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On Nov 29, 9:09 pm, "Paul J Kriha" <paul.nospam.kr...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx>  
wrote:

"Yusuf B Gurseey" <y...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in  
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On Nov 28, 10:41 pm, "Peter T. Daniels" <gramma...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

On Nov 28, 1:43 pm, Yusuf B Gurseey  
<y...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

On Nov 28, 10:56 am, hazchem  
<hazc...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

In my Spanish class last  
night we were learning the  
words for tapas  
and we were told 'almendra'  
is the Spanish for 'almond'.  
This seems to  
be obviously a word of  
Arabic origin, as are many  
Spanish words.

I was thinking the 'al-'  
derives from the Arabic  
definite article,  
while the 'me' could be a

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prefix meaning 'place of' or something. This leaves the triconsonantal root NDR. Does NDR mean anything in Arabic or any Semitic language?

nothing to do with almonds.

Now that the almond connection has been smashed, we can note that "nidre" are 'vows' in Aramaic.

na:dir means "rare" in arabic.

But which "rare"? :-)

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I thought it meant an opposite to zenith.

that's na\*DH\*i:r , discussed in this thread.

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