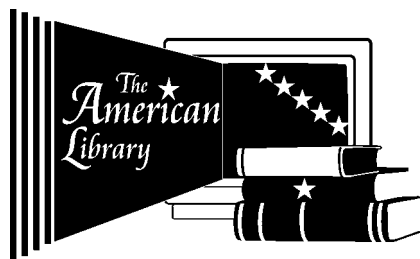


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ARCHITECTURE & URBAN PLANNING

1. Place, Jeffrey Wayne.
Architectural structures / Wayne Place. J. Wiley & Sons, ©2007. 627 p.
REF 624.17 PLA

Architectural Structure provides structural design resources for architects and builders. Applying the fundamentals of structural designing for building, the book provides them with the required tools and knowledge to design and build better structures that would withstand wind, earthquakes, and other forces of nature. The text is understandable and is further elaborated with the help of diagrams, models, computer simulations, and case studies. Exercises provided ensure conceptual understanding of the complexities of the design process. Also included are information on cost estimation and other relevant issues. -- (For use only in the Library) ND

THE ARTS

2. McKernan, Brian.
Digital cinema : the revolution in cinematography, postproduction, and distribution / Brian McKernan. McGraw-Hill, ©2005. 209 p.
791.43 MCK

Digital tools have democratized filmmaking. Their impact on the world of cinema, the most powerful form of storytelling, has been immense. It has opened-up the doors of filmmaking for more people. What is really required for filmmaking today is not necessarily a lot of money but rather a good idea. McKernan, in *Digital Camera*, takes stock of contemporary digital cinema revolution, the technology and the ever-increasing acceptance of the digital technologies in cinema. He traces the revolutionary trends in Hollywood and independent films through interviews with well-known cinematographers and a producer of cinema computer chips. This is a must-read for directors, producers, and those interested in pursuing their creative vision and using the tools of digital cinema for storytelling. -- M

3. McNutt, Stacey.
Great American gardens : a photographic celebration / Stacey Lynn
McNutt. New Line Books, ©2006. 80 p. REF 712 MCN

Great American Gardens is an introduction to American gardens – their history and diversity. This photographic exploration of beautiful gardens of the United States takes its readers to a nationwide garden tour of the United States – from the gardens of New England, the Old South, the plains and the mountains to the Far West. It exhibits how the gardeners throughout the United States have adapted to the local variations and demands of local soil and climatic conditions to produce amazing combinations of blooms and shrubs including the areas like Great Plains and the arid Southwest. With its full-page color photographs, this fascinating volume brings to life America's unique horticultural heritage, leaving our eyes delighted and our mind intrigued. -- (For use only in the Library) CH

4. Schreibman, Myrl A.
The film director prepares : a practical guide to directing for film &
TV / Myrl A. Schreibman. Lone Eagle, ©2006. 238 p.
791.430233 SCH

Award-winning director-producer Myrl A. Schreibman squeezes his thirty-five years of experience to present the entire process of filmmaking – from script analysis to post production. *The Film Director Prepares* is a complete guide to directing for film and television. The topics cover working with actors, using the camera to tell a story, setting mood, staging, maintaining performance levels, covering shots, and directing for different mediums. It inculcates the art of creating a cohesive on-set environment to get the most out of every person on the team. It uses real-life examples to provide practical insights on filmmaking. Students of directing, screenwriters, producers, and seasoned directing professionals would benefit immensely from this guide. -- CH/ND

5. Siegel, Marcia B.
Howling near heaven : Twyla Tharp and the reinvention of modern
dance / Marcia B. Siegel. St. Martin's Press, ©2006. 326 p.
792.82 THA

Noted dance critic Siegel examines the life and work of modern dance legend Twyla Tharp. One of the most highly regarded contemporary

choreographers, she reinvented modern dance by marrying it to jazz and classical ballet in her own witty, athletic, musically sophisticated style. Veteran dance critic Siegel offers an in-depth look at Tharp's work, placing it in a historical, social, cultural, political and artistic context. Tharp began inventing her choreographic approach in the '60s, winning over audiences at the avant-garde Judson Church with *Eight Jelly Rolls*. She then conquered the ballet world with *Deuce Coupe* for the Joffrey Ballet and *Push Comes to Shove* for American Ballet Theatre. She has gone on to create an enduring repertoire as well as a Broadway hit, *Movin' Out*, with Billy Joel. Siegel provides a wealth of insight into the choreographer's groundbreaking movement vocabulary and its development over four decades. Siegel quotes extensively from dance critics, including Arlene Croce and Deborah Jowitz. These quotes and Siegel's own spare, tight observations are illuminating. This thoughtful record of Tharp's oeuvre is a must-read for theater and dance scholars. -- CH/K (*Adapted from Publishers Weekly*, ©2006)

6. Taraborrelli, J. Randy.
Elizabeth / J. Randy Taraborrelli. Warner Books Large Print, ©2006.
912 p. 791.43028 TAY

Elizabeth Taylor's celebrated career and dramatic life have been chronicled by innumerable biographers as well as by Taylor herself twice. While not neglecting Taylor's professional career, acclaimed biographer J. Randy Taraborrelli necessarily spends much time on her romances, especially her eight marriages. Of these, the centerpiece is, of course, her explosive but loving relationship with fellow actor Richard Burton. Readers interested in the woman behind the celebrity will find especially satisfying the book's final sections, in which Taylor struggles with drug and alcohol addiction, becomes an AIDS activist, and revels in her roles as mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Taylor emerges from Taraborrelli's objective albeit sympathetic treatment a true survivor, facing the vicissitudes of aging with courage and humor. -- CH (*Adapted from Library Journal*, ©2006)

7. Vecsey, George.
Baseball : a history of America's favorite game / George Vecsey.
Modern Library, ©2006. 252 p. 796.357 VEC

Many of baseball's landmark events and personalities – its ancient origins, the development of pro baseball, the Black Sox scandal, Babe Ruth, Branch Rickey, the Negro League, Jackie Robinson, the media's influence, free

agency, the globalization of the game, steroids – have been covered more thoroughly in their own volumes over the past several years. But *New York Times* sports columnist Vecsey neatly pulls them together in this seamless and succinct popular history. His account of the game's early days is especially strong, debunking in particular "founder" Doubleday's role; Vecsey argues that the only verifiable association is a request Doubleday, as a U.S. Army commander, made for baseball equipment for his troops in 1871. Vecsey has covered the game for more than 40 years, and it shows in such simple but profoundly true statements as "Baseball has always relied heavily on luck." He makes an engaging sports history in this vivid, affectionate and clear-eyed account. -- CH/M (Adapted from *Booklist*, ©2006)

8. Young, Paul.
The cinema dreams its rivals : media fantasy films from radio to the Internet / Paul Young. University of Minnesota Press, ©2006. 311 p. 791.436 YOU

In this ambitious and thoughtful book, Paul Young explores adaptation and transformation among various media. Hollywood's popularity and its potential of attracting public attention have often been under attack by a host of media rivals – radio, television, and the Internet. Young takes an investigative look into the challenges these rivals posed to the American cinema and the way Hollywood responded to those threats, redefining the contemporary media landscape. He shows how cinema has thus integrated the qualities of its rival media, such as sound, color, widescreen formats, and digital graphics. Hollywood's utilization of its rivals' technologies for its own purposes has actually redefined the identities of the new media themselves. Students of film, media history, and media technology will benefit the most from this book. -- CH/M

BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT

9. Aburdene, Patricia.
Megatrends 2010 : the rise of conscious capitalism / Patricia Aburdene. Hampton Roads Publishing Company, ©2005. 218 p. 658.408 ABU

Aburdene, co-author of three other books about "megatrends," takes stock of the trends that affect the world of business for more than a decade, which she believes, are changing capitalism. Touting the downfall of greed

and a new era of values in the business world, she puts her own spin on the basic idea that businesses profit from greater corporate responsibility. She offers information for businesspeople on the growth of spirituality, "conscious capitalism," down-to-earth leaders, values-driven consumers, conscious solutions, and socially responsible investing in the corporate world. -- CH/K/M/ND (*Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2005*)

10. Cases in hospitality and tourism management / edited by Robert M. O'Halloran, Ken Jarvis and Amy Allen-Chabot. Pearson/Prentice Hall, ©2006. 117 p. 647.94 CAS

Cases in Hospitality and Tourism Management is primarily for those learners of the hospitality and tourism who are new to the field. Cases contributed by the authors from around the world have been compiled together for the less experienced learners and students of the subject to give them exposure to real-life situations and ultimately enhance their learning experience. Planning, human resources, marketing, menu management, product development, financial management, and a host of other related topics have been included to impart critical-thinking and develop decision-making skills. This book provides a good springboard for those interested in making a career in the hospitality and tourism industry. -- K

11. Harrison, Jeffrey S.
Hospitality strategic management : concepts and cases / Jeffrey S. Harrison and Cathy A. Enz. John Wiley & Sons, ©2005. 544 p
647.94 HAR

Hospitality Strategic Management: Concepts and Cases offers a complete, wide-ranging, and managerially useful treatment of strategic management in the hospitality industry. Practical in its approach, the content is based on the actual requirements of strategic managers. Cases have been skillfully chosen from a wide range of companies in a variety of hospitality industries including lodging, gaming, cruise lines, airlines, and food service. A key-point summary at the end of the individual chapters and a glossary of important terms at the end of book come handy in thoroughly clarifying the concepts. A user-friendly Web site containing special features for students and instructors further elaborates the concepts. -- CH/K/M/ND

12. Learning rants, raves, and reflections / edited by Elliott Masie. Pfeiffer, ©2005. 310 p. 658.3124 LEA

Seventeen non-technological essays about technology's uses in learning provide an overview, case studies, and lessons learned. They recount learners' individual experiences, good and bad, as well as perspectives on training and learning in practice and in the future. *Learning Rants, Raves, and Reflections* is a unique collection of passionate, provocative, and personal stories that demonstrate how technology is transforming and how we learn today, and also reveal what we can expect in the future. The primary intended audience is corporate executives, training professionals, and higher education personnel who design, develop, implement, and manage training and learning programs. While the editor Masie is a consultant and editor of the Internet newsletter *Learning Trends*, the contributors are experts in technology and training drawn from academia and the private sector. -- CH/K (Adapted from *Book News, Inc.*, ©2005)

13. Marquardt, Michael J.
Leading with questions : how leaders find the right solutions by knowing what to ask / Michael Marquardt. Jossey-Bass, ©2005. 216 p. 658.45 MAR

Michael Marquardt, in *Leading with Questions*, unveils the amazing power of questions and shows how one can learn to ask powerful questions that can generate short-term results and long-term learning and success. He convincingly demonstrates how leaders have successfully used this tool to encourage participation and teamwork, promote thinking beyond normal convention, build relationships, solve problems, and much more. Questions have immense power of waking people up, prompting new ideas, showing new places and new ways of doing things. They help us become more confident communicators. Based on interviews with twenty-two successful leaders, this book does an impeccable job of identifying the questions that could lead to solutions in today's complicated business world. -- CH/M/ND

14. Rosen, Corey M.
Equity : why employee ownership is good for business / Corey Rosen,
John Case and Martin Staubus. Harvard Business School Press, ©2005.
214 p. 658.1147 ROS

Sharing the experiences of the employee-owned Stone Construction Equipment company, the authors Corey Rosen, John Case, and Martin Staubus explain the myths, mysteries, and magic of employee ownership. The authors observe that ownership, culture, and business discipline are the three elements of successful equity companies. They convincingly argue that employee ownership can be much more than just a good benefit program and can pay bottom-line benefits. Very practical in their approach, the authors clearly stand in favor of employee ownership to boost high performance and commitment of the individuals and that of the organization at large. -- CH/ND

15. Thriving on an aging workforce : strategies for organizational and systemic change / edited by Paulette T. Beatty and Roemer M.S. Visser. Krieger Publishing, ©2005. 216 p. 658.3 THR

Thriving on an Aging Workforce examines the challenges and opportunities posed by an increasingly aging American workforce. Each of seven sections addresses a particular problem from different perspectives. Coverage includes issues relating to older workers and career development, intergenerational relations, health, pensions, and retirement. Each issue is addressed from two perspectives. In most cases, the perspective of leading practitioners in the field, such as expert consultants, leaders and professionals in professional organizations, acclaimed think tanks, and governmental agencies, is contrasted with the perspective of acclaimed academic scholars from fields such as psychology, sociology, law, and gerontology, among others. -- CH/K

16. Top-line growth. Harvard Business School Publishing, ©2005. 192 p.
658.406 TOP

Eight articles originally published in the Harvard Business Review explore the many roles innovation can play in growing a company's business and advise when to put on the brakes. Topics include funding growth in the age of austerity, getting the most out of customers, and creating new product categories for the almost rich, six-figure household. This guide addresses the need of the CEOs and managers of the company who are constantly putting in their best

efforts to ensure growth of their organization. It provides them with the tools to explore new opportunities in business and its clientele. -- CH/K/M/ND
(Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2005)

COMMUNICATION

17. Armstrong, Jerome.
Crashing the gate : Netroots, grassroots, and the rise of people-powered politics / Jerome Armstrong, Markos Moulitsas Zuniga ; foreword by Simon Rosenberg. Chelsea Green Publishing Company, ©2006. 196 p.
324.7 ARM

Markos and Jerome, two of the hottest Democratic bloggers, believe that politics is a battle of ideas and that judicious use of the keyboard could prove to be an effective weapon in fighting a political battle. The authors call for re-democratizing politics in America and advocate progressive, people-powered politics. They stress the need to reform the Democratic Party, which has failed to adapt and respond to new realities and challenges seized on by the ruling Republican ideologues. They emphasize the need for an organized "netroots" or grassroots movement. Fueled by advances in technology, especially the blogosphere and Internet activism, and a hunger for a more authentic and populist democracy, this broad-based movement is all set to transform political campaigning in the United States. This is a must-read book for those interested in the future of American democracy. -- CH/M

18. Bardes, Barbara A.
Public opinion : measuring the American mind / Barbara A. Bardes and Robert W. Oldendick. 3rd ed. Thomson/Wadsworth, ©2007. 326 p.
303.38 BAR

Bardes and Oldendick discuss what "public opinion" means and offer a historical look at the origins of public opinion polling. They also analyze the uses of polls by political campaigns, office holders, government agencies, and the media, and explain how data are collected, discussing the advantages and disadvantages of the different methods. Attention is also paid to the ways in which Americans come to hold opinions, and how the public expresses political views. -- M (Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2007)

19. Barrass, Robert.
Speaking for yourself : a guide for students / Robert Barrass.
Routledge, 2006. 140 p. 808.51 BAR

Both written communication skills and oral communication skills are equally essential for success in all fronts of life. However, the ability to speak is often taken for granted and little thought is paid to improving one's oral expertise. This book identifies this much ignored area and lays emphasis on the importance of superior verbal capability. Speaking is not just conveying information on a subject but also presenting oneself. This book encourages students to think more about what they say and how they say it. It addresses the difficulty of putting one's thoughts into words and other related concerns. The book provides practical advice that will help the readers become good listeners, express persuasively, prepare effective presentations, perform confidently in interviews, and much more that will help them achieve their short and long-term goals. Further, exercises have been provided at the end of most chapters, which could be undertaken either by students themselves or by their tutors in the classrooms. -- ND

20. Gale, Steven H.
Strategies for managerial writing / Stephen H. Gale and Mark Garrison.
Thomson/South-Western, ©2006. 388 p. 658.453 GAL

Effective managerial writing skill is an essential skill for success of managerial professionals. Designed to prepare management students to write effectively as potential managers, this book explores the strategies and processes for successful managerial communications. Brief and compact, it examines the formats and styles of memoranda, e-mail, press releases, a wide variety of reports, letters of evaluation, and so forth. Real-world examples of corporate and organizational communication help in developing written communication from a specific point of view. Realistic activities and exercises have been included to help students organize and develop appropriate managerial communication. -- K

21. Hess, Stephen.
Through their eyes : foreign correspondents in the United States /
Stephen Hess. Brooking Institution Press, ©2005. 195 p.
070.4332 HES

This book investigates how foreign correspondents in the United States are shaping the way the world views Americans and the United States, and how these perceptions could affect the U.S. policies. Hess conducted a survey in 1999 and subsequently undertook select interviews of foreign correspondents working in the United States. He reached out to journalists from a full spectrum of countries and media (radio, television, newspaper, and magazine). Based on his survey, he gives a glimpse of the challenges facing foreign reporters, noting such common trends as pressure from editors to report on stories that reinforce negative stereotypes about America, and such practical challenges as long work hours and language barriers. With ample tables and quotes, Hess brings the facts directly to the reader. -- K/M (*Adapted from Library Journal, ©2006*)

22. Media and conflict in the twenty-first century / edited by Philip Seib.
Palgrave Macmillan, ©2005. 242 p. 070.4333 MED

This useful anthology illustrates the ongoing relationship between media and conflict and how this relationship is reorienting during early years of the twenty-first century. Begun as a project of the International Studies Association (ISA), these original essays by authors of diverse backgrounds and nationalities shed light on how media and conflict are changing separately and jointly, amidst the complex global politics of the twenty-first century. Cutting-edge analytical essays take stock of the role of budding media technologies, the globalization of television and communications, and their wide coverage including gender, war, and terrorism. This timely collection of essays makes use of a variety of research to offers important insights into how opinions on controversial issues can vary. -- K/M/ND

23. Women in mass communication / edited by Pamela J. Creedon &
Judith Cramer. 3rd ed. Sage Publications, ©2007. 346 p 302.23 WOM

The book presents a global perspective on the status, changes, and concerns facing women in the field of journalism and mass communication. Editors Pamela Creedon and Judith Cramer offer ideas and directions for further improving the status of women in this field. This latest edition

includes updates on women's opportunities and obstacles in online journalism, the role of women in health communication, women in sports journalism, women in mass communication and other similar professions. Prominent feminist scholars of varying races, cultures, and nationality offer their perspectives on the issue generally agreeing that these transformational changes are just the beginning. -- K

ECONOMICS

24. Frieden, Jeffrey A.
Global capitalism : its fall and rise in the twentieth century / Jeffrey A. Frieden. W.W. Norton, ©2006. 556 p. 337.0904 FRI

In this economic history of the 20th century, Frieden traces the history of globalization from the late 1800s to the present. He concentrates on the role played by international trade in economic development. He describes the pre-1914 period as one in which free trade reigned supreme, without regard for social disruption, under the umbrella of the gold standard. He shows that various 20th-century attempts at isolating national economies, from Nazi Germany to Communist China, generally ended disastrously. While Frieden concedes that problems exist with the current trend toward globalization, he argues that it is the best hope for worldwide economic improvement. Considering the century's various experiments with capitalism, socialism, fascism, and their variants, Frieden concludes persuasively that national economies work best when they are open to the world. Open economies work best when national governments address social and other sources of dissatisfaction with globalization. -- CH/ND (*Adapted from Library Journal*, ©2005)

25. Lucia, Raymond J.
Ready— Set— retire! : financial strategies for the rest of your life / Raymond J. Lucia with Dale Fetherling. 251 p. 332.024 LUC

This book by Raymond J. Lucia is a useful guide for long-term financial security that adds to the standard of post-retired living. More often than not, people do a lot of market analysis for immediate returns but they generally tend to neglect long-term financial futures, resulting in a financially unsecured retirement. The author stresses the need for strategic planning for long-term financial futures. He provides with the simple tools showing new ways to allocate one's money to minimum risk and lower taxes. These techniques are

time-tested – either personally used by the author himself or by one of his clients as a financial advisor. The book offers practical advice and in-depth insights and provides all the needed tools to win at the retirement game. -- K

26. Newton, David E.
Nuclear power / David E. Newton. Facts On File, ©2006. 300 p.
333.7924 NEW

With the potential to be used for both constructive and destructive ends, nuclear energy has sometimes been called the "double-edged sword of science." The first third of this book outlines the history of nuclear power production in the United States and explores the issues that arise from its use. The following sections provide extensive bibliographic references, tips for further research and excerpts from important laws and court decisions. Policymakers, administrators, attorneys, advocacy groups, teachers, and students are the targeted readers of this volume, which provides them with clear and essential information needed to define, understand, and research in the area of nuclear energy. -- K/ND (Adapted from *Book News, Inc.*, ©2006)

27. Warsh, David.
Knowledge and the wealth of nations : a story of economic discovery / David Warsh. W.W. Norton, ©2006. 426 p. 330 WAR

Veteran business reporter Warsh takes on the world of economic scholarship to tell the story of how the growth of human knowledge finally became incorporated into mainstream economic theory. Warsh explains that economist Paul Romer's publication of a mathematical model of economic growth in his article *Endogenous Technological Change* twenty years ago was the spur that brought the economics of knowledge to the forefront after more than two centuries of being on the hazy periphery of the profession. Warsh makes a strong case for the importance of Romer's work in redefining the traditional economic factors of production from being land, labor, and capital to being people, ideas, and things. Nevertheless, it is hard to determine an audience for Warsh's book. The book judiciously weaves the sophisticated ideas into a complex story without losing the thread, or the reader's interest. -- CH/K/ND (Adapted from *Library Journal*, ©2006)

28. Watts, Steven.
The people's tycoon : Henry Ford and the American Century / Steven
Watts. A.A. Knopf, ©2005. 614 p. 338.76292 FOR

Historian Watts presents a well-balanced biography of Henry Ford – one of America's business legends. Watts sees in Ford's life one of the great stories and one of the great mysteries of modern American history. The crotchety automaker was loved by everyday citizens; listened to by Lenin, Hitler, and Woodrow Wilson; and derided by intellectuals, cosmopolitans, and opinion shapers. His unique relationship with America, Watts says, was shaped by the wrenching cultural transformation of his age as the emergence of consumer capitalism, mass culture, bureaucracy, and the corporate state created the century's most powerful nation. Watts' thoughtful and readable biography works to capture Ford's complex personality and uncover the sources of his public stature. -- M/ND (*Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2005*)

EDUCATION

29. Assessing conditions to enhance educational effectiveness : the inventory for student engagement and success / George D. Kuh ... [et al.]. Jossey-Bass, ©2005. 95 p. 378.1 ASS

This companion volume to *Student Success in College* describes the policies and practices of twenty colleges and universities that have created success-oriented campus cultures and learning environments. The authors present the *Inventory for Student Engagement and Success* (ISES) – a self-guided framework for conducting an institution-wide or department analysis. The ISES includes sets of diagnostic queries that focus on the six properties and conditions common to high-performing schools as well as the five clusters of effective educational practices featured on the National Survey of Student Engagement. -- CH/ND

30. What makes racial diversity work in higher education : academic leaders present successful policies and strategies / edited by Frank W. Hale, Jr. ; foreword by Dr. William E. Kirwan. Stylus Publishing, ©2004. 336 p. 378.1982 WHA

Changing demographic representations in United States colleges and universities have posed many new challenges for the authorities of these

academic hubs. The educational institutions will have to be more inclusive and also create an atmosphere and a campus-culture to effectively retain the growing population of ethnically and racially diverse students. All institutions concerned with inclusivity and diversity would gain a lot from this book in framing their own ideas and procedures, which will help them in developing their own campus policies and initiatives. -- K

ENVIRONMENT

31. Malone, Linda A.
Defending the environment : civil society strategies to enforce international environmental law / Linda A. Malone & Scott Pasternack. Island Press, ©2006. 359 p. 344.046 MAL

This book provides the environmental activists with practical advice for implementing and enforcing international environmental law. Malone and Pasternack advocate adherence to environmental human rights remedies and international environmental and public health standards. This comprehensive guide will promote everyone's participation in enforcing international environmental law. -- K/M

32. McKibben, Bill.
The end of nature / Bill McKibben. Random House trade pbk. ed. Random House Trade Paperbacks, 2006. 195 p. 304.28 MCK

This thought-provoking classic work, already translated into twenty languages, has the potential to change the way people view our planet. This new edition features a new introduction by the author that assesses both the progress and the ground lost in the fight to save the earth. McKibben provides the latest scientific evidence about greenhouse effect, depletion of the ozone layer, and a harrowing array of other ecological ills. He also warns about the alarming repercussions of the destruction man has wrought on our planet. The book will be of special interest for the nature enthusiasts and those concerned with the policies of the environment and its conservation. -- CH

33. Risinen, Robert A.
Energy and the environment / Robert A. Risinen and Jack J. Kraushaar. 2nd ed. John Wiley, ©2006. 365 p. 333.79 RIS

Written for students with little scientific or mathematical background, *Energy and the Environment* reveals that many of the existing environmental problems have their origin in human quest for abundant and inexpensive energy. The topics covered are energy fundamentals, the use of fossil fuels, renewable energy resources, nuclear energy, transportation, air pollution, and the global effects of how we use energy. -- K/M

34. Rivers of North America / edited by Arthur C. Benke & Colbert E. Cushing. Elsevier/Academic Press, ©2005. 1144 p. REF 551.483 RIV

Rivers of North America brings together comprehensive information about North America's rivers – from Southern Mexico to the Arctic. Written by scientists, the book is an important resource material for other scientists, ecologists, river conservationists, and lay persons. While the introduction covers broader aspects and concerns about rivers, the following twenty-two chapters detail major river basins. The book contains information about river animals and plants, ecology, hydrology, geology, geography, river management, river conservation, and the human history of river basins. Extensive illustration with 190 color photographs and 218 maps and figures gives the feel of these natural freshwater systems, which cannot be illustrated by text alone. -- (For use only in the Library) K/M

35. Sustainable nuclear power / edited by Galen J. Suppes and Truman S. Storvick. Elsevier/Academic Press, ©2007. 393 p. 333.7924 SUS

Written for non-specialists including non-nuclear engineers, scientists, and energy planners, *Sustainable Nuclear Power* empowers the readers with better understanding of the energy sources, the way energy is used to meet transportation and residence needs, and how nuclear power provides abundant and sustainable power to the world. It elaborates on the major advances in the field of nuclear power. It demonstrates that nuclear fission technology still has the potential to provide centuries of safe power with minimal greenhouse gas generation. It also covers some other related issues including safety and disposal, which have plagued the development of the nuclear power industry and scared planners and policy makers as well as the general public. -- CH/K/M/ND

HISTORY & CIVILIZATION

36. Horton, James Oliver.
Slavery and the making of America / James Oliver Horton and Lois E.
Horton. Oxford University Press, 2006. 254 p. 973.0496 HOR

In this compact and lucid account of how the history of slavery is central to the history of the United States, the authors demonstrate the vital role that the blacks played in landmarks of the American record – colonial settlement, the Revolution, westward expansion, the Civil War, Reconstruction. Africans and African-Americans appear not just as "passive laborers" but as shapers of American culture, from colonial politics to Southern cuisine. The authors reveal the myriad experiences of free and enslaved blacks and devote particular attention to the lives of women, both white and black. The often-told tale is made fresh through up-to-date slavery scholarship, the extensive use of slave narratives and archival photos, and especially, a focus on individual experience. As the Hortons chronicle lives from freedom in Africa to slavery in America and beyond, they tell an integral American story. -- CH/M/ND (*Adapted from Publishers Weekly, ©2005*)

37. Wills, Garry.
Henry Adams and the making of America / Garry Wills. Houghton
Mifflin, ©2005. 467 p. 973.46 ADA

Wills nimbly dusts off the nine volumes of Henry Adams's little-studied history of the United States from 1800 to 1817 and proclaims it to be both "a prose masterpiece" and a model for how to research and write history. Adams, he insists, helped to revolutionize the study of history by conducting actual archival research, not just in U.S. repositories but abroad in London, Paris and Madrid. And at a time when provincial history was the norm, Adams adopted a broad international scope, placing the fledgling nation on the broad canvas of the Napoleonic Wars. Wills has little time for scholars who have dismissed the History as pessimistic or defensive of Adams's ancestors. In contrast, Wills finds Adams's work to be optimistic about the much-needed nationalization that occurred in this period, even though it took the ill-conceived and disastrous War of 1812 to get there. He also notes that Adams could be harshly critical of his own presidential ancestors, particularly John Quincy, in favor of the bold accomplishments of Jefferson and, to a lesser extent, Madison. In all, Adams's history traces "how a nation stagnating at the end of Federalist

rule shook itself awake and struck off boldly in new directions." -- CH/M
(Adapted from *Publishers Weekly*, ©2005)

INFORMATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

38. Neely, Teresa Y.
Information literacy assessment : standards-based tools and assignments / Teresa Y. Neely ; foreword by Hannelore Rader. American Library Association, ©2006. 216 p. 028.7 NEE

Even prior to the publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries' Information Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education, there were concerns on what to teach and how to assess information competency. Librarians, researchers, and others seeking examples of teaching activities, teaching evaluation, and student outcomes assessment will find a wide selection of examples tied to these standards in this book. Neely and her co-writers discuss ways to integrate standards in what is taught about planning, gathering, evaluating, and using information. They also emphasize information literacy assessment as important to the college accreditation process. There are numerous suggestions for developing and writing assessment instruments. Researchers and information literacy librarians would find a great deal in this book, which will come handy to them in creating comprehensive information literacy plans and evaluating their students' progress. -- M (Adapted from *Booklist*, ©2006)

39. Robertson, Deborah A.
Cultural programming for libraries : linking libraries, communities, and culture / Deborah A. Robertson with the Public Programs Office of the American Library Association ; with assistance from Susan Brandehoff, Mary Davis Fournier, and Laura Hayes. American Library Association, ©2005. 107 p. REF 021.2 ROB

In order to qualify as a cultural platform for community engagement, today's library needs to diversify and offer cultural programs. Cultural programs are offered in libraries throughout the United States. The cultural programming includes the arts, sciences, and the humanities and the community dialogue engendered by such events such as arts performances, interpretive exhibitions, and literary book discussions. This informative handbook provides background, practical steps, and ideas to develop the library's capacity to present excellent

adult, young adult, and family cultural programming on topics, themes, and issues for a wide array of audiences across cultures. Frequent black-and-white reproductions of promotional and informational materials from successful cultural series further enrich the text. This is an excellent resource for the practicing librarians who would like to creatively advance their information centers and libraries as a community cultural hub. -- (For use only in the Library) K/M/ND

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

40. Landman, Todd.
Protecting human rights : a comparative study / Todd Landman.
Georgetown University Press, ©2005. 231 p. 323.09 LAN

Landman focuses attention on the significant and persistent gap between principle and practice in human rights protection. Using theories and methods from international law, international relations, and comparative politics, he investigates reasons for the growth of the international law of human rights, the relation between the law and actual practice, whether the law makes a difference to people, and what other factors help account for the global variation in rights protection. -- K/M (*Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2006*)

41. The UN's role in nation-building : from the Congo to Iraq / James Dobbins [et. al.]. RAND Corporation, ©2005. 273 p. 341.584 UNS

Presented as a companion to *America's Role in Nation-Building: From Germany to Iraq*, this study presents case studies of United Nations involvement in the Belgian Congo, Namibia, El Salvador, Cambodia, Mozambique, Eastern Slavonia, Sierra Leone, and East Timor. Each study, sponsored by the RAND Corporation and conducted through its National Security Research Division, describes the original challenges in the areas of security, humanitarian issues, civil administration, democratization, and economic reconstruction; explores U.N. and other international roles in the military and police spheres and the civil and economic spheres; and then examines the results in each of the five areas mentioned above. It also investigates the nation-building efforts in Iraq. -- K/M

LAW

42. Parkinson, Michael G.
Law for advertising, broadcasting, journalism, and public relations : a comprehensive text for students and practitioners / Michael G. Parkinson and L. Marie Parkinson. Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, ©2006. 343.73099 PAR

This book provides an introduction to communication law for students and practitioners in mass-communication, journalism, advertising, broadcasting, telecommunications, and public relations. Both of the authors have used their own teaching experiences in elaborating the legal concepts, procedures, structures, and jurisdictions. -- K

43. Segal, Jeffrey Allan.
The Supreme Court in the American legal system / Jeffrey A. Segal, Harold J. Spaeth and Sara C. Benesh. Cambridge University Press, ©2005. 409 p. 347.7326 SEG

In *The Supreme Court in the American Legal System*, Segal and colleagues offer a comprehensive timely analysis of the relationship between the United States Supreme Court and the lower courts. Examining the American legal system, the book provides separate chapters on state courts, the U.S. District Courts, and the U.S. Courts of Appeals. Separate chapters on civil procedure, evidence, and criminal procedure are also provided. This volume is intended as a complement to the author's *The Supreme Court and the Attitudinal Model Revisited*. It not only pays attention to what we know about American law and courts, but also how we know it. -- K

44. Sekulow, Jay.
Witnessing their faith : religious influence on Supreme Court justices and their opinions / Jay Alan Sekulow. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, ©2006. 349 p. 342.730852 SEK

Lawyer and evangelical Christian Sekulow explores how the U.S. Supreme Court has interpreted and applied the two clauses of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution concerning religion. These clauses prohibit two distinct types of government actions that would interfere with religious liberty of the Americans – the establishment of a national religion and

interference with individual rights to practice religion. Among the cases he cites are the Bible in public schools controversy and the Philadelphia riots, the Mormon controversy, the rise of the church-state separation movement, and school prayer. This is an essential reading for anyone interested in the history and future of religious freedom in America. -- K (Adapted from *Book News, Inc.*, ©2006)

LITERATURE & LANGUAGE

45. Gardner, Thomas.
A door ajar : contemporary writers and Emily Dickinson / Thomas Gardner. Oxford University Press, ©2006. 257 p. 811.4 DIC

A Door Ajar is an original study that seeks to establish the influence of Emily Dickinson in contemporary American writing. Gardner traces four contemporary writers in whose works he finds an extension or expansion of Dickinson's literary legacy. Interviews with Marilynne Robinson, Charles Wright, Susan Howe, and Jorie Graham explore the twin forces of influence and originality. Gardner argues that writers have often returned to Emily Dickinson's work in the past. He convincingly establishes that Dickinson still matters and will continue to matter to writers and readers over the next several decades. -- CH/K/ND

46. Sheldon, Sidney.
The other side of me / Sidney Sheldon. Warner Books, ©2005. 363 p. 813.54 SHE

Bestselling novelist Sheldon has written a truly engaging memoir of his life. With his self-deprecating humor, he takes us from his Depression-era youth, rife with poverty and uncertainty, to his heady days as an Oscar-winning screenwriter and celebrated novelist, ultimately providing a frank assessment of the roller-coaster ride of success and failure that distinguishes a career in Hollywood and Broadway. Included are insights into the different Hollywood studios for which Sheldon worked, but especially interesting are the behind-the-scenes details of his encounters, working relationships, and friendships with celebrities who include Cary Grant, Buster Keaton, Groucho Marx, George Balanchine, and Elizabeth Taylor. Although Sheldon is fairly reticent regarding his family life, he is open about his lifelong personal battles with depression. His skilled storytelling quickly moves beyond touching and entertaining

anecdotes to a compelling narrative that charts his creativity, drive, and struggles. *The Other Side of Me* is filled with highs and lows, twists and turns, and is every bit as riveting as any blockbuster Sheldon has ever written. Fans of Sidney Sheldon will love to explore the greatest tale of world's master storyteller in his own words. -- CH/K/M/ND (Adapted from *Library Journal*, ©2005)

PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

47. Rights and liberties in the biotech age : why we need a genetic bill of rights / edited by Sheldon Krinsky and Peter Shorett. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, ©2005. 235 p. 174 p. 174.957 RIG

Rights and Liberties in the Biotech Age advocates the need of a Genetic Bill of Rights to assure that the technological breakthroughs in the area of biotechnology and genetic engineering are kept under control so that the public be protected from the unsolicited consequences of these developments. Academics, advocates, and activists argue in support of GBR to protect the civil liberties, communitarian values, and minority rights of people against the gradually getting uncontrolled technology. This book is a thorough analysis of issues on the technological front as well as on the social and ethical front. -- CH/K/M/ND

POLITICAL SCIENCE

48. Coker, Jeffrey W.
Franklin D. Roosevelt : a biography / Jeffrey W. Coker. Greenwood Press, ©2005. 172 p. 973.917 ROO

This is a concise but thorough introductory biography of one of the most influential and effective presidents of modern America. Although there could be difference of opinion in ranking Roosevelt (1882-1945) among the best presidents of the United States, even his critics would agree that he was one of the most influential American presidents. Historian Coker traces Franklin D. Roosevelt's life from his wealthy childhood through the 32nd president's New Deal and entry into World War II. He also treats controversies over his legacy. Those researching the Great Depression or World War II will find this

biography a good reference source. -- CH/ND (Adapted from *Book News, Inc.*, ©2005)

49. Congress reconsidered / edited by Lawrence C. Dodd, Bruce I. Oppenheimer. 8th ed. CQ Press, ©2005. 494 p. 328.73 CON

Dodd and Oppenheimer present a collection that explores cutting-edge research on the development of the modern Congress, covering the patterns and dynamics of congressional change, analysis of elections and constituencies, and the dynamics of parties and committees. Important new chapter topics include the effects of a decade of Republican control, policymaking in an age of terrorism, how African American and other minorities have changed Congress; congressional preeminence in the late nineteenth century (contrasted with the presidential preeminence of 1969-2004); the impact of congressional committees in a partisan era; and the causes and consequences of declining party competitiveness. -- M/ND (Adapted from *Book News, Inc.*, ©2005)

50. Divided power : the Presidency, Congress, and the formation of American foreign policy / edited by Donald R. Kelley. University of Arkansas Press, ©2005. 216 p. 327.73 DIV

Divided Power is an informative collection of scholarly essays written for the Fulbright Institute of International Relations, offering a snapshot of the complex reality of the relationship between the executive and legislative branches in the formation of U.S. foreign policy. These essays attempt to answer some of the basic questions about the American foreign policy and examine the everlasting debate of legislative and executive power in foreign policies, and which branch retains more power. Well-researched and deftly written, the book enhances our understanding of pertinent political science issues and national debates. Students of political science as well as general readers with keen interest in understanding American foreign policy will hold special appreciation for this significant title. -- M

51. Kean, Thomas H.
Without precedent : the inside story of the 9/11 Commission / Thomas H. Kean and Lee H. Hamilton with Benjamin Rhodes. Alfred A. Knopf, ©2006. 370 p. 973.931 KEA

Former New Jersey Governor Kean and former Indiana Congressman Hamilton who served as chair and vice chair, respectively, of the presidential commission investigating 9/11, present an insiders' account of the commission and the many difficult obstacles it faced to meet its mandate. The military, diplomatic, and intelligence services were reluctant to provide needed materials. In addition, the news media followed the commission's every move, eager to report any misstep. Families of individuals killed in New York, Washington, and Pennsylvania pushed for a deeper investigation. And the commission worked during the highly partisan 2004 presidential elections. Despite these many difficulties, the ten-person group and its many staffers provided a fair, open investigation that highlighted flaws in American efforts to combat terrorism and made recommendations for reforms. The commission's report later became a best seller. Kean and Hamilton's account also includes the report card of the 9/11 Public Discourse Project, a private foundation dedicated to insuring that the commission's recommendations were implemented by Congress, as well as the commission's final recommendations for reform and a time line of its work. Rich in detail and well written, this book provides excellent insight into the operation of a high-profile governmental commission investigating a national tragedy. -- CH/M (*Adapted from Library Journal*, ©2006)

52. Leaming, Barbara.
Jack Kennedy : the education of a statesman / Barbara Leaming. W.W. Norton, ©2006. 509 p. 973.922 KEN

Rather than offering another full biography of John F. Kennedy, Leaming focuses on specific influences upon him during his early manhood, particularly the impact of Kennedy's sister Kathleen ("Kick") and the British world into which she married during World War II. Kick recognized JFK's superior qualities even as their father promoted eldest son Joe Jr. She also substituted for their distant and rigid mother, Rose. Leaming convincingly shows how Winston Churchill and the British came to play a major role in JFK's intellectual and political outlook. Though influenced by his Irish ancestry, ill health, and his father's political and sexual values, he was not fatally trapped, according to Leaming. Churchill's independent challenge to Hitler and willingness to confront the Soviet Union diplomatically were to serve as models for JFK during the Cold War. If Churchill drank and smoked too much, JFK

used sex and drugs too much in dealing with his health problems. His unfaithfulness led to Jackie's depression and her resorting occasionally to prescription injections. The author presents JFK as the little engine that could see beyond both his father's and Dwight D. Eisenhower's limitations, which led him to a political maturity evidenced in the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Test Ban Treaty with the Soviets. Engagingly written, this book provides new insights into JFK's behavior and will appeal to both presidential buffs and scholars. -- CH/K/M/ND (*Adapted from Library Journal*, ©2006)

53. Remini, Robert Vincent.
The House : the history of the House of Representatives / Robert V. Remini. Smithsonian Books, ©2006. 614 p. 328.73072 REM

National Book Award winner Remini offers the definitive history of "the People's House." Envisioned as the more democratic half of America's bicameral legislature, the House first convened on April 1, 1789. As Remini shows, in the early decades, Henry Clay's leadership was crucial – his willingness to go head-to-head with the Monroe administration helped establish the House's power and autonomy. During the Civil War, the House provided crucial support for the Union by passing legislation to print greenbacks and create a military draft. Remini discusses the 16 black congressmen who served during Reconstruction. Turning to the 20th century, Remini examines the House's response to the Great Depression, the Cold War, Civil Rights, Vietnam and Watergate. His concluding chapter addresses the "Conservative Revolution" of the 1980s and '90s. Here Newt Gingrich gets the spotlight – he was determined to give the House a more prominent position in the legislative process, but also helped usher in "an era of incivility and personal attack and partisanship" that, says Remini, continues today. Written at the instruction of Congress, this tome is highly readable though encyclopedic. -- CH/M (*Adapted from Publishers Weekly*, ©2006)

54. Watterson, John Sayle.
The games presidents play : sports and the presidency / John Sayle Watterson. Johns Hopkins University Press, ©2006. 402 p. 973.099 WAT

Watterson examines the place of sports and athletics in the lives of the American Presidents. Early U.S. Presidents, he shows, often continued the sports and games of their youth while in office, but few used sports as building blocks of their political or personal lives. Then came Theodore Roosevelt –

peripatetic hiker, hunter, rock climber, swimmer, and former Rough Rider – who set the standard for the modern sporting presidency and our current expectation of a chief executive as vigorous and outgoing. Watterson illustrates how some Presidents used sports for political gain – for example Warren G. Harding thrived on photo-ops with famous athletes of the 1920s, hardly a major championship was won during the Nixon era without a conspicuous congratulatory call from the President, and George H.W. Bush, one of the best athletes among Presidents, used sports in an attempt to dispel his not so strong public image. Some presidents have also seen their love of sports backfire – for example Eisenhower was widely criticized for spending too much time on the golf course. This is a well-researched, nicely written enjoyable work that delivers a unique flavor of politics and culture and will appeal to both history scholars and sports fans. -- CH *(Adapted from Library Journal, ©2006)*

55. Woods, Randall Bennett.
LBJ : architect of American ambition / Randall B. Woods. Free Press,
©2006. 1007 p. 973.923 JOH

Why, after major works by Robert A. Caro and Robert Dallek, do we need another biography of Lyndon Baines Johnson? The answer lies in the fact that Johnson was so complex that every new biographer willing to do the tough spadework of original research discovers fresh layers of Johnsonian reality to explain, new psychological and political corridors to explore. Such is the case with this excellent new work by Woods, who offers a new portrayal of Johnson as a progressive legislator and president. Woods finds Johnson's key motivation to be largely altruistic, emerging from righteous outrage over the poverty and racism that he witnessed while growing up in Texas. Woods serves up a Johnson who is less cynical, less self-serving and more heroic and tragic than the man portrayed elsewhere. Woods's Johnson is a man who saw his greatest personal ambitions realized with the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1964, and the Great Society programs. In this compelling and massive narrative, Woods convincingly makes the case for Johnson's greatness and paints a vivid and unforgettable color of the thirty-sixth President of the United States. -- CH *(Adapted from Publishers Weekly, ©2006)*

PSYCHOLOGY

56. Chamorro-Premuzic, Tomas.
Personality and individual differences / Tomas Chamorro-Premuzic.
BPS Blackwell, ©2007. 195 p. 155.2 CHA

This well-written and succinct textbook covers the salient and recent literature on personality, intellectual ability, motivation, and other individual differences like creativity, leadership and emotional intelligence. While looking at how and why people are different as well as the possibility of measuring this difference on a scale, the book further explores the implications of such differences. Different explanations offered over the years remain controversial, especially the biological factors as compared to the environmental ones. To enhance its content and make it more accessible, an outline of key ideas have been listed at the start of each chapter and the key terms are highlighted in bold on their first significant occurrence in the text. Definitions of all key terms are included in the glossary at the end of the book. Each chapter is summarized and concluded with a clear list of points reviewing the chapter's important themes. -- K

57. Goleman, Daniel.
Social intelligence : the new science of human relationships / Daniel Goleman. Random House Large Print, ©2006. 691 p. 158.2 GOL

In this companion volume to his bestseller *Emotional Intelligence*, Goleman persuasively argues for a new social model of intelligence drawn from the emerging field of social neuroscience. Describing what happens to our brains when we connect with others, Goleman demonstrates how relationships have the power to mold not only human experience but also human biology. In lucid prose he describes from a neurobiological perspective sexual attraction, marriage, parenting, psychopathic behaviors and the group dynamics of teachers and workers. Goleman frames his discussion in a critique of society's creeping disconnection in the age of the iPod, constant digital connectivity and multitasking. Vividly evoking the power of social interaction to influence mood and brain chemistry, Goleman discusses the "toxicity" of insult and unpleasant social experience as he warns of the dangers of self-absorption and poor attention and reveals the positive effects of feel-good neuron-chemicals that are released in loving relationships and in care-giving. Drawing on numerous studies, Goleman illuminates new theories about attachment, bonding, and the making and remaking of memory as he examines how our brains are wired for

altruism, compassion, concern and rapport. The massive audience for *Emotional Intelligence* will revel in Goleman's latest passionately argued case for the benefits to society of empathetic social attunement. -- CH/M (Adapted from *Publishers Weekly*, ©2006)

58. McGee, Micki.
Self-Help, Inc. : makeover culture in American life / Micki McGee.
Oxford University Press, ©2005. 288 p. 158 MCG

The huge success of self-help accessories like books, audiotapes, life-makeover seminars, and regimens of all kinds rests on the fact that its practitioners seamlessly combine two conflicting goals, financial or outward success and religious or inner transcendence, claiming that you can eat your cake and have it, too. McGee, a sociologist and cultural critic, carefully demonstrates the fallacious underpinnings of this mindset. *Self-help* overemphasizes the individual's capabilities at the expense of the necessary reliance on or assistance of a network of others. Women's rise in the workplace has revealed the "fault lines" in the image of the self-made man, who really depends on a wife to sustain his efforts. To McGee, it's such mendacity that lies at the core of the self-help project, for we cannot make ourselves. Fortunately, her gracefully written account is tinged with sympathy for the harried souls for whom "self-improvement is suggested as the only reliable insurance against economic insecurity" at a time when companies do not properly look after their workers. -- CH (Adapted from *Publishers Weekly*, ©2005)

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

59. Kandel, Eric R.
In search of memory : the emergence of a new science of mind / Eric R.
Kandel. W.W. Norton, ©2006. 510 p. 616.8 KAN

Kandel, who received the Nobel Prize in 2000 for his groundbreaking research showing how memory is encoded in the brain's neuronal circuits, illustrates advances in our understanding of learning and memory. Kandel's journey into the brain spans five decades, beginning in the era of early research into the role of electrical currents flowing through neurons and ending in the age of genetic engineering. It takes him from early studies of reflexes in the lowly squid to the founding of a bioengineering firm whose work could some day develop treatments for Alzheimer's and on to a rudimentary understanding of the

cellular mechanisms underlying mental illness. For anyone considering a career in science, the early part of this intellectual autobiography presents a fascinating portrait of a scientist's formation – learning to trust his instincts on what research to pursue and how to pose a researchable question and formulate an experiment. Much of the science discussion is too dense for the average reader, but for those seriously interested in the relationship between the mind and the brain, this is an important account. -- CH/K/M/ND *(Adapted from Publishers Weekly, ©2006)*

60. Rogers, Karl.
On the metaphysics of experimental physics / Karl Rogers. Palgrave Macmillan, 2005. 252 p. 530.0724 ROG

This book analyzes how experimental physics is conceptually and historically possible as a natural and empirical science. How have experimental physicists used technology to understand nature? When does experimental physics become metaphysics? Rogers examines the complex relationships amongst technology, knowledge, nature and truth, including Bhaskar's argument, Galileo's mathematical projection of the six simple machines and the mechanical world-view, the role of mathematics in building metaphysics, the influence of the art of experimentation, and the will to build machines and thought systems. -- K/ND *(Adapted from Book News, Inc., ©2005)*

SOCIOLOGY

61. Diverse histories of American sociology / edited by Anthony J. Blasi. Brill, ©2005. 462 p. 301 DIV

Blasi presents eighteen papers that focus on the historical aspect of sociological practices in the United States. These papers present outlook of American sociology from minority groups and important intellectual movements that did not merge into the mainstream. Narrating the histories of organizations involved in conducting sociology, the book examines the sociology conducted for the purpose of reform. Wide coverage of this collection includes topics like contributions of female sociologists in the American South, the sociology of William J. Kerby of Catholic University, the development of clinical sociology, the evolution of the Caucus of Black Sociologists to the Association of Black Sociologists, the beginnings of sociology in Hawai'i, and the conduct of sociology in higher education. -- ND

62. Jacobs, Jerry A.
The time divide : work, family and gender inequality / Jerry A. Jacobs
and Kathleen Gerson. Harvard University Press, 2005. 259 p.
331.12042 JAC

The Time Divide draws on diverse sources to highlight the dramatic changes in the ways Americans organize their work lives and family lives. Authors Jerry Jacobs and Kathleen Gerson demonstrate that time has become a form of social inequality that is dividing Americans in new ways. Today the American family landscape is represented by dual-income and single-parent families which has far outnumbered the once prevalent two-parent and one-earner family structure. The fundamental shift in the family arrangements and gender composition of the labor force has created new challenges for the American workplace and new dilemmas for American families. The authors address this lacuna, examining five overlapping time divides based on large-scale quantitative data sets and cross-national comparisons of American workers and workplaces with their counterparts in America and Europe. Jacobs and Gerson clearly stand apart in their methodological and substantive effort to fill an important void in work-family conflict scholarship. This is a must-read book for those looking for the most fine-grained analysis of working time and its impact on families. Scholars of the workplace and of contemporary American society as well as public policy advocates would hold special appreciation for this title. -- CH

63. Strassel, Kimberley A.
Leaving women behind : modern families, outdated laws / Kimberley
A. Strassel , Celeste Colgan, and John C. Goodman. Rowman &
Littlefield, ©2006. 215 p. 305.42 STR

This book is a thorough analysis of women's entry into the labor market and the role played by the social and economic policies. Although women have come out of their conventional domain and paved their way into the labor market, the outdated legal institutions do not provide ample support to single mothers, working wives and widows. Federal regulations like tax law, labor law and other policy institutions have yet to adapt to the changing role of women in the society and their entry into the labor market, resulting in undesirable penalization of working women. While identifying the need for changes in the institutions, the authors go a step further offering pragmatic solutions for empowering women. They argue that public policy, particularly

Social Security and tax policy, must change to reflect the needs of modern families. -- K

64. Strausbaugh, John.
Black like you : blackface, whiteface, insult & imitation in American popular culture / John Strausbaugh. Penguin, ©2006. 370 p.
305.896 STR

In *Black Like You*, Strausbaugh takes an erudite and engaging look at race in American popular culture illuminating the realities about race in America. From the inception of blackface performances to their influence on the modern popular culture of America, the author outlines the course of one of America's most controversial forms of entertainment. The influence of blackface has permeated through rock and roll, hip-hop, vaudeville, Broadway, and drag performance. From *The Amos 'N' Andy Show* to the reality show *Black. White* – reflection of this entertainment form is evident on radio and television as well. While making a comprehensive examination of this uncomfortable subject, the author recognizes that popular culture is neither absolutely racist nor politically correct. -- CH/M

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