

RECIPE OF THE MONTH: Patriotic Berry Trifle

DIRECTIONS:

- Heat 1/4 cup sugar, the lemon juice and 1/4 cup water in a saucepan over medium-high heat, stirring, until the sugar dissolves. Remove from the heat and stir in the almond extract.
- Brush both sides of each slice of cake with the syrup. Cut the slices into 1-inch cubes.
- Beat the remaining 2/3 cup sugar and the cream cheese with a mixer on medium speed until smooth and light. Add the cream and beat on medium-high speed until smooth and the consistency of whipped cream.
- Arrange half of the cake cubes in the bottom of a 13-cup trifle dish. Sprinkle evenly with a layer of blueberries. Dollop half of the cream mixture over the blueberries and gently spread. Top with a layer of strawberries. Layer the remaining cake cubes on top of the strawberries, then sprinkle with more blueberries and top with the remaining cream mixture. Finish with the remaining strawberries and blueberries, arranging them in a decorative pattern. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour.



INGREDIENTS:

- 1/4 cup plus 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- 1 premade angel food cake, cut into 1-inch slices
- 1 pound cream cheese, at room temperature
- 2 cups heavy cream, at room temperature
- 2 pints blueberries
- 2 pints strawberries, hulled and sliced

THE 3-KEYS TO A GREAT PASSWORD

A great password is often the only thing standing between you and identity theft. But what makes a password really secure? Turns out, there are some important guidelines to follow to keep information safe. Read on for 3-smart tips.

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Know the latest security standards.

The National Institute of Standards and Technology has established some new rules for setting up more-secure passwords such as; make your passwords longer, avoid password hints or reset questions, don't repeat the same number or letter, and don't use common identifiers as a password.

Don't use the same password more than once.

By using the same password on multiple services, you are potentially giving hackers access to every service where you're using that password. Always create different keys, or passwords for separate accounts.

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Make use of a password manager.

A password management tool is your greatest ally. These are programs or apps that will create unique passwords on each of your accounts and store them all for you in a single, secure location, so you'll never lose them again.



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It's been months since I received a hug from a client. That's not good. We were on vacation, then no face to face meetings, and now even with face to face meetings, we have masks, gloves, and social distancing to deal with. Will things ever get back to the way they were? Clients can't see their kids and grandkids freely, and when they do, no hugs! Handshakes are rare, though I've had 3 or 4 in the past few days. My Mom hasn't left her house in 2 months! She gets groceries delivered and then leaves them outside for a while and then sprays them with disinfectant. How are you handling all of this?

I have rough and tough biker clients that won't leave their houses much, and get mad when others do. I have little old ladies that say this is all a bunch of bunk and have been moving freely throughout their lives through all of this. How about you? Me personally, my wife and I stepped off a cruise in Florida on March 14th. (and we were the last group before the cruise line shut down). We had visited Cozumel, Belize, Costa Maya Mexico, and Rotan Honduras, all in mid-March. I was never a believer in all this quarantining. It just never made any sense to me. It seems the less we expose ourselves, the weaker our immune system would get? Of course, if ones immune system is already weak, they should take precautions to protect themselves. Before and after our cruise we spent time in the St. Petersburg area of Florida. We have an RV Site and boat dock there. Florida was one of the last places to shut down. Even then, there were restaurants with take out available, good take out. Home made Cuban food and many others and... you could walk in and order from the menu, you just could not sit down. When we left, and came back home to Ohio, everything was still shut down here ... even well into March. I'm like, why not just go back to Florida, where I can live halfway normal, in the Sunshine, and warmth?

By the time you read this, I'm assuming things will all be opened up. But, how are we going to conduct ourselves moving forward? What if I cough or sneeze in public? What if the person next to me does? How will we all be reacting. If someone has a cold or normal flu, are we going to look at them like a leper? Will we be freaked out sending our kids back out in public, always worrying if they will catch "the virus"? I don't know, I guess we will see?

As far as your investments go, if you were in the market, you probably felt some pain. If you didn't panic, you got a lot of those losses back already. But... its not over! Companies are a long way from back to normal, and unemployment is historically high, and will be for a long time. In reality, if there is no vaccine come Fall, we will be right back in the same situation most likely, and I don't know when the economy and markets will get back to true health, without a vaccine!? You need to be very careful with your investment money. Not taking too much risk with your "risk" money, and having plenty in "safe" accounts, earning above inflation. If you are not yet a client and would like help with this, or maybe just another professional opinion on what you are currently doing, get ahold of my office and I'm here to help! We can not have a bullet proof investment portfolio in reality, but I can help you get real close to one. So, when this kind of thing happens again, you will have confidence and security, and peace of mind.

When you come to meet (mask or not), you can be assured our offices are clean, and my meeting rooms are disinfected after every meeting! You comfort and safety is of utmost priority to us!

Until next month,
Wayne

P.S. Whether you are a big believer in Dr. Fauci, and the like, or you think its all a big nothing... myself and my staff wish you and your family healthiness and a quick recovery to a lifestyle that's back to normal soon!



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