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**Kibbutz Yizre'el**

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**MAZAL TOV:**

* To Ela and Shlomo Cohen on the birth of their son, a brother to Nov, Leshem and Kerem. To the grandparents and the families.
* To Ania and Liron on the birth of their son. To the grandparents Daliya and Yossi Abadi and their families.

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| During the Corona crisis we gladly hosted sons and daughters during this period. If your son/daughter is planning to stay here after the 1st June meet with me so we can organize the payment for their stay. Yifat Assaf  |

**MAZKIRUT MEETING 17/5/2020**

Rinat Chickorel has completed her term as a member of the seniors’ committee and thus as a representative member on the mazkirut. We thank Rinat for her contribution to discussions and for her sensitive perspective. Good luck to future activities.

1. Information and other items:
* Congratulations to Ela and Shlomo Cohen on the birth of their fourth son.
* The theft from the caravans where the Shnat Sherut members live has been estimated at 3,000 shekel. The police have been involved and testimonies have been taken. If you have information on the matter please contact Nachem.
* The gates at the entrance to the kibbutz: There is a serious, dangerous situation at the gates. Drivers who do not have the number of the exit gate move into the lane of the entrance gate thus leaving the kibbutz. Robin reports that the matter was urgently discussed at the safety committee. It was suggested that spikes be installed but spikes are very expensive and do not conform to the plans for the renovation of the entrance roads. It was decided that in the meantime signs and road markings would be set up.
* Fly infestation: Robin stated that Guy Arad is dealing with the problem together with an outside pest exterminator.
* Yehuda Bir’s house: It was asked whether the fact that the young Mittelberg family is staying in this house is delaying the renovations on the house. Yifat answered that it is not delaying the renovations and that their stay is temporary. They are aware that the moment the house is needed for renovation or any other purpose they will evacuate it.
* Shavuot: The Shavuot committee has advertised the program for the festival so that people can make plans for the event.
* Head of Human Resources: Two people were approached to take up the position temporarily but they both refused. Since there were objections to this kind of solution the matter was dropped. Adi Laviv prepared a document of what should be done in the meantime and which will also be useful for the future incoming head. We thank Adi for this. Beutler will head a team, which together with Adi and relevant members, will investigate what happened and learn from this incident.
1. Situation report on the empty housing on the Kibbutz; The housing committee was invited to this meeting. A lively discussion ensued but because of the late hour it was decided to postpone continuation of the discussion to the next meeting.

WE REMEMBER:

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| Dishon Nehemia | 6.5.2000 | Revital Kirshberg’s father |
| Bir Batiya | 15.4.1991 | Yehuda Bir’s mother |
| Eshet David | 7.5.2000 | Yona’s husband, Haim Cohen’s father |
| Matalon Roni | 17.4.2018 | Eliahu and Shimona’s daughter |
| Touyz Benny | 27.4.2020 | Miki’s husband |
| Lev Or Ze’ev | 18.4.2002 | Yaron Lev Or’s father |
| Shapira Shalom (Jimmy) | 16.5.2008 | Ofra’s husband |
| Eizner Eyal | 26.4.2002 | Oz’s brother |
| Korodi Yehuda | 24.5.1969 | Rachel Grossman’s father |
| Bir Menachem | 4.5.1983 | Yehuda Bir’s father |
| Yuval Moshe/Tiochke | 8.5.1994 | Mirik’s husband |

CORONA UPDATES

**The pool:** The pool will be opened on Sunday 31.5.20. Instructions regarding the opening of the pool will be posted closer to the date of opening.

**The dining room:** From 31.5.2020 the dining room will be open for breakfast and the evening meal as usual (with a limit of 50 diners). No decision has been made about lunch yet. The dining room will be closed on Fridays.

**Bet Shutfut Guest House**: Will be open from 1.6.2020 so you can make bookings with Rahel Piekarski.

**The Moadon:** Meetings can be held from 1st June with a limit of no more than 20 people at this time. The moadon hasn’t been used in a while so people using it are asked to leave it clean and tidy after use.

 For queries or comments, contact the members of the corona team.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

We are gradually taking responsibility for the library. We have learnt a lot from Mirik and Shimona and there is more to be learnt. As part of the learning and planning process we have decided to hold an open meeting on Monday 25.5.2020 at 17:30 in the moadon. All are invited to attend and share their thoughts on future plans for the library.

Those who have come to the library have noticed changes in the children’s section of the library. Mika Assaf has prepared an exhibition at the entrance to the library on the influence of modern literature.

The library will be open again in the afternoons: Sunday: 16:00 – 18:00

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: 18:30 – 20:00

The library will also be open Sundays 8:30 – 11:30 and Tuesdays 9:30 – 11:30.

***BMUSIC***

The music school has gradually started to function.

**First stage**: a return to frontal studies – drums, guitar, violin, cello students.

**Second stage**: piano, wind instruments and voice production students.

Dance students will begin on 24.5.2020 with Michal Sha’anan at 16:00

General instructions for students coming to the Music School:

1. Only the students who are learning at the music school may enter, those accompanying the students must wait outside.
2. Temperature is to be taken at the entrance and a declaration of good health and no contact with corona patients ,to be signed.
3. Students with colds, coughs may not attend lessons. They can receive lessons through long distance learning.
4. All students from 4th grade up must wear a mask.
5. We are temporarily closing the water and coffee corner so please bring your own bottle of water.

Wishing all good health and success.

For queries contact Nitza Halevi 0523756045

 Stas Gavrialov 0523756323

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| The home channel (900) is still open with announcements, updates and short films. Shortly, we will organize a meeting to brainstorm the place of the home channel in normal times. ENJOY |

**SPORT – A RUNNING GROUP**

This week I will start a running group where we will learn to run, and to enjoy the personal process in running and the feeling of togetherness. At the beginning. we will have three training sessions every week. You can come to one or two sessions, it’s your choice. We will meet at the entrance to the rugby field:

 Monday and Thursday at 6:00 – 6:45 a.m.

Tuesdays at 20:30 – 21:30

Please note:

* The training sessions are suitable for all and will start at a basic level so that everyone can go through the significant process gradually.
* Please bring your own bottles of water.
* The training sessions are free.
* Please contact me personally for all queries. 0523585345

 Lior Keret

**RECYCLING BOTTLES**

As part of our 12th graders’ project we collect bottles and the deposit on them and then recycle them. Near each large garbage container there is a barrel for the bottles. Lately, people have thrown garbage (plastic containers, cleaning material bottles, etc) into these barrels. We have no way of recycling these containers and ask that you only put bottles and cans that have deposit value in the barrels. This will help us immensely.

Thank you ! 12th Graders’ Project

*SHAVUOT*

Shavuot Eve: The Shavuot Ceremony will be shown on the Home Channel.

The following day there will be a tractor parade along the ring road of the kibbutz from the Nof neighborhood through Sadot, Tsameret and Gilboa .

All the details of the events will be posted on the Kahilanet during the week.

***DONATING BLOOD***

Monday 1.6.2020 15:00 – 19:00 in the moadon.

In order to prevent crowding you are asked to join the link:

**shorturl.at/pDJZ5** and book a time for yourself.

Please come with a form of I.D. including a photo and a health certificate. **YOUR DONATION IS NEEDED TO SAVE LIFE and WILL GRANT YOUR FAMILY BLOOD INSURANCE FOR A YEAR.**

**English is Fun - with Rahel**

You know you're getting older when….

Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work…

Your knees buckle and your belt won't….

*You feel like the morning after; and you didn't go anywhere the night before…*

You can only burn the midnight oil until 9 o'clock…

The twinkle in your eyes is the sun hitting your bifocals…

Your back gets out more often than you do…

REDEFINITIONS:

Poor: When you have too much month at the end of your salary.

Tomorrow: The best time to do everything you had planned for today.

Pets: The only members of your family you actually like.

Study: The art of texting, eating and watching TV with an open textbook nearby.

Procrastinate: What you are doing right now. Get going and finish your work.

Synonym: A word used in place of the one you can't spell.

Calories: Tiny creatures that live in your closet and sew your clothes a little bit tighter every night.

Clapping: Repeatedly high-fiving yourself for someone else's accomplishments.

Single: A man who makes jokes about women in the kitchen.

Bi-sexual: The ability to reach down someone's pants and be satisfied with whatever you find.

Teachers: Persons who help you solve problems you would never have without them.

Feet: A devise used for finding Legos in the dark.

Immature: A word used by boring people to describe fun people.

Best friends: The people you can get mad at only for a short period of time because you have important stuff to tell them.

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