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Kibbutz Yizreel

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We mourn the sudden passing away of our chaver

TREVOR LITTLE

Trevor was much valued and admired in the Building Branch where he worked for many years. He was known for his "fix-all" talent – always ready to repair anything and everything.

Trevor was also known and admired for his beautiful garden – he had a "green thumb".

Our sympathies to his mother in South Africa and his sister living in Canada.

Thanks:

Ela and Shlomo thank the Yizreel community for their warm good wishes on the birth of Kerem. Many chaverim offered congratulations and a helping hand if anything was needed.

Mazal tov:

... to Danni and Eddie on the birth of their grandson, a son for Shira and Eldad, brother for Eyal and Itai; a great-grandson for Helen Solo.

Cellcom: (from Vicki)

New opening hours (on Yizreel):

Sundays and Wednesdays from 13.00 – 16.00

Roster Duties: (from Ruth)

New lists until the end of February, 2015 have been posted. Please note changes!

Mazkirut Meeting: (from Yair, 4th November, 2014)

- Yair Arad and Nofar Dolinko are responsible regarding outside workers' earnings and will meet with those chaverim, commencing in December, 2014.
- Yair has met with the Abramowitz family concerning their dog, and they will attend a Mazkirut meeting in the near future.
- Two meetings have been held regarding the committee dealing with the Israel Lands Authority.
- Irit Mor reported on the committee dealing with the Ahada Fund (financially assisting those chaverim with special needs). It was proposed that the money for this fund would come from the Reserve Fund, if available; from the Life Fund; from Social Security. When the list of chaverim and those born on the kibbutz who need assistance is made available, further discussion will be held.
- Zvi Carmeli was a Palmach soldier killed near the Yizreel Spring during the War of Independence. His family and friends planted the eucalyptus trees at the Spring and erected a memorial stone. Over the years the Spring has become a popular place to visit and picnic.

The family has requested Yizreel's help to place a plaque there, telling Zvi Carmeli's story. The Mazkirut agreed. Yair and Irit have the power of attorney to deal with this matter as the family has serious financial problems.

Auditing Committee: (Galia Shemi, Oz Eizner, Irit Shemesh and Shimona Matalon)

This Committee is the contact between the kibbutz and the external auditor, Yiftach Alon. The latter has completed the investigation of our Health Services and copies are available for chaverim only, from Galia Shemi.

Besides the Health Services which includes the clinic, dental clinic, Health and Welfare Committee, the Advisory Committee, overall aid and assistance, "Bayit Al HaGiva" (the Care Centre), the Garage and Building Management were audited.

At the beginning of 2015 Yiftach will report on these audits.

Community News: (from Kobi from the Service Branches Committee)

Meetings with the heads of the Service Branches are being held, reviewing the 'satisfaction' of the community with these branches. The results will soon be discussed at an open meeting.

Music School News: (from Stas)

Activities have commenced including four groups of pre-school children; a group of parents and children (from the age of two years); three groups of pre-instrumentalists; a

music group for grade 1 only; three groups playing light music for guitar and drums; and five groups studying music theory – from second to 12th grades.

November: 24th: Concertino No. 2

December:

18th: A festive Channuka get-together

29th: Concertino No. 3

Building Branch:

- Phone calls for urgent matters – burst water pipe, hot water problems, blocked sewer etc. are answered a.s.a.p.
Requests of a less urgent matter are often postponed. (If you feel that your request has been forgotten contact us again.)
Please leave all requests on the Building Department answering service. Don't expect the builders to remember something said to them in the dining room or on the path.
- Some of our tools are missing; please return borrowed or found tools to the department.
- From 2015 changing the water filters is free of charge, regarded as a service to the chaver. We suggest installing these filters to all homes, contact Rotem Hillel for information.
- Please contact the Branch for any advice, problems or complaints.

Accounts Department:

- Personal Accounts: All branches have been informed to send details of accounts charged to the chaver; these should be checked against monthly personal accounts. It has not yet been finalized but it is planned to be able to check our personal accounts via the internet.
- Money Office: Open three times weekly. Remember we have an ATM downstairs. Those chaverim needing amounts of more than NIS 1,500 must order in advance. Please request such amounts from the office and not via Yehuda Bir.
- Cheques: According to the rules of the Bank of Israel, a cheque cannot be deposited in your account made out to you personally. Details – contact the Department.
- Positions in the Accounts Department:

Esther Ben Bassat	Personal budgets, National Insurance, Credit Cards
Rosa Levor	Money Office

Natasha Chernokovsky	Agriculture including partnerships with field crops and almonds. Banks of the Community lists.
Yehuda Bir, Zvi Sadur	Treasurers
Ilanit David, Clare	Community branches
Yifat Levi	Initiatives, Catering Department, Yizreel Holdings
Talia Arad	Insurance Costing
Eli Burland	Head of Accounts Department
Irit Mor	Head of Yizreel's Businesses

Mosquitoes: (from Eyal Sharoni)

Recently, a 'new player' has appeared – "the Asian-Tiger Mosquito". This is a tropical variety, black with white stripes, can be found in our gardens and lays its' eggs in jars, bases of plant containers – where there is water!

The present season with occasional rainfall, and warm weather is ideal for the appearance of large numbers of mosquitoes.

Do your best to empty water collecting in various containers. While working in the garden use anti-mozzy spray or cream.

Cats:

With the assistance of our Regional Council we will soon begin a campaign to spay the cats on the kibbutz. This will be done in stages: (Disposing of cats is against the law.)

Cats gather around the dining room. PLEASE refrain from feeding them there. If you have stray cats in your area, inform Kobi, Yarden or Akiva.

If you are planning to adopt one of the stray cats, inform one of the above chaverim, we will deal with the spaying and then return the cat to its' new owner.

Kitchen News: (from Jo)

With the change of econom, I feel it important to thank other chaverim who contribute so much to this branch:

- ✚ David Beutler – always available when needed.
- ✚ Yaakov – working behind the scenes, in order that everything can be done smoothly and efficiently.
- ✚ Phil Adler who returned from New Zealand straight into the economia to save the situation.
- ✚ The kitchen staff; may you all continue to prepare and serve our meals; to Assi – a successful period in the economia.

Rugby:

At the annual match last Saturday, the Shaul Penn cup was presented to the outstanding player. This year, the cup was given to Guy Macisis of the Yizreel/Gilboa team.

Field Trip:

Another reminder about the Field Trip as-of-old!

28th and 29th November, 2014.

Departing Friday morning, 7.15 am. –

If the weather turns cold, the sleep-over will take place in a closed, warm place – a Beduin tent – to be decided finally on the Monday before the tiyul.

WE REMEMBER.....**in the month of Tishrei we remember –**

Manny Rosenberg	Helen's husband	20.9.11
Jerry Agmon	Efrat's husband, Rotem's father	20.9.09
Ros Meckler	Aubrey Levine's mother	19.9.93
Gerry Hadar	Chava's husband, Shai's father	8.10.11
Yosef Shapira	Patchi's brother	25.9.88
Vered Halevi	Ofir's wife, Stav and Shachaf's mother	21.10.05
Dudi Silbowitz	Garin Hod	18.10.73
Neil Freed	Garin Hod	18.10.73
Avraham Bador	Chana Levine's father	18.10.84
Karl Gevert	Ilana Peleg's father	23.10.89
Hillel Feldman	Ida's husband, Jules and Barry's father	3.10.10

English is Fun - with Rahel

A Jewish couple in London won twenty million pounds in the lottery. They bought a magnificent mansion in Knightsbridge, and surrounded themselves with all the material wealth imaginable.

They decided to hire a butler and they found the perfect man through an exclusive agency.

He was very proper and very British, and they brought him back to their home. The day after his arrival, he was instructed to set the dining table for four, as they were inviting the Cohen's to dinner. The couple then left the house for the afternoon to do some shopping.

When they returned they found the table set for six. Perplexed, they asked the butler why it was set for six, when they had expressly asked him to set it for four.

The butler replied, "The Cohen's telephoned and said they were bringing the Blintzes."

50 Paraprosdokians for the articulate Jew... para – what? When I first heard the term I wondered if it was either an ancient Druid sect, or a small Jewish branch of the Kardashians tucked away in Haifa.

So, what is a parapr..... It is a figure of speech in which the first part of a phrase or sentence seems normal, even complimentary.. and the second, or last part shocks and shakes the first part to its tenuous foundation.

One of the most famous is Henny Youngman's "Take my wife – PLEASE." Enjoy, but use with caution. For example, in some situations it's better to say the first part and think the second.

"Of course I agree with you.... Now we'll both be wrong."

"Knowledge is knowing a *yutz* when you see one. Wisdom is not making him your accountant or your husband."

"Oy, the food here is terrible... and such small portions."

"Darling, for our anniversary let's go eat someplace we've never been before....the kitchen."

"Freda, I owe you thanks. I always saw the good in people till you taught me.. there's an exception to everything."

"Darling that outfit, the dress, the shoes, the hat, you wore to my Duvid's bar-mitzva. I never saw anything like it...and please God, I never will again."

"They made that suit to order? Oy, so the man never picked it up."

"Thank God your daughter's an Einstein...because a beauty she isn't."

"You have such a voice. So mamale, why spoil it by actually singing."

"Of course I agree that you're a wit...even if you're only half right."

"You don't seem to be yourself lately. So tell me what brought about such an improvement?"

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