

Report. August

On this month Kiev Community had special events. The community was a part of global Jewish life in Kiev and even Ukraine

August 4, 11, 18, 25 – Shabbat

Every Friday all community members enjoy the celebration of Shabbat in warm and family atmosphere. There were about 20 people on every Shabbat.

Despite the fact that not every Shabbat Rav Reuven and Lena Stamov were in Kiev tzevet and community members held Kabbalat Shabbat solely. Almost every Shabbat took place in the community except one when the storm was in the city.

August 4, 11 - NOAM

Despite the summer season children are still coming to the community center. They are very happy with the trip to the summer camp Ramah. Every week is working on NOAM activity program.

Children happily take part in Kabbalat Shabbat prayer, Parasha Shavua peula, reading Jewish stories and play fun games. There are still two groups in age between 8-10 years and 12-15 years. NOAM group started to prepare for the family camp. Together were nearly 25 people. After the Ramah Camp children return with a lot of good impressions, they really liked it.

Tzevet meetings and planning

This month tzevet meetings were dedicated to the preparations for the new season opening and feedback, year review and analysis. This is an opportunity to build plans, think about new.

August, 24 – Chuppach in Chernowitz



Rav Reuven Stamov officiated at the wedding ceremony for a young couple and active members of the conservative movement. The place in Chernowitz was decorated very beautifully. The bride has converted this summer in Kiev and the groom did giur eight years ago. Rav Reuven was perfect in conducting the ceremony. Many youth from Masorti were invited to the ceremony and it

was, it was an unforgettable experience for them, their friends, community members become the Jewish family.

August, 24-28 – Rav Reuven in Chernowitz

Except chuppah ceremony Rav Reuven also held Shabbat, Havdalah and tzevet meeting on Saturday.

August, 23-29 – Lena Stamon on Moishe House seminar “Shtetl”

It was a journey through the Jewish towns of the Lviv region and the city of Lviv for unforgettable adventures.

Lena Stamov was a lecture at the seminar.

Lena Stamov meetings

- August, 21 - Meeting with Kate Haferman – Moishe House representative
- August, 17 - Meeting with Olya Elshansky - Head of Youth programs in JAFI Ukraine
- August, 16 - Meeting with Nikida Didenko and Valeriy Pinchuk - resident of Moishe House Kiev
- August, 14 - Meeting with Julia Goldenberg – Director of the charitable foundation “2U”
- August, 10 - Meeting with Tanya Abovich – Program director of the Hillel Kiev

- August, 10– Meeting with Natalya Sklyarska
- August, 1 - Meeting with Tatiana Voitalyuk and Sarah Shtern regional representative of Project Keshar – planning of the year activity
- Skype with Tal Maoz – the director of NOAM Olami
- Private meeting and Skype call during the month with people who want to do the conversion
- Hanukkah festival planning
- Working with brand “Another Food”

Rav Reuven Stamov meetings

- July, 26 – August, 7 – in Ramah Yahad ummer Camp
- August, 9 – Negotiations on the provision of conservative kashrut for JOINT programs
- August, 10 – Meeting with Katerina Rabina – coordinator of family programs in JAFI Ukraine
- August, 11 - Meeting with Ron Garfield - Director of the "JAFI Ukraine" and Dmitri Joffe - JAFI envoy for the aliyah
- August, 12 - Meeting with Elza Learner – Moishe House Kiev and planning future cooperation
- August, 21 – Ambassador reception at the residence of the ambassador of the State of Israel in Ukraine on the occasion of Zeev Elkin arrival
- August, 22 – Meeting with the Director of the "JAFI Ukraine" and Director of the Department of Gas Fields in Israel
- August, 30 - Meeting with Alexander Zaslavskiy
- Skype consultations with community members in other Masorti communities
- Private meeting and Skype call during the month with people who want to do the conversion
- Meeting with Elena Zaslavska – Head of projects in VAAD Ukraine
- Meeting with the Director of “Nativ” - Genadiy Polishuk
- Meeting with Marina Shteiman
- Working with brand “Another Food”
- Acquaintance with new head of organization JUICE
- *August, 22 – Rav Reuven with Lena Stamov met with Burkatzki family. They departed to the United States, where Alice will study in JTS on rabbanut faculty.*

Cooperation with other organizations and foundations: The partnership continues with Hillel, JUICE, project KESHER and Jewish Agency for Israel, Moishe House. Youth from Hillel and JAFI visited Kabbalat Shabbat. The Chief Editor of the publishing house "Dukh I Litera (Spirit and Letter)" - Leonid Finberg and with master program Jewish Studies and certificate program in National University "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy". Cooperation with departure of tourism.

Thank you all for these opportunities to work productively and interesting!

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