

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- Find out things you need to know to prepare for exams
- See highlights from the summer research experience survey
- Meet the librarian who just celebrated 35 years at ND
- Photos from inside the construction zone and of Halloween in the law school

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Letter from Ed Edmonds

We are quickly moving toward the end of the fall 2009 semester. For me and my colleagues in the Kresge Law Library, the end of this semester will mean that we are only one semester away from the completion of the renovation of the “old” law school. As the 2010 spring semester ends, we will be starting to move all of our print volumes and microforms into Biolchini Hall. This edition of the *Law Library News* contains some photographs of the construction site. The Reading Room ceiling has been finished, and I think the final renovated space will be spectacular. We will also be able to provide a significant number of group study rooms along with



Looking into the renovation of the Main Reading Room. (See more photos on page 4 and 6!)

carrels, tables, and comfortable seating for all of our students beginning in the summer. I want to thank our students for their understanding during the transi-

tion phase of this project.

One of the main challenges facing us in the Kresge Law Library is finding the proper balance be-

tween electronic access to information and the purchase of traditional print materials. During the transition period, most of our periodicals and reporters have been in “deep storage.” Those volumes are stored in a warehouse on Sample Street and are not accessible. Most of that material is available through electronic access, and we have been monitoring interlibrary loan requests for the titles that are not accessible through one of our databases. We are carefully analyzing the results of our experience over the 18-month transition period, and we expect to share our results with the larger law library community next year.

-Ed Edmonds

Bring on the Bluebook!

No, not that one . . . (Well, okay, you may need it, too.) But we’re talking about the Electronic Bluebook (EBB), which law students will be using shortly to take exams. EBB is a secure test-taking program that allows students to submit their exams electronically through the use of their own personal laptops (or ones checked out from the library)

instead of handwriting their responses in the traditional “bluebook” notebook. Most professors much prefer receiving typed responses instead of often hard to read handwriting. To date at Notre Dame Law School, more than 10,000 exams have been submitted using exam software. Be sure to check the exam schedule posted on various

bulletin boards around the building and available at http://www.nd.edu/~ndlaw/student_services/finalexamschedule.pdf for a list of exams for which EBB will be used. All students will need to download and install or re-install the EBB software and complete a trial exam before December 2nd.

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NEWS AND KUDOS
FROM THE LIBRARY
DEPARTMENTS



And that's the way it is . . .

Administrative Services

Ed recently visited Boston University as a member of the ABA site visitation team.

Access Services

In October, Carmela adopted a black lab puppy, who comes home with her in early November.

Research Services

Patti attended a two-day class on creating and editing book indexes at the University of Chicago's Graham School.

Technical Services

Joe Reimers and Amy Shirk traveled to Akron, Ohio to attend the annual [Eastern Great Lakes Innovative User Group](#) conference in September. Joe, an outgoing member of the IUG Steering Committee, gave a presentation titled "More than a Conference: How the IUG Can Help You!"

Amy recently adopted a dog from the [South Bend Animal Care and Control](#). He is a wire terrier mix named Norman.

Technology Services

The IT department has been busy gearing up for exams. Dan and Eric offered training on EBB software for students in early November.



ABOVE: Amy with Norman

Electronic Blue Book, continued from page 1

You may download EBB and find more information about EBB at this link (login required):

<http://law.nd.edu/student-life/student-services/exam-software>

Remember, even if you already had EBB installed, you must re-install the new version. The old

version will not function properly! Be sure to submit your "[Installation and Usage Verification](#)" form to Peter Horvath by 4:00 pm on December 2. This form is available in Room 1100 or online.

Good luck with exams!



Legal Research beyond the 1L Year... try the Advanced class!



Need a refresher of what was covered in the basic first-year Legal Research class? Want to learn more about searching for cases and statutes, as well as conducting research in legislative history and administrative law? If so, Advanced Legal Research is the class for you this spring semester. You will examine and gain experi-

ence researching all these materials using both print and online (Lexis, Westlaw, and free web sources). The advantages and disadvantages of online and print for each type of law will be examined as well.

The class is based on problems that are designed to represent the type of situations you will face in the work environment; we will discuss the best ap-

proach to solving the problems presented in each situation. We will also look at areas of the law outside the traditional categories (cases, statutes, and administrative law) and look at what the web has to offer the attorney in practice. Class grades are based on two graded projects and a final; each will require you to apply what you have learned to various situations.

-Warren Rees

Past Exams Available at the Law Library

Socrates once proclaimed "the unexamined life is not worth living." You may agree or disagree with Socrates regarding the worth of examination, however in law school final examinations are almost always a certainty. So if you have recently begun a quest for useful exam materials we hope you will consider utilizing those which faculty have made available to assist you in preparing for your final examinations. Past exams are currently available through the Kresge Law Library and are accessible in multiple online formats as well as in print collections on reserve depending upon each professor's preference.

Past exams available online

The law library website provides a convenient way to link to past exams of current law faculty who have chosen to provide electronic access through the law library for their materials. Through individual faculty agreement a number of faculty have made past exams available and it is possible to directly view them online. Beginning from the library homepage (<http://law.nd.edu/library-and-technology>) you must first click the "STUDENTS" link and then the "EXAMS ON FILE" link to access the exam page listings. You can also visit the exam website directly at <http://law.nd.edu/library-and-technology/students/past-exams>.

All exams are password protected so you will need to login with your university NetID and password as these exams are available for current students only. The exams are arranged by the name of the professor so in order to find an exam, select a faculty member's name and then login using your NetID and password to retrieve the list of available exams by class.

The following faculty members cur-

rently have materials available online:

[Joseph Bauer](#)
[Margaret Brinig](#)
[Lisa L. Casey](#)
[Fr. Coughlin](#)
[Lloyd Mayer](#)
[John Nagle](#)
[Charles Rice](#)
[John Robinson](#)
[Vince Rougeau](#)
[Jay Tidmarsh](#)
[Julian Velasco](#)

If your professor's name is not listed in the electronic collection, check with the circulation desk for print exam availability as hard copies may exist for that professor on reserve. (See below for details.)

Past exams available in print

The library also provides faculty approved exams on file for check-out for current law students. In order to view the full selection of current exams, stop by the circulation desk during operating hours. (See [page 10](#) of this newsletter or the library website for [library hours](#) during the fall semester.) At the circulation desk a full listing of available exams can be viewed from the blue reserve

binder which provides an alphabetical list of professors by last name and exact information as to whether a professor provides practice exams or not. Also listed are the subject and year of past exams, because multiple exams are possible.

Once you have identified that exam material is available you may request the complete folder for 2-hour check-out in order to make a photocopy. During occasions when student demand for exam materials is at its peak (usually immediately before and during exam week) extended access to past exams may be provided by the library to insure 24 hour access for photocopy purposes.

Socrates himself was known to propose many a question for his students but rarely provided an answer. However, you may be happy to know that both questions as well as answers may be available to assist you in your preparation. If you have any questions about print exam access please check with the law library circulation desk for details.

-Anita Lutz

Need to reserve a laptop?

Beginning Monday, November 23, the library Circulation Desk will take reservations for laptops that are on Reserve. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. During the exam period from Friday, December 11 through Friday, December 18, laptops will be available only for Electronic Bluebook and there will be no overnight circulation of the laptops. Because of the limited number of loaner laptops available, we request that you do not reserve a laptop as back up for your personal laptop. If you have any questions or would like to reserve a laptop, please ask one of the friendly librarians or staff at the Circulation desk!



Trick or Treat!

On Friday, October 30, the Fourth Annual Halloween Trick-or-Treating event for the children of the Law School community was held. Here are photos of a few of the costumes!

Photos courtesy of Rebecca Ward and Susan Good



Views from inside the Construction Zone



AT LEFT: A view of the mezzanine looking toward the former Center for Civil and Human Rights

AT RIGHT: This photo shows where the permanent Circulation desk will be (just behind the wall where it is in the temporary library space) and, on the right, the beginning of the special collections room.



Photos courtesy of Ed Edmonds

Off the Shelf ... A review of selected law library resources

Congressional Research Service (CRS) Reports

Have you ever wondered how Senators and Representatives stay informed about the multiple domestic and international issues which Congress addresses? In part, they rely upon their personal staff, but they also have access to an elite group of lawyers, economists, reference librarians, social, natural, and physical scientists, and other members of the Congressional Research Service (CRS).

CRS is organized into five interdisciplinary research divisions: American Law, Domestic Social Policy, Foreign Affairs, Defense and Trade, Government and Finance, Resources, Science, and Industry. Unlike the permanent committees of the House and Senate (e.g., House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, etc.) which study issues and recommend legislation, CRS is a nonpartisan institution. In sum, “[i]ts purpose is to inform, not to persuade.”¹ Consequently, CRS’ main responsibility is “...to ensure that Members of the House and Senate have available the best possible information and analysis on which to base the policy decisions that the American people have elected them to make.”² As a result of its dedication to this mission, CRS is well known for producing accurate, objective, balanced, and dependable reports on a wide range of issues, events, laws and government programs.

So, if you’re interested in a straightforward and comprehensive overview of the most pressing current and historical issues which Congress has faced, CRS Reports are a great place to start your research. In the past it was extremely difficult for members of the

public to obtain copies of CRS Reports. Happily, the internet has made CRS Reports far more accessible (although they are still not publicly distributed) than they used to be. For example, [Open CRS](#) provides direct access to all of the CRS Reports already in the public domain including these recent publications: [Afghanistan: Politics, Elections, and Government Performance](#), [Accelerated Vehicle Retirement for Fuel Economy: “Cash for Clunkers”](#), [Judge Sonia Sotomayor: Analysis of Selected Opinions](#), [Summary of Waxman-Markey Draft Greenhouse Gas Legislation](#). In addition to listing “Recent Reports” and allowing users to search for specific Reports or keywords, Open CRS also includes a [Featured Collections](#) page which links to other organizations (e.g., National Council for Science and the Environment) that have assembled collections of reports on the same topic (e.g., Biodiversity, Climate Change, Natural Resources, etc). The University of North Texas Libraries also includes a publicly accessible [CRS Reports Archive by Subject](#) which includes 78 subject divisions from A (Abortion – Aged – Agriculture – Air pollution – Animals) to W (Water pollution – Water Resources – Weapons Systems – Welfare – Women).

Nevertheless, many CRS Reports are not publicly available online. However, several subscription based services including [LexisNexis Congressional](#) also provide access to CRS Reports. Although LexisNexis Congressional’s CRS database (1916 – Present) is not exhaustive, it does include many CRS Reports that are not otherwise available. Additionally, LexisNexis Con-

gressional’s “Advanced Search Form” gives you far more control over your query (e.g., search by: keyword, title, subject, date, etc.) than the search interfaces available through Open CRS and other publicly accessible repositories of CRS Reports. See LexisNexis Congressional’s “[How do I access Congressional Research Service \(CRS\) Reports?](#)” page to learn more about Basic, Advanced, and Search by Number options.

For more information on CRS Reports as a whole (including a brief history of CRS and the campaign for public access to CRS Reports) see Stephen Young’s [Guide to CRS Reports on the Web](#) or one of your friendly Research Librarians!

-Chris O’Byrne

1. Ida A. Brudnick, [The Congressional Research Service and the American Legislative Process](#) 5 (Cong. Research Serv., CRS Report for Congress Order Code RL 33471, March 19, 2008).
2. *Id.* at 2.

ACTION ALERT!

Would you like more access to CRS Reports? The [Government Relations Office](#) of the American Association of Law Libraries recently posted an [Action Alert](#) asking people to write to their representatives in support of legislation that would require all of the CRS Reports, plus an index of these reports, to be made publicly available online. Indiana’s Senator Lugar is a co-sponsor of this bill ([S.Res. 118](#)). Check out the AALL’s [Action Alert](#) and consider adding your voice in support of this issue.

Results from the 2009 Summer Research Experience Survey

One hundred sixty-four Notre Dame Law School (NDLS) 2Ls and 3Ls responded to the 2009 Summer Research Experience Survey conducted from September 28 through October 9 by the Research Department. This annual survey helps the legal research instructors assess whether our students have the research skills to successfully compete with other law students in summer jobs. Legal research instructors, Ed Edmonds, Patti Ogden, Chris O'Byrne, Warren Rees, and Dwight King, are proud that, over the years, NDLS students have reported confidence in their research skills, with many rating them as being better than those of students from other schools.

Some highlights from the survey:

How much research did you do last summer?

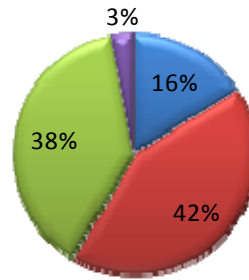
Large amount: 53%
Small Amount: 9%

Did you use Lexis or Westlaw?

Westlaw: 45%
Lexis: 13%
Both: 40%
Discouraged from using them: 10%

How do your research skills compare to those of your peers?

■ Much Better ■ Better ■ Same ■ Worse/Much Worse



What percentage of your research was done electronically?

Electronic (at least 70% of the time): 82%
Electronic exclusively: 21%

Did you use print sources?

State Statutes: 50%
Federal Statutes: 26%
Digests: 24%

Were you offered a permanent position by your summer employer?

Received an offer: 23% (37 respondents)

Were your research skills an important factor in getting the offer?

My research skills were an important factor: 35% (11 of the 37 respondents)

You may see all of the results and read additional student comments online:

[2009 Research Survey Results.](#)

-Dwight King

More views from inside the Construction Zone



These views of the Main Reading Room, both facing north, were taken in October 2009.

Photos courtesy of Ed Edmonds.



Library Profile: Carmela Kinslow

Carmela (“Carm”) Kinslow, a faculty member since 1990 and Associate Librarian with the Kresge Law Library since 2000, earned her B.S., M.L.S. and M.S.A degrees from Indiana University (Bloomington) and Notre Dame in 1987, 1989 and 1991 respectively.

As Head of Access Services her responsibilities include Circulation, Reserves, and Document delivery. Carm’s service to Notre Dame and the law library profession extend well beyond these duties, however. She also serves on the Administration Team determining policies and procedures for the law library, and over the years has been involved in many committees both at the Notre Dame Law School (including the Law Library Renovation Working Group, Law Library Web Page Committee, University Affirmative Action, and Juridical Review Committee) and through the American Association of Law Libraries (serving on the Diversity Committee, Mentor Committee, Awards Committee, as Chair of the Annual Meeting of the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries, and more). Carm has also authored articles entitled *Kathy Farmann: An Inspiring Woman Remembered*¹ and *Bridging the Gap: Electronic Document Delivery and Networked Information Sources*.²

Carm recalls being introduced to the world of libraries when she visited the Free Library of Philadelphia as a 6th grader to write a book report. Her concept of library patron service began with that experience; an introduction to the library as a place for accessing information, social interaction around desired materials, and being with friends all wrapped up in one. She continued to immerse herself in this environment during high school by volunteering in the school library, shelving books. At St. Joseph’s College in Philadelphia, Carm worked in the Library’s Technical Services Department as a student assistant processing materials, filing catalogue cards, and labeling, but it was at the Circulation Desk where Carm met Ken, her husband of 40 years.

Ken and Carm married in 1968. Right after their August honeymoon, they arrived at Notre Dame in their 1957 Chevy towing a brimming U-Haul truck behind them, in pursuit of Ken’s Ph.D in English-American Literature. Soon after, Carm was hired to



Carmela shortly after she first came to Notre Dame.



Carmela in front of the Hesburgh Library in the winter of 1969.

work for Angie Durso, the Notre Dame Life Sciences librarian. Carm left Notre Dame to teach fourth grade at St. Thomas grade school in Elkhart, Indiana from August 1969 to January 1970. Then life abruptly changed for the young couple when Ken was drafted just a few weeks before their son Kenny was born, in February 1970.

During Ken’s four year stint, the Kinslows were transferred to San Angelo, Texas; Monterey, California; and Berlin, Germany. After completing his tour, the family returned to Notre Dame in August 1974. Carm accepted a position in the Reference Department at the Hesburgh Library and worked there until 1979. It was during this time that her love for interlibrary loan work began.

With her outgoing personality coupled with a desire to serve, Public Services is Carm’s forte. To date, the most rewarding aspect of Carm’s current position as Head of Access Services is “the feeling of satisfaction and pride in providing patrons, whether students or faculty, with needed materials for their research, cite checking, or course work. I love working with people. I want the patrons to want to come back. In making the patron the focus of our attention and establishing rapport, a relationship is

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Congratulations



Carmela Kinslow

Serving the academic needs of faculty and students
at Notre Dame for
35 years

developed in giving them what they need.” And that is what is most important.

One of her specialties and favorite aspects of public services is Inter-Library Loan (ILL), which she first began in 1974 at the Hesburgh Library. Since then, Carmela has experienced the evolution of ILL services, from manual searches to the present day electronic searching in OCLC. “Being a part of the evolution in ILL services, along with the explosion of technology and resources, has been truly amazing” she says.

When a position opened at the Kresge Law Library that addressed the need for ILL activities and broader patron service, Carmela applied. Kathy Farmann, the Law Library Director at the time, hired Carmela to provide those services. In 1979, when Carmela transferred to the Law Library, there were virtually no Inter-Library Services offered at the time. Prior to Carmela’s arrival ILL statistics amounted to: 7 items loaned and 2 items borrowed. That is, 7 items were loaned out to other libraries, and 2 items were borrowed from other libraries for patrons. When the Library directorship changed hands to Roger Jacobs in 1985, patron service became a primary focus, as did data collection. This change

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was reflected in the ongoing incremental growth in ILL service and statistics. In 2008-2009, the ILL statistics were 1,456 borrowing requests and 1,221 lending requests.

Carmela, a surviving twin of triplets at birth, grew up in South Philly, Pennsylvania where she was the only girl in an Italian family of boys. She is known to be tenacious, outspoken, direct, passionate, compassionate, sensitive, and a person born with the desire to get things done and to make people happy. Being 100% Italian, she says “I like people to be as direct with me as I am with them. I like people with a sense of humor and I love to make people laugh.” But her real passion, she says, is food: from shopping for it and cooking it to serving it to her family and friends. When asked about the future and her aspirations, Carmela’s face lit up with a broad smile as she said, “I look forward to stepping into my ‘June Cleaver’ role. I already have the pearl necklace and the apron!” On a more serious note, she reminisced about going back to her volunteer work with Hospice of Saint Joseph County. And more immediately, she is looking forward to raising the new black lab puppy she and Ken just adopted and will be bringing home in November!

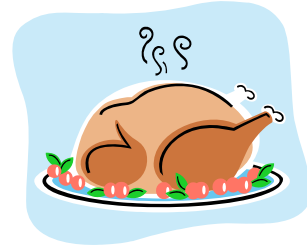
What is Carmela most proud of? “Being married to a good man for 41 years, my son, and working here at Notre Dame for 35 years!! I love Notre Dame and I am always proud to say that I am a librarian at the University Of Notre Dame. Every fall, when I hear the marching band chant ‘We are ND’ or ‘Here come the Irish,’ I get teary eyed and I feel so very proud to be a part of it all.”

-Susan Hamilton

1. Kinslow, Carmela. [“Kathy Farmann: An Inspiring Woman Remembered.”](#) *Notre Dame Lawyer* (Spring 2002): 26.
2. Kinslow, Carmela. [“Bridging the Gap: Electronic Document Delivery and Networked Information Sources.”](#) *Notre Dame Lawyer* (Spring 1998): 21.

Recipe Box

This recipe was shared by Warren Rees. He found it in a 1990 issue of Better Homes & Gardens and it has since become his family's favorite alternative to cranberry sauce for Thanksgiving Day.



Cherry-Thyme Sauce

Ingredients:

- 1 1/4 cups unsweetened cherry juice
- 3/4 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 cup dried cherries, snipped
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 tsp. dried thyme, crushed
- 1 tsp. white wine Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 to 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 4 teaspoon cornstarch

Directions:

In a small saucepan, stir together 1 cup cherry juice, chicken broth, dried cherries, onion, thyme, white wine Worcestershire sauce, sugar, and pepper. Bring to boiling over medium-high heat; reduce heat. Cover and simmer for 15 minutes. Stir together the 1/4 cup cherry juice and cornstarch. Stir into cherry mixture. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir 2 minutes more. Serve warm with turkey. Makes 2 cups.

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Schedule of Events

Home football games:

- vs. Navy November 7
- vs. Connecticut November 21

Thanksgiving break November 25-29

Last class day December 8

Exams December 11-19

Library Birthdays

- Mary Cowsert November 4
- Laurel Cochran November 11
- Patti Ogden December 8
- Joe Thomas December 13
- Dan Manier December 16
- Dave Thornton December 25

DECEMBER 2009

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The primary mission of the law library is to provide services and to acquire and organize legal information in support of the research and curricular goals of the Law School. It also supports the legal research requirements of the University community and provides legal information to appropriate members of the local community.

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Scott Hengert, *Audio-Visual Technician*

Library Hours

Fall semester hours:

Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Saturdays	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Sundays	10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving break hours:

Wed, Nov 25	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thurs, Nov 26	CLOSED
Fri, Nov 27	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov 28	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sun, Nov 29	10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Law Library News

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Send contributions, questions, or comments to Beth Given (given.1@nd.edu).