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National Gardening Month

An estimated 85 million people are involved in gardening and annually spend more than \$45 billion (2002) on lawns, landscaping, lawn services, plants, trees and seeds. This is according to the American Nursery and Landscaping Association.

Who is buying? And how much do they spend each year?

Avid gardeners	\$315
Passive gardeners	\$325
Hobbyists	\$478
Dabblers	\$197



The US Department of Agriculture states that nurseries and greenhouses are the fastest growing segment of agriculture in this country.

Need information on gardening? See the display in the library or **Ask a Librarian!** Also celebrate Earth Day on April 22 and plant a flower! On Arbor Day, April 28 plant a tree!

Ever wonder when you will die?

Well, the Internet now provides a quiz to help you answer that question. Take a short quiz and the deathmeter will provide an answer.

<http://www.findyourfate.com/deathmeter/deathmtr.html>

This type of quiz is certainly not official in any way, but it is interesting!

Easter, April 16

16-22 Egg Salad Week

Yessiree! Leftovers even get a holiday in the US!

22 Jelly Bean Day

The Humble Zipper

The zipper was invented about 1906 by Gideon Sundback of Hoboken, NJ who obtained a patent in 1913. The original fastener was improved with later patents by the Hookless Fastener Co. of Meadville, PA under one brand name we still know today, "Talon."

The term "zipper" was coined by English novelist Gilbert Frankau who when he saw it exclaimed: "Zip! It's open! Zip! It's closed."

Elsa Schiaparelli was the first fashion designer to add zippers in her couture garments in her 1930 collection.

Holocaust Remembrance Month

Henry Golde will be speaking on April 24 at 12:00 in Room 1229 on his personal experience of the Holocaust.

First recorded birth of quintuplets were 5 boys born in Watertown, WI on February 13, 1875. Earlier reports were not verified.

National Poetry Month

Are you searching for a poem?

Go to the UW-Fox Valley Library Web page and click on "All E-Resources" then click on EbscoHost, then check Columbia Granger's Poetry. Over 50,000 poems and 400,000 citations.

The End of the Telegram

After 154 years, Western Union sent its last telegram on Jan. 18, 2006. It still makes financial transfers but the telegram as portrayed in film, television and song is gone in favor of other forms of communication.