

On the Market

A Closer Look at...



Diana's Bananas

Dip into nutrition with Banana Babies from **Diana's Bananas**. Frozen, chocolate-dipped bananas on sticks, these treats represent a healthy alternative to many other frozen novelties available on the market. Banana Babies are designed to satisfy your school nutrition operation's need to provide nutritious dessert and snack items in the cafeteria—and student desire for tasty treats.

According to the company, fully ripe bananas are blast-frozen, resulting in a treat that is not icy and is easy to bite. Real bar chocolate is used for the coating. Banana Babies currently are available in three varieties: Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate and Milk Chocolate Rolled in Peanuts. The Milk Chocolate and Dark Chocolate Banana Babies varieties feature only six grams of fat and no trans fats. Banana Babies and other Diana's Bananas products are offered in retail and foodservice pack sizes. To learn more, visit www.dianasbananas.com or call (312) 563-9732.

Hand 'Em Over Johnsonville Foodservice

Hand-Held Sandwiches are ready to zoom out the door with your student customers as an on-the-go meal or snack. Each 5-oz. hand-held sandwich features a soft baked roll. They come in two varieties: Smokey Cheddar Sausage or Smoked Bratwurst. For more information, visit www.johnsonvillefoodservice.com.



Mix With A Kick Azar Foodservice

announces the addition of Fiesta Fire Mix and Wild West Sweet Cajun Mix to its range of snack mix offerings. Fiesta Fire Mix is a blend of mini pretzel twists, jalapeno cashews, oil-roasted and salted *pepitas* (pumpkin seed kernels), potato sticks, sesame sticks and cheddar *fetti* (cheese crackers). The Wild West Sweet Cajun Mix is a blend of sesame sticks, hot-and-spicy peanuts, butter toffee peanuts, Cajun corn sticks, honey sesame chips and honey-roasted peanuts. For more information, visit www.azarnutco.com or call (915) 877-4079.

Let's Taco 'Bout Fish Genuine Alaska Pollock Producers (GAPP)

is ready to help you promote recipes like Alaska Fish Tacos in your schools. In taste tests held across the country, GAPP found that 92% of elementary students and 72% of secondary students wanted the recipe added to school lunch menus. In addition to the recipe itself



(see page 54), the organization can provide posters and merchandising ideas. Genuine Alaska Pollock is a top quality whitefish species, closely related to cod. Unlike many other seafood options available to schools, Genuine Alaska Pollock is frozen only once, says GAPP. To learn more, visit www.alaskapollock.org or call (206) 913-3930.

No Small Fry You can enhance menu variety with **Tampa Maid's** Bake'R Fry Shrimp Fries. Tender diced shrimp are formed into a stick and coated with crispy, oven-ready breading. This hand-held favorite can be baked or fried and is ready for ketchup, ranch dressing or any sauce for dipping. The product contains 0 g trans fats. To learn more about menuing this product in your school, call (800) 462-5896 or visit www.tampamaid.com.



Under Pressure

According to **Master-Bilt**, a leading supplier of commercial refrigeration systems, its new structural floor

option for walk-in coolers and freezers and refrigerated warehouses can withstand the pressure of 5,000 pounds, evenly distributed. It also allows for heavy shelf storage. With this advantage, the floors can help operators to save time and labor by allowing carts or lifts to be driven directly into the walk-in for unloading. Learn more at www.master-bilt.com or call (800) 647-1284.

TUF Stuff TUF (Total Ultimate Foods) by **Precision Foods** offers operators savings in cost and space with its line of TUF Dry Mix Cheese Sauces. According to the company, its dry products are conveniently sealed in flat pouches and make just as much sauce as two cases of canned cheese sauce. The cheese sauce has been reformulated to contain a third less fat and lower sodium. Also, try TUF Instant Gravies, which come in seven flavors: Country, Country with Pepper, Brown, Beef, Chicken, Turkey and Pork. To learn more, visit precisionfoods.com or call (800) 442-5242.