### "Healthier" Carrot Cake...That Even the Easter Bunny would Love!

Carrots give carrot cake a health-halo effect—people think it's health food, but it's usually very high in fat & calories. But this version has about 40% less calories & 50% less fat than most. First, there is less oil in our batter. Then skip the butter in the frosting (don't worry, it's still light & smooth). To ensure the cake is moist, we add nonfat buttermilk & crushed pineapple.

- 1 20-ounce can no sugar added crushed pineapple
- 2 cups whole-wheat pastry flour, (see Ingredient Note)
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 3 large eggs
- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 2 cups grated carrots, (4-6 medium)
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts, toasted (see Tip)

### Frosting

12 ounces reduced-fat cream cheese. (Neufchâtel), softened

1/2 cup confectioners' sugar, sifted

1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 1/2 cups granulated sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

3/4 cup nonfat buttermilk, (see Tip)

1/4 cup unsweetened flaked coconut

2 tablespoons coconut chips, (see Ingredient Note) or flaked coconut, toasted

Preparation -To prepare cake: Preheat oven to 350°F. Coat a 9-by-13-inch baking pan with cooking spray. Drain pineapple in a sieve set over a bowl, pressing on the solids. Reserve the drained pineapple & 1/4 cup of the juice. Whisk flour, baking soda, salt & cinnamon in a medium bowl. Whisk eggs, sugar, buttermilk, oil, vanilla & the 1/4 cup pineapple juice in a large bowl until blended. Stir in pineapple, carrots & 1/4 cup coconut. Add the dry ingredients & mix with a rubber spatula just until blended. Stir in the nuts, Scrape the batter into the prepared pan, spreading evenly, Bake the cake until the top springs back when touched lightly & a skewer inserted in the center comes out clean, 40 to 45 minutes. Let cool completely on a wire rack. To prepare frosting & finish cake: Beat cream cheese, confectioners' sugar & vanilla in a mixing bowl with an electric mixer until smooth & creamy. Spread the frosting over the cooled cake. Sprinkle with toasted coconut.

Tips & Notes -Ingredient Notes: Whole-wheat pastry flour, lower in protein than regular whole-wheat flour, has less gluten-forming potential, making it a better choice for tender baked goods. You can find it in the natural-foods section of large supermarkets & natural-foods stores. Store in the freezer. Large thin flakes of dried coconut called coconut chips make attractive garnishes. Find them in the produce section of large supermarkets or at melissas.com. Tips: No buttermilk? You can use buttermilk powder prepared according to package directions. Or make "sour milk": mix 1 tablespoon lemon juice or vinegar to 1 cup milk. To toast chopped walnuts & coconut chips, cook in a small dry skillet over medium-low heat, stirring constantly, until fragrant & lightly browned, 2 to 5







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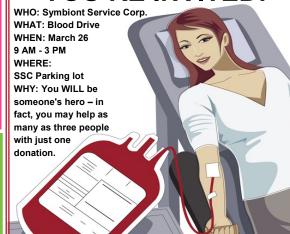
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### **The Symbiont Shout**

## March/April 2011



# Featuring **Boca Raton** High School

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- Geothermal heat pumps are efficient. The use of geoexchange lowers electricity demand by approximately 1 kW per ton of capacity.
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