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Dear Linda ,

When love congeals
 It soon reveals
 The faint aroma
 Of performing seals.

-- Lyrics from *I Wish I Were in Love Again* by Rogers and Hart

It's a common stereotype that private investigators are primarily hired to track cheating spouses and catch them in the act. Images of cars following each other around town, waiting for long hours in the shadows of buildings, and cameras with large telephoto lenses complete the cloak and dagger scenarios.

Private investigators work on a wide range of client assignments -- confirming infidelities is just one type. But in those situations catching an unfaithful spouse may involve dozens of tactics that have nothing in common with what is shown on television or in the movies. These approaches can be as simple as analyzing a cell phone bill, to tracking a person's movements through publicly available data. In some cases it can be simple, while others can be extremely challenging.

As a private investigator it is my job to know which of the techniques is the best option for each of my clients. Sometimes tactics are grouped together to provide the best results. There are many strategies in my arsenal that makes me confident that if

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Too Early for Valentines Day:

Man Arrested in Kentucky for Bizarre Chocolate Crime

A man was arrested in an eastern Kentucky grocery store last week after police found him naked and covered in peanut butter and chocolate.

According to the report from KAIT TV-8, 22-year-old Andrew Toothman was arrested on January 31 in the Food World IGA near the Virginia border wearing only a pair of black boots.

Police say that an apparently-contrite Toothman had spelled the word "Sorry" on the floor of

someone you love is cheating, then it is possible that no one will ever know ... except me!

As always, thank you for your ongoing feedback. Please feel free to submit questions, comments and ideas for future issues.

Best Regards,

Jean Mignolet

ALERTIf you received an e-mail from my email address regarding jewelry or weight loss, please understand that it did not originate from me. My computer expert, Peter Jarvic said that my computers had NOT been violated and therefore the hacker had gotten my e-mail address from someone else's address book. Keep checking your computers for viruses.**



Happy Valentines Day! Here are The Top 10 Signs Of a Cheating Spouse

The website cheating-spouse.org has created a list of signs to look for to determine if your spouse is being unfaithful. The actual list has 34 items. Here are just the top 10:

1. When they no longer want sex or make excuses to not have sex.
2. When they will not allow you access to their computer or they suddenly shut down the computer when you walk into the room. They may password protect their laptop or computer to keep out suspicious eyes. Or they stay up to "work" or "play a game" on the computer after you go to bed. Excessive internet usage, especially late at night, is a red flag.
3. When they begin to put distance between you or show a lack of interest in what has been the routine with few, if any, excuses for the change in their behavior.
4. When they suddenly have to work late and have all kinds of new obligations that take them away from home repeatedly or for long periods of time. Or . . . they tell you they are working longer hours and discontinue allowing you to view their paycheck or pay stubs.
5. If your loved one works with people, such as at a bar or

the store with Nyquil.

Toothman faces burglary, criminal mischief and indecent exposure charges.



Just in Time for Valentines Day:

Mafia Museum Opens in Las Vegas

There is crime, and then there is organized crime. Now the public can safely be exposed to the "big boys" of the underworld at a new museum in Las Vegas.

Scheduled to open today, February 14, 2012, it is the world's first museum devoted to organized crime. According to Forbes.com, the grand opening date was chosen because it is the anniversary of the St. Valentine's day massacre of 1929.

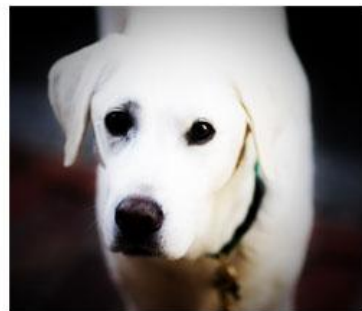
It is located in an old federal building where trials were held for famous Las Vegas crime figures such as Frank "Lefty" Rosenthal and Meyer Lansky.

The Forbes.com website also reports that "the Mob Museum ... is technically The National Museum of Organized Crime and Law Enforcement. Besides historic exhibits like the courtroom, this is a modern-day museum and the 17,000 square feet of exhibition space spans three floors (plus a specialty retail store) and includes highly experiential and interactive experiences and high-tech theater presentations.

"Hollywood author, screenwriter and producer, Nicholas Pileggi, best known for his book and screenplay Casino, and his book, Wiseguy, which was adapted for the movie, Goodfellas, will host a special film for the Museum's exhibit on how the mob is portrayed in pop culture.

restaurant especially as a waitress or bartender they might suddenly tell you not to visit them at work. This usually means they are hiding something at their workplace whether it be with a co-worker or a regular customer such as at a bar.

6. When they suddenly need a cell phone or pager and you are discouraged from ever looking at it or using it. They also may make certain their cell phone or pager cannot be answered by you by hiding it or taking it with them wherever they go. They are secretive about their cell phone or pager bill and pay it themselves when you have always paid the bill in the past.
7. When they arrive home smelling faintly of perfume/cologne or another person's body.
8. When they arrive home and head straight into the shower or bath.
9. When they have lipstick or strange hairs on their clothing or in the car. Finding strange phone numbers, receipts or condoms can also be clues.
10. When they suddenly begin to treat you extremely nice; more so than usual.



Valentines Day: Make Sure Everything Comes Up Roses for Rover

The ASPCA website reports that "Each year our poison control experts see a rise in cases around February 14, many involving chocolate and lilies, a flower that's potentially fatal to cats."

Here are some of the organization's tips so your four-footed loved ones stay safe during the holiday festivities.

Pet-Safe Bouquets

All species of lily are potentially fatal to cats. When sending flower specify that it contain no lilies if the

Interactive touch screens explain one-of-a-kind artifacts, while visitors can "shoot" a simulated tommy gun, listen to real FBI surveillance tapes on wiretapping equipment and take part in FBI weapons training.

"However, this being Vegas, the notion of romance is not lost on the Mob Museum - you can get married here."

recipient has a cat. When receiving an arrangement, remove **all dangerous flora**. If your pet is suffering from symptoms such as stomach upset, vomiting or diarrhea, he may have eaten a bad flower or plant.

Forbidden Chocolate and other Fun Foods

- Chocolate, including baker's, semi sweet, milk and dark. Symptoms of a dog eating chocolate are vomiting/diarrhea, hyperactivity, seizures and an abnormally elevated heart rate.
- Spilled wine, half a glass of champagne, some leftover liquor, etc. Because animals are smaller than humans, a little bit of alcohol can do a lot of harm.
- Don't let pets near treats sweetened with xylitol. If ingested, gum, candy and other treats that include this sweetener can result in a sudden drop in blood sugar known as hypoglycemia.

The ASPCA also recommends keeping pets away from roses (thorns can hurt!), candles (fire can burn!), and tape, ribbons, bows, and wrapping paper (choking hazards!).