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***Kibbutz Yizre'el***

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**MAZAL TOV** to Yael Agmon who has been recruited to Zahal and will serve as an NCO in Air force control section. Good luck in this challenging endeavor.

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| **MEMORIAL SERVICE**  **AMNON HAVSHUSH**  **SEVEN YEARS SINCE HIS PASSING**  **Friday 10.12.2021 at 13:00 at the Yizre’el cemetery** |

**FROM THE GENERAL MEETING COMMITTEE**:

Despite the fact that Corona is still with us, it has been decided that Economic Council meetings will be held in the moadon and not on zoom. As far as General Meetings go, we would also like to have face to face meetings but will keep the options open to also put them on zoom.

**THANKS** to **Shimon Pachima** who works in our garage. Part of his job is to repair and service our “golf carts”. He does his job quietly with dedication and deserves a note of thanks.

**SPORT/TRIPS COMMITTEE**

The committee is planning many kinds of trips which they will advertise in the near future. In the meantime. **KEEP 11-12.3.2022 FREE FOR A FAMILY TRIP.**

**THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

1. **Electric cars**: The committee recommends that the kibbutz move over to the use of electric / hybrid cars. Many changes will need to be made to accommodate such a decision and the cooperation of the Vehicle Committee, the Planning Committee, the Finance Committee, Head of the Community, the Energy Branch, and more and of course the General Meeting will be needed.
2. **Compost:**
3. General organic waste – is being dealt with by Anan.
4. Open pile of waste – It can be established in the area of the packing shed near the Tel.
5. A closed compost facility from a company. This option is still to be investigated.
6. Funding for household compost containers. The committee decided not to fund household compost devices.
7. Upgrading the signs for the depositing of different categories of waste.
8. Bins for bottles with refund value. There is no one in charge of the refundable bottles. Interested individuals take them occasionally. If anyone is interested in taking charge of this matter, contact Paul.

**THE MUSIC SCHOOL**

Students, teachers and parents (94 people in all) went in two buses to a concert by the Haifa Philharmonic Orchestra in Haifa. The students received permission to be present at the last minute rehearsal of the orchestra and were allowed back stage to see the instruments. Our saxophone sextet played 17 pieces in the lobby of the theatre and received wide acclaim from the people who crowded around the group to hear. Kol Hakavod!!! The concert was amazing and very educational.

**FROM EREZ’S DESK 2.12.2021**

1. **The Cottage neighborhood**: All the permits for building have been approved and the project can start this month. A meeting with the residents will be held next week.
2. **The parking area at the entrance to the dining room**; This area has become dangerous for pedestrians, club car and golf cart owners. Only those who have difficulty walking should park near the entrance, others should park further away but make sure they do not obstruct pathways.
3. **The path near the Music School** has been repaired and lighting put up in the unlit areas.
4. The building of the road from the western gate to the rugby field, through the Gilboa – Zameret neighborhoods has begun.
5. **The process of forming a food budget** by the Hevra Committee is progressing.
6. **The KolBo**, thanks to Nitzan the new manager, has stabilized. Opening hours are listed on the notice board and on Kehilanet.

**THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

1. **A Building for the Arts**: Bernie Fink and Yaniv Shapira applied to the Planning Committee with the idea of converting Bernie’s, Mussli’s and Omri’s old studio and the Ninja shelter belonging to the dairy, into a Building for the Arts which will include workshops, art studies, a store room for the creative art of the kibbutz, an art library, a gallery for exhibitions, a statue garden, an outside stage.

The Planning Committee welcomes the initiative and states that the following steps should be taken:

* Check what kind of building permit is needed.
* Check with the Lands Authority.
* Check with the Agricultural Branch and the dairy about the shelter.

1. **Mobile Homes**: Originally, a request was made to bring mobile homes for the rugby coaches. Since then, the idea was put forward to bring mobile homes for Klitah and the Young Generation.

**Location**: a) Under the Young Generation neighborhood.

b) In the area of parent housing. Some felt that maybe we should build permanent housing there, not mobile homes.

3. **Parking areas for club cars and golf carts**. In residential areas, club cars and golf carts should be parked in the private gardens of the owners.

Near the dining room, the planning Committee will make suitable arrangements for the parking of golf carts only.

1. **Parking in the center of the kibbutz**: With the opening of the Maytronics car parks, the management of Maytronics has been asked to ensure no parking in the center of the kibbutz and in the roadways.
2. **Stations for electrical charging**: plans are being made to erect stations for the charging of electrical cars in various areas of the kibbutz.

**GENERAL MEETING 24.11.2021**

* Sagi Mark and Oded Glezer were accepted as two external directors for the agricultural directorate.
* Progress for the move of the Music School to the building of the Building Branch: Today there are 280 students at the Music School, of that 60+ students (adults and children) are from Yizre’el. The estimate of 2.1million shekel for the move is far from reality and we will know the true sum once other options are considered and once we have reached the planning stage. Shimon Zelas reminded us of the contribution the Music School has to the cultural and educational side of the kibbutz but thought that maybe we can manage with a smaller building. Maybe goals and expectations from the Music School should be examined. Stas did not agree. He claims as a conservatorium, we are striving for excellence.

Stas admires the high standard of the rugby field and understands that members of Yizre’el are prepared to invest in quality.

A number of adults who learn at the Music School, as well as parents of students who are learning at the school, praised the institution, adding how proud they are of its contribution to our community and the surrounding communities.

**ECONOMIC COUNCIL 24.11.2021**

**Agenda**: Approval of the budget for the planning of the Music School in the building of the Building Branch, as well as other options which may be chosen (including permits), to the sum of about 200,00 shekel.

With a vote of 27 for and 9 against with 1 abstention, the planning budget was approved.

**FAREWELL**

On the first candle lighting of Hannukah, Dr. Bar Sela was our guest of honor who lit the first candle. We took this opportunity to thank Dr. Bar Sela for his almost 20 years of devoted service to our community.

Dr. Bar Sela in return thanked us for the fruitful years he spent with our community and the support and confidence of the clinic staff over the years.

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| ***TRIP TO THE DESERT***  ***Friday 10/12/2021*** **Leaving at 6:30**  Circular Hike 9 km Difficulty: middling Time: 6 -7 hrs  ***Saturday 11/12/2021*** **Home at about 19:00**  Hike along the streams 8 km. Difficulty: middling Time: 5-6 hrs  Trip for Young Generation upwards. |

**English is Fun - with Rahel**

**IN DREAMS**

People have always been fascinated by dreams. Where do they come from? What do they mean? D.H. Lawrence put it perfectly when he said, "I can never decide whether my dreams are the result of my thoughts, or my thoughts are the result of my dreams."

On occasion art, music, and even discoveries and inventions have resulted directly from information received in a dream. Here are some examples.

**THE SEWING MACHINE**

Elias Howe had been trying to invent a practical lock-stitch sewing machine for years, but had been unsuccessful. One night in the 1840's, he had a nightmare, in which he was captured by a primitive tribe who were threatening to kill him with their spears.

Curiously all the spears had holes in them at the pointed ends. When Howe woke up, he realized that a needle with a hole at its tip – rather than at the base or middle – which is what he had been working with – was the solution to his problem.

**DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE**

Since childhood, novelist Robert Louis Stevenson had always remembered his dreams and believed that they gave him inspiration for his writing. In 1884, he was a dire need of money and was trying to come up with an idea for a book. He had already spent two days racking his brains for a new plot, when he had a nightmare about a man with a dual personality. In the dream, "Mr. Hyde" was being pursued for a crime he'd committed; he took a strange powder and changed into someone else as his pursuers watched. Stevenson screamed in his sleep and his wife woke him. The next morning he began writing ***The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.***

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