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Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

The Crab Cracker is a community magazine created **BY** local residents **FOR** local residents. It is a FREE publication printed every two weeks and distributed throughout the communities of Camano Island, Stanwood (and Warm Beach area), Silvana, and Conway. It contains an extensive calendar of events, original stories, feature articles, fun and interesting sections, community news and announcements, tide tables, and more. Please send us any material you want our communities to know about for possible entry into this publication. It is content provided from YOU that makes this publication the popular source of information and entertainment that all of our friends and neighbors enjoy.

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VALENTINE FACT:

More than 35 million heartshaped boxes of chocolate will be sold for Valentine's Day. **NOTICE:** Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many events have been cancelled or postponed or rescheduled. Some of the following events are online and virtual. For all others, contact them directly to ensure they are happening.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11-13

COHOST MAKERS MARKET

is back with a Valentine's Day edition! We are thrilled to be featuring over 20 local artists and creators in our pop-up shop. These handmade goods include jewelry, calligraphy, stained glass art, apparel, candles and so much more. Come fall in love with shopping small! The shop will be open Feb 11-13 from 10am - 5pm. To maintain the safety of our community, we are offering a sanitized and distanced shopping experience. 8712 271st St, Stanwood (360)572.3352.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA - THE BAKING EDITION

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Go it solo or grab a family member (or a few!) to test your trivia skills, right from the comfort of your own home. Join us for the Baking Edition! Family trivia is designed with young people in mind – we suggest a youth participant on each team. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



NEED TO FIND FRESH CRAB?

An outdoor magazine rack filled with "fresh" Crab Crackers is located at the Terry's Corner Visitor's building (the small red building with the big stained glass window and artist Danny Koffman's posters).



FEBRUARY 12-21

GREAT NORTHWEST GLASS QUEST

Join the Greatest Treasure Hunt in the Pacific Northwest! The Camano Island Chamber of Commerce is delighted to welcome you to celebrate the 12th Annual Great Northwest Glass Quest. People come from far and wide to view and purchase glass art in the Puget Sound area. Stanwood and Camano Island are part of that rich heritage, with many artists living and working here. In collaboration with the Camano Chamber of Commerce, artists Mark and Marcus Ellinger are giving everyone a chance to own a hand-blown glass ball simply by searching for it. The "treasure" is yours to find! The 2021 Great Northwest Glass Quest starts on February 12th and runs through the 21st. Here's how it works: download or view a Glass Ouest Guide from the event website: www.thegreatnwglassguest.com . You can also download the Glass Quest App. The guide will tell you where to look for plastic 3 inch clue balls which are turned in to receive a limited-edition, stamped and signed hand-blown glass treasure. There will be over 400 clue balls hidden over the course of the 10-day event. If after pursuing your Quest, a prize eludes you - all is not lost! You can participate in a free drawing every day you Quest by "checking-in" online as well as entering into a raffle (\$5/ticket) to win the #1 or #2 Limited Edition balls. Unlimited Glass Balls are also available to purchase at select locations as supplies last. Questing is a safe activity you can do with your family - many clue balls are hidden outside in our local parks and participating businesses will maintain limited numbers of individuals allowed in stores at one time. We ask all participants to follow COVID-19 rules and enjoy the thrill of the hunt!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

THE NEW YEAR FUNDRAISING SHRED EVENT

Free · 11am at 9025 271st St NW, Stanwood. Event by Stanwood Camano Rotary Club. This event will assist in our communities efforts to continue to collect funds for Coats for Kids, as well as aid in our financial support for schools in Copan, Honduras. Let us do the lifting, drive through the WaFd Bank/Insurance parking lot with your shreds and donations! Pure Smoke BBQ will be on site too! Suggested Donation: \$10 a Bag or \$20 a Box.







VALENTINE FACT:

California produces 60 percent of American roses, but the vast number sold on Valentine's Day in the United States are imported, mostly from South America. Approximately 110 million roses, the majority red, will be sold and delivered within a three-day time period.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

VIRTUAL SINGING VALENTINE

Free Online Event by Harmony Northwest Chorus. Noon-4pm. Harmony Northwest Chorus will provide you a video link of our members singing Valentine's Day songs to send to a loved one, friend or relative. Grandkids and Grandmas and everyone between will love getting an special Valentine wish from you! Other options on February 13: We can sing live on FaceTime or over the phone and pass along a special message from you! Donations accepted via PayPal, Venmo, or check. (donations appreciated, but not required). Email for ordering instructions: valentine.singing@gmail.com



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

"CHOCOLATE WARMS THE HEART" BAKE SALE

11am to 2pm at 79 Utsalady Road, Camano Island, Utsalady Ladies Aid. The Ladies are baking for you! Please come and enjoy our chocolate creations while supporting Camano Island's own Utsalady Ladies Aid. (Cash & checks only please.) For more information, call Linda at 425-466-5362.





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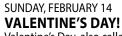


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Valentine's Day, also called Saint Valentine's Day or the Feast of Saint Valentine,[1] is celebrated annually on February 14. It originated as a Western Christian feast day honoring one or two early Christian martyrs named Saint Valentine and is recognized as a significant cultural, religious, and commercial celebration of romance and love in many regions of the world. (Wikipedia)



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15
PRESIDENTS DAY

Washington's Birthday is a federal holiday in the United States in honor of George Washington, the first president of the United States, who was born on February 22, 1732. The day is also now widely known as Presidents' Day and is often an occasion to remember all the presidents.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

CREAM CHEESE DANISHES

Come and join Davis teen Programs as we learn how to make cream cheese danishes. Due to Covid, this class will be on Zoom. open to students 6th-12th grade. 3-4pm on Zoom. Contact us at teens@crc-sc.org or call 360-629-5257.

VALENTINE FACT:

Lace is often used on Valentine decorations. The word "lace" comes from the Latin laques, meaning "to snare or net," as in to catch a person's heart.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

with Wonderland Child & Family Services 10-10:30am. Join Shelby for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom on Tuesday mornings! We will have fun activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need for the Play & Learn activities. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: https://wonderlandkids.org/. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants one day before the event.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT - OPEN PAINTING

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. Join fellow creative painters to work on independent projects and share ideas and tricks of the trade! All types of painting welcome, from acrylic and watercolor, to oils and encaustic. Grab a beverage of your choice and your art supplies and your current project and let's paint! For adults. A link to join the event via Microsoft Teams will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17 ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – EARLY BIRD COFFEE AND CRAFTS

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM. Good morning early risers! This Craft and Chat is for those who know the best way to start the day is with conversation, coffee, and creativity. All crafts and all skill levels are welcome. This is a social event and not a tutorial. Registration is required, although being on camera is not. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

ONLINE PUB TRIVIA - INTO THE WILDERNESS!

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. We are surrounded by exquisite wilderness in the Pacific Northwest; it is why most of us live here! Grab your favorite beverage, call your friends, and settle in for a night of pub trivia – right in the comfort of your own home. Join us for Online Pub Trivia – Into the Wilderness! A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Team members are not required and teams of one are absolutely fine. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

PRESIDENTS DAY FACT:

George Washington is the only president in the nation's history to have been unanimously elected by the Electoral College.



VALENTINE FACT:

In 1537, England's King Henry VII officially declared Feb. 14 the holiday of St. Valentine's Day. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT - KNIT & CROCHET

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. Calling all yarn crafters! Whether you make garments, gifts, home décor, or amigurumi, you can use yarn to create a wide variety of beautiful and interesting objects. Bring your current knit or crochet project and connect with your fellow crafters. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

SWANS OF NORTHWEST WASHINGTON

CAMANO WILDLIFE PROGRAM: 7 pm, WEBINAR. Trumpeter swans, the largest waterfowl in the world, have been brought back from the brink of extinction and once again grace our skies and waterways. Join Martha Jordan, well-known swan biologist and Executive Director of Northwest Swan Conservation Association, to learn about the life history and biology of Washington's native Trumpeter and Tundra Swans. Martha will shed some light on the problems and controversies these birds face on their wintering grounds and what is needed to ensure their future. You will also discover ways in which you can contribute to our understanding of swans in Washington.







THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18 READING WITH ROVER

online event. 4-4:15pm, 4:15-4:30pm, 4:45-5pm. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in a live video chat. For elementary students ages 6-12, with an adult. One registration required per student. Reading with Rover is a community-based literacy program working with schools and libraries. Prior to the event you will receive an email invitation for the Zoom event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

PRESIDENTS DAY FACT:

William McKinley almost always wore a red carnation on his lapel as a good luck charm. While greeting a line of people in 1901, he gave the flower to a little girl. Seconds later. he was shot by an assassin, and died eight days later.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

ISSUES THAT MATTER: COPING WITH GRIEF

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Online event. Join us for Issues That Matter 2021, "Pandemic Pressures: Supporting Community and Family Mental Health." People of all ages are experiencing grief during the pandemic, and it comes from many sources. Loss of loved ones, loss of connection to friends and family, even the loss of daily routine and our sense of "normal" can cause sadness. Join us to learn helpful coping strategies for dealing with the range of grief you and your family members may be feeling now. This event will be recorded and captioned for later viewing on the Sno-Isle Libraries YouTube channel. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

BEGINNING DRAWING

Silver Kite Online Workshops, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. During this hands-on workshop you'll learn some basic drawing techniques. Register on the Silver Kite website at least one hour before class starts. Use sil2020 as the password. Silver Kite will send you the link for your class one hour before it begins. If you have any questions about your registration, please contact Silver Kite by email: info@ silverkite.us or by phone: (360) 218-4884



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VALENTINE FACT:

Cupid is said to be the symbol of valentines. Cupid is the son of Venus. Venus is the Roman god of love and beauty. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA - MUSIC: POP, JAZZ, COUNTRY

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Go it solo or grab a family member (or a few!) to test your trivia skills, right from the comfort of your own home. Join us for an intergenerational family trivia as we explore pop, jazz, and country music. This trivia will include some audio components. Family trivia is designed with young people in mind – we suggest a youth participant on each team. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

SPECIAL EVENT: THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES AND CHARLES DARWIN

1:00 PM. We have the unique opportunity to partner with Pilchuck Audubon and the Edmonds Wildlife Habitat Native Plant Demonstration Garden for a free virtual presentation on the revolutionary theory of evolution by natural selection. Professor Emeritus David B. Richman, formerly of the Department of Entomology, Plant Pathology and Weed Science at New Mexico State University, will step into Darwin's scientific shoes to share with us little known details about his life, his science and his legacy. This event is free and open to the public. Please register at the following link, and a meeting link will be sent to your email. https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlsf-CtrjwsGNAUCe5TcNUzqUyx-s7wru7w?fbclid=lwAR3aZ6h6vS-6bvfoq4ayAO8rOGom6yV5k4GKGtyslC748qUr3nP6DV5g-aeA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – CRAFTING FOR NIGHT OWLS

9:00 PM – 10:30 PM. Craft and Chat is an online social event. This Craft and Chat is for those of you whose creative juices get flowing after the sun goes down. All types of crafts welcome. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

ONLINE CLASS: LANDSCAPING FOR WILDLIFE

10:00 AM 11:30 AM hosted by Snohomish Conservation District. If you can't have your friends and family over for a visit, invite the local wildlife instead! This class will teach you how to make your yard more welcoming to pollinators, birds, and other Pacific Northwest critters. Creating a safe space for these animals supports the ecosystem and adds an exciting element of nature to your landscape. Register here: https://landscapingforwildlife2021.eventbrite.com



PRESIDENTS DAY FACT:

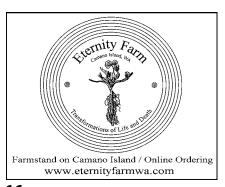
Andrew Jackson was involved in as many as 100 duels, most of which were fought to defend the honor of his wife, Rachel.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

OPEN BOOK: PATRICK JENNINGS

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Online event. Join us for a visit from Patrick Jennings, author of Guinea Dog, My Homework Ate My Homework and this year's Third Grade Reading Challenge book Odd, Weird, & Little. Patrick's stories, drawings and further amusements will be a fun time for the whole family. If you want a taste of his writing, Odd, Weird, and Little is currently an "always available" eBook! Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/. Please click the link below to join the webinar on February 20th: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87696578049?pwd=SFU1VXQxSnBhT3ZhejcrOVIzVWMzQT09

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VALENTINE FACT:

In order of popularity, Valentine's
Day cards are
given to teachers, children,
mothers, wives,
sweethearts and
pets.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

GENEALOGY

With Mary Kircher Roddy: Not Who He Once Was: Tips for Finding Your Name-Changing Ancestor. 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Online event. Does your genealogy research include an ancestor who seems to have just disappeared? Perhaps their story involves a complete change of name. Using case studies of identity shifts, genealogist Mary Kircher Roddy will share strategies to discover who a person became in later life. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – UPCYCLED CRAFTS

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Join us for social hour as we share projects we've made and ideas for upcycled crafts! Seeking inspiration for materials? A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT - OPEN DRAWING

8:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Whether you like to draw from photos, create zentangles, or doodle on notepads, artists of all skill levels are welcome to come and draw while chatting with fellow artists. Having a project to work on during the program is highly encouraged. This event is not a class or tutorial and is geared towards adult artists of all skill levels. This meeting takes place on Zoom! To get a Zoom invitation, please register. Email address is required. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



VALENTINE FACT:

The origin of Valentine's Day is traced back to the ancient Roman celebration of Lupercalia which was held on February 15. This day honored the gods Lupercus and Faunus, as well as the legendary founders of Rome, Romulus and Remus.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

with Wonderland Child & Family Services 10-10:30am. Join Shelby for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom on Tuesday mornings! We will have fun activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need for the Play & Learn activities. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: https://wonderland-kids.org/. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants one day before the event.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

STAY-AT-HOME STORYTIME SNIPPETS

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Online event. Enjoy stories, sing along songs, rhymes and fun activities that prepare young minds for the adventures of reading. Presented by Sno-Isle Libraries staff from their homes for you and your little ones to join in from your home. To view, please visit the Sno-Isle Libraries Facebook or YouTube pages. Recordings will be available for later viewing.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

MOUNT ST. HELENS ROCKED OUR WORLD!

Eruptions at Mount St. Helens From 1980 Until Now. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Online event. Mount St. Helens experienced a cataclysmic eruption on May 18, 1980. The northern side of the volcano collapsed, triggering a forceful blast that raced across the landscape, an explosive eruption column that rose vertically in the air, pyroclastic flows that swept down the mountain, and a series of large mudflows that raced down river valleys toward the Columbia River. What did this eruption teach us about volcanic processes and management of volcanic crises? And most importantly, where do we go from here? Presented by Heather Wright, Geologist, Volcano Disaster Assistance Program, Cascades Volcano Observatory. This event is part of Whidbey Reads. Check out the 2021 selection, Eruption, and meet author Steve Olson virtually on Thursday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with guestions: https://www. sno-isle.org/contact-us/

PRESIDENTS DAY FACT:

Gerald Ford worked as a fashion model during college, appearing on the cover of Cosmopolitan.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – OPEN SEW

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. All sewing enthusiasts are invited to gather and chat! Bring your quilting, machine-sewing, hand-stitching or any sewing-related project, and a mug of your favorite morning beverage. I'm looking forward to lots of show and share! A link to join the event via Microsoft Teams will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

PURIM

Every year starting on the Hebrew date of Adar 14 (February 25, 2020), Jewish people all over the world celebrate the victorious festival of Purim. This religious celebration commemorates the salvation of the Jewish people in ancient Persia from the cruel Haman's plot to rid them from the world. So raise a glass, rejoice, and feast — Chag Purim Sameach!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

FINDING GRANTS

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Online event. Looking for grants for your non-profit? This virtual class will provide an overview of how to look for grants using Foundation Directory Online - Essential. NOTE: This class is for nonprofit organizations looking for funding. It is not geared to individuals seeking grants. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



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VALENTINE FACT:

The heart is associated with Valentine's Day as it is considered the source of all human emotions. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT - OPEN CRAFT SESSION

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM. Calling all crafters! Join fellow makers to work on independent projects and share ideas, inspiration, and tricks of the trade! All types of crafts are welcome. Grab your current project and let's get crafting! For adults. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

ISSUES THAT MATTER: SURVIVING ONLINE & HYBRID SCHOOLING

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Online event. Join us for Issues That Matter 2021, "Pandemic Pressures: Supporting Community and Family Mental Health." Students and their families have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. Students have lost their routine and connections with teachers and friends. Parents are trying to juggle their own shifting work demands while helping their children constantly change gears. Hybrid school schedules, uncertainty when in-person learning will return, and often conflicting societal responses to the pandemic leave families stressed out and stretched thin. Join us to learn how your family can weather the difficulties and uncertainty of education during the pandemic. This event will be recorded for later viewing on the Sno-Isle Libraries YouTube channel. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

READING WITH ROVER

online event. 4-4:15pm, 4:15-4:30pm, 4:45-5pm. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in a live video chat. For elementary students ages 6-12, with an adult. One registration required per student. Reading with Rover is a community-based literacy program working with schools and libraries. Prior to the event you will receive an email invitation for the Zoom event. Contact us with questions: https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/



Kid's Korner

VALENTINE

Richard Cadbury invented the first Valentines Day candy box in the late 1800s.

FACT:



HEART SNAIL CRAFT (VALENTINE ART PROJECT)You will need pink,/green/black construction paper, scissors, a black marker, and glue to make this cute heart snail!



Cut out three hearts that can fit inside one another. Then cut two small hot pink hearts and two black lines. Glue the hearts to the back of the snails green body. Glue the hearts on the head and add eyes with a black sharpie! Source: https://www.craftymorning.com/heart-snail-craft-kids-valentine-art-project/





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CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

This sweet guy is **SHADOW!** A loving guy who enjoys the company of people. He is gentle, well-mannered, and loves to snuggle. Shadow is potty trained and crate trained and knows some commands. He has also lived with children before. If Shadow sounds like the buddy for you, please send us an application via email.

Camano Animal Shelter Association (CASA):

198 Can Ku Road, Camano Island. 360-387-1902. camanoanimalshelter.org



NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

BONNIE is a sweet, social and energetic girl. She will do best in an active home where she can play and get regular exercise. She lived with another dog. It was noted by the prior shelter, she has a high prey drive therefore she may do best with NO small animals friends in her new home. Bonnie weighs 71 lbs.

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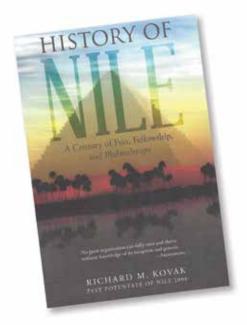
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CAMANO ISLAND AUTHOR, RICHARD M. KOVAK

"I am a local author living on Camano Island. My recent book History of Nile which chronicles 110 years of the Nile Shrine Center now located in Mountlake Terrace WA is now out and available. It was edited by local Camano Island editor Julie Conzelmann and published by Westbow Press. HISTORY OF NILE book description: At long last the transcription of Past Potentate and Historian Richard M. Kovak's series of news articles about the reigns of the various Potentates of Nile Temple are available in a handy book format. Brother and Noble Kovak has put together a year by year and Potentate by Potentate analysis of the many activities and adventures of Nile Temple/Shrine Center. Starting with Nile's early emergence as an affiliated Shrine Club of Afifi temple in Tacoma Washington, Nile launched its own temple in 1908 and quickly arose to become one of the largest and most robust temples in the Shrine system. At one point it was the tenth largest Shrine temple in the world. Interspersed within Mr. Kovak's book are related national and international events occurring during each Potentate's year. The years are organized into chapter decades each of which are preceded by a round up perspective of where the country was at the time of each ensuing decade. But there is more. Included are sections on the ladies organizations which marched hand in hand with the fraternal organization of nobles throughout the years in building and supporting the world's greatest philanthropy, the Shriners Hospitals for Children: the Daughters of the Nile and the Ladies Oriental Shrine. All in all this book tells the story of the men and women who shaped a great fraternal organization and supported the Shriners Hospitals in the Pacific Northwest and in so doing contributed immensely to the history of Seattle, the Pacific Northwest and the country. Books are available in paperback for \$20 and in beautifully bound hardback for \$36. Contact the Nile Shrine Center at 425-774-9611 Ext. 201 or online at www.nileshriners.org.

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LAND TRUST WELCOMES CAMANO BOARD MEMBER

Janett Wingett first learned of the Whidbey Camano Land Trust soon after moving to Camano Island in 2015. The nonprofit nature conservation organization got her attention during a whirlwind campaign to permanently protect what is now Barnum Point County Park. "The more I learned about the Land Trust and witnessed what was accomplished in a few short months, the more impressed I was with the caliber of Land Trust members and administrators and with the creative array of tools and skills they use to cobble together a patchwork of what is now forever protected land, Barnum Point," Janett said. Janett's interest in local conservation and passion for nature and the outdoors led to her desire to become more deeply involved with the Land Trust. She recently fulfilled that goal, starting the new year as one of two new members on the Land Trust's board of directors. Janett joins Michael Stansbury of Greenbank. Michael is back after serving two previous terms from 2014-19. Janett is the only Land Trust board member who lives on Camano. She is retiring this spring after 38 years with from the Seattle Fire Department and is excited about her new role with the Land Trust, including educating others about the organization. "I can't wait to roll up my sleeves and get my boots dirty!" she said. You can read more about Janett and Michael in their bios at www.wclt.org/our-story/. The Whidbey Camano Land Trust is a nonprofit nature conservation organization that actively involves the community in protecting, restoring, and appreciating the important natural habitats and resource lands that support the diversity of life on our islands and in the waters of Puget Sound, www.wclt.org, email info@wclt.org, or call 360,222,3310.



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A SURVIVAL GUIDE FOR COPING WITH AIR TRAVEL

When Orville Wright first took flight over the beaches of Kitty Hawk, NC in 1903, he couldn't have imagined that a century later, millions of people the world over would be getting into shouting matches with ticket agents, security screeners and baggage handlers over the nearly universal frustration caused by his invention. Thanks for the 12-inch gash in the side of my Louis Vuitton suitcase, Orville.

Singapore, New Delhi, and Buenos Aires are just a few of the famous world cities I will probably never get to visit because I refuse to put up with the headaches required to fly there. Also because, like most Americans, I'm not sure exactly where those cities are on a map. (I think New Delhi might be in Belgium.) But sometimes air travel is unavoidable. If you simply must book a flight, here are a few helpful tips to reduce your stress level.

Booking your flight - Choosing the right airline: The first rule of air travel is simple: Don't fly if you can possibly avoid it. But if you absolutely must fly, for example, to attend a family reunion, I recommend Qantas, the official airline of Australia. The last time Qantas had a fatality was in 1951. Of course, if your family reunion is in say, Chicago, you may need to make a couple connections through Sydney, Tokyo and New York. But you will arrive there safely, albeit two days later than the rest of your family, who opted for the nonstop on United.

The boarding process: For many of us, the most exhausting part of air travel is waiting in all those long lines. When going through TSA Security, you will usually have several lines to choose from. It's important to know which is the slowest. Here's a simple rule of thumb: The slowest line will be whichever one you decided to get in. It's an impurtable law of airline travel.

Your line will inevitably be the one stalled by the guy who barely speaks English embroiled in a twenty-minute heated debate with the TSA agent (who also barely speaks English) arguing that the army surplus bowie knife he tried to sneak through is a gift for his seven-year-old niece. So just accept your fate and just pick a random line. Then start taking off your shoes, socks, belt, overcoat, shirt, slacks, and underwear for the TSA screener. But leave your glasses on – unless they're night vision goggles.

As you board the plane, it's important to be patient. The time it takes to reach your seat will vary between ten minutes and a week-and-a-half. The delay is typically caused by some 350-pound dude in camo pants and mullet haircut who will spend 15 minutes trying unsuccessfully to cram a carry-on the size of an elk into the overhead rack.





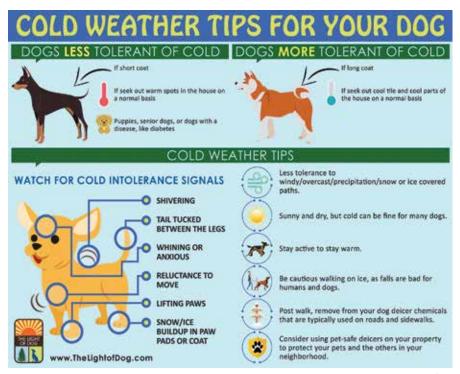


Retrieving your luggage at baggage claim: It's easy to mistake your bag for someone else's, so make sure it stands out by attaching a brightly colored neon orange strap securely to the handle. Upon arrival, head directly to baggage claim to collect your luggage. Notice how it's been an hour and now the only bag revolving around the carousel is a black bag with a brightly colored neon orange strap – which oddly enough is not your bag.

Gó to the lost luggage desk, where you will look for the customer service agent. Notice the sign on the counter that reads "On break. Back in one hour." Eventually he will return. You will quickly notice the irony that despite having the title of customer service agent, he actually has no idea what the words "customer" or "service" mean. He will display as much genuine concern for locating your lost luggage as he has about Norwegian currency fluctuations.

You will eventually be informed that your luggage, which was supposed to arrive in Savannah, GA (airport code SAV) was misrouted to an airport with a similar airport code – Savoonga, Alaska (airport code SVA). Be patient. There is a better than 30% chance that the airline will quickly discover their error and get your luggage on the next plane headed east.... this time, to Shreveport, Louisiana (airport code SHV). Oh, one more thing. Your flight home will be delayed by nine hours due to a mechanical malfunction in your plane's main jet engine, which has failed for reasons nobody can figure out. So your luggage just might make your return flight after all.

If all of this still sounds like a bit too much excitement, there is one other way to take the hassle out of flying. Next time, take the train.



Senior Scoop



Short articles on older adult issues from Camano Island resident, Brooke Knight. Brooke is also a certified Seniors Real Estate Specialist.



MULTI-GENERATIONAL LIVING

Even before the international pandemic, many people determined that it was best for their families to have three generations living under one roof. The high cost of housing in our area is one reason people often go this route. Other people want to ensure that they can look out for their elderly parents. The image of our elderly mother falling and not being able to get help is something none of us want to consider. Finally, a lot of people are looking for their kids to be able to spend more time with Grandma and Grandpa (or for Grandma and Grandpa to help with child care!). Whatever the reason, more people are choosing to live in a multi-generational home than ever before. Some estimates indicate that nearly 20% of American households are multi-generational!!

If your family is considering multi-generational living, here are some things to keep in mind when you're house hunting.

First, having adequate privacy for everyone is going to be key to having a happy multi-generational home. You can look for homes that have two master suites, or at the very least have bedrooms located on opposite sides of the home. Also look for a place that has more than one living space so people have the chance to spread out a bit. Secondly, look for a home that allows for ground floor living. As the older generation ages, going up and down stairs may be more difficult or frankly just impossible. If you can locate a home with a ground floor master bedroom for the older generation it will make it easier for them to age in place.

Finally, remember that if you are hoping to have the older generation age in place, look for a home with other accessibility features. For example, maybe you look for a home with a zero-entry shower that someone can roll a wheelchair into if needed. Or maybe you look for a laundry room that is also on the main floor to enable easier access for everyone. There are many smaller changes that can help make a home more accessible, but if you can find a home with these big ticket items already completed it will save you time and money. With the right preparation, you can have multiple generations living under one roof happily, and can extend the time that the older generation lives at home!

Classes and Workshops

YOGA CLASSES IN-STUDIO AND ONLINE at Movement Arts, Camano Island. Keep moving, keep breathing, keep practicing! 3 WAYS TO PRACTICE: IN-STUDIO – View our schedule at movementarts.com/schedule week to week to monitor our Phase 2 status for in-person classes or please join us online! Follow us on Facebook or visit movementarts.com for updates. LIVE STREAM – book classes in advance at movementarts.com/schedule and receive an email 30 minutes prior to class to attend our live studio class from the comfort of your own home (no mask required). See your friends before class for live chat (or stay in your PJ's with your video off. ONLINE VIDEO LIBRARY – practice anytime, anywhere – just practice! Go to www.movementarts.com and follow the links to view our video library of online hour length classes; regular membership rates apply. View sample videos FREE on our media page at www.movementarts.com/media. Book your class thru movementarts.com or call 360-629-9100.

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FAMILY HISTORY CENTER: Closed until further notice.

VALENTINE FACT:

James Garfield was ambidextrous — he could write Latin with one hand and Greek with the other at the same time.



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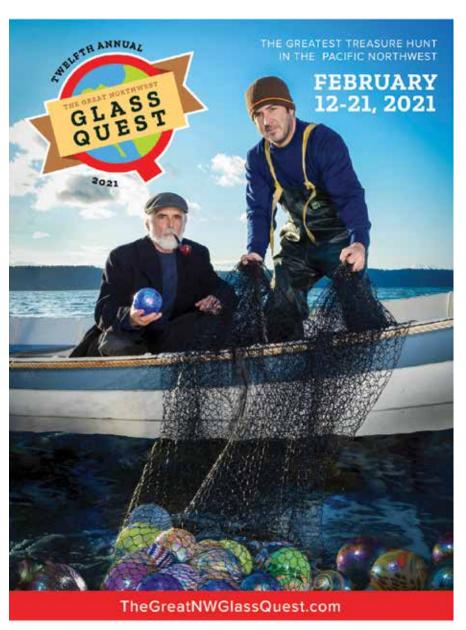
















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Community Information

VALENTINE FACT:

Red rose is a favorite flower of Venus. For this reason red rose is also the symbol of Valentine's Day. All over the world, over 50 million roses are given for Valentine's Day each year.

END OF THE SEASON SALE

Come check out our End of the Season Sale happening at the Aarrowhead Ranch Camano Island February 12-14 and 19-21 from 12 pm to 3 pm. Now is your chance to grab one of our cozy sweatshirts or a cool Arrowhead Axe t-shirt.

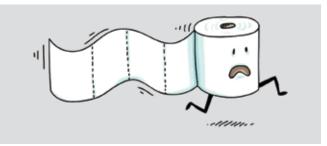
https://arrowheadranchcamano.square.site/

VIRTUAL HOMEWORK HELP!

Homework got you down? Have no fear Davis Teen Programs is offering free homework help every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-10:30 am on Zoom. Our volunteers are ready to help! RSVP is required! Open to students in grades 6-12. RSVP is required contact our teen coordinator at teens@crc-sc.org or 360.629.5257 x1004 to save your place or to answer any questions.

MONDAY HELP GROUP

If you've been feeling overwhelmed with distance learning and would like some help, please attend the Monday time management group "Do More and Stress Less: How to Manage Your Time and Improve Your Grades." Join this Google Meet from 2:30-3PM on Mondays with the code "Monday Help." We'll go over strategies for understanding your grade, making a weekly schedule, and getting caught up in your classes. Parents and students are invited to attend.



DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN'T PURCHASE HYGIENE PRODUCTS WITH FOOD STAMPS?

Stanwood Camano Food Bank is in need of laundry soup, dish soap, and that ever elusive toilet paper to give out to our members. Donation hours are Monday - Friday 9am - 2pm. Donations for the food bank can also be left with the thrift store during store hours.







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PRESIDENTS DAY FACT:

Benjamin
Harrison was the
first president to
have electricity
in the White
House. However,
he was so scared
of getting electrocuted that
he would never
touch the light
switches himself.



SPARTAN SPRINT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK

Sign up today. Here's our donation link to "register": https://charity. gofundme.com/.../stanwood-high-school... Students- \$15 donation, Adults- \$20 donation. Your packet will include this Spartan neck gaitor, a race bib and a post run snack. Packet Pick Up dates/times will be posted soon. This is a virtual run/walk. That means you are the boss of your route and your race. Feel free to join our Strava group for motivation and support. We'd love for you to share pics of your training and/or "race day" in our FB event- especially pics of you in your Spartan neck gaitor! Race week will start Mon, Feb 28 and go through the weekend. You can run/walk our route from SHS (map provided) or run/walk your own route. If a 5k isn't your thing but you are looking for a way to help, we'd appreciate your donation in any amount at the link above. We are Stronger Together. Let's support our seniors!!

FALL SPORTS

On February 3 the WESCO athetic directors voted to move forward with fall sports beginning on February 22. Following the fall sports season, spring sports and then winter sports will be offered, assumming all COVID metrics are met for each sport. More info: https://www.wescoathletics.com/

MARCH BOOK CLUB

Need to lift your spirits? and a good book to read? A few of us in the Stanwood/Camano community are reading the highly recommended book "Unbowed" by Nobel Prize winner Wangari Maathai. We would love to have you join us! There is a short book discussion - via zoom- the second week in March. Our past discussions have been fun and thought provoking (and totally nonjudgmental if one hasn't finished the book or just prefers to listen . Used books on Amazon are only about \$10. Email linda@wanaduma.org for more info.





One single perfect red rose framed with baby's breath is referred to by some florists as a "signature rose," and is the preferred choice for many for giving on Valentine's Day, anniversary, or birthday.



DO YOU HAVE VACCINE QUESTIONS?

Find answers to some of the most common appointment and eligibility questions on our COVID-19 Update Page- https://stanwoodwa.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=28&PREVIEW=true.

DEMOCRATS MEETING

Camano Island Democrats February 18th Zoom meeting is on the Rise of Hate Groups in our area and how our neighbors have organized to counteract them. We will also be updated on the Covid 19 vaccine by Island County Commissioner Janet St Clair. Program will start at 7 pm. Please contact camanoislanddemocrats@gmail.com for links and visit our website camanoislanddemocrats.com for more information. All interested persons are welcome.

OVER \$200,000 IN LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AVAILABLE!

Community Scholarship Deadline: March 8 The Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation is pleased to announce the opening of the 2021 High School Scholarship cycle. Over 200 scholarships are available to be awarded to graduating high school seniors who live within the Stanwood-Camano School District; including home-schooled students and those who attend private schools outside of the area. This year includes the addition of the following new scholarships: D.P.G. College Fund, Garry E. Lund Memorial, and RE/MAX Elevate. The lists of available scholarships and instructions for application can be found on the Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation website at www.s-caf.org/hs_scholarships. The deadline for submission of completed applications is 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 8, 2021. For more information, please contact the Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation at (360) 770-5842; natalie@s-caf.org or the SHS Counseling Office.



VALENTINE **FACT:**

The symbol of the ribbon. which often adorns modern-day Valentines, is rooted in the Middle Ages. When knights competed in tournaments, their sweethearts often gave them ribbons for good luck.

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Did You Know?

The Stanwood Area Historical Society asks, "Did You Know?"

Excerpts taken from the "Stanwood Story", written for the Stanwood News by Alice Essex. Art Anderson, former mayor of Longview, continues his 1936 speech concerning communist interests. They even went so far as circulating booklets to the U.S. Coast Guard, urging its participation in radical activities to undermine the service. He also warned that communists used sly, underhanded methods and were insidiously creeping into almost every line of business. His comments on the dangers ahead, apparently were the first to be made in a public meeting in Stanwood.

In June, the local business community had its first experience with strikes and organized labor troubles. At a meeting, called by the PWA and emceed by an AFL organizer from Seattle, formation of a local union for harvest and cannery workers had its beginnings. The package, submitted as the basis for formation of the union included wage demands of \$1.40 an hour, plus board, for all harvesters; a 50 cent an hour minimum wage for cannery workers, equal pay for men and women, plus other organized regulations.

The cannery side of the coin was expressed by a representative in attendance. In brief, he stated that he didn't blame the workers for wanting higher pay, but that these demands would break the pea industry, then in its infancy here. In his opinion, a union controlled by local members would seem fair, but would be a different story if dictated to by outsiders.

Meetings and bargaining continued. Workers contended for a 40 cent an hour wage, plus board for harvesters; farmers countered with a 35 cent an hour offer with similar stipulations. The final wage agreement was not announced publicly and all seemed serene at Bozeman and Lien plants when the pea harvest began on July 3. Then came trouble.

During the 4th of July weekend, a strike broke out at Bozeman's, presumable because the company had failed to recognize the union as stipulated. Action followed. Picketers threw rocks at a pea truck driver near Florence, assaulting and wounding him to the extent that he was sent to a Mount Vernon hospital. Not satisfied with that, the strikers boarded his truck and threw the vines along the highway.

Another group of workers and sympathizers, 100 strong, then surrounded seven railroad cars, loaded with cans, on a siding, awaiting delivery to the Bozeman plant. Farmers were notified to stop harvesting and to spread the cut vines over the fields. Meantime, at least one of the picketers was arrested and charged. Fortunately, a truce was reached and the harvest proceeded without further recorded incidents.

That same week, a strike was called at Stanwood Mills, Inc., which had been previously visited by union organizers. Already receiving higher than union pay, most of the local workers opposed the union bit...and the strike...which kept the mill and its 40-man crew idle until early November. There the walkout was sparked by discharge of three workers.

Shadows of other things to come appeared at the November meeting of the Pea Growers' Association, where announcement was made that S.A. Moffett of Seattle, was contemplating construction of a freezing plant on Hatt Slough near Florence. Moffett, who had already established a freezing operation else where for peas, wild blackberries and other fruits, was said to be contacting local growers for 400 acres.

Tax, flood control, welfare and old age pension initiatives caused much ado prior to the 1936 November election. In August as many as 140,117 names were on a petition to retain the 40-mill tax limit in real and personal property. At the polls, the petitioners won with overwhelming majority. The other three measures went down to defeat.





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AMATEUR ASTRONOMER PROFILE - GARY IMM

Within the universe of amateur astronomy few can boast the prolific output of Gary Imm. Blessed with good skies from his lakeside home in Texas, Gary has imaged almost 1200 unique sky objects over the last 5 years, a feat considering each image requires more than 10 hours to complete.

"I always post an image each morning before breakfast, after final edits and reviews of both the image and the description. The day consists of planning that evening's observing session, processing an image from my queue, and researching and writing the description for that image. 30 minutes after sunset I setup my scope and then start imaging. I can typically nap for an hour or two between any required setup changes. I image until dawn, and then the cycle starts again."

Gary's images are simply stunning, such as of Messier 16 above. Views like this were simply unavailable to amateur astronomers until recently. "When I started this hobby,'. I thought those would last me my whole life! But the universe is just chocked full of amazing objects, and the deeper you look, the more you find. Often the images of obscure objects are one of the first times in human history that anyone has seen it."

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Moonshine Wisdom & Wit

AMAZON DELIVERY AT THE SPEED OF LIGHT (OR FASTER)

I guess one way to tell if you're an old timer or not is if you remember ordering an item from, say, the Sears Roebuck catalog, by phone or by mail, then waiting a week or three for delivery. Patience might not be your middle name back then, but it was definitely a requirement for a happy life. Now, of course, we live in the world of algorithms, computerized programs operating at speeds of nano-seconds. You can't get your internet to punch up a You-Tube in three seconds, you move on, disgusted. We want it and we want it NOW!

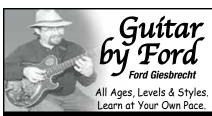
Amazon started one day delivery awhile back in the Mesozoic Era, free with a subscription to Prime. You pay a yearly fee and voila, everything you order from the Godzilla of merchandizers comes not only without a shipping charge but comes next day. Great gimmick. I have friends who only order from these retailers just for the convenience of fast delivery. I suspect there are others who think similarly. But along comes Walmart and Target, offering the same deal but without requiring a hundred plus bucks a year, so there goes Amazon's leg up.

Or does it? Amazon isn't king of the jungle for chuckles, my friend. No, they upped the ante with the promise of Same Day Delivery. Why should my friends have to wait 24 hours for the gizmo they ordered this afternoon? It's the equivalent of ordering from the Sears catalog. In the 21st Century!! Maybe you've noticed the U.S. Postal trucks on Sunday in your cul-de-sac, well, they're Amazon deliveries, no rest for the wicked. Day of rest? I don't think so.... Already they're testing drones for faster deliveries, possibly door to door if the FAA will let rent them all the airspace they need. But you know and I do too, Walmart and Target aren't going to sit still for this. They'll be offering similar delivery times as Domino Pizza, half hour or your money back. Let the drone wars begin!

Rumor has it that in the ulta-secret labs Amazon operates beneath Mt. Rainier, a honeycomb of experimental workshops and testing warehouses, the Bezos boyz are working feverishly on time travel strategies. Order that thingamajig this morning and you'll have it yesterday. Impossible, you say? Tell that to Sears Roebuck.

Story by Jack Archibald.

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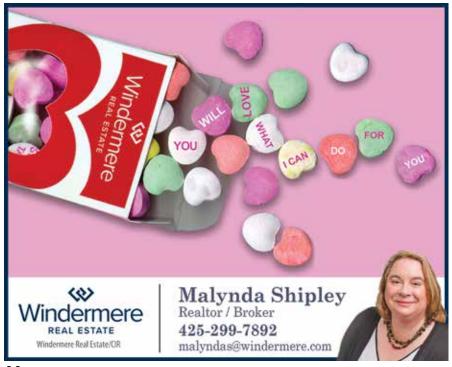
Let's launch our boat - we hope will float, I remembered the bait, this time! A suitable spot to sink the pots, then let them soak the night.

The tides perform their high's and low's, while anticipation's grow.
Our optimistic lovely wives, await our craft on shore.

Check what's caught - pull the pots, raise the loaded jails. Measure the shelly, check the belly, release all the girls - keep males.

After the messy cracking subsides, and boiling the cauldron way.
We recline with friends, with thanks again, defining a crabby day!

Poem by William D. O'Toole (an excerpt from his next book)





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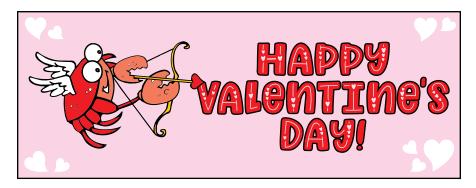
INGREDIENTS: 3 c. all purpose flour; 1/2 c. unsweetened cocoa powder; 1/2 tsp. baking soda; 1/4 tsp. salt; 1 c. unsalted butter; 2/3 c. granulated sugar; 1/2 c. light brown sugar, packed; 1 lg. egg; 2 T. chocolate liqueur or extra strong coffee; 1 tsp. vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS: 1. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt; set aside. 2. In a large bowl, using an electric or stand mixer cream together the butter, granulated sugar and brown sugar until light fluffy. Beat in egg, coffee or liqueur, and vanilla. 3. Add in flour/cocoa mixture 1 cup at a time. Blend until fully incorporated. (If you are using a hand mixer you may need to add the last cup of flour by hand and work it in). 4. Divide dough into three large balls, place in a plastic bag and chill in the refrigerator 1-2 hours. 5. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line baking sheets with parchment paper; set aside. 6. Once chilled, work with one ball of dough at a time, and roll between 2 pieces of parchment paper. This prevents the dough from sticking to your rolling pin, and you won't need to add flour to your work surface. 7. Cut out desired shapes with cookie cutters and place on prepared baking sheets. Bake cookies for 7-9 minutes depending on size. 8. Allow cookies to cool on baking sheet for a few minutes and then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely. Decorate as desired. Yields 3 dozen cookies. Buttercream Frosting: www.cookingmamas.com/buttercream-frosting

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