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Kibbutz Yizrael

Operation "Rising Lion" Edition

Edi-torial: We are witnessing historical events of biblical proportions. I thought we should know the source of the name chosen for the campaign:

Numbers 23: 24

הָן עָם כָּלָבִיא יָקוּם וְכָאֲרִי יִתְנַשָּׂא לֹא יִשְׁכָּב עַד-יֹאכל טָרֶף וְדַם חֶלָלִים יִשְׁתָּה

24 The people rise up like a lioness; they rouse themselves like a lion that does not rest till it devours its prey and drinks the blood of its victims."



See detailed article on page 17

Reut's Editorial: Since the end of last week, Gaza has been relegated to the fringes of the news. However, once again, the smiles of young people in uniform have been published as "Killed in action". Fifty-three of our kidnapped brethren are still there.

Although Iran is a new and shiny battle front, the scenes from Bat Yam remind us of Gaza at the beginning of the ground operation, with civilian casualties from missile strikes in our cities, and at the Bazan oil refinery in Haifa. As the bulletin was being finalized and sent to print, Soroka Hospital was also added to the list, and more... How on earth did the residents of the Western Negev live for years and years with missiles flying at them and such short warning times? They did not have the luxury of a ten-minute warning. The second question is if Iran changes, could the extremist proxies in our government turn Israel into an Iran?

In this week's bulletin: The Home Security team sums up its first week dealing with the ramifications of the Iran Campaign vis-à-vis Yizrael, the health council meeting report, an updated vehicle procedure which will soon be discussed at the Assembly....

And more

Summing up the first Week – Operation "Rising Lion" Home Security Committee

Shalom everyone,

It has been a week since we once again found ourselves in an emergency situation.

Although we have faced similar circumstances over the past two years, there is no doubt that this time the situation is more challenging for us and the risk is more tangible.

This requires us to be more vigilant and to stay close to protected areas, including shelters.

Understanding that this war necessitates prolonged stays in shelters, sometimes overnight, we are equipping the shelters with basic supplies to enable extended stays — mattresses, chairs, and fans. Additionally, we are working on establishing internet connectivity within the shelters.

Space in the shelters is limited, especially if overnight stays are needed, so we have decided not to allow guest bookings where the protected space is based on shelters, except in a few approved exceptional cases.

Members who have a standard protected space at home and wish to host others can do so.

It is important to inform us so that we can always be aware of the population in the kibbutz for security and service purposes.

The kibbutz is operating in an emergency mode according to Home Front Command guidelines, which prohibit gatherings, opening non-essential workplaces, and conducting regular educational activities. If and when these guidelines change, we will review and evaluate their implications for us.

We want to clarify how information is shared with the public: it is essential that everyone installs the Home Front Command app on their mobile phones to receive immediate alerts based on their current location.

In Ylzrael, we also have our WhatsApp group — Ylzrael Group — through which we also disseminate the same messages via another channel. It is intended solely for immediate emergency notifications. Some of the messages sent there are from the regional council, related to security events in the area, such as sirens in various settlements and missile interceptions.

Other messages, explanations, clarifications, and meeting summaries are sent via Kehilanet.

A note from Brent: any report of a fall or discovery of shrapnel or other items must be immediately reported to the police (Dial 100).

Do not touch or move! Some parts have been found that still contained explosive material — caution!

May we have peaceful days and quickly return to our blessed routine. Erez Peleg and Limor Griman



Nof Neighbourhood Wednesday 18.6.25



Minutes of the Health Council Meeting 12/6/25



Attendees: Talya Arad, Inbal Adler, Liran Pan, Aviva Beutler, Biff Markham, Rotem Agmon, Amir Darom, Tamar Sanker.

Agenda:

- 1. Care for the elderly and/or frail individuals.
- 2. Subsidy for an annual membership for seniors at Dorot B'Gilboa seniors' community center.
- 3. Requests for additional budget for specialized food due to chronic illnesses.

1. Home Care for the Elderly

A discussion was held regarding the responsibility of the health sector and monitoring home care for the elderly.

(**Note:** The discussion was initiated in advance and was not prompted by any specific case)

We appreciate the work of the caregivers, some of whom reside on the kibbutz. It is important to support the caregivers, especially during these times, due to the fears and uncertainties they face, away from home and family.

Currently, we have 13 foreign workers and dedicated Israeli caregivers caring for elderly members in their homes.

The following points were raised:

- Should we encourage installing cameras in homes?
- Is the current supervision by our team sufficient?
- Family members also have responsibility. Sometimes they rely too much on the kibbutz.
- If a family requests to install cameras, who bears the cost?
- The Third Age team maintains close contact with the caregivers, including providing recreational activities and ensuring their well-being. We understand the strong connection between quality care and caregiver welfare.
- The situation is more sensitive with regards to replacement caregivers, especially when a foreign worker replaces another over the weekend, and we lack information about the replacement.
- Even with the strictest supervision, we cannot fully guarantee what happens behind closed doors.

Decision:

• Cameras will be installed only where the terminally ill member is noncommunicative. We will present this option to the family for approval. The health sector will cover the cost after obtaining signed consent from a family member or guardian.

- In other cases, the installation of cameras will be at the family's expense.
- Families with cameras will be responsible for monitoring and checking them.
- The Third Age team will conduct unannounced visits at different times, and families will be reminded to do the same, especially during weekend shifts.

2. Subsidy for Annual Membership at Dorot B'Gilboa

The health sector, including the senior division, subsidizes an annual membership at the Dorot B'Gilboa regional community center.

Two years ago the subsidy was $oldsymbol{1}500$ per individual membership, but due to current budget constraints, it was reduced to $oldsymbol{1}200$ per year, while the annual membership costs approximately $oldsymbol{1}1100$.

The following points were raised:

- Why does the subsidy apply only to Dorot B'Gilboa and not to other activities or clubs?
- Should the money not be used to support activities at our seniors' centre, "Or BaGiva"? (Which is a Kibbutz institution as opposed to a regional institution – Ed)
- Inbal reported a decline in the number of members participating in the activities of Dorot B'Gilboa this year—perhaps due to the reduced subsidy or the war.
- We should encourage seniors to continue participating in Dorot B'Gilboa activities—learning, creating, socializing, and maintaining mental health.

Decision:

- We see great importance in this activity and we will continue to promote it with subsidies, at the current level (№200/year).
- Inbal Adler will conduct a survey among seniors to understand the reasons for the decrease in participants.
- The budget will be reviewed again for next year, with a view to increasing the subsidy if we can.

3. Increased Requests for subsidies for Specialized Food

Many members (and/or their children) suffer from chronic illnesses that require stricter diets and specialized food.

Currently, the health sector does not provide a budget for purchasing specialized food, except for celiac disease suffers.

During the discussion, it was noted that although most requests are understandable, due to budget constraints, we cannot accommodate all requests for additional support for people with chronic illnesses like hypertension, diabetes, etc.

Interim Decision:

 A small task force will be formed by the health council to collaborate with the food sector and explore joint solutions, such as labeling options like "sugarfree," "salt-free," "high sugar content," etc.

Note from the Mobility Scooter (Kalnoit) Team:

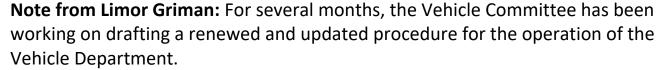
Most members come for regular maintenance, ensuring safety for both the vehicle and the driver. We thank everyone for their cooperation.

Some members ignore the reminders and notifications, leading to scooters arriving for maintenance after delays of six months or more. This causes high repair costs (thousands of shekels) due to accumulated damage.

In such cases, the procedure will be enforced. Members will be required to bear the costs of restoring the scooter to proper condition. (See the Mobility Procedure on Kehilanet – Ed)

Written by: Taliya Arad

Vehicle Procedure



The procedure was discussed and approved by the Community Management, and it was subsequently decided to bring it for discussion and approval at the Kibbutz Assembly.

The full procedure follows; an announcement will be made regarding the date of the Assembly. Limor Griman



Vehicle Procedure 2025 - Detailed Draft



Introduction

This procedure addresses all matters concerning the community's vehicles. Its goal is to streamline the vehicle system, ensuring maximum attention to the needs of the members and the agricultural system.

Responsibility of the Vehicle Committee

The committee is responsible for managing and overseeing the community's vehicle fleet and ensuring driving safety.

Functions of the Vehicle Committee

 Driving Safety ● Budget – Vehicle Variety and Availability – Assistance and Guidance ● Dispute Resolution – Appeals

Committee Composition

- 1. Committee Chair an elected member
- 2. Vehicle Coordinator
- 3. Community Manager
- 4. Garage Representative
- 5. Three/four community representatives

Role of the Vehicle Coordinator (Sadran Rechev)

- 1. Arrange vehicles for various users.
- 2. Ensure vehicle maintenance.
- 3. Maintain ongoing contact with the garage regarding vehicle servicing.

Role of the Vehicle Officer

- 1. Supervise safety and maintenance of the community's vehicles.
- 2. Supervise, control, and train drivers of the community's vehicles.
- 3. Supervise and check driver licenses and traffic fines.
- 4. Carry out actions to promote road safety within the community.

Community Vehicle Drivers

- 1. Vehicles will be available for personal, health, and work needs.
- 2. Community vehicles will be available to users according to the following provisions:

- a. Members, candidates, and newcomers.
- b. Youths according to the Young Generation procedure.
- c. Spouses of community members can use community vehicles only with the approval of the community secretary and by submitting a copy of their driver's license to the vehicle officer.
- d. If a regular user of a vehicle arrangement requests to allow someone else (such as a close relative) not authorized to drive community vehicles to drive on their behalf, specific approval must be obtained from the community secretary, and a copy of the driver's license must be sent to the vehicle officer (for the specific trip, not on a regular basis).
- e. Residents authorized to drive community vehicles are those serving in one of the community's branches.
- f. Outside employees using community's vehicles require approval from the community manager and the vehicle officer.
- g. Employees working for associations/organizations operating within the community require approval from the community manager and the vehicle officer.
- h. Service year volunteers residing in the community require approval from the community manager and the vehicle officer. The approval is given for a defined period and specific drivers according to the needs of the group.
- i. Someone who is not a community member and wants to drive a community vehicle, and is not listed in any of the above sections, must obtain approval from the Vehicle Committee Coordinator and the community secretary. They must send a copy of their driver's license to the vehicle officer.

Vehicle Availability

- During the two major holidays Rosh Hashanah and Passover those who
 request a vehicle will receive their reservations, even if vehicle rental is
 required. The deadline for vehicle reservations will be announced by the
 vehicle coordinator.
- 2. A vehicle reservation exceeding 7 consecutive days, requires personal coordination with the vehicle coordinator
- 3. **Extending a vehicle reservation during a trip** prolonging the reservation during the trip, beyond the original booking, will only be allowed in coordination with the person who has ordered the car next and/or with the vehicle coordinator.

Trailers – The kibbutz's trailers may only be towed by kibbutz vehicles. Kibbutz vehicles may only tow trailers belonging to the kibbutz. Exceptions are to be addressed to the Vehicle Committee Coordinator (Ofir Griman).

New Drivers and Driver Training

- 1. Before their first drive, a new driver, must undergo a test drive with the kibbutz's vehicle officer. After three months, upon completing the daytime supervised driving period, and after six months, upon completing a night-time supervised driving period, they must have a refresher discussion/driving session with the vehicle officer.
- 2. New young drivers will sign a commitment to drive safely with the vehicle officer or supervisor before their first trip. The document was formulated with the social education committee (see Appendix 1).

Rules and Responsibilities for Drivers of Kibbutz Vehicles

- 1. Vehicle keys may only be taken and returned via the scheduling computer.
- 2. **Before starting the trip**, check for external damages, malfunctions, or missing items inside the vehicle. If damage is seen, update the vehicle supervisor.
- 3. **Smoking** in the vehicle is prohibited.
- 4. **The driver must return the vehicle clean**. A dirty vehicle with food residues and packaging, pet hair, trash, mud, or any liquid or solid material that shouldn't be in the vehicle after a trip, must be cleaned. If the vehicle is received dirty, take photos and inform the supervisor at the start of the trip.
- 5. **In case of a flat tire** the driver must replace the wheel and report this to the vehicle supervisor.
- 6. a. **Refuelling** it is important to refuel at the kibbutz's gas station. (the fuel card is valid at all DOR-ALON stations nationwide). If you refuel at a station other than "DOR-ALON," the receipt must include the vehicle number and the full name of the driver and be handed to the vehicle supervisor (So the driver can be reimbursed).
 - b. **End-of-trip fuelling** if the fuel tank is less than half full, the driver must refuel the vehicle.
- 7. **Animals in cars** Kindly bring a blanket to cover the seat or preferably a cage for the animal. The driver taking animals must clean the car, including vacuuming fur or dirt.
- 8. **Report any vehicle malfunction** (minor or major) on the designated sheets located near the vehicle keys cabinet or directly to the supervisor via message (WhatsApp).
- 9. **Attention!** If during the trip a **red warning light** appears on the dashboard, stop the vehicle immediately and speak to the vehicle supervisor (do not continue driving!).

Safety

General – the purpose of the Vehicle Committee and the vehicle officer is to enable, guide and improve driving standards. We see the need to provide training and set boundaries.

Goals – to protect drivers' and passengers' lives, improve driving quality, remind of possible driving risks, establish expected norms for drivers, and set boundaries.

Drive according to traffic regulations and laws.

- Only operate the vehicle while alert! Be aware of fatigue, distractions, and substances impairing consciousness. These endanger you and your passengers.
- 2. Each year, two online training sessions will be held by the kibbutz's vehicle officer. All drivers are required to complete this training if they wish to continue driving kibbutz vehicles.
- 3. The vehicle officer of the kibbutz may summon a driver who violates traffic regulations, for a discussion.
- 4. The Vehicle Committee has the authority to suspend a user's driving privileges if they violate traffic laws.
- 5. Resumption of driving privileges will be with the approval of the Vehicle Committee and training by the kibbutz's vehicle officer.

Accidents and/or Malfunctions

- 1. In any case of an accident (minor or major) or malfunction, update the vehicle supervisor via message (WhatsApp) **and** through the Kehilanet form.
- 2. The vehicle will contain an accident procedure. (You are not to not admit fault). Take the other driver's personal details (Name, I.D), their vehicle details, and take photos of the damage.
- 3. In the glove box of the vehicle, you will find a phone number for the towing company associated with the kibbutz for cases where the vehicle gets stuck. The "stuck" driver will call the Vehicle Organizer (Anton) or the Kibbutz Garage (Moshe) and follow their instructions.
- 4. A driver involved in an accident must hold a learning and investigation discussion with the vehicle officer and a vehicle committee member within three days of the incident.
- 5. A driver involved in two accidents within six months will not be allowed to drive kibbutz vehicles until an investigation with the vehicle officer and committee member is completed.

Regulations and Procedures

- 1. In case of disagreements, different interpretations of this procedure, or failure to implement decisions, the issue will be referred to the Vehicle Committee for discussion and resolution (subject to the appeals process).
- 2. The Vehicle Committee has the authority to take one or more of the following measures, at its discretion:
 - 2.1. A discussion to clarify driving behaviour/handling of kibbutz vehicle.
 - 2.2. Prohibition from taking vehicles for personal trips and/or work for up to

six months.

- 2.3. Taking driving lessons by a certified instructor at the driver's expense.
- 2.4. Requiring a driver's escort for up to six months.
- 2.5. Requiring medical check-up to assess driving fitness.
- 2.6. If necessary, and if further steps are needed, a small team from the Vehicle Committee will convene, review the case, and decide on the measures to be taken.

Fines for Inappropriate Behaviour

- 1. If a driver leaves the vehicle **dirty twice within six months**, they will pay for cleaning at the car wash (up to 100 ₪). The Vehicle Committee may suspend driving privileges if the issue persists.
- **2.** In the event that the vehicle is damaged due to vandalism by the driver or any of the vehicle's occupants, the cost of repairs will be borne by the driver.
- **3.** Anyone who orders a vehicle but does not take it and does not cancel their reservation, will be automatically charged 15 NIS (see Appendix 2).

Fines for Parking or Traffic Violations

- 1. Fines for all types of violations will be paid by the driver.
- 2. Toll road payments will be charged by the accounting department.
- 3. Outside Employees in case of an accident, the deductible/repair costs will be according to the employment agreement.
- 4. Young individuals on the "Financial Independent Track" half of the deductible costs will be charged to the driver. (Readers not from the kibbutz are advised not to try and understand this sentence Ed)

Private Vehicles

- 1. It is mandatory for the owners of private vehicles, club cars and utility scooters to insure their vehicles with compulsory and third-party insurance.
- 2. All expenses arising from the ownership of the private vehicle are the responsibility of the vehicle owner and not the kibbutz.

Car Use Costs

See Appendix 2.

Appendix 1

Young Drivers' Agreement -

This agreement pertains to all Youngsters with a driving license (for a tractor and/or a vehicle), from the day the license is issued until they leave the "Chevra Bogeret".

Guidelines

Signing this agreement is a condition for driving the kibbutz vehicles.

- All provisions in this agreement supplement existing national laws, traffic regulations, and the kibbutz vehicle policy.
- Teen drivers are only permitted to drive small, family, and utility vehicles;
- Responsibility for adhering to this agreement lies with the teenager and their parents. The kibbutz safety officer is responsible for training, information, and enforcement.

Training

- After receiving the driving license, the vehicle officer will conduct a test drive
 with the teenager, and a discussion and an explanation of traffic rules relevant
 to young drivers. Before this discussion, the teenager is prohibited from driving
 any of the kibbutz vehicles (including utility vehicles).
- At the end of the "experienced driver during the day" and "experienced driver at night" periods (three and six months from the license date), an additional session will be held with the safety officer.
- Teen driving until the end of 12th grade is only permitted on vehicles designated by the Vehicle Committee as suitable for young drivers. Driving on other kibbutz vehicles is not authorized. (This may change periodically according to decisions by the Vehicle Officer and Vehicle Committee).

Enforcement

- A teenager who violates traffic laws or the principles of this document will have their driving privileges revoked for one week. After this week, the safety officer and/or the Vehicle Committee coordinator will hold a discussion with the teenager and their parents to decide on the continuation.
- If there are complaints from kibbutz members about unsafe driving, the
 teenager will be summoned for clarification with the safety officer. If they drive
 unsafely again, their driving privileges will be revoked for one week. After this
 week, a discussion will be held with the teenager and their parents to decide on
 the next steps.
- The Vehicle Committee has the authority to suspend a teenager's driving privileges for up to six months.

We confirm that we have read this	agreement and commit to adhering to it:
The Teen (Name and Signature): $_$	
Parents (Names and Signatures): _	
Date:	



Appendix 2

Travel Charge Costs for Kibbutz Vehicles

Charge Type	Per Kilometre	Daytime Time Charge (between 6:00 and 22:00)	Nighttime Time Charge (between 22:00 and 6:00)	
Kibbutz Member	ิ ๒ 8.0	4.15 ๗	0.7 ๗	
Trips for committees and outside workers	1.35 ๗	4.15 ๗	0.7 ₪	
Branches	1.35 ₪	4.15 ๗	0.7 ๗	
Sectors	1.5 ๗	4.15 ₪	0.7 ๗	

- Saturday and holiday rates for a member: cost per km is 0.8 ๗; cost up to 14:00 is 4.15๗/hour. From 14:00 until Shabbat/Holiday end, the time cost is 0.7 ๗/hour.
- 1. Users who did not cancel their reservation, will be charged 15 ₪
- 2. The calculation for the cost per km for a user on a private trip is determined by the percentage of variable expenses (fuel and maintenance) and from the total average cost per km of the vehicles. The time charge is based on decisions made by the community manager, community administration and vehicle committee.
- 3. The cost per km + time charge for trips for committees, sectors, and external workers is set to cover the entire annual cost per km of the kibbutz vehicles. This cost is determined by the community manager, community administration, and vehicle committee.
- 4. The costs of vehicle usage are determined periodically and may change according to needs and budget constraints.

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Did you know?



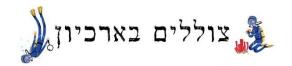
- In a standard Hungarian cube, like the ones we play with, there are 1,929,770,126,028,800 different possible combinations.
- Mosquitoes are attracted to the colour blue twice as much as to any other colour.

•	The blood of sp	piders is trans	sparent. (I p	hotographed	l the blood	of a Spider:

• Actor John Wayne appeared in more than two hundred movies.

Message: Yitzhak Peleg





Delving into the Archives

Diving into the bomb shelters...

The shelters have been with us almost since the early days of the kibbutz. In the 1960s, the shelters were small, dark, and damp. In quite a few places across the country, there weren't enough shelters, so trenches were dug where people could seek cover. During the Six-Day War, our institute group (Dina Bookman, Jenny Zilas, Eddie Solow and I) was in Kibbutz Yifat. At the sound of every siren, we ran and jumped into a trench near our hut.



During the Six-Day War, the children of Yizrael slept in shelters. (Does someone recognize the child?)

A Week in Shelters and Safe Rooms

Among those whose jubilee year has already passed a few years ago, there are those who perhaps still remember sitting in shelters on Yizrael during previous wars. But for many this is a new experience (an experience which we would gladly miss out on). Here is an excerpt about the Six-Day War in Jerusalem, from Gil Hovav's book *Twenty-Four Doors*, in which he recounts the reaction of his father, Moshe Hovav, during the siren (pp. 293-294):

"The war, as is known, lasted six days. Jerusalem was conquered in just four, but the retreating Jordanian Legion continued to shell the city. Ten minutes' drive from the Radio Studios, we sat in a shelter. When we heard Dad announce that Jerusalem was liberated and read a comforting prophecy on the radio, we went out to celebrate... We cried, laughed, and hugged Dad, who suddenly arrived. The war was over. Then another siren sounded, and shells began whistling overhead. Every mother grabbed a child, not necessarily her own – the one closest... Only Dad and I remained in the

kitchen. I wanted to run, but Dad held me tightly by the arm and held me back. With his free hand, he adjusted his tie, then straightened his jacket's shirt, and then slowly started walking toward the shelter, while I tried to pull him forward with all my might. I remember the shells fired from the Monastery of Mar Elias. They landed at the edge of the grove, where today the Hansen Hospital is located, and where the Jerusalem Theatre was later built, about 250 meters from us. I saw the fire. "Come on, Dad, already!" I shouted, "Come to the shelter!" And Dad kept walking, slowly, between whistling shells, between fire and explosions, not even bending down. "But Dad, why aren't you moving?!" I asked. I was so scared I couldn't even cry. Dad looked at me and replied calmly: "Gili, they won't make us run."

On Yizrael, there are phone alerts from the Home Front Command and WhatsApp messages from the kibbutz, allowing us to go to the nearest shelter calmly, or, for those with a safe room, to go to another room in the house (or just sleep there at night...).

Gali Peleg-Witelson wrote: Due to family events, during the first days of the war we were in Modi'in, where we slept in a safe room and enjoyed quality time with family we hadn't seen in a long time.

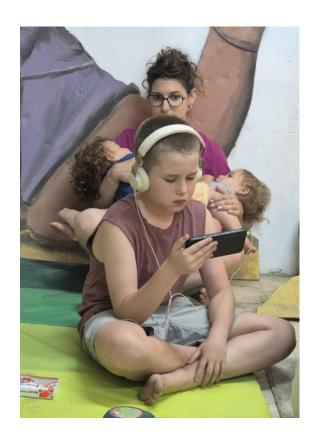
When we returned to the kibbutz, we were happy to find that it is very pleasant to be with friends and neighbours in the neighbourhood shelter. Its much calmer here than in the centre of the country. At night, we sleep in Marnina's safe room and enjoy quality time with our family here.

So thank you, Iranians, for quality time with family and friends. We hope for quiet and peaceful days and to return to routine soon.















Letter to the Editor from South Africa:

On Tue, Jun 17, 2025, 00:46 Theresa Sabo wrote

Good evening, Eddie and all at Kibbutz Yisrael.

I would just want you to know that I am thinking of you all in Israel.

Believe me when I say that there are so many people in SA that stand with Israel, and are praying for peace.

Many of these people stand with Israel not because of family relationships but purely because of their believe that the land of Israel belongs to the Jews of this world.

May the G-d of Israel continue to protect and hold you. THERESASABO

Eddie's reply: Thank you so much, Theresa. I so appreciate your support and I know all the kibbutz will feel the same. With your permission, I would like to translate your letter for the Hebrew newsletter, too. We need all the uplifting we can get. These are hard times for all of us. Yours sincerely, Eddie Solow

P.S. The following article is especially for you.



Operation Rising Lion – Biblical origin of the name (Not for the faint hearted – Ed)

"The people rise up like a lioness; they rouse themselves like a lion that does not rest till it devours its prey and drinks the blood of its victims."

Numbers 23 – Balaam's First and Second Oracles

Context:

Balak, the king of Moab, is fearful of the Israelites as they approach his land. He hires Balaam, a non-Israelite prophet/diviner, to curse them. However, Balaam has already warned Balak that he can only speak what God tells him.

- First Oracle (verses 1–12)
 - Balaam has Balak build seven altars and offer sacrifices.
 - God gives Balaam a message.
 - Instead of a curse, Balaam blesses Israel, declaring:

"How can I curse whom God has not cursed?

How can I denounce whom the Lord has not denounced?"

- Balak is angry, but Balaam insists he can only say what God commands.
- Second Oracle (verses 13–26)
 - Balak takes Balaam to a different location, hoping a new vantage point will allow him to curse Israel.
 - Again, seven altars and sacrifices are offered.
 - Balaam speaks again:

"God is not human, that he should lie...

I have received a command to bless; he has blessed, and I cannot change it."

- Israel is blessed again. Balak is furious, but Balaam remains loyal to God's message.
- Balak is furious and tells Balaam to go home without reward.
- Balaam reminds him he said he could only speak what God commands.
- Final Oracles (verses 15–25)

Balaam then delivers several prophecies about Israel's future victories:

- 1. A star will come out of Jacob a messianic prophecy interpreted by some as referring to King David or the future Messiah.
- 2. Predictions of defeat for surrounding nations: Moab, Edom, Amalek, Asshur (Assyria), and others. (Iran? Ed)

Summary:

- · Balaam ends up blessing Israel three times instead of cursing them.
- He prophesies Israel's future greatness and the downfall of its enemies.
- Balak's plan backfires—he pays for a curse, but receives God's blessing on Israel instead.

(LET IT BE - ED)

And now on a lighter note

A pilot gets up in the middle of the night
Climbs into a F35
Flies 2000 Km
Hits his target within millimeters
I get up in the middle of the night
Walk 4 meters to the toilet
Walk into the wall and trip
And piss on the seat

ENGLISH IS FUN with Rahel

HEADING FOR TROUBLE

Everybody makes mistakes. But when headline writers make theirs, the results scream out to hundreds of thousands of readers in big, black, inch-high print.

Writing headlines is an art in itself. To make the size of the headline fit the page layout is an artistic challenge. To say whatever it is you have, and want to say in exactly the space and type size you have at your disposal is a veritable architectural feat.

4-GIRLS WIN PRIZES FOR FAT CALVES

BIG BUSTS INDICATE DRUG WAR WORKING

PRESIDENT CLINTON'S PROBLEMS ARE MOUNTING

GIANT WOMEN'S STUDY SHORT OF VOLUNTEERS

JUDGE PRESSES JACKSON'S SUIT

ASTRONAUT TAKES BLAME FOR GAS IN SPACECRAFT

BROADCASTERS TO LOOK INTO PLUNGING GOWNS

MARCH PLANNED FOR NEXT AUGUST

BREAKING WIND COULD CUT COSTS

CASE OF STOLEN WHISKEY TO GO TO JURY

BLIND BISHOP TO GO TO SEE

LINGERIE SHIPMENT HI-JACKED - THIEF GIVES POLICETHE SLIP

FRESHMAN WOMEN OUTSTRIP MEN AT I.U.

L.A. VOTERS APPROVE URBAN RENEWAL BY LANDSLIDE

OUTHOUSES AIRED AT COUNCIL MEETING

BALLS, BALLS, BALLS IS ALL DEBUTANTES GET

BENTON WOMAN IS HOSPITALIZED BY ACCIDENT

POLICE HOPE TO CALM FEARS OF STABBER

PATIENT AT DEATH'S DOOR - DOCTORS PULL HIM THROUGH

WOMEN SPEND MORE TIME IN KITCHEN DESPITE ADVANCES

JURY BRING IN BRA CASE

FIVE NUDES PINCHED AT STAG SHOW

BAR TRYING TO HELP ALCOHOLIC LAWYERS

MARIJUANA ISSUE SENT TO JOINT COMMITTEE

NATURE WALKS ON THURSDAY EVENINGS

RUSSIAN FORCES BEAR DOWN

JUDGE SELECTS DOCTORS TO HELP IMPLANT JURORS

DOG OWNER ORDERED TO PAY \$1,000 TO BITE VICTIM

WOMEN'S BODY SEEKS MEMBER

.....more next week

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