

Meichels

Looking for an ideal dessert to serve during the Chanukah celebrations? One tradition connected with Chanukah is the serving of cheesecake, which pays homage to the story of Judith, the woman who played an important role in the Maccabean victory. Here are two recipes for cheesecake for the holiday season, one is rich and flavored with lemon, the other is less rich.



LEMON CHEESECAKE

Crumb Crust

1 1/4 cups graham-cracker crumbs
1 tbs. sugar
1/4 cup butter, cut in pieces

Filling

5 (8 oz.) pkgs. cream cheese, softened	4 eggs
1 1/2 cups sugar	2 egg yolks
1 tsp. vanilla	3 tbs. flour
3 tbs. lemon juice	1/2 tsp. salt
Grated peel of 1 lemon	1/4 cup cream or sour cream

Lemon Curd

4 egg yolks	3 tbs. lemon juice
1/2 cup sugar	1 tbs. grated lemon peel

2 cups sour cream for garnish (optional)

Combine crumbs, sugar and butter in food processor or mixing bowl and blend thoroughly. Line a 9 or 10-inch springform pan with crumbs and refrigerate.

Beat cream cheese until light and fluffy. Add sugar, vanilla, lemon juice, lemon peel and blend thoroughly. Beat in eggs and egg yolks one at a time, beating well after each addition, until smooth. Add flour, salt, and cream and mix well.

Pour into cold crumb crust. Bake at 425° for 10 minutes. Reduce to 300° and bake 55 minutes or until golden brown. Cool.

Lemon Curd: Beat egg yolks and sugar. Add lemon juice, lemon peel and cook, stirring constantly until thick, about 5 minutes. Set aside to cool. Just before serving, place lemon curd on top of cold cheesecake. Circle with sour cream. Makes 1 large cheesecake or about 4 dozen minisize cheesecakes. Recipe can be divided in half for a smaller cake.

POLISH CHEESECAKE SOUFFLE

2 lbs. farmer cheese or pot cheese	2 tbs. flour
1 cup sour cream	6 eggs, separated
1 cup sugar	1 tbs. lemon juice
2 tsp. vanilla	1 tbs. grated lemon peel
1/2 tsp. salt	powdered sugar

1 crumb crust (see preceding recipe for ingredients).
But, bake at 350° for five minutes. Cool before filling.)

Rub cheese through a sieve into a large mixing bowl. Add sour cream, 1/2 cup sugar, vanilla, egg yolks, lemon juice, lemon peel, and salt. Blend well.

Beat egg whites until stiff, gradually beating in remaining 1/2 cup sugar until soft peaks form. Gently but thoroughly fold beaten egg whites and flour into cheese mixture.

Pour into baked crumb crust lined 9 or 10-inch springform pan. Bake at 325° 1 hour, without opening oven door. Cake should be golden brown on top, which may require an additional 10 to 15 minutes. Turn oven off and allow cake to remain in oven with door closed 2 hours. Open door and allow cheesecake to stand in oven 1 hour longer. Chill. Just before serving, sprinkle with powdered sugar.

Community Calendar

Courtesy of Charlotte Chapter BBW

DECEMBER

- 6 - HaLailah BBW Business Meeting
- 7 - Yiddish Vinkl
- 11 - Lubavitch Children's Chanukah Rally
Federation Leadership Development
SOVIET JEWRY RALLY
- 12 - JCC Board Meeting
Chai-Lites
- 13 - Federation Executive Committee
Charlotte Chapter BBW-Senior Women
- 14 - B'nai B'rith Lodge Board Meeting
- 15 - Jewish Family Services Meeting
Charlotte Chapter BBW Board Meeting
- 17 - Charlotte Chapter BBW Chanukah Party
- 18 - BBYO
- 19 - JCC Winter Camp (thru 12/30)
Federation Board Meeting
Chai-Lites
- 20 - HaLailah BBW Membership Dinner
- 21 - Hadassah Meeting
- 22 - Health & PE Meeting
- 23 - BBYO Eastern Region Convention (thru 12/26)
- 24 - BB Lodge Christmas Substitution (thru 12/25)
- 26 - Foundation Board Meeting
Chai-Lites
- 28 - B'nai B'rith Lodge Meeting

JANUARY 1989

- 2 - Chai-Lites
Hadassah Board Meeting
- 3 - HaLailah Business Meeting
- 4 - Charlotte Chapter BBW Meeting
Yiddish Vinkl
Thirty Something

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 the Federation office, 366-5007.

Jewish Calendar Candlelighting

- Dec. 3 - 5:58 p.m. (1st night Chanukah)
- Dec. 4 - 5:13 p.m. (2nd night Chanukah)
- Dec. 5 - 5:13 p.m. (3rd night Chanukah)
- Dec. 6 - 5:13 p.m. (4th night Chanukah)
- Dec. 7 - 5:13 p.m. (5th night Chanukah)
- Dec. 8 - 5:13 p.m. (6th night Chanukah)
- Dec. 9 - 4:53 p.m. (Shabbat & 7th night Chanukah)*
- Dec. 10 - 5:58 p.m. (8th night Chanukah)
- Dec. 16 - 4:55 p.m.
- Dec. 23 - 4:58 p.m.
- Dec. 30 - 5:02 p.m.
- Jan. 6 - 5:08 p.m.



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Jean-Marc Ran Oppenheim is completing a Ph.D. thesis at Columbia in history on the topic of the social and cultural interaction between Egyptians and resident foreigners in Alexandria, 1850s-1950s.

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