

Marshall News

CONGRATULATION GRADUATES

The TMSL Law Library staff extends its sincere *Congratulations and Best Wishes* to each graduating member of the Class of 2007.

As alumni of the law school, you will continue to have access to the law library. Your borrowing privileges will be limited to Reserve books that can be used for two hours in the library.

During the summer, you will also be able to check out library equipment as you study for the Bar Exam (e.g. Ethernet cards and head-phones), and you will have printing privileges for one semester.

Before the celebration gets underway , please return all overdue library materials. We want all our graduates to have a painless exit.



And the Winners Are ...

The TMSL Library is pleased to announce the winners of the 3rd Annual James Weldon Johnson Poetry Contest. This year thirteen law students submitted poems and four judges decided the winners.

If you have the opportunity, please take a moment to congratulate these students.

The winners are. . .

Grand Prize: 3 Day and 6 Day PMBR Course

Coming Together

by Danyahel Norris

2nd Prize: A Set of Texas O ' Connor ' s Civil Trials and Forms

Un"Till" He Gets Justice, He'll Have no Peace

by Davon Hatchett

3rd Prize: 2000 Points from Lexis

The Movement Continues

by LaShanda Lennon-Mosby

4th Prize: 1000 Points from Westlaw

Granddaddy's Story

by Brandy Bryan

Prizes were awarded at the Poetry Awards Open Mike, Friday April 27, 2007, in the law school cafeteria.

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Summer Hours

Effective May 14 to August 2, 2007

Monday - Thursday.....7 AM - 10 PM

Friday.....7 AM - 8 PM

Saturday.....9 AM - 8 PM

Sunday.....NOON - 8 PM

We're on the Web...

<http://www.tsu.edu/academics/law/library/index.asp>

Meet the New Staff Members



Jennifer Collins, Acquisitions Librarian

Jennifer Collins, no relation to Nanette Collins, joined our staff on April 1, 2007. Jennifer came to us from Houston Public Library where she was a Branch Manager for over 9 years. After graduating from Texas Women 's University, Jennifer started her library career following her mother who worked circulation at the Houston Public Library Heights Branch for sixteen years. After a lay-off in the 80' s , she was hired as a Children 's Librarian and worked in that position for 3 years. Unable to get a promotion without an MLIS, Jennifer went to library school at the University of North Texas.

Upon graduation she worked part-time at North Harris Montgomery Community College where she discovered a love for academic libraries. Since the job was only part-time, she also worked in the library at Hewitt Association which specialized in insurance law. She began looking

and secured the job at Houston Public after the company downsized twice.

Jennifer had been looking for an opportunity to return to an academic library for some time when she applied for the Acquisitions Librarian position here at TMSL.



Denise Cebrun, Cataloging Clerk

Denise joined the library staff in April as the Cataloging Clerk. Denise comes to our library with over 9 years of library experience having worked in the City of Houston and Harris County libraries.

Some of our students also recognize Denise from the Harris County District Attorneys Office and Harris County Community Supervision office where she had worked for the last 9 years. Although patrons don 't normally see catalogers, Denise is quite visual because she also works a swing shift on the Circulation Desk nights and weekends.

Denise 's present position requires a very accurate and thorough reviewer and she is an excellent person for the job given her precise workmanship.



Patrina Epperson, Loose-leaf Services Clerk

While enrolled at UH, Patrina got her first

taste of the library as an Interlibrary loan student-worker in the UH M.D. Anderson Library in 2001.

Upon graduation she returned to the library this time with Amigos Library Services following Tropical Storm Allison where she worked as a processing specialist and assisted in the UH Replacement project for the law library. Patrina felt the first-hand experience of acquired watching the university work through the crisis was irreplaceable. After helping in the completion of that project, Patrina felt destined to return to a law library.

When the opportunity arose to apply here, she jumped in and hasn't looked back. Patrina is currently starting the enrollment process to enter library school at the University of North Texas in the Fall. Another librarian in the making.

Law Library Staff Development

TEAMWORK

On March 22, the library staff completed its first staff development this semester. The session dealt with TEAMWORK, becoming a good team member.

We examined what type of team players we are. In a role reversal skit staff members where enlightened to discover how others saw them. We evaluated what type of team player we thought we were. Types included:

Coordinator, Shaper, Plant, Resource investigator, Implementer, Team worker, Completer, Monitor evaluator, or Specialist.

The members worked through a series of games including building bridges from hangers to help them focus on the attributes of true TEAMWORK to Take *Our Team* to the Next Level.

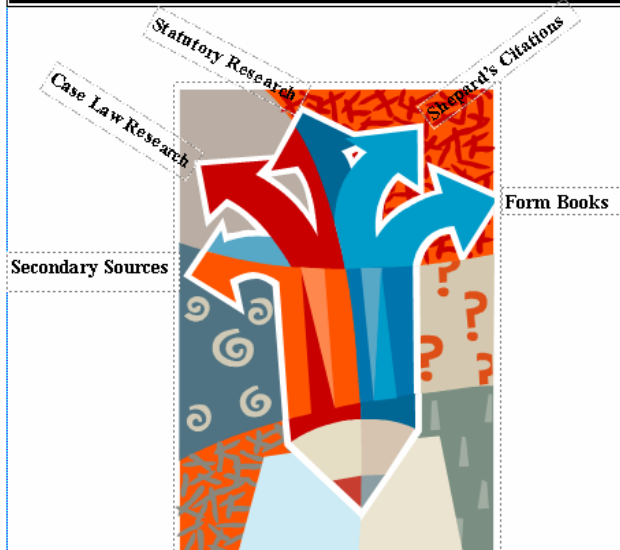


TEAMWORK Staff works at "Building Bridges"

Clerkship Crash Course in Legal Research

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library Presents

2ND ANNUAL
CLERKSHIP CRASH COURSE
IN LEGAL RESEARCH



The Law Library hosted its Second Annual Clerkship Crash Course in Legal Research Workshop on Saturday, April 14, 2007. The students in attendance brushed up their research skills in preparation for their summer clerkships and jobs.

Forty-two attended the Second Annual Clerkship Crash Course and the half-day presentation was well received by all participants.

If you signed up for the class but were unable to attend and haven't picked up a booklet please stop by the Circulation Desk and get a copy. They are being given out on a first come basis. Hurry the copies are running out.

The Law Library is looking forward to presenting the third annual class next Spring. Get your calendar ready!

Let the Games Begin

This year the Law Library added a monthly game series to our educational lineup for your learning pleasure. The games were designed to help students learn more about the law library and/or to improve your legal research skills and some games were *just for fun*.

Each month a new game was posted. The winners were:

February Black History Month Game

Joy Magee

March Spring Break Game

Charles Arnold

April Library Puzzle

The following students submitted completed

April puzzles with correct answers:

Ant Barnett

Bianca Castillo

Dante' Johnson

Danyahel Norris

Candice O'Neal

Pamela Patterson

Luvenia Sanchez

Pick up your prizes in the library office.

We hope all the participants enjoyed and learned from the games. We enjoyed providing them for your pleasure.

See you next Fall when the *Games will Begin, Again*.

THE LAW LIBRARY EXTENDS IT 'S SPECIAL WISHES TO OUR GRADUATING WORK-STUDY LIBRARY ASSISTANTS....



Alexis, Roselene

Booth, Amatullah

Brown, Edith

Brown II, Ronald

Carroll, Kena



Dorsey, Vallrie

Hameen, Nena

Hurd, Keito

Jasper, Kendralyn

Opande, Laban



Norris, Danyahel

Parks, Ebony

Saintcyr, Jessie

Zuor, Riang

**Good
Luck**

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Have A

Great Summer

Summer Access To Lexis, Westlaw and LoisLaw

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.

To Register for Summer Access:

LEXISNEXIS:

1. Go to www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool
2. Click on the link: Summer Access Register Now:
3. Check the "I Certify" box
4. Select a "Legitimate Use" from the drop-down menu
5. Click "Submit"

WESTLAW:

1. Go to <http://lawschool.westlaw.com/>.
2. Click the Registration box in the right column.
3. Complete the online registration.

LOISLAW has no restrictions on your summertime use, even in connection with your jobs. See any Librarian.

Access For Career Services Both Westlaw and Lexis can be used for Career Services during the summer.

MAY GRADUATES

LEXISNEXIS: Eligible for summer access if registered before August 1, 2007.

WESTLAW: Have full access for two hours per month during June and July; Access to career services for 12 MONTHS after graduation.

LOISLAW: free for six months after graduation.

LEXISONE: offers free resources to legal materials.

Loislaw: no restrictions on summertime use.