

## **Gary's Famous Cream Cheese Dip**

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Serves 6 – 10 People, May be served Warm or Cold

- ~ 1 8 oz. package of fat free cream cheese (softened)
- ~ 3 tablespoons water
- ~ 3 tablespoons dried chopped onion
- ~ 1/2 teaspoon dried jalapeno powder/flakes
- ~ 1 teaspoon dried parsley
- ~ 1 teaspoon mustard seed
- ~ 2-3 dashes of hot pepper sauce

Soften cream cheese on the counter or in the microwave for a few seconds. Mix the water with the cream cheese until smooth.

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Add the remaining ingredients to the cream cheese mixture and mix well. Cover and rest in refrigerator for at least 6-8 hours. This is best when made the night before eating so that the flavors have time to blend together.

### **Variations**

- Add 2 tablespoons of bacon bits
- Add 1 serving of dried beef which has been diced
- Add 1-3 ounces of imitation crab meat that has been flaked into smaller pieces
- Add one small can of real crab meat, drained
- Add one small can of tiny shrimp, drained
- Add 1-3 ounces of your favorite shredded cheese like cheddar, mozzarella, parmesan or gouda (best for a warm dip)