Spencer County Family and Consumer Sciences Newsletter

I hope you and your loved ones are having a wonderful holiday season! May this time of year bring you joy, peace, and love. May it also remind you of all the blessings in your life and get new ones in the coming year. Wishing you a happy and healthy new year filled with energy and positivity!

Blessings to all,

Beth Maxedon, Spencer County FCS Agent

Homemaker Groups

Patch worker Quilt Guild (12/5 & 12/19)

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month Where: Spencer County Extension Office Contact: Lani Kratzwald - (502) 797-1774

Time: 10 AM

Loyal Homemakers (12/14) - RSVP FULL

When: 2nd Thursday of the month

Where: Milano's (Shelbyville) - **No spots left.** Contact: Wendi Bazemore - (502) 912-7372

Time: 11:30 AM

Bluegrass Basket Guild (12/14)

When: 2nd Thursday of the month

Where: Spencer County Extension Office Contact: Nichole Hutchins- (502) 422-0719

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/

groups/129924587048584

Time: 4 PM

Waterford Homemakers (12/20) - RSVP

When: 3rd Wednesday of the month Where: Claudia Sanders Restaurant

Contact: RSVP w/ Judy Broyles - (502) 821-2108

Lexington, KY 40506

Time: 10 AM

Gardening Association (12/13) - RSVP

Christmas Gathering at 6:30 PM. RSVP with Vicki Clark - (859) 576-9104



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Thread & Thimble (12/18) - RSVP

When: 4th Monday of the month

Where: Spencer County Extension Office Contact: Gayle Browning - (502) 354-1151

Time: 10:30 AM

Bunco Group (12/5 & 12/19)

When: December 5th & 19th

Where: Spencer County Extension Office Contact: Cindy Neely and Julie Hart Time: (1st) 2:30 PM, (3rd) 5:30 PM Note: Please bring a finger food to share!

Lunch Bunch (12/8)

When: 2nd Friday of the month

Where: Revival Coffee Co. (Taylorsville) Contact: Beth Maxedon - (502) 477-2217

Time: 11 AM

Active Living (December 5th, 12th, & 19th)

When: Every Tuesday of the month Where: Spencer County Extension Office Contact: Beth Maxedon - (502) 477-2217

Time: 10 AM - 11 AM

SAVE THE DATE - June 11, 2024

Louisville Area Homemakers 100th Annual Meeting at MillaNova Winery in Mt. Washington, KY!

We'll make sure to follow up with you as things are finalized.

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E	4 Cook Wild - 5 PM Please bring a side dish to share.	Patch worker Quilt Guild - 10 AM Bunco Group - 2:30 PM Active Living - 10 AM	9	7	Lunch Bunch - 11 AM Revival Coffee Co. 103 Realty Drive, Fisherville, KY	6
10	11	Active Living - 10 AM	Garden Club - 6:30 PM. Please RSVP with Vicki for their Christmas gathering	Loyal Homemakers 11:30 AM - Milano's in Shelbyville Bluegrass Basket Guild - 4 PM	15	16
17	Thread & Thimble - 10:30 AM. Christmas luncheon. RSVP with Gayle and bring a side dish to share!	Patch worker Quilt Guild - 10 AM Bunco Group - 5:30 PM Active Living - 10 AM	Waterford Homemakers 11: 30 AM Claudia Sanders Restaurant. RSVP with Judy.	21	22	23
24 31 Happy New Year's Eve!	Happy Holidays!	26 Happy Holidays!	Happy Holidays!	Happy Holidays!	Happy Holidays!	30 Happy Holidays!



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Community Assessment Survey

Take our ten-minute, state-wide survey to help us develop programs addressing needs in our community.

Scan the code or visit:

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Ratatouille Soup

- 1 small eggplant, peeled and cubed
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 pound lean ground chuck
- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1 medium zucchini, chopped
- 1 medium bell pepper, chopped
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- **1 tablespoon** finely minced garlic (about 3 cloves)
- 1 14.5 ounce can low sodium beef broth
- 1 24 ounce jar chunky garden style pasta sauce 2 cups water
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1 cup uncooked whole grain pasta

Place the cubed eggplant in a colander.

Toss with the salt and let set for 20-25
minutes. Thoroughly rinse in cold water and
press as much water out of the eggplant
as possible. Set aside. In a large heavy pot,
brown the ground beef over medium heat
until crumbly and no longer pink. Drain.
Raise the heat to medium-high. Add the
canola oil to the same pot. Return the beef to
the pot. Add the zucchini, bell pepper, onion
and garlic. Cook together for 5-7 minutes,
until onion is translucent. Add the eggplant
to the mixture and continue to cook for 5

minutes. Add the beef broth, pasta sauce, water and basil. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to medium-low, cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Add the pasta. Raise heat to medium. Bring to a slow boil and cook, stirring occasionally for 10-12 minutes, or until the pasta is tender.

Yield: 12, 1 cup servings

Nutritional Analysis: 210 calories, 10 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 35 mg cholesterol, 680 mg sodium, 19 g carbohydrate, 3 g fiber, 8 g sugar, 13 g protein



Buying Kentucky Proud is easy. Look for the label at your grocery store, farmers' market, or roadside stand.

Deep Dish Apple Cranberry Pie

Ingredients:

- 4 apples
- 2 1/2 cups of cranberries
- 3/4 cups of sugar
- 1/4 cup of all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon of apple pie spice
- ° 1 pie crust

Directions:

- 1. Wash hands with soap and water.
- 2. Stir all ingredients together in a bowl and place in a 10-inch deep dish pie pan.
- 3. Place one pie crust on top of the fruits. Cut 3 or 4 slits to allow the steam to escape.
- 4. Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for about an hour. Serve warm.
- 5. Refrigerate any leftovers.



Cranberries and apples are the perfect combination for this delicious homemade dessert.

Serving size: 1 slice, makes 10 servings.

Source: Food and Health Communications, Inc.