



# MOOT POINTS

NOTES FROM THE SARITA KENEDY EAST LAW LIBRARY

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## Library Hours and Schedule of Events

**Monday-Thursday**  
7am—12am

**Friday**  
7am—10pm

**Saturday**  
9am—10pm

**Sunday**  
10am—12am

View our “March” and “April” calendars online at [stmarytx.edu/law/library](http://stmarytx.edu/law/library), click “Monthly Calendar”

## Director’s Message



loan, or another activity. In the following pages, you will read about a staff member through an interview. You also will read about an exceptional customer service story by one of our librarians. I hope that you will enjoy reading this issue. As always, your comments and suggestions are welcomed.

*Bob Hu, Director and Professor of Law*

Greetings! Welcome to the spring issue of the newsletter. The mission of the Law Library is “to support the legal education and scholarship by providing outstanding service and information resources.” We take this mission seriously, and work hard to connect people – students, faculty, and others - to information and resources. On a daily basis, we endeavor not only to select and acquire the best information and resources available but also to offer the best customer service experience possible, no matter it is circulation, reference, instruction, interlibrary

## Meeting Garry Stillman

### Q: Tell me a little bit about collection development

A: Libraries today have to meet many challenges. Budget cuts and meeting curriculum needs of the law school, for example. One challenge is trying to maintain and build a collection that meets the changing needs and circumstances of today. You can think electronic vs. print and try to figure out how to balance the collection to meet the needs of the curriculum. I try to coordinate that effort in the collection development committee. One thing I like is working with my colleagues in this committee.

### Q: What else do you like about your job?

A: I’ve had over 20 years of experience at St. Mary’s in many jobs except cataloguing. The thing I like best is helping students, faculty, and other patrons meet their research needs. There is a new challenge everyday with the library visitors but their “A-ha!” moment of realization is a good sign that I have helped.

### Q: What are your favorite books or authors?

A: I like to read history, especially ancient Greek and Roman history. But I generally like all types of history. I’m not so big on fiction though I do like classics and enjoy Latin American literature and magical realism. Borges is my favorite fiction author.

### Q: What are some of your concerns regarding the cuts made by the State Legislature?

A: Well, in general, we’re living in an age of budget cuts. This is affecting education. Libraries in general have a real place in the education system of the state and the nation as a whole. We’re giving short shrift in preventing libraries from serving the students, our future leaders. I feel lucky to help them.

**Garry Stillman is the reference and collection development librarian at Sarita Kenedy East. He may be reached at 436-3436 ext. 1366 or by email at [gstillman@stmarytx.edu](mailto:gstillman@stmarytx.edu).**





## Recent Faculty Publications

by Liana Morales, Library Assistant

Congratulations to each of these professors and all the best for their continued scholarly achievement!



■ **Jeffrey Addicott**, Robert Gunn and Nathaniel Fulmer published “Radical Islam’s Manipulation of the Media” in *Terrorism Research & Analysis Project (TRAP): A Collection of Thoughts, Ideas, & Perspectives*, Vol. 1, edited by Andrew Bringuel (2011).



■ **Dorie Klein** published an article called “Rehabilitating Mental Disorder Evidence After Clark v. Arizona: Of Burdens, Presumptions, and the Right to Raise Reasonable Doubt” in *60 Case West. L. Rev.* 645 (2010).



■ **Bill Piatt** recently published a book chapter called “Attorney as Interpreter” in *The Latino/a Condition, A Critical Reader*, 2nd edition, edited by Richard Delgado and Jean Stefancic, New York University Press, 2011.



■ **Gerald S. Reamey** published “Innovation or Renovation in Criminal Procedure: Is the World Moving Toward a New Model of Adjudication?”, an article that appears in the *Arizona Journal of International and Comparative Law* (2010).



■ **Bernard D. Reams, Jr.** & Michael P. Forrest published “Financial Reform: A Legislative History of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act” in *Public Law No. 111-203* (2010) (15 vols. Bridge Publishing Group LLC, 2011).

## Exceptional Service Story: Katy Stein



By Liana Morales

Recently, a public patron sought the help of Katy Stein, faculty services librarian, who gladly assisted her with what she needed.

Ms. Stein directed her attention to statutes that inspired the patron to write to her legislator about drafting a bill to be introduced to the senate. Grateful, the public patron

warmly praised Katy for her guidance and research expertise.

She truly serves as an example of talented and service-oriented librarianship.

Katy has also been nominated as a Super-hero Librarian in a contest sponsored by Gale Publishing. The results will be released soon. Good luck, Katy!

## Our Library By the Numbers

Library transactions from January and February

Acquisitions and Cataloging: 3287 volumes, 434 titles

Circulation of Items/Times: 1707

Faculty Requests: 19 requests which took 44.5 hours to complete

Interlibrary Loans: 89

Schedule of Events

- March 22—Elisa Chan to Speak at Sarita Kenedy East Law Library Alumni Room



District 9 Representative Elisa Chan

Ms. Elisa Chan leads the City's efforts to develop economic and cultural relations with China. She will speak about San Antonio's China initiatives.



- March 25—Recommended China Summer Program Application Deadline

Apply today!

- April 8-9—Oyster Bake

Campus will close at 1pm in anticipation for the 95th annual Fiesta Oyster Bake Festival

- April 11—Senior Farewell

Law faculty and staff will bid farewell to graduating 3L students with a gathering in the Law School Plaza

- April 15—Battle of Flowers

Campus to close at 12pm for the annual fiesta Battle of Flowers parade in downtown San Antonio

- April 25-May 6—Final Exams

Good luck, students!



# March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Mardi Gras	9 Ash Wednesday	10	11	12
13 Daylight Savings	14	15	16	17	18	19 
20	21	22 Elisa Chan Speaks	23	24	25 China Program Recommended Deadline	26
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# April 2011

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3	4	5	6	7	8 Oyster Bake 2011	9
10	11 Senior Farewell	12	13	14	15 Battle of Flowers	16 
17 Palm Sunday	18	19	20	21	22 Good Friday	23
24 Easter	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>Final Exams</b>						

## References to Reference

by Garry Stillman

*"Morris [Cohen] was the last great scholar bibliographer of his generation in American law librarianship."* — Bob Berring, Professor of Law, University of California at Berkeley

Morris L. Cohen, director of the Yale University Law Library from 1981-1991, passed away in December 2010 at the age of 83. Even a cursory glance at any academic library's reference shelves (including our own) reveals his immense scholarly contributions to legal bibliography and legal research.

Professor Cohen's magnum opus contribution to legal scholarship is undoubtedly the six-volume ***Bibliography of Early American Law*** (located in our Reference Collection at **KF1. C58 1998**), a comprehensive bibliography of "monographic and trial literature of American law...from its beginning to the end of 1860." A CD-ROM version is available in our Audiovisual Collection at **KF1. C58 1998**.

Another major publication by Professor Cohen in our collection is ***A Guide to the Early Reports of the Supreme Court of the United States*** (Reference **KF 1010.8 C63 1995**), a compre-

hensive bibliographical and historical introduction to Volumes 1-90 of the United States Reports. An online version of this publication is available in the HeinOnline U.S. Supreme Court Library database (to access HeinOnline, please contact a reference librarian).

Professor Cohen's contributions to legal research literature are also significant. Perhaps his most notable publication in this area is a perennial favorite with law students and laypersons alike, ***Legal Research in a Nutshell*** (now in its 10th edition and located in our Reserve Collection at **KF240 .C63 2010**).

Morris Cohen will be missed and his contributions to the world of law librarianship and legal education will be long remembered.

**For further information on library resources, please contact a reference librarian by phone, email or in person.**

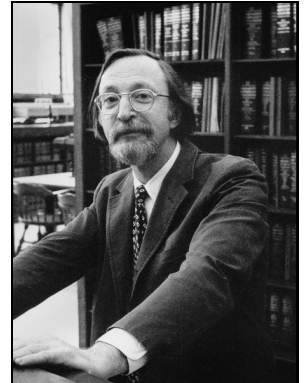


Photo of Morris Cohen in his library, courtesy of the New York Times website.



## Book Review: A Sword and a Shield

by Liana Morales

**A Sword and a Shield: China's Human Rights Lawyers**

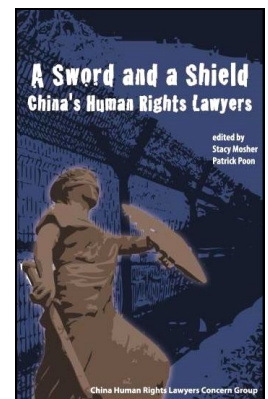
Edited by Stacy Mosher and Patrick Poon  
**General KNQ1630 .S96 2009**

It's shocking to realize just how many voices have been forcibly silenced in China's human rights effort. Most notably, its lawyers, who have devoted their lives to numerous underserved causes. Just reading the foreword is enough to compel any concerned reader to continue turning pages. The book covers several intriguing profiles of the most important rights defense lawyers and advocates in the great country of China. The book then provides an overview of how the Chinese legal system works and presents topical essays assessing its challenges and prospects. Any and all of this

book could prove to be a handy resource for research related to human rights law and legal representation.

Brought to publication by the China Human Rights Lawyers Concern Group, this book sheds light on perspective and political reality in China and gives definition to a relatively new term in Chinese law: "rights defense." I found it to be a quite informative and simultaneously moving collection of work written by devoted supporters of basic freedoms.

**Check out this book in our general collection stacks on the 2nd floor.**



## New Permanent Display: Study Abroad in China

Still wondering whether the China Summer Program is right for you? There are several reasons to sign up and it's not too late! To commemorate the 1st annual summer Institute on Chinese Law and Business and in anticipation of many more to come, the library has installed a new display. You can find the display on the second floor landing.

In it, you can view 10 good reasons why you should consider signing up for the China program, admire the group photos taken from the 2010 trip and imagine yourself in Beijing,

learning from great professors from our university and Beihang University in China.

Also featured are the course offerings for the 2011 trip and faculty photos. You'll also find different mementos adorning throughout as well as a Chinese zodiac chart, denoting 2011, year of the rabbit!

To learn more about the China program, please visit Professor Bob Hu in the library's administration office next to the Alumni Room. Time is running out, so don't delay!



## Popular Reading Book Review



By Liana Morales

**How to Argue and Win Every Time: At Home, At Work, In Court, Everywhere, Every Day**

Written by Garry Spence

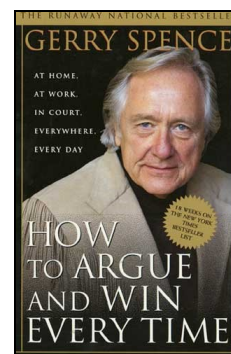
**Pop Reading BF637 .P4 S664 1995**

Have you ever been stuck in a situation that you couldn't argue yourself out of?

The author portends that life itself is but an argument—that argument is an art form. If this sounds harsh, do not be fooled. Gerry Spence makes for certain that this book has heart. In his introduction he muses that we, as a society,

have learned how to dominate people as things, but are severely hindered when relating to people as people. He himself has spent decades constructing cases that win while honing the power of honesty. Pick this book up, and you will be a better person for it.

**You can find this book in our Popular Reading section, located on the first floor of the library, near the entrance, next to the Rare Book Room.**



## Notable New Acquisition

By Liana Morales

**Lincoln's Counsel: Lessons from America's Most Persuasive Speaker**

Written by Arthur L. Rizer, III

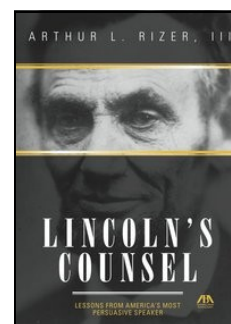
**General KF368 .L52 R59 2010**

Hot off the presses from the publishers at the American Bar Association is this book about Abraham Lincoln who, in many opinions, is a genius.

What's more, is he's a self-educated genius. This book serves as a handbook of practicing

law like Lincoln. It comes complete with chapters covering a brief history of his education, his trials and his career, helpful and entertaining tips with anecdotes, a rundown of what not to do in a courtroom and a chapter on the greatest closing argument ever made.

**Check out this book in our general collection stacks on the 2nd floor.**



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### Our Mission Statement

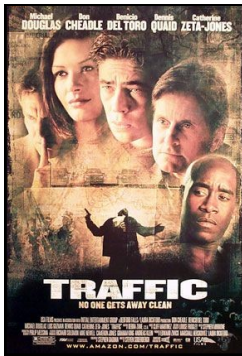
Sarita Kenedy East Law Library of St. Mary's University supports legal education and scholarship by providing outstanding service and information resources.

Our library is the winner of the American Institute of Architects Honor Award and the Texas Society of Architects Honor Award and is well-equipped with multimedia collections, labs, wireless Internet, and helpful, knowledgeable staff. Law students of the university have access to quiet study areas, 136 private carrels, 17 conference rooms, and two classrooms.

Come visit us or see us online.



## Legal Film Showcase



**By Liana Morales, Library Assistant**  
**Traffic (1997)**  
Directed by Steven Soderbergh  
**Film PN1997. T654 2008**

This movie is most arguably on the list for the best films of the 90s. A well-constructed, well-told, and hauntingly bleak depiction of the very real undertow of the narcotics trade in America and across the border. This only tells the story

of a limited group of individuals operating in the same realm, yet this film is based on real people. The scary thing is that these narratives will continue to exist the longer drug trafficking remains profitable. Who knows when the end is in sight?

Even though this film is now over 10 years old, its relevancy has not faded. In fact, it is more relevant than ever considering the current headlines about U.S.-Mexico relations. For a captivating and highly thought-provoking drama, you must see this movie.

## Now on Reserve!

**by Liana Morales**  
**The Offensive Internet**  
Edited by Saul Levmore and  
Martha C. Nussbaum  
**Reserve KF390.5 .C6 O344 2010**

This book is a collection of essays by contributors who offer eye-opening revelations about the Google Generation and the growing dangers of a society whose majority of time is spent on the Internet. Three important aspects of society fall into the balance: privacy, reputation, and speech. Anyone who is concerned about how the web continues to complicate these concepts should help themselves to the content of this book. It could serve as a good guide for those interested in the practice of Internet law.

Information can linger on the Internet forever. The struggle for content control is continuing to take shape. Join the debate—it's an interesting one.

