

Denise Swanson: *Tart of Darkness*



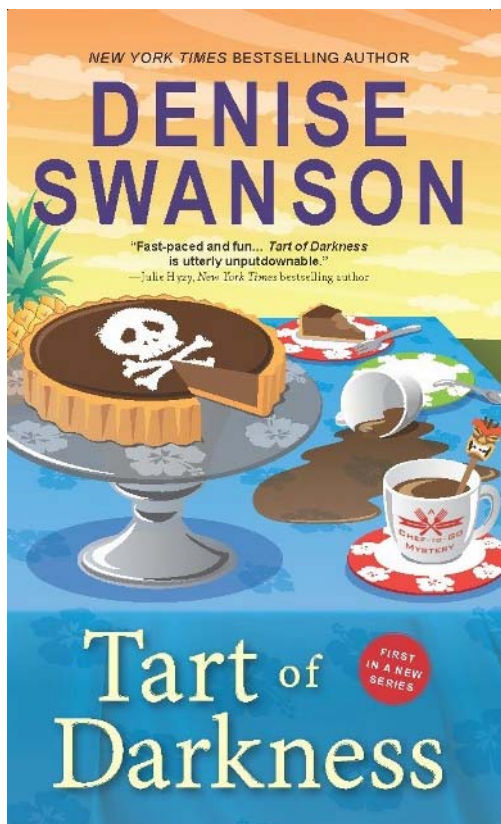
### Grandma Swanson's Chocolate Delight

#### Ingredients:

- 1¼ stick of butter (melted)
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1½ cups flour
- 8 ounces of cream cheese (softened)
- 3 cups of milk
- 16 ounces of Cool Whip (divided)
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 8 ounces instant chocolate pudding mix

#### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 °F. Combine butter, nuts, and flour. Press mixture into a 9 X 13 - inch pan. Bake for 30 minutes, then cool. Meanwhile combine cream cheese, sugar, and 8 ounces of Cool Whip. Spread on cooled nut layer. Mix pudding with milk and spread on cream cheese layer. Top with remaining Cool Whip.



**Available April 3, 2018!**

**The first in Denise's new "Chef-to-Go" mystery series.**

Right when Dani thinks she's hit a dead-end in her career, she unexpectedly inherits an enormous old house in a quaint college town. This gives her the perfect opportunity to pursue her true passion — cooking! So Dani opens Chef-to-Go, preparing delicious, ready-made meals for hungry students attending the nearby university, as well as providing personal chef services and catering events for the local community. To help support her new business, she opens her home to a few students, renting them rooms and becoming almost like a big sister figure in their lives.

But just as Dani is relishing her sweet new life, the friend of one of her boarders is murdered, and Dani becomes one of the primary suspects!

She'll have to scramble to clear her name and save her business before the killer reappears — perhaps to silence the new chef forever.

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*Dear Readers,*

*To those of you who read my Scumble River series and/or Devereaux's Dime Store books, I promise you that this new series is very similar. It has my same voice as a writer, quirky, but lovable characters, and an interesting college town (the fictional Normalton, Illinois) setting.*

*In addition, Frannie Ryan from the Scumble River series has moved to Normalton and her boyfriend Justin Boward will be joining her in the second book. Others from Scumble River and Shadow Bend will be popping in for cameo roles as well.*

**Bibliography** — check <http://www.DeniseSwanson.com/bibliog.htm>

**Book Events** — check <http://www.DeniseSwanson.com/appears.htm> for updates

Saturday, April 7 at 2:00 PM: **Ann Arbor District Library: Downtown**

343 South Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

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Loren D. Estleman signs his latest **Amos Walker** novel, *Black and White Ball*, and Denise Swanson joins us as she launches her new **Chef-to-Go** series with *Tart of Darkness*.

Denise will be signing books —

Saturday, April 14 at 12:30 - 2:00 PM: **Coal City Pharmacy**

175 South Broadway Street, Coal City, Illinois 60416-1532

Telephone: (815) 634-2391

Denise will be talking and signing books —

Saturday, April 21 at 2:00 PM: **Lemont Public Library**

50 East Wend Street, Lemont, Illinois 60439

Web site: <http://lemontlibrary.org>

Friday-Sunday, April 27-29: **Barbara Vey Reader Appreciation Weekend**

Clarion Hotel - Airport, 5311 South Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207

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