

### **GREAT AMERICAN Cookie Bake-off Rules:**

- Entries must be from scratch. No mixes permitted;
- Up to three entries per person;
- By entering this contest, you give permission to the GCBMA to use your recipe for distribution and, if not under copyright, publication;
- No entry fee;
- Entries must include 2 dozen cookies: one for judging and one for sale. **Please use disposable plate and cover;**
- Entries must include entry form (inside) and a copy of the recipe, typed or written legibly;
- Entries cannot require refrigeration;
- Judging criteria: Most Attractive Cookie: 50% for Appearance, 30% for Taste, 20% for Use of Traditional Ingredients; All other categories: 80% for Taste; 20% for Use of Traditional Ingredients. **Avoid 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> century ingredients such as Baking Powder, vegetable shortening, margarine, etc.;**
- Decision of Judges will be final (Judges are volunteers);
- Entry must be received by **1:00 pm, July 4, 2026** at the Grover Cleveland Birthplace, 207 Bloomfield Ave, Caldwell, NJ. Winner need not be present;

# **GREAT AMERICAN Cookie Bake-off**



**Grover Cleveland Birthplace Historic Site  
Caldwell, New Jersey**

**Sponsored by The Grover Cleveland Birthplace Memorial Association**

*In honor of our nation's 250th, the 2026 Fourth of July Ice Cream Social will hold a GREAT AMERICAN Cookie Bake-off. Start looking through family recipes, grandma's cookbooks or historical food sites to find your own GREAT AMERICAN Cookie recipe.*

Grover Cleveland Birthplace Historic Site - 207 Bloomfield Avenue - Caldwell, NJ 07006

Entries accepted from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on **July 4th**

Judging at 2:00 pm; Awards at 3:00 pm (Winner need not be present)

## **Multiple categories! Multiple Winners! Multiple Prizes!**

We are looking for the Best Soft Cookie, the Best Snap Cookie, the Best Bar Cookie, the Best Sandwich Cookie, and the Most Attractive Cookie! Enter any type of cookie!

**Questions?** (973)226-0001 [gcmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:gcmuseum@gmail.com) [facebook.com/ClevelandBirthplaceAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/ClevelandBirthplaceAssociation)



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### 2026 Ice Cream Social - GREAT AMERICAM Cookie Bake-off

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Any personal history of your recipe you would like to share: \_\_\_\_\_

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