

# ROBERT J. DENNEY

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated, energetic and creative chef adapt at multitasking in a high-volume faced-paced work environment.

## CORE QUALIFICATIONS

- Strong hands-on experience in creative menu preparation, line service and cooking.
- Excellent grasp of safe food handling procedures.
- Certified Professional Food Manager, ANSI.
- Expertise in making mother sauces, soups, salads, entrees, and desserts.
- Knowledgeable in vegetarian cuisine.
- Solid ability to season, garnish, and arrange food creatively and attractively.
- Fast learner and driven to action.
- Proficient Knife Skills.
- Fully trained on kitchen equipment.
- Excellent working relationships and customer service skills

## EDUCATION | LE CORDON BLEU, PASADENA

2014/2015

## BARTENDERS OF AMERICA, NORTH HOLLYWOOD

1991

## EXPERIENCE | WORK HISTORY

### Personal Chef/Catering:

Casa Italiana Banquet Hall, on-call event catering with in-house staff.

Kenneth Parra Productions, DLYH Show – cast catering, Sept 2016 – present.

Dr. Susan Block Show –cast catering, Aug 2015 – present.

Cureco Construction, Inc., Project Manager 1995-2015

Cherry Valley Fire Department, Fire Fighter 2007-2010

## AWARDS | Blue Ribbon Winner & Professional Judge, La Habra Children's Museum "Gourmet Guys" Culinary Contest.

Multiple Choice (1 point each)

84

1) A gallon is equal to \_\_\_\_ ounces

- a. 56
- b. 145
- c. 32
- d. 128

2) Mesclun are what type of vegetable?

- a. Roots
- b. Beans
- c. Salad Greens
- d. Spices

3) What does the term braise mean?

- a. Sear quickly on both sides
- b. Slowly cook in covered pan with little liquid
- c. Cook on high heat and quickly
- d. Slowly cook in simmering water

4) At what internal temperature must chicken be cooked so that it is safe to eat?

- a. 155 degrees F
- b. 165 degrees F
- c. 175 degrees F
- d. 185 degrees F

5) How do you blanche vegetables?

- a. Immerse for a short time in boiling water
- b. Cook lightly in butter over med heat
- c. Soak in cold water overnight
- d. Rub with salt before cooking

6) Which of the following ingredients would you pack before measuring?

- a. Olive Oil
- b. Salt
- c. Brown Sugar
- d. White Sugar

7) What is Al Dente?

- a. Firm but not hard
- b. Soft to the touch
- c. Very hard
- d. Very soft

8) Food should be left out no more than

- a. 2 hours
- b. 3 hours
- c. 4 hours
- d. 5 hours

9) Which is the improper way to thaw frozen food?

- a. In the fridge
- b. In a sink with cold water
- c. On the counter
- d. In the microwave

10) Which of the following can you use to put out a grease fire?

- a. Baking Soda
- b. Baking Powder
- c. Flour
- d. Water

11) What is the temperature range of the danger zone?

- a. 25-135
- b. 40-140
- c. 50-160
- d. 30-130

12) Which of the following is listed from smallest to largest?

- a. Dice, chop, mince
- b. Mince, chop, dice
- c. Chop, dice, Mince
- d. Mince, dice, chop

13) Which direction should pan handles be turned while cooking on the stove?

- a. Over the fire at all times
- b. Turned towards you for better control
- c. Turned towards the right or left at all times
- d. Over the countertop at all times

14) When you poach something, you cook it with what?

- a. Noodles
- b. Vegetables
- c. Liquid
- d. Oil

15) Which spoon is used to remove fat from soups and stews

- a. Basting Spoon
- b. Ladle
- c. Slotted Spoon
- d. Portion Spoon

16) Which of the following means to cook in a small amount of fat?

- a. Season
- b. Sauté
- c. Broil
- d. Boil
- e. Fry

3 17) What is a Julien cut?

- a. Food cut into long thin strips, matchstick
- b. Food cut into long thin strips then turned and cut into a 1/8' dice
- c. Food diced into finely chopped and uniform pieces
- d. Cutting and peeling into oblong seven sided football like shapes

A 18) To cook a food in a pan without browning over low heat until the item softens and releases moisture.

- a. Sweat
- b. Boil
- c. Roast
- d. Grill

**Fill-in the Blank** (1 point each)

19) Salt & pepper are the basic seasoning ingredients for all savory recipes.

20) Chop : to cut into very small pieces when uniformity of size and shape is not important.