



OBJECT ID	2012.23.4
OBJECT NAME	Bowl, Mixing
OBJECT COLLECTION	Ramova Grill Collection (is part of)
MATERIAL	Metal
OBJECT ENTITIES	Grill, Ramova (owned by) Dinos, Tony (is related to) Miller, Ward (is related to) Gertos, Bob (is related to) Gertos, Bill (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	Mixing bowl Pancake batter bowl Ramova Grill

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A metal mixing bowl used in the process of making the pancake batter, which the Ramova Grill was well known for their pancakes. Under the lip on the bowl it says in red marker "Ramova Grill," and has some crusted on batter in the crease of the lip. The bottom of the bowl is worn from using and washing and it has a few stain marks on the bottom. The sides have some batter residue and stains on it. Inside of the bowl has marks from the whisks, small chipped marks on the sides and bottom, and some stains or batter residue on the sides. There is a large indent on the side where it starts to curve down to the bottom. The bowl has several other dents along the sides from using the whisk. There are some faded horizontal lines along the sides in and out of the bowl as a design.

ORIGIN

The Ramova Grill opened in Chicago in 1929 and after 82 years it shut down in 2012. Tony Dinos was from Greece and moved to the United States in 1960 where he started working at the Ramova Grill, his first and only job he has ever had in the United States. He started out as a dishwasher but once he learned English better his uncle, Pete Gertos, promoted him to cook and four years after that he bought in and owned part of the place. In 1965, while working at the grill, Dinos met Liberty Sfondels, whom he would marry just two months later and are still married to this day. The Ramova Grill was known for their pancakes and chili. Dinos got the chili recipe from the original owners and will not give the recipe to anyone, not even his son-in-law who owns a diner in Indiana. Dinos and his partner Bob Gertos have decided to close the grill after working there for 52 years to spend more time with family and travel.

CITATION

Bowl, Mixing, Ramova Grill Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed

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