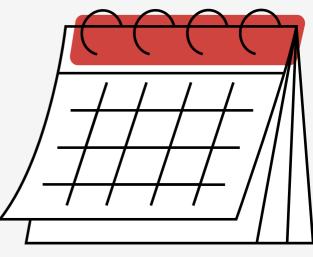
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#### DATES TO REMEMBER

March 1 - National Peanut Butter Lover's Day March 8 - March 8th: International Women's Day March 10 - Daylight Saving Time Starts March 17 - Saint Patrick's Day March 21 - World Poetry Day 4 March 22 - National Goof Off Day

March 31 - Easter Sunday



The name of March comes from Martius, the first month of the earliest Roman calendar. It was named after Mars, the Roman god of war, and an ancestor of the Roman people through his sons Romulus and Remus. His month Martius was the beginning of the season for warfare.

-Wikipedia



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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



#### **Bakersfield Amazing Race 2024**

Date and time: Saturday, March 23 · 9:30am - 1:30pm PDT Location: Wall Street Alley - Downtown Bakersfield Wall Street Alley Bakersfield, CA 93301 United States Refund Policy: Refunds up to 30 days before event, Eventbrite's fee is nonrefundable.

Where brains beat brawn! Teams of 2-4 people solve clever clues and face fun challenges all while navigating the urban landscape via foot! It's a scavenger hunt, with all the thrills of the amazing race, mixed in with trivial pursuit, throw in a mini road race and add a dash of cat-and-mouse. And voila! You've got the Bakersfield Amazing Race!

#### **Easter Family Fun Day**

Join us for a fun-filled day of crafts, snacks, candy, face-painting, prizes, and the Hunt for Jesus! This FREE event is for all families, so invite your friends and neighbors.

Sign up by 3/22 to be entered in 3 great prize giveaways. (Walk-ins are also welcome!)



RSVP your attendance and/or to sign up to volunteer! We have lots of great service opportunities. Help us make this event eggs-traordinary!



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### HOW DO YOU CLEAN HIGH RAIN GUTTERS?

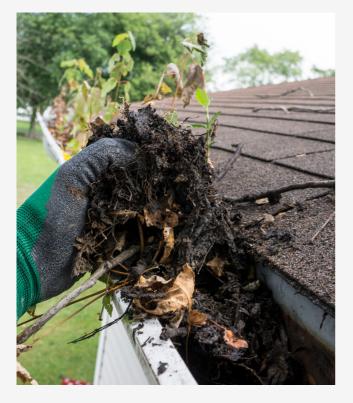
The following are a few innovative ideas you can implement to clean your property's gutters without a ladder:

- 1. Use a Gutter Cleaning Wand Hose Attachment
- 2. Use a Leaf Blower Gutter Cleaning Kit
- **3.** Clip the Debris Out of the Gutter With Gutter Tongs
- 4. Use a Gutter Vacuum
- 5. Use a Telescoping Wand Extension With Your Power Washer



Cleaning high rain gutters is a vital aspect of home maintenance that should not be overlooked. By following these tips and techniques, you can ensure that your gutter system remains clear and functional, protecting your home from water damage and preserving its structural integrity

### PREVENT WATER DAMAGE TO YOUR HOME



The Average Cost of Restoring Water Damage: \$2,000 to \$5,000

We recommend cleaning your gutters twice a year to avoid the risks of water damage. Water damage from gutters that haven't been maintained can occur both inside and outside of the home.

Excess water can travel into your home through crevices and cracks in the siding. This trickle might not seem like such a big deal at first but the compounding effects can result in serious and extensive water damage. This will appear as ugly staining to your walls and ceiling.

Clogged gutters and downspouts can also push water, with nowhere else to go, through the roofing structure. This process is aided by another problem that occurs when your gutters haven't been maintained—ice dams.

# LUCKY CHARMS™ CAKE

## Ingredients

- box Betty Crocker<sup>™</sup> Super Moist<sup>™</sup> White Cake Mix
- Water, oil and eggs called for on cake mix box
- 1/8teaspoon green gel food color, or to desired shade of green
- 1family size box (20.5 oz) Lucky Charms™ cereal
- 2tubs (16 oz) Betty Crocker™ Rich & Creamy Vanilla Frosting



## Directions

- Heat oven to 350° F. Spray 2 (8-inch) round cake pans with cooking spray; line bottoms with cooking parchment paper circles.
- Make cake batter as directed on box. Stir in food color. Divide batter between pans. Bake about 30 minutes or until tops spring back when touched in center and toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pans on cooling rack 10 minutes before turning out and cooling completely.
- Meanwhile, remove marshmallows from cereal box to bowl, and set aside.
- Trim off rounded cake tops. Place one layer on cake plate; drop a few tablespoons frosting on center of cake.

- Spread frosting evenly over cake; top with second layer. Drop about 1/3 cup frosting onto top cake layer, and spread over top and down sides in thin layer to create a "crumb coat—it's totally fine if you get crumbs in this frosting layer; this acts to seal in the stray crumbs before a final frosting.
- Refrigerate crumb-coated cake 1 hour. Pile remaining frosting on top of cake, and spread evenly over top and sides, making as smooth of a frosted surface as possible. Decorate cake with marshmallows by placing them in neat rows around outside of cake. To decorate top of cake, start with a single marshmallow in center, and encircle it with rings of marshmallows until cake is completely covered in marshmallows.