#### Menu

Harvest Soup Pumpkin Bars

#### Game Plan:

- 1. Prepare pumpkin bar batter and place in oven
- 2. Prepare all vegetables and set aside
- 3. Remove bars from oven and cool slightly
- 4. Prepare soup recipe and simmer
- 5. Prepare cream cheese frosting & frost bars
- 6. Clean up and set table
- 7. Serve up & enjoy meal
- 8. Finish cleaning up

# Harvest Soup Serves 8-10

#### Ingredients

- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic
- 1 lb ground turkey
- 1 medium zucchini, sliced
- ½ cup carrots, sliced
- ½ cup celery, sliced
- ½ cup squash, peeled and cubed such as acorn, butternut, or kabocha,
- 1 lb tomatoes, chopped, or 14 oz can tomatoes
- 6 cups chicken or vegetable stock, low sodium
- ½ cup elbow macaroni
- 1/4 tsp each pepper, nutmeg, and salt
- 2 Tblsp parsley, chopped (optional)
- Parmesan cheese garnish

#### **Directions**

- 1. Bring water to boil in a 4-5 quart pot or Dutch oven.
- 2. Cook elbow macaroni 4-5 minutes in boiling water.
- 3. Drain and set aside. Macaroni will be al dente.
- 4. Heat a 4-5 quart pot or Dutch oven over medium high heat.
- 5. Add oil, let warm 30 seconds, and add onions.
- 6. Sauté chopped onions until limp, 2 minutes; add garlic and sauté another 1 minute.
- 7. Add ground meat and sauté until cooked, 5-6 minutes.

- 8. Add zucchini, carrots, celery, and squash, sauté 1 minute more.
- 9. Add tomatoes, broth, salt, pepper and nutmeg.
- 10. Bring to a boil.
- 11. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer 30 minutes.

Note: Soup can be prepared up to 2 days ahead to this point. – However, you may need to add 1 cup of broth if the broth is absorbed)

• Uncover simmering pot, add macaroni, optional parsley and continue to simmer 10 minutes longer. Serve immediately sprinkled with parmesan cheese and a slice of crusty bread.

<b>Nutrient Name</b>	Nutrient Value	Unit	Daily Value %
Calories	180		
Total Fat	8	g	12%
Saturated Fat	2	g	10%
Trans Fat	0 *	g	
Cholesterol	45	mg	15%
Sodium	630	mg	26%
Carbohydrates	12	g	4%
Dietary Fiber	2	g	8%
Sugars	4 *	g	
Protein	14	g	
Vitamin A		IU	40%
Vitamin C		mg	25%
Calcium		mg	4%
Iron		mg	10%

<sup>\*</sup> indicates one or more ingredients in your recipe has an unavailable nutrient value.

# Whole Wheat Pumpkin Bars with Cream Cheese Frosting Serves 16

# Ingredients bars

- 1/2 cups honey
- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 16 ounces can pumpkin
- 4 eggs
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

#### Directions bars

- 1. Pre-heat oven 350°
- 2. Combine all cake ingredients.
- 3. Pour into un-greased 9X 13 inch pan.
- 4. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-35 minutes. Let cool.

# Ingredients frosting

- 4 ounces package cream cheese
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/3 cup apple juice, unsweetened
- ½ cup honey
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

# Directions frosting

- 1. Frost when cooled with:
- 2. Cream softened cream cheese and butter.
- 3. Gradually add sugar beating until well blended.
- 4. Stir in vanilla.
- 5. Frost cooled bars with cream cheese mixture
- 6. Cut into bars

Nutrient Name	Nutrient Value	Unit	Daily Value %
Calories	230		
Total Fat	7	g	11%
Saturated Fat	3.5	g	18%
Trans Fat	0 *	g	
Cholesterol	60	mg	20%
Sodium	320	mg	13%
Carbohydrates	40	g	13%
Dietary Fiber	3	g	12%
Sugars	27	g	
Protein	4	g	
Vitamin A		IU	90%
Vitamin C		mg	2%
Calcium		mg	6%
Iron		mg	8%

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