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Winning recipe? Submit it and see

Contests are an ever-popular pursuit, but food-centric contests seem to fall into their very own, somewhat eccentric category. Do you pour Smucker's jam into your concoctions? Use Hungry Jack for something other than pancakes? Then have we got a contest for you:

■ **Smucker's Traditions Contest:** Share your grandmother's original recipe for a dish that uses $\frac{1}{4}$ cup or more of Smucker's Jam, plus an explanatory essay, and you could win a trip to Ohio and \$20,000 to use for a family reunion. Deadline: Dec. 10; www.smuckers.com.

■ **Callebaut Chocolate Contest:** Submit your best chocolate recipe — one that uses Callebaut chocolate, of course — and you could win a trip for two to the Callebaut

Chocolate Factory in Belgium, among other prizes. Deadline: April 30; www.callebaut-recipecontest.com/.

■ **Hungry Jack Use Up The Box:** Send your best recipe that uses Hungry Jack pancake or mashed spuds mix, and you could win a \$6,000 cash prize. No fair using the mashed potato mix to make pancake batter, or vice versa. Deadline: Dec. 17; www.useupthebox.com.

■ **Eagle Brand Recipe Contest:** This one asks for a signature holiday dessert recipe, and the prizes include a \$10,000 kitchen makeover. It has to be an original recipe though, so ix-nay on those tasty Seven-Layer Bars — and no fair leaving the coconut out and calling them Six-Layer Bars. Deadline: Jan. 10; www.eaglebrand.com.

