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Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Terry Jendusa Nicholai will be speaking from experience of domestic violence. She will be on campus October 4 at 12:00 in 1229. She was beaten by her ex-husband and stuffed into a garbage can which was left in a storage locker. Her two daughters saw all of this happening. Now you can hear about domestic violence from one who has survived it.

1247 women and 440 men were killed by an intimate partner in 2000, and nearly 1/3 of American women report being physically or sexually abused by their partners.

For more statistics, see <http://www.endabuse.org/resources/facts/>

Roller Skating Month

The first patent for a roller skate was taken out in 1891 for an inline skate. Roller skating centers host 23 million visits per year and host 47,000 birthday parties each month.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

In 2006, there will be an estimated 213,000 new cases reported. At this time there are slightly over 2 million breast cancer survivors. Women living in North America have the highest incidence of breast cancer.

About 40,970 women and 460 men will die this year in the US from breast cancer.

Editorial Comments:

Do you have comments on or suggestions for future *Bathroom Readers*?

Send them to chris.chamness@uwc.edu

Canada, Our Northern Neighbor

Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving on the second Monday of October. This year the date is October 9, the same day we commemorate Columbus Day.

About our neighbors:

80% of all Canadians live within 100 miles of the US border.

2nd largest country after Russia

The US-Canada border is the only border manned by Customs officers, but not the military officials in the world.

Both English and French are official languages.

Light a Candle — Start a fire

In 2002, there were 18,000 house fires attributed to burning candles. These fires resulted in 130 deaths and 1,350 injuries and over \$3million in damages.

October is **Fire Prevention Month**. Don't forget to change the battery in the smoke alarm.