## Chef at the Market – Saturday, June 22, 2013 Recipes presented by Sadie Roy, Chartwells at Simpson University

# Walnut Basil Pesto

You can substitute pine nuts for this recipe as well. Using a good quality extra virgin olive oil is what makes this dish a healthy dish. This recipe pairs well with chicken, fish and vegetables.

#### **Ingredients:**

- 1 cup walnuts
- 3 Tbsp garlic
- 4 ½ cups packed basil
- ½ cup mint
- 1 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1 cup olive oil
- Salt and pepper

### **Directions:**

Blend walnuts for 15 seconds. Next add garlic, basil, mint, and parmesan cheese. Slowly add olive oil while the blender is running. Add salt and pepper to taste.

### Pesto Pasta with Pan Roasted Tomatoes

This recipe is a great use of the abundant tomatoes available. Can use sweet 100, grape or cherry tomatoes. The roasted tomatoes also pair well with fish, beef, and lamb.

### <u>Ingredients:</u>

- 1 pound sweet 100 or grape tomatoes
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 Tbsp fresh basil, chopped
- 2 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 1 pound cooked pasta
- ½ cup walnut pesto (see recipe below)
- 1/4 cup parmesan cheese
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### **Directions:**

Sauté tomatoes in olive oil until tender; add garlic and basil. Sauté for another 2 minutes then add balsamic vinegar and stir to coat. Toss pasta with pesto, tomatoes, and parmesan cheese. Add salt and pepper to taste.