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A Look Back...A Glance Forward



As we end 2005, we look back at the many new and improved services that made DCLRC an essential resource for the courthouse. Our "[Law and...](#)" series highlighted topics of interest to a wide variety of our users. New collections were created to bring useful information to specific needs of the courts. Our [Drug Court Collection](#) has over 100 volumes and our Local Decision Access Program has brought in over 150 decisions from Dane County judges! New resources were created or updated to accurately reflect the questions pro se litigants are asking about legal topics. We had a successful [Banned Books Week](#) event and staged a bilingual reading of the Bill of Rights on the Courthouse steps. We are thankful for all of these enhancements!

2006 promises to be a great year. We look forward to increasing access to our services and resources in our new location on the lower level of the new courthouse. **Starting January 17, we will be open in Room L1007 at 215 South Hamilton Street.** The court is moving the week of January 9-13, so please pardon our mess. More information about 2006 services will be in the January newsletter. Thank you for your support in 2005. We hope you will continue to be informed and served by DCLRC resources, programs, and staff in 2006. Happy New Year!



December Used Book Sale

It's a Moving Sale Blow-out! ALL BOOKS are 50 cents off in our ongoing used book sale held in the library from December 1- January 13. New titles arrive each week. Be sure to stop in regularly to view our selection! Come in before we move and take advantage of \$1.50 Hardcovers and 50-cent paperbacks. We will have a larger space for the sale in the new library, so bring in your donations after the move.

We also serve as a drop off location for softcover books and magazines that are donated to Dane County jail inmates.



News & Upcoming Events

DCLRC Upcoming Closing

DCLRC will be closed Monday Dec. 26, Monday Jan. 2, Friday January 13 and Monday January 16. January 13 is our designated move day into the new courthouse.



“Law and...” Series: December Topic

The topic for December is “*A Look Back: DCLRC Past, Present and Future.*” Pictures of the displays and handouts listing relevant web links or a bibliography are [online](#).

New Courthouse Opening Ceremony and Tours

The new Dane County Courthouse opens for business on Monday January 9. However, the opening ceremony, reception and first public tours will be held on Friday January 6. For more information, contact District Court Administrator Gail Richardson at 266-8820. Watch for more information about a DCLRC Open House to be held in Spring 2006.

Moving Sale!

Does your office or firm library need law books? Take advantage of discarded sets from the Courthouse. In the upcoming weeks, as DCLRC and judges prepare for the move to the new courthouse, we will be discarding several sets of Wisconsin Reports 1st Series and miscellaneous individual volumes. If you are interested in obtaining a list of the available books, please send an email to dclrc.ref@wicourts.gov. Terms: 1st come, 1st served. You must pick up and transport the books with your own boxes and equipment by Jan. 6. Suggested donations of \$25 per set are appreciated.



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Don't forget to check the [DCLRC Blawg](#) for all the local legal news, interviews, and research tips that are posted in between monthly newsletters! Visit us regularly or sign up for our notifier services when you're on the blawg site.

December Legal Research Quiz

Answers will be published in next month's newsletter.

1. How many county courthouses have there been in Dane County?
2. How much did it cost to build the first county courthouse? How much for the newest courthouse?
3. When did Dane County have its first female circuit court judge?
4. Before the Federal Courthouse was built on Henry Street, where was the Federal Courthouse?



Answers to November's Quiz:

1. President Gerald Ford
2. No
3. Wis. Stats. section 48.46
4. Dept. of Health and Family Services

End Notes

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