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Legal Beagle's Archive for August 2016

Legal Beagle's Post

Anchors Aweigh at RWU Law!

Posted by Library Blog on 08/10/2016 at 08:51 AM

According to the US Naval Academy website, "Anchors Aweigh' is one of the most recognizable melodies in the world... The title, [of the song] 'Anchors Aweigh, came from an expression meaning the ship's hoisted anchor has just cleared the sea's bottom and, by implication, the voyage is underway."

Here at the RWU Law Library, we are anchors aweigh on the Fall 2016 semester!

Our collection and services are here to anchor (pardon the pun) the scholarship, practice skills education, and intellectual life at RWU Law. We have a [website](#), a [blog](#), a [Facebook page](#), a [Twitter account](#), and a [Pinterest page](#). We communicate our information in many ways to connect the library with our students, faculty, and alum.



Our staff is available to assist you in using our various services and resources:

- Research assistance in-person, via chat, by email, or by phone (401-254-4547);

[RWU LawGuides](#) covering a wide-variety of topics;

- [Guides on Study Aids](#) for the 1L and upper-class curriculum;

- [Study rooms](#);

- [Printing and copying](#);

- [Wireless printing](#);

- The [WebCatalog](#) and [Law Journal Finder](#) to locate items in our collection and online;

- Access to [digital resources](#) on and off campus;

- Instruction on legal research and technology by our librarians

- Westlaw, Lexis Advance, and Bloomberg trainings. (Check the [Law Library Computer Lab/Events Schedule](#) for programming dates and times)

The library is a great place to research and study. It is also a great place to chill out and de-stress. If you have any questions, need any help, or just need a helping hand in the first few weeks, stop by and say hi. We will be seeing you soon!

Legal Beagle's Post

Lemonade and Librarians

Posted by Library Blog on 08/19/2016 at 01:50 PM

According to the [History Channel website](#), while “we often think of lemonade as a summertime beverage” we may need to expand our horizons and embrace the drink all year long as “lemon trees are actually evergreen, at least in the right climate, and they bloom and produce fruit all year.” This week we will be staffing an information table and serving lemonade outside the Law School Bistro on August 24th and August 25th from 11 am – 1 pm.

The librarians will be in the Law School Bistro to talk to students and distribute information about the [Prepare for Practice Certification Program](#). The Prepare for Practice Certification Program is a free online program designed to refresh and enhance students' legal research skills. If you complete the certification program requirements you can receive a Certificate in Legal Research Skills for Practice which can distinguish your resume from others.

To learn more about the Prepare for Practice Program and how to complete certification, stop by the library's table in the Law School Bistro area (and join us for some nice cold lemonade) on August 24th and August 25th from 11 am – 1 pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the reference librarians at lawlibraryhelp@rwu.edu.



Lemonade & Librarians

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Legal Beagle's Post

Success in Law School (& Beyond)

Posted by Library Blog on 08/26/2016 at 04:01 PM

According to [Peter F. Drucker](#), well-known business and management author, "Follow effective action with quiet reflection. From the quiet reflection will come even more effective action." This seems like a good motto for any law student, especially those law students who chose to enjoy quiet reflection in the law library!

The featured collection of books displayed on the Reference shelves in the law library is titled Success in Law School (& Beyond). It contains titles to assist new and returning students as they transition from Summer to Fall. These books will help you discover resources in the library's collection about all things related to law school success, from time management tips to study planning suggestions, as well as more general books about success such as titles on developing your focus and vision.

The books included in the collection contain information about note-taking, inspiration, outlining, leadership, and exam-taking. The library's LawGuide titled "[Success in Law School \(and Beyond\): The Collection](#)" contains a list of the books on display in addition to online resources to promote law student success. In addition to the LawGuide, the library has a [Pinterest page](#) which features the collection.

Finally, the books featured in this collection are just one small rung on the ladder to success. RWU School of Law's [Academic Success Program](#) hosts many events and workshops to encourage and support law student success. The objectives of the Academic Success Program include "helping law students discover their particular needs and learning styles, equipping them with the academic tools they need to meet the challenges of law school with self-assurance, and encouraging them to monitor their own progress as they adjust their study practices to achieve their personal goals." For more information on RWU School of Law's Academic Success Program, email Kathy Thompson, Director, at kthompson@rwu.edu. For even more information about success in the study of law, see our LawGuide [TimeSaver: Introduction to the Study of Law](#).

