



A serene Buddha smiles down on a laughing HO TAI fortune GOD. Centered amid beautiful Chinese art. Perfect for that unusual Christmas gift.

SANTA'S SWEET-TOOTH

Every family in Observerland has developed traditions for the Christmas season. One of those traditions includes a familiar Christmas concoction that yearly tempts each family member with mouth - watering goodness. Christmas cooking is also the answer for those hard - to - buy - for people on your Christmas list, i.e. the baby sitter, the mailman, the milkman and neighbor.

Some yearly favorites of many families include peanut brittle, holiday divinity, fruitcake and fruitcake cookies, popcorn balls, and the ever favorite sugar cookie cut and decorated in every imaginable design.

Children especially love to decorate cookies in a festive manner. Why not have a Christmas decorating party for your children and some of their friends? Make simple plastic aprons from plastic garbage bags to keep the cookie dough from sticking to clothes. A wide variety of cookie cutters can be bought from any variety store for under \$2 and decorations and icings may be made or bought in the baking section of your favorite store.

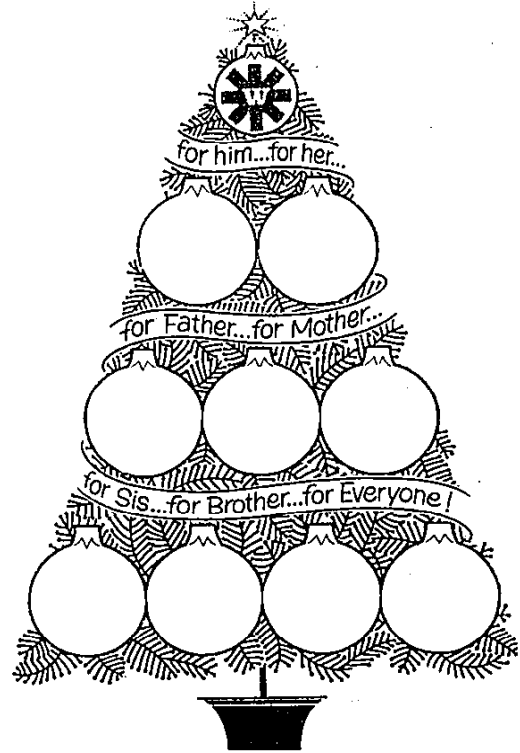
The following "Better Homes and

Gardens" Decorated sugar cookie recipe is an all - time favorite.

½ cup butter or margarine
1 cup sugar
1 egg
½ teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon grated lemon peel
1/3 cup dairy sour cream
2 cups sifted all - purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon baking soda
¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg

Cream together butter or margarine and sugar till fluffy. Beat in egg, vanilla and lemon peel. Stir in sour cream. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, soda and nutmeg. Add flour mixture to creamed mixture, stirring till smooth. Chill dough. On lightly floured surface, roll ¾ to ¼ inch thick. Cut in desired shapes with large cutters. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in 375 oven for 12 to 14 minutes. Cool slightly; remove from cookie sheet and cool on rack. Frost with confectioners' sugar icing; decorate. Makes one to 1 ½ dozen large cookies.

WESTLAND CENTER "the International Christmas Place to Shop"



All decked out in seasonal array, Westland Shopping Center, a completely enclosed mall that will insulate you from rough wintry winds, has become a Christmasland to meet all of your holiday needs. It's open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and on Sundays from noon to 6.

SANTA HOUSE AND SANTA-LAND

Santa has taken up residence in SANTA-HOUSE until December 24 to take gift orders from the kids in his Christmas Fantasy house which includes animated figures and an eskimo train. Photographers will be on hand to take color photos of your child's visit with the jolly old elf.

International Festival Dec. 7-10

Booths from 12 nations will be set up throughout the Center with a colorful array of ethnic wares. Browse through a potpourri of hard-to-find items, as well as home baked pastries from such places as India, Japan, France, Greece, Scandinavia, Poland and the Ukraine.

MUSIC Festival Dec. 13-17

A number of local bands, orchestras and talented musicians will entertain you from a stage set up in the main mall during evening hours.

WESTLAND CENTER WAYNE & WARREN ROADS

DAILY 9:30-9:30 SUNDAY 12:00-6:00