

Sweetie-licious Bakery Cafe News • Thanksgiving 2012

### Good Food, Good Deeds, Good Lives!

Welcome to our Thanksgiving Sweetielicious newsletter. I am thrilled to share my treasured library of recipes, stories, and traditions with you all! So friends, here is to making our lives meaningful, our homes happy and our palates joyous!

Another Thanksgiving is here, and I cannot help but smile with anticipation of its arrival, as this day, more than all others, fills my heart with grateful joy! I love that Thanksgiving prompts us all to stop and count our many blessings in our busy lives, and to indeed, open our homes and hearts to others.

With so many people affected by the horrific hurricane, we must be reminded that there are always, always blessings beneath the rubble, just as there is in our everyday lives. With God's grace, we can help calm the storm, ignore the harsh waves, and feel only the gentle ripples in the water.

This Thanksgiving season, I encourage all of us to verbally express our loving and sincere gratitude to everyone and everything that shelters us, aids us, feeds us, encourages us, and loves us.



When we keep Thanksgiving's simple intention, well, simple – a most lovely day is sure to happen.

For this season is the season to be thankful for all that we have, and to share our blessings with EVERYONE! For I am not sure that there is anything more beautiful, than grateful, smiling family and friends surrounded by delicious food and PIE!

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An open home, an open heart. Here grows a bountiful harvest. -- Judy Hand

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# Thanksgiving Casserole

This is a wonderful way to use leftovers in a delicious and simple dish. You can add other leftovers like green bean casserole or sweet potatoes - be creative, improvise!

Butter a deep 9x13 casserole dish. Preheat oven to 350.

4-6 C. mashed potatoes,
2-3 C. cooked turkey, diced
1 6 oz. can french fried onions
1 14 oz. can whole berry
cranberry sauce
6-8 slices swiss cheese
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 C. sour cream
'4 C. milk
2 tsp. poultry seasoning
1 6 oz. sage stuffing mix - dry
1 stick butter + '4 C. of wine +
1/3 C. chicken broth, heated

Spread potatoes on bottom of dish. Layer turkey, ½ onions, cheese slices, and cranberry sauce. Combine soup, sour cream, milk, and poultry seasoning - pour over mixture. Sprinkle stuffing mix and remaining onions on top. Pour butter mixture over stuffing. Bake 45 min. or until bubbly

# News from the Shop...

<u>"Sweetie-licious Pies" Cookbook</u> - We had several photo shoots at our farmette and at the shop in the past few months, and the pictures are absolutely stunning! I am thrilled to be given this blessing to share our pie recipes, pie wisdom, and nostalgia in a pie cookbook (my favorite cookbook) – a dream come true! Look for it next fall!

<u>QVC</u> – Although QVC asked us to sell our pies for the holiday season, we simply could not produce enough pies for both our own beloved customers and our new QVC customers! We hope to have the opportunity to sell our yummy pies at Easter time next year. We cannot thank you enough for all your loving support!

PBS – We are thrilled to be hosting the local PBS Pledge Drive this holiday season! Tune in to learn how to make some yummy pies and much more on your local PBS channel. Your financial support is essential for them to continue their good work. Our delicious pies and products will be a part of the gifts for pledging too! Yummy!

Let these be our jubilant days, the days of our rejoicing. -- Edwin Osgood Grover

#### About Linda Hundt ...

Linda resides in a century-old farmhouse with her sweet husband and two lovely daughters, when back from college. She is the owner of Sweetie-licious Bakery Cafe in DeWitt MI. Linda was the "Crisco Innovation" Grand Prize winner in 2011 and won Best-in-Show in 2009...she has won 16 first places at the National Pie Championships since 2007.

Linda has appeared on the <u>Food Network</u> and on the <u>Today Show</u> with Willard Scott. Linda is the co-founder of the DeWitt Farmers Market, Board Member of the CMU Entrepreneurial School, a member of the MSU ENet board, and recipient of 2009 Athena Power-Link award.





