

Sweetie-licious

Good Food, Good Deeds, Good Lives!

Our THANKSGIVING 2013 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!

I recently ran across this powerful speech giving by Abraham Lincoln and thought we all should be reminded of how this very special holiday came about...

"This year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have added, which are of so extraordinary of nature that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity...peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has been preserved everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict..."

No mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the most high God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy.



It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American people. I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens."

-- Abraham Lincoln -- Oct. 3, 1863

Our beloved President Lincoln's speech given some 140 years ago brings as much solace today as it did a century ago. Let us be thankful...

Eat Pie and Love Life " Linda

*Forever on Thanksgiving Day
The heart will find the pathway
home. -- Wilbur D. Nesbit*

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Waldorf Cheese Ball

Tastes like the salad! Serve with crackers and grapes. Perfect for the holidays!

1 bar cream cheese, softened
1 tsp. McCormick Salad Supreme
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
Half of tart apple with peel, chopped fine
1 Tbsp. celery, chopped fine
1 Tbsp. onion, chopped fine
2 Tbsp. green onion chopped fine
¼ C. white cheddar, grated
1/8 C. grapes, chopped
Chopped walnuts

Mix all ingredients, except the nuts, mold into a ball and chill. Roll in chopped walnuts before serving. This recipe can be doubled to serve more folks.

News from the Shop...

Cookbook Update – Our cookbook, “Sweetie-licious Pies” was featured in the Nov/Dec issue of Midwest Living magazine as the cookbook gift to buy this season! Yippee!

Food & Wine Magazine – We are bursting with pride here at the cutest little pie shop in the whole wide world! Laura's Sticky Toffee Pudding Caramel Apple Pie was voted by Food & Wine magazine as one of the BEST apple pies in the country! So proud!

Grand Rapids Downtown Market – It's already the holidays at the Downtown Market. If you haven't visited it yet, this is the season to do so! There are wonderful vendors that have lots of options for special holiday gifts. While you are there, be sure to stop by for some pie, cookies, or other delicious holiday “Sweetie” treats!

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of joy and store each seeds apart.
To once again be sown and tilled
And harvested in the heart
- Dixie Lynne*

About Linda Hundt ...

Linda resides in a century-old farmhouse with her sweet husband and has two lovely grown daughters. 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 and has appeared in many national magazines.

Linda has appeared on the Food Network and on the Today Show with Willard Scott. Linda is the co-founder of the DeWitt Farmers Market and recipient of 2009 Athena Power-Link award. She also writes a seasonal baking column for Michigan Home and Lifestyle magazine and is the author of Sweetie-licious Pies.



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