# NOURISHING TRADITIONAL DIETS The Key to Vibrant Health



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## WHAT IS A HEALTHY DIET?



Even Lisa is confused!

Atkins Diet? Vegetarian/Vegan? Zone Diet? Macrobiotic? South Beach Diet? Juicing? Food Combining? Blood Type Diet? Metabolic Typing? All Raw?

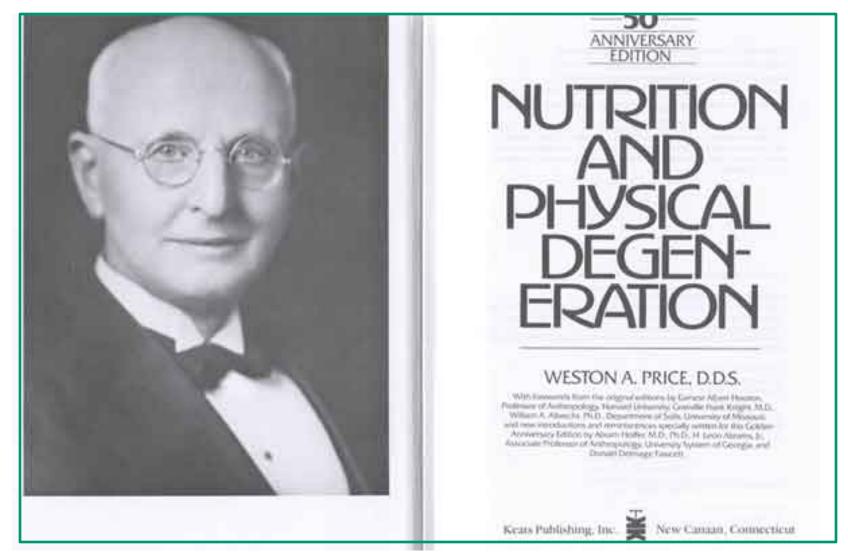
## Or is it the US Government Official Diet. . .



... designed to promote the products of commodity agriculture?

... and resulting in an epidemic of obesity, learning disorders and malnutrition! 3

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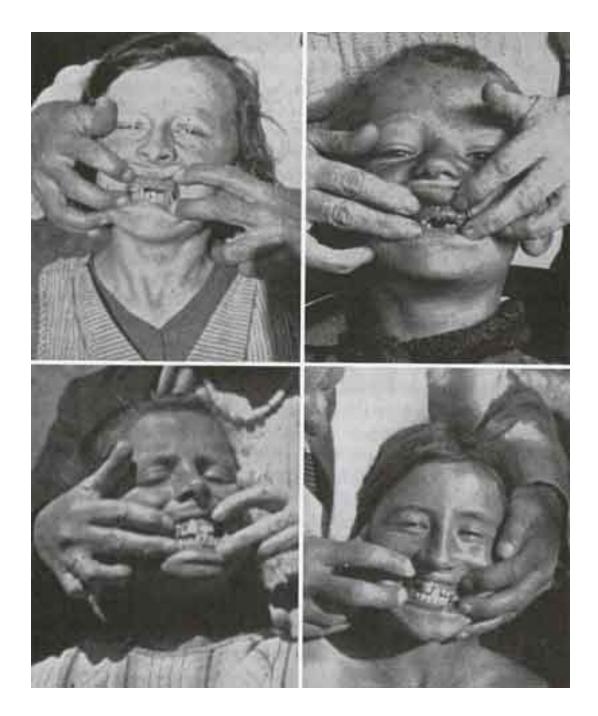
#### LOETSCHENTAL VALLEY, SWITZERLAND





### PRIMITIVE SWISS





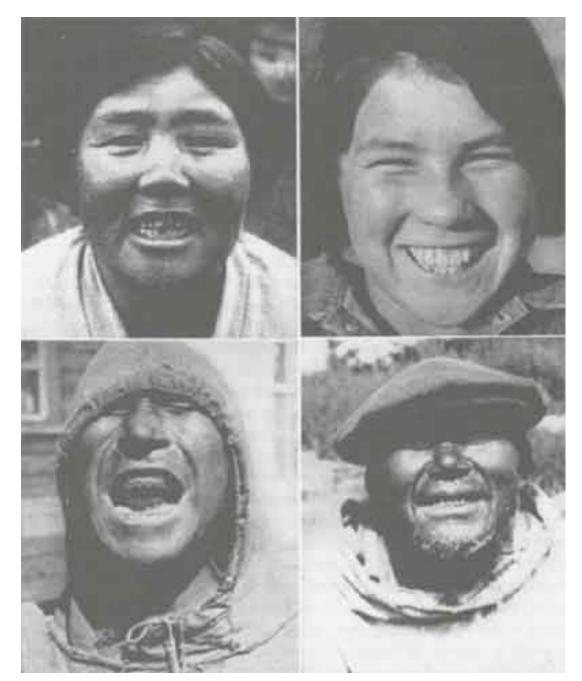
#### MODERNIZED SWISS



#### PRIMITIVE GAELIC PEOPLE



### PRIMITIVE ALASKAN PEOPLE



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Free of tooth decay and degenerative disease.



MODERNIZED ALASKANS

First generation suffered from tooth decay.

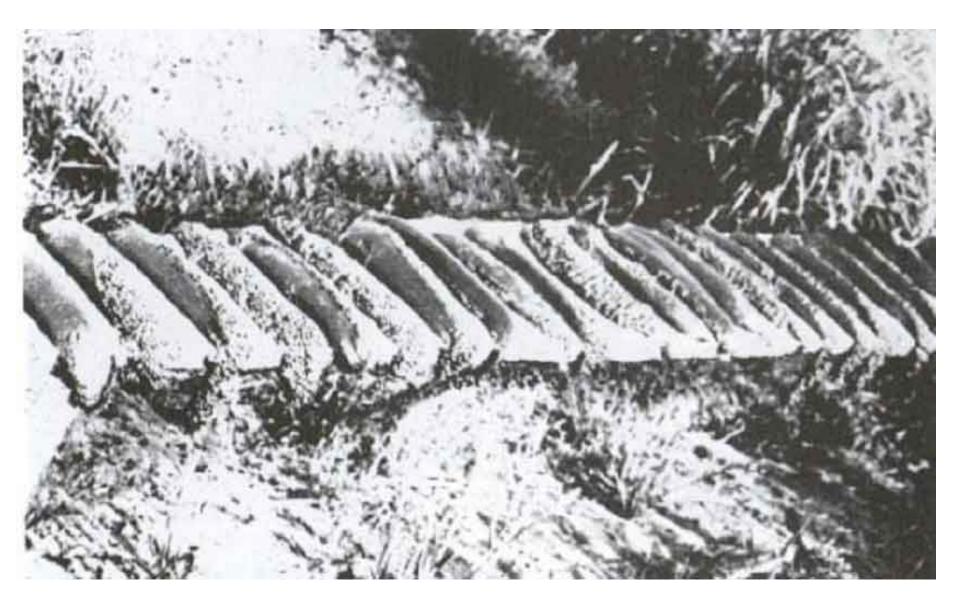


MODERNIZED ALASKANS

Second generation had more narrow faces, dental crowding and suffered from modern diseases.

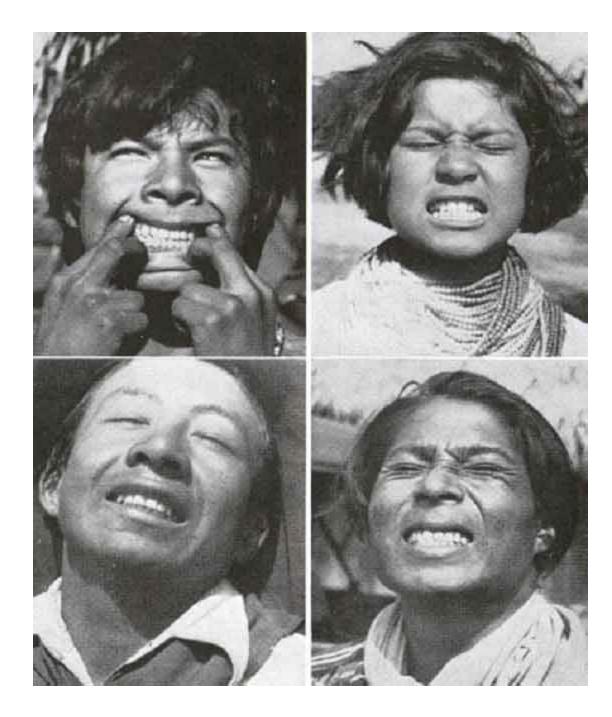


SEAL OIL: A major source of calories in a diet containing 80 percent fat.



FISH EGGS: A sacred food of the Eskimos, for ensuring healthy babies.

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PRIMITIVE SEMINOLE INDIANS of FLORIDA

Beautiful facial development shows optimal expression of genetic potential.



MODERNIZED SEMINOLE INDIAN of FLORIDA

Poor diet has prevented optimal expression of the genetic potential.

## THE TEETH TELL THE TALE!

STRAIGHT TEETH	CROOKED, CROWDED TEETH	
Plenty of room in head for pituitary, pineal, hypothalamus	Compromised space for master glands in the head	
Good skeletal development, good muscles	Poor development, poor posture, easily injured	
Keen eyesight and hearing	Poor eyesight and hearing	
Optimal function of all organs	Compromised function of all organs	
Optimistic outlook, learns easily	Depression, behavior problems, learning problems	
Round pelvic opening, easy childbirth	Oval pelvic opening, difficult childbirth	

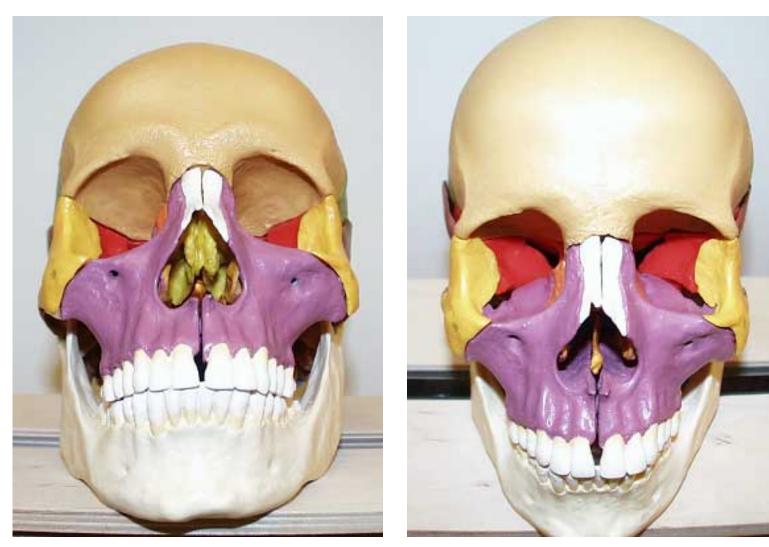
## MODERN VS TRADITIONAL FACIAL STRUCTURE



### **TYPICAL DENTAL DEFORMITIES**



## THE FACIAL BONES





PRE WWII AMERICAN

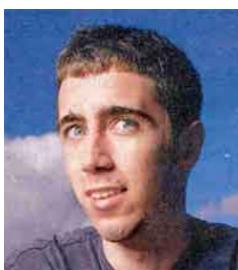
Diet included whole raw Jersey milk, butter, cream, shellfish, fish eggs, meat, broth, fruits, vegetables, cod liver oil

### NORMAL FACIAL DEVELOPMENT



The typical Central American diet includes raw goat milk, seafood, organ meats, insects, cheese, rice and beans.











## MODERN CHILDREN

Most modern children have thin faces and need braces to straighten their teeth

# EVERY TRADITIONAL DIET CONTAINS ANIMAL FOODS

- FISH AND SHELLFISH: including organs, oil, bones, heads, etc. Weston Price found the best bone structure among those eating seafood
- BIRDS: Chicken, ducks, geese, etc., including the organs, fat and skin.
- RED MEAT: Beef, goat, sheep, game, etc., with ORGAN MEATS and FAT preferred.

#### MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

EGGS REPTILES INSECTS

## ANIMAL FOOD NUTRIENTS

THESE NUTRIENTS ARE FOUND ONLY IN ANIMAL PRODUCTS

Vitamin A

Vitamin D

Cholesterol

Vitamin B12

Very Long Chain, Superunsaturated fatty acids (AA, EPA and DHA) THESE NUTRIENTS ARE MORE EASILY ABSORBED FROM ANIMAL PRODUCTS

> Calcium B6 Magnesium

> > Iron

Zinc

Copper

## VITAMIN B12 DEFICIENCY

EARLY SIGNS	PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS	CHRONIC DISEASE
Fatigue	Depression	Multiple sclerosis
Tingling in hands and feet	Obsessive- compulsion	Anemia
Sleep disorders	Manic- depression	Cancer
Irrational anger	Dementia/ Alzheimer's	Heart disease

NUTRIENT DENSITY Dr. Price's Key Finding

Primitive Diets contain 4 times the calcium and other minerals, and
10 times the fat-soluble vitamins as the modern American diet.

### SOURCES OF VITAMINS A and D

**SEAFOODS** Fish Eggs **Fish Livers Fish Liver Oil Fish Heads** Shell Fish **Oily Fish** Sea Mammals



LAND ANIMALS **GRASS-FED!** Insects **Butter and Cream** Egg Yolks Liver, Organ Meats **Animal Fat** (Especially mono-gastric animals such as

(birds, pig, bear, Guinea pig)

#### THE FAT-SOLUBLE ACTIVATORS A and D

A question arises as to the efficiency of the human body in removing all of the minerals from the ingested foods. Extensive laboratory determinations have shown that most people cannot absorb more than half of the calcium and phosphorus from the foods eaten. The amounts utilized depend directly on the presence of other substances, particularly fat-soluble vitamins.

It is at this point probably that the greatest breakdown in our modern diet takes place, namely, in the ingestion and utilization of adequate amount of the special activating substances, including the vitamins [A and D] **needed for rendering the minerals in the food available to the human system.** 

It is possible to starve for minerals that are abundant in the foods eaten because they cannot be utilized without an adequate quantity of the fat-soluble activators.

Weston Price, DDS *Nutrition and Physical Degeneration* 

## **BRICKS AND MORTAR**



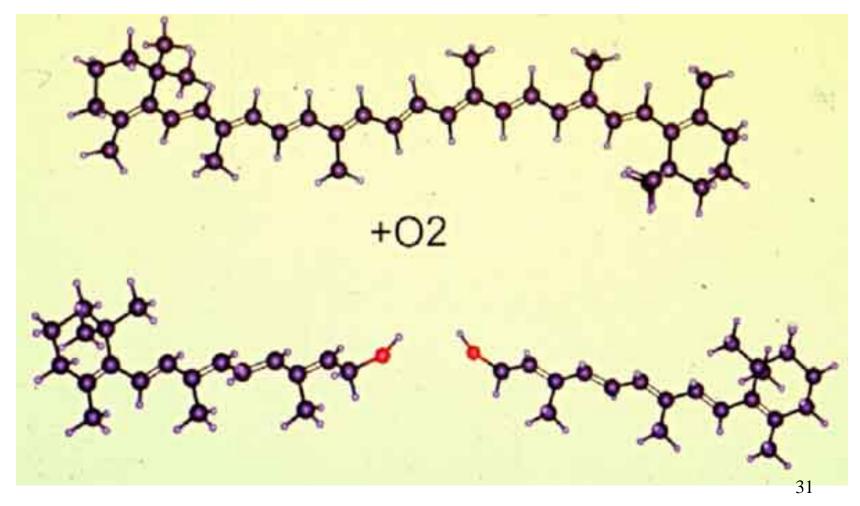
The body is like a house or temple, built of bricks and mortar

BRICKS = Minerals



MORTAR = Fat-Soluble Activators A and D

### CONVERSION OF BETA-CAROTENE TO VITAMIN A



## **CONVERSION PROBLEMS**

#### **Needed to Convert Carotene to Vitamin A**

Fats in the dietThyroid HormoneEnzymes (as yet unknown)Vitamin E

#### **Conversion & storage is difficult or impossible for**

BABIES AND CHILDREN DIABETICS
Individuals with poor thyroid function
Individuals with poor liver function
Individuals with poor intestinal absorption
Individuals with high intake of sodium nitrites and nitrates
Individuals exposed to pesticides and other toxins
Individuals who consume lots of carotene

#### Even under optimal conditions, plant sources of carotene cannot supply sufficient vitamin A for optimum health.

# VITAMIN A is NEEDED FOR

Protein assimilation

Calcium assimilation

Proper growth

Fetal development and prevention of birth defects Proper function of the glands Thyroid function Immune system function Production of stress and sex hormones

Eyes, skin, bones

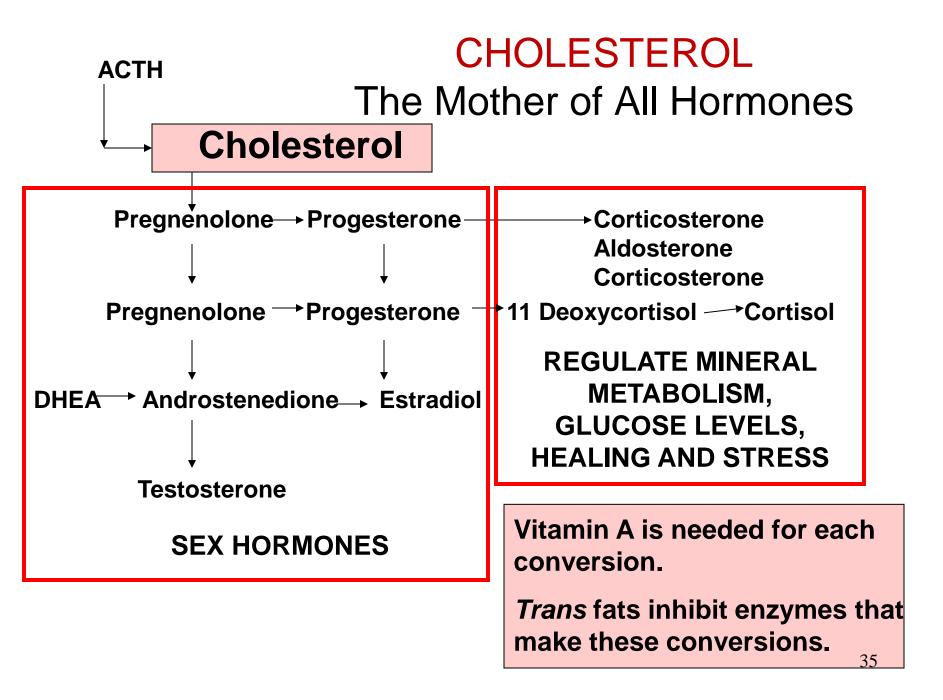
Brain function, planning and goal-oriented behavior

# **PRE-CONCEPTUAL DIET**



Human Embryo at 6 Days Old. Heart is already forming.

- Diet rich in sacred foods must begin BEFORE conception
- At least SIX MONTHS for healthy men and women
- ONE TO TWO YEARS for those who have been vegetarians, eaten the standard American diet or have been exposed to pesticides and industrial chemicals.



## VITAMIN A is DEPLETED by

Stress Excess Dietary Protein Cold Weather Fever and Illness Physical Exertion Exposure to Toxins

### VITAMIN D MYTH

MYTH - To get adequate vitamin D, just expose your face and hands to sunlight for 10 minutes every day.

TRUTH - The body makes one form of vitamin D out of cholesterol by the action of UV-B sunlight on the skin. However, except in the Tropics, UV-B is available only at MID-DAY during the SUMMER months.





# VITAMIN D FOOD SOURCES

All healthy primitive groups, including those living in the tropics, had rich dietary sources of vitamin D.

Fish liver oils	Butter		
Fish Eggs	Egg yolks		
Shell fish	Organ meats		
Oily Fish	Fat of birds		
Insects	Fat of pigs		

Blood

### ROLES OF VITAMIN D

Healthy bones Proper growth Mineral metabolism Muscle tone Reproduction Healthy skin

Insulin production

Immune system

Nervous system

**Cell function** 

Feel good chemicals

Longevity

### SOURCES of FAT-SOLUBLE ACTIVATORS IN THE TRADITIONAL AMERICAN DIET



Also: Organ meats such as liver, and contained in sausage, scrapple, liverwurst, pate etc.

## ACTIVATOR $X = VITAMIN K_2$

**ANIMAL FORM:** K2 is the animal form of vitamin K, made from K1, the plant form

**GROWTH:** Plays important role, especially in facial development. (Sign of deficiency: Underdevelopment of middle third of the face.)

**BONES AND TEETH:** Needed for deposition of phosphorus and calcium in bones and teeth

**HEART DISEASE:** Prevents calcification and inflammation of the arteries

**BRAIN:** Involved in synthesis of myelin sheath; supports learning capacity

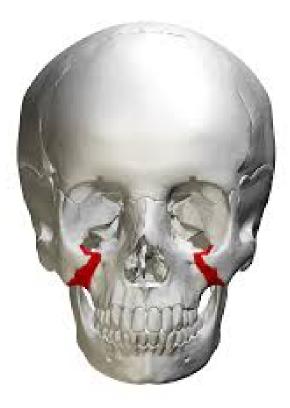
**REPRODUCTION:** Vital for normal reproduction

# THE SYNERGY OF VITAMINS A, D and $K_2$

Vitamin K activates proteins after signaling by Vitamins A and D

A D

Vitamins A and D tell cells to make certain proteins



Vitamin K2, supported by vitamins A and D, prevents the growth plates from closing prematurely, including the growth plates in the maxilla.



### FOOD SOURCES OF VITAMIN K<sub>2</sub>



BEAR FAT

NATTO (FERMENTED SOY)

**GOOSE LIVER/DUCK LIVER** 

**GOOSE FAT/DUCK FAT** 

AGED CHEESES

EGG YOLK

BUTTER

CHICKEN LIVER

FATTY MEATS



### KEY NUTRIENTS FOR BRAIN DEVELOPMENT

VITAMIN A: Cod Liver Oil, Liver, Butter and Egg Yolks from Grass-Fed Animals

VITAMIN D: Cod Liver Oil, Lard, Butter and Egg Yolks from Grass-Fed Animals

VITAMIN K: Butter, Egg Yolks and Organ Meats from Grass-Fed Animals

CHOLINE: Liver, Egg Yolks

DHA: Cod Liver Oil, Liver, Butter, Egg Yolks

ARACHIDONIC ACID: Butter and meat fats

ZINC: Red Meat, Shell Fish

# **IMPORTANT SACRED FOODS**

Butter from pastured cows

- Lard from pastured animals
- Raw milk and cheese
- Eggs, especially yolks, from pastured animals Cod liver oil
- Liver and other organ meats
- Oily fish and shellfish
- Fish eggs
- Bone broths

### GRASSFED BUTTER: THE QUEEN OF FATS

- Rich source of fat-soluble activators, A, D and K<sub>2</sub>. Also an excellent source of vitamin E.
- Source of protective shorter-chain fatty acids
- Provides cholesterol and
- An excellent source of arachidonic acid (AA)



### THE MANY ROLES OF SATURATED FAT

**CELL MEMBRANES** – should be 50% saturated fatty acids.

**BONES** – Saturated fats help the body put calcium in the bones.

**HEART DISEASE** – Lower Lp(a), a marker for heart disease.

**HEART FUNCTION** – Saturated fats are preferred food for the heart.

**LIVER** – Saturated fats protect the liver from alcohol & other poisons.

**LUNGS** – Can't function without saturated fats.

**KIDNEYS** – Can't function without saturated fats.

**IMMUNE SYSTEM** – Enhanced by saturated fats.

**ESSENTIAL FATTY ACIDS** – Work together with saturated fats.

**DETOXIFICATION** – Supports body's detox mechanisms



### CONFINEMENT vs. GRASS-FED BUTTER BUTTER

10-13 times more vitamin A and 3 times more vitamin D in grass-fed butter



### THE SACRED COW

Transforms green grass and sunlight into vitamins A, D and K.

#### Why drink it?

Whole Food High in amino acids Source of prebiotics Rich in probiotics Healthy fatty acids (i.e. CLA) Good Bacteria creates lactase No hormones/antibiotcs Great taste Rich in Vitamin D Nutrient Dense like Breast Milk

#### Health Benefits

Raw Milk

Less allergenic No Lactose Intolerance Less eczema/dermatitis Less asthma Increased antibodies Anti-Inflammatory

### **Deaths During a 10-Year Period**





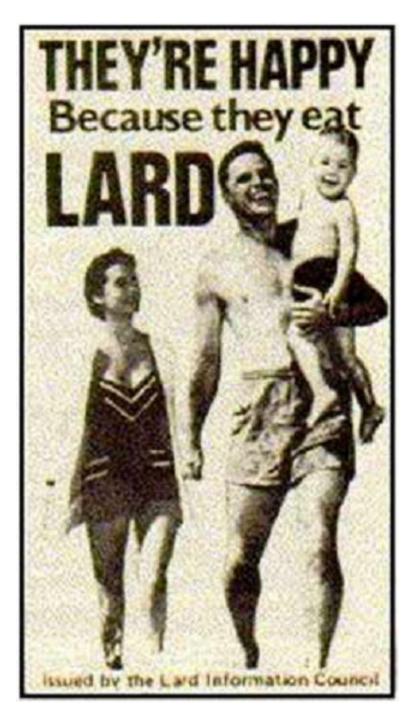
#### **RAW CHEESE FROM PASTURED ANIMALS** A complete food!



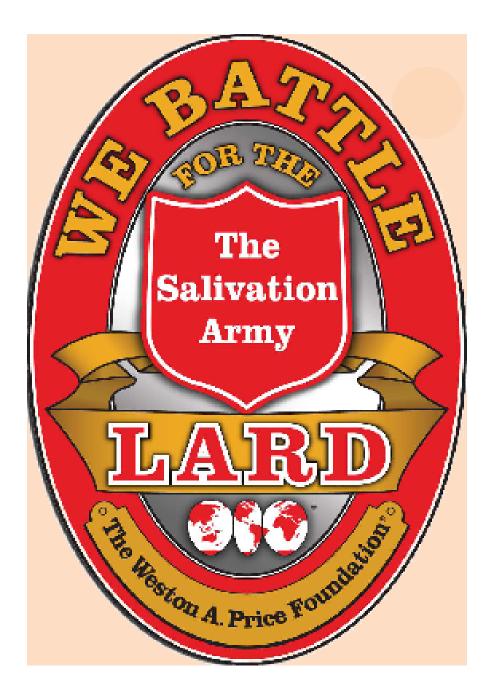
THE SOLUTION TO VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY!

12 times more vitamin D in lard from pastured animals compared to conventional

One test found 1100 IU vitamin D in 1 tablespoon of grass-fed lard!



Vitamin D in lard helps the body make neurochemicals that protect against depression.



### THE SIX BASIC GOOD FATS AND OILS



Pastured Butter, Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Pastured Lard, Coconut Oil, Fermented Cod Liver Oil

#### Supermarket Egg

#### Pastured Egg 🧹

#### **Organic Egg**

#### EGG YOLKS

8 times more vitamin D,

2 times more vitamin A

in pastured egg compared to supermarket egg

### THE PASTURED POULTRY MODEL



# FISH LIVER OILS

- Excellent source of vitamins A and D
- Excellent source of DHA
- High vitamin oils allow one to get enough vitamins A and D without overdosing on EPA.

### SHELLFISH

Rich source of vitamins A, D, K2, cholesterol, choline, zinc and B12



## LIVER



Lots of ways to eat liver:

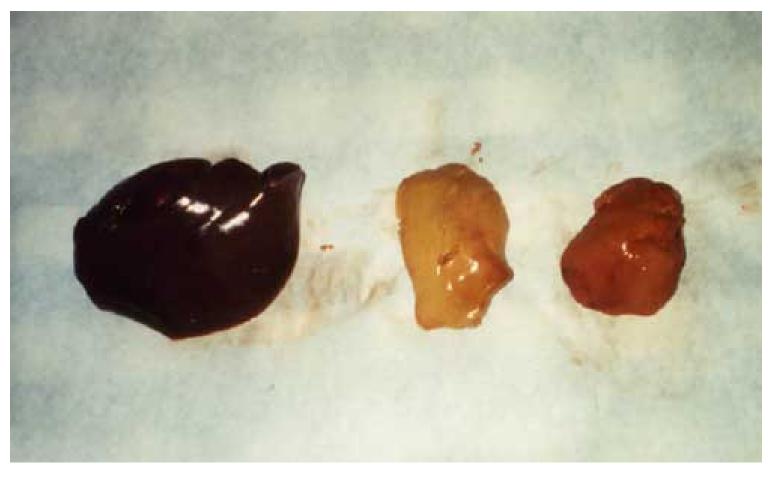
Sauteed liver
Liverwurst
Braunschweger
Pate
In sausage
Mixed in meat loaf, meat balls, etc.

### LIVER: No food higher in nutrients

Per 100 g	Apple	Carrots	Red Meat	Liver
Phosphorus	6 mg	31 mg	140 mg	476 mg
Iron	.1 mg	.6 mg	3.3 mg	8.8 mg
Zinc	.05 mg	.3 mg	4.4 mg	4.0 mg
Copper	.04 mg	.08 mg	.2 mg	12 mg
Vitamin B2	.02 mg	.05 mg	.2 mg	4.2 mg
Vitamin A	0	0	40 IU	53,400 IU
Vitamin C	7 mg	6 mg	0	27 mg
Vitamin B6	.03 mg	.1 mg	.07 mg	.73 mg
Vitamin B12	0	0	1.84 mcg	111.3 mcg

Eat liver fried, grilled, with bacon, in sausage, pate and liverwurst.

### **CHICKEN LIVERS**



Pasture Raised Conventional Organic

# FISH EGGS

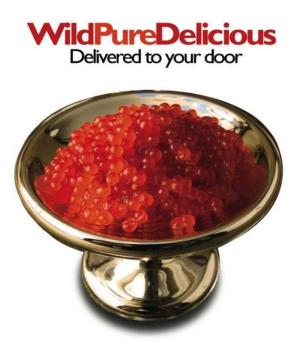
Peruvian Girl with Dried Fish Eggs. ... "for healthy babies."

- Activator X (Vitamin K2)
- Vitamin A
- Vitamin D
- Zinc
- Iodine
- DHA

All essential to healthy reproduction.



### SALMON CAVIAR



Available from



UBE Lab tests show 1 tablespoon caviar supplies 17,000 IU vitamin D!!

### CAVIAR SYNERGY



Caviar plus sour cream supplies vitamins A, D and K2 all together!

Also sour cream and caviar provides good fatty acid balance.<sup>67</sup>

### **REAL BONE BROTH**







# Good broth resurrects the dead.

South American Proverb

# **BONE BROTHS**

- 1. Supply calcium and other minerals in a form easy to assimilate
- 2. Supply nutrients that help build healthy cartilage
- 3. Supply amino acids that help the body detoxify
- 4. Supply gelatin to help digestion
- 5. Support gut health
- 6. Glycine in broth regulates mood

### A NUTRIENT-DENSE BREAKFAST!



2 pastured eggs 2 thick pieces pastured bacon Pineapple cooked in bacon fat Sourdough toast with 2 tablespoons butter Glass of whole raw milk Half fresh grapefruit High-vitamin cod liver oil

Provides vitamins A, D and K in large amounts PLUS: Calcium, phosphorus, iodine, vitamin C, B vitamins, choline

### JUST SAY NO TO INDUSTRIAL FOOD-LIKE SUBSTANCES

#### "Life in its fullness is Mother Nature obeyed." Weston A. Price, DDS



Factory foods are not Mother Nature's foods!

# WORST OFFENDERS

Industrial fats and oils High fructose corn syrup, agave "nectar" MSG Artificial Sweeteners Modern Soy Foods **Breakfast Cereals** Pasteurized and Homogenized Milk

### **INDUSTRIAL FATS AND OILS**

Liquid polyunsaturated oils cause UNCONTROLLED REACTIONS in the body

Solid partially hydrogenated oils INHIBIT REACTIONS in the body



### THE BAD FATS!









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### MODERN SOY FOODS ARE IMITATION FOODS!









# PROBLEMS WITH SOY FOODS

**PHYTIC ACID:** Blocks absorption of calcium, magnesium, iron, copper and especially zinc.

**PROTEASE INHIBITORS:** Block protein digestion, cause swelling of pancreas.

**ISOFLAVONES:** Block thyroid function and cause endocrine disruption. Lower cholesterol

**LECTINS:** Irritating to the gastrointestinal tract.

**MANGANESE:** High levels can cause brain damage in infants

**OXALATES:** High levels can cause kidney stones.



### FOODS THAT CONTAIN HIGH LEVELS OF MSG



**MSG** has been linked to: diabetes, migraines and headaches, obesity, autism, ADHD and Alzheimer's.

### **INGREDIENTS THAT CONTAIN MSG**

Monosodium glutamateYeast ExtractHydrolyzed Vegetable ProteinAutolyzed YeastHydrolyzed ProteinHydrolyzed Oat FlourHydrolyzed Plant ProetinCorn OilPlant Protein ExtractReduced fat dairy productsSodium CaseinateSoy Protein IsolateCalcium CaseinateNatural FlavorsTextured Vegetable ProteinFlavors

#### High Concentration MSG

Lower Concentration MSG





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#### From **EXCITOTOXINS** By Russell Blaylock, MD

One hour

#### Two hours





# HONORING OUR HEALTHY GUT FLORA

# **BENEFICIAL BACTERIA**

**OLD PARADIGM:** Healthy human body is sterile and microbes attack it, making us sick.

**NEW PARADIGM:** Healthy human body lives in symbiotic relationship with microorganisms.

SIX POUNDS of healthy bacteria in our digestive tract Digest our food Assist in assimilation Create nutrients Protect us against toxins Help us feel good

Without good bacteria, we are dead!

### LACTO-FERMENTED CONDIMENTS provide enzymes and good bacteria



Beet relish Ginger carrots Cortido (spicy So. American sauerkraut) Pineapple chutney Raspberry syrup Apricot butter

# COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE









SOUR GRAIN DRINK

#### KOMBUCHA

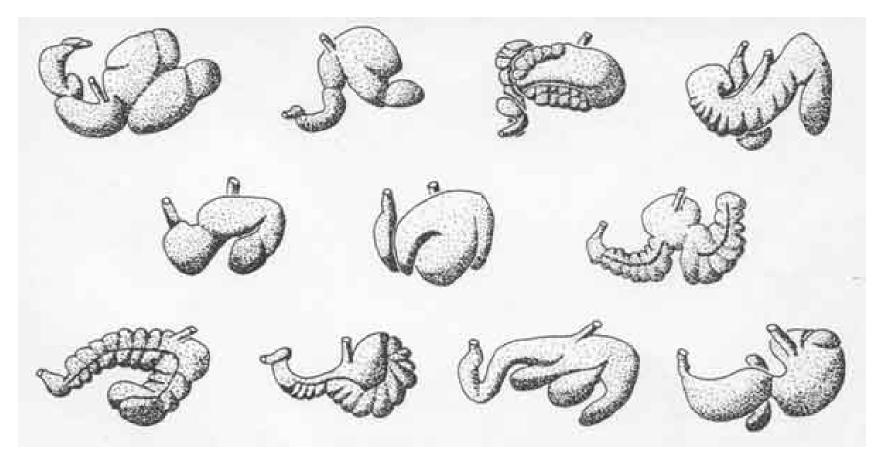
# GRAINS: BANE OR BLESSING?



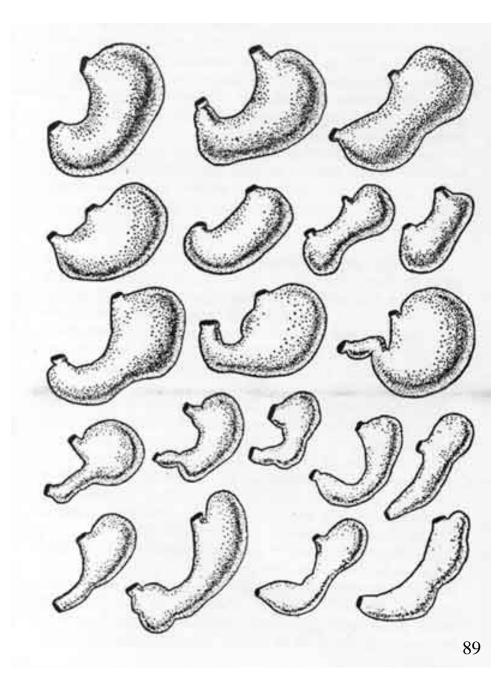
**GRAIN PREPARATION IN TRADITIONAL DIETS** Seeds, grains, legumes & nuts are soaked, sprouted, fermented or naturally leavened Deactivates ENZYME INHIBITORS (block digestion) Neutralizes PHYTIC ACID (blocks mineral absorption) Neutralizes TANNINS and LECTINS (irritants) Pre-digests COMPLEX STARCHES & SUGARS (hard to digest) Begins breakdown of GLUTEN (hard to digest; can be toxic) Begins breakdown of CELLULOSE (impossible to digest)

Proper preparation makes seed foods more digestible and their nutrients more available.

### **HERBIVORE STOMACHS**



# HUMAN STOMACHS



# PROPER PREPARATION OF SEED FOODS

Imitates natural factors that neutralize the seed's "preservatives" and allow it to sprout:

Moisture

Warmth

**Slight Acidity** 

Time



TRADITIONAL CHEROKEE CORN PREPARATION

Two weeks fermentation wrapped in corn husk

# **GOOD GRAIN BREAKFAST**



 Soak rolled oats in warm water and
 tablespoon of something acidic (whey, yoghurt,
 vinegar or lemon juice) overnight.







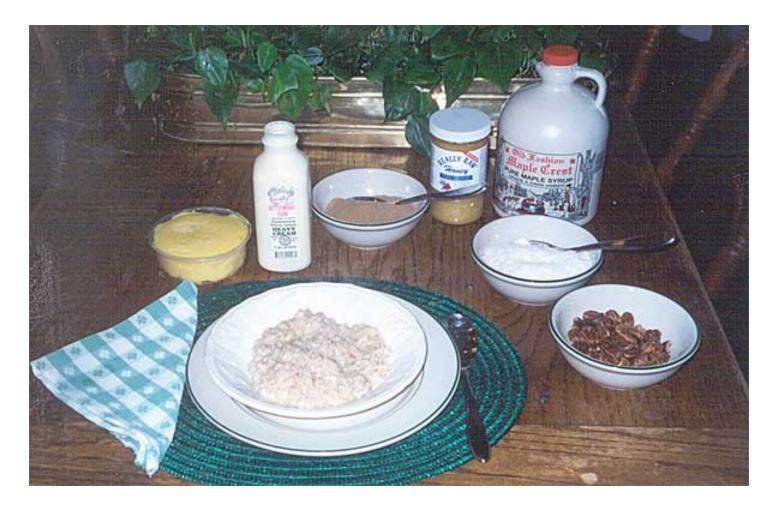
2. Next morning, bring water and salt to a boil.

3. Add soaked oatmeal, bring to a boil and cook, stirring, for one minute.

4. Cover and let sit several minutes.







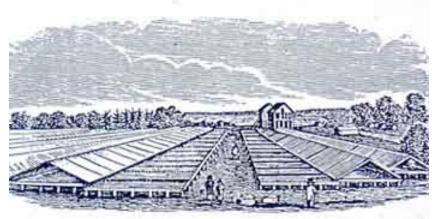
5. Serve oatmeal with plenty of butter or cream and a natural sweetener. Sprinkle coconut and/or crispy nuts on top if desired.



SALT IS NEEDED FOR **Protein digestion** Carbohydrate digestion **Development of brain** Adrenal function Cellular metabolism

# TRADITIONAL SALT PRODUCTION







Traditional salt production involved the simple evaporation of sea water. The salt was rich in magnesium and trace minerals.

Modern salt has all the magnesium and trace minerals removed and contains aluminum-based additives.

### **UNREFINED SALT**



Salt should be gray, beige or pink (not white), indicating the presence of minerals.

# THE SOLUTION TO FATIGUE: Easy Digestion

Raw Dairy, not pasteurized

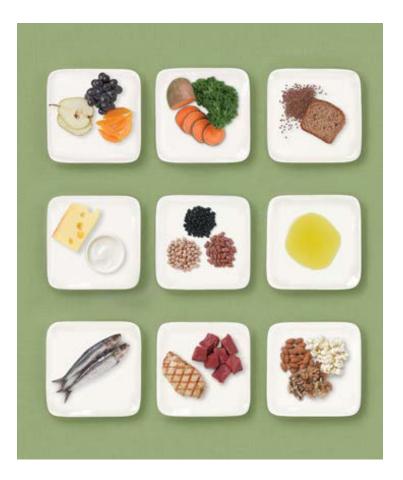
**Proper Preparation of Grains** 

Lacto-Fermented foods, rich in enzymes and beneficial bacteria

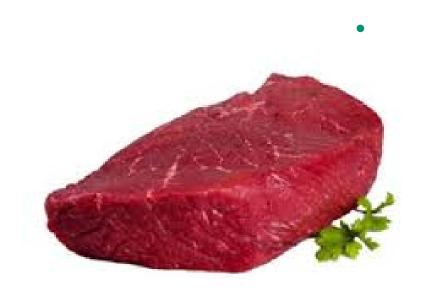
Gelatin-rich bone broths

Less energy required for digestion = More energy for you!

# THE PURITANICAL DIET



The virtuous, plant-based, low-fat, low-salt, high-fiber diet. Approved by dietitians! Impossible to stay on.





### THE PORNOGRAPHIC FOODS







No deprivation on the Wise Traditions diet!

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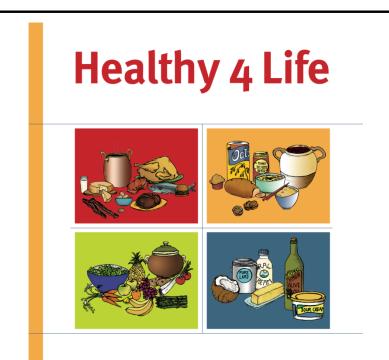


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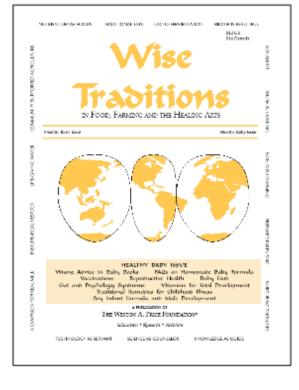
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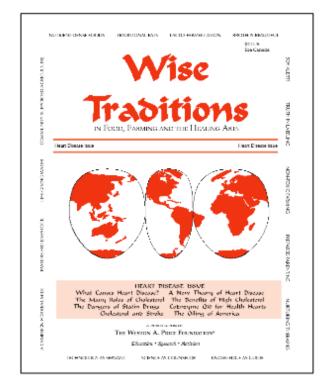


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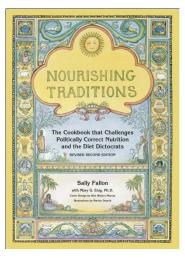


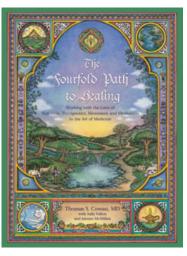
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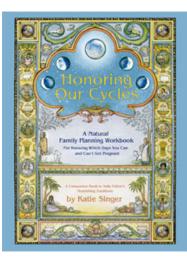


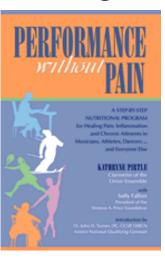
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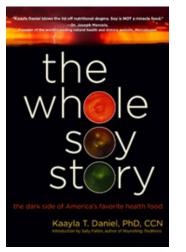
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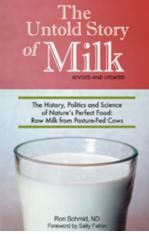


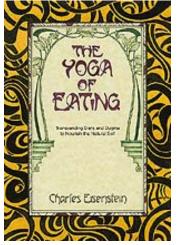


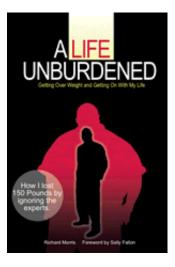












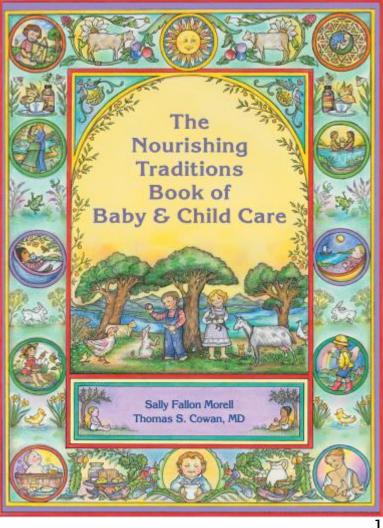
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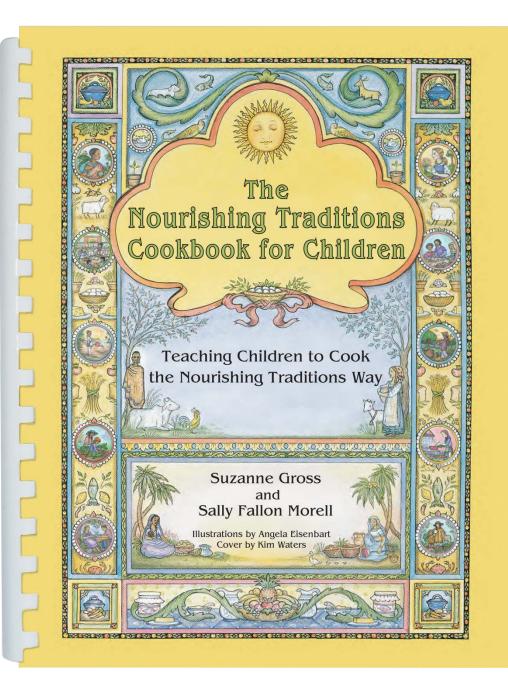
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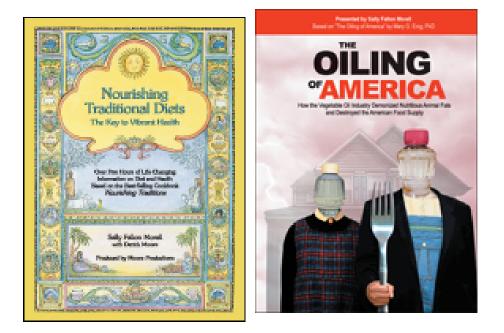
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# SUMMARY

# Traditional diets *maximized* nutrients while modern diets *minimize* nutrients

#### TRADITIONAL DIETS

Foods from fertile soil

Organ meats over muscle meats Animal fats

Animals on pasture

Dairy products raw and/or fermented Grains and legumes soaked/fermented Bone broths

Unrefined sweeteners (honey, maple syrup)

Lacto-fermented vegetables

Lacto-fermented beverages

Unrefined salt

Natural vitamins in foods

**Traditional Cooking** 

Traditional seeds/Open pollination

#### MODERN DIETS

Foods from depleted soil Muscle meats, few organs Vegetable oils Animals in confinement Dairy products pasteurized Grains refined, extruded MSG, artificial flavorings **Refined sweeteners** Canned vegetables Modern soft drinks Refined salt Synthetic vitamins added Microwave, Irradiation Hybrid seeds, GMO seeds