



Host Suzanne Nance loves to explore Portland's foodie culture, and what better way than to go straight to the chefs of some of our most beloved restaurants!

Together, Suzanne and the culinary artists of the City of Roses will explore music through the idea of comfort food, provide recipes, and chat about the joy of cooking, all paired with lush, beautifully crafted music.

This week on Sunday Brunch, Portland: a recipe from Portland sandwich icon Michael Zokoych, who owned and operated Michael's Italian Beef and Sausage Company. Michael passed away in May, and the staff at Michael's Italian Beef and Sausage Company share this recipe in his honor.

**Lemon Squares**

1c butter  
 1c powdered sugar  
 2c flour  
 4 eggs well beaten

2c sugar  
 1t baking powder  
 4T flour  
 8T lemon juice

Cream together butter, powdered sugar, and flour. Mix and press in to a 9 x 13 pan to form a crust; cook for 20 minutes at 350 degrees. Mix the remaining five ingredients – eggs, sugar, baking powder, flour, lemon juice - and pour over the hot crust. Return to oven and bake at 325 degrees for 35 minutes. Let cool and dust with powdered sugar. Enjoy!

**Chef Michael Zokoych**

Michael's Italian Beef and Sausage Company

Michael Zokoych was born in Illinois in 1950. He went to a boys only Catholic school, and later started college in Illinois. He eventually transferred to the University of Portland, where he graduated with a degree in English. Michael started his first sandwich shop on Highway 30 with money his dad had won in a craps game in Las Vegas. Although he wanted to start a construction company, his dad won that argument, and a restaurant was born. Later he opened Michael's Italian Beef and Sausage Company where it currently stands at 1111 SE Sandy Blvd in Portland, and for a small time he had both shops operating. His restaurant has been running in one location or another for the past 43 years and remains in business with his long-standing employee Teri Burke having now taken over the shop. He was actively involved in the community and local politics, and he also was a real estate agent and broker. A true giant in the Portland food scene, Michael passed away on May 10<sup>th</sup> this year from pancreatic cancer.

