

Recipe Corner Chocolate Cake Mix cookies

Cake mix
Cup of chocolate chips
1/2 cup of raisins
% cup rolled oats
2 large eggs
% cup melted butter
and if my kids aren't watching:
1/2 cup of pecans (chopped)

Mix all in bowl...drop on cookie sheets using rounded teaspoon (golf ball) size. Bake at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. Cool for a bit on cookie sheet then transfer to cooling rack. Quick and easy.

There is an email going around offering processed pork, gelatin, and salt in a can.

If you get this email, do not open it. It's spam.

More News Headlines...

More sleep and a drop of wine can help prevent dementia, researchers find

Non-drinkers more likely to miss work than moderate drinkers, study says

9,600 wineries; \$63 billion U.S. market



I've noticed the politicians are holding Town Halls to connect with voters.

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All the news I see fit to print. Freedom of the press belongs to those who own one.



Media condemn Trump pardons.

Never mention Bill Clinton's pardon of his brother Roger's arrest and conviction for drug (cocaine) trafficking.

Didn't know that, did you?

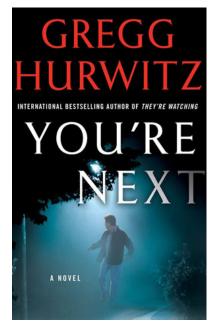


CNN: fair and balanced!



Bon Mots

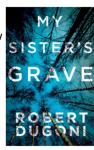
Tip for parents: you cannot make donations to Child Protective Services. You'll have to wait until they move out on their own.



Book Report

This one was fun trying to figure out where it was going while maintaining a great plot. Won't spoil the ending but Senator Fauxcahontas Warren should love it. Definitely recommend.

Second Dugoni novel; intro's new series with Tracy Crosswhite; plot elements good but hope will be better developed in sequels.



Kara Johnson Siegler's b'day is TODAY!

Bill's present is to leave for Canada? Heck of a deal!

Johnson-Siegler.Kara@securityhealth.org to send best wishes.

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Brenda is planting Big Boy tomatoes in my garden this year. I've been researching tomato cages and found one using PVC pipe and electrical conduit that looked good. The instructions read like a Japanese translator suffering from dyslexia while interning at IKEA. Tried it anyway.





Two days later I had one built with pieces of the second one beyond salvage. Discovered Southern Comfort on the rocks works better than wine for frustration. Back to the search and found one using wooden stakes. Ripped up a pressure treated 2x6 and used the salvaged conduit for the cross bars. Was able to build one in less than two hours from start to finish. Then did the math and found the wooden one was half the cost and much stronger. Evidently I should stick to wood projects or use a better search engine.







Brenda says she's going for the record on her favorite: Sunflowers. Guy at left has definitely challenged her. Last year, she had three over the roof but drooped at 45 degree angle so we might have to engineer a taller cage. The birds and squirrels got the seeds this winter along with corn that disappeared from her dad's farm. The Boys enjoyed the company and one of the squirrels made the visit every day to the point The Boys would be waiting for the visit. I've got nose prints on each side of the patio doors downstairs but so far have not been able to capture them on camera.

Cat Scan

Rabbit Scan

Meanwhile, making sure the pellet gun is handy while I research repellent products. Send ideas... ...I'll send cage plan details if you request.





CA Governor Jerry Brown just signed a waterrationing law that will limit indoor water usage to less than what is required to take a shower & do laundry on the same day.

That really sucks, but there's an easy solution...

Just go to Starbucks & use their bathroom to take a bath.

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Federal government warned California about the Oroville Dam back in 2005. Instead of fixing it, last year it failed and California requested Federal disaster funds while watching about 200,000 cubic feet of water *per second* escape forcing the evacuation of 180,000 residents.



There are 537 special water districts in California each governed by its own statute. There are only 17 maintenance districts. Ironically, California is growing rice in the desert. You're reading that correctly. They pipe water into the desert to grow rice. Duh? I also wondered about those backyard pools. Just one of the hundreds of California pool maintenance companies claims to have 70,000 customers. Betcha that company has figured out ways around the water shortage (known as political contributions). It could be worse. Nancy Pelosi could retire and run for governor of California to fix it.



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