



## Junior Cooking Edition

Today's recipes are picnic desserts. They sound terrific! This summer's picnics should be really delicious with foods like these in the baskets.

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Hope you have fun on your picnics as well as good food.

### Pecan Fingers

¾ cup shortening (half butter or margarine, softened)  
¼ cup confectioner's sugar  
1½ cups flour  
2 eggs  
1 cup brown sugar (packed)  
½ teaspoon baking powder  
½ teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup chopped pecans  
Heat oven to 350 degrees F.  
Cream shortening and confectioner's sugar. Blend in 1½ cups flour. Press evenly in bottom of ungreased baking pan, 13 x 9 x 2 inches. Bake 12 to 15 minutes.

Mix remaining ingredients; spread over hot baked layer and bake 20 minutes longer. Cool; cut into bars, about 3 x 1 inch.

Melissa Innerst  
York, Pa.  
Age 10

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### Jelly Roll

4 eggs separated  
1½ cups sugar  
8 tablespoons cold water  
2 cups flour  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
½ teaspoon salt  
Separate eggs. Beat yolks, and mix rest of ingredients. Add egg white last. Bake at 325 degrees F. until done.

### FILLING:

1½ cups milk  
2 tablespoons cocoa  
½ cup flour  
½ cup milk  
1 tablespoon butter

1 cup sugar  
2 eggs  
Vanilla

Mix milk, cocoa and flour with ½ cup milk. Add rest of ingredients and boil in double boiler until thick. Cool and spread on cake.

Nancy Mae Zook  
Quarryville, Pa.  
Age 10

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### Apricot Fluff

2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin  
2 cups cold water  
1 cup boiling water  
1 cup sugar  
½ teaspoon grated lemon rind

1 cup apricot puree  
2 egg whites, stiffly beaten  
Dash salt

Soften gelatin in ¼ cup cold water for five minutes, add hot water and stir until dissolved.

Stir in sugar, salt, lemon rind, apricot puree, and remaining water; chill until mixture begins to thicken. Beat until fluffy and fold in egg whites. Chill until firm. Serve with custard sauce.

Katie L. Zimmerman  
East Earl, Pa.  
Age 14

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### Chocolate Chip Cookies

2-3 cup soft shortening (part butter)

½ cup granulated sugar  
½ cup brown sugar (packed)  
1 egg  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1¾ cups sifted flour  
½ teaspoon soda  
½ teaspoon salt  
½ cup chopped nuts  
6 oz. package semi-sweet chocolate pieces (about 1¼ cup)

Mix thoroughly shortening, sugar, brown sugar, egg, and vanilla. Sift together flour, soda, and salt, and stir into mixture. Then add nuts and semi-sweet chocolate pieces. For a softer, more-rounded cookie, use a little more flour.

Ruth Burkholder  
Leola, Pa.  
Age 12

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### Cream Puffs

¼ cup butter  
½ cup water  
½ cup unsifted flour  
2 eggs  
Pinch salt

In small saucepan combine water, butter, and salt. Bring to the boiling point on medium heat. Immediately beat in flour with wooden spoon. Return to low heat and continue beating until

mixture forms a ball and leaves side of pan. Remove from heat. Add eggs, one at a time, beating hard after each addition until smooth. Continue beating until mixture is shiny and breaks into strands. Drop by rounded tablespoons two inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Bake in preheated oven at 400 F. for 35 to 40 minutes or until puffed and golden brown. Remove to wire rack and cool completely. Can be

filled with regular frosting or a pudding. Roll in 10X sugar.

Sadie Mae Glick  
Gap, Pa.  
Age 13

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### Bonnie Butter Cake

2-3 cup butter or margarine, softened  
1¼ cups sugar  
2 eggs  
1½ teaspoons vanilla  
2¾ cups flour  
2½ teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon salt

1¼ cups milk

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. In large mixer bowl mix butter, sugar, eggs, and vanilla until fluffy. Beat five minutes on high speed, scraping bowl occasionally. On low speed, mix flour, baking powder, and salt alternately with milk. Pour batter into pans.

### FRENCH SILK

### FROSTING:

2 2-3 cups confectioners sugar

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