

NET Radio Celebrates Thanksgiving with Special Programs, "Turkey Confidential"

LINCOLN, Neb. (Nov. 12, 2009) -- NET Radio is bringing more to the table this Thanksgiving than ever before. In addition to two traditional Thanksgiving specials, this year NET Radio will feature "Turkey Confidential," a live, two-hour call-in program from "The Splendid Table" that has been called "culinary triage on the day you need it most."

"Harvest Home: Thanksgiving with the Dale Warland Singers" begins the holiday programming Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 26, at 9 a.m. CT with moving selections of American seasonal choral classics. The Dale Warland Singers provided magical performances to listeners across the country for more than 30 years and were acclaimed as America's premier choir. The program presents a beautiful hour of newly arranged favorites, quiet and simple Shaker tunes and rousing folk songs. With brief, evocative poems by John Keats and Meridel LeSueur interspersed among the songs, "Harvest Home" provides the perfect accompaniment to holiday preparations.

From 10 a.m. - noon CT, help is on the way for Thanksgiving cooks, kitchen helpers and dinner guests on this, the biggest cooking day of the year via "Turkey Confidential." Lynne Rossetto Kasper, award-winning host of "The Splendid Table," will be available to answer listener questions throughout the live, two-hour program. Quickly becoming a Thanksgiving morning tradition, past "Turkey Confidentials" have included everything from a cross-country trucker cooking his Thanksgiving dinner on the manifold to a panicked first-time cook who didn't realize a turkey needs to be thawed. Kasper handles all questions with wit, expertise and laughter. This year, Kasper will be joined by guests such as Cook's Illustrated's Christopher Kimball, road food warriors Jane and Michael Stern and wine entrepreneur Joshua Wesson.

The annual favorite "Giving Thanks: A Celebration of Fall, Food and Gratitude with John Birge" airs at 1 p.m. CT with music and stories that capture the spirit of Thanksgiving. "Giving Thanks" is a program that sounds the way Thanksgiving feels: inviting, warm and festive. Classical music is always the centerpiece, with a variety of sounds that flow seamlessly with the readings. Highlights include works by Haydn, Bernstein, Tchaikovsky and Mozart.

Among the guests is writer, humorist and "All Things Considered" commentator Kevin Kling with a Thanksgiving story from his new book "Holiday Inn." Violinist Pamela Frank offers her delightfully tongue-in-cheek recipe for Thanksgiving Stuffing from Hell, perfect for everyone with an appetite for living well. And she'll play Beethoven with her father, pianist Claude Frank. Words from the past include John Updike sharing November reflections and holiday memories, Abraham Lincoln's powerful Thanksgiving Proclamation, Anne Frank's uplifting words of gratitude, Studs Terkel reading Carl Sandburg and an unforgettable journey of the spirit at Chartres Cathedral from Charles Laughton.

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