

Date Nut Balls

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| 1/2 cup butter | 3/4 cup sugar |
| 1 1/2 cup cut, pitted dates | 3 cup Rice Krispies |
| 1/3 cup chopped maraschino cherries | 1 cup chopped pecans |

Place butter, dates, cherries and sugar in a saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture becomes a smooth soft paste.

Remove from heat. Add Rice Krispies and nuts. Mix thoroughly.

Portion by level measuring tablespoons onto wax paper or buttered baking sheet.

Shape into balls. Let stand until cool. Makes about 3 1/2 dozen.

— recipe from Diann Gerstner



Cowchip Cookies

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| 1 pound oleo | 5 cups flour |
| 2 cups brown sugar | 4 cups quick oatmeal |
| 2 cups white sugar | 2 teaspoons salt |
| 4 eggs | 2 teaspoons soda |
| 1 tablespoon vanilla | 1 cup coconut |

Cream together oleo and sugar. Add eggs and vanilla.

Mix dry ingredients together and add to creamed mixture. Dip cookies with ice cream dipper and place on cookie sheet. Bake at 400° for 11 minutes.

(This makes a large cookie. For smaller cookie, I use a No. 70 dipper, 1 5/8" size. This will make 12 dozen.)

— recipe from Eva L. Keck, in the Centennial Cookbook, Brewster, 1988

Play Dough

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| 2 1/2 cups flour | 1/2 cup salt |
| 2 tablespoons alum | 2 cups boiling water |
| 2 tablespoons cooking oil | food coloring. |

Mix dry ingredients with oil.

Add food coloring to boiling water and mix all together. Knead into a ball.

Let cool and knead again.

— recipe from Marian Ballard



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