

# The Bathroom Reader

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Best of luck on your exams and have a Happy Holiday Season. See you next semester on January 24, 2005

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### Which journal database is best for ...?

Choosing which database to use among the many offered through the UW System can be difficult. Click on "All E-Resources" from the UW-Fox Valley Library Web Page and then click on Subject List. Then pick your subject.

Psychology? Biology? Political Science?

We recommend which databases will be the best for you to use and provide a complete description of each database. If you need any more information, please

*Ask a Librarian!*



December 15 is  
National Lemon  
Cupcake Day

Yes, even the lowly  
Cupcake is honored!

### *Holiday Traditions!*

#### ***Mistletoe***

According to custom a man might steal a kiss under the hanging branch, but when he did, one berry was to be plucked from the plant and discarded. Once the berries were gone, the kissing charm of the mistletoe branch was spent, although that aspect of the custom is rarely recalled today. This custom came into full bloom during uptight Victorian times!

#### ***Egg Nog***

Eggnog is related to various milk and wine punches that were concocted long ago in the "Old World."

However, in America a new twist was added. Rum was used in the place of wine. In Colonial America, rum was commonly called "grog", so the name eggnog is likely derived from the very descriptive term for this drink, "egg-and-grog", which corrupted to "egg'n'grog" and soon to eggnog. At least this is one version.

#### ***Christmas Trees***

In 1605 a Christmas tree in Strasbourg was brought indoors and decorated with paper roses, wafers, nuts, and lighted candles. Later decorations included painted eggshells, cookies, and candies.

FINAL EXAMS  
BEGIN  
DEC. 17

### **DECEMBER IS AIDS AWARENESS MONTH**

#### Timeline of the history of AIDS

<http://www.aegis.com/topics/timeline/default.asp>

#### Deaths—U.S.

1980	31
2002	16,371
Total through 2002	501,669

#### Deaths—Worldwide

1981-2002	20,000,000
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A person is infected with HIV  
every 6 seconds