

# The Foggy Notion

News of the Hastings Law Library

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Welcome back to the 2Ls and 3Ls; greetings to the 1Ls and our new group of LL.M. students. This is the welcome issue of the *Foggy Notion*, the Library's newsletter.

The *Foggy Notion* is available in both paper and electronic formats. The paper issue comes out as part of the *Hastings Weekly* at the beginning of each month. Current and archived issues are also available in .pdf format from the [Library's homepage](http://www.uchastings.edu/library) at [www.uchastings.edu/library/ref/foggy.htm](http://www.uchastings.edu/library/ref/foggy.htm)

## Library Hours

Normal library hours are:

Monday - Friday	8:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM - 11:00 PM

The schedule for the Labor Day weekend is:

Friday, August 29	8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday, August 30	9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday, August 31	9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Monday, Sept. 1	9:00 AM - 11:00 PM

## How We Spent Our Summer (Who Said "Vacation"?)

We had a busy and productive summer here at the Hastings Law Library. Here is a sample of some of the projects we worked on while you all were

traveling, working or studying:

Two online tutorials were created by Reference Librarian, Susan Mart. One is on Shepardizing and the other is on using a digest. Link to them through the Library's homepage at [www.uchastings.edu/library](http://www.uchastings.edu/library), then click on Legal Research | Research Guides. We also updated and modified other research guides on that page.

Folks in the Serials/Documents department spent the summer updating the Library Catalog with the URLs of California hearings and other government documents, so that access to government information is just a click away.

The library currently subscribes to 24 newspapers (see list at end) and more than 1,150 newspapers were checked in to our collection during the summer.

Check out the New Books display near the Micrographics room and then pop into Micrographics and catch the gleam of the new microfiche cabinets. As part of the library beautification project, some library staff members got together and began a Flower Club to pay for a vase of flowers near the newspaper stand by the circulation desk.

Up in the LRC, Jeff Malch, the Computer Services Assistant, updated much of the software, including new versions of Adobe Photoshop and WordPerfect 11.

## Spotlight on...Library Services

**Need help? Ask us!:** The Reference Desk is located on the fourth floor of the library. The staff at the Reference Desk can assist in locating periodical articles and books on particular subjects, as well as help you identify unfamiliar citations and references.

Consult a librarian for advice in planning your library research; they are good sources of information on how to use the multiple research tools including subscription databases available in the library. Even if you don't have a question, stop by and say hello.

During the academic year, the Reference Desk is staffed according to the following schedule:

*Monday - Friday* 8:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.

*Saturday* 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

**Library Catalog:** The Hastings Library Catalog allows you to search by title, author, subject, or keyword; you can easily determine whether the item you are looking for is in our collection, where it is located, and if it is checked out to another library patron. Access the new web-based Catalog through the Internet at <http://library.uchastings.edu>.

**Borrowing items:** 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.

Law students can check-out most library materials for a month. Be sure to have your student ID card with you when you want to check-out anything. You can renew materials by presenting them to the Circulation Desk. If a book you need is checked-out to someone else, you can recall it by filling out a form at the Circulation Desk. When a recall is placed on a book, the loan period is reduced to one week.

## Newspapers to Read at Hastings

Al Aham  
California Bar Journal  
California Daily Opinion Service  
Christian Science Monitor  
Chronicle of Higher Education  
Daily Appellate Report  
Financial Times  
Guardian Weekly  
International Herald Tribune  
Jerusalem Post



Legal Times  
London Times  
Los Angeles Daily Journal  
Los Angeles Times  
National Law Journal  
New York Law Journal  
New York Times  
New York Review of Books  
Recorder  
Sacramento Bee  
San Francisco Chronicle  
San Francisco Daily Journal  
San Jose Mercury News  
Wall Street Journal

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