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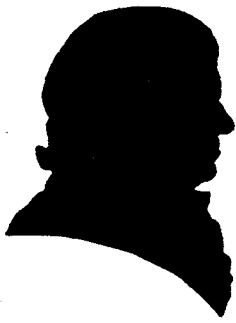
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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

During the December exam period several Library staff members, while carrying out their normal duties, were told by students taking an exam in the Library that the staff member was disturbing them. Students must be aware that Library operations do not come to a halt during the exam period. Books must be reshelfed, loose-leaf reporters must be filed and patron questions must be answered. Although the staff is aware that students may elect to take their exams in the Library and certainly try to keep noise to a minimum, all these activities generate some noise. If on going Library operations are distracting when taking an exam, students should consider taking their exams elsewhere in the building.

The Library recently authorized the use of approved spill-proof cups in the Library. The Public Services Fund designed the logo and is selling the cups for a cost \$7.00 each. Be sure to affix your name permanently to the cup so that your investment can be returned if misplaced. Cups purchased elsewhere although similar in design to those

sold by PSF are not approved for use in the Library. We hope students will support the PSF and its many worthwhile projects by purchasing a PSF spill-proof cup if they wish to bring drinks into the Library.

In December, several Library patrons asked about the policy concerning the use of personal laptop computers in the Library. At the time no policy existed concerning this issue. We consulted the SBA Board for their input in order to develop a policy which met the needs of all Law Library patrons. The resulting policy allows patrons to use personal laptop computers in one of the four carrels equipped with electric outlets. These carrels (103-106) are adjacent to the Permanent Learning Center on the second floor. Also available are the small typing rooms located on the first and second floors. Copies of the policy are available at the circulation desk.

...MR

IN BRIEF

Copycards. Copycards are necessary in order to use the laser printers in the Computer Lab. There is a copycard cashier on the wall in the Lab which will dispense the cards and add copies (which are ten cents per copy). NO REFUNDS will be given at the circulation desk. Students must make arrangements for refunds with the campus Computer Center.

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Library Lockers. Lockers are now available to law students on a semester rather than yearly basis. All lockers must be emptied and the key returned by the posted deadline each semester. Students may sign up for a

locker on a first come, first served basis starting at 8:00 a.m. on the first day of class. ...AF

Spill-Proof Cups: Spill-proof cups approved for use in the Library are now on sale by the Public Services Fund. Contact a member of PSF for times when cups may be purchased. ...MR

Carrel Policies. Please remember to properly check out materials to your carrel. This includes circulating books (both Swem and Law), non-circulating books (both unclassified and classified) and interlibrary loan materials. Although personal items are not allowed to be stored in a carrel, photocopies, computer printouts, and notes associated with a research project may be left in a file folder on the top shelf of reserved carrels. ...AF

BITS AND BYTES

COMPUTER LAB NOTES

The Computer Lab is owned and operated by the College of William & Mary Computer Center. As a courtesy to our students, the Law Library staff provides front-line software and technical support. Please feel free to continue to ask Law Library computer staff for assistance when using the Computer Lab. However, we ask that you observe the following guidelines:

1. To operate the LaserJet II printer you must purchase a Computer Center Vendamat card from the Vendamat cashier on the wall in the Computer Lab. The cards themselves cost \$1.00. To make copies you must add value to the card. Instructions for using the Vendamat cards are located next to each laser printer.
2. Do not use the Law Library copy card in the laser printer. They do not work and you WILL lose your card.

3. Do not ask Library staff members for refunds for bad copies from the laser printers.
4. All problems with the laser printer (bad copies, misfeeds, etc.) must be reported to the Computer Center. They plan to have someone in the Computer Lab each morning to add value back to Vendamat cards for bad copies. A schedule for these visits will be posted.
5. You can use resume paper in all the laser printers. Since the LaserJet II is the only printer equipped to print envelopes, anyone wanting to print envelopes has priority to use that terminal.
6. All terminals are connected to a printer EXCEPT terminals at stations #1, #2 and #3. Please use these terminals for drafting documents. Persons needing to print have priority to use the terminals connected to printers.
7. The Library computer staff consists of Mary Grace Hune, in the Reference Department, two paid student consultants, each working 12 hours a week, and several volunteer consultants covering additional times throughout the week. Mary Grace is available 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Schedules for the student and volunteer consultants will be posted in the Lab. The Library Computer Lab staff is available to offer assistance with students' word processing and CALI needs. We will also continue to offer weekly training classes for interested students. If you cannot reach a member of the Library's computer staff, please use the phone in the Lab to call the Computer Center User Support Hotline at 1-3002.

LEXIS AND WESTLAW NEWS

New Terminals. Mead Data Central has given us five additional LEXIS 2000

terminals. We have placed these terminals throughout the Library near strategic research centers. The Library staff calls these "point-of-use" terminals.

One terminal is next to the legal encyclopedias and A.L.R.'s. We anticipate that this terminal will be used to "LEXSEE" references found researching in these sets. Another terminal is in the basement for use by patrons doing research in foreign and international law materials. The third terminal is on the second floor for quick searches in state materials and law reviews. The fourth terminal is located in the Reference Room. We anticipate that this terminal will be used for quick reference research. The fifth "point-of-use" terminal is across from the two LION terminals on the first floor. The LION terminals provide electronic access to our cataloged book collection. The LEXIS terminal provides access to our "electronic collection". By researching from the LEXIS and LION terminals, theoretically, a researcher has access to 90% of the materials found in our library -- all from this desktop location. Watch this column in upcoming issues for research strategies using our "point-of-use" terminals.

Reminder. When an ink cartridge on a LEXIS or WESTLAW printer runs out while you are using it, please return it to the circulation desk for a replacement. **DO NOT** leave the empty cartridge on the desk for someone else to pick up.

1L CALR Training. LEXIS and WESTLAW training for first year law students will begin on February 4, 1991 in the Permanent Learning Center on the second floor of the Law Library. WESTLAW training will take place from February 4 through February 15. LEXIS training will take place from February 18 through March 1. All first year students are required to attend one CALR training session as part of their Legal Skills II class. We have several classes scheduled for second and third year students who want to brush

up on their LEXIS and WESTLAW skills before going to their summer jobs. Sign up sheets are at the circulation desk. ...MGH

THE LOAN ARRANGER

A note to all borrowers of interlibrary loan materials. When borrowing materials close to a holiday period, e.g. Thanksgiving or Spring Break, please take into account the time period you will be away. Interlibrary loan materials should ideally be returned before any vacation or requested just before you leave so that you will have the opportunity to use them upon your return.

We must try to avoid books "gathering dust" in the interlibrary loan retrieval box or becoming considerably overdue over the holiday. Goodwill is important in our relationships with other libraries and, in order to keep this, we must endeavor to return materials on time to the best of our ability. ...JP

TV OR NOT TV: THE LAW LIBRARY VIDEO COLLECTION

A valuable but relatively unmined resource at the Law Library is the collection of video tapes held on reserve. The majority of these are instructional in nature, but the collection also includes documentary films and feature films with legal or law related themes.

Instructional videos are primarily those which enhance legal skills, although some are substantive in nature. Sample legal skills titles include tapes on civil opening statement, principles of direct and cross examination, and summation to the jury. The Appellate Advocacy Series [KF9050 A66 VIDEO] takes the viewer through preparation and delivery of appellate oral argument, with comments from appellate judges and practitioners. A more recent title is Advocacy and the Art of Storytelling [KF 8915 A2 M66 1990 VIDEO], trial techniques from John D. Moody. One video which

combines technique and substantive law is Anatomy of a Libel Trial: Carol Burnett v. National Enquirer [KF228 B8A5 1983 VIDEO].

Documentary films cover a variety of law related areas. An outstanding series is Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years [Videorecording E185.615 E9 1986]. These films graphically document the often violent history of the major civil rights movement of the 1960's, and are especially hard hitting to those under 30. If you missed it on the news, watch these films.

The U.S. Supreme Court has been the subject of several documentaries. We have This Honorable Court [KF8742 T45 1988 VIDEO], an inside look at the history of the Court and how cases are assigned and decided. Another related film is Thurgood Marshall [KF8745 M34T8 VIDEO], a study of the life and career of Justice Marshall. Lawyers in general are studied in a film about professional responsibility among attorneys, Ethics on Trial [KF306 E846 1986 VIDEO].

Relatively new to the Law Library collection are several feature films on video with law related themes. Although these titles might well be used for instructional purposes, they are chosen for their entertainment value and as being of special interest to law students. Representative titles include the following:

Absence of Malice (Paul Newman, Sally Field)

Adam's Rib (Spencer Tracy, Katherine Hepburn)

Anatomy of a Murder (James Stewart)

And Justice for All (Al Pacino)

The Big Easy (Dennis Quaid, Ellen Barkin) [ON ORDER]

Body Heat (William Hurt, Kathleen Turner)

Breaker Morant (Mel Gibson)

Clarence Darrow (Henry Fonda's one man show)

Dial M for Murder (Grace Kelly. Alfred Hitchcock directs)

Dirty Harry (Clint Eastwood)

Gideon's Trumpet (Henry Fonda. Dramatization of Gideon v. Wainwright)

Helter Skelter (Chiller about the Manson trial) [ON ORDER]

Jagged Edge (Glenn Close, Jeff Bridges)

Judgment at Nuremberg (Spencer Tracy, Burt Lancaster)

Kramer vs. Kramer (Dustin Hoffman, Meryl Streep)

M (Fritz Lang classic)

Nuts (Barbara Streisand, Richard Dreyfuss)

Passion of Joan of Arc (Silent classic)

The Return of Martin Guerre (French classic)

Suspect (Dennis Quaid, Cher)

The Trial (Orson Welles directs)

The Verdict (Paul Newman)

All videos are available on reserve at the circulation desk, and may be checked out for 24 hours. Most are in VHS format, although a few of the older instructional tapes require a 3/4 inch playback machine, available upon request for use in the library. If you have suggestions for titles the Law Library should purchase for its series of feature films, or other titles on video, please contact Rick Buchanan in the Reference Department.

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