**Etymology:** Middle English *sumer*, from Old English *sumer*; akin to Old High German & Old Norse *sumer*, Sanskrit *sam*, year, season.

1: the season between spring and autumn comprising in the northern hemisphere usually the months of June, July, and August or as reckoned astronomically extending from the June solstice to the September equinox

2: the warmer half of the year

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**Summer travel plans?** Find out about your destination online using the Central Intelligence Agency 2005 World Factbook.

**Wireless hotspots!** Have you noticed these signs hanging from the ceiling of the library? These indicate the best locations for a wireless internet connection.

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- A Calvin username and password

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Difficulty connecting? Other questions?

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*A man, a plan, a canal, Panama! Go Hang a Salami, I'm a Lasagna Hog! Flee to me remote elf!*

What? Can you make sense of these sentences? Got it figured out? Write down your answer along with your name and e-mail address and hand it to the Librarian at the Research Assistance desk. The first person to respond correctly and the person who responds most creatively will be mentioned in the Fall 2005 privy.

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**WORD ORIGINS:** ever wonder how everyday words came into being? Here are some examples related to specific people:

- **sandwich** - John Montagu, fourth Earl of Sandwich, invented it so he could gamble without stopping for a regular meal.
- **teddy bear** – named after President Teddy Roosevelt, who showed compassion for a bear cub on a hunting trip.
- **bloomers** - Amelia Bloomer, a pioneer feminist who made them popular.
- **leotard** - Jules Leotard, a French acrobat who designed it as a costume for his trapeze act.

more can be found in the print reference collection:

- The Cambridge Encyclopedia of the English Language PE1072 .C68
- The Oxford Dictionary of Allusions PE1580 .D45

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That’s right folks! A favorite season of many, Summer is upon us! Is there a better time to enjoy a bit of word play?