Unleavened Delights

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Introduction

Traditionally we have referred to the spring festival of Yahweh as the Days of Unleavened Bread. But research has shown us that it is really much more. The Hebrew words refer to it as the Days of the Unleavens. So what is the difference? It refers to more than just bread. It helps us to understand that we are not to possess or consume anything leavened for those seven days.

There are several leavening products that we have available today. Leavening causes fermentation in a product. It will produce gas, steam or air that will expand upon being heated and change the texture of your food product.

We will discuss several items here and consider what they do. Some of them might not be listed among usual leavening agents, but think seriously about them. What is their purpose in the recipe? What is it you are trying to achieve?

Yeast is a small plant. When mixed with sugar, it will produce carbon dioxide when temperature and moisture are right.

Baking powder will produce a chemical reaction that will release a certain amount of gas when it is mixed with a liquid. And it will cause additional gas when it is heated.

Baking soda is an ingredient in baking powder, but it can be used separately. To leaven something, it must be mixed with an acidic item such as buttermilk, sour milk, molasses, vinegar, lemon juice or cream of tartar.

Cream of tartar, of itself, will not leaven anything. It is often used in conjunction with baking soda. It is also used as a flavor enhancer.

Brewer's yeast is a by-product of the fermentation of beer. It is a rich source of vitamins, especially the B-complex vitamins. It will not leaven anything.

Yeast extract is used in canned or dehydrated soups. It may enhance flavor, but will not leaven anything. Other common names for Yeast Extract are: Autolyzed Yeast or Torula Yeast.

Most people do not consider eggs leavening agents.

Whole eggs, well beaten and added to batter, will puff up popovers. Egg whites, beaten, will cause expansion when heated. For example, in angel food cakes, beaten egg whites are usually the only leavening agent. The thing to be considered is the intent. Consider the spirit of the law, not just the letter of the law.

Potassium Bicarbonate (also known as Potassium Hydrogen Carbonate or Potassium Acid Carbonate) and Ammonium Bicarbonate (also called Bicarbonate of Ammonia, Ammonium Hydrogen Carbonate, Hartshorn, or Powdered Baking Ammonia) are other ingredients that can leaven.

For years we have laughed at the idea of removing any **beverages**, such as carbonated drinks or beer. We said, "It doesn't say the Days of Unleavened Beer. It says bread." But it simply says "unleavens". And these beverages will leaven. In the past we have had a recipe for a 7-Up cake. The 7-Up gave the cake a light, soft texture. Beer will do the same thing for bread. Once again...what is the intent?

There are many prepared items you can buy, such as various types of crackers or piecrusts. Just be sure to check the ingredients list. Not all matzos are leaven-free. Check the labels each year as products may change from time to time.

Check the recipes, make your shopping list and have fun. Try several of our recipes and see if you can find a new favorite. Rather than making these days a burden, make it a time of special treats, eaten only at this time of year.

BREADS

Unleavened Bread - #1

3 cups flour

3 large eggs

1 tsp salt

2 tbs oil or butter

1/2 cup water or milk

Combine flour and salt. Combine eggs and oil, then add egg mixture to flour. Add milk, and mix well. Pour into three 8" square greased pans. Bake at 450°F for 20 minutes.

Unleavened Bread - #2

3/4 cups scalded milk

1/4 cup honey

1/4 cup butter

1 tsp salt

1 egg

 $2\ 1/4\ cup\ flour$

Mix egg and first four ingredients together, while gradually adding the flour. Knead smooth. roll to 1/4 inch thick. Cut in rounds or squares. Prick with fork. Place on baking sheet, bake at 375°F for 15-20 minutes.

Unleavened Bread - #3

5 cups flour

1/2 cup cream

1 cup oil OR 1/2 cup butter & 1/2 cup oil

4 tbs sugar or honey

1 cup milk

1/4 tsp salt

Mix dry ingredients. Melt butter and blend with oil, milk and cream. Stir liquid into dry ingredients, knead well. Roll out on floured board, cut and place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 375°F till lightly browned.

Unleavened Bread - #4

1 cup flour

1/8 tsp salt

2 Tbsp soft butter

2 Tbsp oil

1/4 cup cold milk or water

Mix the flour and salt. Cut in the butter and oil. Add the milk and mix well. Roll on floured wax paper, not as thin as pie crust, making a little circle a little smaller than the inside of 10" cast iron skillet. Place in pre-heated skillet on medium flame. Cook about 4 minutes on each side, turning only once. Or cut smaller rounds with biscuit cutter.

Flat Bread

2 cups whole-wheat flour

1/2 cup yellow corn meal

1/2 tsp salt

4 tbs butter

2/3 cup warm water

Sift flour, cornmeal & salt together. Cut in butter and mix until crumbly. Stir in warm water and chill. Roll chilled dough into balls the size of large marbles. Roll out into paper-thin rounds, 4 inches in diameter. Bake on an ungreased cookie sheet (375°F) for 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool and store in a tightly sealed container. This dough may be wrapped in wax paper and kept in refrigerator to be baked as needed.

Cheese Bread

1/2 lb longhorn cheese

1/2 lb jack cheese

1 cup flour

1 tsp salt

3 eggs

1 1/3 cup milk

1/2 cup butter, melted

Grate cheese. mix all ingredients and pour in greased pan. Bake at $350^{\circ}F$ for 45 minutes.

Almond Bread

4 eggs

1 cup sugar

3/4 cup oil or butter

3 cup flour

1 small bag slivered almonds

1 tsp almond extract

Mix sugar, eggs and 1 cup flour, add oil or butter. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into 2 bread pans. Bake at $35^{\circ}F$ 0 for 30 minutes. Remove from pans; slice as needed.

Fruit Nut Bread

1/3 cup butter

1 1/2 cup whole wheat flour

1/4 tsp salt

1 cup mashed bananas

2/3 cup honey

1/3 cup orange juice

1 egg

2 cup quick oats

1/4 cup chopped nuts

1/4 cup chopped dates

1/4 cup chopped dried apricots

1/4 cup raisins

Melt butter and set aside to cool. Mix flour and salt, add banana, honey, orange juice, egg and butter. Blend just until flour is dampened. Stir in oats and all the rest of the ingredients. Pour into well greased 9x5x3 loaf pan. Bake about 350°F for about 50 minutes. Cool in pan for 10 minutes. Remove from pan and finish cooling on rack. For easier slicing, wrap in foil and store overnight.

Quick Mayonnaise Biscuits

2 cups flour, sifted

1/3 cup mayonnaise

3/4 cup milk

1/3 cup sharp cheddar cheese (shredded)

2 tbs onion (minced)

Mix together flour, mayonnaise and milk until well blended. Add cheese and onion. Drop by tablespoon onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350°F for 10 minutes until lightly browned.

Spoon Bread

1 cup cornmeal

1/2 tsp salt

2 cups boiling water

2 tbs butter

4 eggs

1 cup cold milk

Preheat oven to 450°F. Combine cornmeal, salt and 2 cups boiling water. Stir for a minute, remove from heat. Add butter, mix well. Add eggs and cold milk. Pour into buttered baking dish. Bake at 450°F for 25 minutes.

Cottage Cheese Rolls

1 c. all-purpose flour

1 c. whole wheat flour

2 c. cottage cheese, small curd

1 c. butter

1/2 t. salt

Mix together all ingredients well; refrigerate dough at least 3 hours (or chill in freezer 1 hour). Divide dough into 4 pieces. Roll out in a circle about 1/4 inch thick. Cut like a pie into 6 or 8 pieces. Shape each piece like a crescent style pastry. Bake for 30 minutes @ 350°F. Glaze with drizzled honey or powdered sugar glaze, if desired. Also good filled with jam or cinnamon and sugar. The dough can be kept up to 3 days in the refrigerator. Makes 2 dozen.

Whole Wheat Or Graham Gem

2 cups whole wheat or graham flour

3/4 to 1 tsp salt

2 tsp sugar

1 egg

1 1/2 cup cold milk

Mix flour, salt and sugar. Mix egg, add milk and stir well. Add flour in three additions, mixing well after each one. Fill sizzling hot, buttered iron gems, or cornstick pans and bake 20-30 minutes in a 425°F oven.

Cornmeal Gems

2 cups yellow cornmeal

3/4 tsp salt

2 tbs brown sugar

2 cups scalded milk

2 tbs butter

2 eggs

Mix cornmeal, salt and sugar together and stir in scalded milk; add butter and cool until eggs will not be cooked as they are stirred in. Add eggs and fill buttered muffin pans 2/3 full. Bake in 400°F oven about 30 minutes.

Hush Puppies

1 large onion

2 cups cornmeal

1 cup flour

2 eggs

1/2 tsp salt

4 tbs sugar

4 tbs cooking oil

Mix well and drop into hot oil with a teaspoon.

Flour Tortillas

2 cups flour

1/4 cup shortening

1 tsp salt

1/2 cup lukewarm water

Cut shortening into flour-salt mixture until size of peas. Add water. Knead. Let rest 10 minutes, covered. Form into 2" balls, roll to 1/4" thick. Use heavy skillet or griddle, ungreased and very hot. Turn tortilla 3 times and it should be done when small dark brown spots speckle the bread.

Biscuits

6 cups flour

1/4 cup shortening

1 1/2 tsp salt

buttermilk to form dough

Knead dough till well mixed. Pinch off ball and roll. Flatten in pan. Brush lightly with shortening or butter. Bake 400^{0} F for 15-20 minutes.

Cheese Biscuits

2 c flour

1 lb sharp cheddar cheese, grated

1/2 lb butter or margarine

1 tsp cayenne pepper

Sift dry ingredients and cut into butter. Add cheese and form into small balls. Place on cookie sheet and bake at $400^{\circ}F$ for 10 minutes or until golden brown.

Unleavened Biscuits

1 cup flour, sifted

1/2 cup cornmeal

1/2 tsp salt

4 tbs shortening

1 egg

milk

Mix all together, adding enough milk to make a medium stiff dough. Roll out about 1/4" thick. Cut out. Place on a slightly greased pan. Oil the tops. Bake about 8 minutes in a preheated oven of 425°F.

German Pancakes

4 eggs

1/2 tsp salt

2/3 cup milk

1 tbs sugar

2/3 cup flour (sifted)

2 tbs soft butter

Heat oven to 400. Butter well two 9-in cake pans. Mix eggs until light yellow. Add remaining ingredients, mix until smooth. Pour into pans and bake 20 minutes, then reduce heat to 350°F and bake 10 minutes. Slide onto hot plates. Serve with lemon slices, powdered sugar and butter, syrup, jelly, honey, etc. Yield two nine inch pancakes.

Sour Cream Pancakes

3 eggs

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp pepper

1 cup sour cream

6 tbs matzo meal

Blend all ingredients, drop by tablespoon onto greased skillet. Brown on both sides.

Swedish Pancakes

3 eggs

1 cup flour

1 1/2 cup milk

1/2 tsp salt

oil for frying

Mix all but oil until well blended. Prepare large frying pan by heating to medium hot. Put about 1 tsp oil in skillet (enough to cover bottom). Pour 3/4 ladle of batter into pan and tilt pan immediately so it covers bottom completely. When it appears "dry on top", turn over. Remove and serve rolled or folded, spread butter and maple syrup; or roll with strawberries.

CRACKERS

Crackers are not difficult to make. There are numerous varieties here. Experiment with different flours and spices.

But first, some hints....

- ☐ To prevent air-borne spores from leavening your products, keep covered all dough except the piece you are working with.
- ☐ For thin, crispy crackers, take small pieces of dough at a time and roll it as thin as possible.
- ☐ Cut crackers easily with a biscuit or cookie cutter. Or for square crackers, a pizza cutter is a terrific tool.
- ☐ Allow crackers to start browning slightly. Then remove from the oven and turn the crackers over before completing the cooking time.
- ☐ If you have a gas oven, you can use it to make the crackers crispier. After they have finished cooking, remove from the oven. Let the oven cool, put all the crackers on a cookie

sheet and return to the cool oven for several hours. The pilot light is enough heat to dry and crisp the crackers.

Savory Granola Crackers

2 cups rolled oats

3/4 cup whole-wheat flour

1/2 cup silvered almonds

1/4 cup wheat germ

1/4 cup sesame seeds

1 tbs honey

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp oregano

1/4 tsp thyme

1/2 tsp onion powder

3 eggs

3/4 cup oil

Preheat oven to $400^{\circ}F$. In large bowl, stir together first 10 ingredients. With fork, mix eggs and oil together. Add oat mixture. With spatula, press dough evenly into greased 10x15 inch pan. Bake 20 minutes, or until golden brown. Cut into $1-1\2$ inch squares, then into triangles. Remove to rack to cool. Store in airtight container. Makes 50-70 crackers.

Graham Crackers

2 cups flour (whole wheat)

2 tbs arrowroot

1/2 cup oil

1 1/2 cup unbleached flour

1/2 tsp salt

1/2 cup molasses

1/4 cup water

1 tsp vanilla

1/4 cup honey

Mix together first 5 ingredients until crumbly like pie dough. Mix liquids together and pour into flour mixture. Mix thoroughly. Knead. Roll out on floured board. Cut into squares, prick with a fork. Use pancake turner to lift onto greased pan. Bake 275-300°F for 30 minutes until slightly brown.

Wholesome Oatmeal Crackers

1 cup quick-cooking oats

2/3 cup flour

1/3 cup toasted wheat germ

1 tbs brown sugar

1/2 tsp salt, seasoned salt, celery salt or garlic salt

1/3 cup water

1/4 cup oil

In mixing bowl, stir together the oats, flour, wheat germ, brown sugar, and desired salt. Make a well in the center and add the water and oil all at once. Stir just till dry ingredients are moistened. Form dough into a ball and divide in half. On a greased baking sheet roll half the dough to a 12x8 inch rectangle. Cut into 2" squares. Bake at 350°F for 20-22 minutes till crisp. Remove to wire rack to cool. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 48 crackers.

Bob's Crackers

2 cups flour

2 cups whole-wheat flour

3 tbs sugar

1/2 cup oil

1 1/2 cup warm water

Mix and take a piece as for pie dough and roll out as thin as possible, keeping board well floured. Place on baking sheet and cut in size squares desired. Prick with fork to avoid bubbles. Bake about 13 minutes at 375°F. Before baking, sprinkle with salt, garlic or onion or celery or seasoned salt.

Cheese Crackers

2/3 grated cheddar cheese

2 tbs butter

3 tbs milk

2/3 cup whole wheat flour

Grate the cheese and measure. Cheese that has dried somewhat is best for grating. Sift flour and measure the required amount. Put butter in medium size mixing bowl and cream thoroughly. Add the cheese and blend until well mixed. Add milk, mixing it in a tablespoon at a time. Pour in flour and work the mixture with spoon or hands until it forms a fairly smooth ball. Press the dough on a lightly floured surface and with a rolling pin, roll slightly thinner than for pie crust. Cut into small rounds or sticks. Prick with fork. Place pieces on ungreased cookie sheet and bake at 400^{0} F for 5-8 minutes. They should be slightly puffed and fairly brown. Makes about 2 dozen small ones.

Nutty Whole-Grain Crackers

1-1/2 cup quick oats

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup wheat flour

1/4 cup wheat germ

1/4 cup ground nuts

1 tbsp sugar

2/3 cup water

1/4 cup oil

2 tsp water, divided

1/4 tsp salt, divided

Mix the first 6 ingredients together. Add the 2/3 cup water and the oil, mixing just until dry ingredients are moistened. Divide the dough in half. Roll each to a 12x12" square on ungreased cookie sheets. Cut into 2" squares. Brush each with 1 tsp water and sprinkle with 1/8 tsp salt. Bake 25 minutes or till crisp and lightly browned at 350°F.

Sesame-Oat Crackers

3 cups quick oats

1 cup flour

1 cup wheat germ

3/4 cup honey

1 tsp salt

1 cup wheat flour

3/4 cup oil

1 cup water

1 egg white

Sesame seeds

Combine the first 6 ingredients. Pour oil and water into center and stir till a ball forms. Divide in 4 pieces. Roll each peace on floured surface to 1/8" thick. Place on lightly greased pan. Cut into squares. Brush with egg white and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake 15-20 minutes at 350°F.

Corn Wafers

3/4 cup white cornmeal

1/2 tsp salt

1 cup boiling water

1 tbsp oleo, melted

Unsalted butter

Mix the dry ingredients, pour in the water and mix. Add oleo. Drop 1 thsp at a time on greased cookie sheet. Should spread to about a 3" circle. Bake 20 minutes at 425°F. Serve with butter.

Cheddar Crackers

1/2 tsp salt

3/4 cup flour

1/4 cup wheat germ

Dash cayenne pepper

1/3 cup butter, softened

1-1/2 cups sharp cheddar, shredded

1/2 cup finely chopped nuts

1/4 cup finely minced onions

Combine salt, flour, wheat germ and cayenne. Blend in butter, add remaining ingredients. Halve dough. Shape each piece into a roll 7x1-1/2". Wrap in wax paper and chill several hours. Slice into 1/3" wafers, place on slightly greased pan, and bake at 350°F for 12-14 minutes.

Parmesan Rounds

3/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1/2 cup flour

1/8 tsp cayenne pepper

1/4 cup butter, softened

2 tbsp cold water

2 tbsp finely chopped nuts

1 tbsp parsley flakes

Mix grated cheese, flour and pepper. Cut in butter, sprinkle on water 1 tablespoon at a time, stirring after each with a fork till all is moist. Form into a 1-1'2" roll. Combine nuts and parsley and coat the roll. Cut into 1/4" slices. Place on ungreased pan. Bake 12 minutes at 375°F. Cool. These freeze well.

MAIN DISHES

Rice Dressing Supreme

1 1/2 qts, clear chicken stock

2 cups long grain rice

3/4 cup diced onion

1 cup diced celery

1/2 stick margarine

1 tsp sage

1/2 tsp pepper

1 tsp accent

1 cup mushroom pieces and juice

1 tsp thyme

Heat broth to boiling point. Season with 1 tsp salt if not already seasoned. Add rice and stir till it boils up once. Lower heat, cover and steam 15 minutes. Sauté the onion and celery in margarine till clear. Add remaining ingredients and combine. Turn into a casserole to be served hot. This can be chilled or frozen and reheated when needed.

King Ranch Chicken

4 lb chicken, cooked, deboned and diced

12 corn tortillas (be sure to check ingredients on pkg first)

4 tsp chicken stock

1 can cream mushroom soup

1 can cream chicken soup

1 cup chopped green pepper

1 cup chopped onion

15 oz. can whole tomatoes

3/4 lb grated cheese

Line bottom and sides of greased 3-quart long casserole pan with layer of tortillas. Sprinkle 2 tsp chicken stock over tortillas. Make a layer with cream of mushroom soup, half the chicken, onions and peppers. Cover with another layer of tortillas, sprinkle remaining stock on top, and make a layer of cream of chicken soup and rest of chicken, onions and peppers. Top with tomatoes, then cover with grated cheese. Bake 45 minutes at 350°F.

Tijuana Torte

1 lb ground beef

1 med onion, chopped

1 lb can stewed tomatoes

1-8 oz. can tomato sauce

1 pkg taco seasoning mix

4 oz. can chile salsa

12 corn tortillas

1 lb cheddar cheese, grated

Brown ground beef and onion in skillet. Add stewed tomatoes, sauce, chile salsa and taco seasoning mix. Combine and simmer 10-15 minutes. Place about 1/4 cup meat mixture in the bottom of a 9x13" baking dish. Place 2 tortillas side by side on the meat mixture. Top each tortilla with some meat mixture and grated cheese. Repeat till all ingredients are used. Bake 350°F for 25-minutes, till cheese is bubbly. Cut each stack into quarters with a sharp knife before serving.

Any Meal Cheese Pie

1 thinly sliced onion

2 Tbs butter

1/2 lb ground beef

1/2 tsp thyme

1/4 tsp oregano

1/4 tsp sage

1/8 tsp cayenne pepper

1 tsp salt

1 cup grated cheese

3 eggs

1 cup rich milk

1/2 tsp Worcestershire sauce

Saute onion in butter. Add meat and brown. Add all the rest and pour into 2 unbaked pie shells. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake 375°F 40 minutes. With a salad, makes a nice but simple meal.

Pizza Turnovers

1 lb ground beef

1/3 cup green pepper, chopped

1/3 cup mushrooms, chopped

1/4 cup onion, chopped

2 tbs butter

6 oz tomato paste

1/4 cup water

1 tsp oregano leaves

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp garlic powder

1 cup shredded cheese

pastry for 2 double crusts pies

Brown meat, remove from pan and drain.. Saute pepper, mushrooms and onion in butter. Add tomato paste, meat, water and seasonings; simmer 15 minutes. Add cheese. Roll dough to 1/8" thickness and cut in 3 1/2" circles. Spoon small amount of mixture in center, fold and press edges. Bake at 450°F about 10-12 minutes.

Sausalito Grilled Chicken

2-3 lb fryer chicken cut up

2/3 cup oil

1/2 cup lemon juice or dry white wine

3 large cloves of garlic minced

3 tbs fresh or 1 tbs dried sweet basil or oregano

1 tsp salt

Fresh ground pepper to taste

Place chicken skin side up on an oiled rimmed baking sheet. Mix rest and brush over chicken. Heat broiler to 425°F. Place chicken 5 to 7 inches below heat. Brush well every 5 minutes with the sauce. After 20 minutes turn chicken over and continue. When using margarine, serve hot; if oil, serve at room temperature.

Savory Pot Roast

3 lb boneless chuck roast, cut into bite-sized pieces salt

hot cooking oil

1/4 cup catsup

1/4/ cup vinegar

2 tbs Worcestershire sauce

1/2 tsp garlic powder

1/4 cup red wine

2 tbs soy sauce

1 tsp dried rosemary

1/2 tsp dry mustard

hot cooked rice

Season roast with salt to taste. brown in hot oil in a skillet. Place meat in electric slow cooker. Combine rest of ingredients except rice; pour over meat. Cook, covered, on low for 8-10 hours. (or maybe less time in a casserole dish in a 250°F oven). Serve over hot cooked rice.

CAKES

Unleavened Chocolate Cake

1 1/2 cup flour

2 cup sugar

1 cup vegetable shortening

8 tbs cocoa

2 tbs corn syrup

4 eggs

2 tsps vanilla

Cream shortening, sugar and eggs. Combine all other ingredients until thoroughly mixed. Pour into 2 greased 8" pans. Bake 350°F for about 30 minutes. Cool. Frost

Applesauce Loaf Cake

1/4 honey or pure maple syrup

1/3 cup corn oil

1 3/4 cup whole wheat flour

1/2 tsp salt

1 egg

1 tsp cinnamon

1/2 tsp ground cloves

1 cup raisins

1 cup thick applesauce

1 cup nuts (optional)

Mix honey, oil and egg together. Sift dry ingredients together and add spices. Lightly stir in raisins, nuts and applesauce. Spoon batter into oiled 9x5 loaf pan. Bake 40 minutes at 350°F.

Surprise Cup Cakes

4 squares semi-sweet chocolate

2 sticks margarine

1/2 tsp burnt sugar flavoring (optional)

3/4 cup pecans, chopped

4 eggs

1 cup flour

1 3/4 cup sugar

1 tsp vanilla

Melt chocolate and margarine and flavoring. Add pecans; set aside. Mix, but do not beat eggs. Add flour and sugar. Fold into the chocolate mixture. Spoon into muffin tins lined with cup liners. Fill about 2/3 full. Bake 325°F for 35 minutes. Makes 1 1/2 doz. Frosting is optional.

Pound Cake

1 lb butter

2 cup raw sugar

6 eggs (add 2 eggs with each cup flour)

2 1/2 cup whole wheat flour

1 tsp vanilla

1/3 cup sweet cream

Cream butter and gradually add sugar. until thoroughly mixed. Add eggs and flour alternating amounts of flour with eggs. Mix well. Add cream and vanilla. Bake at 250°F until golden brown, using a bundt pan.

Cream Cheese Pound Cake

1 1/2 cup butter

8 oz cream cheese

3 cup sugar

6 eggs

1 1/2 tsp. vanilla

1 tsp salt

3 cups flour

Cream butter, cheese, sugar and salt and vanilla until thoroughly mixed. Add eggs one at a time, mixing well after each. Gently fold in flour. Bake in large greased and floured bundt pan, for 1 1/2 hours at 300°F.

Coconut Cake

1 cup oil

2 cups sugar

1 tsp coconut flavoring

6 whole eggs

2 cups flour

1 tsp salt

1 can (3 1/2 oz.) coconut

Cream oil and sugar. Add coconut flavoring and mix. Add eggs. Sift flour and salt together and fold into coconut. Bake in well greased tube pan at 325°F for 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Icing: Mix 1 1/12 cups powdered sugar, 3/4 cups boiling water and 3 scant tsp coconut flavoring in a saucepan. Bring to boil and boil one minute. Pour over cake and return to the oven for 3 minutes.

Pound Cake

1 cup butter or margarine

4 eggs

1 cup sugar

2 cups flour

1 1/2 tsp vanilla

1/4 tsp salt

1/4 tsp ground nutmeg

Cream butter, gradually adding sugar until thoroughly mixed. Add vanilla. Add eggs one at a time. Sift together flour, salt & nutmeg. Gradually add dry ingredients to egg mixture and mix until thoroughly blended. Turn batter into greased 9x5x3 loaf pans. Bake in a 325°F oven for 60-65 minutes. Cool cake in pan. Make 1 loaf.

Mississippi Mud Cake

1/2 cup butter

1/3 cup cocoa

2 cups sugar

4 eggs

1-1/2 cups flour

1 cup coconut

1 cup nuts

1/3 cup butter, melted

1/4 cup cocoa

1/4 cup milk

1/2 box powdered sugar

Melt butter and cocoa; cool slightly. Mix eggs and sugar and add. Add flour. Add coconut and nuts. Pour into greased and floured 13x9" pan. Bake 25 minutes at 350°F. Cool. Mix remaining ingredients and frost cake.

Pies

Fruit Tart

9 " pie shell, baked and cooled 15 1/2 oz can pineapple tidbits 8 oz. cream cheese, soft 1/2 cup apricot preserves 1 cup strawberries, halved

Drain pineapple, keeping juice. Mix 3 Tbs pineapple juice, cheese and 1/4 cup preserves until smooth. Pour into shell. Arrange fruits on top. In a sauce pan, mix remaining preserves and 1 tsp pineapple juice. Heat on low till it starts to boil. Pour over the fruit. Chill. 8 servings.

Fudge Pecan Pie

3 eggs 1 cup light karo syrup Pecans 2 tbs butter, melted 1/4 cup sugar 1 tsp vanilla

chocolate chips

Fold prepared pie crust into 9" pie pan. Sprinkle milk chocolate chips over bottom of pan crust until completely covered. Pour liquid mixture over chocolate chips. Lay pecan halves and big chips over top of pie. Bake at 350°F for 50-60 minutes. Let cool for 1 hour.

Tin Roof Pie

1/3 cup creamy peanut butter 1 tbs light corn syrup 2 cups corn flakes 1 qt. vanilla ice cream, softened chocolate syrup chopped, salted peanuts

Mix peanut butter, syrup and flakes. Press on bottom and sides of buttered 9" pie plate. Spread on ice cream, cover and freeze firm. To serve, drizzle with syrup and sprinkle with nuts.

Cheesecake Crust

1 cup flour 1/4 cup sugar 1 tsp lemon peel 1/2 cup butter, cut in 1 egg yolk 1/4 tsp yanilla.

Blend dry ingredients thoroughly. Cream butter, lemon peel, egg, and vanilla. Mix dry and creamed mix into a dough. Pat dough on bottom of 9" pan. Bake 400^{0} F about 6 minutes. Cool.

Flaky Pie Crust

(2 - 9" crusts) 3/4 cup shortening 2 cups sifted flour 1/2 tsp salt

1/4 to 1/2 cup ice water

Combine flour, salt and shortening. Mix with pastry cutter (or two knives) until flour and shortening are crumbly, about the size of small peas. Pour enough ice water into flour mixture to make a stiff dough. Divide in half and turn each portion onto a well-floured board. Sprinkle dough liberally with flour and make into a ball. Surface of dough should not be sticky. Using rolling pin, roll out into desired shape. For filling the crust, follow directions for pie, pot pies, turnovers, etc for cooking. To bake the crust to fill later, bake in a preheated oven at 425°F for 10-15 minutes. Leftovers can be enjoyed by rolling thin, sprinkling with sugar and cinnamon and baking at 425°F till lightly browned.

No Crust Fudge Pie

1 square unsweetened chocolate (OR 3 tbsp cocoa and 1 tbsp oil) 1/2 cup butter 1 cup sugar 2 eggs
Dash salt

1 cup flour 1 tsp vanilla

Melt chocolate and butter. Cool. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into greased 8" square pan. Bake 20-25 minutes at 350°F. Don't over bake. Outside should be firm, inside soft and moist. Good served with a scoop of ice cream.

Cookies

Oatmeal & Apple-Butter Cookies

1 1/4 cup flour
1 cup packed brown sugar
3/4 cup butter or margarine-cut in pieces
1 1/4 cup quick oats
3/4 cup apple butter

In a large bowl mix flour and sugar. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in oats until well blended. Press half the mixture (about 2 1/2 cups) firmly in greased 8" square pan to form compact layer. Spread apple butter to within 1/2 inch of edges. Sprinkle remaining oats mixture over apple butter; press carefully but firmly. Bake in preheated oven 350°F about 40 minutes or until lightly brown. Cool in pan on rack. Cut in 1x4 inch bars or 2 inch squares. Makes 16

Unleavened Pecan Candies

1 cup butter
3/4 cup sugar
1 1/2 tsp vanilla
2 1/3 cups flour
1 cup ground pecans
Cream butter till liak

Cream butter till light and fluffy. Add sugar gradually. Cream well. Blend in vanilla. Slowly add flour. Add nuts. Roll small balls into dough in palm of hands. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and flatten. Top with pecan half if desired. Bake at 350°F for 10-12 minutes until slightly browned. Do not over bake! Remove from sheets immediately and cool on wire racks.

Butterscotch Pecan Cookies

1/2 cup butter

1 1/2 cup brown sugar

1 tsp vanilla

1 egg

1 1/2 cup flour

1 cup pecans

Mix all until flour is moistened. Drop by spoon. Bake at 375 for 12 minutes.

Shrewsberry Tea Biscuits

2 cup flour

1/2 cup butter

1/2 cup sugar

1 small egg

7-8 tsp cold milk

extra sugar

Grated peel of 1 lemon

Using fork. mix sugar and peel with flour, which has been combined with butter to resemble coarse meal. Add egg and milk to form a fairly stiff dough. Turn onto a floured surface and knead lightly till smooth. Roll thin and cut into 5" rounds. Transfer to greased cookie sheets. Bake for 15-20 minutes at 350°F, till light gold in color. Dredge with sugar. Cool on wire rack. Store in airtight container.

Almond Macaroon Cookies Kisses

3 eggs

3 oz. cream cheese

1/2 cup flour

1/4 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup powdered sugar

1 tsp almond flavoring

14.oz coconut

candy kisses

Mix cream cheese, flour, granulated sugar, powdered sugar, almond flavoring together, then add eggs, then coconut. Cover cookie sheets with heavy paper (such as grocery sacks) cut to fit. Don't grease. Bake at 300^{0} F degrees about 30 minutes. Remove from paper with spatula while warm. Top with candy kiss while warm. Makes about 3 dozen.

Carrot Cookies

1 cup butter or shortening

2 cup flour sifted

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 tsp salt

1/2 tsp cinnamon

1/4 tsp nutmeg

1 tsp vanilla

1 egg

1 cup finely grated carrots

1/2 cup chopped nuts

powdered sugar

Cream shortening, sift flour, sugar and salt and spices together. Add to shortening and mix well. Add vanilla, egg, carrots and nuts. Form into 2 rolls 1 inch thick. Wrap in wax paper and chill at least 2 hours. Slice l/2" think and place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in preheated oven 375°F 10-12 minutes. Roll in powdered sugar while still warm.

Short Bread Cookies

1/12 cup butter or margarine

3/4 cup sugar

1 egg

1 tsp vanilla or lemon flavoring

3 1/2 cups flour

Mix. Roll thin and cut with cookie cutter. Bake 10-12 minutes at 350°F or until light brown on bottom. Sprinkle sugar or frost.

Butter Pecan Cookies

1 cup butter or margarine, softened

2/3 cup packed brown sugar

1 egg

2 cups flour

pecan halves

Cream butter and sugar, blend in egg. Stir together flour and 1/2 tsp salt; stir into creamed mixture. Chill 1 hour. Form into 1 inch balls; place two inches apart on greased cookie sheet. Flatten in one direction with fork tines; top each with pecan half. Bake at 375°F for 10-12 minutes.

Peanut Butter Cookies

1/2 cup margarine

1/2 cup peanut butter

1 cup brown sugar

2 eggs

 $1\ 1/12\ cup\ flour$

pinch of salt

Mix all together. Make 1 inch balls and flatten out. Put on greased cookie sheet and criss-cross with a fork and bake at 375°F for 10-12 minutes.

Peanut Butter Treats

1/2 cup honey

1/2 cup peanut butter

1/2 cup confectioners sugar

dash salt

1/2 cup non-fat dry milk

1 cup of cornflakes

Mix all but cornflakes. Knead till smooth. Shape in 1" balls. Roll in cornflakes that have been crushed.

Peanut Butter Quickies

2 cups crunchy peanut butter

2 eggs

2 cups sugar

1 tsp vanilla

Combine peanut butter and sugar till creamy. Mix in eggs and vanilla. Shape into 1" balls. Place 2" apart on greased cookie sheets. Flatten by criss-crossing with fork. Bake at 375°F for 10-12 minutes till browned. Makes about 6 doz.

Caramel Cream Sandwich Cookies

1 cup butter

3/4 cup brown sugar

1 egg yolk

2 1/4 cup flour

Cream butter. Add sugar gradually, creaming well. Add egg yolk. Blend in flour, stirring till mixture forms a dough. Shape into balls the size of marbles. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and flatten to 1/8 " thickness with criss-crossed tines of a fork. Bake 9-12 minutes at 350°F Remove from pan and cool. Put together with frosting.

FROSTING: Brown 2 the butter slightly. Remove from heat and blend in 1 1/4 cup powdered sugar. Add 1/2 tsp vanilla and 4-5 tsp cream until of spreading consistency.

No Bake Fudge Cookies

2 Cups quick oats uncooked

1 cup chocolate chips

1 cup raisins

1/2 cup coconut

1/2 cup chopped nuts

2 cups sugar

1/4 tsp salt

1/2 cup milk

1 tsp vanilla

1/4 lb butter or margarine

Mix first five in a large bowl. Bring the next five ingredients to a boil. Pour the cooked mixture over that in the bowl and stir well until chocolate chips melt. Cool slightly and drop by spoon on wax paper lined cookie sheet. Let stand till firm. For variation, use 3/4 cup chocolate chips and 1/4 cup butterscotch chips. Add several tablespoons peanut butter to boiled mixture. Add 1/4 to 1/2 cup wheat germ to oat mixture.

Applesauce Cookies

1 cup brown sugar

3/4 cup oil

1 cup thick applesauce

1/2 cup nuts

1 egg

1/2 tsp salt

1 tsp vanilla

4 cups rolled oats

1/2 cup flour

Mix brown sugar and oil together. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Drop from spoon onto greased baking sheet. Bake at 375°F for 20 to 25 minutes until well browned.

Wheat Germ And Oatmeal Cookies

3/4 cup oil

1 cup honey

2 tbs molasses

2 eggs

2 tsp vanilla

2 cup milk powder sifted

3/4 cup sifted soy flour

1/2 cup raisins or dates

1/2 cup chopped walnuts

1 tsp salt

1 1/2 cup wheat germ

2 cups oatmeal

Combine oil, honey, molasses. Add eggs, one at a time. Combine dry ingredients and add to liquids, mixing well. Drop by teaspoonful onto lightly oiled cookie sheet. Bake 10-12 minutes at 350°F.

Sugar Cookies

1 cup shortening

1-1/2 cups sugar

2 tsp orange rind

6 tbsp orange juice

2 eggs

3 cups flour

1 tsp salt

1 tsp vanilla

1/2 cup sugar

2 tsp cinnamon

Mix all but the last 2 ingredients. Chill. Form into 1" balls. Roll in a mixture of the sugar and cinnamon. Press flat. Bake 8 minutes at 375°F.

Mexican Wedding Cakes

1 cup butter

1/2 cup powdered sugar

1 tsp vanilla

2 cups flour

1/8 tsp salt

1/2 cup chopped pecans

Cream butter, sugar and vanilla. Mix the last 3 and add to butter mixture. Shape into 1" balls. Bake on ungreased baking sheet at 325°F for 20-25 minutes until lightly browned. Roll warm cookies in powdered sugar. Cool on racks and roll in sugar again.

Tea Wafers

1/2 c. margarine

1 3/4 c. sifted flour

1 c. powdered sugar

1/4 t. salt

1 t. vanilla

1/2 c. milk

Topping:

1/4 c. fine chopped pecans

1 T. sugar

1/4 t. cinnamon

Lightly butter 2 cookie sheets and chill. Heat oven to 325°F. Cream margarine, mix in sugar and vanilla. Sift dry ingredients. Add alternately with milk. Mix

after each addition. Place 1/2 mixture on each cookie sheet. Spread with spatula almost to edge of sheet. With knife, mark batter into 2" diamond shapes. Sprinkle with topping. Bake about 25-30 minutes or until lightly browned. Makes 5 dozen.

Microwave Pecan & Almond Pralines

1/4 c. water

1/4 c. white Karo

1 c. white sugar

1 c. light brown sugar

dash salt

1 T. Oleo

1 t. vanilla

1 1/2-2 c. pecans

1/4 c. powdered sugar

Put first six ingredients in glass bowl. Cover and cook on High for 4 minutes. Stir and cover. Cook on High for 4 minutes longer. Add vanilla and pecans. Stir and cover. Cook on High for 90 seconds. Add powdered sugar. Stir until well mixed. Drop on cooling pad. A cooling pad consists of sheets of newspaper with wax paper over it.

Kool Cookies

2 c. sugar

1/4 c. cocoa

1/2 c. milk

1 stick butter

1/2 c. peanut butter

3 c. oatmeal

1 t. vanilla

Bring sugar, cocoa, milk and butter to a boil. Boil 2 minutes. Remove from fire and add peanut butter, oatmeal and vanilla. Mix and drop.

Honey Cookies

1 c. butter or margarine

1/2 c. sugar

4 T. honey

2 1/2 c. sifted flour

Cream butter, sugar and honey. Add flour slowly. Chill in refrigerator at least 2 hours. Put on cookie sheet and bake at 300°F for 20-25 minutes.

BAR COOKIES

Spicy Nut Bars

1/2 cup butter

1/2 cup shortening

1 cup sugar

1/2 tsp cinnamon

1 tsp vanilla

1/4 tsp nutmeg

1 egg

2 cups flour

1/2 tsp salt

2/3 cup chopped nut

Cream butter, shortening, sugar, vanilla and egg until mixed. Stir in sifted dry ingredients, then nuts. Dough will be stiff. Press evenly into 15x10 inch shallow pan. Bake 350°F 25-30 minutes. Cut into bars.

Unleavened Brownies

2/3 stick butter

2 squares unsweetened chocolate

1 cup sugar

2 eggs

1/2 cup flour

1 tsp vanilla

pinch salt

1/2 cup nut (optional)

Melt butter & chocolate. Cool slightly. Sift flour, sugar and salt together. Add eggs, vanilla and mix with chocolate mixture. Pour into greased pan. Cook 375°F for 30-35 minutes.

Old World Raspberry Bars

2 1/2 cups flour

1 cup sugar

1 cup chopped pecans

1 cup soft butter

1 egg

10oz raspberry preserves

Combine all ingredients except preserves. Mix at low speed, scraping sides of bowl often until mixture is crumbly, 2-3- minutes. Reserve 1 1/2 cup crumb mixture and set aside. Press remaining mixture into a greased 8" pan. Spread preserves to within 1/2 inch from edge of crumb mixture. Crumble remaining crumb mixture over preserves. Bake near center of oven for 40-50 minutes at 350°F. Cool. Cut into bars.

Pineapple Cheesecake Bars

1/2 cup sweet cream butter

1 1/4 cup flour

1/3 cup sugar

1 tbs grated orange peel

8oz. cream cheese, soft

1/4 cup sugar

1 egg

1 tbs lemon juice

1/2 cup chopped candied pineapple

In bowl, cut butter into chunks. Add flour, 1/3 cup sugar and orange peel and mix on low speed scraping side often till well mixed. Reserve 1/2 cup crumb mixture and set aside. Press the rest into ungreased 8" square baking dish. Bake near center of 350°F oven for 12-17 minutes. In same bowl, mix all the rest except pineapple. Mix on medium speed until thoroughly mixed. Add pineapple. Spread over baked crust (hot). Sprinkle with remaining crumb mixture. Return to oven. Bake 15-20 minutes. Cool completely. Cut. Cover. Store in refrigerator.

O'henry Bars

4 cups oatmeal

1 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup shortening

1/2 cup butter

1/3 cup sugar

1/2 tsp salt

1/2 tsp vanilla

6oz. chocolate chips

2 tsp peanut butter

Mix oatmeal, sugars. shortening, butter, salt and vanilla. Press into 10x15" pan. Bake at 325°F for 20-minutes. Frost with chips, melted with peanut butter.

Butterscotch Brownies

1/2 cup butter

1 cup brown sugar

2 eggs

1 tsp vanilla

1/4 tsp salt

1 cup flour

Mix all ingredients together and pour into greased 8" pan. Bake 30-minute 350°F

Hi-Energy Snack Bar

3/4 cup flour

1/4 tsp salt

1/4 cup toasted wheat germ

1/2 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup butter or margarine

1/2 cup old-fashioned oats

1 tsp grated orange rind

2 eggs

1/4 cup brown sugar

1/4 dash salt

1/2 Tsp vanilla

6 oz. bag whole unblanched almonds (1 1/3 cups)

1/2 cup coconut

Mix flour, salt, wheat germ and brown sugar in medium bowl. Cut in butter. Add oats and orange rind. Press in bottom of 8" square pan. Mix eggs with 1/4 cup brown sugar, dash of salt and vanilla. Add almonds and coconut. Pour over and spread evenly over layer in pan. Bake at 350°F 35-minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool completely in pan before cutting.

Sauce-Pan Brownies

1/2 cup butter or margarine

1 oz unsweetened chocolate

1 cup sugar

2 eggs

3/4 cup flour (lightly spooned into cup)

1 tsp vanilla

1/2 cup chopped pecans

Preheat oven to 350°F. Melt butter in heavy sauce pan with chocolate, over low heat. Remove from heat and cool slightly. Add sugar then mix in eggs. Stir in flour, vanilla and pecans. Spread into well greased 8x8x2" pan. Bake 30-35 minutes. Cool in pan and cut.

Delicious Brownies

1/2 cup butter or margarine

1 cup sugar

1 tsp vanilla

2 eggs

2 oz. square chocolate

(or 6 tbs cocoa and 3 tbs margarine)

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup chopped nuts

Cream butter, sugar and vanilla. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Spread in 8x8x2" pan. Bake at 325°F for 30-35 minutes.

Dream Bars

1/2 cup soft butter or margarine

1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed

1 cup sifted flour

2 eggs

1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed

1 tsp. vanilla

1/4 tsp salt

1 cup cornflakes

1 cup shredded coconut

1 cup walnuts

Mix 1/2 cup brown sugar and flour and butter. Press into greased 12x8x1" pan. Bake 15 minutes at 350°F. Mix eggs with 1 cup brown sugar till light and fluffy. On low speed, add rest just till mixed. Spread on other layer. Bake 20 minutes. Cut while warm.

Quick Oatmeal Bars

1/2 cup margarine, melted

1/12 cup quick rolled oats

3/4 cup chopped nuts

1/2 cup sugar

Mix well all ingredients (mixture will look dry). Press into 9" square baking pan. Bake in preheated oven 375°F for 15 minutes. Cool 2 minutes. Cut into bars. Remove to rack to cool.

Strawberry Brownie Pizza

1/2 cup melted butter

2 eggs

1/2 cup brown sugar

1/4 cup sugar

2 tsp vanilla

3/4 cup sweet ground chocolate

(or $1/2 \cos a + 1/4 \cos powdered sugar$)

1/4 tsp salt

2/3 cup flour

8 oz cream cheese

1/4 cup powdered sugar

1 tsp vanilla

10 strawberries

1/4 cup semi-sweet chips, melted

Cut parchment paper to fit 12" pizza pan. Add eggs one at a time into butter. Add the sugars, then the next 4 ingredients. Pour onto pizza pan. Bake 14 minutes at 350°F. Remove. Cool. Mix Cream cheese, powdered sugar and vanilla. Spread on the brownie. Slice the berries and arrange on top. Drizzle on the melted chocolate.

Speedy Brownies

2 cups sugar

1-3/4 cups flour

1/2 cup cocoa

1 tsp salt

5 eggs

1 cup oil

1 tsp vanilla

1 cup chocolate chips.

Mix all ingredients except chocolate chips together till smooth. Pour into greased 13x9x2" pan. Sprinkle on chips. Bake 30 minutes at 350°F or till toothpick stuck into middle comes out clean. Cool. Cut.

Cheesecake Bars

1/3 cup butter

1/3 cup brown sugar

1 cup flour

1/2 cup nuts, chopped

1 tbsp lemon juice

1/4 cup sugar

8 oz cream cheese

1 egg

1 tbsp milk

1/2 tsp vanilla

Cream butter and brown sugar. Add the flour and nuts. Mix until crumbly. Set aside one cup. Press remainder into 8" square pan. Bake 12-15 minutes at 350. Combine lemon juice, egg, 1/4 cup sugar and cheese. Add milk and vanilla. Spread on the crust. Sprinkle on the one cup reserved crumbs. Bake 25-30 minutes at 350°F. Chill.

Toffee Bars

1 cup butter

1 cup brown sugar

1 egg yolk

1 tsp vanilla

2 cups flour

1 cup chocolate chips

1 cup nuts

Cream the butter and add the sugar. Add the egg and vanilla. Slowly add the flour. Mix in chocolate and

nuts. Place in ungreased 15x10x1" pan. Bake 15-18 minutes at 350°F. Cut while warm.

Almond Bars

1-1/4 cup butter

2 cups flour

2 cups powdered sugar

8 oz cream cheese, soft

2 eggs

1/2 cup sugar

2 tsp almond extract

1/4 cup butter

1-1/2 tbsp milk

Mix 1 cup butter, flour and 1/2 cup powdered sugar. Pat into 13x9" pan. Bake 20-25 minutes at 350°F. Mix together next 3 ingredients with 1 tsp extract. Pour on crust. Bake 15-20 minutes. Cool.

Frosting: Mix 1-1/2 cups powdered sugar, 1/4 cup butter, the 1-1/2 tbsp milk and the remaining teaspoon almond extract. Spread on bars.

Bar Cookies

1-1/3 cup butter

2 cups brown sugar

3 eggs

2 cups oatmeal

2 cups flour

1 cup nuts

1 cup powdered sugar

1 tbsp butter

1 tsp vanilla

1 tbsp milk

Mix the first 6 ingredients. Spread in 12x24'' pan. Bake 20-25 minutes at 350^{0} F. While warm, mix the remaining ingredients and spread on.

OTHER DESSERTS

Cherry Cheese Cake

1/4 cup butter

2/3 cup whole wheat flour AND Millers bran, mixed together

2 tbs raw sugar

1/4 cinnamon

8oz. pkg cream cheese (soft)

1/3 cup raw sugar

1 egg

1 tsp lemon

1 cup sour cream

3 tbs raw sugar

1/2 tsp almond extract or vanilla

2 10z. can cherry pie filling

For crust, melt butter in 8" baking dish. Stir in flourbran mixture, 2 ths sugar and cinnamon. Press evenly over bottom and up sides of dish. Mix next 4 ingredients and pour over crust. Bake uncovered, 5 minutes at 350°F. Combine sour cream, sugar and almond extract and spread over cheese mixture. Bake uncovered 2 minutes. Cool slightly. Spoon on pie filling. Chill several hours.

Whole Wheat Turnovers

1/4 tsp salt

1 1/2 cup whole-wheat flour

1 tbs brown sugar

1/2 cup butter, softened

1/2 cup sour cream

1/2 cup apricot preserves

1/2 cup coconut

1/4 cup chopped pecans

1/2 cup raisins

1/2 cup powdered sugar

1/2 tsp vanilla

milk

Stir together flour, brown sugar and salt. Cut in butter to coarse crumbs. Add sour cream, mixing till ball forms. Divide in 10 portions. On lightly floured surface, roll each portion into a 4 1/2 inch circle. Combine preserves, coconut, raisins and nuts. Place 2 tbs filling on each circle. Fold one side of dough over filling. Seal edges by pressing with tines of fork. Bake on ungreased baking sheet 375°F for 25 minutes. Cool slightly on rack. If desired. drizzle with powdered sugar, vanilla and milk.

Raisin Squares

1 cup raisins (or dates)

2 tbs lemon juice

grated rind of 1 lemon

1 cup water

6 tbs butter

1 tsp oil

1/2 cup brown sugar

3 tbs honey or molasses

1 1/3 cup crushed oatmeal

1 1/4 cup wheat flour

1/2 tsp salt

Cook raisins, lemon juice, rind and water till raisins are tender. Thicken with corn starch, if necessary. Set aside. Cream butter and add oil. Blend in sugar. Mix in honey. Add all remaining ingredients and press half of the mixture in a 9" pan. Spread on the raisin mixture. Sprinkle reserved crumb mixture on top, smooth and press down. Bake at 375°F for 25 minutes.

Apple Crisp

3 pared, sliced apples

1/2 tsp cinnamon

1/4 tsp salt

1/4 cup water

1/3 cup butter

1 1/2 tsp lemon juice

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup rolled oats

3/4 cup brown sugar

Put apples in 9" pan. Sprinkle with salt and cinnamon. Pour in water. Drizzle with lemon juice. In bowl, mix flour, sugar, and oatmeal. Cut in butter till pea-sized. Turn over onto apples and pat firmly. Bake at 350°F for 1 hour.

Pecan Muffins

1 cup brown sugar, packed tightly.

1/2 cup flour

1 cup pecans, chopped

2/3 cup butter

2 eggs

Blend and bake in muffin pan for 350°F for 15-20 minutes. Makes approx. 12 muffins.

Fruit Pizza

Crust:

3/4 c. butter

1 1/2 c. flour

1/2 c. powdered sugar

Filling:

8 oz. cream cheese

1 t. vanilla

1/2 c. sugar

Fresh fruit Topping:

1 c. fruit juice

1 T. lemon juice

2 T. cornstarch

1/2 c. sugar

Crust: Mix crust ingredients. Pat in 12-inch pizza pan. Bake at $350^{\circ}F$ for 10 - 15 minutes. Let cool.

Filling: Mix first 3 ingredients; spread on cooled crust. Arrange fruit in circles (strawberries, pineapple chunks, grapes, bananas, etc.)

Topping: Cook until clear. Cool and pour over fruit. **Tasty variation:** Use fruit packed in water or it's own juice. Drain liquid from fruit and thicken liquid with flour and/or cornstarch. Heat until desired consistency. Put this fruit and liquid mixture on top of

cream cheese filling.