

Homemade creations a hit at cozy Lott's & Lots

Bakery and tearoom a popular spot among Campbellville residents

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Boasting the title 'Pie Lady' that's emblazoned on the licence plate of her sporty coup, Margaret Lott owns and runs Lott's & Lots, a bakery and tearoom at 85 Campbellville Rd. W.

Described as a 'gem in the country' by one of her customers, Lott's & Lots strives for perfection with their pies, soups, quiches, and a large variety of other mouth-watering dishes all made from scratch by the Pie Lady herself and her hardworking staff.

With European heritage, Ms Lott's mother began teaching her to bake at the

age of 12 when she made her first cakes, family favourites such as banana, chocolate, poppyseed, and apple, as well as a 'special' one.

"Mocha chiffon was the cake that was savoured for that special occasion, whether it was a birthday or a christening," she said of her 'piece de resistance'.

"The thinly sliced chocolate cake encompassed with fresh whipped cream and a hint of mocha was perfect."

The idea to turn her passion for baking into a business began in October 1996 after Ms Lott was asked to provide 75 pumpkin and apple pies for a public function around Thanksgiving. Her homemade creations were a hit.

"The pies were cut and sold per slice. After sampling the first slice, it appeared that people were interested in purchasing

the whole pie," she said.

The following July, Lott's & Lots opened its doors to provide what people were looking for — a good homemade pie, not a factory produced product, but one like grandma used to make.

Today, Ms Lott prepares many types of pies and tries to make fruit pies as particular fruits come in season allowing the fresh taste of the fruit to enhance the flavour of the pie, she said.

"Some of the pies coming from the Lott's & Lots kitchen are apple, banana cream, lemon meringue, cherry, raspberry, strawberry, strawberry-rhubarb, rhubarb, and most recently a peach and sour cream pie with a streusel topping," said Ms Lott.

"But my favourite is still apple — a slice of homemade apple pie with cinnamon,

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Nestled in the village of Campbellville, Lott's & Lots offers both a picturesque view and tasty treats.

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& Charity BBQ

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