

## **MOM'S PARTY CASSEROLE**

<b>1 lb. Hamburger</b>	<b>1 T. onion, chopped fine</b>
<b>1 C. cold water</b>	<b>1 T. green pepper, chopped fine</b>
<b>4 T. melted butter</b>	<b>2 (8oz.) cans tomato sauce</b>
<b>1 C. cottage cheese</b>	<b>1 (8oz.) pkg. wide noodles</b>
<b>1/4 C. sour cream</b>	<b>1 (8oz.) cream cheese, softened</b>
<b>1 T. butter</b>	
<b>1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce</b>	

Begin boiling water for noodles. Meanwhile, sauté onion and green pepper in a little olive or vegetable oil until softened but not browned. Remove from skillet and set aside. Brown the hamburger; drain, add tomato sauce, stir to combine and remove from heat. Cook the noodles according to pkg. directions. In a large bowl, mix the cottage cheese, cream cheese, sour cream and Worcestershire sauce. Set aside. Important—when the noodles are done, add the cup of cold water, then drain. Place half of the noodles in a casserole dish coated with cooking spray. Cover with the cheese mixture. Place the rest of the noodles evenly over the cheese mixture. Pour the melted butter evenly over the noodles. Spread the hamburger mixture over the noodles. Bake in 350° F oven for 30 minutes.

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