



SKIP  
THE ROSES.  
BRING MOM  
A DOZEN  
LEMONY  
TARTS.

## Easy Does It

One year, as a surprise, the *TOH* offices closed early the Friday before Memorial Day. Our colleague Jami put out the invite: Meet for burgers on her patio. Jami was a new mom, and had to stop at the store on the way home, but even so, she made the burger bash seem effortless. She sizzled the patties while we played with her boys. She let us grab the paper plates. All that was left was opening a bag of chips.

Entertaining is only as stressful as you let it be, especially when you realize it's about the fun of connecting and not the silverware you use. Thanks for those burgers and the life advice, Jami!

So this spring, just go for it. Do a Sunday brunch. Pack a picnic. Have a friend over for a glass of something cold. For that, I recommend the most refreshing spring tonic in all the land, Rhubarb Punch, *page 60*.

And if you need a little reason to say *awww* today...check out our Mom's Famous Chicken feature, *page 40*. These guys love their mamas. And you will love their mamas' chicken dishes. They are simple, so delicious and 100 percent rooted in love.

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## THE QUICK LIST

1.

Turn homemade lemon curd, *page 28*, into puckery-sweet tarts in no time flat. Grab a package of frozen mini phyllo shells and thaw them. Divide 1 cup lemon curd equally among the shells. Enjoy!

2.

We're coming up on a big jelly bean holiday. I'm one of those people who love the black licorice ones—how about you? Recently our team went behind the scenes at the Jelly Belly warehouse. See our very cool discoveries: [tasteofhome.com/jellybelly](http://tasteofhome.com/jellybelly)

3.

We asked Facebook fans to tell us about a treasured cooking tool from a family member, *page 18*, and we cried at our desks reading the responses! Get in on all the good convos: [facebook.com/tasteofhome](http://facebook.com/tasteofhome)