On Display: Meet the Candidates

Mrs. Nanette Collins, the Reference Librarian is in charge of the display case and its theme from month to month. This month she has chosen to display the Dean Candidates that are vying for the vacant Dean position at the law school. Texas Southern University narrowed the candidates down to four candidates, Dannye Holley, Interim Dean, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Jeremy Levitt, Associate Dean for International Programs at Florida A&M University School of Law, Alfred Mathewson, Professor of Law and Director of UNM Africana Studies Program at University of New Mexico Law School, and Beverly I. Moran, Professor of Law at Vanderbilt University. Each candidate will be visiting the campus next week to tour the campus and field questions from students, faculty and staff. The candidate’s credentials, publications and visit dates are posted in the display case for your viewing. Please stop by and view the display case and take down the dates that each candidate will visit. It is vital that we participate in each candidate’s visit. The new dean will be the torch bearer for the law school for years to come.

Summer Access To Westlaw and Lexis Nexis

CONTINUING STUDENTS
Full Summer Access for Educational Purposes:
• Summer School
• School-Related Research Assignment
• Moot Court Research
• Law Review/Journal Research

• Professor's Research Assistant
• Unpaid Internship/Externship
• Bar Review
• Non-Profit Externship (Lexis only)

You cannot use your Law School LEXIS AND WESTLAW access for summer employment.

MAY GRADUATES
LEXIS/NEXIS: Eligible for summer access up until August 1, 2010.
WESTLAW: Full access for two hours per month during June and July; Access to Career Services for 12 MONTHS after graduation.

MARSHALL NEWS is the newsletter of record for the Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library. It serves the campus of Texas Southern University and the surrounding community. TMSL Library boasts a staff of 8 professional librarians and 6 support staff.

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Clerkship Crash Course in Legal Research

The Law Library hosted its Fourth Annual Clerkship Crash Course in Legal Research on Saturday, March 27, 2010. This year’s theme was “Tools of the Trade.” Through the course, students sharpened their research skills in preparation for summer clerkships and jobs. The crash course reviewed techniques taught during the law students’ first year and provided detailed analysis of specific legal research strategies and resources. The course presented a legal problem and solved it using Texas law. Westlaw and Lexis Nexis representatives shared tips on cost-effective research. They also sponsored breakfast and lunch. And each student received a combined 900 points toward their Lexis and Westlaw accounts. Lastly, attendees received a booklet for future review. Visit the Circulation Desk if you would like a copy.

Keeping Your Brain Trained...

As the law school semester concludes and the summer vacation period arrives many law students want to forget the grind of law school and enjoy their summer. While your brain does need a break from the rigors of reading and briefing one still needs to find a happy medium in order to preserve the strength you acquired during the school year. Just as any other muscle your brain must be trained and the moment you allow it to take too much of a break you lose everything you gained. In the sport of tennis it is said for everyday you take off of the court it takes that many days just to get back the muscle retention you lost.

This summer as you take your break, if you are in the Houston area, utilize our law library and check out books on subjects that interest you. Read law review articles and catch up on trending topics in the legal world or even read in advance for some of the classes you have enrolled in next semester. Give your brain a break but exercise it to keep it alert and in working order so that when you return in the fall it will not take you a whole month to get back into the groove of law school rigors. For our summer hours check our back page. We look forward to seeing you guys.

Cynthia K. Davis, Law Library Office Manager

Cynthia K. Davis is the Law Library Office Manager. In that role she manages all library acquisitions which entails keeping track of all of the library expenditures, payments and ordering. Ms. Davis is always visible around the law school whether she is taking pictures at law school events, setting up, or serving in any capacity that benefits the law school. Ms. Davis is also well known by all law library work-study students because she oversees all students timesheets.

Ms. Davis enjoys being with family, sewing, cooking, and various other pastimes. She is like the mother of the library staff making sure that everyone is taken care of and things are in order. Ms. Davis firmly believes that anything that is going to be done should be done right and done with integrity and perfection. Ms. Cynthia K. Davis is the law library’s staff spotlight.
The civil rights movement is not limited to gender or race
These individuals made a difference
In time and space
To truly know what civil rights mean
You have to look at the contributor
To see what they’ve seen
In order to do this
Perhaps I should name a few
Look at their accomplishments
And their point of view
Ida B. Wells a strong woman who never flinched
Especially when it come to protecting black men from being lynched
Carter G. Woodson an author and much more
Was tired of the Miseducation of Negros
And decided to write a book to overcome these woes
Freddy D., a slave himself, he educated on
Right from wrong, good and bad
He did it with great conviction and gave it all he had
He explained the evil of slavery and how it made him mad
W.E.B. Dubois, where do I begin?
He founded the NAACP and believer in the top ten
The first black graduate from Harvard University
Also found time to join Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity
James Weldon Johnson, the composer of “Lift Every Voice and Sing”
Also wrote poetry among other things
Such as, contributor of the Harlem Renaissance
Of which we are fully aware of its ambience
(cont. on pg. 4)
To Name A Few (cont.), by Yvonne Berry

Rosa Parks, the Queen of Bus Boycott
All because she had to sit in a particular spot
Cesar Chavez, a Mexican descendant
Working for farmer’s rights, his time was well spent
Protecting the rights of those who pick fruit off of a tree
He unfortunately passed in 1993
Malcolm X, a Muslim of the Nation of Islam
Determined the path he was taking was wrong
He believed integration was now okay but
“by whatever means necessary “should stay
The Black Panthers taught black power and pride
They would get their shotguns and ride
While wearing leather jacket and fist in the air
Those brothers didn't care
What the police or other thought
They went after injustice and it was sought
I have to wrap up because I can go on forever
However,
I can’t leave without mentioning this man’s endeavor
He wrote a letter while in a Birmingham jail
And after bail,
He orchestrated the March on Washington
To give a speech right here and then
He discussed a dream of cohesive black and white men
At this point you should know the name
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
The father of civil rights
Never stopped believing in equality of all
Injustice rang and he answered the call
I hope these few name can shed light
On the importance of civil rights
You should be able to walk away with your head held high
Knowing these people existed to help you and I.
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**TMSL Library Summer Hours**

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**Important Dates**

- May 14, 2010 - Last Day of Finals
- May 14, 2010 - Hooding
- May 15, 2010 - Commencement
- May 17, 2010 - First Day of Accelerated Summer (TURBO)
- May 28, 2010 - Last day of Turbo Classes
- May 29-30 - Reading Period
- May 31, 2010 - Memorial Day Holiday (Library Closed)
- June 3-4, 2010 - Final Examinations
- June 7, 2010 - First Day of Class - Regular Summer
- July 5, 2010 - Independence Day Observance (No Classes)
- July 30, 2010 - Last day of Classes
- August 2-4, 2010 - Reading Period (No Classes)
- August 5-6, 2010 - Final Examinations
- August 9-13, 2010 - Orientation
- August 16, 2010 - First Day of Class

*Please see library postings throughout the summer as hours may be adjusted for holidays or exam periods.*

**Effective May 17 to Aug 6**

**Mon - Thurs**
- 7 AM - 10 PM

**Friday**
- 7 AM - 8 PM

**Saturday**
- 9 AM - 8 PM

**Sunday**
- NOON - 8 PM