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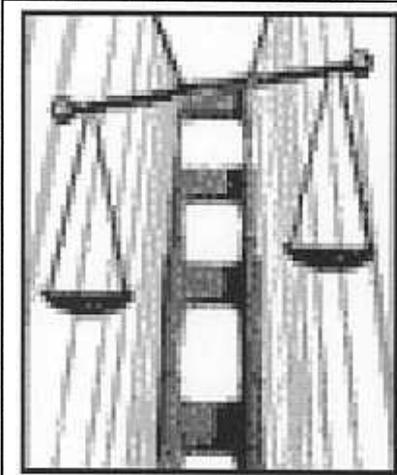


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G.G.U. Law Library News

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NEWS AND EVENTS

Lexis Tabletop Training

The Westlaw and Lexis representatives set up tables at the law school several times a semester to encourage students to use their databases and enter their contests. To add some substance to the enterprise, we tried something new in October. Using our laptop PC connected with a wireless network card, Lexis was able to have a live demonstration of new enhancements while they passed out candy and good will. The Plaza made a great place for students to gather and pick up some research pointers.

E-Filing in the Federal District Courts

The Northern District of California is the pilot for electronic filing in the 9th Circuit. All cases (except those dealing with Social Security, Bankruptcy or pro se litigants) that are assigned to Judges Walker, Wilken, Ware, Whyte, Fogel and Breyer, and Magistrate Judges Infante, Trumbull, Zimmerman and Seeborg will be designated for e-filing. Complaints are filled in the traditional manner and designated for e-filing at that time, and all subsequent filings must be submitted electronically. In order to participate, attorneys must register for e-filing with the court. Since registration takes about ten days, the court encourages all attorneys who practice in the federal courts to register for e-filing in advance. In November, Maryanne Gerber presented a CLE class for alumnae and faculty dealing with the new system.

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If anyone would like further information, they should contact her directly at extension 6520.

Law Review

As always, we are working closely with the Law Review this year to help research their issues and upgrade their equipment. Currently, we are assisting in the creation of their new web site. This is an exciting addition to our web presence and will feature live links to cited references from their articles to Westlaw. In January, Maryanne Gerber will present an overview for electronic citation checking to law review members.



Law Library Holiday Schedule:

From now until December 20th, the Law Library's hours will be:

Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 10:30pm

Saturday 9:00 am to 10:30pm

Sunday 10:00 am to 10:30pm

Important: Please note that the Law Library closes at 6:00pm on Friday, December 21st and will re-open on January 7th, 2002.



NEW RESOURCES

Matthew Bender's Authority on Demand Online!

New to the Law Library's online resources is *Matthew Bender's Authority on Demand* online. It is available on the two public computer terminals and on the government documents computer terminal in the law library. Just click on the icon labeled "Matthew Bender" and at the top of the page click on "Authority On Demand." From here, click on the link "Internet Access for Law Schools" and this opens up a new world of online Matthew Bender titles useful for legal research and writing.

Some of the titles accessible via *Matthew Bender's Authority on Demand* are: Administrative Law, Attorney's Dictionary of Medicine, Bender's Forms for Civil Practice, Bender on Admiralty, California Intellectual Property Handbook, Collier on Bankruptcy (15th ed. Revised), Environmental Law in Real Estate and Business Transactions, Labor & Employment Arbitration, Nimmer on Copyright, Rhoades & Langer U.S. International Taxation and Treaties, and Moore's Federal Practice – Criminal. These are *just* a few of the many titles available on *Matthew Bender's Authority on Demand*. Some of the titles mentioned above we also have in the paper version, such as Nimmer on Copyright. The availability of the online version gives law students an alternative format to use. This online subscription is made available to us complimentary of Matthew Bender/Lexis Publishing as a thank you for our regular subscription to Matthew Bender titles. Thanks to Matthew Bender/Lexis Publishing we have at our fingertips a wonderful online resource. Please encourage your students to come and explore *Matthew Bender Authority on Demand*. We think that they will be pleasantly surprised with the ease of use of this online resource and the wealth of titles available in full text that it offers.

Book Review

Hausmaninger, Herbert. *The Austrian Legal System*. The Hague ; London : Wien Manzschke Verlags - und Universitätsbuchhandlung [copublished with] Kluwer Law International, 2000.

Noted lecturer and professor of comparative law and Austrian law, Herbert Hausmaninger has produced a book which presents "a broad range of aspects of Austrian law and legal culture for the purpose of comparison with other legal systems." In this second and revised edition, Professor Hausmaninger covers the following topics: political history, the constitution and its sources, the interpretation of law, the political system, Austria and the the European Union, legal education and legal professions, the courts, administrative adjudication, constitutional review, fundamental rights, criminal procedure, the Austrian Civil Code, private law, labor law, and the civil law tradition. Hausmaninger acquaints "the foreign observer," that is the foreign legal scholar, with "some of the defining elements of Austrian law and legal development."

Suggestions for library materials may be made by contacting Marina Bacchetti, Acquisitions/Documents Librarian, at mbacchetti@ggu.edu or 415-442-6683.

Keyword Searching and Advanced Keyword Searching the Library Catalog With Millennium

The library's new Millennium interface allows for true keyword searching. A guide on keyword searching accompanies this issue. It gives clear explanations with examples. Easy to use, it is a ready reference tool to guide you in searching the online catalog more effectively. If you need additional assistance utilizing our online catalog, please contact Melodie Frances at mfrances@ggu.edu or 415-442-6686.



To all our readers: Here's wishing you a very happy holiday season and a great new year!