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A Note From Tom

While most of you are probably sweating, stewing or relishing the thought of diving into cooking a Thanksgiving dinner, some of us still have a few things to put on the stove before the big day. The team at Cuoco, led by Ron, our chef, and Scott, our general manager, are busy making a mountain of meatballs for a fabulous [Spaghetti Dinner for Teen Feed](#) event,

celebrating their 30th anniversary of feeding, clothing and mentoring troubled youth around our city. Our pasta maker, Stan, is forming his handmade spaghetti to go along with delicious meatballs. In addition to the spaghetti, guests will enjoy Caesar salad, fresh garlic bread and dessert (plus 2 glasses of wine or non-alcoholic beverage). The charge....just \$30 bucks! We are donating 100% of all proceeds and the entire staff have donated their time in an effort to raise money for this worthy cause. Parking is just 2 bucks and it's a Sunday (and our Seahawks play Thursday) so there are no traffic excuses. Please think about bringing your family and friends. And the final kicker: if you bring Chef Ron and Eric Tanaka a plate of your favorite tried-and-true, family tested meatballs to taste, we will give you a \$20.00 gift card to use in any of our joints on your next visit. The winner of the best tasting meatball will get a \$100.00 gift card! Whose meatballs will reign supreme???

Now, back to a delicious Thanksgiving. Our bakers, up to their eyeballs in fresh pumpkin purée, made some time to team up with our video crew to produce a sweet short about how we make our delicious Dahlia Bakery pumpkin pie. We even went to pick the pumpkins ourselves from the fields of Newaukum Valley Farms just to make sure we lived the field-to-pie plate dream. Take a peek when you get a chance and be inspired [to order one of ours](#) or recreate the adventure for yourself!

Finally, an annual favorite, the [Cookbook Social](#) returns to the Palace Ballroom on December 4th. We will host over 20 authors and vendors from around Seattle and the Northwest. Each author will present a taste from their book and personally sign any purchase you make. I will be there to emcee, tape the Seattle Kitchen radio show live for KIRO Radio and hand out door prizes throughout the evening. The Cookbook Social has become a holiday tradition not to be missed!

Cheers,
Tom



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