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Happy Thoughts At Holiday Time



Leah S. Dunaief
Editor & Publisher

When I started to update this introduction, it occurred to me how much progress we have made toward a return to "normalcy." At this time of giving thanks, we have so much to be thankful for. We are rerunning

a previous column as proof. Happy Thanksgiving! LSD

Time for Giving, the catalogue you hold in your hands or are viewing on the web, is a package of hope. In its pages are gifts for the holiday season that arrives every year, regardless of what else may be happening. These gifts are symbols of caring, of love, of normal.

Help is on the way. We are about to be rescued by science. We now know that a vaccine will be available sometime in the next year. That should begin to restore

life as we have known it pre-virus. There eventually will be a happy end in sight to this bizarre time.

We can all agree, it's been a tough year. That certainly includes for those small business owners and professionals trying to survive in our villages. Many have been deemed nonessential and have shut down for part of what I call, pandemic-time. Others that have remained open have seen their customer base slip down to a trickle, as worried people shelter in place. And what seemed like an improvement of the monster in the summer is returning, as predicted, to torture us again as we face the cold weather of late fall and winter.

Take heart. We may not be able to hug our loved ones and dear friends this season of joy and light, but we can send them cards and perhaps gifts, as we always have, to carry our affection and let them know they are a presence in our lives. COVID-19 has taken away a lot from us, but it can't take away what we want to express to those

who matter to us.

We have tried to be of help by doing what we do every year at this time. We have assembled listings of goods and services that we hope will make your search for the appropriate gifts easier. At the same time as you make your selections, please note that these stores and offices are local. They are pillars of our community whose owners serve our needs with their products and their support for local causes. If you do not wish to go inside their places of businesses, they will surely be willing to bring your orders out to the curb for you if you phone or email.

And as you shop and rejoice in the deeper meaning of the season, please know that you carry our best wishes for your good health and a brighter future in the year to come.

Leah S. Dunaief
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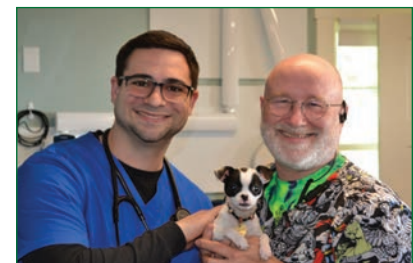


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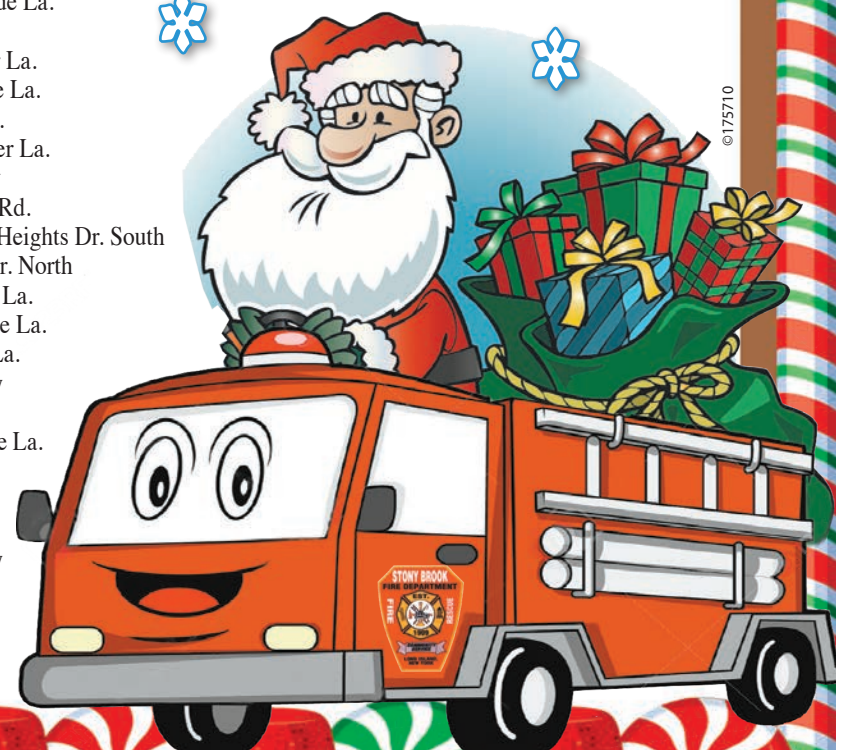
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| 1. Station #1 right onto Shore Rd. | 15. Left onto Christian Ave. | 29. Continue on Quaker Path | 43. Left onto Whitford Rd. | 56. Left onto Mount Rd. |
| 2. Right onto Sand St. | 16. Left onto Woodfield Rd. | 30. Right onto Houghton Blvd. | 44. Right onto Hawkins Rd. | 57. Left onto Dogwood Dr. |
| 3. Left onto Christian Ave. | 17. Right onto Hawks Nest Rd. | 31. Left onto Woodbine Ave. | 45. Left onto Main St. | 58. Left onto Stony Brook Rd. |
| 4. Left onto Erland Rd. | 18. Right onto Woodfield Rd. | 32. Left onto Laurel Ave. | 46. Left onto Lotowana La.
(smaller vehicles only) | 59. Left onto Dairy Farm Rd. |
| 5. Left onto West Meadow La. | 19. Left onto Lubber St. | 33. Straight onto Poplar St. | 47. Left onto 25A East | 60. Right onto Catalpa to Mills Rd. |
| 6. Left onto Wells La. | 20. Left onto Black Duck Dr. | 34. Right onto Cedar St. | 48. Left onto Beacon Hill Dr. | 61. Left onto Mills Rd. |
| 7. Left onto Christian Ave. | 21. Left onto Night Heron Dr. | 35. Left onto Blinker Light Rd. | 49. Right onto 25A West | 62. Left onto Davidia La. |
| 8. Right onto Oak St. | 22. Left onto Lubber St. | 36. Left onto Stony Brook Ave. | 50. Right onto Wellington Dr. | 63. Right onto Acorn La. |
| 9. Left onto Valley Rd. | 23. Left onto Quaker Path | 37. Left onto Hollow Rd. | 51. Left onto Ashleigh Dr. | 64. Right onto Elm La. |
| 10. Right onto Dogwood Rd. | 24. Left onto Mt. Grey Rd. | 38. Right onto Suffolk Ave. | 52. Left onto 25A East | 65. Left onto Mills Rd. onto Aspen La.
onto Acorn La. around to Mills Rd. |
| 11. Left onto Hillsvieview Rd. | 25. Left onto Old Wood Rd. | 39. Left onto Maple Ave. | 53. Right onto Stony Brook Rd. | 66. Left onto Beech La. |
| 12. Right onto Valley Rd. | 26. Right onto West Rd. | 40. Left onto Brooklyn Ave. | 54. Left onto Nadworny La. to end | 67. Left onto Acorn La. |
| 13. Right onto Christian Ave. | 27. Right onto North Rd. | 41. Left onto Hollow Rd. | 55. Right onto Cedar Dr. | 68. Right onto Mills Rd. |
| 14. Left onto Salt Meadow La. | 28. Right onto Mt. Grey Rd. | 42. Left onto Forsythe Meadow La. | | 69. Right onto Stony Brook Rd. |

STATION TWO AREA. SOUTH OF R.R. RIGHT OF WAY

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| 1. Station #2 right onto Stony Brook Rd. | 25. Left onto Medley La. | 50. Left onto Meadow Dr. |
| 2. Left onto Marion Ave. | 26. Left onto Millbrook Dr. | 51. Right onto Mapleshade La. |
| 3. Right onto Oxhead Rd. | 27. Right onto Mystic Way | 52. Right onto Media La. |
| 4. Right onto Glenridge Ave. | 28. Left onto Millbrook Dr. | 53. Left onto Manchester La. |
| 5. Left onto Stony Brook Rd. | 29. Left onto Millstream La. | 54. Left onto Mapleshade La. |
| 6. Left onto Annadale Rd. | 30. Left onto Mosshill Pl. | 55. Right on Meadow La. |
| 7. Right onto Oxhead Rd. | 31. Right onto Magnet St. | 56. Right onto Manchester La. |
| 8. Right onto Pembroke Dr. | 32. Right onto Singingwood La. | 57. Left on Memory Way |
| 9. Right onto Bowen Pl. | 33. Right onto Manchester La. | 58. Left on Stony Brook Rd. |
| 10. Left onto Parsons Dr. | 34. Right onto Lynbrook Rd. | 59. Right onto University Heights Dr. South |
| 11. Right onto Stony Brook Rd. | 35. Left onto Westwood Dr. | 60. Right onto College Dr. North |
| 12. Right onto Perigee Dr. North | 36. Left onto Magnet St. | 61. Right onto Freshman La. |
| 13. Across Stony Brook Rd. to Olney Way | 37. Left onto Malvern La. | 62. Right onto Ivy League La. |
| 14. Left onto Orbit Dr. | 38. Left on Maureen La. | 63. Left onto Fraternity La. |
| 15. Right onto Onyx Dr. | 39. Right on Madeley La. | 64. Right onto University
Heights Dr. |
| 16. Right onto Olympia La. | 40. Right onto Malvern (old) La. | 65. Right onto Sophomore La. |
| 17. Left onto Orbit Dr. | 41. Left onto Manor La. | 66. Left onto
Ivy League La. |
| 18. Left onto Hallock Rd. | 42. Left onto Hallock Rd. | 67. Left onto College Dr. |
| 19. Right onto Hallock Meadow La. | 43. Left onto Stony Brook Rd. | 68. Right onto University
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| 20. Right onto Hallock Rd.
Strathmore Gate Community | 44. Left onto Memory Way | 69. Left onto
Stony Brook Rd.
to Dairy Farm Rd. |
| 21. Left onto Millbrook Dr. | 45. Left onto Manchester La. | |
| 22. Left onto Marwood Pl. | 46. Right onto Meadow Dr. | |
| 23. Left onto Maymont La. | 47. Left onto Madeley La. | |
| 24. Right onto Marwood Pl. | 48. Left onto Malvern La. | |
| | 49. Left onto Manchester (old) La. | |



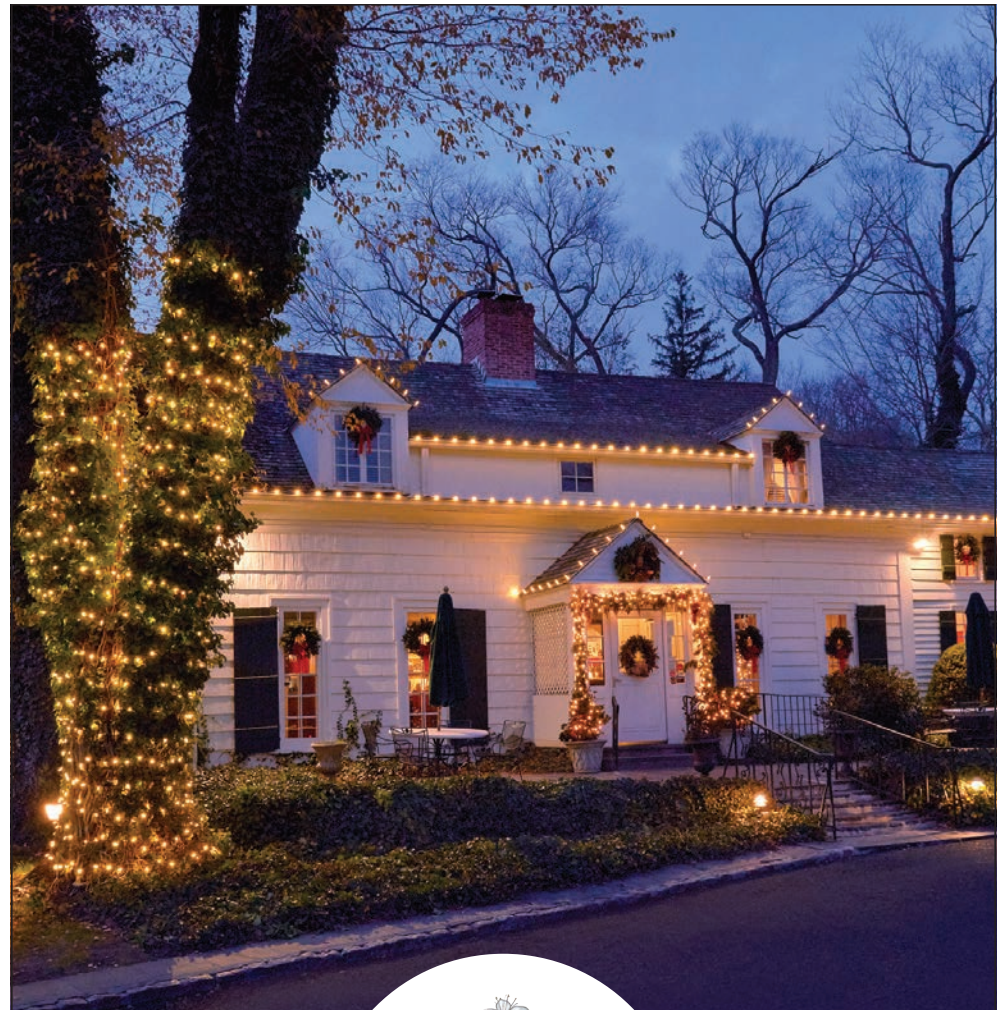
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Stuffed Mushrooms

Recipe courtesy of Lines+Angles

Appetizers may be most associated with restaurants, but holiday hosts can go the extra mile and prepare some flavorful apps at home as well.

YIELD: Makes 28 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- Olive oil, to coat baking sheet
- 28 mushrooms (2 1/2 inches in diameter), stemmed
- 1/2 cup butter (1 stick)
- 1 small onion, minced
- 2 cloves of garlic, peeled and minced
- 3/4 cup Italian breadcrumbs
- 1/2 cup Romano cheese, grated
- 3 tablespoons fresh Italian parsley, chopped
- Salt and pepper, to taste

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350 F. Drizzle olive oil on baking sheet and coat thoroughly. Gently clean the mushrooms and remove stems. Finely chop stems. Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add stems, onion and garlic, and sauté until stems and onions are soft and garlic is fragrant. In a mixing bowl, add bread crumbs, cheese and parsley. Season with salt and pepper and stir to combine. Add sautéed mixture to bread crumb mixture and mix well. Spoon filling mixture into mushroom caps. Arrange on prepared baking sheet, stuffed side up. Bake about 20 to 25 minutes, or until the mushrooms are tender and the tops are golden.

Main course and sides

Spicy Maple-Glazed Ham

Recipe courtesy of Jacques Pépin

With traditional holiday staples like ham, cooks can spice things up to make these beloved favorites a little more flavorful. The former personal chef to French president Charles de Gaulle, Jacques Pépin notes that poaching a ham before roasting removes excess salt, ensuring the finished product is tender and juicy.

YIELD: Makes 8 to 12 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 10 lb. cured smoked bone-in ham or 6 lb. cured smoked boneless ham
- 1/3 cup ketchup
- 1/3 cup pure maple syrup
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sriracha

DIRECTIONS:

If one 10-lb. cured smoked bone-in ham or 6-lb. cured smoked boneless ham has a fat cap, score lightly in a crosshatch pattern, spacing cuts about 3/4-inch apart. Transfer ham to a large stockpot and pour in cold water to cover. Cover pot with a lid and bring water to a simmer. Cook, adjusting heat as needed to maintain a simmer, until an instant-read thermometer inserted into



the thickest part of the ham registers 140 F, 70 to 80 minutes for boneless, 80 to 90 minutes for bone-in.

Remove pot from heat and let ham cool in cooking liquid until lukewarm, about 45 minutes. Place a rack in middle of oven; preheat to 400 F. Stir 1/3 cup ketchup, 1/3 cup pure maple syrup, 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar, and 2 tablespoons sriracha in a small bowl to combine. Carefully transfer ham to a wire rack set inside a foil-

lined rimmed baking sheet and pat dry with paper towels; discard cooking liquid or save for another use.

Brush ham with about half the glaze. Transfer to oven and bake until glaze is tacky and lightly browned in spots, 30 to 40 minutes. Brush with remaining glaze and continue to bake until glaze is deeply browned, 10 to 15 minutes more. Transfer ham to a cutting board and let rest 15 to 20 minutes before slicing and serving.

Pecan-Cherry Bread Stuffing

Recipe courtesy of Lines+Angles

Stuffing is a dish many celebrants can't wait to see on the holiday dinner table. For hosts trusted with preparing holiday meals, the beauty of stuffing lies in its versatility. A host of unique ingredients can be added to holiday stuffing without adversely affecting the popularity of this beloved side dish. In fact, adding some unique ingredients can make people love stuffing even more.

YIELD: Makes 8 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 loaf crusty white or wheat bread, cut into 3/4-inch cubes
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter, plus extra for baking dish
- 1 medium yellow onion, peeled and diced
- 2 large celery stalks, rinsed, trimmed and diced
- 4 cloves garlic, peeled and roughly chopped
- 1 cup packed dried tart cherries
- 1 cup roughly chopped toasted pecans
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh sage leaves
- 1 tablespoon crushed fennel seed
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1/4 cup fresh chopped parsley

- 3 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 3 cups low-sodium chicken broth

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 400 F. Position oven racks in the middle and lower third of the oven. Arrange bread in a single layer on two rimmed baking sheets. Toast until dry and golden brown, 10 to 12 minutes. Let cool. Lightly butter a 9 x 13-inch baking dish.

In a large skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Add onion, celery and garlic and cook, stirring frequently, until onion and celery are softened, about 7 minutes. Add cherries, pecans, sage, and fennel seed; cook, stirring for 1 minute.

Transfer to a large bowl and season with salt and pepper. Add parsley, eggs and bread to the cherry mixture; stir to combine. Add broth in two additions, stirring until absorbed. Season generously with salt and pepper; transfer stuffing to butter baking dish.



Bake on middle rack until the top is deep golden brown, about 25 to 30 minutes. Let sit for 5 minutes before serving.

Main course and sides

Holiday Turkey

Recipe courtesy of Andrew Schloss

This recipe calls for slow cooking the bird. Such an approach should result in a delicious and mouth-watering main course that satisfies anyone who's anxious to sit down at the dinner table this holiday season.

YIELD: Makes 15 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 fresh turkey, about 15 pounds, preferably free-range
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 quart apple cider
- 2 teaspoons dried poultry seasoning
- Coarse sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS:

Remove the giblets from the turkey and discard (or save for another use). Rinse the turkey inside and out and pat dry with paper towels. Rub it all over with salt and pepper. Refrigerate, uncovered, for at least 12 hours and up to 24 hours. During that time, the surface of the turkey will become visibly dry and the skin will tighten; this encourages a nice crisp skin on the finished bird.

Remove the turkey from the refrigerator 1 hour before you plan to start roasting. Preheat the oven to 450 F.

Put the turkey on a rack set in a large, flameproof roasting pan. Drizzle the oil over the top.

Roast for 1 hour. Reduce the oven temperature to 175 F. Pour the cider into the roasting pan and sprinkle the poultry seasoning in the liquid. Continue roasting until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of a thigh (but not touching bone) registers to 170 F.

Transfer the turkey to a carving board, tent loosely with aluminum foil, and let rest for about 15 minutes. Meanwhile, skim the fat from the surface of the liquid in



the pan. Put the roasting pan over two burners and bring the pan drippings to a boil over high heat. Cook until the juices reduce and thicken slightly, enough to coat a spoon, about 10 minutes. Taste for seasoning. Carve the turkey and serve with cider pan juices.



Hearty Roasted Winter Vegetables

Recipe courtesy of Culinary.net

YIELD: Makes 6 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 jar 16 ounces whole pickled beets, drained
- 1 small red onion cut into 12 wedges
- 2 cups baby portobello mushrooms w/ stems trimmed
- 2 cups butternut squash peeled, seeded and cut into 3/4-inch chunks
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 clove garlic finely chopped
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme
- Salt and pepper
- 2 cups Brussels sprouts ends trimmed and scored with cross-cut

DIRECTIONS:

Heat oven to 400° F. Place beets, onion, mushrooms and squash on rimmed 15 1/2-by-10 1/2-by-1-inch baking sheet; drizzle with olive oil. Add garlic, rosemary, thyme, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper; toss to coat. Roast 15 minutes. Add Brussels sprouts, stir and continue to roast until vegetables are tender and browned, about 30-35 minutes, stirring once. Adjust salt and pepper, to taste, if desired.

Smoked Salmon Rolls

Recipe courtesy of Lines+Angles

Whether served at a holiday party or as an appetizer during a sit-down meal, these salmon rolls are sure to be a hit among friends and family.

YIELD: Makes 8 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 medium eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 to 3 tablespoons canola oil, for frying
- 1 cup low-fat cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup ricotta cheese
- 1 small bunch dill, finely chopped, plus extra
- 2 to 3 tablespoons hot water, plus extra as needed
- 1 3/4 cups smoked salmon slices
- 1/2 lemon, juiced

DIRECTIONS:

Blend together the flour, eggs, milk, salt, butter, and dill in a food processor until smooth. Pour into a jug. Heat a



little oil in a non-stick frying or crepe pan set over medium heat until hot. Add a small ladle of batter to the pan and tilt with a circular motion so that the batter coats the surface evenly. Cook for 1 to 2 minutes until golden underneath. Flip and cook for a further minute or so. Remove to a plate and repeat the process using a little more oil for each crepe.

Beat cream cheese and ricotta cheese with dill and 2 to 3 tablespoons hot water in a bowl until creamy and spreadable, adding more water as needed. Season to taste with salt. Spread over cooked pancakes and top with smoked salmon slices. Drizzle with lemon juice. Roll up into cigar shapes and cut into bite-size pieces. Serve with a dill garnish.

Green Beans with Bacon and Pecans

Recipe courtesy of Lines+Angles

YIELD: Makes 6 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 cups fresh green beans, rinsed and ends trimmed
- 2/3 cup bacon, chopped
- 1/2 cup pecan halves
- 1 red onion, sliced
- 2 cloves of garlic, chopped
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 tablespoons butter

DIRECTIONS:

Place green beans in boiling water and cook for about 5 minutes, until crisp and tender. While the beans are cooking, brown the bacon, pecans, sliced onion, and garlic in a large skillet over medium heat. Drain the green beans and add them to the skillet. Season with salt and pepper. Sauté together for 2 to 3 minutes on high, stirring frequently. Transfer green bean mixture to a serving dish. Serve hot.



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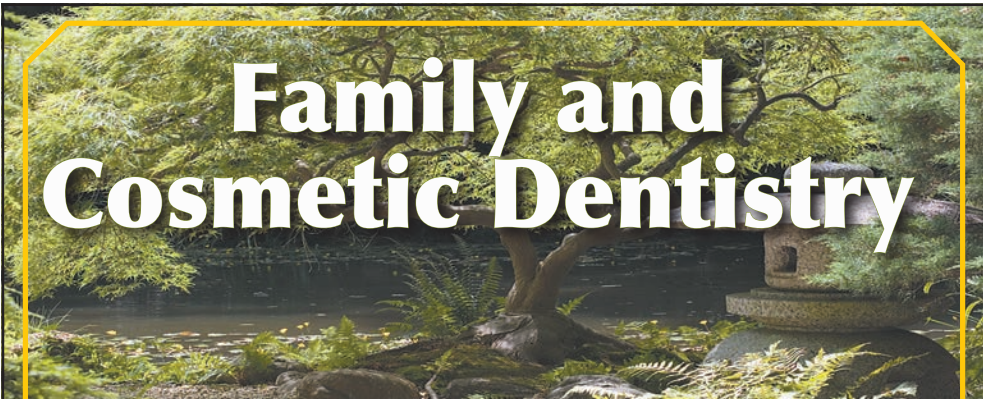
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HOLIDAY DESSERTS

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Eggnog

Recipe courtesy of Lines+Angles

No beverage is more associated with holiday get-togethers than eggnog, which is a beloved beverage come the holiday season. In fact, December is National Eggnog Month, and December 24 is National Eggnog Day. This creamy concoction likely originated in the medieval period and was known as "posset," a hot, milk-based drink made of spices and wine. Entomologists believe "eggnog" stems from the word "noggin," which refers to small wooden mugs often used to serve strong ale, known by the slang word "nog." President George Washington enjoyed serving eggnog at Christmas and even concocted his own special recipe, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac.

YIELD: Makes 2 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 ounces brandy or cognac
- 2 ounces dark rum, plus more for sugar rim
- 1 cup eggnog, prepared
- 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon light brown sugar
- 2 sticks cinnamon, for garnish (optional)
- 2 pods star anise, for garnish (optional)
- Shortbread or gingerbread cookies, for garnish (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

In a cocktail shaker with ice, add the brandy, rum and eggnog together, cover and shake. Add the nutmeg, cinnamon and sugar to a small plate and stir around to combine. Wet the rims of 2 glasses with rum. Roll the rims of the glasses in the spices to coat. Strain the eggnog mixture into the two glasses. Garnish with cinnamon sticks, star anise pods and festive shortbread cookies, if desired.

Desserts

Santa's Favorite Cheesecake

Recipe courtesy of Kraft Foods

We all know Santa loves his cookies, but did you know that he's also a big fan of cheesecake? Here's a recipe that will have everyone saying, "Ho, Ho, Ho!"

YIELD: Serves 8

INGREDIENTS:

- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 3 tbsp sugar
- 4 pkg (8 oz. each) PHILADELPHIA Cream Cheese, softened
- 2 cups sugar, divided
- 2 tsp vanilla, divided
- 4 eggs
- 1 pkg (10 oz.) cranberries
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 2 tsp cornstarch
- 1 tbsp water
- 1 tsp orange zest

DIRECTIONS:

Heat oven to 325°F. Combine graham crumbs, butter and 3 tbsp. sugar; press onto bottom of 9-inch springform pan.

Beat cream cheese, 1 cup sugar and 1 tsp. vanilla in large bowl with mixer until blended. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing on low speed after each just until blended.



Pour over crust. Bake 55 min. or until center is almost set. Run knife around rim of pan to loosen cake; cool before removing rim. Refrigerate cheesecake 4 hr.

Meanwhile, combine cranberries, orange juice and remaining sugar and vanilla in medium saucepan. Bring to boil over medium heat, stirring constantly; cook and stir 1 min. or until sugar is dissolved. Simmer over medium-low heat 6

to 8 min. or until cranberries are softened, stirring occasionally. Meanwhile, dissolve cornstarch in water. Add to cranberry mixture; mix well.

Cook 30 sec. to 1 min. or until slightly thickened, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Stir in orange zest. Refrigerate until ready to use.

Spoon cranberry topping over slices of cheesecake just before serving.

Linz Shortbread Cookies

Recipe courtesy of MetroCreative

Whatever it is that inspires individuals to break out the measuring cups, flour and whisk, cookie fans undoubtedly appreciate that spark of confectionary creativity.

YIELD: Makes 24 cookies

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup almond flour
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon lemon zest
- 1/2 cup raspberry jam
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS:

In a large bowl, whisk the flour, almond flour, salt, and cinnamon together. In a separate bowl, beat the butter and sugar until fluffy. Add in the egg yolks, vanilla extract and lemon zest and continue to beat until well incorporated.

Gradually add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and continue to beat until just combined to form a dough. Divide the dough in half; pat each half into a disc, wrap



with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least an hour.

Remove the dough from the refrigerator, and let it soften for about 5 minutes, until soft enough to roll. On a lightly floured surface, roll one disc of dough out to about 1/4" thickness. Using a 3" cookie cutter, cut out cookies. Cut out a top for each cookie using a smaller cookie cutter to cut out the center. Transfer the cookies to a parchment-lined baking sheet. Gather the scrap dough, roll, and repeat.

Place the first batch of cut cookies in the refrigerator for 30 minutes to chill. Preheat

the oven to 350 F and repeat the process with the second batch of dough.

Bake the chilled cookies for about 12 minutes or until just starting to turn golden around the edges. Let the cookies cool for a few minutes until transferring them to a wire rack to cool completely.

Once cooled, spread the bottom half of each cookie with some raspberry preserves, leaving a thin border around each cookie. Dust the tops of each cookie with powdered sugar and place on its corresponding bottom half. Use a spoon or piping bag to fill the cut-out center with a little more of the preserves.

Desserts

Gingerbread Cake

Recipe courtesy of Danielle Kartes

Plenty of foods are associated with the holidays, but none perhaps as familiar as gingerbread. Although the slightly spicy and warming tang of gingerbread often is enjoyed in cookie form or baked into panels used to create gingerbread houses, the spice combination of ginger, cloves and cinnamon can impart a delicious flavor to cakes as well.

YIELD: Serves 9

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 eggs, room temperature
- 1/4 cup plain full-fat Greek or plain yogurt
- 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon apple pie spice
- 1 cup hot water
- 3/4 cup molasses
- Garnishes*
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 cup pomegranate arils

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line a 9-by-9-inch cake pan with parchment paper. Cream the sugar, butter, and vanilla on low speed, 3 minutes. Add the eggs one at a time and mix until just incorporated, then scrape down the sides of the bowl and gently fold the yogurt into the batter.

In a separate bowl, whisk the flour, baking powder, salt, and spices together. In a third bowl, mix the hot water and molasses together. Now mix the dry ingredients into the batter in 3 additions, alternating with the hot molasses



water. Do not overmix. Pour the batter into your lined pan and bake 25 to 30 minutes until the cake is well baked. Allow the gingerbread to cool, then dust with confectioners' sugar and pomegranate arils.



Santa's Whiskers

Recipe courtesy of Danielle Kartes

These cookies likely get their name from the coconut on the outside, which resemble Santa's beard. Maraschino cherries add some jolly red to the cookies as well, making them perfect for Christmas.

YIELD: Makes 20 to 24 cookies

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/2 cups confectioner's sugar
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 12-ounce jar pitted maraschino cherries, strained and stemmed
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups sweetened shredded coconut

DIRECTIONS:

In a stand mixer, with a hand mixer, or by hand, cream the sugar and butter until light and fluffy. Add the cherries, vanilla, almond extract, and salt. Mix thoroughly. Fold into the flour and mix until it forms a crumbly but moist dough.

Lay a 16-inch sheet of parchment paper onto the counter. Sprinkle 1 cup of the coconut on the center in a loose rectangle, making sure it does not reach the edge of the parchment. Place the cookie dough on top, flattening a bit with your fingers, and sprinkle the remaining coconut over the top of the dough.

Form the dough into a 12- to 14-inch log, about 3 inches thick. Evenly press the coconut around the log and roll to make the log an even cylinder. Roll the parchment up with the dough inside and twist the ends. Chill for at least 2 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Slice cookies in 1/4- to 1/2-inch rounds, place on the prepared baking sheet, about 2 inches apart, and bake 12 to 15 minutes.



Chocolate Reindeer Cupcakes

Recipe courtesy of MetroCreative

Incorporating a holiday theme into baked goods can add to the fun factor, particularly for children. Families looking to mix fun and food this holiday season can try their hands at this recipe

YIELD: Makes 12 cupcakes

INGREDIENTS:

- For Chocolate Cupcakes:
- 2/3 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup superfine sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups self-rising flour
- 2 tablespoons cocoa powder

For Chocolate Frosting:

- 3/4 cup butter, softened
- 3 1/3 cups confectioners' sugar
- 7/8 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 4 to 6 tablespoons milk

For Decorations:

- 12 sets candy eyes
- 12 red gumdrops
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

DIRECTIONS:

For Chocolate Cupcakes:

Preheat the oven to 375 F. Line muffin tin wells with 12 paper cupcake liners. In a large mixing bowl, using an electric mixer, cream butter and sugar together until light and fluffy. Add the eggs one at a time, beating after each addition. Gradually add flour and cocoa powder, mixing until all ingredients are incorporated.

Spoon the batter into the paper liners. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or



until tops are springy to the touch. Cool in the pan on a wire rack for 10 minutes. Remove cupcakes from pan and allow to cool completely before decorating.

For Chocolate Frosting:

In a large bowl, cream butter until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in confectioners' sugar, cocoa and vanilla. Add milk one tablespoon at a time until frosting reaches the desired consistency. Frost each cupcake using an offset spatula.

To Decorate:

Arrange candied eyes and gumdrop nose on frosted cupcake. Melt semisweet chocolate in a heatproof bowl set over a pan of simmering water. Cool slightly, and transfer to a pastry bag fitted with small plain round tip. Pipe antlers with chocolate on parchment or waxed paper; place in the refrigerator or freezer and allow to set. Once the chocolate has set, carefully remove antlers from paper and insert in cupcake before serving.



Cranberry-Orange Pecan Bread

Recipe courtesy of Culinary.net

This moist fruit bread is the perfect blend of festive holiday flavors, combining the tartness of vibrant cranberries, the zesty brightness of oranges, and the crunchy richness of pecans.

YIELD: Makes one loaf

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 rounded cup fresh or frozen cranberries
- 2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 3/4 cup toasted pecans or walnuts coarsely chopped
- 1 large egg
- 2/3 cup low-fat buttermilk
- 6 tablespoons butter melted
- 2 tablespoons orange zest
- 1/3 cup orange juice
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

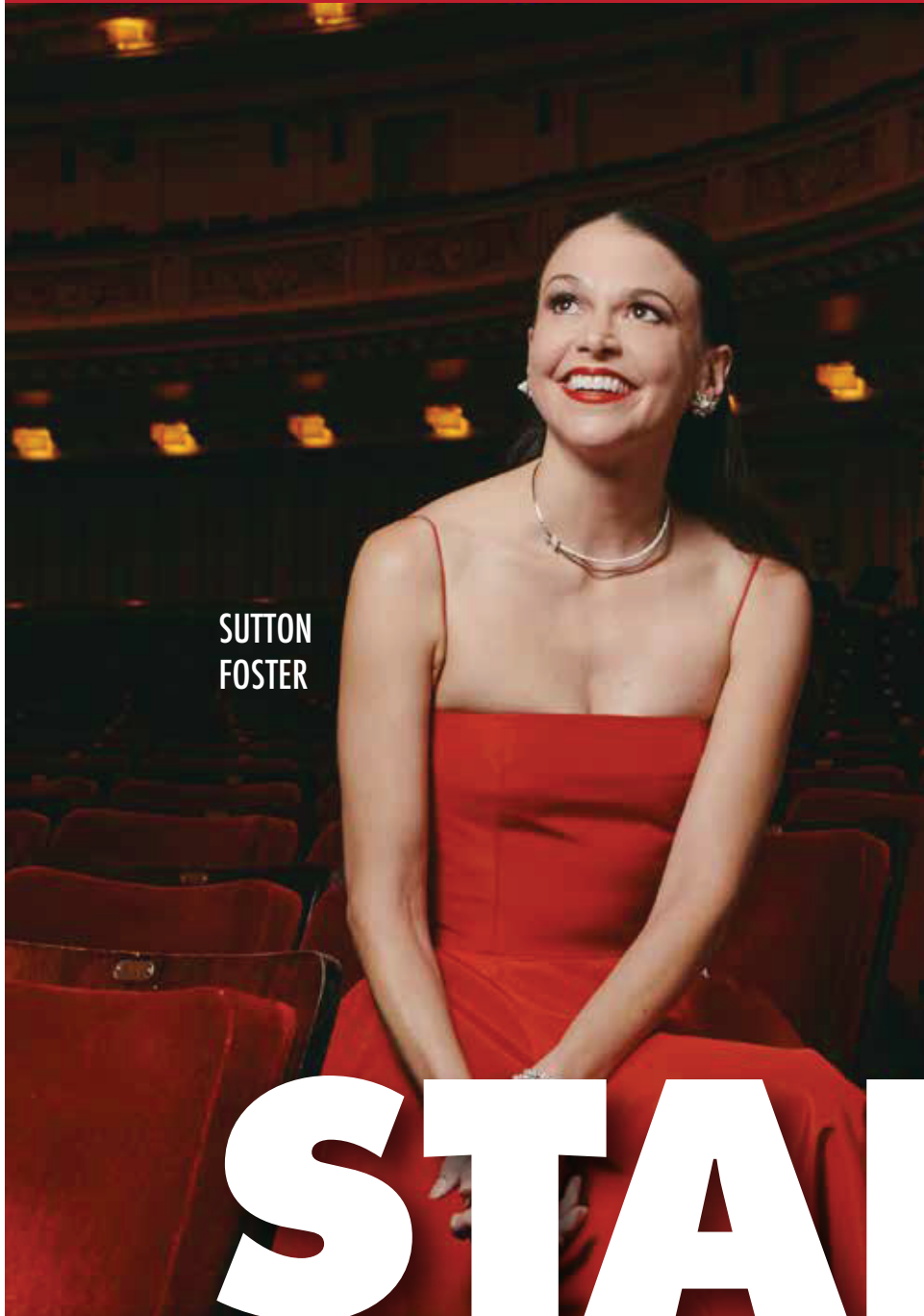
DIRECTIONS:

Heat oven to 350° F. Lightly grease 9-by-5-inch loaf pan. If using frozen cranberries, spread berries out on cutting board and let rest for 10 minutes. Cut large cranberries in half.

In large bowl, combine flour with sugar, baking powder, salt, baking soda, nuts and egg; blend thoroughly with whisk. Stir in cranberries. In small bowl, whisk together buttermilk, butter, orange zest, orange juice, bitters and vanilla extract. Add to dry ingredients and stir gently until fully moistened; do not over mix. Spoon batter into pan and smooth out top.

Bake 50 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Let rest in pan 10 minutes then cool onto wire rack before slicing.

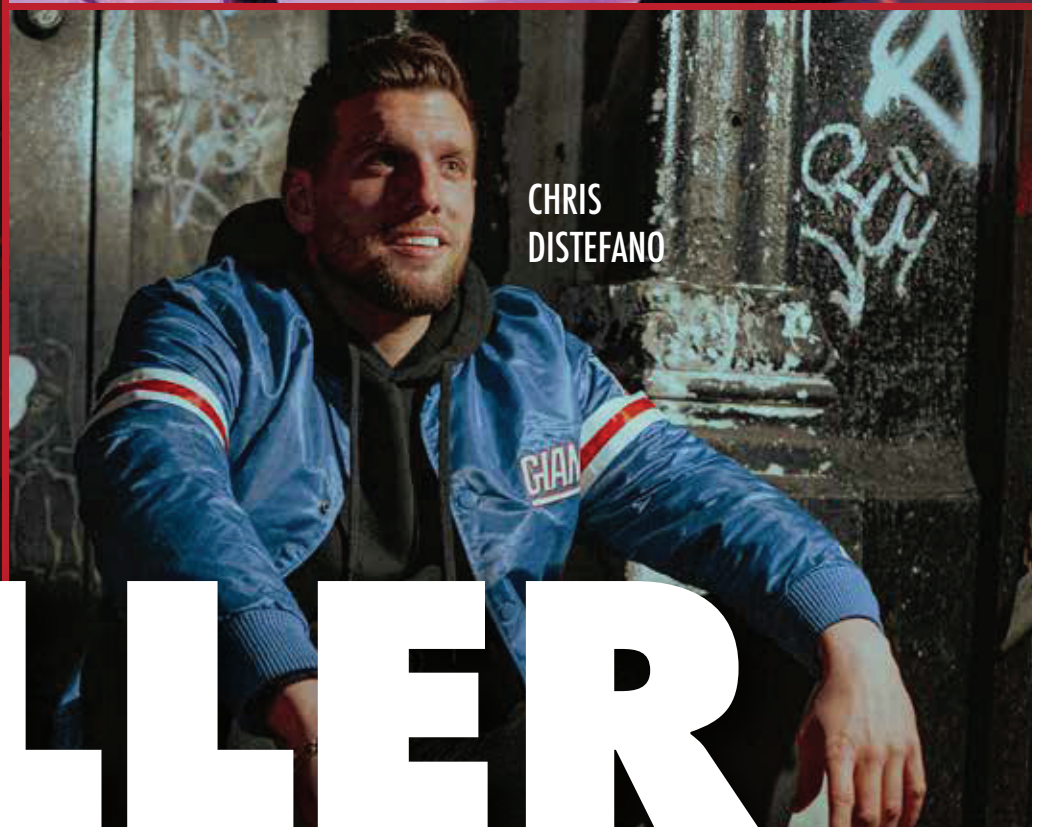
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