## The Extension Cord

## Health and Human Sciences

 2022 Cookie Edition
## Hello,

This is a special issue of the Extension Cord coming to you with this year's open class cookie contest entries from the Fulton County 4-H Fair. Each year the County Extension Homemakers host open class entries, organize their judging, and put them on display for the county to enjoy throughout the fair. Lucky for us, our cookie bakers agreed to share their delicious recipes. Look for the recipes that have placings by them, they are contest winners. Enjoy and happy baking!

- Jessica Riffle


## Cookie Baking Contest Recipes:

| "Chocolate" Chocolate Chip Cookies | Recipe provided by: Sue Dove |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| 2 c. all-purpose flour | Preheat oven to $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| $1 / 2$ c. cocoa powder | Stir together flour, cocoa, baking soda, and salt. |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | Beat butter, sugars, and vanilla until creamy. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. salt | Add eggs; beat well. |
| 1 c. butter, softened | Gradually add flour mixture, mixing well. |
| $3 / 4$ c. granulated sugar | Stir in chocolate chips. Add nuts. |
| $3 / 4$ c. light brown sugar, packed | Drop by rounded teaspoons onto ungreased cookie sheets |
| 1 tsp. vanilla extract | Bake 8-10 minutes. |
| 2 eggs | Cool slightly. Remove to wire racks. Cool completely. |
| 2 c. milk chocolate chips |  |
| 1 c. chopped nuts (optional) |  |


| Apple-Cinnamon Jam Bars |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions |
| $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. butter | Combine all ingredients together except the last three. |
| 1 c. sugar | Spread in a $9 \times 13$ lined pan. |
| 1 egg | Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 30-35 minutes. |
| 1 c. flour | Spread with jam, sprinkle with coconut and nuts. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla |  |
| $11 / 3$ c. coconut |  |
| $1 / 2$ c. nuts of your choice |  |
| Apple cinnamon jam |  |

Ingredients:
$11 / 2$ c. pecans, roughly chopped, toasted
$21 / 8$ c. all-purpose flour
2 Tbsp. cornstarch
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
1 c . butter, room temperature
1 c. dark or light brown sugar, packed
$1 / 2$ c. granulated sugar
2 large eggs
2 tsp. vanilla
Sea salt, optional

Directions:
Place pecans in a pan or skillet over medium heat and toast on the stove, stirring occasionally, for 5-10 minutes or until fragrant. Do not burn. Set aside.
In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, cornstarch, baking soda and salt, set aside.
In a large bowl or mixer, beat butter for 1-2 minutes, or until creamy and fluffy. Add in both white and brown sugar and beat for 2-3 minutes, or until lightened in color.
One at a time, beat in eggs, waiting until each is incorporated before adding the next. Then mix in vanilla extract.
Gradually mix dry ingredients into the wet ingredients, making sure to not overmix, then fold in toasted pecans.
Wrap cookie dough tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate for 2-3 hours, or for up to 3 days. Remove from fridge and let sit at room temperature for 15-20 minutes.
Preheat oven to $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.
Use a spoon or small scooper to scoop 1 tablespoon of dough and roll into balls. Place on cookie sheet(s) and repeat with remaining dough.
(Optional: sprinkle tops of dough with flaky sea salt)
Place baking sheets in oven and bake for 11-12 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned.
Remove from oven, centers will be soft. Let cool 5 minutes on baking sheet before transferring to wire racks.

## German Chocolate Thumbprint

Recipe provided by: Sue Dove

## Ingredients:

$1 / 2$ c. unsalted butter, softened
$2 / 3$ c. granulated sugar
1 tsp. vanilla extract
$1 / 4$ tsp. salt
1 large egg, room temperature
2 Tbsp. cornstarch
$1 / 2$ c. cocoa powder
$11 / 2-12 / 3$ c. all-purpose flour
Filling:
$1 / 2$ c. heavy cream
$1 / 4$ c. unsalted butter
$1 / 3$ c. packed light brown sugar
$1 / 2$ c. shredded coconut
$1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla extract
$1 / 2$ c. chopped pecans
Topping: optional
1 c. chocolate chips, melted

## Directions:

Preheat oven to $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.
In a bowl, cream butter, sugar, vanilla and salt, just until smooth. Add egg and mix until combined.
Turn mixer to low, slowly mix in cornstarch, cocoa powder and $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. flour. Pause often to scrape down bowl. Continue adding flour, 1 Tbsp . at a time, until dough gathers itself in a ball and pulls from the bowl.
Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Place two inches apart on cookie sheet. Make indention with thumb.
Bake 9-10 minutes, cool; add filling.

## Filling:

Combine cream, brown sugar and butter in sauce pan. Bring mixture to a simmer and allow to thicken into a caramel 6-7 minutes. Do not stir or mixture will not thicken.
Remove from heat and stir in coconut and pecans. Let cool slightly. Fill each center of cookie with 1 teaspoon of filling. Topping: If desired, drizzle on top of cookie.

| Chewy Drizzled Cinnamon Chip Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions |
| $3 / 4$ c. butter or margarine, softened | Beat butter and brown sugar until fluffy. Add corn syrup and |
| 1 c . packed light brown sugar | eggs; mix well. |
| $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. light corn syrup | Place 1 cup cinnamon chips in a microwave safe bowl. |
| 1 egg | Microwave at medium (50\%) 1 minute; stir. Stir melted chips |
| $12 / 3$ c. Hershey Cinnamon Chips <br> ( 10 oz .) , divided | into butter mixture. <br> Stir together flour, baking soda, and salt; add to cinnamon |
| $21 / 2$ c. all-purpose flour | chip mixture, beating just until blended. |
| 2 tsp . baking soda | Cover; refrigerate dough about 1 hour or until firm enough to |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt | handle. |
| 1 c . pecans or walnuts, finely ground | Heat oven to $350^{\circ}$ F. Shape dough into 1 -inch balls; roll in nuts, lightly pressing nuts into dough. Place on ungreased |
| Cinnamon Chip Drizzle: | cookie sheet. |
| 2/3 c. Hershey Cinnamon Chips | Bake 8-10 minutes or until brown around edges. Cool |
| $11 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$. shortening. | slightly; remove from cookie sheet to wire rack. Cool |
| Microwave at medium until melted. | completely. Drizzle with cinnamon chips drizzle. |


| Chewy Chocolate Chip Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions |
| 1 c. unsalted butter, melted | Whisk flour, salt and baking soda, set aside |
| and cooled to room temp. | Whisk brown sugar \& white sugar, add melted butter and whisk for 1 |
| $11 / 2$ c. light brown sugar, | minute. |
| packed <br> $3 / 4$ c. granulated sugar <br> $21 / 2$ c. all-purposed flour <br> $3 / 4$ tsp. fine sea salt | Whisk in 1 egg at a time and add vanilla. |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | Add dry ingredients to the wet mixture, stir together. |
| 2 Starge in 1 c. chocolate chips. |  |
| 2 tsp. vanilla extract | I use $1 / 4$ c. to scoop out dough - chill dough for at least 15 minutes. |
| $11 / 2$ c. semi-sweet | Bake $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for $10-14$ minutes |
| chocolate chips | Immediately after, add chocolate chips and sea salt to top. |

Cherry Thumbprints Recipe provided by: JoLinda Kerr

Ingredients:
$11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. butter, softened
$11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. sugar
1 pkg. (8oz.) cream cheese
2 eggs
2 Tbsp. lemon juice
$11 / 2$ tsp. lemon zest
$41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. flour
$11 / 2$ tsp. baking powder
Cherry jam
Confectioner sugar

Directions:
Cream together butter, sugar and cream cheese.
Beat eggs, one at a time, into the creamed mix. Mix in lemon juice and lemon zest.
Combine the flour and baking powder and gradually add into the creamed mixture until just combined.
Cover and chill for about 1 hour.
Heat oven to $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.
Roll tablespoons of dough into balls. Place on ungreased cookie sheets 2 inches apart. Indent each cookie with thumb.
Fill with cherry jam; about $1 / 2$ tsp. each.
Bake for 15 minutes.
Cool on cookie sheet for 2 minutes, sprinkle with confectioner sugar.

| "'Give a Hoot" Owl | ies Recipe provided by: JoLinda Kerr |
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| Ingredients: <br> 1 c. butter, softened <br> 2 c. sugar <br> $1 / 2$ c. packed brown sugar <br> 2 eggs <br> 3 tsp . vanilla extract <br> $33 / 4$ c. flour <br> 2 tsp. baking powder <br> $1 / 8$ tsp. salt <br> $1 / 4$ c. baking cocoa <br> Cashews for beak <br> M\&M's for eyes <br> White icing | Directions: <br> In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugars. Add eggs one at a time, beat well. Beat in vanilla. Set aside. <br> Combine flour, baking powder and salt. Gradually add to creamed mix. Divide dough in half. Add cocoa to 1 half. <br> Divide each portion in half again. <br> On a baking sheet, roll out each portion between wax paper into a 12 " x 10 " rectangle. Refrigerate for 30 minutes. <br> Remove wax paper, place one chocolate rectangle over a plain rectangle. Roll tightly, like a jelly roll. Repeat with other dough. <br> Refrigerate for 2 hours then cut rolls of dough into $1 / 4$ inch slices. <br> Put 2 cookies next to each other touching. Place a cashew on the center of the two cookies. <br> Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for $10-12$ minutes. Add M\&Ms for eyes with a dab of white icing. <br> Note from JoLinda: <br> "I didn't like the way the spiral cookies looked, so I used the chocolate dough to cut out cookies for the face. Then cut out strips from the plain dough to hand make the brows and ears." |


| Zucchini Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| 2 c. flour | Combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt in medium bowl. Set |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | aside. |
| 1 tsp. cinnamon | In a large bowl, combine butter \& sugar, beat with mixer until light and |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. salt | fluffy. Add egg, beat well. |
| $1 / 2$ stick of butter, softened | Gradually add flour mixture, beat until smooth. Dough will be stiff. Stir |
| 1 c. sugar | in remaining ingredients. |
| 1 egg, beaten | Drop by teaspoonful onto cookie sheets lines with parchment paper. |
| 1 c. grated zucchini | Bake at 350 ${ }^{\circ}$ F for 13-15 minutes, do not overbake, bake until light |
| 1 c. golden raisins | brown. |
| 1 c. chopped pecans | Cool on cookie sheets for 2 minutes, transfer to wire racks to cool |
| 1 c. semi-sweet chocolate | completely. |
| $\quad$ chips |  |


| Blueberry Cream Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| 1 c. sugar | Preheat oven to $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. butter, softened | Cream together sugar and butter. Add egg, sour cream, pudding mix, |
| 1 egg | salt and baking soda. Stir until smooth. |
| $1 / 3 \mathrm{c}$. sour cream | Add flour, 1 cup at a time, mixing until smooth between additions. |
| 3.5 oz. (small box) vanilla | Mix in white chocolate chips |
| pudding mix | Create a shallow well in the center of the dough and pour in blueberries. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. salt | Very gently, fold dough over several times, doing your best to not |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. baking soda | squash the berries. |
| 2 c. flour | Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet |
| 1 c. white chocolate chips | Bake for 10-11 minutes. |
| $11 / 4$ c. fresh blueberries, | Transfer to a cooling rack and enjoy! |
| $\quad$ washed \& patted dry. |  |


| Peanut Butter Cookies | Recipe provided by: Sue Geib |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $1 / 2$ c. shortening (or butter |  |
| $\quad$ or margarine) | Mix shortening, peanut butter, sugars, and egg. Blend in dry ingredients. |
| $1 / 2$ c. peanut butter | Cover and chill, Shape into 1-inch balls. |
| $1 / 2$ c. sugar | With a floured fork, flatten in a criss cross pattern to 2 inches |
| $1 / 2$ c. brown sugar, packed | Bake at 375 ${ }^{\circ}$ F for 10-12 minutes |
| 1 egg |  |
| $11 / 4$ c. flour | Makes 3 dozen cookies. |
| $3 / 4$ tsp. baking soda |  |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. baking powder |  |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt |  |


| Chocolate Chip C | Recipe provided by: Deb Vigar |
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| Ingredients: <br> 1 c. butter, soft <br> $3 / 4$ c. brown sugar <br> $1 / 4$ c. sugar <br> $11 / 2$ tsp. vanilla <br> 2 eggs <br> $21 / 3 \mathrm{c}$. flour <br> 1 pkg . vanilla pudding <br> 1 tsp. baking soda <br> 11 oz . mini semi-sweet chocolate chips | Directions <br> Cream together butter, sugars, vanilla and eggs until smooth and fluffy. <br> Mix together the flour, pudding and baking soda. Add to the cream mixture until well blended <br> Stir in the chocolate chips. <br> Bake at $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 9-10 minutes. <br> Let cool on baking sheet. |


| Peanut Butter Cookies | $\quad$ Recipe provided by: Kimberly Burton |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| 1 c. butter, softened | Preheat oven to $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| 1 c. creamy peanut butter | Cream together butter, peanut butter, 1 c. sugar, and brown sugar. Add |
| 1 c. sugar, divided | vanilla. Add eggs and mix. |
| 1 c. brown sugar, packed | Add in flour, baking soda and salt. Stir until completely combined. Fold |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | in peanut butter chips. |
| 3 eggs | Roll dough into $11 / 2$ inch balls (I use a med. scooper) |
| 4 c. flour | Place $1 / 4$ c. sugar into a small bowl, roll each ball of dough in the sugar |
| 2 tsp. baking soda | until completely covered. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt | Place rolled dough on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper, gently |
| 1 c. peanut butter chips | press each dough ball down to $1 / 2$ inch think. |
| Topping: | Bake cookies for 7-9 minutes. |
| $1 / 4$ c. sugar | These cookies are very soft - you DON'T want to over bake. |
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| Snickerdoodle Cookies | Directions: |
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| Ingredients: | Preheat oven to $375^{\circ}$ F. |
| 4 c. flour | Cream butter and sugar until fluffy. Add eggs, milk and vanilla. Mix |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. baking soda | well. Add the dry ingredients: flour, baking soda and cream of tarter. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. cream of tarter | In a small bowl, mix the topping ingredients. Set aside. |
| 1 c. butter, softened | Form dough into 1-inch balls and roll in the topping mixture. Place |
| 2 c. sugar | dough balls on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. |
| 2 eggs | Use the bottom of a glass and slightly flatten cookies |
| $1 / 4$ c. milk | Sprinkle the tops of the cookies with additional cinnamon/sugar mixture. |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | Bake for 7-8 minutes or 10-12 minutes for larger cookies. |
| Topping: | DON'T over bake cookies. |
| 3 Tbsp. sugar |  |
| 1 tsp. cinnamon |  |
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## APRICOT SPECIALTY COOKIE CONTEST RECIPES

| Oatmeal Apricot cookies (soft \& chewy) Recipe provided by: Karen Heltzel |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. flour | Preheat oven to 350 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and line 2 baking sheets with |
| 1 c . old-fashioned rolled oats | parchment paper. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. baking soda | Combine flour, oats, baking soda, and salt in a medium bowl, |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt | blending with a whisk. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. butter, softened | Beat butter and sugar in a large mixing bowl until fluffy, |
| $3 / 4$ c. brown sugar, packed | about 5 minutes. Add egg and vanilla, beating to combine. |
| 1 large egg | Mix the flour mixture until just combined. Stir in apricots. |
| 1 tsp. vanilla extract | Lightly flour hand and roll dough into 1 $1 / 2$ inch balls. |
| $3 / 4$ c. chopped apricots | Place 2 inches apart on prepared baking sheets. |
|  | Bake for 11-12 minutes or until lightly browned. |
|  | Cool cookies on baking sheets for 10 minutes, then transfer to |
| Makes 20 cookies. | wire racks, cool completely. Store in an airtight container. |


| Apricot Cream Cheese Cookies | $\quad$ Recipe provided by: Jeanie Cloud |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $21 / 2$ c. all-purpose flour | Preheat oven to $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | Whisk flour, baking soda \& salt. Set aside. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt | Beat cream cheese at medium speed until smooth \& creamy |
| 6 oz. full-fat cream cheese, room | and add butter. Continue beating for about 2 minutes until |
| temperature | smooth and creamy. |
| $1 / 2$ c. unsalted butter, room temp. | Add egg, lemon zest \& extracts. Beat on high for 1 minute. |
| 1 c. sugar | Add flour mixture to wet ingredients on low. Cover and chill. |
| 1 large egg, room temperature | Line baking sheets with parchment paper |
| 1 tsp. lemon zest | Roll dough into balls and into sliced almonds. |
| 1 tsp vanilla extract | Place 3 inches apart on cookie sheet and make indentation on |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. almond extract | each cookie. Spoon preserves into indentation. |
| Rolling \& Filling | Bake 14-15 minutes. Remove from oven. Let cool for 5 |
| 8 Tbsp. Apricot preserves | minutes then transfer to wire rack. |
| $3 / 4$ c. sliced almonds (optional) | Once cooled dust with confectioner sugar. |
| Confectioner sugar (optional) |  |


| Apricot Oatmeal Cookies | Recipe provided by: Mona Elesa |
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| Ingredients: | Crections: |
| 1 stick of butter | Cream butter and brown sugar. Beat in egg and vanilla. |
| $3 / 4$ c. brown sugar | Add flour and mix. |
| 1 egg | Stir in rolled oats and apricots. |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | Drop by tablespoon onto a cookie sheet. |
| 1 c. self-rising flour | Bake at $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 12 minutes. |
| $11 / 4$ c. rolled oats |  |
| 1 c. chopped apricots |  |

Coconut Apricot Bars Recipe
Ingredients:
$3 / 4$ c. butter, room temperature
1 c . sugar
1 egg
1 c . flour
$1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}$. baking powder
$11 / 3$ c. coconut, sweetened flakes
$1 / 2$ c. slivered almonds, plus more to sprinkle over bars
$1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla
13 oz . jar apricot preserves

Recipe provided by: Karin Fowler

## Directions:

Preheat oven to $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. Line $9 \times 13$ baking pan with non-stick foil. (Or regular foil sprayed with cooking spray) In large mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add egg, mix well.
Mix together the flour and baking powder, incorporate into the butter mixture.
Add coconut, nuts and vanilla, blending well.
Press two-thirds of the dough into the prepared baking pan.
Spread with preserves. Crumble remaining dough over top of preserves.
Sprinkle with a handful more of almonds if desired.
Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown.
Cool and cut into squares.

## Apricot Cream Cheese Drops

Ingredients:
$1 / 2$ c. butter flavor Crisco
1 pkg. (3 oz) cream cheese, softened
1 Tbls. Milk
$1 / 4$ c. brown sugar, firmly packed
$1 / 2$ c. apricot preserves
$11 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. all-purpose flour
$11 / 2$ tsp. baking powder
$11 / 2$ tsp. cinnamon
$1 / 4$ tsp. salt
$1 / 2$ c. coarsely chopped pecans or flake coconut
Frosting
1 c. powdered sugar
$1 / 4$ c. apricot preserves
1 Tbls. butter flavor Crisco
Finely chopped pecans or flake coconut (optional)

## Recipe provided by: Jeanie Cloud

Directions:
Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$ F. Layer cookie sheets with parchment paper.
Cream Crisco, cream cheese and milk on medium speed until well blended. Beat in brown sugar and apricot preserves. Set aside.
Mix flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. Combine into the cream mixture until just blended. Stir in nuts or coconut. Drop 2 level tablespoons of dough into mounds 2 inches apart on cookie sheet.
Bake in $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ oven for 14 minutes. Cool on baking sheet for one minute, move to wire rack. Cool completely before frosting.
Frosting:
Cream powdered sugar and Criso. Stir in apricot preserves, chopped pecans, or coconut until well combined. Spread evenly on cookies.

| Apricot Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. butter | Preheat oven $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| 1 c. sugar | Mix all ingredients (except the jam) all together. |
| 1 egg | Place by teaspoonful on lined baking pan. Slightly indent the |
| 1 c. flour | center of each cookie. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. baking powder | Put jam in the center of each cookie |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla | Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for $12-15$ minutes or until golden brown. |
| $11 / 3$ c. coconut |  |
| 13 oz. apricot jam |  |


| Apricot Bars | Directions: |
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| Ingredients: | In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar. |
| $3 / 4$ c. butter, softened | Add egg and vanilla. Mix well. |
| 1 c. sugar | In another bowl combine flour and baking powder. Gradually |
| 1 egg | mixing into creamed mixture. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla | Fold in coconuts and walnuts. |
| 2 c. flour | Press $2 / 3$ of the dough into a greased $9 \times 13$-inch pan. Spread |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. baking powder | with preserves. Crumble remaining dough over the preserves. |
| $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. chopped walnuts | Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for $30-35$ minutes or until golden brown. |
| $11 / 3$ c. flaked coconut |  |
| 1 jar $(10-12$ oz. $)$ apricot preserves |  |


| Apricot Cream Cheese Thumbprints |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. butter, softened | In a large bowl, cream butter, sugar and cream cheese until |
| $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. sugar | smooth. Beat eggs in one at a time. Next, stir in lemon juice |
| $1(8$ oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened | and zest. Set aside |
| 2 eggs | Combine flour and baking powder; stir into cream mixture |
| 2 Tbsp. Lemon juice | until just combined. |
| 2 Tbsp. Lemon zest | Cover and chill until firm, about 1 hour. |
| $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. flour | Preheat oven to 350 |
| $11 / 2$ tsp. baking powder | Roll tablespoonful of dough into balls. Place 2 inches apart |
| 1 c. apricot perserves | on ungreased cookie sheet. Use finger to indent center of each |
| $1 / 3$ c. confectioner sugar, for tops | cookie. Fill with $1 / 2$ tsp. apricot preserves. |
|  | Bake for 15 minutes. Cool on cookies sheets for 2 minutes |
|  | before transferring to wire rack. |
|  | Sprinkle with confectioner sugar as desired. |


| Apricot Sugar Cookie Pies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Recipe provided by: Ashley Heinzman |
| $21 / 4$ c. flour | In a mixing bowl, combine flour, salt, baking powder. Set |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. salt | aside. |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. baking powder | Cream butter 30 seconds, add sugar, lemon zest and beat until |
| 1 c. unsalted butter, softened | creamy. Add vanilla and egg, beating until incorporated. |
| 1 c. sugar | Add dry mixture into the wet until combined. |
| 1 egg, room temperature | Chill for 1 hour. |
| 2 tsp. vanilla extract | Form 1-inch balls and roll into a disk. Spoon 1 tsp. apricot <br> Zest from a lemon <br> Apricot preserves <br> $1 / 4$ c. turbinado sugar |
|  | another dough disk. Pisch together and cut slits on top <br> for venting. Sprinkle with turbinado sugar. <br> Bake at $350^{\circ}$ F on parchment lined pans for 15 minutes. |
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| Apricot Drop Cookies |  |
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| Ingredients: | Directions: |
| $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. butter | Cream butter, cream cheese and brown sugar. Beat in |
| 3 oz. cream cheese | preserves. |
| $1 / 4$ c. brown sugar | Stir together flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. |
| $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. apricot preserves | Mix into the creamed mixture. |
| $11 / 4$ c. flour | Stir in nuts. |
| $11 / 2$ tsp. baking powder | Drop dough by a tablespoon on greased cookie sheet. |
| 1 tsp. cinnamon | Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 12 minutes. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. salt |  |
| $1 / 2$ c. chopped walnuts | Icing: |
| Icing. | Cream powdered sugar and butter together. Stir in apricot |
| 1 c. powdered sugar | preserves. Spread icing on cooled cookies. |
| $1 / 4$ c. apricot preserves |  |
| 1 Tbls. butter |  |


| Apricot Bars | Directions: |
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| Ingredients: | Recipe provided by: Pam Jones |
| $3 / 4$ c. butter | Mix all ingredients together in a large bowl. Add nuts and |
| 1 c. sugar | Spread. |
| 1 egg to a 9 x 13-inch baking pan. |  |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. vanilla | Spread jam over the top. |
| 1 c. flour | Sprinkle any remaining nuts and coconut over the jam. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. baking powder | Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 30-35 minutes. |
| $11 / 3$ c. coconut |  |
| $1 / 2$ c. nuts of choice |  |
| 13 oz. jar of apricot jam |  |


| Spicy Apricot Drops |  |
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| Ingredients: | Recipe provided by: Sue Geib |
| $1 \mathrm{c} .(6$ oz.) dried apricots, cut fine | Directions |
| $1 / 2$ c. water | Cook the dried apricots in water for 5 min until tender, cool. |
| $21 / 2$ c. flour | Combine flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and ginger. |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | In another bowl, combine brown sugar, shortening, corn |
| 1 tsp. salt | syrup, egg, vanilla and lemon extract and beat until creamy. |
| 1 tsp. cinnamon | Add the dry ingredients to the creamed mixture. Mix well. |
| $1 / 4$ tsp. ginger | Stir in the cooked apricot mixture. |
| $1 / 2$ c. brown sugar | Chill dough. |
| $2 / 3$ c. shortening | Roll into 1-inch balls. Flatten and top with walnut pieces. |
| $1 / 2$ c. dark corn syrup | Bake 375 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 10-12 minutes. |
| 1 egg |  |
| 1 tsp. vanilla |  |
| $1 / 2$ tsp. lemon extract |  |
| Topping. |  |
| Walnut pieces |  |

