



McCormick's Fun and Flavorful Spring Party Ideas

Decorating experts Karen Tack and Alan Richardson share flavorful twists on traditional springtime holidays and events.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY!

Keep everyone guessing by making cupcakes cleverly disguised as other foods. Try a spaghetti and meatballs cupcake, made with frosting tinted to look like pasta and squeezed from a small hole in a sealable bag. When it's topped with candy meatballs made from chocolates and strawberry jam, it looks like spaghetti and meatballs, served with a delicious marinara sauce.

EXTRAORDINARY NEW TWISTS ON EASTER EGG DYEING

Techniques like sponge painting, crackle color and tie-dyeing (D.I.Y. skills usually intended for other rooms in the house) make their way into the kitchen this Easter for a unique take on egg decorating.

BRIGHTEN MOTHER'S DAY

Instead of buying a bouquet of flowers, spend the day with mom by creating an edible bouquet of Hello, Flower! Cupcakes in her favorite color.

GRADUATION PARTIES WITH SCHOOL SPIRIT

Make treats, like cookies and cupcakes, that are decorated in school colors. Tint cookie dough or frosting in the school's colors and spell out the school's name by using letter-shaped cutters.

HERE COMES THE BRIDAL SHOWER

For a personalized treat, monogram cupcakes in the bride's wedding colors. Or, give the bride something blue by throwing her a blue-themed shower, complete with blue frosted cupcakes topped with white rock candy to look like diamonds.

TAKE THE BIRTHDAY PARTY OUTSIDE

Create an outdoor D.I.Y. Decoration Station for your child's next birthday. Bake cupcakes and cookies, and leave the decorating for the kids. Fill each section of empty plastic ice trays with different colors of sugar, sprinkles, shredded coconut, candy and nonpareils.

