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“Data isn't information. There's a wide gulf between data -- bits, bytes, numbers and words -- and information. Information, unlike data, has accuracy. It's reliable. It's timely. Understandable. Information comes with a pedigree...you know the source. Information, unlike data, is useful.”

~Clifford Stoll, *High Tech Heretic*.

(retrieved from <http://marylaine.com/exlibris/cool.html>, accessed on 11/9/10)



A New Arrival

One of the newest books to grace our shelves is Personality Assessment in Police Psychology: a 21st Century Perspective, edited by Peter A. Weiss. It can be found at **363.2 PER** and is available for anyone to borrow.

Did You Know about this Website?

I thought you'd want to know about a website that contains a wealth of materials that pertain to Homeland Security. It is called the Homeland Security Digital Library (<https://www.hsdl.org/>) and is housed at The Naval Postgraduate School

Center for Homeland Defense and Security (HSDL) in Monterey, CA.

HSDL contains almost **83,000** documents that relate to homeland security policy, strategy, and organizational management and that originate from a wide range and variety of sources. **45,000** of these documents (mostly Federal Government documents and academic theses) are accessible to anyone. For access to the remaining almost **40,000** items, a user must register.

Be sure to check this wonderful site for much valuable information on the topic.

Duplicate CDs

The library has a number of Backup USA CDs that are either older versions of titles already in our collection or second copies that we don't need.

These are available to anyone who is interested. Just come and see me in the library.

The titles are:

- ***Pursuit Decision Making***
- ***Use of Force***
- ***Patrol Response to Active Shooters***
- ***Field Training Officer***
- ***NIMS/ICS Awareness***
- ***Report Writing***
- ***Crash Investigations***
- ***Officer Survival***
- ***Community Policing***
- ***Responding to Elder Abuse and Mentally Disturbed Persons/Preventing and Responding to School Violence***



Another Offering

The library has two extra copies of the Southern Poverty Law Center program entitled The Shadow of Hate: a History of Intolerance in America. The set includes a video of the same title, a teacher's guide, and a copy of the book Us and Them: a History of Intolerance in America.

If you are interested in having your very own copy, please call or send me an e-mail, and you will be one of the lucky recipients!

The Daily Record

Back issues of The Daily Record are now being housed in the library. These date from Monday, October 25, 2010 and will be maintained for a period of time as yet to be determined but based on the frequency of their use by you, the staff of our agency.

I hope they will be useful for many of you.

Report Writing

In case you missed the November 2010 issue of Law and Order magazine, there is a feature on Effective Report Writing. BJ Bourg lists and describes the seven steps that he considers crucial in improving the writing process for officers and for helping them to create a better end product.

If anyone is interested in taking a look at this article, please stop by the library.

One More Thing

Another brand new acquisition for the library is The Unthinkable: Who Survives When Disaster Strikes and Why by Amanda Ripley. I learned about this book at a recent conference on Emergency Management for Librarians, and I felt it would be an important addition to our library.

Ripley interviews brain scientists, trauma psychologists, and other disaster experts to explain how individuals react, how they will feel, and whether they will become heroes or victims in a time of disaster.

You can stop by to borrow this book that can be found at **155.9 RIP**.



Best wishes to everyone for a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy, and peaceful 2011!