November is right around the corner and the debates are in full swing. You may have a pretty good idea where the candidates stand on the issues, but chances are, there are a few facts about the Presidential candidates you might not know. Take the following quiz to find out how much you really know. Answers appear on the last page.

1. This man has run for and lost the GOP candidacy in two consecutive elections. Who is he?
   a) Al Gore  
   b) John Hagelin  
   c) Pat Buchanan

2. Which presidential candidate went on a date with Tricia Nixon?
   a) Al Gore  
   b) George W. Bush  
   c) Ralph Nader

3. Which vice-presidential candidate met his or her mate by picking his or her name out of a stack of names in a drawer?
   a) Joseph Lieberman  
   b) Richard Cheney  
   c) Winona LaDuke

4. Which candidate is married to a librarian?
   a) George W. Bush  
   b) Ralph Nader  
   c) Pat Buchanan

5. What is Laura Bush’s favorite book?
   a) In Cold Blood by Truman Capote  
   b) The Brothers Karamazov by Dostoevsky  
   c) Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

6. Which candidate served on active duty in Vietnam?
   a) George W. Bush  
   b) Al Gore  
   c) Richard Cheney

7. Which Presidential candidate has owned a baseball team?
   a) Ralph Nader  
   b) Bill Bradley  
   c) George W. Bush

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8. Hadassah Lieberman, wife of Joseph Lieberman, was born in what city?
   a) New Haven, Connecticut
   b) Prague, Czech Republic
   c) Vienna, Austria

9. This VP candidate was once named by *Time Magazine* as one of the “50 for the Future” - America’s most promising leaders under 40. Which one is it?
   a) Joseph Lieberman
   b) Richard Cheney
   c) Winona LaDuke

10. Which man’s 14-year-old calico cat Gipper likes to rest on its owner’s back?
    a) George W. Bush
    b) Pat Buchanan
    c) Gary Bauer

11. Which Presidential candidate meditates for 15 minutes everyday?
    a) Al Gore
    b) Ralph Nader
    c) John Hagelin

12. Which candidate would like to open a Museum of American Tort Law?
    a) Joseph Lieberman
    b) Ralph Nader
    c) John McCain

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**Summons for Jury Service**

In March of 1999, I received a letter from United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana in Indianapolis informing me that I was under consideration for jury duty. I dutifully filled out a questionnaire to determine my eligibility (i.e. did I reside in Monroe County, etc.). I sent the form back and never heard anything until a month and a half ago. In mid August, a letter and additional questionnaire arrived from the court, informing me that I had been selected to be in the jury pool in U.S. District Court in Indianapolis for the months of October, November, and December. The court informed me that I do not have to be there the entire three months (thankfully), that I would receive a letter two weeks before I had to appear, and that most trials last less than a week. Serving on a jury is not new for me-I have been on a jury three times. But these were all at the county level, not the federal level. The prospect of driving up to and attempting to park in downtown Indianapolis is the least appealing part, but the opportunity to serve on a federal jury is quite humbling. If I do receive an order to appear and actually serve, I will write an additional column about the experience. Watch this column for further updates on my experience as a juror in U.S. District Court.

*Michael Maben*
*Cataloguing Librarian*

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**Voting on November 7th**

Here’s a general list of dates, local phone numbers and Internet addresses that may help you prepare for Election Day 2000:

- October 10, last day to register to vote (check locations by calling the Voter Registration office at 349-2690 or find the League of Women Voters link from HoosierNet under “government” at <http://www.bloomington.in.us/>)
- October 30, deadline for receiving absentee ballot applications by the Indiana Board of Elections. If you’re from a different state, check with that state’s Board of Elections.

- Information on local party headquarters can be found on HoosierNet at <http://www.bloomington.in.us/>
- Catch political news at HoosierTimes, the online version of Bloomington’s newspaper, the Herald-Times <http://www.hoosiertimes.com/>
- Lists of candidates for each party may be found at the party websites linked from HoosierNet <http://www.bloomington.in.us/>

*Marianne Mason*
*Documents Librarian*
Alphabet Soup

Are you drowning in the alphabet soup of international and foreign legal abbreviations? In other words, are you currently experiencing the nightmare of law review cite-checking? If so, relief is at hand, and it’s much less painful than the psychological assistance or electro-shock therapy you may need later in the semester.

When confronted by bizarre abbreviations and acronyms, consider using the following dictionaries, after first consulting tables 2-5 of the Blue Book. Bieber’s Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations (Law Reference Office KF246 .B46), now in its fourth edition, is the next source consulted in most cases. However, Bieber is especially strong in the area of common law case reports, so foreign and international law researchers will find it useful only for looking up abbreviations for Commonwealth case reports. Beyond this limited coverage, Bieber is only marginally useful. Another source is Noble’s International Guide to the Law Reports (Law Ref. K38 .N63). This dictionary is also heavily oriented toward common law case reports but does include entries for case report abbreviations from many other jurisdictions as well. The World Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations (Law Ref. K89 .K38) is a four-volume dictionary that includes separate chapters for a selection of major jurisdictions around the world. Each chapter includes entries for treatises, periodicals, statutory codes, general and specialized case reports, newsletters, and any other frequently cited sources. For international legal abbreviations, the researcher should look at tables of abbreviation included in treatises, such as Oppenhein’s International Law (KZ3624 .A35), or in reference sources, such as the Encyclopedia of Public International Law (Law Ref. KZ1160 .E52). For more specialized abbreviations, one should consult a corresponding source. For example, to find the meaning of a European Union acronym, the researcher could consult the table of abbreviations in The Documentation of the European Communities: A Guide (Z 7165 .E8). The important thing to remember is that there are books scattered throughout the Library that contain potentially useful tables of abbreviations, and they are only an IUCAT search away. The researcher should not feel constrained to look only in standard dictionaries of abbreviations.

To decipher periodical abbreviations, the international and foreign legal researcher should consult tables of abbreviations published in conjunction with important periodical indexes. The most useful is the table that appears in each issue of Public International Law (Index Tables JX3091 .P83), and the table of periodicals listed by short form that appears in the Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals (Index Tables K33 .I6).

Of course, none of these sources will be of use to decipher made-up, non-standard abbreviations, so electro-shock therapy may still be necessary. However, knowing that there is at least a fighting chance may help keep researchers sane in the short run.

Ralph Gaebler
Foreign and Acquisitions Librarian

Suggestion Box

(Every month in this space, Associate Director Linda Fariss selects a comments from the Suggestion Box and replies to it)

Suggestion: Stapler should be destroyed. Buy a quality stapler from a quality manufacturer with quality staples.

Response: We have received a number of suggestions this month about staplers! Let me fill you in on the background to this issue. Over the years we have received many, many staplers for use by students. We always buy quality - Swingline, Bates, etc. We have purchased desk staplers that have been destroyed within a few days. We have purchased heavy duty staplers that students have actually bent by placing them on the floor and using their feet to push on the lever. We finally purchased a heavy duty Swingline electric stapler at great expense, assuming that less could be done to destroy such a stapler. After three electric staplers had been purchased ($388/stapler) and destroyed, we gave up on these. Now we have purchased three staplers for use by law students. One is a regular, Swingline stapler for small jobs. One is a medium weight stapler to staple up to 55 sheets. We will put this one out as soon as we receive staples. The third one is a heavy duty Bates stapler that will staple from 55 to 100 sheets. We cannot continue to use Library resources to purchase staplers that are going to be abused. The solution is in your hands - take care of the staplers, use them properly, and we will continue to provide them. Thanks for the suggestion.
Liz Larson Joins Library Staff

Liz Larson has joined the public services staff of the Law Library, effective October 1, 2000. She holds the position of Reference Librarian. Prior to joining our staff, Liz was a reference librarian at John Marshall Law School in Chicago. She received a BA in Russian Studies and MLS from UCLA, and JD from the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Liz is available to assist you with your research questions. She will also be participating with the other public services librarians in teaching the research segment of the first year Legal Research and Writing classes in the spring semester. Her office is located in Room 105F (the first office as you enter the Reference Office).

Please join me in welcoming Liz to the Law School!

Linda K. Fariss
Associate Director

Carrel Wiring Complete

As most of you probably know, we completed the wiring of all the carrels this summer. This allows students to connect a laptop to the University network from a carrel. Because we had to quickly finish the project before school started, some students experienced problems with the wiring at their individual carrels. We now believe that all of the problems associated with the wiring have been fixed. If you have any connectivity problems when using a laptop at your carrel, please report it to Dave Lankford, the supervisor of the Library Computer Labs.

Thank you for your patience while we resolve these problems.

Linda K. Fariss
Associate Director

Working the Halls

Please join us in welcoming the following people to the Law School:

Randy Sparks joins us as the new Systems Administrator.

Liz Larson is the new Reference Librarian.

Chandra Little joins the library staff as the new Serial Clerk.

Happy October Birthdays to:

Jeanine Wiese on the 2nd.
Earl Singleton on the 5th.
Prof. Bill Oliver on the 6th.
Prof. Bob Heidt on the 10th.
Randy Sparks on the 11th.
Prof. Ken Dau-Schmidt on the 12.
Prof. Kevin Brown on the 13th.
David Lankford on the 15th.
Rachel Kearney on the 22nd.
Prof. Bill Hicks on the 26th.
Prof. Bill Popkin on the 28th.

Happy Halloween

Answers:
1-c; 2-b; 3-a; 4-a; 5-b; 6-b; 7-c; 8-b; 9-c; 10-b; 11-c; 12-b