<u>Broccoli Leek Soup</u> (The Stop's Good Food for All cookbook)

Serves 6

2 Tb oil

1 Tb butter

2 bunches broccoli, stems and florets separated and into chopped into bite-sized pieces

2 leeks, white and light green parts only, washed and finely diced

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 russet potato, peeled and diced

6 ½ cups chicken stock

Salt and Pepper

1 cup grated extra-sharp cheddar cheese

Heat butter and oil in mid-sized pot over med-high heat. Add broccoli stems and leeks and sauté until leeks are translucent, about 6 minutes. Season with salt, add the garlic, and sauté another minute. Add the stock, florets, and potatoes; bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer uncovered 15 minutes; until veggies are tender.

Remove from heat and let cool a bit before blending it with an immersion blender until smooth. Serve with grated cheese on top.