WELLNESS JOURNEY:
KITCHEN ON FIRE COOKING DEMO: GOOD
FOOD AT HOME THAT BALANCES YOUR BUDGET
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## WELLNESS JOURNEY: BENEFITS OF KEEPING IT SIMPLE

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We are continuing our wellness journey to make positive changes to help balance our full plate. Today we will focus on rethinking the benefits of frozen foods.

We will join Chef Olive as he makes fajitas in honor of Hispanic Heritage month!

We will demo how to slice, dice and freeze in advance and then defrost and cook when you are ready!

> Did someone say TexMex? We will come back to this...©

Attendees will be entered into a raffle for a prize!



Traditional favorites can be made at home! Save money and time while maximizing flavor and nutrients!

> We have a plan for 2023 based on what we are hearing from the team!

Need a quick healthy meal that fits your budget? And you know we will never skimp on quality!

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## WHO ARE KITCHEN ON FIRE & OCEAN VIEW NUTRITION?

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## **Good Ingredients, Simple Cooking, Better Health**

From public cooking classes to corporate events to individual consulting and everything in between (Currently both Virtual and In-Person)

Bringing people together through Cooking, Good Nutrition and Community Outreach

BUY seasonal, local, organic and GMO free when possible
COOK using healthy cooking techniques
EAT a variety of wholesome foods including herbs and spices
SHARE and enjoy meals with friends and family
AWARENESS of allergies and sensitivities

We make healthy cooking a part of daily life ©

# **OBJECTIVES FOR TODAY**

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#### Rethink the benefits of frozen foods

- Financial choices to maximize health
- Save time with a little menu planning
- Freeze and defrost to retain nutrients
- Create SMART Goals!





Where nutrition, simplicity and flavor come together

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## A THROW BACK OF CHEF OLIVE FOR OUR TEXMEX MENU

Late 80's Paris, France





### ELEVATE FINANCIAL CHOICES TO MAXIMIZE HEALTH

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- Reducing overall grocery expenses by utilizing frozen food options
  - · Longer shelf life
  - · Reducing food waste
  - · No need to rush to use perishable ingredients
  - Buy bulk or on sale
- Buy local, seasonal fresh produce and freeze them
  - Benefits local growers
  - It is less expensive
  - Preserves nutrients

What items do you currently consider buying frozen? Any questions for us?

Step up your freezer habits! Maximize nutrients while saving time and \$\$!

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### SAVE TIME WITH A LITTLE MENU PLANNING

Always Available: Convenience and Time-Saving

- Avoid resorting to 'fast-food' if you can't make it to the store
- Keep some pre-packaged organic vegetables & quality proteins in the freezer
- Freeze your go-to essentials to be ready for drop-in guests

Out of season? It's okay...

- Freeze in advance -- have your favorites when you want them
- Buy frozen organic fruits and vegetables
  - Great for quick dinners
  - Good way to get extra veggies into your day
  - Smoothies an easy addition of fruits and veggies

When is frozen better than Fresh?

How many servings of veggies should we generally target each day?

### FREEZE AND DEFROST TO RETAIN NUTRIENTS

What should go into the freezer

- Only freeze items you will take out and use!
- Purge old items periodically
- Label and date everything

#### Containers

- Leave space for expansion, especially when using glass
- Seal in freshness by adding a little oil on top of condiments
- Zipper freezer bags can save space (remove air before sealing)
- Plastic is fine for freezing if foods are not hot when storing
- Warning: Inexpensive or brittle plastic containers may crack

Frozen foods became a negative concept with 'Hungry Man' TV dinners in the 70's. Let's change that stigma with some good alternatives!

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#### Freeze and defrost to retain nutrients

#### Defrosting

- When possible, put frozen items in the fridge the night before when cooking
- If needed immediately
  - Baking -- Toss with oil and salt; place of sheet tray at 400
  - Stove top or grill Defrost before cooking by running container under cold running water
  - Avoid microwaving to defrost

POP QUIZ!

If you are not sure when you will use your fresh vegetables, is it better to:

- a. Slice and freeze raw
- b. Cook and eat them within a few days
- c. Cook, freeze and defrost when I'm ready
- d. Wait and hope to use them
- e. Call Chef Olive

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Start thinking about your goals today!

- 2 goals to benefit from using frozen foods as part of your weekly routine.
- □ Have fun with these goals go home and talk about it over dinner tonight!

Specific
Measurable
take Action
be Realistic
Time-oriented

What is your first SMART goal? Anything to share?

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### WE WILL SEE YOU MONTHLY TO PROVIDE MORE IDEAS AND DEMOS!

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- Nutrition and Lifestyle Discussions + Demos to eat well with a full plate
  - The impact of stress, Revamp your weekly Routine, Benefits of a Zen kitchen, Healthy
    partially pre-made meals, Making cooking enjoyable Fun with Food, Simple sauces to
    change up your meals, Health & financial benefits of home cooking
- Individual Nutrition Consultations
  - A limited number of 1:1 sessions with Lisa Look out for opportunities to register in 2023
- Recipes Resources and Videos https://www.kitchenonfire.com/recipes-and-demos
  - Web page with guick nightly meal videos from Chef Olive
  - Web page with Lisa and Chef Olive's web resource recommendations for how and where find healthy, well-organized, simple recipes
- Health Fair (November 1st) and Happy Hour in December
  - Rounding out the year with the Health Fair & Holiday Happy Hour!
- Want some cool free gifts related to cooking?
  - Look out for raffles and other fun gifts as you attend events!

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Link to today's presentation, demo info and more <a href="https://www.kitchenonfire.com/lifestyle-changes-when-our-plate-is-full">https://www.kitchenonfire.com/lifestyle-changes-when-our-plate-is-full</a>

