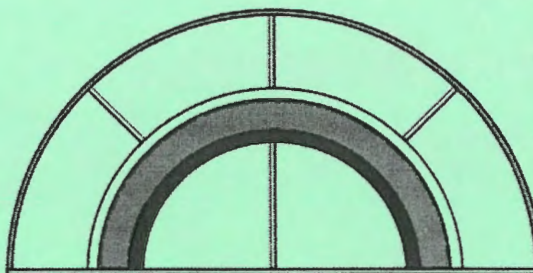


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Noteworthy Dates	
August 16 - 20	Advance Week
August 23	Regular Classes Begin
September 1 - 3 (no classes)	RNC: NYLS closed
September 6 (no classes)	Labor Day
LIBRARY CLOSED RNC DAYS & LABOR DAY, OPEN ON THE WEEKEND.	
September 15 - 16 (no classes)	Rosh Hashanah
September 25 (no classes)	Yom Kippur
LIBRARY OPEN REGULAR HOURS DURING THE JEWISH HOLIDAYS.	

september, 2004						
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The Floppy is Dead! Long Live the Flash Drive!!

As your editor types these words, he's wearing about 182 floppy disks, give or take a floppy, on a string around his neck. These 182 floppies hold every single word processing document he's created and saved in his 15 years on the job, plus plenty of other documents, photos and music files that people have sent him, with room to spare. It took him about five minutes to back up all these files from the hard disk of his desktop computer at work. And, if he got tired of wearing the floppies around his neck, your editor could just as easily clip them to the key chain in his pocket. But that's not the most exciting part. The most exciting part is that for all of this data storage capacity your editor spent less than \$30.

I'm not wearing real floppies, of course. They'd jangle around too much and make a big, ugly bulge on my chest. Instead I'm wearing a 256 MB flash drive that I bought this week from a mail order retailer. It works like a floppy, but it's about two inches long, by about an inch wide, by about a quarter of an inch thick, and it ends in a USB plug that fits into my computer at work and my computer at home. It's made of some sort of aluminum alloy, and looks pretty indestructible.

Flash drives aren't just the latest, cool trend in data storage. They're ripe. Ripe technology is technology that has moved past the cutting edge and on to the place where it's cheap, it's simple, and – most importantly – it works. My new flash drive worked just fine. The first time I plugged it into my computer at work, my modern operating system recognized it right away, and I was copying off my files moments later. Then I went home and repeated the process in reverse.

It doesn't take much imagination to appreciate how flash drives can be used for more than just backing data up. Any law student who takes notes on a laptop in class, downloads cases to print out from the lab computers in the Library, and then takes all those files home to edit on a comfortable desktop computer should immediately see the convenience that such a gizmo offers. The flash drive is a gizmo whose time has arrived, and your editor recommends it to you wholeheartedly.

The Mendik Library ARRANGEMENT OF COLLECTIONS

4th Floor Stacks:

- ‡ Bound Periodicals arranged alphabetically by title
- ‡ Main Stacks Collection in call number order: L thru Z

3rd Floor Stacks:

- ‡ Main Stacks Collection in call number order: KF 2700 thru KF 9999, & KFN 5100 thru KFN 6199 including: New York Case Reporters & Digests; New York Statutes; New York State & City Law Texts

2nd Floor Stacks:

- ‡ Main Stacks Collection in call number order: A thru G & KF 1 thru KF 2699, including: Federal Case Reporters & Digests, Federal Statutes, U.S. Code, Federal Register, & C.F.R.

2nd Floor West:

- ‡ Social & Political Science: call numbers H thru JW
- ‡ International Law, Comparative Law & Jurisprudence: call numbers JX & JZ thru K
- ‡ Foreign Law: call numbers KA thru KE & KG thru KZ

1st Floor Reserve:

- ‡ Course Reserve
- ‡ General Reserve Books
- ‡ Recent Periodical Issues
- ‡ Past Examinations

1st Floor Reference:

- ‡ General Reference Books
- ‡ Legal Encyclopedias
- ‡ Periodical Indexes
- ‡ Recent Newspapers

Lower Level:

- ‡ Non-New York State Law: call numbers KFA thru KFW
- ‡ Regional Reporters & Digests
- ‡ U.S. Government Documents & Finding Aids
- ‡ Microforms & Microform Reader-Printers

What's Goin' On? • Five Sites to Get You Oriented to Lower Manhattan

- Lower Manhattan.info

<http://www.lowermanhattan.info/todo>

Probably the best site for finding stuff to do. Colorful, well-organized, and up-to-date, with thorough listings of events and activities sponsored by all sorts of groups. Includes a flash "virtual tour" that actually works pretty well.

- GothamGazette.com

<http://www.gothamgazette.com>

A daily e-newspaper published by the Citizens Union Foundation. The focus isn't exclusively on downtown, but it has a slightly downtown slant. Crammed with handy links. If you can't find something to do here, you'd might as well head back to Peoria.

- The Alliance for Downtown New York

<http://www.downtownny.com>

This is the site of the Business Improvement District that

serves the area south of Chambers Street. Thus, it's more oriented toward businesses than towards people. Still, it has a good events calendar, and plenty of information about shopping, dining and local attractions.

- Volume: Voices of Lower Manhattan

<http://www.volumenyc.org>

The sleek site of an organization that describes itself as "dedicated to promoting Lower Manhattan as a great place to live, work, and explore." Contains articles that regularly feature different aspects of downtown life. Loads of links.

- The Douglas Kelly Show

<http://dks.thing.net>

A much more edgy site than the ones above, and the one that members of the local artists' community are more likely to visit. This might very well lead you to goings-on that the other sites leave out.

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Where's that Call Number?

• MAIN STACKS •

L.C. Call Number	Location	Subject
A thru G	2nd Fl. Main	General & non-law
H thru JW	2nd Fl. West	Social & political sciences
JX thru JZ	2nd Fl. West	International Law
K	2nd Fl. West	Comparative law & Jurisprudence
KA thru KE	2nd Fl. West	Foreign law
KF 1 thru KF 131	2nd Fl. Main	American law
KF 132 thru KF 141	Lower Level	Regional reporters & digests, A.L.R.
KF 142 thru KF 2699	2nd Fl. Main	American law
KF 2700 thru KF 9999	3rd Fl.	American law
KFA thru KFN 4999	Lower Level	State law: Ala. - N.M.
KFN 5000 thru KFN 6199	3rd Fl.	New York state law
KFN 6200 thru KFW & KFZ	Lower Level	State law: N.C. - Wyo.
KFX	3rd Fl.	Local law, incl. N.Y.C.
KG thru KZ	2nd Fl. West	Foreign law
L thru Z	4th Fl.	General & non-law

• SEPARATE COLLECTIONS •

Collection	Location	Arrangement
Reserve Materials	1st Fl.	L.C. Call Number
Reference Materials	1st Fl.	L.C. Call Number
Unbound Periodicals	1st Fl.	Alphabetical by title
Bound Legal Periodicals	4th Fl.	Alphabetical by title
Communications Periodicals	Lower Level	Alphabetical by title
Microforms	Lower Level	see "Guide to Microforms"
U.S. Government Docs.	Lower Level	Sudocs Number
Gov't Docs. Reference	Lower Level	L.C. Call Number

•• LIBRARY HOURS ••

• INTERSESSION - thru August 15 •

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 Friday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday - Sunday CLOSED

• FALL SEMESTER - beginning August 16 •

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
 Friday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
 Saturday & Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

• Wed. - Fri., Sept. 1 - 3 (political convention) CLOSED
 • Sat. - Sun., Sept. 4 - 5 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
 • Monday, September 6 (Labor Day) CLOSED