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The calendar indicates that Spring will arrive on March 20th, so now is the time to be thinking about new spring menus. This year, the **Easter** holiday falls on April 9th and **Mother's Day** celebrations fall on Sunday, May 14th. We are working hard at being well stocked for the new season and for these special occasions but please try to work ahead and order early. Lead times are important, especially when it comes to orders for baked goods, mini desserts and appetizers.

As I mentioned last month, Tuesday, March 14th is officially Pi Day. Elegant Food's Bakery offers many different pies, several are thaw and serve and others are easy to bake off. Check out our pie selection on our website, under **Elegant Foods Dessert** and get ready for Pi day.

We have added a new **Sartori Bellavitano** flavor to our stock, **Garlic & Herb**. This flavor is handcrafted with garlic, lemon zest, Aleppo chili pepper, parsley and extra virgin olive oil. The rind is meant to be eaten and is part of Garlic & Herb's special flavor. Available in a 5lb. average quarter wheel (\$10.29 per pound) and in a retail 5.3 oz wedge, (\$3.79 per wedge).

Our soup inventory is changing. We still have some True Soup flavors in stock, but we will be discontinuing their brand due to limited availability. We are pleased to bring **Kettle Cuisine** soups back into inventory. Available in four-pound pillows, we are now stocking standard favorites, including Broccoli Cheddar, Butternut Squash & Apple, Chicken Noodle, and Cream of Chicken with Wild Rice. We have Italian Wedding soup back in stock, and have Hungarian Mushroom, Lobster Bisque and Roasted Red Pepper and Gouda. We continue to stock Blount Soups, and as we do for Blount, **Kettle Cuisine** will be sold in increments of four pillows. (you may mix/match flavors). Please visit our website to view our entire list of **Kettle Cuisine** soups.

If you haven't already done so, don't forget to check out our new line of olives and specialties from **Divina**. So far, we have had a great reception from customers who have sampled their products. If you are interested in learning more about Divina, please give our office or your sales representative a call.

Sincerely yours,

Michael J. Olson