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Got AIDS? How do you know?

33 million people worldwide are living with HIV/AIDS and 2 million of them are children. In the time it takes you to read this at least one child will die of HIV/AIDS.



The “AIDS in Society” class is sponsoring a fund-raising educational event to raise money for Youth AIDS. This organization provides funds for young people around the world to avoid the tragedy of AIDS.

Learn more at our information booth May 4-5 and at the campus picnic on May 6. Take the HIV/AIDS Knowledge Test and enter the prize give-away. Donations for Youth AIDS will be accepted.

Celebrate the Day for May, 2009

15 National Chocolate Chip Day all because Ruth Wakefield at the Toll House Inn, in 1930, substituted broken pieces of Nestle’s semi-sweet chocolate into her cookies thinking they would be all chocolate cookies. Today they are still America’s favorite cookie.



May is National Salad Month— while iceberg lettuce consumption is falling, other lettuce production has doubled since 2000. Americans eat over 35 lbs. of lettuce each year. We can’t produce enough lettuce, so we import more from other countries. China produces 48% of the world’s lettuce, mainly for domestic consumption.

Tough Times

31% of all US men over 20 have been unemployed since December, 2007.

12% increase in cars & trucks repossessed.
72% increase in leisure boats repossessed.

Harper’s May, 2009



“Own your own island nation”

This article, from the May issue of the *Futurist* says we can create private countries or micronations, from islands of volcanic rock to abandoned oil platforms. What if these nations became tax havens? What if there is ‘open enrollment’ for citizenship? Rent-a-Country?



Frank Zappa said, “You can’t be a real country unless you have a beer and an airline— it helps if you have some kind of football team, or some nuclear weapons, but at the very least you need a beer.”