

LIBRARY HOURS



Finals study period hours begin on Wednesday, April 23, and continue through Thursday, May 8. During this period, the library will be open from 7:00 A.M. until midnight seven days a week.

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

SAIL INTO SUCCESS



The Legal Research Center, Career Services & Lawyering Skills Faculty present:

Sailing into Success: Tips on Preparing for your Summer Job!

This popular seminar provides students with much-needed advice and skills before going into their summer work experiences or first full time legal jobs. Some of the topics covered: a legal research skills refresher; advice about work assignments and questions that need to be asked of supervisors; and job etiquette. These tips and skills apply equally to students who will be working at large or small firms, government agencies, or public interest organizations.

We would be grateful if you would support this educational outreach event by announcing it in your classes. There will be two presentations: Tuesday, April 8, at 4:30 P.M. in Warren Hall Room 2A and Wednesday, April 9, at noon in Warren Hall Room 2B.

Submitted by John Adkins, Head of Public Services.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK AT THE LRC



First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. In the mid-1950s, research showed that Americans were spending less on books and more on radios, televisions and musical instruments. Concerned that Americans were reading less, a nonprofit citizen's organization called the National Book Committee was formed in 1954. The committee's goals were ambitious. They ranged from "encouraging people to read in their increasing leisure time" to "improving incomes and health" and "developing strong and happy family life." In 1957, the committee

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developed a plan for National Library Week based on the idea that once people were motivated to read, they would support and use libraries. The first National Library Week was observed in 1958 with the theme "Wake Up and Read!"

This month, on the 50th anniversary of that first celebration, the LRC will have special displays, both in the library and on our Web site honoring the occasion. Please stop by in person and virtually to help us commemorate the joy of reading.

SERVING TIME

Have you seen the U.S. Postal Service's stamp highlighting the importance of jury service? On its Commemorative Stamp Program Web site <http://pages.citebite.com/w1a6rov5i6pwp>, the USPS points out that the obligation of jury service,



shared by all eligible citizens, is a cornerstone of democracy in the United States. By showing a diverse group of twelve representative jurors in silhouette, art director Carl T. Herrman and stamp designer Lance Hidy emphasize that under the U.S. Constitution, the American jury system guarantees citizens the right to a trial by a jury of their peers.

The site also provides some historical insight:

An important basis of the American jury system can be found in legal procedures established in medieval England during the rule of King Henry II. At that time, new legal actions known as "assizes" brought 12 local men together to resolve questions over ownership and inheritance. ... Records show that English juries were often reluctant to convict accused felons in less serious cases, given the customary penalty of death. In this way, juries acquired the reputation of being protectors of individual liberty. Until 1825, the English government could in turn deprive jurors of their property and liberty if it determined they had returned an "untrue" verdict.

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Ray Bradbury

You must live feverishly in a library. Colleges are not going to do any good unless you are raised and live in a library every day of your life

Samuel Niger (American Yiddish author)

A good library is a place, a palace where the lofty spirits of all nations and generations meet.

Norman Cousins

A library ... is the delivery room for the birth of ideas—a place where history comes to life.

