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Fall Break
Friday, Oct. 14—
Monday, Oct. 17

Fri., Oct. 14
7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 15
8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sun., Oct. 16
1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 17
7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.



HeinOnline By Caroline Osborne

HeinOnline was launched in 2000 by a legal publisher with more than eighty years experience in the academic law library market. One of the advantages of the database is its comprehensive coverage of each title in the database beginning at volume 1, something unique to *Hein*.

The database offers four collections: the Law Journal Library, the Federal Register Library, the Treaties and Agreements Library, and the U.S. Supreme Court Library. Each library is image, or pdf, based providing an exact view of the pages as they originally appeared in hardcopy. The articles are scanned and contain the full content and layout of the original document, including all page numbers, charts, graphs and photographs. The process of scanning the documents into the database makes every word in the document searchable. The text included in *HeinOnline* is uncorrected optical character recognition text. Since the scanning process creates an exact facsimile of the original, it includes all errors in the original text and on occasion errors from the scanning process. As the text is uncorrected, this can create an issue for full text searching. Also of note is that some journals have a 'blackout' period, so the most recent issue of a journal is not always available for a period of time.

Because of the comprehensive nature of its collection, *HeinOnline* is an excellent choice for retrieving law journals with known citations or searching early volumes of law reviews that are not always available in other popular commercial databases. In addition to retrieving a document with a known citation, the database offers the traditional Boolean searches by author and title and full text searching by words and phrases. The Boolean searches are not case sensitive. One downside to *Hein's* full text searches is that the searches usually take longer and deliver fewer results than the more sophisticated traditional commercial databases.

HeinOnline is of particular interest to such persons doing research in the *Federal Register*. *Hein* has finished their project of providing comprehensive coverage

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from 1936 through June of 2005.

Using *HeinOnline* is simple. From the law school home page select the "library and technology" link, then the "William Taylor Muse Law Library" link, the "online legal resources" link and then "Hein Online" link under "full text resources" that link takes the user to the start page for Hein. Once there select the library collection of interest. Choices are:

- Law Journal Library**
- Most-Cited Law Journals**
- Core U.S./Most Cited Law Journals**
- American Bar Association Journals**
- International & Non-U.S. Law Journals**
- Criminal Justice Journals**
- **European Center for Minority Issues**
- **Federal Register Library**
- **Legal Classics**
- **Treaties and Agreements Library**
- **U.S. Attorney General Opinions**
- **U.S. Supreme Court Library**

After selecting the particular collection of interest the researcher may then select a particular publication within the collection or choose one of the search options. To chose a search option select "search" at the top of the window and conduct your traditional full-text search.

HeinOnline is a wonderful tool to those looking for older materials or in need of a facsimile of the original product. Users may download an entire article as a pdf file or print out a clean copy without the dark margins that occur when photocopying from a bound volume. *HeinOnline* also avoids some of the past prejudices in legal research. For example, the *Index to Legal Periodicals* for many years refused to index the names of student authors. If you want to find a student piece by Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miles, ILP is of no help. *HeinOnline*, on the other hand, indexes all authors in signed pieces, regardless of status. A recent survey undertaken by the Law Library staff suggests that many large law firms are turning to *HeinOnline* as an alternative to devoting valuable shelf space to back runs of law reviews and other resources. Law librarians are grateful to Hein for the convenience it offers and it is a tool that lawyers can expect to see on a law firm's desktop in the future.

Fall Back/Back Up by Kimberly Wiseman

Mark your calendar for October 30th -- not only does Daylight Savings Time end and we all get an extra hour of sleep, but hard drives all throughout the Law School will be backed up.

No one ever thinks that they will have a hard drive crash. Why would you? After all, those computers cost a lot of money and therefore are indestructible, right? Wrong!

The most important folder on your hard drive is your "My Documents" folder. Most programs default to save data to this folder. Some of us also like to save data to our desktops so the file is easily found and available. Other programs save data in different places.

Before beginning the backup process, determine where your data files are located. Programs themselves do not need to be backed up, only the data associated with the files. Once you determine where your data is located, you have several choices as to where to save a back up copy of the data. The options are:

Burn a CD

This is the easiest way to create a backup copy of your data. All Option 1 students, as well as faculty and staff, have CD burners. CDs hold 700 megabytes of data. What does that mean? Floppy disks hold 1.44 megabytes of data, so a CD will hold almost 500 times more data than a floppy! The average Word file is less than 1 megabyte.

Save Your Documents to your USB Memory Stick Drive

Also known as a "thumb" or "flash" drive, this handy device is a great place to backup data. Memory sticks come in different storage sizes. Depending on the storage space available, you can save almost as much data on a memory stick as on a CD.

Save Files to Your U:\ Drive

The University provides each student 100 megabytes of storage on its Saturn server. Faculty and Staff have storage space on the Jupiter server. When you log into your computer and the Richmond Domain at school, the Saturn (or U:\) drive automatically maps. If it does not automatically map, click **Start**, chose **Run**, and type `//Saturn/users/netid` (netid being your netid; Faculty and Staff should type `//Jupiter/users/netid`).

For more detailed information on the use of these tools, stop by the computer help desk and pick up a handout.

Law at the Moves: *In Her Shoes*

By Gail Zwirner

It has been a long time since this movie junkie has seen a film with a legal theme or subplot. Or, for that matter, there really wasn't *any* movie worth mentioning lately. The summer "blockbusters" fell flat. *In Her Shoes* offers a look at one of the most unfortunate law firm relationships between an overworked female associate named Rose (Toni Collete) and her supervising partner (and occasional lover). Those liaisons never work and didn't work here. To make matters worse, Rose's sister's dalliances with the partner create another layer of frustration.

The only other legal-related point of interest in the film, which actually was picked up in a movie review, was the suggestion through tee shirts and wall candy that Rose was a Princeton Law School graduate. What would *U.S. News & World Report* say about that one? That is where the legal theme ended.

In Her Shoes really focuses on the relationship between two sisters, Rose and Maggie (Cameron Diaz). They can't live together, but they can't stay apart. In one exasperating moment, Rose quits her high-powered job, kicks Maggie out on the street and takes up dog-walking while she tries to develop some self-esteem. She runs into a former associate from the law firm (Mark Feuerstein), whom she will eventually marry.

Meanwhile, Maggie has gone through drawers in her father and step-mother's home searching for cash and discovers stacks of cards from a grandmother she didn't know she had. She takes off to Florida in search of Granny (Shirley MacLaine) and finds her in a retirement community. They hash over the relationship each had with Maggie's deceased mother and Granny offers to get Maggie a job in the hospital and match the salary. Eventually, Rose finds them in Florida and the three have a delightful reunion.

The movie definitely falls into the "chick flick" category, but has some touching moments, a couple of jaw-droppers, and some good laughs. It was filmed in Philadelphia, so it couldn't be all that bad.

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