



## *What's Cookin' at MTI February 1, 2008*

Okay, here's a thought. We have been in class longer than we will be in class until Summer break. The year is slipping by and most of our

Culinary students have taken full advantage of every moment. We have indoctrinated our new students and they are fitting in to the program with ease. Our "old timers" that began in August have helped to make the transition smooth for them.

Below new students Alissa begins cutting vegetables for a salad, Katie prepares Lemon Butter for fish



Veterans, Nik and Mo seemed involved with the job at hand, and Kelli and Miguel cook.



This week Derrick Ogara talks with us,



What High School do you attend Derrick?

Lakewood Ranch

When did you become interested in Culinary Arts?

About a year ago I started experimenting cooking different foods and decided sitting behind a desk was not a career I wanted to pursue.

Why did you come to MTI Culinary program?

I heard it was the best program in the county!

What do you enjoy most about the class?

I enjoying cooking and cleaning up.

What do you plan to do after you complete school?

I would like to try working on a cruise ship or a four star restaurant.

Last weeks riddle was: **Question: What do you get if you divide the circumference of a pumpkin by its diameter?**

**Answer is.....Pi**

This weeks riddle, **Question: How many pounds of avocado will be consumed as Guacamole this Super Bowl weekend?**

**Mr. "C" stops by with a superbbbbbbb thought!**

**Mixing Bowl, Soup Bowl, Salad Bowl , Super Bowl, train hard ,practice and make it the best.**

Quick reminder, make sure you get a permission slip in to stay here at MTI for the "Cooking with the Chef's" Day Feb. 19th. That will do it for this week. Enjoy your weekend. Think about the Riddle as you enjoy the Super Bowl and devour a bowl of Guacamole or whatever your snacks of choice are. Now it's about time to turn off the lights in the big kitchen and leave to ..... "Go Cook Sumthin"

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