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Fans, Umbrellas, and Crayons! Oh my!

As finals kick into gear, you may be spending more time inside the library. Did you know that you can check out more than books and study room keys?

**Fans** – We all know the temperature this time of year can be unpredictable. If you find yourself getting a little toasty in a study room, check out a fan for a little cool down!

**Blankets** – On days that the weather outside is frightful and your study room does not feel delightful, ask to borrow a lap blanket.
**Umbrellas** – Just like temperature, New England weather can also be unpredictable. LexisNexis has graciously provided the Library with a fleet of umbrellas that you can take out for a day.

**Desk lamps** – If your study area seems a little dim, don’t strain your eyes! Instead, come check out a portable desk lamp for a few hours.

**Coloring supplies** – When you find you need a study break, come grab some crayons, colored pencils, and coloring books!

Ask at the Circulation Desk for any of these items.

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**Legal Beagle's Post**

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**Lost & Found**

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December 9th, 2016 is Lost & Found Day! This obscure holiday is a great reminder to search for any personal belongings we have lost over the year.

A good place to check for lost items is your local lost and found center. For example, the Library is the lost and found center for the law school.

The concept of having a central place where people can come to recover things they have lost dates back 1805, when Napoleon Bonaparte opened the first lost and found office in Paris. Today, you can find giant warehouses with hundreds of thousands of meticulously catalogued lost items, like the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Lost and Found Center.

The Library’s Lost & Found collection has been steadily piling up over the semester. A list was posted on the library’s Facebook page last week, but if you have an item or two that has gone missing, be sure to stop by the Circulation Desk to see if it has been turned in!

Items that are not claimed by the end of the semester will be donated or discarded.
‘Tis the Season

No matter what holiday you celebrate this winter season (Christmas, Chanukah, Solstice, Kwanza, New Year’s, or none of the above), it can be fun to get out and see lighted holiday displays. Below is a list of places you can go to catch a bit of (free!) seasonal cheer:

- The Lewis House, 12 Shenandoah Rd., Warwick

From 11/25 to 12/31 the Lewis Family in Warwick, RI has what the Providence Journal has called, “a high-tech marvel, with lights constantly moving and changing colors to Christmas music”.

For more information, go to http://www.lewischristmas.com

- National Chain, 55 Access Rd., Warwick
Whether you choose to view the display from I-95 or from the company’s parking lot, you can agree on one thing. National Chain has a lot of lawn ornaments. To learn more about this kooky display, see this Rhode Island Monthly blog post from 2014.

- **Crazy Christmas House, 9 Spruce Dr., Coventry**

If you watch ABC’s show The Great Christmas Light Fight, you may recognize this house from the second season. For details, see the display’s Facebook page.

- **The Big Blue Bug**

Overlooking Interstate 95 near the Interstate 195 interchange, the illuminated mascot of the Providence pest control company renamed Big Blue Bug Solutions is a Rhode Island icon.

If you have a little extra money in your budget for holiday cheer, also check out Edaville USA or Zoolights at the Stone Zoo.

This holiday season, enjoy your break! Stay warm and stay safe!