

# **Peanut Butter Helped These Sandwiches Stick in Their Minds**

## **Odd Idea Stuck**

IN THE MID-'50s, I lived across the street from my elementary school in Tucson, Arizona.

When I went home for lunch, my mother would often fix me scrambled egg and peanut butter sandwiches on toast. I never asked where she got the idea.

My husband thought I was crazy for suggesting the idea, but he's been devouring them happily for almost 27 years.

—Cheryl H., Sun City, Arizona

## **Did Elvis One Better**

DURING the 1950s, in St. Joseph, Missouri, I was eating peanut butter and banana sandwiches before I ever heard of Elvis Presley. I did add something extra—a lettuce leaf.

Dad made them for me using one slice of bread and folding it over. He called it a lop-over.—Cathy W., Buhl, Idaho

## **Camping Treat**

PEANUT BUTTER and sweet pickles were something I tried on a high school camping trip with the Woodcrafter Girls. Our leader made them, and we all said “Ugh!”—but were they good!

—Louise R., Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

## **Couldn't Wait for August**

TOMATO SLICES, peanut butter, and salt and pepper were my favorite ingredients. My twin sister and I couldn't wait until August, when we had fresh, ripe tomatoes. Even 55 years later, it's still my favorite.

—Dee Ann H., Quakertown, Pennsylvania

## **They Added SPAM**

DURING the summer of 1945, my friend Alice and I needed a snack one evening, so we made our favorite, peanut butter, grape jelly and SPAM.

Her cousin thought we had lost our minds, but we thought we had the ultimate gourmet sandwich.

—Jacqueline M., Midland, Texas

## **Try a "Sid Special"**

MY THREE BROTHERS and I grew up eating grilled cheese sandwiches with peanut butter added. My oldest brother, Sid, was the inventor and ordered it so often at a local lunch shop in Camden, Maine that it was added to the menu as the "Sid Special" in the mid-'40s.

—Carol U., Lincolnville, Maine

## **A Fine Pickle!**

YEARS AGO, my favorite sandwich was peanut butter with thin slices of dill pickle.

—June B., Kennebec, South Dakota

## **Geez! Cheez?**

WHEN I ATTENDED Whitman (Massachusetts) High School, in the early 1950s, Cheez Whiz came on the scene. I loved the taste, but preferred to knock down the sharp bite, so I would add creamy peanut butter for a sandwich.

I still have one at least once a week.

—Earl B., Cave City, Arkansas

## **They Beefed It Up**

MY ALL-TIME FAVORITE, and that of my dad, Frank Hultz, was a peanut butter and hamburger sandwich.

—Rita B., Bluffton, Indiana

## **It Was a Surprise**

A FRIEND first made this sandwich for me about 40 years ago, when I asked her to surprise me. She spread two slices of bread with peanut butter, then added thin slices of Spanish onion, cucumbers and pickles.

I was definitely surprised, but it's become my favorite.

—Lois M., Davison, Michigan

## **Trick Backfired**

MY COUSIN JIM and I were always playing tricks on each other back in the 1940s. Once I made him a peanut butter and mustard sandwich. He gobbled it down, so I tried one. After that, we both ate them.

—Donald T., Filer, Idaho

## **She Added Crunch**

WHEN I WAS YOUNGER, I loved sandwiches made with peanut butter, chili sauce and small pieces of celery.

—Betty N., Peru, Illinois