

upstairs and downstairs In Milady's Kitchen

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HALLOWEEN, October 31, is a traditional party time and one of the easiest times of the year to plan a party for the youngsters. Here is a Halloween chocolate cake with bats and cats on the orange frosting to carry out the theme. Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate and Swans Down Cake Flour were used to develop the recipe.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Traditionally you'll decorate the house with Chinese lanterns, cats, bats and witches for your Halloween party. But refreshments, too, should say Halloween. And this cake does, both in color and design. Of course, it's a chocolate cake—made with the premium variety for that rich chocolatey flavor. The frosting is orange with the rind and the juice of fresh orange and lemon (for tang)—then tinted to a real golden color.

Other delightful party surprises might include sandwiches of yellow cheese. Or use brown bread filled with a cream cheese and nut mixture. These might be cut with jack-o-lantern faces in the top slice so you can see through to the creamy white filling.

Hot cocoa or hot spiced cider will add much to the enjoyment of this rich dark chocolate cake, especially frosted and designed for that Halloween party.

HALLOWEEN CAKE
Have shortening at room temperature. Use two round 9-inch layer pans, 1½ inches deep, lined on bottoms with paper. Start oven for moderate heat (350 degrees). Sift flour once before measuring.

Measure into sifter 1¾ cups sifted cake flour, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 1½ cups sugar. Measure into mixing bowl 1-3 cup shortening.

Measure into cup 1 cup butter-milk or sour milk.
Have ready 3 egg whites, unbeaten and 3 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted.

Mix by hand or in electric mixer. Count only actual beating time or beating strokes. Scrape bowl and beaters or spoon often.

Stir shortening just to soften. Sift in dry ingredients. Add ¾ cup of the milk and mix until all the flour is dampened. Then beat two minutes at a low speed of electric mixer, or 300 vigorous strokes by hand. Add egg whites, chocolate and remaining milk. Beat one minute longer or 150 strokes by hand.

Pour batter into pans. Bake at 350 degrees about 30 minutes.

ORANGE FROSTING
1-3 cup butter
1½ tablespoons grated orange rind

Fine Dips For Potato Chips

Potato chips—wonderful standby for all our summer outdoor meals and casual entertaining—assume just as important a role on appetizer trays for fall and winter.

Served alone or with an appropriate "dunk," they are popular with young and old alike.

Here are two recipes for dips which come from the Blue Bell Potato Chip company. Oregon firm turning out a wonderful product.

ANCHOVY DUNK
2 3-ounce packages of cream cheese
2 to 6 teaspoons anchovy paste
1 teaspoon finely grated onion
Milk or cream
1½ teaspoon paprika

Let cheese stand until it reaches room temperature. Mash with a fork or beat in electric beater; add anchovy, onion, paprika and the milk or cream slowly until a good dunking consistency is reached. Serve with Blue Bell Potato Chips.

COTTAGE CHEESE CLAM DUNK
1 quart cottage cheese
1 small can minced clams
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1½ teaspoons garlic salt
Paprika

Combine all ingredients. Garnish with paprika. Serve with Blue Bell Potato Chips.

Note: Be sure you have plenty of potato chips.

EASY MEASURE
Here's a tip on easy measuring of lard. A one-pound brick equals two cups. Halve it for one cup. One-fourth equals ½ cup.



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ADD BACON

When the teen-age crowd stops by your home for a bite to eat, here are open-face broiler sandwiches you can have ready in

less than 15 minutes: bacon bits with peanut butter, bacon slices with tomato slices, bacon with pimento cheese and bacon with cream cheese.

SWISS-HAM SALAD

SANDWICH FILLING

Combine 1 cup ground or chopped cooked ham, ¼ cubed

Swiss cheese, 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper, 2 tablespoons chopped celery, 3 diced hard-boiled eggs and 2 tablespoons mayonnaise.

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