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Wishing All In February A Very Happy Birthday!

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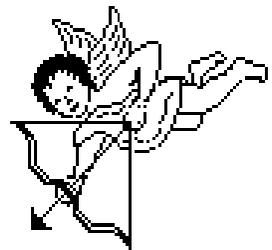
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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

Valentine's Treats: DARK CHOCOLATE TRUFFLES



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



Place 8 ounces semisweet chocolate and the un-sweetened 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)

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!

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Just a Few Reminders....

- 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. Also, do not allow laundry room doors to be propped open. Lastly, please refrain from smoking in the laundry rooms. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!
- Please keep the green or black "termite stations" found in the front and backyards of each building clear of any furniture, debris, or other objects. If you see a damaged unit, please report it to us so we can have it replaced. Thank you.
- Please do not feed the ducks, geese, or birds from your balcony or patio. Doing so encourages them to return regularly which creates quite a mess behind the buildings on on patios. In addition, it is against the law to feed migratory birds.
- When parking in front of the buildings, please do not pull your vehicle up to where it is hanging over and blocking the sidewalk.
- Be mindful of your television and stereo volume, especially after 10 pm and particularly in bedrooms. Your neighbors will appreciate it!
- Due to the unusually dry winter this year, please do not throw cigarette butts on the grounds , especially off balconies. Use an old coffee can to store them until they can be safely disposed. We appreciate your cooperation!

A Word on Security

We have found that the best "preventive medicine" in regard to security is a "proprietary interest" on the part of all who live here. Take an extra 30 seconds whenever you leave or come to your apartment and look around. If you see anything suspicious or unusual, call 522-4855 (24 hours). That small act can make your living environment better!

In conjunction with the above, there is a standing offer of a \$500.00 reward to any resident who furnishes information that leads to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons committing an act of burglary, theft, or vandalism against Southlake Village or the residents thereof. If you observe such an act, do not attempt to apprehend, but report immediately to the Wichita Police Department by calling "911" or our own 24-hour number, 522-4855.

Did you know Southlake Village supplies free compact fluorescent light bulbs for your patio or balcony light fixture? In an effort to provide more lighting in the backyards, we will supply the bulb if you'll supply the electricity. Even if you leave your light on 24 hours a day, the electric usage is only about a dollar a month. So be sure to drop by the office to get your free light bulb!

Remember, this is your newsletter. Items for publication are taken all month long at the Southlake Village office. Call 522-4855 or drop your ad by the office. We accept announcements, classified ads, and newsworthy items. Please submit your item(s) prior to the sixth of each month. 🍏 *Made on a Mac!*