NSBUSY BULLETIN

The official newsletter of North/South Brunswick USY & Kadima

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

THE FOLLOWING ARE ALL VIRTUAL CHAPTER EVENTS! YOU CAN SIGN UP WITH THE GOOGLE FORM LINKED BELOW AND IN THE @NORTHSOUTHBRUNSWICK USY BIO.

- "Crashing" Shabbat Services Friday, August 7th at 6:00pm
 - STREAM CBT'S FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES FROM FACEBOOK LIVE OR THE B'NAI TIKVAH WEBSITE TO WELCOME IN SHABBAT AND HEAR SOME FAMILIAR USY VOICES AND TUNES! *YOU DO NOT NEED TO SIGN UP FOR THIS

- USY Pictionary & Scattergories Event Wednesday, August
 - 12th from 7:30pm-9:00pm

PLAY ONLINE VERSIONS OF SOME OF OUR FAVORITE GAMES, INCLUDING WORDS RELATED TO ISRAEL!



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Israeli Song Suggestion of the Month

FROM OUR ISRAEL AFFAIRS VP, BASHE ROCKMAN

This month's song is "Mi She'ma'amim" by Eyal Golan, which talks about a connection to God and an appreciation for the world which God has provided. The title translates to "He Who Believes." Eyal Golan talks about how wherever you are, you are in a place that God made for you, and whether it's good or bad, it's from God to you. This is a really important message, especially now. Sometimes the best way to get through tough times is to remember that there will be easier times again. Eyal Golan tells us to never forget that life is a gift. That is the most important thing and Eyal Golan wants listeners to keep their love of life and of the world strong because it can always get better. You should give it a listen!

Simple Ways to Make the World a Better Place

FROM OUR SOCIAL ACTION/TIKKUN OLAM VP, REESE KRANE

Our planet is a lot more polluted than people think, and due to the actions of humans our wildlife is slowly becoming extinct. Reducing waste can be just as easy as creating it. No matter if you recycle or not, plastic waste still ends up in the ocean because there is not a lot of space to store all the waste that humans create. Not all recycled plastic is being reused to create new products, so it is up to us to reduce the amount of waste we produce in the first place. A simple way to do that is to use less plastic water bottles and straws, by choosing from a variety of reusable options that are available. Another way to reduce waste is by finding other uses for the plastic bottles that you do consume, by creating a little fun diy craft where you can be as creative as possible. If we all do our part, one step at a time, hopefully the average waste a person makes a year will soon go down.

USYers:

Text ensbusy to 81010 to receive our remind messages this year!

Kadimaniks:

Fill out the google form below to let us know what you want to see this coming year!



UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS

THE FOLLOWING ARE ALL VIRTUAL REGIONAL EVENTS! YOU CAN SIGN UP WITH THE GOOGLE FORM LINKED BELOW AND IN THE @HAGALILUSY BIO.

• Hagalil USY Encampment – Monday, August 17th – Sunday, August 23rd

(1:00pm-2:00pm and 7:00pm-9:00pm daily aside from Shabbat)

A JAM-PACKED WEEK OF PROGRAMMING INCLUDING VIRTUAL MACCABIAH (COLOR WAR), CHUGGIM (ACTIVITIES), SICHOT (DISCUSSIONS), KABBALAT SHABBAT, HAVDALAH, AND SOME LATE-NIGHT SESSIONS FOR USYERS! *MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THEME, IS STILL BEING RELEASED SO STAY TUNED :)

 Hagalil KADIMA Encampment - Monday, August 17th - Sunday, August 23rd (6:00pm-7:00pm daily aside from Shabbat)

A JAM-PACKED WEEK OF PROGRAMMING INCLUDING VIRTUAL MACCABIAH (COLOR WAR), CHUGGIM (ACTIVITIES), SICHOT (DISCUSSIONS), KABBALAT SHABBAT, AND HAVDALAH FOR KADIMANIKS! *MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THEME, IS STILL BEING RELEASED SO STAY TUNED :)

A "Bit" About This Week's Parsha

FROM OUR RELIGION EDUCATION VP, RAFI ROCKMAN

This week's parsha, Eikev, is jam packed as Moses talks to the Israelites in his dying days, recapping the journey they have been on, but more importantly detailing how the journey will end. He explains to the Israelites – and promises – that if they fulfill mitzvot (commandments) they will be able to make it to the promised land that we know as Israel. However, Moses also talks about the Israelites' sins, reminding them that they have been sinners "for as long as he has known them". He then goes on to talk about manna, the bread-like substance the Israelites have been eating for 40 years. Moses says they will no longer be eating manna because the land they are going to is filled with milk and honey, and is blessed with the "seven kinds" – wheat, barley, grapevines, figs, pomegranates, olive oil, and dates. Lastly, and most importantly, this is the parsha where the Shema comes from – one of the most important holy texts that the Jews read. Overall, in this jam packed parsha, Moses reminds the Israelites of their sins and explains to them what needs to happen once entering the holy land.