## WASHINGTON STATE FAIR CULINARY ARTS AND PRESERVED FOODS COMPETITION HOME ARTS DEPARTMENT

Entry \# $\qquad$ Class \# $\qquad$
Recipes must be submitted for each entry along with signed release form found on back of this recipe form.

## Recipe name: Chocolate Covered Cherries

Recipe Source: Original!
Set on parchment covered cookie sheet/flat board/counter... just a good firm flat surface Container prep: parchment line a can or sealing plastic container

## Ingredients:

Main Fondant:
$11 / 2$ sticks butter, soft
a pinch of salt
9 c confectioner's sugar
$1 / 2$ c heavy cream
1 t vanilla extract
Then, if you would like:
2 T Kentucky Bourbon OR Rum OR Almond Liquor... ...
Or some other entertaining addition
Filling:
28 oz. jar of maraschino cherries, drained and dried with paper towels
(now, they say you can marinate them in some spirits for a few days \& give 'em a kick!)
Dipping:
~ 40 ounces bittersweet chocolate chips
[NOTE: quality of chips dictates quality of candy.]
Directions for combining ingredients: (Please number each step).

1) Cream the butter \& salt.
2) Alternately add sugar, one cup at a time \& heavy cream beating smoothly until beating is no longer possible. Then knead.
3) Add vanilla \& liquor, knead until blended well.
4) Separate the "Sugar Cream" into a small ball for each cherry.
5) Put in refrigerator to chill for an hour.
6) Put cherries - separated - on a parchment lined container in the freezer, chill them for about an hour.
7) Taking the parts out of the refrigerator/freezer a few at a time, flatten the ball to wrap it around a cherry \& place back in the freezer, until all are done.
8) Melt the chocolate, tempering it.
9) Dip each covered cherry, if no stem, use a toothpick or "straining loop or fork" or FINGERS!
10)Place on parchment to set.
10) When set, put in an appropriate container

Yield~80-90 chocolate covered cherries
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