Tortellini Carbonara (traditional)

Yield: 12 portions

Ingredients:

Cheese tortellini, precooked or fresh	3 lbs.
Pancetta, julienned	8 oz.
Rosemary, minced	2 T
Garlic confit	1 oz.
Eggs	1 doz.
Heavy cream	1 c
Parmesan	12 oz.

Procedure:

This dish should be cooked to order.

- 1. Render the fat from 3 oz. of pancetta in a sauté pan. Start it slow, and increase the temp as you go along.
- 2. Heat pasta momentarily in a dunk pot. Drain thoroughly and quickly and immediately add to the hot rendered fat. Add oil as or if needed.
- 3. When the pasta is thoroughly coated in the hot fat, remove to a separate bowl. In the bowl have ready 2 beaten eggs.
- 4. Stir thoroughly and at once, so that the eggs and fat bind to form a sauce. Add warm cream, rosemary and parm to finish the dish.
- 5. Serve at once.

Notes: many recipes will add peas or seared mushrooms to this dish. Use unsmoked bacon or salt pork in the absence of pancetta.