

New Books in Library

Computer And Web Resources For People With Disabilities: A Guide to Exploring Today's Assistive Technology, 2000

Current computer hardware and software gives children and adults with any disability new ways to interact with the world. In this book, The Alliance for Technology Access brings together the most up-to-date information on a wide range of topics. Including: *making use of conventional, assistive and information technologies *personal stories of people using technology in their daily lives at school, at work and at home details about state-of-the-art computer technology—including screen enhancements, speech synthesizers and customized keyboards—in a completely revised ‘toolbox’ section * brand-new and extensively updated listings of Web resources, publications, support organizations and vendors to contact for more information (from back of book)

The Crisis Of Islam: holy War and Unholy Terror By Bernard Lewis, 2003

This book ranges widely through thirteen centuries of history, but in particular it charts the key events of the twentieth century leading up to the violent confrontations of today: the creation of the state of Israel, the Cold War, the Iranian Revolution, the Soviet defeat in Afghanistan, the Gulf War, and September 11 attacks on the U.S. While hostility toward the West has a long and varied history in the lands of Islam, its current concentration on America is new. Brilliantly disentangling the crosscurrents of Middle Eastern history from the rhetoric of its manipulators, Bernard Lewis helps us understand the reasons for the increasingly dogmatic rejection of modernity by many in the Muslim world in favor of a return to a sacred past (from inside book cover)

Disabled Rights: American Disability Policy and the Fight for Equality By Jacqueline Vaughn Switzer, 2003

In March 2000, the Sixth District Court of Appeals overturned on a technicality the misdemeanor conviction of Keelly Dillery, who had been arrested in Sandusky, Ohio, in 1998 on a charge of being a pedestrian in a roadway. Dillery, who uses a motorized wheelchair because she has muscular dystrophy, used her wheelchair in the city's street because she said the sidewalks were raised or broken and therefore were inaccessible to her. She was charged four times in less than a year for actions—once for child endangering because she carried her daughter on her lap (a first-degree misdemeanor for which she was later acquitted). During interviews, Dillery indicated that her daughter had learned to assist her—jumping off the wheelchair to pull her mother out of potholes in Sandusky's roadways. This is one example of what this book is about (from inside book)

Islam and Terrorism: What the Quran really teaches about Christianity, violence and the goals of the Islamic jihad By Mark A. Gabriel, 2002

Never before has one book contained such valuable information about the Islamic faith, beliefs and traditions as well as historical and political insights. In an easy-to-read format, Dr. Mark Gavriel shares the truth and tells you everything you need to know and understand about Islam. In Islam and Terrorism you will learn: *How Muhammad practiced holy war and why it continues today * Why the verses about jihad cancel out the verses about tolerance *What Muslims believe about earning your way into Paradise (heaven) *Which radical teachings in

black market books are being read by the Islamic terrorists of today *Why the United States has become the target of Islamic terrorism (from back of book)

Out To Work: A history of Wage-Earning Women in the United States By Alice Kessler-Harris, 2003

First published in 1982, this pioneering work traces the transformation of “women’s work” into wage labor in the United States, identifying the social, economic, and ideological forces that have shaped our expectations of what women do. Basing her observations upon the personal experience of individual American women, set against the backdrop of American society, Alice Kessler-Harris examines the effects of class, ethnic and racial patterns, changing perceptions of wage work for women, and the relationship between wage-earning and family roles. In the 20th Anniversary Edition of the landmark book, the author has updated the original and written a new Epilogue (from back of book)

Racism on Trial: The Chicano Fight for Justice By Ian F. Haney Lopez, 2003

Ian Haney Lopez tells the compelling story of the Chicano movement in Los Angeles by following two criminal trials, including one arising from the student walkouts. He demonstrates how racial prejudice led to police brutality and judicial discrimination that in turn spurred Chicano militancy. He also shows that legal violence helped to convince Chicano activists that they were nonwhite, thereby encouraging their use of racial ideas to redefine their aspirations, culture, and selves. In a groundbreaking advance that further connects legal racism and racial politics, Haney Lopez describes how race functions as “common sense,” a set of ideas that we take for granted in our daily lives. He argues, largely explains why racism and racial affiliation persist today (from inside book cover)

Rage On the Rights: the American Militia Movement from Ruby Ridge to Homeland Security By Lane Crothers, 2003

“Lane Crothers’ balanced and thoughtful study of the modern militia movement goes beyond usual journalistic accounts of the important phenomenon to explore its political, cultural, and social roots. Clearly written, carefully documented, and engagingly presented, Crothers’ case studies of such climactic events as the Ruby Ridge standoff, the Waco siege, and Timothy McVeigh’s terrorism engage and inform the reader. This book will be an excellent resource for students and scholars alike”. –Robert J. Spitzer, author of the Politics of Gun Control (from back of book)

The Strike That Changed New York: Blacks, Whites, and the Ocean Hill-Brownville Crisis By Jerald E. Podair, 2002

On May 9, 1968, junior high school teacher Fred Nauman received a letter that would change the history of New York City. It informed him that he had been fired from his job. Eighteen other educators in the Ocean Hill-Brownsville area of Brooklyn received similar letters that day. The dismissed educators were white. The local school board that fired them was predominantly African-American. The crisis that the firings provoked became the most racially divisive moment in the city in more than a century, sparking three teachers’ strikes and increasingly angry confrontations between black and white New Yorkers at bargaining tables, on picket lines, and in the streets (from inside book cover)

What Is A Hate Crime? Edited by Roman Espejo, 2002

Americans originally used the term “hate crime” to describe a violent act committed against a person, property, or organization because of actual or perceived difference in race, color national origin, or religion. The phrase gained popularity as crimes motivated by prejudice and racism received national attention in the 1980’s. According to the U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance, violence against minorities is called “xenophobic” or “right wing” violence in Germany, where neo-Nazi activity is scrutinized. It is called “racial violence” in nearby Great Britain and France. Hate crimes have also occurred throughout history, from the Romans’ religious persecution of Christians to the Hutus’ genocidal war against the Tutsis in Rwanda in the 1990s (from inside book)

This Woman’s Army: The Dynamics of Sex and Violence in the Military By Marie DeYoung
Former Army Chaplain, 1999

This book is a hard-hitting account of the social and gender conflicts that are endemic in the United States military. With recent sexual scandals, such as in Aberdeen, Maryland, the military has been dragged through a sludge of publicity and portrayed in the worst possible light. DeYoung takes a stance all her own and suggests that neither the military, nor left wing feminist organizations are dealing with the core of the problem. She challenges us to rethink enlistment, training and disciplinary policies and eliminate double standards for performance and discipline that contribute to the breakdown of military readiness and the disintegration of American families associated with the military. As a female soldier and an Army chaplain, Marie DeYoung’s experiences are the basis for her opinions regarding the avalanche of sexual allegations, blackmail, and the degradation of the modern military despite attempts to effectively deal with the gender issue (from back of book)