

Bathroom Reader

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March is National Craft Month

The UW-Fox Valley Library has a display of all types of crafts to celebrate the creativity of the staff and faculty. The Library is also conducting a drawing for a handmade quilt. See the quilt and register for the drawing on March 31. All staff and students are eligible for the drawing.

“Craft” is defined by *Webster’s Dictionary* as a pursuit requiring manual and artistic dexterity.

Country Profiles

Mission: Find information on foreign countries

Solution I: The *World Factbook* from the Dept. of Defense

Population, economic data, politics, climate, environmental and social data

<<http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/>>

Solution II: **Ask a Librarian!**

March Madness Means Basketball

James Naismith of the YMCA invented basketball in 1872. It was played with peach baskets mounted on poles and they used ladders to retrieve the ball!

NCAA Tournament Mar 17-Apr 4

Website: <http://www.ncaa.org>

Poison Prevention Month

In 2002, 2.3 million cases of poison exposure were reported resulting in 920 deaths. 90% of all poisonings occur in the home.

Ten Most Wanted List

This began as a publicity stunt by the FBI in 1950. Two men were caught within the month by following tips from the public.

Before Social Security

Nevada and Montana enacted a pension law on March 5, 1923. It granted a pension of \$25 a month to anyone over 70 years of age who had lived within the state for over 15 years.

Isaac Singer patented the sewing machine in 1851. A sewing machine that could make buttonholes was patented by Charles Miller of St. Louis in 1854.