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Director's Message

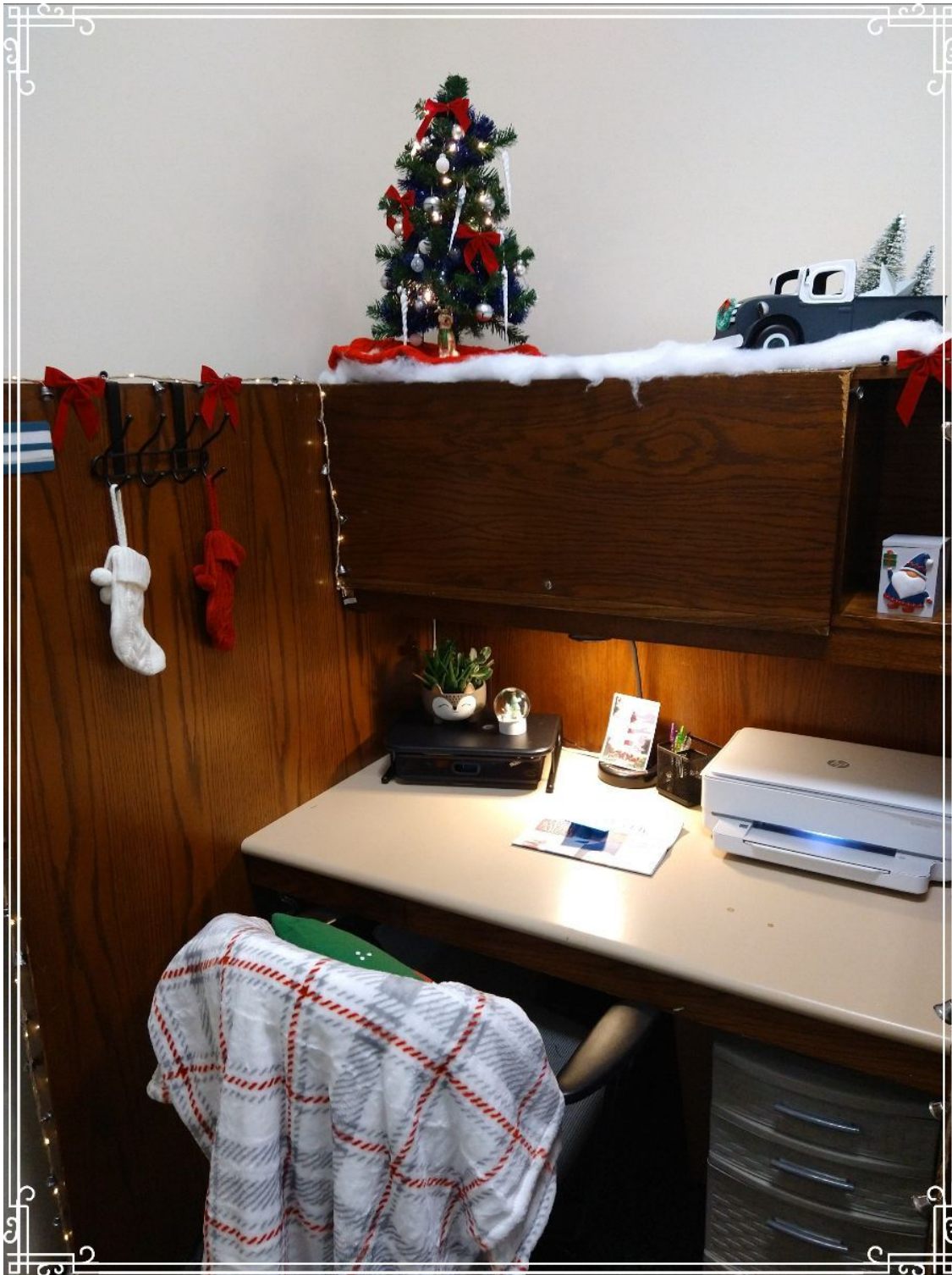


As the semester and year conclude, we wish all of you success in your pursuits, and hope you have a chance to connect with friends and family during the break. 2021 is nearly done, and we'll be excited to welcome you back in 2022 for a new semester, new year and new opportunities.

Sincerely,

-Dean Skalbeck

Library News



Mandy Truman decorated her carrel for the holidays! (photo by Alex Clay Hutchings, December 8, 2021)

"It's here! It's here!" We know how exciting those words can be. Be it the pumpkin pie set on the table, the stack of gifts you bought from Amazon left on the doorstep, or the wintry nip in the morning air. Or, for law students, *Winter Break!* We wait all year for this season, and given all the sacrifices we had to make over the last two years,

we all deserve an especially joyful holiday and a restful Winter Break. Everyone here at the Law Library congratulates you on wrapping up your finals, and we look forward to hearing about your New Year's resolutions! But before you start indulging in the eggnog, let's catch you up on the Library News.

Library Winter Break Closure

The Law Library will be **CLOSED** for Winter Break beginning 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 22. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 4 at 8:30 a.m. There will be no reference or computer desk assistance available during Winter Break.

Also, the Law School Building will be **CLOSED TO STUDENTS** during Winter Break. Don't forget your mittens in your carrel, *'cause you can't get back in till Jan. 4!*

Your Faculty Recommends these Binge-Worthy Movies and TV Shows for Winter Break

Once final exams are in your rear-view mirror, it'll be time for you to take a well-earned breather. Enjoy winter break with some of the movies and TV your law school faculty and staff will be watching. You deserve a mental break!

Featured Resources

Energy &
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Law Call for Papers!

The Duquesne Energy & Environmental Law Journal (*Joule*) requests your talents! All student and faculty members are invited to submit a case note or essay on energy and environmental law for the upcoming issue.

vLex International Law and Technology Writing Competition – Deadline Extended to 12/31/21

vLex's International Law and Technology Writing Competition will be extending its submission deadline and accepting competition entries until the 31st of December 2021. Candidates are invited to submit an article that explores one of three categories.

Materials Update



We added 43 new books to our collection this month. Browse the Law Library's latest resources on our [**updated materials list.**](#)

Looking for an e-book? We added over 1,000 new e-book titles this month. Check out our [**updated e-book list.**](#)

Things to Consider



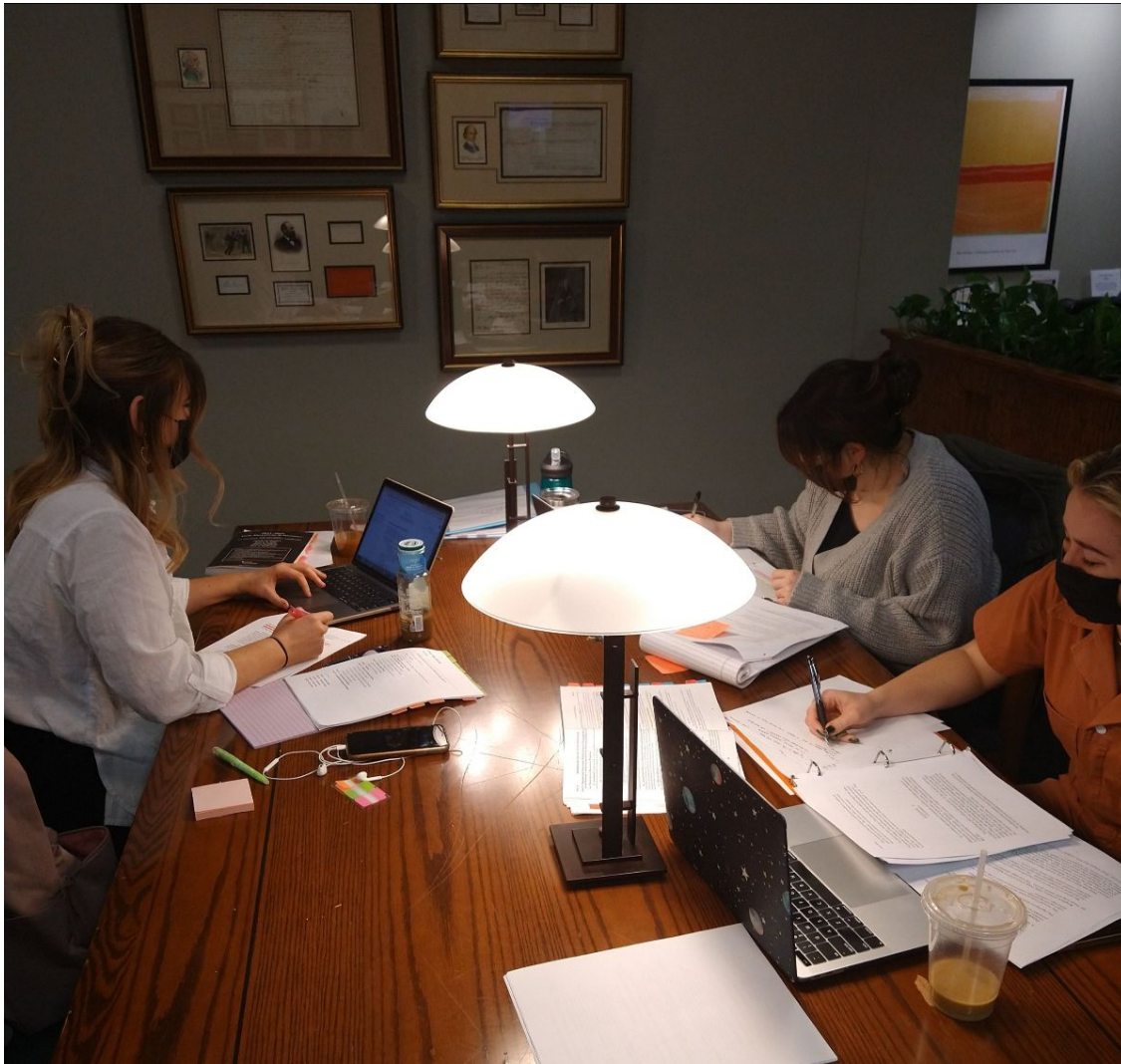
Remembering Pearl Harbor – 80 Years Later

By Alex Clay Hutchings, Student Services Librarian

On December 7, 1941, the United States was thrust into the conflagration of World War II. On this date, famously described by Pres. Franklin Roosevelt as a “date which will live in infamy,” the Imperial Japanese Navy launched a surprise attack on the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard on Oahu, Hawaii. The base was home to the U.S. Pacific Fleet — nearly 100 naval vessels, including 8 battleships. Early that Sunday morning, the fleet was hit by a wave of nearly 200 enemy aircraft, including torpedo planes, bombers, and fighters. All told, the United States suffered massive casualties — 2,403 service members were killed and 1,178 more were wounded. The attack destroyed six U.S. warships, most famously the U.S.S. *Arizona*, which alone saw 1,100 of its crew killed. Ultimately, the Japanese attack failed in its objective to completely cripple the U.S. naval presence in the Pacific. The day after the Pearl Harbor attack, the United States officially declared war on Japan, and Japan’s allies Germany and Italy soon followed with retaliatory declarations of war against the U.S.

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Student Services Corner



Students making the final push before exams. (Photo by Alex Clay Hutchings, December 9, 2021)

Gearing up for 2022!

Student Services is planning some great events for the 2022 Spring semester. Here's a sneak peek:

Student Photo Contest. Start thinking about the funkiest, wackiest, most outrageous places you study! Prizes will be awarded to the funniest photos. We will announce the full contest rules in January.

Sunshine Week. Ever wonder what the government really knows about UFOs and extraterrestrial life? Did you know you can find out? Thank the Freedom of Information Act! The Library will be hosting a program in March during

"Sunshine Week," a national celebration of freedom of information and government transparency.

Student Bloggers. [MuseNews](#) blog will be welcoming even more student authors discussing the issues important to you. If you are a student who would like to have your voice heard and be published in MuseNews, contact Alex Clay Hutchings, Student Services Librarian, at ahutchings@richmond.edu.

Stay tuned for details on these and other upcoming Law Library programs!

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