Chef at the Market – September 10, 2011 **Chef James Leedy, The Braided Main inside the Holiday Inn** 1900 Hilltop Drive, Redding, CA 96002 – (530) 949-0704

Western Style Spaghetti Squash Hashbrowns

1 large spaghetti squash (need enough for 8 cups)

2 egg whites

1 cup panko bread crumbs

1 red bell pepper, diced

2 cloves garlic, diced

1 medium sweet onion, diced

2 Tbs parsley, minced

1 Tbsp fresh basil, finely chopped

1 Tbsp garlic pepper mix (1 ½ tsp garlic powder, 1 tsp pepper, ½ tsp salt)

1 cup grated parmesan cheese

4 Tbsp olive oil

- 1. Cut squash in half and place on a sheet pan with inside facing up. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until squash is softened.
- 2. Allow squash to cool, then scrape into a bowl (all the way to the shell) using a large spoon.
- 3. Add egg whites and panko. Mix gently.
- 4. Add remaining vegetables, herbs, spices and parmesan cheese. Mix gently and place in refrigerator for 30 minutes.
- 5. Form into burger size patties, about a ½ inch thick.
- 6. Heat olive oil in a skillet, then brown squash patties evenly on both sides.

Enjoy hot as an alternative to traditional hash browns.