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## **HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

The Rinn law library participated in university-wide celebration of diversity, human rights and black history to commemorate Dr. Martin

Luther King Jr., as part of the law school's special programming on Jan. 16. For the first time the law school suspended classes from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. that day to facilitate participation by law students & faculty. There were lectures, panel discussions with break out sessions and a luncheon. The documentary, *Citizen King*, was screened continuously in the Rare Book Room while documents related to the legislative history of the MLK federal holiday and a bibliography of Dr. King's works were displayed the law library.

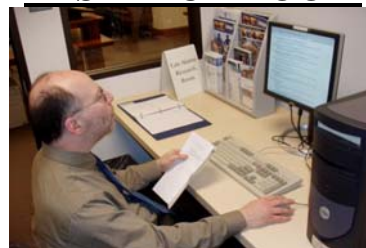


## **NEW ACQUISITION**

**BNA ONLINE** Allen Moye, Director of the Law Library, recently announced the acquisition of the Bureau of National Affairs *BNA-All Package*, which gives DePaul College of Law faculty and students access to more than one hundred titles in the BNA database. This includes government documents and analyst reports

on a wide range of topics including; antitrust, corporate law, health care, IP, international trade, securities, tax, and others. Access is available from a variety of platforms including Westlaw and Lexis, as well as the database listing on the library's website or by going directly to the [BNA webpage](#).

## **LAW LIBRARY ADDS ALUMNI RESEARCH ROOM**



The College of Law has created a space to allow those graduates who are members of the Alumni Association to conduct more in-depth legal research. The Rinn Law Library has set up a workstation that will provide internet access to over fifty law and law-related databases, including Global Newsbank, Hein On-Line, LegalTrac, and Westlaw's KeyCite. Users with their own Lexis or Westlaw passwords may use the workstation to access those services as their subscriptions allow. To use the workstation, you must be a member of the College of Law Alumni Association with a current alumni photo I.D. card.

For information on membership and benefits see;  
<http://alumni.depaul.edu/benefits/index.asp>



## Interlibrary Loan ONLINE

The Rinn Law Library's interlibrary loan (ILL) service is available to College of Law students, faculty and staff. The law library staff will attempt to borrow books, or obtain copies of journal articles that you need for academic research, when the items is not available at any [DePaul library](#), and cannot be borrowed by you directly from another [I-Share library](#).

To borrow a **BOOK** that is not available for loan at DePaul or any other I-Share library, use the [ILL Book Request Form](#).

To request a **JOURNAL ARTICLE** that is not available in the Rinn Law Library or [electronically](#) at the [University Libraries website](#), use the [ILL Article Request Form](#).

### **“THE EASY BUTTON” FOR LAW REVIEW SUBMISSIONS**



The law library is working with faculty and faculty services to explore a new procedure method for submitting faculty articles to law reviews and journals. The service is offered by Berkeley Electronic Press (BePress ) called “ExpressO”, and it is designed to make the process more efficient and cost effective. Faculty manuscripts are delivered almost simultaneously to anyone of 500+ law school reviews and journals, including the top 100, simply by uploading an electronic file. For a small per paper charge, BePress handles the delivery avoiding the hassles and expenses of photocopying, assembling, and mailing.”

<http://law.bepress.com/expresso/>



The [American Association of Law Libraries \(AALL\)](#) is holding its **Teach-In 2006** during National Library Week, April 2nd to 8th. The

Teach-In Committee has created a Resource Kit to help you host training events during that week, or at other times during the year. The Resource Kit includes instructional materials that integrate both traditional and electronic legal resources. To receive a kit contact Anita Carr ([anita.carr@thomson.com](mailto:anita.carr@thomson.com) ) before April 2nd, providing your name, address, institution, and phone number. One kit per institution is available free of charge.

### **BETA TO DVD CONVERSIONS**



As mentioned in the last newsletter, the law library has been converting our Beta & VHS videos to DVD format to facilitate use & borrowing. 20 + titles have been completed & cataloged. Some of these include old favorites like:

- Expert witnesses, cross examination and impeachment
- Expert witnesses [videorecording] Irving Younger
- Lawyering skills [videorecording]: model negotiation
- Scientific evidence [videorecording] / Irving Younger
- Trial techniques [videorecording]: products liability

To locate other DVD titles, go to the university library Online catalog (<http://www.lib.depaul.edu/> ) & in the “Advanced Search” set limits for “law library” & search for the term “DVD” in the “Note Words” field.

### **QUICK HELP WITH COMPUTER APPLICATIONS**

*“Technology Tutorials” FROM  
THE AECT PROJECT*

The Association for Educational Communications and Technology has ...” developed a set of over

150 "technology tutorials" that will soon cover all of the prerequisite skills and knowledge that our expert panels identify that teachers should have. These lessons take the form of short, animated tutorials that generally last from three to five minutes each, and because they are available through the Internet, they are available around the clock. There are 150 "lessons that take the form of short, animated tutorials that generally last three to five minutes each..." These would be valuable to any staff member looking for authoritative online training that they could easily access & use.

<http://aect.ed.psu.edu/viewlets/prerequisite.htm>

## INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM BRINGS LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY, SKILLS TO IRAQ



“A collaborative project between OCLC Online Computer Library Center and the International Human Rights Law Institute of DePaul University College of Law

recently brought together 12 Iraqi librarians for a training workshop on cataloging standards and technology in Amman, Jordan.... The project, "Raising the Bar: Legal Education Reform in Iraq," promotes democratic progress and economic recovery in Iraq through the support of legal educational reconstruction and reform. One focus is on providing technical and administrative support, along with the necessary resources, to repair the damage and neglect to the country's libraries and information technology services.”

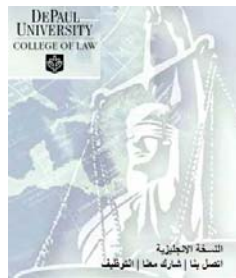
<http://www.oclc.org/news/releases/200516.htm>

## ARABIC LANGUAGE WEBSITE

The International Human Rights Law Institute has completed work on a website that provides Arabic-speakers with key international humanitarian law and international human rights law resources on the World Wide Web.

It can be accessed online at:

[www.law.depaul.edu/iharli/arabic](http://www.law.depaul.edu/iharli/arabic).



The website features: 1) an online searchable database of human rights contacts in the Middle East and the Arab world, and 2) direct access from IHRLI's Arabic homepage to the Arabic version of the

## University of Minnesota Human Rights

**Library.** This library houses one of the largest collections of more than ten thousand core human rights documents, including several hundred human rights treaties and other primary international human rights instruments. The site also provides access to thousands of links and a unique search device for multiple human rights sites.

Documents are available in five languages - Arabic, English, French, Russian, and Spanish.

<http://www.umn.edu/humanrts/>

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION



*The LAW LIBRARY of CONGRESS*

## The Trial of Saddam Hussein

The Law Library of Congress has established a website which is intended to provide the viewer with essential information related to the trials of Saddam Hussein. It also set out a selection of reference materials that will further explain important aspects of the trials. In making this selection, the Law Library of Congress does not endorse or attest to the authenticity of any such referenced materials or information.

<http://www.loc.gov/law/public/saddam/saddam.html>

## THOMAS Web Site Offers New Look and Easier Navigation



The THOMAS congressional information Web site available free from the

Library of Congress, (<http://thomas.loc.gov/>) has a new look, with features that improve site navigation

and make it easier for users to quickly find the information they are looking for. New THOMAS features include:

\*A left-side menu for quick access to major sections of the site. \*The ability to “browse” legislation by sponsor from the THOMAS home page.

\*Links in presidential nomination records to Senate hearings.

\*Links to the full text of treaties from treaty records.

### FirstGov.gov Goes Live with Vivísimo's Velocity Search Portal



“Vivísimo” announced that FirstGov.gov ( <http://firstgov.gov/> ) Will be using Vivísimo's Velocity web search platform. FirstGov.gov uses Velocity to selectively crawl government documents and Web pages, meta search government resources, and cluster all of the results into thematic categories... These capabilities, combined with an MSN search index more than five times larger than the old FirstGov.gov search index...”

<http://vivisimo.com/html/firstgov-20060124>



Late last year, as part of a speech unveiling the National Pandemic Influenza Strategy, President Bush announced the launch of a new web site, [PandemicFlu.gov](http://PandemicFlu.gov) which is intended to be the official U. S. Government Web site for information on the pandemic flu and avian (bird) flu. Initial agencies involved are Health and Human Services and the Department of Homeland Security. Other agencies are expected to participate by adding information within the coming months.



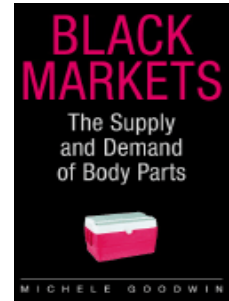
## RECENT LAW FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

### "Black Markets: The Supply & Demand of Body Parts"

Law Professor Michele Goodwin's forthcoming book, "Black Markets: The Supply & Demand of Body Parts," has been very well received by critics. Says Publisher's Weekly:

*"Goodwin sheds much needed light in this disturbing examination of yet another failure of the American health care system. To read more see;*

[http://www.law.depaul.edu/press%5Froom/goodwin\\_book.asp](http://www.law.depaul.edu/press%5Froom/goodwin_book.asp)

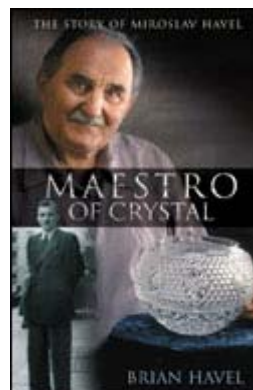


**"Iraq Beyond the Headlines"** "...In this illustrated 275-page book, Benjamin R. Foster and Karen Polinger Foster of Yale University and **Patty Gerstenblith** of DePaul University provide a concise

and readable account of Iraq's rich history..."

To read more see;  
<http://www.yale.edu/opa/newsr/05-12-22-02.all.html>

### "BEYOND" THE LAW



Professor Brian Havel, director of IALI and the International & Comparative Law program at the College of Law, also is the author of a best-selling biography about his father, **MAESTRO OF CRYSTAL: THE STORY OF MIROSLAV HAVEL**.

The book traces the journey of Miroslav Havel, a glassmaker who graduated from

the prestigious Academy of Art and Industrial Design in Prague, from his home in Czechoslovakia to Ireland, where he and a business partner revived the flagging Waterford Crystal company. Miroslav Havel not only refined the company's production processes, but his innovative design work gained worldwide acclaim when he created the chandeliers that adorn both Westminster Abbey and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. The book, which reached No. 1 on Ireland's bestseller's list, also is an informative first-person narrative from Brian Havel about his father's youth and being a foreigner in Ireland.

To read more see;  
[http://www.law.depaul.edu/alumni/dialogue/fall\\_2005.pdf](http://www.law.depaul.edu/alumni/dialogue/fall_2005.pdf)

Publisher's description at:

<http://www.currach.ie/catalogue.php?&ISBN=1-85607-930-9>

### "Inventing Late Night: Steve Allen and the Original Tonight Show"



By Ben Alba, Legal Writing Instructor


“INVENTING is indeed the operative term. Through winging it on live TV, Allen and his collaborators cheerfully pieced together “The Tonight Show” format, the most successful and enduring of any on television. Alba’s book pegs Allen as the innovator behind the opening monologue, celebrity interviews at the desk, roaming cameras and the insane stunts that have become standard fare for late night.”

See article by, Dan Ursini, law library staff member  
@ [http://www.law.depaul.edu/pdf/inventor\\_late\\_night.pdf](http://www.law.depaul.edu/pdf/inventor_late_night.pdf)



#### About Vincent G. Rinn

Mr. Rinn's career is a classic DePaul story. "He started with nothing, worked hard, and became very successful while remaining down-to-earth." According to his nephew Jack Owens, Mr. Rinn "was grateful to DePaul for the opportunity of having been able to attend and graduate from DePaul. DePaul gave him the opportunity to serve others through the fruits of his legal talent."

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