



# CHILLY TREATS FOR EVERY SUMMER OCCASION

#### FAMILY FEATURES

fter splashing in the pool, rooting on your favorite team or playing in the backyard, nothing beats the end of a long summer day like a cool, classic treat. So grab the kids, some bowls, spoons and the trusty old ice cream scoop — and dig in.

July is National Ice Cream Month, and aficionados agree that when it comes to the best tasting ice cream, "fresh" is the must-have ingredient. For nearly 80 years, Blue Bunny has been making premium ice cream using only the best, locally-sourced milk from within 75 miles and turning it into out-of-this-world ice cream in less than 24 hours.

Dial up your summer fun with the freshness of ice cream and fruit with these recipes, and find more recipes at www.BlueBunny.com.

### **Cherry Vanilla Crumble Squares**

Prep time: 25 minutes Freeze time: at least 8 hours Makes: 9 servings

- 1 cup old fashioned oats (rolled oats)
- 1/2 cup whole wheat flour
- 1/4 cup butter, melted

- 1/3 cup firmly packed light brown sugar

#### **Cool Party Cubes**

Prep time: 30 minutes Freeze time: at least 1 hour Makes: 4 servings

- squares (2 ounces) white chocolate baking squares
- cup prepared vanilla frosting Blue Bunny Premium Birthday
- **Party Ice Cream Sandwiches** 2 medium firm kiwi, peeled 1 3/4 cups halved small strawberries
  - (or large strawberries cut into chunks)
- 3/4 cup fresh blueberries 3 tablespoons peach preserves (pineapple, mango or apricot could be substituted)

Grate or shred white chocolate with box grater onto large plate. Thinly spread frosting on one side of one ice cream sandwich, keeping remaining sandwiches in freezer. Press frosting side into white chocolate, spread frosting on unfrosted side, turn and press into white chocolate.

Return to freezer; repeat with remaining ce cream sandwiches. Freeze at least 1 hour until solid. (May be kept covered in freezer overnight.)





package (12 ounces) frozen dark sweet cherries, thawed and well drained 1/3 cup all fruit black cherry fruit spread cups Blue Bunny Sweet Freedom Cherry Vanilla Ice Cream, softened

In medium bowl, combine oats, flour, brown sugar and butter; mix thoroughly. Remove 1/2 cup and set aside; pour remaining crumb mixture in an 8-by-8-inch baking dish.

Coarsely chop cherries and transfer to medium bowl. Add fruit spread, stirring to blend. Pour over crust, gently spreading evenly in bottom. Spoon ice cream over top, gently spreading evenly. Sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture.

Cover and freeze at least 8 hours. Cut into squares to serve.

#### **Honey-Peach Frozen Yogurt** Sundaes

Prep time: 15 minutes Makes: 4 servings

- 1/3 cup walnut halves
- medium fresh peaches, sliced
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon **Pinch ground cloves**
- scoops (1/2 cup each) Blue Bunny Vanilla Bean Frozen Yogurt
- 2/3 cup fresh raspberries

In medium skillet over medium heat, cook walnuts until toasted, about 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Cool. When cool enough to handle, chop very coarsely. Set aside.

In same skillet over medium heat, combine peaches, honey, cinnamon and cloves; cook and stir until peaches soften. Cool several minutes before spooning equally over frozen yogurt.

Top each serving with about 4 raspberries Serve immediately.

Thirty minutes before serving, cut kiwi into thick slices, then cut slices into quarters. Place in medium bowl along with other fruit. Heat preserves in microwave-safe bowl, just until melted (20 seconds in a 1250 watt microwave), breaking up large pieces of fruit. Pour over fruit and toss to coat; chill 15 to 20 minutes.

Remove prepared ice cream sandwiches from freezer, cut each into bite-size squares; arrange with glazed fruit in 4 dessert bowls or plates.

#### **Fruit Salsa Sundaes**

Prep time: 10 minutes Makes: 4 servings

- 1 cup fresh pineapple chunks
- tablespoon light brown sugar
- 6 medium fresh strawberries, diced
- large kiwi, peeled and diced
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cumin
- small firm bananas, cut in half lengthwise
- 8 1/3 cups Blue Bunny Premium Banana Split Ice Cream Fat-free whipped topping, optional Chocolate sprinkles, optional
  - 4 maraschino cherries, optional

In medium skillet over medium-low heat, cook pineapple and brown sugar just until pineapple is softened, 5 minutes. Add strawberries, kiwi and cumin; cook several minutes until fruit is heated through.

Arrange 2 banana halves in each of 4 dessert bowls; top each with 2 scoops ice cream. Spoon glazed fruits equally over ice cream. Garnish with whipped topping, chocolate sprinkles and a maraschino cherry, if desired. Serve immediately.



## Meeting

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The site contains an existing driveway for easy access, the fire chief said. The site can be modified if needed to accommodate firetrucks, he added.

Simonsen told the Press & Dakotan of past major fires that would have benefited from a nearby hydrant.

"We had a structure fire about a year ago, and we had to shuttle water for that fire," he said. "And we had the Spring Valley church fire."

Simonsen said he remains hopeful the hydrant project can be completed in two months.

"I think it's a great project," he said. "I really appreciate the James River Water Development District and B-Y Water for assisting with the project.'

JRWDD board member Dan Klimisch of Yankton County

told the Press & Dakotan that the fire hydrant project ties in with one of the water district's missions.

"This (hydrant) will help Yankton County and the surrounding area with fire suppression," he said.

JRWDD Manager Dave Bartel said the water hydrant project is just one example of ways the water district is attempting to help small communities and outlying rural areas.

The district has also assisted with financial assistance for dams, Bartel noted.

At Thursday's meeting, the JRWDD board approved a funding request from a Hutchinson County landowner to repair three dams.

Kenn Potter requested \$10,638 in project assistance funds to repair three dams in Pleasant Township. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$14,184.50, with JRWDD funding at 75 percent.

In addition, he JRWDD approved three funding requests from Yankton County

landowners for dams.

• George Sees requested \$4,957.20 in project assistance to build a dam in Walshtown Township. The total estimated cost of the project is \$6,609.60 with JRWDD funding at 75 percent.

• Dave Lueckenhoff re-quested \$14,111.19 in project assistance funds to repair a dam in Jamesville Township. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$18,814.92, with JRWDD funding at 75 percent.

• David Healy requested \$14,994 in project assistance funds to build a dam in Walshtown Township. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$19,992, with JRWDD funding at 75 percent.

In other business, the JRWDD plans to hold the line on its property-tax request for 2016.

The board reviewed the preliminary budget at Thursday's meeting. The district has listed a property-tax request for \$958,893 in 2016. The district has remained at the same figure since 2012.

The water district held the line on expenses when drawing up the current preliminary budget, Klimisch told the Press & Dakotan.

"We found (budget) items where there could be savings, so we didn't feel the need to increase the tax burden," he

said. The JRWDD board plans to pass the final budget at its Sept. 10 meeting in Aberdeen. The district operates its budget on the calendar year of January through December. Other board activity

included the following : • approval of up to \$30,000

for South Dakota State University for a storm water filtration study in South Dakota; • approval of \$10,000 to

the Davison Conservation District for a grass seed drill; an update on the Lower

James River Implementation Program. After an executive session,

the board voted to give both Dave Bartel and CFO/Associate Manager Judy Smoyer a \$1,500 increase in their total

annual salary for 2015, retroactive to Jan. 1.

The increase was given as a reward for their excellent work, Klimisch told the Press & Dakotan.

"There has been an outstanding performance from each of them in their duties," he said. "We (board members) have received nothing but positive comments (about them) from all of the counties

within our district." The (JRWDD) board

thought it was appropriate to reward (Bartel and Smoyer) for a good job," he added.

On Wednesday, the JRWDD conducted a tour of some current and past projects in the Yankton area.

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