



Volume IX - First Quarter 2020

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Cooking with Carolyn

Directions:

- 1. Combine hash browns, cheddar cheese, chicken broth and cream cheese in the slow cooker.
- 2. Season to taste with salt and pep-
- 3. Mix thoroughly.
- 4. Place lid on the slow cooker and cook for (3) hours or until potatoes are tender, stirring occasionally. 5. Taste and adjust seasoning if necessary.

Serve in soup bowls, and garnish with cheddar cheese and crumpled crispy bacon pieces. Enjoy!!



Remember, if you have a favorite recipe you would like to submit, contact me at 706 Bearkat Dr., Bossier **City LA 71111 or by** email: **CSegelhorst@bossier-**

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Crock Pot Potato Soup

Ingredients:

- 1-32 oz. bag frozen cubed hash browns (thawed)
- 4- cups chicken broth
- 1-10.5 oz. can condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 8 oz. package cream cheese softened (and cut into cubes)
- 1-1/2 cups sharp cheddar cheese finely shredded (plus extra for garnish)
- 3/4 cup crumpled crisp bacon (plus 1/4 cup for garnish)
- 1/4 tsp sale or salt and pepper to taste.

Volunteer Opportunities *Bingo Callers at all sites (call for day and time) *Helpers during Arts and Crafts time *Purple Martin Houses Repair for Bearkat location

Telephone Reassurance program provided by Bossier Parish Sheriff's Dept. It is one phone call per week to check on home bound seniors. Call 318-965-3500 for more information.

Items Available For Seniors In Need (with current Caregiver Assessment on file): Bathtub Handles, Raised Toilet Seats, Wheelchair Cushions, Incontinence Supplies (diapers, pads and pull-ups...sizes vary) and Walkers (subject to availability). **Note:** The Bossier City Fire Dept. is offering **FREE** smoke alarms for our seniors that do not have them. These are "lifesaving!"

UPCOMING EVENTS

AARP Defensive Driving Classes 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. —706 Bearkat Drive \$15 AARP Member—\$20 Non AARP Member (These fees will change sometime before mid 2020) Call 318-741-8302 to make your reservation). Dates: February 19, 2020, March 18, 2020, April 15, 2020, June 17, 2020, August 19, 2020, September 16, 2020 and October 21, 2020.

9th Annual BCOA Style Show "Roaring Back to the '20's" April 30, 2020 at Hilton Garden Inn Bossier City Individual tickets & table sponsorships available

Specialty Line Dance Lessons: Instructor: Christa Horton

When: 4th Thursday of each month (only when Red Chute Revue is playing)

Time: 6p.m. to 7p.m.

Where: BCOA Bossier City location (706 **Bearkat Drive)**

Contact the Bossier Council on Aging for additional information at 318-741-8302, contactus@bossiercoa.org.

"Coffee And Conversation"



Every Friday 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Various Speakers, Presentations and **Entertainment. Check the calendar and** mark your date to attend. Come enjoy with us a great cup of coffee and stimulating conversation!

"DATES TO REMEMBER"

Bearkat site: Every Tuesday: Grocery Shopping Zip Code 71111;

Every Thursday: Grocery Shopping Zip Code 71112

Every 3rd Thursday: Barksdale BX

Benton site: 1st Tuesday & 3rd Friday: Grocery shopping

Plain Dealing site: 1st Friday: Grocery shopping

*Please remember that if Bossier Parish schools close due to inclement weather, all of our sites close as well.