OLD FASHIONED LEMON BARS

SERVES 36

DIRECTIONS

- 1 Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C). Lightly grease a 9 inch baking pan and set aside.
- 2 Combine the flour, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt in one bowl and then set aside.
- 3 Blend the shortening and brown sugar in another bowl and beat the mixture while adding the all of the eggs one at a time. Then add lemon juice and lemon zest to the mixture. Gradually blend in all of the dry ingredients from the initial bowl to the mixture.
- 4 Spread the batter evenly in the prepared baking pan. Bake for 25–30 minutes until lightly cooked on top. Cool the pan on a wire rack. Cut into large or small bars.
- **5** Serve with confectioners' sugar if desired on a sunny, warm day in the spring.

INGREDIENTS

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp ground cinnamon

½ tsp salt

34 cup shortening

11/2 cups packed brown sugar

2 large eggs

3 thsp fresh lemon

3 thsp lemon zest