## **BAKED POTATO SOUP**

## **Ingredients:**

3 lbs. Redskin potatoes, cubed

1/4 c. margarine

1/4 c. flour

2 qts. Half and Half

16 oz. Pasteurized process cheese

spread, melted 1 t. pepper sauce

White pepper and garnish to taste

Garnsh: crumbled bacon, shredded Cheddar cheese, snipped fresh chives.

## **Directions:**

Cover potatoes with water in a large saucepan; bring to a boil. Boil for 10 minutes, until almost cooked; drain and set aside. Melt margarine in large Dutch oven; add flour, mixing until smooth. Gradually add Half & Half, stirring constantly over low heat. Continue to stir until smooth and beginning to thicken. Add melted cheese; stir well. Add potatoes, sauce and seasonings. Cover and simmer over low heat for 30 minutes. Sprinkle with garnishes as desired.

Makes 8 servings.

