



**February 2023**

**Welcome everyone!**

**Hope this finds you happy and well, if perhaps a little hyper from a chocolate feast on Valentine's Day. Hope your ♥day was fun and gave you a little mid-winter boost, whether you celebrated with a special person or treated yourself to a good book and a big Reese's Peanut Butter Cup.**

**Not that I did that.**

**Yet.**

READING/ CHOCOLATE/ FUZZY SOCK DAY!



(I JUST MADE IT UP - TELL THE OTHERS!)

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All the Eastern Shore mysteries feature a romantic element of one kind or another, but since they are in the mystery/suspense genre, the ‘who’ and ‘how’ and ‘why’ of the crimes drive the story. Still, I love adding a romantic subplot into my mysteries because, well, they’re *fun*. Mystery writers *eventually* tie up all the loose ends in their story lines, and love has been at the root of many a puzzling caper. Smart people will do dumb things for love. A cowardly character can become brave, while the brave hero is terrified. In fact, every unlikely turn of events you can throw at your characters will be understandable if love is the driving force. The heart wants what it wants, after all - even if the consequences are deadly.

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So, to celebrate love, and books, and chocolate, and whatever makes you happy (and to get new readers into our Eastern Shore Mysteries family ☺) . . .

**SQUATTER’S RIGHTS** is on sale starting today! Those of you who receive ROBIN READS newsletter will see it advertised there on Friday, but the 99¢ sale will actually start today and run

[Click here to buy!](#)

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This week, *SQUATTER'S RIGHTS* received a wonderful review in mystery author Carmen Amato's bi-weekly newsletter *MYSTERY AHEAD*. Thank you, Carmen! You can read the review and subscribe to the newsletter on Carmen's website: [Carmen Amato/Mystery Ahead](#)

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## GOT BOOKS?

Trying to recover from a candy binge? A good book can fix anything! Here's what I've been reading:

☐ In addition to her *MYSTERY AHEAD* blog, Carmen Amato writes the Detective Emily Cruz series set in Acapulco. So if

starting with **CHIT CHIVV**.

☐ In the mood for some laughs with your mysteries? I stumbled across Gretchen Archer's Davis Way Crime Caper series and I'm hooked. The first book in the series is **DOUBLE WHAMMY**. A reviewer compares the series to Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum and I agree!

I'd love to know which mysteries you're enjoying, too!

Until next month . . . Happy reading!

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