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***Kibbutz Yizre'el***

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**WELCOME** to Hadar Levi (Levi) and her husband Tamir who have come to the kibbutz as residents and will begin their track to Klitah.

Good luck!!!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Matan Freiman** on the publication of his first book of poetry "אולי רק בלחש" . Wishing you success in future books of poetry. If you have seen his book, notice the cover.

**APOLOGIES** to **Tzafnat Mor** , member of the Sportrip Committee whose name was left off the list of members, in the newsletter two weeks ago. Tzafnat is a valued and dedicated worker on this committee.

**THANKS** to the forty-six contributors who raised 12,420 shekel for the acquisition of equipment and medicines for the people in the Ukraine.

We send best wishes to members whose families are in the war area.

**THE DINING ROOM** is now open for Friday meals including the Friday night evening meal and brunch on Shabbat. The moadon will also be open for coffee and cake.

**ECONOMIC COUNCIL MEETING 21.2.2022**

Details of the deal with Teldor were presented and discussions were held. With a vote of 32 for/ 8 against and 1 abstention, it was decided to acquire the holdings of Teldor.

**MAZKIRUT MEETING 1.3.2022**

* Continued discussion on the organizational structure of the kibbutz. On 8.3.2022 the Mazkirut will discuss the subject, on 23.3.2022 the public will be presented with the structure, on 4.4.2022 the General Meeting will be asked to approve the whole program.
* It was decided that instead of a special committee working on new regulations for housing, the housing committee will take it upon itself to do so.
* Enterprises and Small Businesses Committee: Uri Gilad asked who the committee answers to. Raheli answered that the committee led by Shimon Zelas, answers to the Community Management where Raheli, Erez and Maor are members. Some decisions are made by the head of the branch and some by the committee.
* Nankeshvili Family – a closed subject: Zavit and Yuval came to the meeting and presented their problem. Members of the Mazkirut listened and asked questions. No discussion was held and no decisions made. At the next meeting the Mazkirut will make a decision and explain what the next steps are.

**THE STUDIES COMMITTEE 28.2.2022**

The committee presented the steps of their planned schedule in preparation of the study list for next year. The Mazkirut accepted their plan.

The criteria for studies were reviewed and tested with hypothetical and actual situations and adjustments were made. By the end of April, the final list should be approved.

**KIBBUTZ VEHICLES – SAFETY OFFICER**

**Shlomi Harar** is our safety officer. His duties involve following up on the service of vehicles, checking that registration and insurance is valid as well as checking that the licenses of the drivers are current. Therefore, all drivers are asked to send a photo of their driver’s license to car@yizrael.com

In addition, every user of kibbutz vehicles must have a declaration of health valid for 4 years. The health declaration form will be posted on Kehilanet. Drivers of kibbutz vehicles are asked to fill in the form and send the signed form to car@yizreal.com .The transport safety officer is on the kibbutz on Mondays and Thursdays and available every day of the week for every incident or problem. Shlomi Harar: 052-2795161 / car@yizreal.com .

**FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES DESK**

**תעסוקון ביזרעאל**

After a long delay, this work place is about to be opened where the Big Boys used to be. This work place will serve a diverse population: pensioners, people looking for work, people who need work hours to fill their commitment and more. There is no reason to sit at home. There is temporary/ permanent work for anyone who wants, for we all need to lend a hand.

**Ehud Cohen** is in charge of this work place. Equipment is being installed in order to open. The source of the work is from Maytronics. We will receive parts to be assembled and the finished article will be returned to Maytronics which will pay per completed item. This means commitment and obligation to meet a schedule on our part.

Those interested in being part of this project should contact Ehud as soon as possible either directly, or contact Racheli Arava so that long range plans can be made.

**Responsibility for the Swimming Pool - Summer 2022**

We are happy to announce that **Arnon Matalon** has volunteered to take responsibility for the pool this summer. We welcome this act of commitment on his part and hope that his example will be followed by others.

Many thanks to **Gil Hillel** who was responsible for the pool and even though he asked to be replaced, he continued with the job since no replacement was found.

**Health and Welfare**

Kobi Levi has been elected as head of Health and Welfare and will be replacing Yitzchak Peleg who has been in charge for so many years doing an amazing job. We thank you, Yitzchak, for your understanding, your patience and your devotion to the community.

Yitzchak and Kobi will be working together to prepare Kobi for the take over from 11.3.2022 to 1.4.2022. From April, Kobi will be in charge and we wish him every success.

**REGULATIONS FOR HOUSING.**

In the last newsletter, people interested in joining the committee were asked to apply. Quite a few people applied. It was decided that instead of forming a special committee to deal with this subject, the Housing Committee will take it upon itself to do it. Many thanks to those who expressed their wish to participate.

 Aviva Beutler, Yifat Assaf

**BMUSIC**

**Gaya Barkan**, 12th grade student and Mavis Kaplan’s granddaughter, performed her final flute recital. Gaya gave an exemplary performance with a high standard repertoire of classical music.

Gaya has taken part in many competitions and has won prizes. Today she plays with the Haifa Philharmonic Orchestra together with her teacher, Anna Gavrilov.

Congratulations Gaya and good luck with your external exam.

**PESSACH GIFT FOR WORKERS IN THE COMMUNITY AND IN AGRICULTURE**

This year we wish to do something different with the gift for Pessach. You will receive an SMS link to the internet site where you will see a large variety of items from which to choose. All those eligible for the gift will receive a sum that will be decided upon by the kibbutz.

You enter the site using your identity number.

If you have not entered the site and chosen a gift by 15.3.2022 you will automatically receive a gift voucher for the company we are working with. Hoping that this is a welcoming change

CHAG SAMEACH!!!

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| **SENIORS’ TRIP****Thursday 10.3.2022****Through the eastern area of Nachal Harod to the antiquities of Bet Shean.****Guide: Amit Aharoni****Leaving at 8:30 after breakfast, sandwich bar at the dining room.****Back at about 14:00 for lunch in the dining room.****Anyone interested in joining the trip is welcome.****To safeguard others, please do a home Corona test before the trip.** |

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| **TRIP FOR THE IN-BETWEEN AGE GROUP (20-65)** **FRIDAY 11/3/2022****Leaving 7:45 Back by 15:00****The trip includes a short walking track at Ein Pik, visits to a number of wineries for wine tasting, a picnic, coffee and cake.****Cost of the trip: 80 shekel per participant.**  |

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| ***CHILDREN’S PURIM******FRIDAY 18.3.22 AT 11:30******MEET ON THE CHILDREN’S COURT******FROM THERE SET OUT ON A PARADE TO******“THE NERD CIRCUS”******ACROBATICS AND CLOWNS******A COMEDY SHOW FOR ALL AGES******A LIGHT LUNCH AND MORE PAMPERING*** |

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| ***PURIM FOR ADULTS******FRIDAY 18.3.22 AT 22:00******THE TOPIC: “SONGS”******COME AND HAVE A GOOD TIME******(with the hope that the police won’t come this time)*** |

**YIZRE’EL’S WOMEN’S WEEK**

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| **LADIES ONLY****TUESDAY 8.3.2022 AT 20:00 IN THE MOADON*** **Fancy evening meal**
* **Women of Yizre’el**
* **Movie: “Hidden Figures” – story of three Afro-American women who played a significant role in the space program of in man’s flight to the moon.**
* **Those invited - from 11th class up.**
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| **"חצאית כאן קודקוד*"******THURSDAY 10.3.22 AT 20:30 IN THE MOADON******A stirring satirical cabaret dealing with the relationship between men and women in Israeli society.******\*All the songs are based on songs from Lahakat Hanachal*** ***The show is an hour and a quarter.******Men and women are invited (from 10th grade up)*** |

***OR B’GIVA***

**ACTIVITIES IN THE MOADON FOR SENIORS MARCH 2022
Monday to Thursday Mornings**

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| **Date** | **Activities** |
| Monday 7.3.22 | 9:30 History of Art lecture with Chas Broadhurst |
| Tuesday 8.3.22 | 9:00 Games / 10:00 Thinking games and trivia with Galia |
| Wednesday 9.3.22 | 9:00 Games/Thai Chi with Anan / 10:00 Movie |
| Thursday 10.3.22 | 9:30 “Family Stories” with Hamutal |
| Monday 14.3.22 | 9:30 History of Art lecture with Chas Broadhurst |
| Tuesday 15.3.22 | 9:00 Games / Morning of creative art with Michal Sadur |
| Wednesday16.3.22 | 9:00 Games/Thai Chi with Anan / 10:00 Movie |
| Monday 21.3.22 | 9:30 History of Art lecture with Chas Broadhurst |
| Tuesday 22.3.22 | 9:00 Games / 10:00 Thinking games and trivia with Galia |
| Wednesday23.3.22 | 9:00 Games/Thai Chi with Anan / 10:00 Movie |
| Thursday 24.3.22 | 9:30 Blossoming nature with Hamutal |
| Monday 28.3.22 | 9:30 History of Art lecture with Chas Broadhurst |
| Tuesday 29.3.22 | 9:00 Games / Morning of creative art with Michal Sadur |
| Wednesday30.3.22 | 9:00 Games/Thai Chi with Anan / 10:00 Movie |
| Thursday 31.3.22 | 9:30 “Family Stories” with Hamutal |

**English is Fun - with Rahel**

I am old and I realized that I still have so many unanswered questions!!! Where's the beef…..how to get to Sesame Street….why do all flavours of fruit loops taste exactly the same….why eggs are packaged in a flimsy paper carton, but batteries are secured in plastic that is tough as nails….why women can't put on mascara with their mouth closed…why "abbreviated" is such a long word….why lemon juice is made with artificial flavour, yet dish washing liquid is made with real lemons…why they sterilize the needle for lethal injections…and why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only "a penny for your thoughts" where's that extra penny going to…why do The Alphabet Song and Twinkle Twinkle Little Star have the same tune…why did you just try to sing those two songs…and just what is Victoria's Secret?....

**Origins:**

**"Mad as a Hatter"**

Ask the average person and they'll tell you this famous expression comes from *Alice in Wonderland*". But they would be mistaken. The true story goes back to the days when actual hatmakers used "mercury" to construct their products. The mercury used for the hat felt poisoned the hatmakers by negatively affecting their nervous systems. Mercury caused aggressiveness, heavy mood swings and erratic behavior. "Mad Hatters's disease" became the nickname for mercury poisoning, and the expression has been popular eversince.

**"Don’t Throw the Baby out with the Bathwater".**

This strange expression dates all the way back to the 1500's. Believe it or not, people in the 16th century bathed once a year! To make matters worse, entire groups of people used the same bath and the same water. This water was not changed as each person took turns bathing.

The men would go first, the women were second, and children and babies came last. Imagine how dirty that water was by the time the babies came in. In fact, it was so filthy that the water was clouded. Sometimes mothers had to make sure that the babies weren't literally thrown out with the dirty bathwater.

**"A Bird in the Hand is worth Two in the Bush"**

This goes all the way back to the art of medieval falconry. A "bird in the hand" refers to the dominant species, the falcon and "two in the bush" is the falcon's prey. In that instance, it is worth more to be the falcon than to be the thing that falcons are hunting.

The first known use of this proverb goes back to 1670, when it was included in an "A Handbook of Proverbs".

**"..on Cloud Nine"**

One of the classifications of clouds, defined by the USA Weather Bureau in the 1950's, is known as "Cloud Nine". It is a fluffy, cumulonimbus type of cloud, considered to be the most attractive.

 ………….more next week