

## RV Resort Newsletter

From the Gal and Guy in the Office

January flew by and what a busy month it was. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy our jingle in the New Year breakfast as always the company was fantastic. I want to thank everyone for bearing with us while our office and billiards room are under construction. I also want to thank everyone in the resort who has removed there EZ ups and or car ports.

We will be reintroducing our monthly contests on ways to improve Circle RV Resort. This months contest will be for suggestions on how to get people to SLOW DOWN while driving through the property. The guest with the best suggestion that can be used will get \$25 sun dollars off rent. Grab your sweetie and join us on February 11 @3 pm in the clubhouse for finger foods, drinks and as always wonderful company. Look forward to seeing you all there!



### Funny Valentine Quotes

**Phyllis Diller** Never go to bed mad -- stay up and fight.

**Anonymous** Valentine's Day is when a lot of married men are reminded what a poor shot Cupid really is.

**Plato** Love is a grave mental disease.

**H. L. Mencken** To be in love is merely to be in a state of perceptual anesthesia.

### Important Dates:

02/02/16 Ground Hogs Day

02/07/16 Super bowl

02/09/16 Mardi Gras

02/14/16 Valentine's Day

02/15/16 President's Day



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## Ultimate Double Chocolate Brownies Recipe

### Ingredients

- 3/4 cup baking cocoa
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 2/3 cup butter, melted, *divided*
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1-1/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 2 cups (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chunks

### Directions

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, combine cocoa and baking soda; blend 1/3 cup melted butter. Add boiling water; stir until well blended. Stir in sugar, eggs and remaining butter. Add flour, vanilla salt. Stir in pecans and chocolate chunks. 2. Pour into a greased 13x9-in. baking pan. Bake 35-40 minutes or until brownies begin to pull away from sides of pan. Cool. Yield: 3 dozen.



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**RVing** is supposed to be fun. And some simple campground etiquette helps to keep it that way for everyone. If you are starting out or need a refresher, here are 10 tips on minding your camping manners to make your stay enjoyable.

**Follow the rules:** Individual parks usually hand you a copy of their rules when you register. Adhering to these rules is one of the basics of campground etiquette. It makes things easier for everyone involved – you, your neighbors and the park operators. Typical guidelines include reduced speed limits on campground roads for the safety of all involved. You are typically expected to unhook a dinghy before driving to your site. There are usually defined quiet hours when you should keep the noise down, turn off outdoor lights, generators - basically, the party is over.

**Eliminate pet peeves:** Literally. Pick up after your pets. Stop excessive or extended barking. Don't leave a howling dog unattended to bother the neighbors. Use a leash. Even if Spot is friendly, not everyone is an animal lover. Good pet-etiquette on your part helps ensure that the many RVers with pets are welcome at campgrounds.

**Sewer connections:** Do them right. Make them secure. No torn hoses. In most places, your sewer connection faces the side where your neighbor has their "patio" area. Another time where being discreet and careful is part of good campground etiquette.

**Washing the RV:** Most campgrounds will not allow washing to avoid wasting water, high water bills, muddy sites, etc. Read the rules. You usually have to get by with a small bucket and rag and/or waterless cleaner to just do minimal spot cleaning. If you are lucky enough to find a place where you can really wash the RV, use common sense. Don't have the water flowing when you aren't actually using it. Watch the spray – your neighbor may not be interested in having their rig washed. In fact, it makes for friendly campground etiquette if you let your neighbor know ahead of time that you plan to wash your rig. That way, they can close any windows or put away articles that might inadvertently get wet.

**No trespassing:** When we first started out, a fellow RVer came over and asked if he could look around on "our property" for something he had lost, a paper that had blown out of his car the night before. We appreciated his asking first, and were somewhat amused by the term "our property". But in fact, one of the unspoken rules of campground etiquette is that you stay off occupied sites. For the time a camper is on a site, it is their space and their privacy should be respected. If you are taking a stroll around the campground, the operative word is "around". Stay on roads and pathways – don't cut through your neighbors' turf.

**Keeping up the neighborhood:** In general, be tidy. RVing is an outdoor pastime and RVers are generally an easy going lot. But there is a point where too much stuff laying around outside the RV starts to look sloppy. Trash or anything loose that can blow around is a definite no-no.

**Do unto others:** When in doubt, follow the golden rule. If you aren't sure of the proper campground etiquette for something, think about how you would like to be treated. If you are concerned that something might bother your neighbor, your best bet is just to ask them. If you find yourself in a situation where your neighbors or park operators are doing something that you find intolerable, politely address the subject with them. If that doesn't work, consider moving to another site or another campground. You are in an RV after all.