

# Sweetie-licious™

## Sweetie News – Holidays 2008



### Good Food, Good Deeds Good Lives... by Linda Hundt



Happy Holidays!! I hope everyone is having a beautiful and merry holiday season. We are as busy as little elves at our little café-bakery, making wonderful goodies for us all to enjoy. We break out the old favorite Christmas recipes this time of year, so come in and enjoy our charmingly decorated "Christmas Wonderland" and indulge in our delicious holiday treats!!

As far as gift giving – shop no more. We have it all at Sweetie's – a gift for that special someone – your neighbor, your co-worker, everyone loves homemade food, especially ours in our beautifully designed packaging! We hear all the time how excited people are when they see a pink box coming their way... nothing says you care more than Sweetie-licious pies and baked goods!!

It is no secret that I love Christmas. I host 7-8 parties throughout the season, but my favorite is our Christmas Eve Open House. We host a very large Christmas Eve family party (65-75 people) in our extremely modest farmhouse. It is elbow to elbow, but loads of fun. We have a lovely buffet table, a Christmas oriented "talent show" and a "Twelve Days of Christmas" sing-a-long in amongst lots of giggles and hugs. The evening is truly magical every year – a highlight of the season. This year, soak in all your family & friend goodness and entertain often to enjoy each other!

Here's wishing you a year of delicious food and memories...



### Mom Hundt's Cheese Log

This is a Christmas Eve classic at our vast buffet table. Enjoy with crusty bread or butter crackers.

- 1 8 oz. cream cheese – softened
- 2 oz. blue cheese – softened
- 1 small jar of Old English Cheese Spread – softened
- ¾ cup of minced green onions
- ¾ tsp. fresh rosemary finely minced
- 1 tsp. worcestershire sauce
- Garlic salt to taste
- 1½ cups of chopped honey roasted nuts

Mix all ingredients except for nuts with mixer until completely blended. Mold mixture in log shape and roll in nuts. Refrigerate until ready to serve.



### Scrooge's Nephew on Christmas

I love vintage Christmas stories and poems and have a huge collection of them. Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", is a classic for a reason. The story's message is timeless, meaningful &

inspirational!! Here is an excerpt...

*"There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited...Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas time when it has come around....as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, where men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they were really were fellow passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me some good, and will do me good, and I say God bless it!"*

### Time to Boast

We were contacted by the national magazine, Midwest Living to be apart of their September 2009 issue in a segment featuring the best pie shops in the Midwest. They had us submit some recipes that will be published along with, hopefully, pictures of our adorable shop! We do our very, very best and it keeps showing. Yeah!

We participated in many fall philanthropy events such as the big "Zoo Party", The March of Dimes Chefs Auction, and Shared Pregnancy's "Eat Pie and Love Life" Fundraiser. We were happy to donate sweets and help with such worthy causes



Just a quick thank you to all of you who continue to patronize our sweet shop during these stressful economic times. I will say, that things are tight, so I encourage all of you to tell all you know to come to our one-of-a-kind shop for a lovely dining experience.

Known mostly for our sweets, many people don't realize how wonderful our homemade savory food really is... authentic Midwestern comfort food at its very best! Our breakfast & lunch sandwiches are truly incredible and our quiche is to-die-for, but our soup is truly amazing! You will not find this kind of food anywhere else!! So please stop by for breakfast, lunch or dinner to enjoy your favorite local bakery café!!!

We have the best crew of any business in the whole state - and I mean that! Somehow they mix fun, great service and love in all that they do. We simply have a great staff at the shop and I am completely blessed and humbled by them all. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

*God Bless you all  
This Christmas Day;  
May Bethlehem's star  
Still light the way,  
And guide thee  
to the perfect peace  
When every fear  
And doubt shall cease,  
And may thy home  
Such glory know  
As did the stable  
Long ago.*



For a true and meaningful life comes from believing in God, the good in people, the good in yourself, and the impossible. Believe. ☺

Here is wishing you and yours a beautiful and meaningful holiday season! God bless us all!!!

### About Linda Hundt



Linda resides in a century old farmhouse with her sweet husband and two lovely teenage daughters. She is the owner of Sweetie-Licious Pie Pantry in DeWitt Michigan & is a first place winner at the 2007 and 2008 National Pie Championships. Her shop

was named the #1 'Sweet Spot' in MI by the Detroit News, in addition to other regional and State awards. She is also the co-founder of the Downtown DeWitt Farmers Market.



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