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OBJECT ID	1996.64.3
OBJECT NAME	Ladle
OBJECT COLLECTION	CUPID CANDIES (is part of)
MATERIAL	Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Stefanos, John (is related to) Stefanos, Polychronis (is related to)

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## RELATED ITEMS

Kettle, 1996.64.1.D  
Vessel Start, (Burner), 1996.64.2  
Thermometer, Candy, 1996.64.4  
Thermometer, Candy, 1996.64.5  
Blender, 1996.64.6  
Hot Fudge Warmer, 1996.64.7  
Can, Food Storage, 1996.64.8.A  
Canister, Food-storage, 1996.64.8.B  
Tray, Flatware, 1996.64.9.A  
Candy Cooling Trays, 1996.64.9.B  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.A  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.B  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.C  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.D  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.E  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.F  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.G  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.H  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.I  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.J  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.K  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.L  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.M  
Pitcher, 1996.64.10.N  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.A  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.B  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.C  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.D  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.E  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.F  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.G  
Box, Candy, 1996.64.11.H  
Wrapping Paper Roll Cutter, 1996.64.12  
Cutter, Sugar, 1996.64.13  
Crock, 1996.64.14  
Ad, Newspaper, 1996.64.15.A  
Photograph, 1996.64.15.B  
Bag, 1996.64.15.C  
Sign, 1996.64.15.D  
Sign, 1996.64.15.E  
Sign, 1996.64.15.F  
Sign, 1996.64.15.G  
Sign, 1996.64.15.H  
Sign, 1996.64.15.I  
Ad, Newspaper, 1996.64.15.J  
Spring, Spiral, 1996.64.16

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## ACCESS POINTS

cupid candies  
Polychronis Stefanos  
Wooden Ladle

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## OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Large wooden paddle used with copper kettle for the purpose of making candy. It has a long handle and a wide bottom, resembling an small oar. The



bottom of the paddle is slightly angled to accommodate the curve on the inside of the kettle. The wood is dark and discolored at both ends, and shows some pitting at the paddle end - evidence of years of use.

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#### ORIGIN

Cupid Candies is a family owned business, founded by Paul Stefanos in 1936, and has been manufacturing quality chocolate and serving Chicagoland residents in our own retail stores for the past 68 years. The first store was at 79th and Ashland, where only fudge, toffee, and popcorn were sold. By 1940 Paul Stefanos, and his wife Pauline, opened another store at 3207 W. 63rd Street, along with a small manufacturing facility, where the chocolate line was expanded. By using only the finest ingredients-dairy cream and butter, premium nuts, real chocolate and natural flavors- a practice we still use today, the company had grown into what local residents remember from their childhood-a candy store where the chocolates are made fresh daily-never frozen.

Paul Stefanos passed in the year 2000, and the youngest of his three children, John Stefanos, took over the business.

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#### CITATION

Ladle, CUPID CANDIES, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 01/09/26.

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