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 - The dates are from Feb 16-26. For pricing and more information email dan right away at dan@hgexplorations.com
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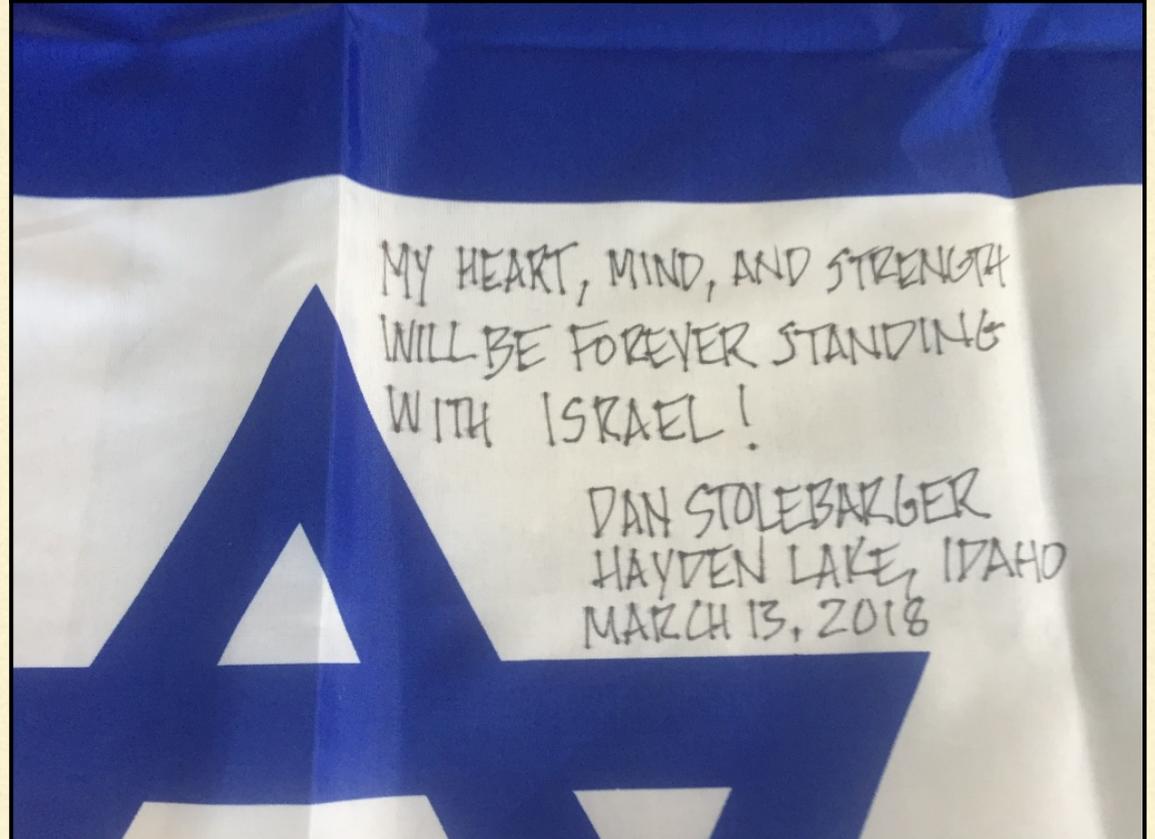
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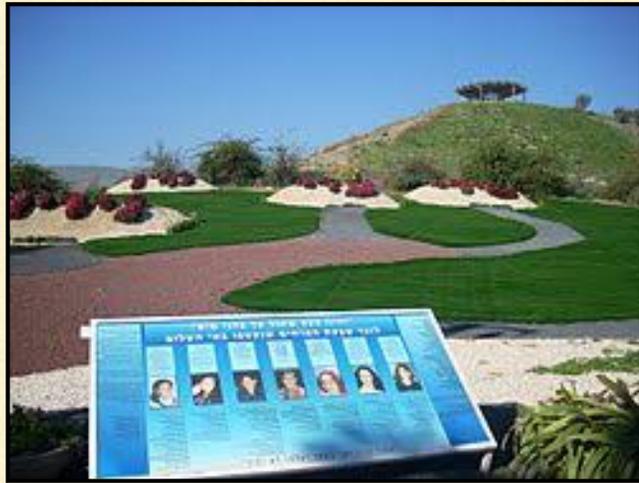


WEEKLY HEADLINES

- * After rocket fire, Israeli aircraft bomb Hamas targets in Gaza Strip. IDF fires Iron Dome interceptor, but does not hit target; projectile falls in open area of southern Israel; residents rush to bomb shelters after alarms sound
- * According to the JNF, fires sparked by burning balloons and kites sent over the Gaza border into Israel have claimed 8,648 acres of land (that is more than half of the JNF forests) in southern Israel.
- * "I can be as tough with Bibi as I have been with the Palestinians." Donald Trump
- * With Nikki Haley's resignation, many voices from the conservative movement and the evangelical community are calling for President Trump to appoint former Congresswoman Michele Bachmann to replace her as UN Ambassador. Bachmann, a long-time friend of Israel, would surely continue Haley's fine legacy but the left-wing is reacting to this possibility as a call to arms.



ISLE OF PEACE



Jordan wants northern lands near Naharayim and the Kinneret, or Sea of Galilee. Used for agriculture, it also contains two tourist sites - "Path of the Dams," a nature walk, and the "Isle of Peace," both of which overlook the Hashemite Kingdom.

The latter became infamous when seven Israeli girls were gunned down by a Jordanian soldier there during a school trip in 1997. The murderer, Ahmad Daqamseh, was convicted and sentenced to 20 years in prison. He was released in 2017 to a hero's welcome among Jordan's public.

The king's decision is attributed to pressure from Jordan's parliament, recent mass demonstrations and a social media drive against the continued lease of land to Israel.



JORDANIAN UPROAR



Report: Jordanian MPs demand review of peace treaty with Israel

Tensions between Israel and Jordan have mounted in recent months over such issues as the contested status of Jerusalem and its holy sites, the stalled Middle East peace talks. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday that his government will enter negotiations with Amman on the issue, but Jordan's Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi said Tuesday that there would be no negotiations with Israel over Jordanian sovereignty in the area.



The Muslim Brotherhood in Jordan and anti-Israel activists plan to hold a mass march in the Jordanian capital on Friday, demanding Abdullah nixes the peace deal with Israel.



HEZBOLLAH



Israel HaYom: **“Hezbollah is working on establishing military infrastructure in the Druze village of Khader in the Syrian Golan Heights, just across the border from Israel, it emerged this week.”**

This effort, in its present phase, consists primarily of lookout posts and equipment that Hezbollah is providing to local residents who report back to the organization . . . Israeli officials warned recently that Hezbollah could seek to exploit the new reality to regain a foothold on the Golan Heights. **According to assessments, the group intends to do this in three stages: establish a presence and gather intelligence, transfer weapons and eventually carry out terrorist attacks.**



IS GAZA WAR COMING



Egyptian mediation has failed and Israel is on its way war. Israel has recently seen an increase in the intensity and the volume of violence and attacks emanating from Gaza, which culminated in Wednesday's rocket attack on Israel which destroyed a home in Beersheba.

Palestinian riots on Israel's border with Gaza are not "popular protests" as Hamas depicts them but rather carefully orchestrated violence organized by the terror group, he said.

"Fifteen thousand people do not show up by foot at the border fence," Liberman said. "We have been talking since March 30 about the tens of millions [of shekels] Hamas has spent ... They pay for every person killed \$3,000, each seriously wounded \$500, and a moderately injured [rioter receives] less than \$200."



EAST JERUSALEM



Israel is reportedly concerned that the Trump administration is considering recognizing Jerusalem as the Palestinian as well as the Israeli capital in a bid to bring Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas back to the negotiating table.

That fear is born of an Israeli assessment that the administration sees getting a deal as a fairly simple task once both sides are at the negotiating table, the Yedioth Ahronoth daily reported Sunday.

“Trump wants a deal and he’s very serious,” a senior Israeli official told the paper. “To the Americans, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is relatively easy to solve.” **Unfortunately they see it as a real estate issue.**



DIVIDE JERUSALEM



“There won’t be a joint capital in Jerusalem even in 1,000 years,” Minister of Education Naftali Bennett said Tuesday.

The Jewish Home Party Chairman made his comments in reaction to reports yesterday that U.S. President Donald Trump said he was ready to get “tough” with Netanyahu just as he got tough with the Palestinians.

Bennett’s comments came in response to an interviewer’s question about whether he thought a new ‘get tough’ policy would include pressure on Israel to concede part of Jerusalem for a Palestinian capital. **“As long as we’re in the Israeli government, we won’t agree to a divided Jerusalem, or to a shared capital,” he said.** “It took us years to extricate ourselves from the hole created by [former Prime Ministers] Barak and Olmert with their hallucinatory suggestions, granting to the Palestinians the Temple Mount.



KILLER STILL LOOSE



According to reports in the Palestinian media, Israeli security forces on Saturday arrested an associate of Ashraf Walid Suleiman Na'alowa, the primary suspect in an execution-style killing in Samaria's Barkan industrial park at the beginning of October.

While the IDF confirmed its operations in the village, it did not release any additional details. The raid in Shuweika follows IDF sweeps in the area earlier in the week, including efforts to warn residents of nearby Tulkarem about the danger of assisting the suspected terrorist's attempts to avoid law enforcement.

Na'alowa is the leading suspect in a grisly killing in Barkan that claimed the lives of 35-year-old Israeli father Ziv Hajbi and 28-year-old mother Kim Levengrond Yehezkel. Surveillance video from the crime scene appeared to show Na'alowa fleeing and the 23-year-old has thus far evaded an extensive manhunt throughout Samaria.



HITLER SENT BY ALLAH



A preacher on official PA TV taught that Hitler was one of a series of people sent by Allah throughout history to punish the Jews because of their evil behavior, and to teach them a lesson. However, the preacher taught in Friday's sermon, in spite of all these punishments the Jews "have not learned from the events of history," and continue their evil ways.

The Jews deserve their punishment, he assured his listeners. Their mentality is one of "arrogance... superiority over other people... seclusion." Jews are "planning and systematically working to incite wars and strife in the entire world."



HUMMUS – FALAFEL



One of the more flavorful accusations against Israel by the Palestinian Authority is that Israel has "stolen the falafel and the hummus." This "theft," according to official PA TV, is part of a "brutal attack" against the entire "Palestinian heritage":



QUOTABLES

Mossad Chief Yossi Cohen in remarks at a budget conference held by Israel's Finance Ministry: "One of the Americans I met recently asked me 'What might happen if Iran is defeated, if we overcome Iran?' I told him that if we beat Iran, I may be jobless, if Iran isn't beaten, I may be homeless."



NEVER FORGET



³ I will bless those who bless you,
And I will curse him who curses you;
And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." GENESIS 12