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Love Can Be Found Year-Round

(NAPSA)—In today's hectic world, romance for many means dinner out one night of the year, on Valentine's Day. But couples can take a cue from St. Valentine himself and learn how to become an every day Cupid by celebrating romance 12 months of the year.

Legend maintains that Valentine, an advocate of love, was a priest in ancient Rome when Emperor Claudius II determined that young men without wives or families made better soldiers, thereby making marriage illegal for young men. Valentine defied Claudius and secretly married young couples. For defying the law, he was put to death and became a heroic martyr and the saint responsible for the modern celebration of love and romance.

While Valentine's Day is celebrated in February, couples can benefit greatly by commemorating his devotion year-round.

Try the following tips to rekindle, reconnect or simply celebrate love:

- Do the unexpected. Surprise your partner by cooking his or her favorite meal or dessert, buy a C.D. of a favorite new song or offer a foot massage after a long day of work.

- Don't wait until Valentine's Day, an anniversary or special date to buy flowers or candy—giving a gift "just because" does wonders for wooing that special someone.

- Plan a "date night" at least once a month and log on to the hiltongardeninn.com site and click on "Things to Do" for cool activity ideas like fun outings, hip dining or local festivals and attractions.



Finding Romance—Planning a "Date Night" or stealing away on a weekend getaway can be great ways to add spark to your relationship.

Carve out time in your busy schedule to decompress and enjoy an evening out as a couple—making the most of your time together.

- Steal away on a weekend getaway. Choose a hotel, such as Hilton Garden Inn, which offers a year-round Romance Package that features an in-room bottle of wine (subject to local and state laws) or cider upon arrival, complimentary breakfast for two and early check-in/late check-out so couples can extend and really enjoy their quality time away.

Each Hilton Garden Inn hotel also features a swimming pool and whirlpool where guests can relax, a work-out facility and hospitality center in all guestrooms that includes a mini-refrigerator, microwave and coffee maker. You can find out more about Hilton Garden Inn hotels in the U.S., Canada or Mexico; uncover fun and romantic excursions for your getaway; or make reservations, at hiltongardeninn.com and 1-877-STAY-HGI in the U.S. and Canada.