Elegant scratch cakes perfect for any event

LEMON POPPY SEED OAT CAKE

1 cup sugar 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) mar-garine or butter, softened 1 tublespoon grated lemon

3 eggs 2.1.4 cups all purpose flour

1.1.2 cups oats (quick or old-fashioned, uncooked) 3 tablespoons poppy seeds 1 tablespoon baking powder

1 2 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional) 1 1/2 cups milk

1 cup powdered sugar 4 to 5 teaspoons lemon juice t. 2 teaspoon grated lemon.

Heat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour 12-cup Bundt or 10-inch tube

sugar and margarine on medium speed of electric mixer until fluffy

Add lemon peel. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Combine flour, oats, poppy seeds, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add I/3 of combined dry ingredients to margarine mixture: salt. Add I/3 of combined dry ingredients to margarine mixture; mix until blended. Add half of milk; mix until blended. Continue adding remaining dry ingredients and milk alternately blending after each addition. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 35 to 45 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan. Cool completely on wire rack.

For glaze, mix all ingredients until smooth, drizzle over cooled

until smooth; drizzle over cooled cake. Store tightly covered at room temperature. Serves 16.

Recipe from The Quaker Oats Company.

GRANDMA'S YELLOW ANGEL FOOD CAKE

1 1/2 cups sifted cake flour 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 cup cold water
1 1/2 cup sugar
3/4 teaspoon cream of tartar 1 teaspoon vanilla

Sift together flour, salt and bak Sitt together norr, sait and vas-ing powder. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon color, adding water and beat until light and fluffy. Beat in sugar. Fold in dry ingredients. Beat egg whites with recam of tartar. Fold into egg yolks batter. Add vanilla. Bake in 10-inch ungreased tube pan in solve oven at 325°F for about 1 hour.

Serve plain or with whipped cream and strawberries. Recipe from Barbara Couillard of Westland

"CAN I HAVE THAT RECIPE" CHOCOLATE CAKE

2 cups all-purpose flour 2 cups sugar 1 cup margarine or butter 1 cup water

4 tablespoons cocos 1/2 cup buttermilk or (1 tablespoon vineger mixed

2 eggs 1 tenspoon vanilla extract

In a large bowl sift 2 cups of flour and 2 cups of sugar. In a sauce pan, mix 1 cup of margarine or butter, 1 cup of water and 4 tablespoons cocoa. Bring to a rapid boil and pour over flour and sugar mixture. Stir.

mixture. Stir.

Mix in the 1/2 cup of buttermilk (you can substitute 1 tablispoon vinegar mixed in milk for the buttermilk) with the 1 tablespoon baking soda dissolved in it. Add 2 eggs and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Mix all ingredients well and pour into a 13 by 9-inch metal pan. Buke at 4000% for 3.5 to mixed. 400°F for 35-40 minutes.

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1 stick butter or margarine 4 tublespoons cocoa

6 tablespoons sweet (condensed) milk

1 box confectioners' sugar 1 tablespoon vanilla extract

Mix all of the ingredients in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Remove from heat and slowly add tone box of confactioners' sugar, I ablespoon of vanille extract and 1 cup of chupped nuts. Beat well. Recipe from Mary Serva of Bloomfield Hills

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require the gentlest of handing. To wash, place berries in a colander or large strainer then rinse with a gentle spray of cool

water. Never remove caps before washing strawberries. Caps prevent water from soaking into the strawberries, diluting the flavor and changing the texture.

paring knife. Pat strawberries dry with paper towels before serving. One cup of strawberries supplies an entire day's need for Vitamin C.

Freezing

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To prepare strawberries for freezing, remove the caps, crush partially or slice berries. Whole strawberries will require more freezer space. There are three ways to pack strawberries for freezing; unsweetened, sugar pack and syrup pack.

■ Unsweetened whole berries may be placed on a cookir sheet and put in the freezer until they are semi-frezen (about one hour). Then remove from the cookir sheet and pack in containers or freeze bags. Seal and label for freezing.

■ For the sugar pack: Add 3/4 cup sugar to 1 quart of strawber-ries and mix thoroughly. Pack into nirtight freezer con-tainers leaving 1/2-inch head

space. Seal. Label and freeze.

For a syrup pack: Cover
berries with cold 50 percent
syrup (4) 34 cup sugar to 4 cups
water), leaving 1/2-inch head
space. Pack into airtight freeze
containers. Seal. Label and
freeze

containers. Seal. Label and freeze. Homemade jam is another way to savor the flavor of fresh strawberries all year long. Christine Venema of Westland is a home economist for the Michigan State University Exten-sion, Wayne County.

Fruity salads low in fat, not flavor

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, Ga. (AP) The following salad recipes are low in fat, but tops in taste. They're both very colorful, and they look great on a plate with a few slices of cantaloupe and a strawberry or two. The recipe for blueberry salad.

contains 2 grams of fat per serv-ing. Each serving of the chicken

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Waldorf salad contains 3 fat BLUEBERRY SALAD

1 cup fusilli pasta 2-3rds cup plain fat-free vogurt

1 / 4 cup fat-free mayonnaise 1 teaspoon apple-cider vine-

Salt and pepper to taste 2 cups frozen French-cut

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1 cup blueberries

6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cooked and cut up

Cook and drain pasta.

In a large bowl, mix yogurt, mayonnaise, vinegar and spices. Add pasta and remaining ingredi-ents. Chill. Serves 10 at 2 fat grams each

CHICKEN WALDORF SALAD

2 large red apples

1 tablespoon lemon juice

1-3rd cup fat-free mayonnaise

1-3rd cup fairtee mayoridase 1-3rd cup plain fat-free yogurt 2 teaspoons sugar 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cooked and cut

4 large stalks celery, chopped

Greek seasoning, to taste 1 tablespoon chopped

pecans, toasted

Chop apples, leaving peel on; sprinkle with lemon juice. Mix mayonnaise and yogurt with

sugar.

In a large bowl, combine apple and mayonnnise mixtures with chicken, celery and raisins. Season trasts: Spoon sailad on 8 plates. Sprinkle each serving lightly with the chopped pecans. Serves 8 at 3 fat grams each.

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