

**Hey kids!** Are you handy around the kitchen? Do you want to make some absolutely YUMMY snacks for you and your family? Here are some no-bake recipes that you should try out. You don't need to use the oven, though you may need to use the microwave or a knife to cut things up. **MAKE SURE YOU ASK YOUR PARENTS** for permission and help when needed.

### **CARAMEL APPLE DIP**

8 ounces cream cheese  
1/4 cup chopped pecans  
1 cup brown sugar  
Apple slices  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Beat cream cheese, pecans, sugar, and vanilla together until smooth. Serve as a dip with fresh apple slices. YUM!

### **PECAN FRUIT CHEWS**

1 cup chopped pecans  
2 cups crispy rice cereal  
1/2 cup butter  
1 egg  
1 cup chopped dried apricots  
1 cup coconut  
1 cup sugar

Melt butter in a 2-quart bowl. Add sugar and apricots, then eggs. Cook 5 minutes in microwave, stirring every 2 minutes. Cool. Add cereal and pecans. Cool completely. Shape into logs and roll in coconut. Makes 30 logs.

### **TORTILLA PECAN ROLL-UPS**

3 large flour tortillas  
2 tablespoons picante sauce  
8 ounces cream cheese  
1/2 cup chopped pecans  
4 ounces chopped chillies  
Garlic to taste

Combine cream cheese, chillies, picante sauce, pecans, and garlic. Divide and spread over the 3 flour tortillas. Roll up and place in the refrigerator. Can be frozen. Slice before serving. Yields approximately 45 pieces.