



# THE PIRATE NEWSLETTER

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We Wish Everyone In February A Very Happy Birthday!

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## HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

### About the Laundry Machines

We hate to sound like a broken record but....While doing your laundry, keep in mind that the Washers take about 30 minutes and the Dryers take about 45 minutes. Don't forget to pick up your laundry after it is done! If you encounter a machine that is done running with laundry still in it, you may remove such laundry and put it on top of the dryers so you may use the machine yourself. This is and has always been our policy should anyone ask. And please refrain from smoking in the laundry rooms. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

### A Message to Pet Owners

In compliance with your Pet Agreement, please make sure that you pick up any soil or mess created by your pet. And don't forget that leashes are required while your pet is outside - cats, too! Stray animals are reported to Animal Control, 268-8473, and held at the Animal Shelter at 3303 N. Hillside. Thank you for your cooperation!

### Whose Job Is It?

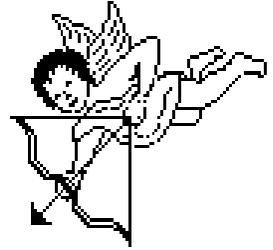
This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

## Valentine's Day Recipe: DARK CHOCOLATE TRUFFLES



8 ounces semisweet chocolate, chopped into 1/4-inch pieces  
4 ounces unsweetened chocolate, chopped into 1/4-inch pieces  
2/3 cup heavy cream  
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa, sifted  
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar, sifted



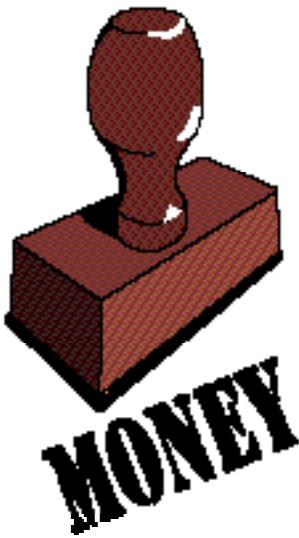
Place 8 ounces semisweet chocolate and the unsweetened chocolate in a 4-quart bowl.

Heat the heavy cream in a 1 1/2-quart saucepan over medium heat. Bring to a boil. Pour the boiling cream over the chocolate. Allow to stand for 5 minutes, then stir until smooth (now you have ganache). Refrigerate the ganache for 1 hour until firm but not hard.

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Using a tablespoon of ganache for each truffle (approximately 3/4 ounce), portion 24 truffles, evenly space onto the parchment lined baking sheet. Refrigerate the ganache portions for 15 minutes (so the ganache will be firm enough to roll into truffles). When the ganache is firm enough to handle, remove from the refrigerator and individually roll each portion of ganache in your palms, in a gentle circular motion, using just enough pressure to form smooth rounds. Roll 16 of the rounds in 2 tablespoons cocoa and separately roll 8 in the confectioners sugar until completely covered. Store the truffles in a tightly sealed plastic container, in the refrigerator. Remove about 1 hour before serving. Prep Time: 1 hours 45 minutes. (Recipe courtesy of Marcel Desaulniers)

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## NEED EXTRA CASH??? WE'VE GOT IT HERE!!!



### SOUTHLAKE VILLAGE RESIDENT REFERRAL PROGRAM

If someone YOU refer signs an application to lease an apartment at Southlake Village between February 14, 2003 and March 31, 2003, we'll pay YOU \$100.00! And to make it easier for you to attract someone, we'll give YOUR PROSPECT a \$100.00 discount on their first month's rent!

You know, we don't usually have very many vacancies. (We're glad people like it here so much.) The occupancy was 100% last year, and we expect it to be that again this spring.

Take advantage of this opportunity to help yourself, and to help someone else discover magnificent "lakeside living." (Just make sure we are notified prior to signing the application, please.)

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## Man With No Memory

When Robinson stretched out on the psychiatrist's couch, he was clearly in a bad state. "Doctor," he pleaded, voice quavering and hands twitching, "you've got to help me. I really think I'm losing my mind. I have no memory of what happened to me a year ago, nor even of a few weeks back. I can't even recall yesterday with any clarity. I can't cope with daily life - in fact, I think I'm going insane!"

"Keep calm, Mr. Robinson," soothed the shrink. "I'm sure I'll be able to help you. Now tell me, how long have you had this problem?"

Robinson looked up blankly. "What problem?"

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