Carrot Cake Sandwich Cookies

The following recipe was provided by local blogger Abby Thome of <u>The Thome Home</u>.

Ingredients

For the Carrot Cake Cookies

- 2 sticks of room temperature butter
- 3/4 cup light brown sugar
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 2 cup unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 cup old fashioned oats
- 1 cup shredded carrots

For the Cinnamon Buttercream

- 1 stick of room temperature butter
- 8 oz. room temperature cream cheese
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 4 cup powdered sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla

Instructions

For the Carrot Cake Cookies

- 1. In a large bowl with a handheld mixer, mix together the butter, light brown sugar and sugar until light and fluffy, approximately 1 minute. Add the eggs and vanilla, mixing until fully incorporated.
- 2. Add flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and cinnamon and mix until just barely combined.
- 3. Add the oats and shredded carrots. Mix until everything is evenly distributed and the cookie dough is combined.
- 4. Using a cookie scoop (roughly 1 1/2 Tbsp.), place cookie dough onto prepared baking sheets. Bake at 350°F for 12-14 minutes until the bottoms are slightly golden brown.
- 5. Remove from the oven and let the cookies cool on a wire rack before assembling with frosting.

For the Cinnamon Buttercream

- 1. Mix all ingredients together until light and fluffy, approximately 3-4 minutes.
- 2. When cookies have completely cooled, dollop a heaping tablespoon of the buttercream into the center of one cookie.
- 3. Take another cookie and press it on top of the cookie with the buttercream, pressing gently to push the frosting to the edges.
- 4. Repeat until all cookies have been used and enjoy.

