

February Newsletter

Campus Court at Naismith

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THE BACKGROUND OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month is an observance of the history of the African diaspora in a number of countries outside of Africa. Since 1976, it is observed annually in the United States and Canada in February, while in the United Kingdom it is observed in October. In the U.S., Black History Month is also referred to as African-American History Month.

Black History Month was begun as Negro History Week by historian Carter G. Woodson in 1926. His goal was to educate the American people about African-American history, focusing on African Americans' cultural backgrounds and reputable achievements. When Carter G. Woodson started Negro History Week, his purpose was for the history of African Americans to become considered a more significant part of American history as a whole. The purpose of Black History Month is to promote awareness of African American history to the general public. During Black History Month, African American history is taught to thousands of students at the elementary, high school and university levels respectively. African American history is an extremely important part of American history, and it is almost impossible to find an American History textbook that does not include passages about black history.

Recipe of the Month

Marbled Chocolate Peanut Butter Cake

Ingredients:

Cake:

4 ounces Hershey's bittersweet chocolate, chopped small
1 cup unsalted butter, softened
2/3 cup Reese's smooth or chunky peanut butter
1 cup sugar
1 1/4 cup light brown sugar
5 whole eggs
2 cups all purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk
1/3 cup Hershey's chocolate chips

Chocolate Peanut Butter Glaze:

2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons peanut butter, smooth
3 tablespoons, corn syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
6 ounces unsweetened chocolate, chopped small

One tablespoon water



Directions:

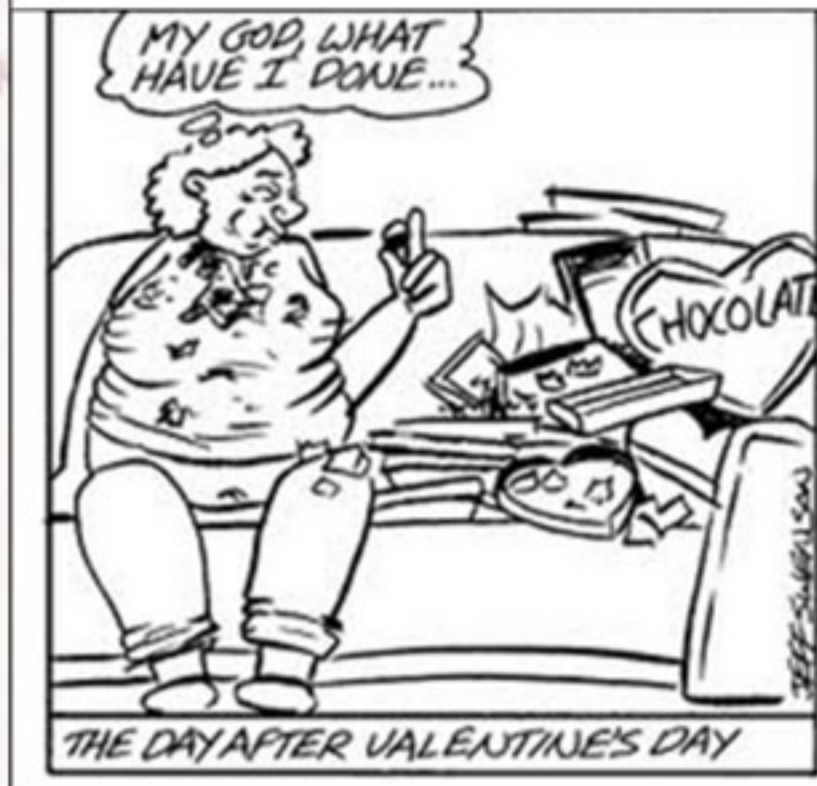
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease and flour a ring pan. Melt chocolate. In a large mixing bowl, beat the butter, peanut butter and sugar till light and creamy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Sift all dry ingredients. Add to the butter mixture, alternately with milk until just blended.

Pour half of the batter into another bowl. Stir the melted chocolate into one bowl, until well blended, and the chocolate chips into the other bowl of batter. Using a large spoon, drop alternate spoonfuls of chocolate mixture and peanut butter mixture into the prepared pan. Using a knife, pull through the batter to create a swirled, marbled effect.

Bake for 50-60 minutes, until the top springs back when touched. Cool cake in the pan for 10 minutes before turning it out onto a rack to cool completely.

To make the glaze, combine all ingredients in a small sauce pan. Melt over low heat, stirring until well blended and smooth. Cool slightly. When slightly thickened, drizzle the glaze over the cake, letting it run down the sides.

Joke of the Month



****Don't forget the next tier of Renewals ends on January 31st to receive your same rate, without included electricity and receive a \$350 gift card! Next renewal tier goes through February 29th and your rent goes up to the new market rent, but you still receive a \$250 gift card!****

History of Valentine's Day

Saint Valentine's Day, commonly shortened to Valentine's Day, is an annual commemoration held on February 14 celebrating love and affection between intimate companions. The day is named after one or more early Christian martyrs named Saint Valentine, and was established by Pope Gelasius I in 496 AD. It was deleted from the General Roman Calendar of saints in 1969 by Pope Paul VI. It is traditionally a day on which lovers express their love for each other by presenting flowers, offering confectionery and sending greeting cards (known as "valentines"). The day first became associated with romantic love in the circle of Geoffrey Chaucer in the High Middle Ages, when the tradition of courtly love flourished. Modern Valentine's Day symbols include the heart-shaped outline, doves, and the figure of the winged cupid. Since the 19th century, handwritten valentines have given way to mass-produced greeting cards.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY EVERYONE!!

KU February Basketball Schedule

02/01 vs. Oklahoma – home game – 8:00pm
02/04 vs. Missouri – away game – 8:00pm
02/08 vs. Baylor – away – 6:00pm
02/11 vs. Oklahoma State – home – 3:00pm
02/13 vs. Kansas State – away – 8:00pm
02/18 vs. Texas Tech – home – 7:00pm
02/22 vs. Texas A&M – away – 8:00pm
02/25 vs. Missouri – home – 3:00pm
02/27 vs. Oklahoma State – away – 8:00pm

Tell your friends to sign their fall lease in February and receive a **FREE CRUISE** for two!

