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Journal Campaign Breaks All Records Over \$80,000 In Ads Sold

Just two years ago, in June, 1967, the Community Bulletin reported that the Journal Drive that year topped \$40,000, which was, "\$30,000 more than all previous Publication." At that time, the Community Bulletin account carried a quotation by Journal Chairman Joe Esses which now stands out as a very astute observation indeed. He commented, "This Journal should serve as a source of encouragement to the Yeshivah leadership. The Community is saying to you build... improve... expand, we are behind you."

The subsequent two years more than validated this interpretation and prophecy.

PROCEEDS TO BUILDING EXPANSION

The Grand proportions of the Enrollment Explosion are such that unless the building expansion is speeded up, the Yeshivah will be forced to turn away many would be registrants each September. In view of these pressing needs for expansion, the Executive Committee has earmarked all Journal income for the building program.

Mr. Leo Esses, Yeshivah President, explained, "the eighty thousand dollars raised by the 1969 Journal might seem insignificant in terms of the overall growth program, which will eventually run close to two million dollars. But when you add it to the \$54,000 raised in 1968, and the anticipated income of 1970, it becomes clear that thanks to the Journal we can undertake to complete so vast an expansion program in four years instead of a much longer period, perhaps six or seven years. And let's not underestimate the value of educating

several hundred additional youngsters who would have been lost to Torah Education were it not for these successful Journal Drives."



Joe A. Esses

JOURNAL COMMITTEE CITED

Sonny Gindi, Yeshivah Treasurer, said that "a Campaign of such major proportions requires more than a positive attitude on the part of the Community. It also needs outstanding organizational and administrative brains to see the drive through efficiently; it also requires devotion to the job and the ability to inspire an army of workers." "These talents were fortunately available to the Community in the persons of our veteran chairman, Joe Esses, and his very able Co-chairmen Ellis Safdeye and Izzy Shamah and, of

course, the men who served on the Committee with them," Gindi commented.

Serving on the Committee with the three Chairmen were Saul Ashkenazi, Jack (Morris) Benun, Moe D. Gindi, Sonny Gindi, Richard Haddad, Morris Missry, Edward Shabot, Albert Shalom, Henry Shalom, David Shamah, David Sutton, Harry S. Tawil. Mrs. Esther Shelton served as the Journal Secretary.

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Mr. Joe Esses added, "There is no doubt that my two Co-chairmen, and the Committee, did an outstanding job on the drive, but the real heroes of this drive, as in all drives, are the wonderful, wonderful workers who did the Ad soliciting day in — day out. It takes hundreds upon hundreds of twenty-five, fifty and hundred dollar Ads to produce a successful Journal. My gratitude is extended to the many, many workers who solicited these Ads, and of course to our wonderful Community members who placed their own Ads so generously."

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REGISTRATION REPORT

Mr. Isaac Gindi, Chairman of the Magen David Registration Committee, announced that enrollment for the September 1969 school year has once again broken all records.

The afternoon Nursery, he said, is closed for new applications but there are still a few openings in the morning Nursery, and these too are filling up fast.

The three Kindergartens are all oversubscribed as are the three first grade classes. The Committee is seriously considering opening another first grade. Interested parents had best register their children for that class so they will be included if it is opened.

Mr. Gindi also thanked the Community for having cooperated and applied early enough for proper planning of the 1969-70 school year.

For further information on registration, call Rabbi Himmel at 236-5905.

Of Pirates and Princes



The Fathers Club of Magen David Yeshivah conducts an annual Purim Masquerade Party for all the children. Above are some of the Pirates and Princes resting up from a hard morning of Hamen-Tashen.

TO DESCRIPTION OF THE SECOND O FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPALS

by Rabbi David Bitton Works. Frieda R. Shprentz

The guarantee of the future of Jewish Education in America depends not only with the amount of children in the classroom of today in Yeshivot, but also on the type of teacher who knows how to fulfill his responsibility and who is dedicated and consecrated to his or her work.

The good teacher knows that every hour of the day presents a new challenge of molding the student's character, guiding his finest aspiration, and transmitting to him the heritage of Sinai. He or she must approach this holy work with the greatest humility. The teaching should be to them the most noble and inspiring career.

The success of the day occurs before 8:15 in the morning. It definitely depends on the preparation the teacher made the night before. A check-up on the courses of study which he or she are going to teach in the morning and a review of the material and the method to be used, is not only useful, but necessary.

A good teacher must arrive in time to set out the books and materials needed. and to see that everything is in order before the classwork begins. The blackboard must be used to write on it the explanation of the lessons which are going to be taught - definitely not to leave it idle as a "Black Board."

The knowledge that he is prepared for the day's work will definitely give him ease and confidence. The student too will be impressed when they see that the teacher has command of the situation.

A teacher who comes to his class even five minutes late or unprepared, contributes to the day's failure.

A good teacher does not rush to bother the school office with every minor problem. He or she tries to find a solution by their own knowledge and understandding: and only when everything else has been tried, then turn to the principal for help and advice.

This will give the teacher a warm consciousness of the success of the day's work, when he or she had the good luck to convince a talkative girl to behave; and to take a troublesome boy "off the hook," and encourage a retarded child.

These achievements will give a teacher a warm glow in his heart. Then both the students and the teacher will be eager to start another day with success.

"Every child a Participant" our slogan for the Science Fair, was well carried out as seen at the display in the Science Room frm March 12 to March 18, 1969.

Well over 200 children exhibited more than 100 projects and charts. These ranged from the study of natural phenomena, such as a volcano, or a snowflake, etc. to following the astronauts on their journey to and from the moon. One second grade class charted the flight of the Appollo 8.

The children and parents who visited the Science Fair were surprised and delighted to see so many interesting, imaginative, and original projects and charts. The younger children crowded around an incubator hoping that the chicks would hatch at any moment while the older children showed much interest in a chart on "Cigarettes and Health."

The judges found it very difficult to select a few of the superior entries from among so many, for awards and honorable

Congratulations to the children whose work was finally selected.

CLASS I PROJECT

1. Supersonic Rocket Steven Jemel 7-1

2. Hoffman Apparatus Bert Cohen 7-1

3. Electronic Humidity Sensor

Stephen Hedaya 7-1

HON. MENTION

Volcano Eddie Ash 7-1 Anemometer Victor Grinberg 3-3 Types of Circuits Robert Levy 4-1 Star Tracker Joseph Setton 4-1

CLASS II CHARTS

1. Cigarettes & Health Albert Maleh 8th

2. Anatomy of a Frog

Eddie Safdieh and Abe Beyda 8th

3. Optical Illusions Sharon Cohen 6-1 and Louise Cohen 8th

HON. MENTION

How does a Rocket work?

Robert Sherr 6-2 Cavities Ruth Dweck 8th How to fingerprint a snowflake Murray Braha 6-1

CLASS PRIZE

Appollo Diary - Journey to the Moon

(Mrs. Goodman) 2-1

Our appreciation and thanks go to all the teachers who helped with the Fair, particularly to Mr. Ronald Dermer, our Science teacher. Mr. Dermer's skillful teaching and devotion to the children so inspired and stimulated them that the Science Fair became an outstanding achievement.

DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

by Rabbi Moshe Greenes

☐ I recently received a communication from a Sephardic Teen Age organization reporting "outstanding success" in that it "enhanced the understanding of Judaism by the encouragement of Birhat Hamazon and Communal worship when possible." It made me realize how vital and superior the religious upbringing of a yeshivah child really is.

Our children say Birhat Hamazon from First Grade on. They pray "Communally" (I gather that means with a Minyan) every morning from the age of nine.

The secret of our success is a good Yeshivah education from Kindergarten up, and I would advise those who see "outstanding success" in a teen ager's Birhat Hamazon and Prayers "when possible" to devote their major efforts to establishing elementary level Yeshivot for those Sephardic Communities who have none. Only thus will they "enhance the understanding of the Sephardic heritage, and of Judaism."

Yes, our Community is to be admired and emulated.

☐ There is a new Revolt of the Young taking place in our Community which makes my heart swell with pride and, even more, with hope for our future.

A large group of young people, ranging in age from 17 to 21, are apparently fed up with the emptiness of the America College Student's life. That is, the constant pursuit of the "good time," the almost paranoic search for entertainment, and for the aquisition of vanities which are not only not needed, but really not even wanted.

There is a genuine flight from the worship of materialism and its empty symbolistic rituals among these brilliant young people, and it is being replaced by a hunger and thirst for meaningful spiritual values.

Accordingly, they are organizing Torah classes during week-day evenings, forming themselves into small groups and recruiting volunteers to teach them. There are boys' groups as well as young ladies' groups, and they are instructed in every area of Torah study.

The most beautiful part about this movement is the quiet and modest manner in which it was born and grew, without hoopla and without fanfare. Also, it is a spontaneous youth movement, without the benefit of adult stimulation and guidance. Who knows, perhaps therein lies its greatest beauty and its greatest hope. Let's face it, the adult's

BANK GRANTS YESHIVAH QUARTER MILLION DOLLAR MORTGAGE

Mr. Henry Shalom, Chairman of the Yeshivah's Building Committee, announced earlier this month that the Yeshivah was given a quarter million dollar mortgage by the Chemical Bank. These funds, he said, would be utilized, "to pay off our obligations on the third floor project and allow us to proceed on the construction of the new wing without delays."

Sonny Gindi, Yeshivah Treasurer, revealed that, "the Yeshivah expects to meet the mortgage payments with the building fund pledges and the dedication contributions that are already in, and with those that will be forthcoming as the drive progresses."

Confidence in Community

A spokesman for the Chemical Bank said that the mortgage is a reflection of the Bank's confidence in our Community's dedication to its Yeshivah. "When it comes to a quarter of a million dollars" he pointed out, "We are talking business, not charity," and continued to say that if it weren't for the Bank's firm belief in the Community's identification with the Yeshivah they would not advance such a tidy sum. "The Chemical Bank," he pointed out, "has been handling the Yeshivahs accounts for many years and we are very impressed by the school's growth and the correct manner in which it conducts its affairs."



Seated I. to r.: Leo Esses., Sonny Gindi, Joe Press, Bank Manager. Standing: E. Barbour - Bank Officer, Daniel Cantor -Real Estate Investment Consultant, John Springer, Rabbi Sholom Himmel, George DeHaven - Assistant Manager.

idea of youth activities range from a dance to a party, but certainly nothing deeper than a Broadway show, because "it would bore the kids."

Well, it looks like "the kids" have more mettle to them than we have given them credit for.

How wonderful! I can only think of the words of the Prophet.

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A STRONG COMMUNITY VOICE

A recent interview with David E. Cohen, President of Civic Action Committee Of The Sephardic Community Of Brooklyn, brought to light a great deal of behind the scenes activity which that Citizens Organizations is doing to protect our rights vis-a-vis organized Municipal encroachment.

They operate in the finest traditions of that old American democratic institution, the Town-Hall meeting. A visiting European diplomat, touring American cities in the late 1890's, observed that the Town Hall meeting is the single most important libertarian institution in the United States. It assures the American citizen clean and fair government, and prevents civil servants, including elected officials, from becoming arrogant and capricious "rulers."

The last few decades have seen the emergence of a new form of enlightened grass-roots institution to act as a "check and balance" on civil authorities who view anyone who questions the wisdom of their decisions as cranks and meddlers. That is, the civic action committees which operate on a local level and are thus close enough to the citizenry to identify with their viewpoint, and strong enough to make their voices heard in the august chambers of City Hall.

It was Dave Cohen's CAC, for instance, which made our area's bitterness felt in the "august chambers" when we were swept by a terrible crime wave which culminated in murder, because our area was under-policed.

It is also C.A.C. which is carrying on the battle, in conjuction with other local civic action committees, apparently effectively, to frustrate Mayor Lindsay from running his "magnum opus," the cross Brooklyn Expressway, which has been glamorized by so cosmetic a name as Linear City, right through the heart of our Community.

C.A.C. has also alerted the Community to the tax increases the authorities have slapped on property this year via the back-door, not by increasing tax rates but by upping the assessment. They pointed out that individual home owners can appeal these increases because they are usually arrived at arbitrarily. They also sent circulars instructing everyone on exactly what measures to take to protect their present tax rate.

It is a comfortable feeling to know that there is a local organization which is *our* organization, to whom we can turn if a small citizen is dealt with callously by civic authorities. Mr. Cohen's number, should anyone want to consult with him, is ES 5-0721.

Newly Established School For Higher Learning

Since September, 1968, a new school has been established in the community. called "Sephardic Institute for Advanced Learning.

"The primary purpose of this school is to provide opportunity for High School graduates to continue their Torah education on a post H.S. level," its Dean, Rabbi Moshe Shamah, told us. It is open to men between the ages of 18 and 24. Classes meet six days a week — Sunday through Friday - from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., with morning prayers and breakfast preceding classes.

This Yeshivah provides two levels of

learning, for beginners and advanced students, and lectures are conducted in English. The program consists of the follow-

ing courses:

Talmud (Gemarrah), Codes (Halachah), Scriptures (Tanach) in depth, with major commentaries, Jewish Philo-

sophy and Ethics (Mussar).

There are 24 students attending now. Many of them are college students who have scheduled their secular courses for afternoon and evening sessions. Some

are attending graduate school.

The school is supported by voluntary contributions from members of the community. Its quarters are already inadequate for the full program of activity planned and property has been purchased on Avenue R for the eventual building of a permanent home. An active building committee under the chair-manship of Sonny Laniado is studying plans to accommodate 100 students, the anticipated enrollment.

Mr. Joe Benun, the Institutes president, believes that this figure will be

reached during 1970 or 1971.

The Deans (Roshei Yeshiva) of the Sephardic Institute are Rabbi Moshe Shamah and Rabbi Haim Benoliel. "We are in constant consultation with an advisory board consisting of Rabbis Jacob Kassin, Abraham Hecht, Moshe Greenes, David Bitton and others. Many have come in and given guest lectures," they proudly point out.

Rabbi Shamah was born here in Brooklyn, attended public schools and Magen David Talmud Torah, Mirrer Yeshivah H.S., Ner Israel of Baltimore, received a Master's Degree in Education from Loyola University, and was or-dained at the world famed Lakewood Yeshivah, where he also did advanced Post graduate work. He taught for two years at Mirrer Yeshivah, and was instrumental in starting their Sephardic Studies Division. He is married to the former Miriam Srour and has three daughters.

Rabbi Benoliel is new to our community. He was recently engaged as Rabbi of the Magen David of Ocean

BETH TORAH DEDICATED New Synagogue Awes Community

The new Beth Torah Synagogue, organized to serve the many Community families now residing in the Avenue J area, has finally completed its new building, after several years of worshipping and meeting in the auxiliary rooms of Club 100.

The structure, an architectural masterpiece, is breath-taking in every respect. It does one proud to stand on the divider along Ocean Parkway and observe the passing cars slow down slightly to admire the building. Even more breath-taking is the inside of the structure, modern in every respect and yet maintaining the traditional Synagogue aura.

The building, which cost over a million dollars to complete, was paid for by the contributions of our Sephardic Community. The Dedication Committee advises that there are a number of dedications available to Donors.

These are:

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Corner Stones (2) (1 Donated) each	\$18,000
Sculptured Doors to Synagogue (6) each	5,200
Main Sanctuary	26,000
The Ark (Donated)	26,000
Ark Curtains	3,600
Ner Tamid (Eternal Light)	5,200
Lectern	1,800
Tebah (Cantorial Lectern) (Donated)	5,200
Flags — U. S. and Israeli	1,200
Memorial Plaque	5,200
Clock	1,800
Yarmulka Stand	1,200
Cloak Room	1,200
Beth Hamidrash (Chapel) (Donated)	18,000
The Ark	5,200
Ark Curtains	
1 Set for daily usage	
1 Set for holiday usage	1,000
Ner Tamid (Eternal Light)	2,600
Tebah (Cantorial Lectern)	2,600
Clock	1,200
Windows (5) All	2,600
Social Hall	18,000
Stage	5,200
Rooms next to social hall (3) each	5,200
Water Fountain	1,800
Bridal Room	5,200
Sculptured Water Fountain	5,200
Rooms second Mezz. (3) each	2,600
Library	3,600
Kitchenette	2,600

Parkway congregation where he delivers the Sabbath sermons, conducts Sabbath and Tuesday night classes for men and attends to the spiritual needs of the congregation. He is of Sephardic parentage, father from Manchester, England and mother from Turkey. He was born in Seattle, Wash., where he attended the local schools and Talmud Torahs. He also attended Roosevelt U. in Chicago as well as the Hebrew Theological College (Beth Midrash L'Torah) there. His

advanced studies were done at the Beth Hatalmud in Brooklyn, where he obtained ordination. He, too, is married and is the father of five children.

The two Roshei Yeshivah are deeply committed to the school and its success in so short a time is a tribute to their attention. A factor they emphasize is that students are encouraged to be active in community affairs.

Registration for the new term beginning, in September, is now on.

P. T. A. NEWS

PTA Open Meeting:

An open meeting held early in March was attended by about 50 women who heard Chief Inspector H. Sherman of the N.Y.C. Dept. of Consumer Frauds discuss the pitfalls in shopping. He brought along slides to illustrate his points and answered questions put to him by the audience. He was so interesting and informative that it was hard to call a halt to the meeting and only the passing of time forced an ending to it.

"Pride in School" Campaign:

Before Insp. Sherman's lecture, we discussed the school, its students and the parent's responsibilities. We stressed that there is a campaign on now called "Pride in School." This means children are to come dressed properly for Yeshivah — i.e., boys are to wear "Tzitzit," skull caps, shirts and ties, no sneakers; girls are to be careful their skirts are not too short and should wear dresses with sleeves, no culottes. Children are to take pride in the appearance of the school, too, and not litter hallways or classrooms. They are to conduct themselves properly at all times and should be made to realize they are the pride of the community.

Class Trips — Mothers are Needed:

Committee Reports were made by the various Chairmen to acquaint members with all PTA is doing. It was mentioned that Class Trips are being arranged and before the term is over, every class will go on one. Several mothers are needed to accompany each class. Volunteers please call Chairman Ruth Shweky at ES 6-6178 and leave your name and child's class.

Lunchroom:

The need for mothers to serve in the lunchroom is still with us. If you have not already given a month's service of 5 hours, please volunteer now. Call Frieda Kassin at 375-8127 and tell her what day you can give.

Buses Set For September:

We were scheduled to start expanded bus service on May 1. However, many mothers felt that they would prefer to keep the present transportation arrangements for the balance of the current term. The enlarged schedules will, therefore, begin this coming Sept.

We have worked out routes which will be convenient to the majority of the students. As soon as this route is ratified by the bus company, we will publish it.

If there are any mothers who are interested in bus service for September and have not yet submitted their names and addresses, please call Shirley Hanan at 336-3351 or Claire Salem at 336-2851.

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY THRIVES Acquire Own Synagogue

After years of planning and praying, the Syrian Sephardic Community of Los Angeles, functioning under the name Sephardic Magen David, has finally come into its own, and is a thriving, functioning organization.

The first thing they did, and which apparently was the catalyst that spurred everyone on to meet the challenge, was the acquisition of their own Synagogue. Having something of spiritual value that is also tangible was the rallying point around which the Community started functioning. It also helped the membership realize that only in their own Community could they find Spiritual fulfillment. To quote from their neat little publication, The Community News, "A Synagogue is a symbol of what we are; and as Sephardic Jews without a Synagogue we were nothing. Now we are something,"

SISTERHOOD, YOUTH GROUPS

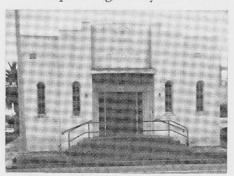
In addition to the well written Community News (the ones we saw were written by Michele (Mrs. Freddie) Dweck, Leona Fallas, and Estelle Pinto) the Community has an active Sisterhood, a functioning teen program, and all the trimmings a vital dynamic Community should. We especially appreciated a piece of advice the Sisterhood despatched to its members. We quote it for the benefit of our own ladies. It reads, "Remember Ladies, make a missvah, send your husband to Synagogue, send your children also, etc."

We are especially proud of Yeshivah Magen David Alumnus, Fred Dweck, who serves as head of the religious committee, organizes the Adult and Youth Torah classes, arranges the prayers and religious ceremonies, and publishes per-

tinent messages before each holiday. It speaks well of our Yeshivah and we don't mind the credit.

We are also advised that the Synagogue is considering engaging a rabbi to head up and unite all their activities, especially their next big undertaking, organizing a Magen David Talmud Torah which, it is hoped, will be the forerunner of a Magen David Yeshivah of L. A.

G-d bless you all in L. A., and please let us keep hearing from you.



Recently Acquired Synagogue Building



Top row - l. to r.: Charles Zagha, Jack Hobb, Fred Dweck, Ed Shamie, Joseph Fallas. Bottom row: Jack Gindi, Lenny Pinto, Dave Sultan, Not in photo is Board Member Dr. Arnold Kisch.

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Shaare Zion News

Schedule of Classes:

Saturday afternoons — 2 hours before sundown — numerous classes for all age groups and at all levels.

Monday night — Bible Class for Married men in Midrash — 8:30 P. M.

Monday night — Lectures in Judaism — Girls 18 and older — Cong. Library —8:00 P. M.

Tuesday night. Lectures — Girls — Cong. Library 16-17.

Tuesday — 10:30 A. M. — Bible Class for women — Main Synagogue.

Wednesday night — Lecture for men — 8:30.

Milestones

BIRTHS

Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Shamula	— girl
Mr. & Mrs. Nat Kairey	— girl
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Semah	— girl
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Betesh	— boy
Mr. & Mrs. Norman Esses	— boy
Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Shams	— girl

BAR MITZVAS

Mr. & Mrs. Norman Jemal - son -Stephen

Mr. & Mrs. Al Anteby - son - Max

WEDDINGS

Stephanie Sutton to Jack Franco Suzan Tabush to Harry Gindi Florette Faham to Charles Sultan Marilyn Harary to Morris Massre Helen Kramer to David M. Beyda Lorraine Gindi to David Savdie Joyce Esses to Albert Benloulou Esther Fried to Joseph Missry

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MODEL SEDERS A JOY

This year the parents were once again invited to the model Seders conducted by our pupils. Two Seders had to be held to accommodate the large number of students and parents who participated.

The tables were set in the Dining Room in the traditional fashion with white cloths, candlesticks, flowers, wine and individual plates with matza, celery and greens, horoseth, egg, etc. Each class participated in some part of the Seder. It was a joy to see how well prepared the children were and with what ease they fulfilled all the steps of the Seder. Undoubtedly, the children were proud of themselves and made their parents feel proud, also, at their display of learning and devotion to Torah tradition.

Many thanks to Principal Rabbi Bitton and to his devoted faculty who outdid themselves in preparing everyone for the proper celebration of our meaningful Passover Holidays. Much thanks, too, to Mrs. Schiffman and her staff who decorated the Dining Room so attractively and prepared everything so well.



The Model Seder, which puts the children through an actual "trial run" of the Seder in every detail, is pictured above and below.



Alice Shalom

On a balmy May afternoon, more than 300 women, an unprecedented number, attended the annual UJA luncheon sponsored by Mrs. Alice Shalom at the Shaare-Zion.

They were treated to a fashion show of the latest in made-in-Israel leathers and suedes, dresses, gowns, sportswear and bathing suits, modeled by lovely ladies of the community. Exclamations of surprise and approval greeted most of the fashions.

Mrs. Shalom and her son, Stephen, were guest speakers and spoke so heart-breakingly of the needs of our brothers abroad that as a result, more pledges and donations were made by the women than ever before.

It was truly a rewarding afternoon for all concerned.

Kanafieh

We receive many requests for "favorite recipes," and are pleased to print one for "Kanafieh," submitted by Mrs. Marge Ashkenazi, well-known for this specialty.

Ingredients:

1 lb. Kanafieh

11/2 lb. Ricotta

3/4 lb. melted sweet butter (3 sticks)

1 tbl. sugar

Syrup:

1 gl. sugar

1/2 gl. water

1 slice lemon

2 drops Rosewater

Take the melted butter and mix it into the Kanafieh with the hands, being careful not to break it. Add sugar to Ricotta. Pinch off about 2 tbl. at a time of the Kanafieh and press 1 tbl. Ricotta mixture into center of it. Shape it into a snowball, completely covering the Ricotta. Work this way until all the Kanafieh is used up.

Bake at 3500 f, oven for about 30 minutes or until lightly browned.

In the meantime, prepare syrup by mixing all the ingredients in a pot and bringing to a boil. Lower the flame and let simmer for about 15 minutes.

When Kanafieh is baked, spoon the syrup on to it while it is still hot from the oven. Serve warm or cold.

Note: Kanafieh keeps well in the freezer before it is baked. Just be careful to pack it well in a box or container separating each layer with wax paper.

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