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**YWCA IS ON  
A MISSION**



## **Noodle Notes 54: Tidbits to Go**

**By YWCA Food Service Manager, Nola Haiss**

Rather than a recipe, I thought I would share some of the info that I have picked up along the way, and in no particular order. I have no degree in food science or home economics (Is it still called that?); I have just spent a fair amount of time in a kitchen and for numerous reasons (forgot to buy, bought the wrong thing, changed to a different recipe, altogether) I have had to adapt recipes.

First of all, a recipe is a guide, a pattern, that as long as your changes do not affect the chemistry, change something. You do not like cheddar cheese, but lighter or paler cheeses, switch to the Havarti or Col-jack in your fridge. If you like gooey, then it's Mozzarella for you; if not, then Provolone. Parmesan is fine but just so prevalent. I find it very salty and often opt for Romano or if the budget allows, I choose Asiago, which is slightly sweet.

If you are making a streusel and there is not enough granulated sugar, add some brown or even dark brown sugar. It will give a slight hint of molasses, and if what is underneath is apples or pears, keep with the spicier mode and add some nutmeg or cinnamon, etc. You can also throw in some oatmeal, nuts (yes, your choice), grape nuts or coconut. Be brave and clean out the fridge of some of those little bits of this and that are too good to throw away.

For recipes calling for shortening, that does not necessarily mean Crisco. Butter and oleo are also considered shortenings, so your selection depends on what you are making and your tastes. For butter cookies, it is butter (no, butter-flavored Crisco is NOT an alternative), for other cookies I use a combo of oleo and butter; I find some oleo helps stabilize the dough during baking. For pie crusts, I use Crisco. Most other brands of this style of shortening disappeared after 2010, because of government involvement in the trans-fat/polyunsaturated issue and Crisco was the only brand that invested in reformulating its recipe to meet the new standards, although it is now coarser and grainier than before and will require more liquid to make the dough workable.

Then there is the matter of salt, type of baking pans (NO, DO NOT! buy already blackened pans), pasta types, covering stove recipes for the oven, the magic of soup, and depending on the day of the week, whether the government/media feel good or bad about eggs, butter, coffee, and chocolate; just don't even get me started.



## **YWCA Alliance Names New Executive Director**

The YWCA Alliance has named Nicole R. Brubacher as the new Executive Director, beginning April 27, 2020, with the retirement of Gloria Whiteley-Magrath.

Nicole comes with a diverse background in fundraising, organization, operations, and executive leadership. She is a graduate of Youngstown State University with a Bachelors in Psychology.

Nicole is originally from Warren and lived in Columbus as a fundraiser and organizer before relocation to north east Ohio and she now resides in Atwater, Ohio.

No matter where she is, Nicole brings with her the belief in doing meaningful work that impacts the lives of others in the community of which we serve. She looks forward to the hard work and dedication that Executive Director, Gloria Whiteley-Magrath, YWCA staff, and Board of Directors have done for the past 94 years for the Mission of impacting the lives of women and eliminating racism.

***Welcome, Nicole***

**YWCA Alliance Women's Clothes Closet  
Emergency Assistance Fund**

The YWCA Woman's Clothing Closet and emergency assistance funds are by emergency appointment only. Essential YWCA services are operational, including transitional housing and Meals on Wheels. Regulations are being monitored and adjusted as new directions unfold.

**YWCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
(2020 – 2021)**

- Karen Perone - President
- Callie Flonnoy - President-Elect
- Janelle Jones - Secretary
- Karen Russell - Treasurer
- Reneé Young - Immediate Past-President

**BOARD MEMBERS**

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| Brianna Boehlke    | Hillary Johnston |
| Nancy Castellucci  | Libby Patterson  |
| Anne Christo-Baker | Michelle Sams    |
| Suzie Dennis       | Sherri Siefke    |
| Elaine Dunlap      | Jane Wearstler   |

**ABC FOR KIDS**

The YWCA ABC for Kids Project continues to provide supplies for children in our Alliance community.

Again, we are asking for your help in order to achieve the continuing success of this project. Please consider making a donation to the YWCA ABC for Kids Project by Friday, May 29, 2020.

Thank you for your continuing support of the children in our community. We will focus on children who participated in the Summer Explorers 2019 Program.

**YWCA MISSION**

**YWCA Alliance is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.**

**A Fond Farewell**



I would like to thank you again for allowing me to serve as your president this past year. We started off the year continuing with our Meals on Wheels, the Alliance Navigators After School and Summer Explorers programs and moved right into Carnation Golf Scramble and the Apple Dumplings Booth. We continued to rock our community with much needed resources, support services and opportunities. None of these things would have been possible without the help and support of our YWCA members, Board and Staff of which I am honored to be a part. In ending my second year as President, I have been blessed to work with an amazing group of women.

Our director, Gloria Whitely-McGrath, is one of them. Gloria is retiring as director after 30 years of service. I would like to personally thank her for her many years of service. Someone once asked Gloria why she was working late and she replied, "Where can I find a job that I love and can help so many people?" Her passion touches the lives of so many women, families, and seniors in our community. Although she is retiring, she is not leaving the Alliance area. We look forward to our new relationship. It is difficult to think of the YWCA without her, but she is leaving us in the capable hands of Nicole Brubaker, our new YWCA Director. The Board is excited and ready to continue our mission of eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

Reneé Young  
Immediate Past President  
YWCA Alliance

**2020 YWCA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

The YWCA Board of Directors has postponed this year's Annual Meeting, which was scheduled for the last weekend in April. Their decision was driven by the current stay at home order, the uncertainty of the time line to allow gatherings again, and our Association's mandatory meeting notice requirements found in our YWCA's Bylaws. While the meeting is postponed, the transition of leadership will occur as planned.

Current Board and nominating committee members will expire on April 30, 2020 and new terms will begin May 1, 2020. Leaving the Board with our deepest thanks for their service are Board members, Linda Pauli, Cheryl Robertson, Kathy Stroia, and Cindy Winner.

**25th Annual Carnation Golf  
Scramble**

- **Four Person Florida Scramble**

**Friday, July 31, 2020**

**9:00 a.m. shotgun start**

**Men's, Women's, and Mixed  
Divisions**

**Mixed teams must have at least 2 women**

**Cost:** \$70.00 per person,  
(includes golf fees, lunch, and more)

**Deadline: July 24, 2020**

Tannenhauf Golf Club  
11411 McCallum Rd.  
Alliance, Ohio

**Teds**

**Auto  
Sales**

**\$1,000  
Hole in One  
Contest**

**\$100 cash prizes  
on closest to the  
pin on Par 3 holes**

**"Tell Your YW Story"**

**Who better to convey our story than YW members  
and stake-holders?**

One of my fondest memories at the YWCA Alliance is of the Mother/Daughter Book Club. Rodman Public Library and the YWCA Alliance collaborated to bring this program to the YWCA. Pat Stone of Rodman Public Library lead the group until her busy schedule would no longer permit it and she was followed by Janet Metzger. After reading each book girls and their mothers or grandmothers gathered to discuss the book each month. We enjoyed a snack, which always related to the book. The list of books grew and we bonded together as a group. Time passed and the group was nearing fifty books read.

As not every book had a happy ending, so it was Mother Daughter Book Club. A member of our group was Mary, who came with her granddaughter. She was a faithful participant. This Grandmother of our group developed an illness that eventually took her life. When she was no longer able to attend our gatherings, we carried on with our monthly meetings. On a meeting night which was close to the end of our discussion groups, she slipped away.

Mother/Daughter Book club made a donation of a book to Rodman Public Library in her memory. What a fitting way to honor her. Books brought our group together. What we began will continue as mothers, grandmothers, daughters and granddaughters choose books to read and share their adventures with others. We know that our story will be told and retold with them.

Jan Ossler  
Program Director  
YWCA Alliance

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