



The Arc of Amador for 2018 February /March

Valentine's Day

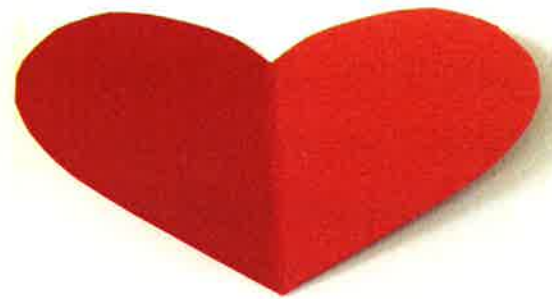
Valentine's Day is one of my favorite holidays because it's all about spreading love and joy. This is a time for couples to have or plan a romantic date. An easy go to gift for the ladies are flowers and chocolates. As for shopping goes for the boys, it's always nice to buy maybe some cologne. You can always cook them dinner as well or cook dinner together. You can't miss it out on desert either! Here in this very newsletter you'll find a recipe for chocolate truffle cookies. Happy Valentine's Day. "Roses are red, violets are blue your home is blessed because of you." By: Sharly Grandon





Valentine's day party

On February 16th the Friday after Valentine's Day we will have a Valentine's Day party. Like most of our parties, there will be dancing, Valentine's Day pictures and even a Valentine's Day film. I enjoy Valentine's Day cupcakes and especially the frosting. My boyfriend and I enjoy taking a picture together as well. I plan to bring in some of favorite country love songs on a CD for the party. Happy Valentine'days By: Kelly



**Valentine's
Day**



CHOCOLATE TRUFLE COOKIES

4 1 ounce squares unsweetened Chocolate chopped

1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

6 tablespoons butter

3 eggs

1 cup white sugar

1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract

½ cups all-purpose flour

2 tablespoons unsweetened coco powder

¼ teaspoon baking powder

¼ teaspoon salt

1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

1 cup white sugar

1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract

- 1. In a microwave or metal bowl over a pan of Simmering water, melt unsweetened chocolate, 1 cup of Chocolate chips, and the butter stirring occasionally until smooth. Remove from heat and set aside to cool. In a large bowl, whip eggs, and sugar until thick and pale, about 2 minutes. Stir in the vanilla and chocolate mixture until well mixed. Combine the flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt; gradually stir into the chocolate mixture. Fold in remaining 1 cup chocolate chips. Cover dough and chill for at least an hour or overnight.**
- 2. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Roll chilled dough into 1 inch balls. Place on ungreased cookie sheets so they are 2 inches apart.**
- 3. Bake for 9 to 11 minutes in the preheated oven. Allow cookies to cool on baking sheet for 5 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely. By: Pat Stanish**

Mystery of the Leprechauns

Before Christianity was brought to Ireland by Saint Patrick, the Irish believed that their kings and queens descended from gods called Tuatha De Dinnan. These gods took the form of fairies on earth, and were as tall as people, or taller. Leprechauns were the tallest of them all and mostly wore red coats. In case you didn't know who St. Patrick ... He was a British Christian missionary and known as the Apostle of Ireland, And he was born in Great Britain. By: Trevor

On Saint Patrick's Day a bunch of people wear green if not u get pinched. Saint Patrick's day was first found in Ireland it is a holiday celebrated in March 17th u eat corn beef and cabbage and also some people drink beer which some is made in Ireland. People where kilts which is like a skirt in the place I live there is a lot of different things that go on that day from parades to street fairs. By Amanda Williams

