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Monday Morning SNAPA Newsletter

December 2, 2019

Monday Morning is the bi-weekly School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania newsletter that keeps our members up to date with member professional growth and advocacy opportunities!

Your connection to local
chapter meetings and
educational opportunities!

****NEW FORMAT****



[Click here](#) to visit our website and updated
[local chapter meetings](#) for November and
December! CEU credits available!

School Nutrition Web News

[School lunch have become more nutritious, no kidding!](#)
Washington Post

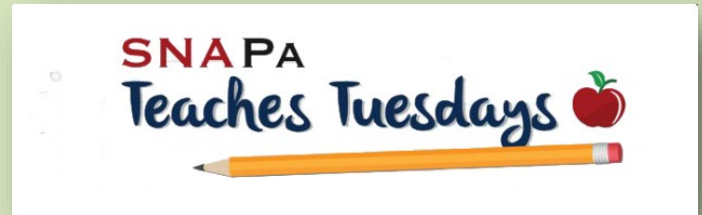
[Lunch Lady Lyricists Win Big in Mississippi](#)
Magnolia State Live

[Agriculture Day Celebrated with School-Grown
Cucumbers](#)
WRDW

[Happy 95th Birthday, Granny!](#)
WBNS 10TV

[Florida Farm-to-School Program has \\$144 Million
Economic Impact](#)

DON'T MISS SNAPA WEBINARS



Tuesday, December 17, 2019
2 PM – 3 PM

Topic: **Stirring Up Interest in Plant-Forward
Menus!**

Presenters: Pittsburgh Food Policy Council &
Friends of the Earth U.S.

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DID YOU KNOW?

****SNAPA Webinars are recorded for
members to view at their
convenience! ****

[Click here to view SNAPA recorded
webinars.](#)

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Give to the Pennsylvania School Food Service Foundation

TOMORROW IS
#GIVINGTUESDAY

The Pennsylvania School Food Service Foundation is the non – profit arm of SNAPA that provides awards & Scholarships through your generous giving. Please help support our efforts by donating today!
Click the donate button below to Donate Now.

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SNA Training Zone Webinar Wednesday

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

2 PM – 3 PM

Topic: Top 10 Steps to Managing the Procurement Process (and Preventing a Bid Protest!)



Celebrate December

December 1st- Eat A Red Apple Day!

December 4th – National Cookie Day!

December 7th- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day!

December 12th – Poinsettia Day!

December 16th – Chocolate Covered Anything Day!

December 17th – National Maple Syrup Day

December 19th- National Oatmeal Muffin Day

December 22nd- **Hanukkah Begins (sundown)**

December 24th – National Eggnog Day!

December 25th- Christmas Day

December 26th Kwanzaa Begins

December 28th – National Chocolate Day

December 31st- New Year's Eve





CHAPTER NEWS

December 2019

USDA FARM TO SCHOOL CENSUS DEADLINE DECEMBER 6, 2019

REMINDER: Please Complete the USDA Farm to School Census

The 2019 Farm to School Census is reaching the home stretch, with the [window for submitting surveys closing December 6!](#) USDA is encouraging all school food authorities (SFAs) to complete their Census surveys as soon as possible to ensure that their important work is reflected in this updated report.

The Farm to School Census is the only nationwide survey measuring the extent of Farm to School activity in schools and the utilization of local food products in school feeding programs. In this year's Farm to School Census, USDA is collecting information from all schools participating in Federal School Meal Programs; including public and private schools, charter schools, and residential facilities.

If you are an SFA, your PEARS main contact should have received information by email from Abt Associates regarding completion of the survey beginning in late summer 2019. If you have questions regarding your Farm to School Census Survey, please contact Abt Associates by phone or through email.

ABT Associates Toll Free Number: (855) 452-5794

ABT Associates Farm to School Census Respondent Email Support: farmentoschool@abtassoc.com

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Westmoreland Chapter 26

Over fifty members of Chapter 26 met at the newly built Greater Latrobe Elementary School on November 13, 2019. There were a wide variety of yummy appetizers in addition to the delicious tailgate themed meal prepared by Sue Olbrys of Acosta Marketing. In addition to the pretzel bites, spinach-artichoke dip, chicken, salads & delicious Sweet Street desserts we also enjoyed some trendy pho noodle bowls. Kara Stenger from the GLSD gave an informative & interactive presentation on "Serving Students More Than Lunch" that gave members practical advice to use at work when interacting with students with special needs in the cafeteria line. We raised money with a 50:50 raffle, basket and door prize raffles, money give away and a fun Chinese auction. Many thanks to Sue and Jillian Meloy and her staff for hosting, decorating and sharing their appetizer recipes including:

Whipped Pumpkin Dip recipe.

Ingredients:

- 1 (8oz) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/2 c confectioner's sugar
- 2 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1 (8 oz) container frozen whipped topping, thawed

Directions: Beat cream cheese in a bowl with an electric mixer until smooth; mix in pumpkin puree until smooth. Stir confectioner's sugar and pumpkin pie spice into mixture until evenly mixed; fold in whipped topping. cover bowl with plastic wrap and refrigerate for flavors to blend, about 2 hours. Can serve with ginger snaps, vanilla wafer or graham crackers.