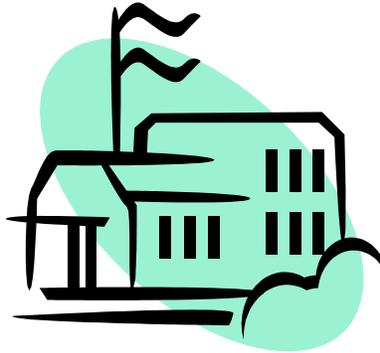


# HUMPHREYS COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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## DEPARTMENT NEWS

*From the Library and Learning Center*

*Stanislav Perkner*

### **Westlaw Online Service for Humphreys Students and Faculty**

At the beginning of the fall quarter, Humphreys College subscribed to the extended online database provided by West Publishing under the trademark of “Westlaw.” The subscription serves Humphreys law and paralegal students and faculty. Each of them can use a personal password distributed through the offices of the Law School and the Paralegal Department. Humphreys participants should activate their passwords as soon as possible, following the instructions attached to the individual password cards.

Westlaw is West’s online legal research service. It provides quick, easy access to West’s comprehensive collection of statutes, case law materials, public records, and many other resources relevant to legal and paralegal studies.

West offers 24-hour technical support and a team of reference attorneys to help its subscribers with their legal research on Westlaw. Each participant has a chance to use a variety of training programs and educational resources, including Westlaw’s Web-Based or Telephone Training. The publisher also provides many free user guides, product documentation and reference materials. Most of them are available in Portable Document Format (PDF). West’s collection of user guides includes “westlaw.com,” “Law School,” “Paralegal,” and “KeyCite.”

Westlaw Paralegal Primary Law Library gives Humphreys students and faculty an opportunity to use the utmost efficient tool of online research. Each of them has an access to federal and 50-state primary law sources: case law, key numbers, KeyCite, USCA, CFR, annotated state statutes, Black's Law Dictionary, as well as federal and state administrative regulations.

For more information contact Westlaw Technical Support or Dr. Stanislav Perkner, Humphreys College Librarian.

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### **Your Online Resources: Daily Newspapers**

Searching for the latest news, editorials, or commentaries related to your class assignment? Need to update your paper on history? Searching for a job of your dreams? Try electronic editions of daily newspapers.

**Where to start?** First, go to Humphreys' website and its Mass Media Resource Guide ([www.humphreys.edu/library\\_resource\\_guide\\_3htm](http://www.humphreys.edu/library_resource_guide_3htm)). You'll see an extensive list of American and overseas newspapers (all in English), magazines, eZines, television and radio organizations, news services, news/media directories, general news search engines and much more. Click on the link and it will connect you to the web site of your choice.

Among the most prominent journalistic sources of general knowledge as well as job searching are the college editions of The Wall Street Journal and The New York Times.

**The Wall Street Journal as a Career and Study Source.** This prestigious, center-to-right leaning newspaper operates its special College Journal ([www.CollegeJournal.com](http://www.CollegeJournal.com)) as the free site for undergraduate, graduate and MBA students. Content comes from the editorial resources of The Wall Street Journal, published by Dow Jones & Co., as well as from the CollegeJournal.com editorial team. It includes news, features and trends that will help to land a job or internship, as well as launch a career. CollegeJournal works with top companies of all sizes to offer a searchable database of career opportunities that's updated daily. Job database contains more than 30,000 available positions and internships. CollegeJournal offers guidance about writing a resume, interviewing, and researching employers. It provides news and trends about working overseas, plus in-depth profiles of business customs for 26 major countries.

Special Features include the Resume Builder, a free tool to create a full resume/CV in a variety of formats; Practice Tests - LSAT, GMAT, GRE and MCAT; Admissions-Essay Advice; and Scholarship Search.

**The New York Times for College Students and Faculty.** The New York Times – Knowledge Network can be reached at [www.nytimes.com/college/index.html](http://www.nytimes.com/college/index.html). It allows to find articles in dozens of study areas – from Accounting to Women's Studies and Zoology. The E-mail Alert connects its subscribers to news affecting their major or a broader area of study with automated alerts from the newspaper. Specialized-content web

pages offer news and public affairs materials concerning students, faculty, and study abroad. The offer includes a special section called The American Dream Project – a national initiative to promote student understanding of contemporary issues and encourage meaningful civic action. Another project is entitled Leadership for Learning; it seeks to demystify and analyze education leadership and educational policy.

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**New Books in the Library**

The latest Library acquisitions include several interesting book on American and world history, political science, and linguistics.

**HISTORY.** Walter Isaacson, the former chairman of CNN and the managing Editor of Time magazine, is well-known for his comprehensive *Biography of Henry Kissinger*. Humphreys Library purchased his bestseller, *Benjamin Franklin: An American Life* (2003). In this witty full-scale biography, Isaacson writes about Franklin as an America’s best scientist, inventor, diplomat, writer, and business strategist who became one of the Founding Fathers. The book chronicles Franklin’s tumultuous relationship with his illegitimate son and grandson, his practical marriage, and his “flirtations with the ladies of Paris.”

Historian Ron Chernow has gained his reputation as the author of books on the Morgans and the Rockefellers. This time, he turned his attention to the life story of *Alexander Hamilton* (2004), the principal designer of America’s federal government, its two-party system, the “patron-saint” of Wall Street, and the first Treasury Secretary who was killed in a duel with Aaron Burr.

Niall Ferguson is a financial history professor of Oxford and New York Universities. In his latest bestselling books, *Empire* and *Colossus*, he explores the role of Britain and the United States as global powers. In his *Colossus: The Price of America’s Empire* (2004), the author argues that never in the history of the world has one nation been so far ahead of all others in its military, economic, cultural, and political power. According to Ferguson, the U.S. is an “unspoken empire . . . of a uniquely American brand.” To support his argument, Ferguson ranges across the entire history of America’s foreign policy, examining its military, economic, cultural, and political dimensions.

Michael Parenti is an internationally known author and political analyst. In spite of the fact that most of his 17 books deal with current affairs, his latest work—*The Assassination of Julius Caesar: a People’s History of Ancient Rome* (2003)—presents a story of popular resistance against entrenched power. As he weighs the evidence concerning the murder of Julius Caesar, Parenti sketches in the background to the murder with a detailed characterization of wider Roman society.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE.** Bob Woodward, a reporter and editor at The Washington Post for almost 35 years, published several non-fiction bestsellers, including *All the President’s Men*, with Carl Bernstein, investigating the Watergate Affair. His latest book,

entitled *Plan of Attack* (2004), is considered the definitive account of how and why President George W. Bush, his war council, and allies launched a preemptive attack to topple Saddam Hussein and occupy Iraq. The book is based on interviews with 75 key participants and more than three and a half hours of exclusive interviews with President Bush.

Samuel P. Huntington, the chairman of the Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies, is best known for his seminal work *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order*. In his latest book, *Who Are We: The Challenge to America's National Identity* (2004), the author turned his attention from international affairs to domestic issues. He examines the impact of other civilizations and their values on the U.S. He argues that America's national identity has been eroded by the problems of assimilating massive numbers of primarily Hispanic immigrants, bilingualism, multiculturalism, the devaluation of citizenship, and the "denationalization of American elites." Huntington stresses the need to reassert the core American values.

**LINGUISTICS.** Lynne Truss is a British writer and journalist affiliated with The Sunday Times and BBC. In 2002, she broadcast a popular BBC Radio series about punctuation. The success of the show led to writing of her latest book entitled *Eats, Shoots & Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation* (2003). Despite the fact that her witty essays are "just about" commas, semicolons, colons, and periods, more than 500,000 copies were sold in the United Kingdom. Humphreys library has its first American reprint (2004).

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**TUTORIAL SERVICES IN THE WINTER QUARTER 2005**

In Stockton, Humphreys College students are welcome to consult any of the following tutors:

**English** - Dr. Michael Duffett is available every Monday between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., on Tuesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., and on Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

**Math** – Malini Kumar can be contacted in the library from Monday through Friday between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**Accounting** – Ashlini Narayan is available Monday through Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**General Reference** – Dr. Stanislav Perkner can be reached in his Library & Learning Center office every Monday between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon; for the rest of the weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

For more information about tutorial services and weekly workshops contact Humphreys College Library & Learning Center at (209) 235-2907 or via its email address: AskYourLibrarian@humphreys.edu.



*From the Liberal Arts Department  
A Taste of The Tempest: Shakespearean Sound Bite*

*Will be performed live on campus !!*

*When: Thursday, December 9, 2004  
At 5:00 p.m.*

*Where: College Courtyard\**

*\*Weather permitting. If not, a video of the performance will be shown.*

*Starring:*

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>The Narrator:</i> | <i>Fatima Ibrahim</i>    |
| <i>Miranda:</i>      | <i>Judy Berigtold</i>    |
| <i>Ariel:</i>        | <i>Aurora Monsisvais</i> |
| <i>Caliban:</i>      | <i>Sithy Bin</i>         |
| <i>Ferdinand:</i>    | <i>Robert Aguilar</i>    |
| <i>Prospero:</i>     | <i>Michael Duffett</i>   |

*Costumes, Sound Effects, Noises Off: Dr. Duffett's LIT204 Class  
Technical Director: Jesus Becerra  
From the Business Department*

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*From the BUSINESS DEPARTMENT*

Jason Wolins, Chair

Is an MBA Degree in Your Future?

On September 17, 2004, the San Francisco Chronicle published an article about the current popularity of MBA degrees. Recently, there has been a shift, however: Fewer students want to study in full-time and more want to study in part-time MBA programs. The article indicated that this trend is inversely related to the economy, and documented how popular MBA degrees still are:

During the down times, many people who couldn't find jobs rode out the storm by enrolling full time in business school. Now that the economic tides are turning, so are MBA admission trends with part-time and executive programs on the upswing and full-time applications down.

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Business degrees are in no danger of going out of style. MBA programs are far more popular than training in law and medicine — and are growing faster than those disciplines. The number of MBA degrees grew about 24 percent from 93,982 in 1995-95 [sic] to 116,475 in 2000-01 . . . . Over the same period, law degrees declined slightly, from 39,828 to 37,904, while medical degrees stayed flat, going from 15,341 to 15,403 . . . .

(Said, Carolyn. "Advancing by degrees," San Francisco Chronicle. September 17, 2004, pp. C1, C6, at p. C6)

So, if you are considering an MBA degree, focus on developing communication and group project skills— you will use these in graduate business school — and try to do an internship while at Humphreys College.

For more information or advice concerning internships and MBA programs, please contact Business Department chair Jason Wolins at (209) 478-0800, extension 307.

Instructor Spotlight: Kevin Van Dewark

From time-to-time, the Business Department will spotlight an instructor so that you can get to know the faculty better. This month, the spotlight is on Kevin Van Dewark.

Winter 2005 will be Professor Van Dewark's second quarter teaching at Humphreys. He has already taught Business Management and Personal Financial Management. During Winter 2005, he is scheduled to teach Credit Management and Financial Management I.

Professor Van Dewark is currently Director of Quality Assurance at Cottage Bakery, Inc. in Lodi. He has a broad range of other business experience as well, including working in

the human resource area and preparing budgets. He holds a BS degree in Animal Science from the University of California, Davis and an MBA degree from California State University, Stanislaus.

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*Everyone in the Business Department wishes you Happy Holidays!*  
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**From the Court Reporting Department**  
*Bruce Bodine, Chair*  
**CSR/Theory Reception**

On Friday, October 22, the court reporting department held a CSR/Theory Reception, its first in over two years. We honored one of our students, Ruby Sanchez, who has completed all requirements to sit for the state exam to become a court reporter. We also introduced our fourteen students who are currently attending our Theory class for beginning court reporting study.

Guest speakers for this event were Rhett Simmons, a former Humphreys College student and owner of West Coast Captioning, and Denese Harland, lead captioner from UC Davis. They showed a short video on captioning, along with a presentation about captioning for the deaf in the college setting and broadcast captioning for television. Following the presentation, they answered numerous questions from our students. A luncheon followed the program.

Ruby received her Certificate of Completion and a special gift from the court reporting department. Her mother attended the reception with her. Ruby has attended Humphreys College for a little over four years and earned her A.A. degree in realtime captioning and reporting last June. She sat for the Certified Shorthand Reporter Exam on Friday and Saturday, November 12 and 13. She completed the written portion of the exam on Friday and then took the dictation/transcription portion on Saturday morning. She won't know the results until after Christmas. Although she has completed her internship working with reporters in court and in depositions, she continues to intern for the experience, as well as attending classes at the college until the end of the quarter.

Ruby has worked very hard to exceed 200 wpm on the steno machine and qualify for the state exam. All of us at Humphreys College wish her great success in her chosen career of being a court reporter.

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## **From the Paralegal Department**

**ATTENTION: PARALEGAL STUDENTS!**

Rowena Walker, Chair

Would you like to be able to use Westlaw for your research and legal studies? In the past, it was necessary for you to use the Humphreys College special code to get into Westlaw, but now you must have your own code to access the database, and cannot do so without it.

Yes, 'tis true, you can now be a "card carrying" Westlaw "member." If you have not already received your card, please see Mrs. Walker, who has cards for all declared paralegal majors. You can find her in class or in her office every day from 7:30 a.m. until around 2:00 p.m. and on campus on Tuesday evenings before her class, which is in Room 205.

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## **COLLEGE NEWS**



## **SPECIAL NOTICE TO THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY**

### **Creating a Smoke-Free Campus**

*Dr. Robert G. Humphreys, President*

Over the past year, we have received a number of complaints about smoking on the campus. In order to assess the level of concern, a survey was conducted several quarters ago asking students and staff what they thought about this issue. The vast majority of respondents indicated a preference for the creation of a smoke-free environment on the campus.

It is in response to this expressed concern that we have determined to make the College a smoke free campus. Beginning immediately, smoking will not be allowed within the fenced in areas or the interior of any building or patio area.

Smoking will be allowed outside the fenced-in area in the parking lot, on the Inglewood Avenue side of the campus, on the Benjamin Holt side of the campus, and in the greenbelt area between the new classroom building and the childcare center.

Ash trays will be placed at each of the entrance gates so that smoking material may be extinguished before entering the campus. There will be no ashtrays within the fenced-in areas.

We wish to point out that this action is taken at the request of a large number of students and staff. We hope that you all will cooperative in our effort to make Humphreys College campus as clean, attractive, and inviting an environment as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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## **Humphreys Campus Expansion Completed in Six Months**

*Stanislav Perkner*

Thanks to the efforts of key team members, Derivi Construction Architecture, Stockton, DPR Construction, Inc., Sacramento, and the management of Humphreys College, everyone is enjoying the recently completed Main Campus Expansion.

According to Douglas Stevenson, Project Manager with DPR, the expansion entails the new 12,300 SF Library/Law School Building, the 10,500 SF Classroom/Administration Complex, and 4,000 SF Courtyard. The new complex was built on 2.5 acres of land purchased by the late father of today's college president; at the end of the 1960s, the price of the land was \$5,000. The cost of the current expansion is approximately \$4.5 million.

After the groundbreaking ceremony on March 10, 2004, the construction was completed in the very short term of six months. During that period, there were times when as many as 120 workers were on site each day. Although the weather delayed completion of some landscaping parts, Humphreys students were able to start classes in the new facility on September 27, the opening day of the Fall Quarter.

Recently, DPR also completed in another school-related project in Stockton. It constructed the first academic building to be erected on the UOP campus in over 25 years. The two-story, 52,000 SF complex became home to Health Sciences Learning Center and Clinic.

DPR's experience in higher education is driven by one of its four core values: Ever Forward—continual, self-initiated change, improvement, learning, and the advancement of standards for their own sake. It has applied to the construction of classrooms, labs,

residence halls, libraries, and even bell towers. The company is accustomed to working in occupied spaces. As experienced at Humphreys College, the company takes proactive precautions to maintain safe surroundings for faculty, staff, and students, and to ensure that the educational process continues without interruption, even under the most aggressive schedule.

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## **A Special Tribute to Gregory V. Vaughn (1944-2004)**

*Cynthia Becerra*

*Remembering that this special dash might only last a little while.*

*--From "The Dash"*

*On Thursday, September 16, 2004, Greg Vaughn, the College's Operations Manager, passed away. Having played a vital role in facilitating the smooth running of the College's expansion, Greg Vaughn was truly missed by many of us when we moved into our new buildings a few weeks later. In fact, it seemed quite empty without his upbeat "Good morning," which was quickly followed by, "Is there anything I can do for you today?" He truly meant it when he asked that question—from setting up equipment to opening early for a 7a.m. California Literature class. "Cindy, I'll leave the flag flying for you, so that you'll know the college is open." Greg was special!!*

*His family—his wife Wilma, son Kyle Vaughn, daughter Tiffany Chance, stepsons Marques and Clifton Okamoto—all knew how special he truly was. In honor of Greg Vaughn, the College held a Celebration of Life Service on Sunday, October 3, 2004. Officiating at the service was Dr. Robert Humphreys, president of the College. During the ceremony, Dr. Humphreys read a poem entitled "The Dash." In it, the narrator describes that the dash between a person's year of birth and of his death contains much more than a simple line:*

*For that dash represents all the time  
That he spent with us here on earth.  
And now only those who loved him  
Know what that little line is worth.*

*In concluding the poem, Dr. Humphreys noted that Greg Vaughn can certainly "be proud of how he spent his dash."*

*Greg Vaughn touched many lives at the campus, including both at the College and IBML Charter School. Students, faculty, staff—all who were within his reach felt his warmth, humor, and kindness!! To honor his memory, the College and the family of Gregory Vaughn have started a Memorial Scholarship in his name. Now many more will benefit from his generous spirit.*

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**The Senate of the California Legislature Recognizes  
HONORABLE JUDGE LAURENCE DRIVON  
IN  
A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

**Judge Laurence Drivon, who died on August 13, 2004, was recently recognized by the California State Senate. His distinguished career and outstanding contributions to his community and state are articulated in the Memorial Resolution, as presented by Senators Joseph Dunn and Michael Machado, and Assembly Member Barbara Matthews.**

**Having taught at Humphreys College Law School and Chaired the Board of Trustees for over forty years combined, the honorable Judge Laurence Drivon has contributed to the college and legal communities in a profound way. The specific document may be viewed at**

**[www.humphreys.edu/law/img/state\\_senate\\_drivon\\_memorial\\_resolution\\_1.p](http://www.humphreys.edu/law/img/state_senate_drivon_memorial_resolution_1.p)**

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*News from IBML*



**High School Students For Their Community**

*Hilda Chavez, IBML student*

Among the expectations of attending such a unique high school as IBML is community service. A good example of that expectation in action is the work of Omar Rodriguez, a sophomore at IBML. He participated in a walk-a-thon for the Association at University of the Pacific and collected \$105 for the American Lung Association. His effort was appreciated: Omar Rodriguez was named Student of the Month of December for the City of Stockton.

Sony Gotos, another sophomore at IBML, represents his high school as a Commissioner of the Youth Advisory Committee. Right now, the main concern of the Committee is the newly formed Teen Center which will be open to the public in late December or early January. The Center will provide Stockton's youth with a meeting place for productive activities.

*Upcoming Events*

*SEASON'S GREETINGS*



*THE COLLEGE'S  
TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS BUFFET*

*WHEN: Thursday, December 16, 2004  
TIME: Noon*

*Best Wishes for a Wonderful Holiday Season*



*WINTER QUARTER REGISTRATION*

*HAS STARTED!!*

*See your academic advisor to register!!*