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Twenty years ago, damn we're old. Twenty years ago...really? Twenty years ago, holy cow...twenty years ago...we leased a failing restaurant and renamed it the **Dahlia Lounge**. We poured every ounce of money, heart and soul we had into it. Twenty years later - wow - through the efforts of hundreds of people and thousands of loyal customers, she still stands.

Nineteen and two-thirds years ago, we had a restaurant baby – a daughter named Loretta...aaah, perspective! There have been raves and a few rants, accolades and rewards, but none greater than the Dahlia being described as the “Quintessential Seattle Restaurant.”

Through the years and recipes we've witnessed wedding proposals and break-ups, funerals and make-ups, birthdays and anniversaries, and many graduations from universities. And some people who were just hungry. We hope that somehow we played a part in one of these scenarios for you.

What do we love most about the restaurant business? Folks and family gathering around the table with us, celebrating life, talking politics, religion, sex and sometimes even local, sustainable, organic farming techniques. But mostly just talking. Many passionate cooks, thoughtful waiters, and cool headed managers have passed through these doors. All committed to our mission begun in 1989 and still thriving through 2009 to offer you, our honored customers and friends, deliciousness served with graciousness.

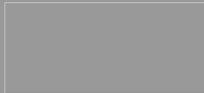
Thanks for twenty years...oh my!

-Tom

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