**CELEBRATION 200 – One of KYY’s Nicest Events!**

When the worldwide Chassidim were buzzing around the world about the auspicious day of Chof Daled Teves, the 200th yahrtzeit of the Alter Rebbe - KYY was thinking "What’s in it for the kids?"

How to empower and involve "unzereh Kinder" - the rest speaks for itself:

On Shabbas, Erev Chof Daled Teves, over 75 children made a Talucha to Abba’s Steakhouse after Davening. They were greeting by Reb Shimon and Kelly Benarroch and a beautifully prepared ballroom; a royal pre set seat set for each mispallel.

Menny Kagan served as the maître d' where upon entering each attendee was told his designated place. Joining the kids were RMD and his wife, Reb Berel (the Tzorchei Tzibur Yid), his wife and their son – a long time KYY alumni David, as well as the Bainany Chief Rabbi T and his family.

Following Kiddush and Hamotzi, the newly elected Vice President Habochur Hatomim Hamispallel Ha’vice President Levi Weiss welcomed everyone. After the first course, the mood in the air was intense as all the kinderlach began singing the Alter Rebbe’s niggun first, Keili Atta then Kol Doidy (a true sight).

Then addressing the Celebration 200 was long time Mispallel Habochur Hatomim Hamispallel Yaisef Greenbaum, who related a beautiful story and ended it with a Musar Haskel for all the kinderlach on how we must continue to connect to the Alter Rebbe - even 200 years later!

The waiters then burst into action by personally serving each attendee the second course - (a sight in itself to see the faces of these kids- as they were served). Following the main course, the singing once again broke out, with intense chayois (especially from the Bainanies!) for over 20 minutes!

A surprise took place when Rabbi Shimon Raichik, our dear Moroh De’asrah and the esteemed guest, Scholar in Residence Rabbi Yosef Chazan from Manchester, England stopped by to see this special celebration - Rabbi Raichik then related a beautiful Hashgacha Protis story of the Alter Rebbe. All the while, the ballroom was absolutely silent.

 A beautiful dessert table was then brought out, where all kids had a chance to fill their plates. And then came the highlight when Rabbi Laibel Cohen played a trivia game geared towards “Who knows the most facts about the Alter Rebbe!” The game just kept on going - with lots of excitement!!

As the parents were arriving to pick up the kids, the program had to come to an end! So another few niggunim of the Alter Rebbe were sung and the benching took place, honoring Habochur Hatomim Hamispallel (Ha’tablemate) Yisroel Pinson.

...........Ki Ve’simcha ---- as the kids were leaving this incredible uplifting Chassidishe event, the kids were thrilled that they didn’t have to clean up! They simply stood up as royal guests, said thank you and gut Shabbos to all!

Describing the event best was Mrs. Kelly Benarroch, the owner of Abba’s Steakhouse who said: “We’ve had all kinds of events here in our plus 20 years, both for kids and adults. But by far, this group of kids simply was the best - displaying such derech eretz and great behavior! Your parents and teachers should be very very proud of each of you!” she concluded.