

HOOSIER HOME COOKIN'

with Allison Meadows

To make sure those sugar highs haven't stalled since my April 19 column, here are a few more sweet treats featuring some of America's most popular candies. My favorite combination in the world is coconut and chocolate. You just can't get any better than Almond Joy Pie. You'll also love the decadence and simplicity of Baby Ruth Bars. And, Butterfinger Cake is a cinch to make. Stay tuned for more delicious candy favorites. Happy eating!

Almond Joy Pie

Crust
20 miniature (or 10 large) Almond Joy candy bars
3/4 C. graham cracker crumbs

Filling
1/2 C. granulated sugar
1/3 C. cornstarch
1/4 C. cocoa
1/4 tsp. salt
1 1/2 C. milk
1 tsp. vanilla extract
16 miniature (or 8 regular bars) cut into half inch pieces

Sweetened whipped cream
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Lightly butter a 9-inch pie plate and set aside. Place crust ingredients in a food processor and process until mix is thoroughly blended. Press onto bottom and up sides of pie plate. Bake 10 minutes. Remove and allow to cool completely. In a medium saucepan, stir together sugar, cornstarch, cocoa and salt. Blend in milk and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly with wire whisk until it boils, stirring for 1 minute. This will be very thick. Remove from heat and blend in vanilla and candy pieces. Stir until melted. Pour into cooled crust and chill for at least three hours. Serve with whipped cream.

Deer Creek Alumni meet

Deer Creek Alumni Association met recently at the Deer Creek Community Center with 104 in attendance.

Lavon Johnson from the Class of 1931 was the oldest member present, and Leroy Robeson Jr. from the Class of 1932 was the next oldest.

Officers for 2007 are: Nancy Larimore, president; Charles Appleton, vice president; Lois Wallace, secretary; Kenny Yeakley, treasurer.

Deceased members since last

Baby Ruth Bars

2 1/4 C. all purpose flour
1 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt
3/4 C. packed brown sugar
3/4 C. granulated sugar
1/2 C. butter, softened
1/2 C. peanut butter
2 large eggs
1 tsp. vanilla extract
2 1/2 C. coarse chopped Baby Ruth candy bars

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease a 15x10 inch jelly roll pan. Combine flour, baking soda and salt in a small bowl. Beat brown sugar, granulated sugar, butter and peanut butter in a large bowl until creamy. Beat in eggs and vanilla extract. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Spread dough evenly into prepared pan. Sprinkle with Baby Ruth pieces. Press in lightly. Bake for 18 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars.

Butterfinger Crumb Cake

1 box chocolate cake mix
2 small boxes vanilla instant pudding
4 C. milk
2 large Butterfinger candy bars, chopped
1 12-oz. container frozen whipped topping

Prepare and bake cake according to instructions on box in a greased 9x13 pan. Allow cake to cool, then crumble into bowl. Mix instant pudding with milk until set. Pour half the pudding in the bottom of a glass bowl. Sprinkle with half the cake crumbs. Pat cake into pudding. Sprinkle one-third Butterfinger crumbs over pudding. Layer remaining ingredients in the same order. Spread whipped topping on top and garnish with additional Butterfinger crumbs. Chill before serving.

year are: Dorothy Olds Rice, Mary Cook Mattox, Helen Yeakley Perry, Lawrence Johnson, Sarah Brant Hostetler, Kenneth Cornell, Kenneth Delaplaine, Marjorie Hile Arion, Max Larimore, Crystal Cook Brehmer.

The honored class was the Class of 1956, for 50 years. Attending were Carolyn Downham Shriver, Dean and Perrietta Appleton, Sue Black Stratton, Eugene Dillon, Gene Larimore, Dana Laymon, Joanne Snider Timmons, and Ronnie Guckien.

Program to help teens examine the effects of drugs and alcohol use

Family Services, Inc. announces that Insight, a nine-session educational group to help youth in grades 7-12 who are using alcohol, marijuana, and other drugs, will begin on May 31 at Family Services, Inc.'s office, 731 Main Street, Lafayette.

Insight guides participants to examine the effects of drugs and alcohol use on their lives, and to consider what actions they can take to improve their lives. Insight is often the first step in an extended intervention process. Topics of discussion include:

- Defenses and the role they play in the use of alcohol and other drugs
- Harmful physical and mental effects of alcohol and drug use
- Myths about getting high
- Stages of Use, Abuse, and Dependency
- Warning signs of addiction and dependency
- Consequences participants have experienced from their use of alcohol and drugs.

Sessions will be held from 6 to 7 p.m., and will continue to meet each Wednesday evening through July 26.

All costs of the program are funded through a grant from the Coalition for a Safe and Drug-Free Tippecanoe County in Lafayette. To register or obtain more information, call Jennifer Swartz at 423-5361 or toll-free at (800) 875-536.

Family Services, Inc. is a non-

profit agency that provides programs to address individual, family and community needs through prevention and support services in Tippecanoe and the seven surrounding counties.

What's Happening Elsewhere

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WILD on May 10 will feature a three-mile hike of the Monon High Bridge Trail. Accompanying the group will be Dan McCain, president of the Wabash & Erie Canal Association. The hike will be from 1 to 4 p.m. and will start at Delphi City Park. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Mary Cutler at (765) 567-2993.

AREA IV AGENCY ON AGING AND COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS will host its 32nd annual meeting on May 9 at The Trails banquet facility in Lafayette. The meeting will focus on celebrating the agency's many community partners and to recognize May as Older Americans Month. Social time will begin at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. Respond by Thursday by calling Anita at (800) 382-7556.

Watch for 'Carroll County' on the Same Page

Camden-Jackson Twp. Public Library, Delphi Public Library, and Flora-Monroe Twp. Public Library are collaborating on a program for the entire county called Carroll County on the Same Page. Similar to "one book" projects conducted in Lafayette, Chicago, Indianapolis, and all over the nation, it is designed to encourage everyone to read the same book and enjoy the related events being planned. The selected title and event details will be announced soon.

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Door prize winners
Winners of door prizes at Carroll County Day in Florida were, l-r - Alice Elzbeck, Bill Wilcox, Ed Angle, and Kenny Orem. Photo provided

Carroll County Day in Florida

Snow birds from Carroll County had a get-together in Winter Haven, Fla.

Those attending were: Mary Cullum, Judi Wilcox, Paul Kirkpatrick, Ray and Donna Romein, Alice Elzbeck, Pat Bolin, Howard and Donna Bieghler, Ervin and Margaret Reinke, Jim and Delorise Yates, Ray Ward, Mr. and Mrs. James Hayworth, Charles and Pat McCarty, Janice Houser, Don Draper Sr., Wayne Johnson, Ralph and Carmen Wise, Lewis and Dixie Ruman, Herbert and Roberta Slack, Ron and Vicki Gascho, Dick and Annie Walters, Charles and June Clem, Wayne and Dixie Hanawalt, Bruce and Marilyn Strong, Richard and Caroline Houser.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Brubaker, Larry Ward, Leo, Clara and Janie Rider, Don and Nancy Irmeger, Betty Fassnacht, Sara Elliott, Gerry Gascho, Kenny and Joyce Orem, Clarence and Sandi Jervis, Phil and Teresa Maxwell, Frank and Sandy Herron, John McKinley, Earleen Alvarez, Charles and Sue Webb, Gene and Sandy Wilcox, Bill and Judy Wilcox, Floyd and Nancy Gish, Gordie and Eve Cassell, Bob and Joan Maxwell, Ed and Beverley Angle, Richard and Sharon Huffer, Gene and Donna McCarty.

Lewis Ruman gave prayer before the meal. Door prizes winners were Alice Elzbeck, Bill Wilcox, Ed Angle, and Kenny Orem.

Next year's gathering will be on Feb. 15.

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