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***Kibbutz Yizre'el***

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| ***HEARTFELT THANKS TO RUTH MOR******We thank you, Ruth, for the many years you were on the General Meeting Committee as Chairperson of the Economic Council. You carried out this difficult and sensitive position with great responsibility, always up to date with what was going on, continually learning and with deep understanding of the issues.******Now you can relax and watch the General Meetings and the Council meetings from your sofa at home.******Kibbutz Yizre’el thanks you.*** |

**MAZAL TOV to Daniel Shapira, Benny Brustein and Shani Mishali** on completion of their army service. They will shortly begin work in branches of the kibbutz. We wish them success in their next phase.

**MAZAL TOV** to **Nava Sloman** on the birth of her first great granddaughter – first granddaughter to Noga and Lior, daughter to Tal and Raz. Mazal Tov to Auntie Orit and to Adi Sloman and the whole family.

**MAZAL TOV** to **Yifat Assaf** on her election to a second term as Social Secretary to the Kibbut .

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| ***CONGRATULATIONS TO DANIEL SHAPIRA****who has been chosen as part of a special military delegation to Slovenia, Croatia and Hungary to mark 100 years since the birth of Hannah Senesh.**We are proud of your selection to this delegation and know that this significant experience will be with you always.* |

**MAZKIRUT MEETING 19.7.2021**

* Mazkirut recommendation for the Community Project

If we take the full sum at our disposal (1,300,000 shekel) then all the following projects listed according to their rating, will be included.

1. Community week for the Kibbutz Anniversary
2. Members Day (one for males + and one for females)
3. Catering with professional chefs for a number of weeks.
4. An outing for the whole kibbutz at Sachne.
5. Renovation of Mitzpe Haruvim with the Bar Mitzvah group.
6. Renovation of the area outside the pub.
7. Environmental Struggles
8. Edible forest
9. Dog garden
10. Senior Center
11. A walking/running track

Projects that did not come into the sum allocated:

1. Festival of charting trees
2. Bike track “pump track”

It was decided that the first 6 projects will be brought to the General Meeting on block as the Mazkirut proposal. These will be voted on - for /against. The rest of the projects will be voted on individually and those that are chosen will join the Mazkirut proposal. If the Mazkirut proposal of the first six projects does not pass, then all the projects will be voted on individually.

* Mazkirut recommendation in regard to members that passed away and the sale of shares.

After the first sale of shares 1/9/2017 it was decided that a grant of 50,000 shekel would be given as a onetime grant to the families of all those members who passed away.

Those who passed away after 2017 were still alive at the first sale and received the full allocation. The question arises do we give an allocation to those that passed away after the first sale and before the second sale.

A discussion was held about those who changed their status in the period between the actual second sale of shares (August 2020) and the decision of the General Meeting about how to allocate the funds (July 2021) meaning those who became members or passed away in that period.

**The following decisions were made:**

1. **There will not be an allocation to those who passed away since the first sale because they received a full allocation at the time. (8 votes for, 1 abstention)**
2. **All members will receive money from the date of the second sale even if they passed away before the decision on how to allocate the money. All who were members on the day the method of allocation was decided upon, will receive the allocation.**

 **(The proposal was accepted unanimously)**

**DISCUSSIONS ON INHERITANCE**

The subject of inheritance is on the agenda of the Chevra Committee, to be discussed when they finish the subject of the Food Branch (around November 2021).

Because the subject of inheritance is important to many members some of whom feel an urgency, it was decided not to wait until November and form an ad-hoc committee whose task is to learn the subject and lead the discussion until decision by the General Meeting.

Head of the committee: Nitzan Rivlin Feldman

Members of the committee: Ofra Shelef, Fay Drezner, Yifat Assaf, Rotem Agmon and Tamir Blass.

**MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE DEALING WITH DOGS**

* Members of the committee feel that they are looked upon as police.
* The number of dogs on the loose has decreased but there are some owners who don’t care about the community and don’t cooperate.
* Yifat will call these people to a meeting and discuss the matter.
* Rinat suggested that there be an afternoon where all dogs run free. This could be at the old rugby field, Tuesdays from 19:00 to 20:00. Dogs will only need a muzzle. She will make sure all the gates of the rugby field are closed. The Mazkirut approved of the idea.
* Dog walker – It is important for dogs to be taken out not just to “do their business” but also to meet dogs, to be out in nature and to exercise. We are interested in forming dog walking groups who will take dogs out when owners are unable to do so (maybe when owners are away).

The idea of this being a 12th grade project is being examined).

* On 2/8/2021 – a lecture by Galit Lahav - a dog trainer
* We are working on getting the kibbutz sprayed against ticks and fleas.
* When vaccinations for dogs are available, the vet will set a date.

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| ***THANKS TO EYAL TIROSH****For the last 10 years Eyal has voluntarily given the older children in the Alon kindergarten swimming lessons.**His patience and understanding have given children confidence in the water and the ability to swim.* *The parents of these children would like to thank Eyal for his care, his patience, his diligence and the pleasure he gave to the children.**May he continue for many years to come.* |

**ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT – REGULATIONS**

* In general, requests for various activities are to be made via the Kehilanet. This allows us to see that the activity was carried out as requested. Irregular requests can be made via email.
* Foreign Currency - Requests for foreign currency should be made 4 days before the money is needed.
* Withdrawal of a large sum – If the sum is over 5,000 shekel, then the request should be made a week in advance.
* Members who have overspent their budget – A family may not be overspent by the sum of 2 months’ worth of their budget. A family that is overspent after the allotment of money from the sale will be asked to apply to the accounts department to make a schedule of payments to resolve the debt.

A family that is planning to build or make an investment should organize financing in advance. If needed a loan can be organized with agreed upon conditions. We will not allow unsupervised overspending.

**Update:** We are aiming to reduce the use of cheques as a means of payment. Cheques are an old form, they are a lot of work, hard to keep track of and hard to know when the cheque was cashed. A bank transfer is preferrable. It is quick, secure and easy to be accounted for.

**FROM THE STUDIES COMMITTEE 11/7/2021**

A meeting was held after the final date for applications (30/6/2021).

Once more a discussion was held about another applicant who started studying without waiting for the Studies Committee. According to the regulations this request was denied.

Two of the applicants were taken off the list because their courses didn’t open.

Each applicant is rated according to an agreed upon scale. (A new scale which was proposed has not yet been accepted).

Three applicants did not pass the minimum requirements to be on the student list. Two members of the committee will speak with them and then the final list will be decided upon.

The applicants will be informed but the final decision will lie with the approval of the Mazkirut.

**THE MUSIC SCHOOL**

After a difficult year in which individual lessons were given on Zoom and group participation was impossible, the Music School managed to put on a final year performance (TO THE BEAT OF THE DANCE) that was amazing.

KOL HAKAVOD!!!

**TWO EXHIBITIONS WORTH SEEING**

1. **Testimony of Protest – A Decade of Public Protest.**

Photos of all kinds of protest in the last decade in Israel.

At Bet Shturman in Ein Harod.

1. **One More Story -** an exhibition of children’s story books of Anat Zelzer and Modi Braun. On the top floor of Bet Shturman.

**ENERGY - SUMMERTIME SHORT AND EXPENSIVE**

**Tariffs for July - August**

**Sunday to Thursday**

**High rate: 10:00 – 17:00 0.89 shekel**

**Medium rate: 7:00 – 10:00 + 17:00 – 21:00 0.38 shekel**

**Low rate: 21:00 – 7:00 0.25 shekel**

**Shabbat and Festival Eve: All hours - low rate**

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The high rate is 2.5 times more than in the previous season!!!

Reminder: Those who have a Shabbat clock on their hot water system should adjust the hours. The solar hot water system does not use electricity until October.

If you don’t have enough hot water, turn on the power manually for half an hour but don’t forget to turn it off. Those who don’t have enough hot water in the morning can tell the Electricity Branch and they will connect you to a program that gives an hour of hot water in the morning.

Don’t forget to clean the filters of the air conditioners every fortnight. Check that the air conditioner is dripping into the drainage outside and does not flood the air conditioner. Turn the air conditioners to 25 degrees or more. Each degree less than 25 degrees costs 5% more. Turn the flaps down on air conditioners and fans. Close doors and windows. 80% of electricity used is for cooling.

**PARTNERSHIP HOUSE**

* You can always order rooms a year in advance.
* For the three big festivals – Rosh Hashana, Pessach and Shavuot, reservations close a month before the festival.
* On the closing date, the allocation will take place. Those who have not received a room in the last three years will be given preference over those who have.
* If there are no “new” reservations the allocation will be made according to the dates the reservations were made.

**Reservations for Rosh Hashana are open till 1st August.**

**Summer Rules:**

1. The towels are not to be taken to the pool.
2. Please return dishes that belong to the dining room.
3. No barbeques at the Partnership House.
4. No pets allowed inside the rooms.

For reservations: SMS or email – rahel.piekarski@gmail.com or WhatsApp or a note in postbox no. 194.

**FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES DESK**

* Work Attendance System (Sindarion)

There were no applications as operators for this system and members who were approached to fulfill this position were not interested.

Ortal Zaltzman, whose employment in the Nursing House came to an end expressed her willingness to learn the system and do all that is required for the position.

Ruth Mor showed great satisfaction with her nomination and a willingness to work with her..

* Entrepreneurship

Congratulations to Shimon Zelas for his election as head of this committee. Since there is a rule that two people of the same family cannot serve on the same committee, Eidan Zelas will be replaced by another member. Revital Zelas will be referred to another member of the committee, not Shimon.

**OUTSIDE WORKERS**

Here is the last installment of who works outside, where and what they do.

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|  | **Name** | Surname | Place of Work | Function |
| 61 | **Nachem** | Levin | Takam | Discussion leader for groups |
| 62 | **Adva** | Lipshitz | Ofkaim School Merchavia | Teaches Cinema  |
| 63 | **Yaniv**  | Lipshitz | Shoresh Arkot Nevadim, Tirat Tzvi | Production Planning and Control |
| 64 | **Sharon**  | Langberg | Ra’anan Fish Food  | Driver + line worker |
| 65 | **Einav** | Morkia-Nagar | Emek Yaffe School | Homeroom teacher of special education class |
| 66 | **Irit**  | Mor | Dikam Plant Ein Harod Meuchad | Finance Manager + other positions |
| 67 | **Tzofnat** | Mor | Runway | Salesperson for running and walking equipment |
| 68 | **Yasmin** | Matalon | Ein Harod Primary School | Assistant |
| 69 | **Rochele** | Matalon | Ofakim School Merchavia | Teacher Instructor in Communication |
| 70 | **Biff** | Markam-Oren | Klalit Health Services | Physio-therapist |
| 71 | **Dotan** | Savir | Riding Club “500 Watt Emekim” | Bike riding instructor |
| 72 | **Nir** | Segal | I.G. Richivim V’Nihul Merchavia | Electronic Equipment marketer |
| 73 | **Tamar**  | Sadur | Welfare Dept Gilboa Regional Council | Social Worker, Team Leader, Legal Procedures |
| 74 | **Inbal** | Pezaro | Prime Minister’s Office | Civil Servant |
| 75 | **Liran** | Penn | Health Fund Yizre’el Clinic | Head of the Clinic, Hospice Nurse |
| 76 | **Eli**  | Freidman | Nadav Kinuchim | Baker (mainly bread) |
| 77 | **Noam** | Freiman | Amutat Matzmichim | Workshop leader |
| 78 | **Damien**  | Chickorel | Fibernet Hi Tech Co. Yokneam |  |
| 79 | **Shimrit**  | Tzafedia | Ofakim School Merchavia | 1st & 2nd grade Teacher |
| 80 | **Dima** | Tchernachovsky | Venus Concept | Customer Complaint Manager |
| 81 | **Moran** | Cooperman | Shacham Insurance Agency | Insurance Head of Haifa and the North |
| 82 | **Lior** | Keret | Basketball Ness Tziona | Youth Coach Assisant Coach to top team |
| 83 | **Neta** | Ratzin-Blass | Emek Harod High School | Teacher+Educational Counsellor+student |
| 84 | **Noami** | Shechter | Health Fund – Gan Ner Clinic | Head nurse of the clinic+family health center Yizre’el |
| 85 | **Yaniv** | Shapiro | Ein Harod Art Gallery | Head Curator |
| 86 | **Noga** | Shapiro | Malkishua | Drama therapist |
| 87 | **Avishag**  | Sharoni | Child Development Tiberias | Head of Occupational therapy  |
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| 88 | **Eyal**  | Sharoni | Sadot Co. | Pest exterminator |

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| ***KIBBUTZ YIZRE’El 73RD ANNINVERSARY******Save the date******8-14.8.21******COMMUNITY WEEK******During the whole week we will celebrate what unites us as a community.******Ziv Ben Bassat, Hamutal Assaf, Tal Wolfson-Darom, Yoni Brauman, Yifat Assaf, Israel Mor-Sarid, Nitzan Rivlin-Feldman, Stas Gavrilov, Shani Baor*** |

**English is Fun - with Rahel**

**Beautiful words**:

**Phosphenes** - (noun) The light and colours produced by rubbing your eyes.

**Oblivion** - (noun) The state of being unaware of what is happening around you

**Vellichor** - (noun) The strange wistfulness of used bookshops

**Solitude** - (noun) A state of seclusion or isolation

**Epiphany** - (noun) A moment of sudden revelation

**Serendipity –** (noun) The chance occurrence of events in a beneficial way

**Petrichor** – (noun) The pleasant earthy smell after rain

**Supine** – (adj.) Lying face upwards

**Nefarious -** (adj.) Wicked, villainous, despicable

**Mellifluous** – (adj.) A sound that is sweet and smooth, pleasing to hear

**Ineffable** - (adj.) Too great to be expressed in words

**Sonder** – (noun) The realization that each passer-by has a life as vivid and complex as your own

**Limerence** - (noun) The state of being infatuated with another person

**Ephemeral** - (adj.) Lasting for a very short time

**Iridescent** - (adj.) Producing a display of rainbow like colours

**Cromulent** - (noun) Appearing legitimate but actually being spurious

**Sonorous** - (adj.) An imposing deep and full sound

**Bombinate –** (verb) To make a humming or buzzing sound

**Aquiver** – (adj.) Trembling

**Ethereal** - (noun) Extremely delicate, light, not of this world

**Denouement** – (n oun) The resolution of a narrative

* Lead rhymes with read
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You can insert the word ONLY anywhere in the following sentence

SHE TOLD HIM THAT SHE LOVES HIM.

**and each time the sentence will mean something different.**

DID YOU KNOW THE SIGN ISN'T OFFICIALLY CALLED "**HASHTAG**" OR "**POUND**", IT IS CALLED

**OCTOTHORPE**.

……..more next week

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