoshop Elements software.

## Spotlight on...

### *Shepard's ...*

From its beginnings in 1873, Frank Shepard's idea has evolved into a tool that gives you the current status and prior history of a case, and also gives you links to all cases that have cited a particular case.

The Library subscribes to as many as 36 different Shepard's Citators but most of you will only be interested in the California and Federal citations for now.

There is only one copy of the Federal citations and it is found on the table by the Circulation Desk. The paper bound updates are held at the Circulation Desk.

The California citations can be found in four places in the Library. Three of those places are on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor: the Reserve Stacks (a.k.a. the California Room), the Kresge Reading Room (at the end of the long hall) and the table by the Circulation Desk (updates to the Shepard's at the table are held at the Circulation Desk).

There is also a complete copy of California Shepard's on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. It is part of the 5<sup>th</sup> Core Collection which is on left side of the floor as you exit the elevators.

## Activating Your Library Card

Your Hastings identification card also serves as a borrowing card in the Library. Before you can check anything out, present your card to the Circulation Desk so its barcode can be scanned

into the Library's system. You will need your I.D. card to check out books and course reserve items.

## Attention Macintosh Users

Do you need to convert a Mac file to Windows? The Conversion Plus software loaded on all computers in the LRC can be used to convert most Mac file types to a Windows compatible file.

Please note that heavily formatted documents will not convert as cleanly as ones more simply formatted.

## Articles of Interest

Kathleen M. Johnson, *The Case of General Augusto Pinochet: a Legal Research Guide*, 27 BROOK. J. INT'L L. 519-529 (2002).

Catherine L. Fisk, *Humiliation at Work*, 8 WM. & MARY J. WOMEN & L. 73 (2001).

Mariana Valverde, *Justice as Irony: a Queer Ethical Experiment*, 14 LAW & LIT. 85-102 (2002).

## Big Wigs

France's King Louis XIV started the wig fashion and it spread to England. The style of wigs grew more elaborate over time with bigger or longer wigs indicating higher status in life. A "bigwig" has now come to mean someone who thinks he's a real hotshot.

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