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The Most Exciting Things that Your Library Did Last Year

The Law Library planned and implemented a redesign and reorganization of the **library website**. The new website was launched in July 2009.

The Librarians engaged in a **three year strategic plan**, drawing on goals from the library's mission statement. Working in small groups over several months, the librarians developed objectives to achieve those goals and identified the necessary strategies for implementation.

Spaces on three floors of the Law Library were reconfigured to facilitate an additional 7 new study tables with chairs and lamps, wired for electrical access. The reconfiguration provided approximately 50 additional seats for laptop use.

The Biggest Challenges Facing Your Library in the Coming Year

Like most state institutions, the Law Library faces significant **financial challenges** concerning funding from the state budget. The budget cuts will affect the collections budget most significantly. Additional cuts to the collection will be necessary.

With budget cuts, staff furloughs and other related restrictions, maintaining **staff moral** as well as regional and national professional development opportunities will be challenging.

Other Developments

The Law Library, in collaboration with the Duke Law Library, hired a part-time non-librarian graduate student to assist the law school faculty with **empirical-based research**.

The Law Library added a **new staff position** in access services.

The Law Library participated with architects and university officials in **continued planning** of a new law school and library to be located in the new Carolina North campus in Chapel Hill.

The reference librarians engaged in an **extensive review** of the American law collection to recommend titles for elimination due to budget cuts.