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BOOKWORMS BEWARE SAFETY TIPS WHILE STUDYING

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Crime appears to be on the rise at the law school. At least two students have been victims of theft in recent weeks. Most recently, 3L Travis Berry was walking to his car when he was attacked, and his backpack was stolen by a group of males.

The Law Library has been the scene of several incidents involving theft of student property. The library may seem like a second home to the many students that frequently use the facilities to study. It is important to remember that the library is not only open to TMSL students, faculty, staff, and members of the bar, but the general public as well. As finals approach, remember to take safety precautions when you are studying late in the Law Library. Don't be a target. Follow the safety tips that have been provided for you to aid in ensuring your safety.

SAFETY TIPS

1. Do not leave belongings unattended.
2. Do not walk to your car alone.
3. Report any suspicious activity to the Circulation Desk and campus police at (713) 313-7000.
4. Park in well lit areas.
5. Be aware of your surroundings at all times.



REMINDER

All books are due by Monday, November 20, 2006.

Law Librarians Visit Jones McClure Publishing

Several of the law librarians had to opportunity to visit Jones McClure Publishing to tour their facilities and learn more about their latest products. After the tour, the participants we were delighted to hear from Judge Michol O'Connor herself and her son and President, Baird Craft, as well as Jason Wilson, Executive Editor. They spoke about the company's beginnings, expansion and the philosophy behind its highly successful legal publications.

Jones McClure Publishing are publishers of the O'Connor's Litigation series. Since the first edition of O'Connor's Texas Rules, Civil Trials in 1992, Jones McClure has upheld their tradition of publishing books for the practicing attorney. The highly condensed, easy too read format also makes it a favorite of students enrolled in Texas Practice.

The company is continuing its tradition of catering to the practicing attorney. The librarians were provided with one of their latest products, the Texas Pretrial Deadlines Calculator which works like a slide rule. It can be used to keep track of such things as discovery responses, service dates, and other key pretrial dates. Jones McClure is continuing to expand its line of products to cover more areas of law practice.



Houston Public Library—Central Library Renovation

On April 3, 2006, the Houston Public Library's Central Library located at 500 McKinney in Downtown Houston closed to the public in order to undergo a 14.9 million dollar renovation which is expected to take two years to complete. Library services will continue via neighborhood libraries and the Houston Public Library (HPL) Express located at 500 McKinney in the Julia Ideson Building. The hours of operation will be: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The renovation project is the largest of its kind within any library system. Improvements include: updating the information technology infrastructure, rebuilding the plaza in front of the Jesse Jones Building, and expanding and improving the space for children's and teen's services, replacing carpet and furniture, updating building to comply with American with Disability (ADA) standards, installing an integrated signage system. For more information on the renovation project, visit http://hpl.lib.tx.us/planning/central_ren.htm.



THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY HOURS 2006 – 2007

Thanksgiving

Monday, Nov. 20 – Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2006.....7 A.M. – Midnight

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2006.....7 A.M. – 7 P.M.

Thursday, Nov. 23 & Friday, Nov. 24, 2006.....CLOSED

Saturday, Nov 25, 2006.....9 A.M. – 10 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 26, 2006.....Noon – Midnight

Christmas

Friday, Dec. 8, 2006.....7 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Saturday, Dec. 9 & Sunday, Dec. 10, 2006.....CLOSED

Monday, Dec. 11 – Friday, Dec. 15, 2006.....8 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Saturday, Dec. 16 & Sunday, Dec. 17, 2006.....CLOSED

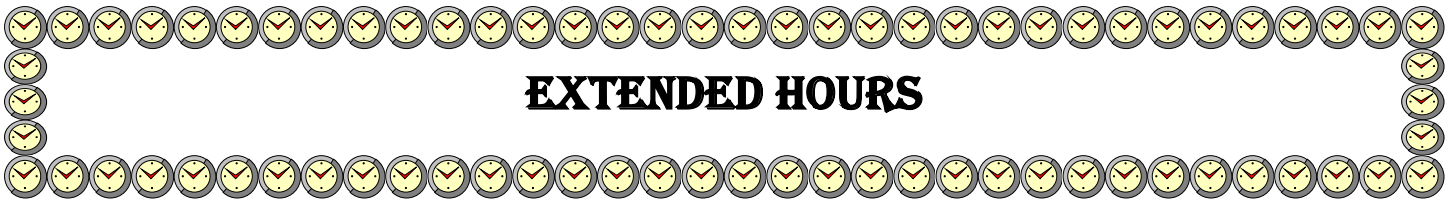
Monday, Dec. 18 – Friday, Dec. 22, 2006.....8 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2006 – Monday, Jan. 1, 2007.....CLOSED

Tuesday, Jan. 2 – Friday, Jan. 5, 2007.....8 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Saturday, Jan. 6 & Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007.....CLOSED

***Monday January 8, 2007 classes begin and regular hours resume.**



EXTENDED HOURS

The Law Library will offer extended hours during the final exam period. Study an additional two hours after the library's regular closing time. Extended hours will be in effect Saturday, November 25, 2006 to Thursday, December 7, 2006. The hours are as follows:

Monday—Thursday 2:00 a.m.

Friday & Saturday 12:00 p.m.

Sunday 2:00 a.m.



Season's Greetings from the TMSL Library Staff

Marshall News is a publication of the Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library. A copy of the newsletter may be retrieved from the Law Library web page at: www.tsulaw.edu. Please send all comments to: DeCarlous Spearman, Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library, 3100 Cleburne, Houston, Texas 77004.



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