



PASSOVER RECIPES

Before we know it Passover (Pesach) will be here. The first seder is April 1.

It is traditional to serve fowl rather than roasted meats for the seder. Remember, desserts can be prepared ahead of time for convenience and frozen until needed. To save yourself time, prepare a cucumber salad beforehand; make enough to serve on both seder nights.

Sample seder menu A:

- A seder plate consisting of the traditional ceremonial foods
- wine
- eggs in salt water
- gefilte fish with horseradish
- vegetable soup with homemade Pesach noodles
- roasted or fried chicken
- cucumber salad
- sweet potato casserole
- rhubarb, apples and strawberries
- Pesach coconut brownies
- tea, coffee

Sample seder menu B:

- A seder plate consisting of the traditional ceremonial foods
- wine
- hardboiled eggs in salt water
- sliced carp with horseradish
- chicken soup with matzo balls or knaidlach
- stewed chicken in tomato mushroom sauce
- mashed potatoes
- asparagus
- banana nut cake
- fresh fruit basket
- coffee, tea

SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

- 4 cups mashed sweet potatoes
- 4 beaten eggs
- 1 tblsp. orange juice
- 1/2 cup melted margarine
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/2 cup sweet red wine
- 1/4 cup coconut topping

Mix all ingredients except coconut. Place in a round, greased pyrex baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for about 50 minutes. Sprinkle coconut on top before serving. Serves 6-8.

RHUBARB, APPLES AND STRAWBERRIES

- 8 stalks rhubarb
- 1 pint fresh, sliced strawberries
- 2 diced red apples
- 1 cup water
- sugar to taste

Boil fruits and water on low heat for 15 minutes. Drain water and add sugar.

PAREVE KNAIDLACH

- 2 egg yolks
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 egg whites, stiffly beaten
- 1/2 cup matzo meal

Beat the egg yolks and salt until thick. Fold into the egg whites, then gradually fold in the matzo meal. Chill 1 hour. Moisten hands; shape mixture into 1/2-inch balls. Cook in boiling salted water 20 minutes. Serve in dairy or meat soups. Makes about 16.

TRADITIONAL CHAROSES

- 1/2 apple, chopped
- 1/4 cup walnuts, finely chopped
- 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. honey
- 1 tblsp. red wine

Mix all ingredients together. Chill until serving.

PASSOVER PIZZA

Crust

- 3 cups matzo farfel
- 2 1/2 cups boiling water
- 5 eggs
- salt, pepper

Pour boiling water over farfel to make it soggy. Beat eggs together with salt and pepper. Pour over farfel and mix well. Spread mixture into large greased baking pan. Bake 350° 30 min. until set.

Topping

- 1 (11 oz.) can tomato sauce with mushrooms
- 8 slices American cheese
- garlic powder
- onion powder

Cover baked pizza dough with tomato-mushroom sauce. Grate cheese and sprinkle over sauce. Sprinkle with garlic powder and onion powder. Bake until cheese melts - 8-10 minutes.

Tour Packages Ready for "Nabucco"

Special tour packages to Israel, which include tickets to the much-heralded production of Verdi's "Nabucco" in 1988 in Jerusalem, are now available from travel agents and tour packagers throughout the country.

"Nabucco" is the major highlight of Israel's year-long celebration of its 40th anniversary of independence. A dozen performances of the Verdi masterpiece will be given May 15-29 in Jerusalem - an actual site of the opera's story.

Twelve-day tours starting at around \$1,600 have been developed, which include air fare, hotels, meals and sight-seeing in Israel, as well as tickets to "Nabucco".

"Nabucco" will have a cast of 1,100 and four alternating sets of principals, including Ghena Dimitrova, Grace Bumbry, Olivia Stapp, Piero Cappuccilli, Paul Plishka, Renato Bruson, Ingvar Wixell and Kurt Rydl. Michel Plasson will conduct the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and direct the 250-member Pro-Musica Chorus of London and the parma Choral Society. Vittorio Rossi, one of Europe's best known designer/directors, will direct and provide the sets and costumes.

Performances will be outdoors at the 7,700-seat Sultan's Pool (Merrill Hassenfeld Amphitheatre), just outside the Old Walls of Jerusalem. From 50,000 to 70,000 tourists and opera lovers are expected to attend.

Deadline for April is March 10

Community Calendar

Courtesy of Charlotte Chapter BBW

MARCH

- 6 - Community Purim Carnival
- BBYO
- Charlotte BBW Sickle Cell Screening
- 7 - Hadassah Board Meeting
- Chai-Lites
- 8 - Federation Executive Committee Meeting
- HaLailah BBW Board Meeting
- 9 - B'nai B'rith Lodge Board Meeting
- 10 - Jewish Family Services Meeting
- 13 - Federation Young Leadership Development (Wash., DC)
- UJA Outreach Mission (Israel to 3/23)
- HaLailah BBW Older Adult Luncheon
- 14 - Chai-Lites
- JCC Board Meeting
- 15 - HaLailah BBW Meeting
- 16 - Hadassah Meeting
- Yiddish Vinkl
- Dorothy Gutmann Hadassah Meeting
- Jewish Day School Board Meeting
- 17 - Health & P.E. Committee Meeting
- 20 - BBYO
- 21 - Charlotte BBW Board Meeting
- Chai-Lites
- 22 - Community Relations Committee
- 23 - Charlotte BBW Meeting
- 24 - Avodah Council Meeting
- 27 - Fair Oaks Dedication at Blumenthal Jewish Home
- 28 - Chai-Lites
- Presidents' Council Meeting
- Foundation Board Meeting
- 30 - Charlotte BBW Parenting Meeting

APRIL

- 4 - Hadassah Board Meeting
- Chai-Lites
- 10 - JCC Annual Meeting; Brunch
- 11 - Chai-Lites
- JCC Board Meeting
- 12 - Hadassah Life Member Luncheon
- Federation Executive Committee
- HaLailah BBW Board Meeting
- 13 - Yiddish Vinkl
- B'nai B'rith Lodge Board Meeting

To ensure that all of our organizations have maximum participation at monthly meetings and special events, use the Community Calendar. To place your events on the Community Calendar call Marcia Stern, 366-0167.

FunFair

- WHO** The Council for Children and the Gaston County Children's Council are co-sponsoring, along with The Charlotte Observer, a FunFair for children and their families.
- WHAT** FunFair is designed to offer a weekend of exhibits, entertainment and hands-on activities that will inform, entertain and enrich the lives of children.
- WHERE** This gala event will be held at the Charlotte Convention Center in uptown Charlotte.
- WHEN**
 - Friday, March 11 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
 - Saturday, March 12 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
 - Sunday, March 13 Noon-6 p.m.
- ADMISSION**
 - \$3.50 Adults
 - \$2.00 Children ages 3-16
 - FREE Children 2 and under

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PASSOVER PASTRIES

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