

## Byrd's Kitchen

by Vivian Byrd

# Creative cooks share zucchini cookie recipes pastime is cooking and drop cookie that is fragrant with cinipes. drop cookie that is fragrant with cinipes. Drop by teaspoons onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 325 degrees for

Some helpful and creative cooks re-sponded to my recent request for zuc-chini cookie recipes.

Ann Rulapaugh of Birmingham says her recipe results in a moist cookie that she refrigerates in summer. She has tried freezing one-cup batches of grated zucchini with poor results.

"I find it loses too much moisture," she said. "What started out as one cup ends up to be a soggy one-half cup."

She added, "Don't tell my children that's zucchini in their cookies." Sorry, Ann, the recipe is too good to keep secret. Maybe the kids won't read the food section.

ZUCCHINI COOKIES RULAPAUGH

ZUCCHINI COOKIE

1 cup grate guechini
1 cup sugar
24 cup butter
1 egg
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup raisins
2 cups floor
1 tsp. baking soda
34 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
35 tsp. cloves

Cream sugar, butter and egg. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with the zucchini. Add nuts and raisins. Drop by teaspoons onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes.

A VOLUNTEER naturalist for a Ro-chester school system, and an active committee woman, Sharon M. Putz is also a full-time homemaker and mother of teenage and pre-teen kids.

Her favorite pastime is cooking and collecting recipies.

"Twe collected zucchini recipes so wide in diversity," she says, "that I now make all my pickle relish from the eversized ones (like ball bats occasionally), and a type of marmalade that makes great sweet-sour sauce for egg rolls as well as a chocolute zucchini cake that is moist and territic." as used. Her lemon zucchini cookies are iced

with tangy lemon frosting. LEMON ZUCCHINI COOKIES
2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
¾ cup butter or margarine
¾ cup sugar

4 cup sugu.
1 egg.
1 tsp. grated lemon peel
1 cup shredded zucchini
1 cup chopped walnuts
Lemon Frost, optional

Stir together' flour, baking powder and salt and set aside. In a large bowl cream sugar and butter until light Beat in lemon peel and egg until flufty. At low speed or with a scraper, stir in flour mixture until dough is smooth. Stir in zucchini and walnuts. Drop by rounded teaspons on greased cookle sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes until very lightly browned. While warm, drizzle on Lemon Frost. Cool on racks. Makes 27 to 34 cookies. LEMON,FROST: Mix 1 cup confectioners sugar and 1½ tobs. lemon juice. Drizzle on warm cookles.

MARGARET Wiquist says her Lathrup Village family likes a zucchini

ZUCCHINI DROP COORIES WIQUE
(Makes three dozen)
1 egg beaten
% cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 cup peeled, grated zucchini squash
2 cups flour
1 tsp. basking soda
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1 cup choped nuts
1 cup raisins

Beat egg, shortening and sugar until smooth. Add zucchini flour and rest of dry ingredients. Drop by spoonfuls on cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes.

FARMINGTON resident Barbara Fisler sent along a recipe that uses brown sugar and vanilla for a different

#### ZUCCHINI COOKIES FISLER

3 eggs
1 cup vegetable oil
1 cup sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 cups grated zucchini
3 tsp. vanilla
4 cup nuts
4 cups Hour
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. salt 1 tsp. cinnamon ½ tsp. baking powder

Beat eggs until light and foamy. Add oil, sugars, vanilla and zucchini. Mix lightly but well. Mix flour and dry ingredients, and add to egg mixture.

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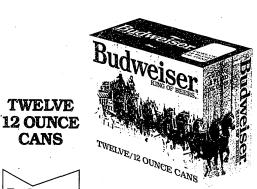
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10 minutes. (Raisins are also good in these cookies.)

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Mexican cookery.

Chili Verde con Carne is an appetitearousing example of the magic flavor
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that tan be performed when beef and zesty, chilles get together. CHILI VERDE CON CARNE 2 2 lbs. beef round steak, cut ¾-in. thick ¼- cup flour 1¼- tsp. salt ¼- cup lard or drippings ¼- tsp. cumin

% tsp. cumin
1 tsp. sugar
1 can (28 oz.) tomatoes
2 tbsp. lemon juice
1 clove garlic, crushed
1 beef bouillon cube
4 cop boilling water
1 medium green pepper, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped

15 cup snipped parsley
15 cup raisins (optional)
15 Cooked rice

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Partially freeze steak and cut in strips ¼ to ¼ in: thick. Combine flour and salt; dredge strips and brown in lard in large frying pan (% at a time). Pour off drippings. Sprinkle cumin and sugar on meat. Drain tomatoer, reserving liquid. Cut tomatoes into pieces and reserve. Add formato liquid, lemon juice and garlie to meat and stir to combine. Dissoive bouillon cube in boiling water. Stir green pepper, onion, chilles, parsiept and raishs and bouillon into meat mixture. Covert lightly and cook slowly 45 minutes, striping occisionally. Stir in reserved tomatoes; continue cooking, covered. In minutes, or until meat is tender. Serve on rice. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

(Preparation time: 45 minutes) 6 lasagna noodles 1 lb. cottage cheese l egg yolk Onion salt 1½ cups mashed potatoes ½ cup shredded cheddar or American Butter or margarine Salt and pepper to taste

Cook noodles as directed. Drain and

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allow to sit in cold water (to keep from sticking). In buttered pan, lay down 2 noodles lengthwise. Combine cottage cheese, egg yolk and onion salt. Pour in over models for first layer. Set in 2 more noodles. Combine mashed potamore noodles. Combine mashed pota-toes, yellow cheese and butter. Layer over noodles. Pat gently in place. Top with last 2 noodles, dab with butter. Cover and place in 375 degree oven for ½ hour. Uncover, turn off oven and let sit for 5 minutes to steam out. To serve, cut in blocks and enjoy with cold sour cream. Serves 4 for lunch or 2 for supper.



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