

## LIBRARY HOURS



The library will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. From Sunday, July 15 through Monday, July 23, the library will stay open until midnight to accommodate patrons studying for the bar exam. We wish you all every success!

For details, check the Legal Research Center web site at <http://www.sandiego.edu/lrc/about/hours.php>.

## LRC FACELIFT



Once again, the LRC is a construction zone this summer. Wall coverings are being replaced in the first floor information services area, the reading room, the group study rooms, and the atrium, and the rest rooms are being upgraded. Workers are doing their best to keep the disruption to a minimum, but there has been unavoidable noise, and occupants have had to go out of the library to use restroom facilities. Work is scheduled to be completed by the middle of July so that things will be back to normal by the last week before the summer bar exam.

## LRC LEADERSHIP BEGINS TRANSITION



As of July 1, LRC director Nancy Carol Carter is taking on additional responsibilities as the interim director of the Institute on International and Comparative Law for the 2007/2008 academic year. Professor Carter has also announced that this year will be her last as director of the LRC, after which she will begin her phased retirement from the School of Law. The law school will begin a nationwide search this year to find her successor. During the time that Professor Carter is directing the IICL, Associate Director Ruth Levor will assume increased responsibility for library management. Faculty concerns and requests can be addressed to her if Professor Carter is unavailable.

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## FAMILY JEWELS REPORT



The National Security Archive, an independent non-governmental research institute and library located at The George Washington University, is currently hosting the recently released Central Intelligence Agency documents detailing agency activities that were outside its legislative charter. Links to the documents, to media articles and reports, to a chronology of declassification efforts, and to the TOP TEN MOST INTERESTING "FAMILY JEWELS" are on the archive's site at <http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/NSAEBB/NSAEBB222/index.htm>. The top ten list includes information on journalist surveillance; covert mail opening; Watergate burglar and CIA operative Howard Hunt's request for a lock-picking device; the plot to poison Congo leader Patrice Lumumba; and Beatle John Lennon's financial contribution that was used to pay for anti-Vietnam-War activist Rennie Davis's travel expenses. Davis was linked to plans to disrupt the Republican Party's convention that was supposed to have been held in San Diego (the convention was moved to Miami because of a bribery scandal involving site selection). *Suggested by Sushila Selness, Head of Collection Services.*

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## SEARCHING SALLY IS BETTER THAN EVER



Our Technical Services team is always working behind the scenes to enhance our patrons' research experience. They have just completed a project with Marcive (a bibliographic and authority data vendor) to add enhanced table of contents notes to monographic records already in SALLY.

The inclusion of tables of contents in SALLY records has been a part of new cataloging for several years, but this project involved going back to enhance over 2,500 previously cataloged titles.

This enhancement allows you to search chapter titles as well as book titles. In addition, where available, names of chapter authors are entered into the keyword index, which means that you can do a keyword search for the name of a scholar who has written a chapter within a larger work.

The Marcive project also added over 6,500 summary notes, which summarize the content of the work, further enhancing keyword search ability. *Suggested by Loren Stamper, Head of Technical Services.*

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## ELECTRONIC POCKET PARTS



Most legal researchers have heard of The Yale Law Journal, but they may not know about The Yale Law Journal Pocket Part. The Pocket Part supplements the scholarship of The Yale Law Journal by providing original essays and responses to articles printed in the Journal. Users of this site, found at <http://www.thepocketpart.org/>, can also search the archive by topics, such as legislation, civil rights, or tort law, and they can submit pieces for publication consideration and contact the editors with more general queries and comments.

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