



THE BAYIT BULLETIN



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Kiddush

There will be no Kiddush this Shabbat.
To sponsor a Kiddush, please contact
Arielle Berger - hirkiddush@gmail.com.

This Week

Shabbat Parshat Chukat

- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Candle Lighting: 8:13pm
- Tefillah Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LL BM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:13am
- Tefillah Shiur: 7:15pm (with Rav Avi)
- Mincha: 8:00pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 9:16pm

Weekday Times

- Shacharit
Sun: 8:30am
Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:00am
Tue/Fri: 6:45, 8:00am
Wed: 8:30am (July 4th)
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 8:20pm

Next Week

Shabbat Parshat Balak

- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Candle Lighting: 8:12pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 7:55pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 9:15pm



Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Debbie & Howard Jonas on the birth of a granddaughter. To parents **Natalie & Rabbi Davidi Jonas** and big siblings Yitzhak and Osher. To grandparents **Smadar & Martin Taub** and to aunt **Amy Jonas** and the entire Taub and Jonas families.

Dr. Avrohom Teller on the birth of a great niece, born to Miryam & Ari Wasserman of Jerusalem. To grandparents **Etty & Ron Nussbaum** and to big siblings Aiden, Ayelet, Moriya and Yakir.

Susie & Scott Smedresman on the birth of a daughter, **Avie**. To big sister **Dahlia**. To grandparents Elyce & Steve Smedresman and Eileen & Bruce Bernfeld.

This Shabbat @ The Bayit

SHABBAT MORNING LEARNING with Rav Avi: In lieu of the drasha, Rav Avi will teach a few short divrei Torah during Torah reading.

GUEST SPEAKER AT BETH AHARON - Rabbi Nissim Haddad: "Shalom baBayit - Keeping Peace & Harmony at the Home" on Shabbat afternoon at 6:00pm; and "Aging in Jewish Tradition & the Fear of Aging in Modern Society" after Mincha at 8:40pm. Both shiurim will be in Hebrew in the 2nd Floor Beit Midrash. Rav Nissim Haddad, formerly an IDF commando soldier, is a speaker with Israel's Arachim. He currently lives in Israel and heads a kolel in Tel-Aviv. His book "Shalom baBayit or Shalom laBayit" is scheduled to be published this year.

SPECIAL TEFILLAH SHIUR WITH RAV AVI - 7:15pm: "The Goals of Tefillah"



BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - Shiur with Alon Shalev:

"Torah: Dire Necessity or Unparalleled Luxury?"

Alon Shalev is pursuing an M.A. in Jewish Thought at Ben-Gurion University, and is currently in Riverdale as a fellow in the pilot year of the Tikvah fund's "Post B.A. Fellowship". Alon is married to Liora and father of Chanoch.

HIR YOUTH DEPARTMENT - SUMMER GROUPS

Shabbat morning groups will continue to be offered throughout the summer. Abby Finkelstein will be supervising summer groups, which **will begin at 9:45am** and end at 11:30am. Please note that summer groups differ a bit from year-round groups.

- Tot Shabbat - RH SH 10:30am - 11:30am - 3 year olds - Room 3-4
- 4-5 year olds - Rooms 3-5/3-6 - 6-8 year olds - Room 3-3



Teens will have access to the Teen Lounge from 11:00am - 1:00pm

We are still in search of assistance for groups, and if you or your child would like to help lead a group this summer, please contact Abby at hirabbyfink@gmail.com or Menachem at menachem@thebayit.org. Menachem is away during the summer, but aims to assist when possible. For general youth matters, please e-mail Menachem. For urgent matters please contact Rav Steven at ravsteven@thebayit.org. Thank you and have a wonderful summer!

Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

GUEST DRASHA with Rabbi Jeff Fox, Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshivat Maharat

PARSHA SHIUR with Rabbinic Intern Ruth Balinsky Friedman - 7:10pm

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - Shiur with Rav Shmuel Klitsner

"Hubris and Humility: The Donkey and The Bird (An Analysis of Bamidbar 22 in Light of Shemot 4)"

Rav Klitsner was a student of Nechama Leibowitz and is a teacher at Midreshet Lindenbaum.

He recently wrote "Wrestling Jacob: Deception, Identity, and Freudian Slips in Genesis."



FAST OF TAMMUZ: Sunday, July 8 is the Fast of Tammuz (deferred from Shabbat, the 17th of Tammuz), when we commemorate the breach of the walls of Jerusalem leading to the destruction of the Temple, and the shattering of the Tablets at Har Sinai. Fast Begins: 4:20am, and Fast Ends: 9:12pm. Shacharit with Selichot at 8:30am, Mincha/Maariv at 8:00pm.

SUMMER CLASSES @ THE BAYIT: School's out - but there's more learning at the Bayit! Enjoy a July minimester with our Rabbinic staff.

Monday evenings, 7:00pm - Rav Steven: "Ancient Concepts and Modern Analyses: Tumah, Kedushah, and Avodah Zarah" - **July 9, 16, 23**

Thursday mornings, 10:00am - Rabbinic Intern Ruth Balinsky Friedman: "God, Enemies, and Blame in the Book of Eichah" - **July 12, 19, 26**

This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

Daf Yomi with Rabbi Dov Linzer meets in Room 3-4.
7:30am Sun.-Fri., and Shabbat after Mincha.

Shabbat

8:10am - Parshat Hashavua - *Not meeting this week*
6:00pm - Shiur with Rabbi Nissim Haddad (2nd Fl. Beit Midrash)
7:15pm - Tefillah Shiur with Rav Avi
After Mincha - Shiur with Alon Shalev (Main Sanctuary)
After Mincha - Shiur at Beth Aharon with Rabbi Nissim Haddad (2nd Fl. Beit Midrash)

Monday

6:30pm - Hebrew Reading Crash Course, Level I (Room 3-3)*
7:15pm - Hebrew Reading Crash Course, Level II (Room 3-3)*
8:00pm - Advanced Hebrew Ulpan (Room 3-3)*

Wednesday - July 4th

No classes on July 4th.

Thursday

7:30pm - Biblical Hebrew and Siddur Study with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)*

* All Hebrew classes are taught by our experienced teacher **Sara Kinberg**. For more info. on the Hebrew program and for guidance about placement, please contact Sara at 718-548-2461. Payment made directly to the teacher.

Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT: Join us this Fri. night for dinner after services. To sponsor future tents contact James Lapin at TheBayit-Tent@yahoo.com.

Beyond the Bayit

FREE SIMPLY TZFAT CONCERT: Simply Tzfat will perform on **Mon., Jul. 2,** 8:00pm as part of the Long Beach Concert Series. In case of rain location will be moved to the Young Israel of Long Beach. For more info. call 516-431-2404 or go to www.longbeachny.org.

ABUSE WORKSHOP IN WASHINGTON HEIGHTS: The Y and Partners in Caring Presents: An evening of education and awareness about Dating and Domestic Violence in the Jewish Community Featuring Project S.A.R.A.H.'s newly created relationship awareness video. **Tues., Jul., 10,** 7:00pm at Mt. Sinai Jewish Center, 135 Bennett Ave New York, NY 10040. For more info. contact Avi Moskowitz at 212-569-6200 X233 or amoskowitz@ywashhts.org.

OHRA WELLNESS SUMMER PROGRAM FOR JEWISH WOMEN: Ohra Yoga School, a registered school with Yoga Alliance, is offering a 200 hour Vinyasa yoga teaching training program for Jewish women that does not conflict with Shabbat/holiday schedules. Open to Jewish women of all ages and physical abilities who want to deepen their yoga practice, empower themselves, have a passion for enhancing health and wellness within their community and improving the lives of others. Registration is now open for summer and fall programs. The first training program will take place **Jul. 23 - Aug. 16** on North Ave., New Rochelle. To register please contact Michelle at 1-888-980-6472 or michelle@ohrawellness.com.

SHIR FUN SUMMER SESSION: Shir Fun, the popular Hebrew music program for kids ages 0-5 and their caregivers, have started it's Summer session shortly. Voted #1 class in 212baby's Top Classes in NYC, Shir Fun uses both traditional and original Hebrew music in a very interactive and special way focusing on each child's individuality. Shir Fun infuses musical and developmental enrichment with cultural pride. No background in Hebrew is necessary. To register, e-mail Tamar: contact@shirfun.com. For more information go to www.shirfun.com.

DAVENING AND CHUMASH CLASSES WITH MARILYN SELBER: Learn the order and meaning of the prayers. Learn Chumash in Hebrew. Improve your Hebrew reading, writing and comprehension. This class gives you the tools you need. Everybody learns, regardless of their level. For more info. e-mail, symph0th@aol.com.

SUMMER FUN FOR TODDLERS! (Second Year!): A Summer drop-off program - A fun, engaging, dynamic summer drop-off program which includes: free-play "stations" such as sensory art; pretend play; manipulatives (fine and gross motor play); outdoor/water play (in private gated playground on premises); circle time (music, song, movement); story time; healthy snack. This is a safe, loving, nurturing environment providing individualized attention and care. For more information or to register your child please contact Jordana at 917-436-2244 or jordana.levine@gmail.com.

SIZZLIN' SUMMER COOKING CLASSES: The Center for Kosher Culinary Arts is offering a 10% discount for members registering for recreational cooking classes this summer. Classes will be held at The Ramaz School on E. 85th St. and will include: "Baking and Culinary Bootcamps", "Teen Cooking Camp", "Date Night for 2" (friends or couples) and more. Additional classes posted daily! For more information go to www.kosherculinaryarts.com or contact Jesse Blonder at 718-758-1339.


We support the HIR!

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Shabbat Shalom!


THE BAYIT

The Hebrew Institute of Riverdale - The Bayit - is an open Orthodox Synagogue which serves the entire Jewish community. The Hebrew Institute is a synagogue that warmly embraces all Jews regardless of affiliation, commitment or background. It is affectionately known as the "Bayit", which is a home - a place of love and welcome. The HIR is known nationally for bringing spirituality into the synagogue, for activism, learning programs, and work on behalf of the elderly, the homebound, and the mentally and physically challenged.



HIR Gift Card Program: Plan for your shopping using gift cards! Cards available for Fairway, Skyview, Corner Cafe, Glatt Shop, Riverdale Kosher Market and many more. E-mail order to hirgiftcards@gmail.com. To see listings, log on to www.shopwithscrip.com, create an account, use the HIR non-profit code 58L43DE621333, and shop! **Buy it for the Bayit!!** For questions call Shira Gordon - 718-549-4280.

Social Worker @ The Bayit: Questions about an aging loved one, financial pressures, concerns about children? Contact HIR social worker, Anna Kirshblum for guidance, information, referrals and a sympathetic ear. There is no fee and all conversations are strictly confidential. Meet with her at HIR or in her office at the Beatman Center on 239th street. Anna can be reached at 718-601-9714 or at akirshblum@jbfc.org. (In partnership with UJA and JBFC)



CAMP CHILD SAFETY: Please watch this camp child safety video to help you have appropriate conversations with your children in preparation for camp:
<http://aleinu.net/AleinuChildSafetyInstitute/SafeCampVideo.aspx>

BYZANTIUM and ISLAM AGE OF TRANSITION

BAYIT GUIDED TOUR OF MET EXHIBIT: Join us to reflect on Jewish history on the morning of the Fast of Tammuz with a guided tour of the "Byzantium and Islam" exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, guided by exhibit organizer Professor Steven Fine of our Bayit. **Sunday, July 8,** 11:00am. \$15/person. Courtesy of the YU Center for Israel Studies. Trip is sold out! To be put on the waiting list, please contact Rav Steven at ravsteven@thebayit.org.





Support Israel and the Bayit with your honey purchase for Rosh Hashanah!

We will be offering in the weeks leading to Rosh Hashanah a limited supply of honey jars in the shul office.

Honey from the Jerusalem Mountains
All natural, pure and delicious wildflower honey.
B'datz, Parve, 220 gr / 7.73 oz.
Lin's Bee Farm, K'far Bilu.

Cost: \$6.50 per Jar.

Supply is limited.

First come first serve basis.

Honey can be purchased online at www.thebayit.org.
Honey will be provided after payment is received.

For more information call the shul office 718-796-4730
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We wish you and Kol Beit Yisrael
Shana Tova Umetuka Kidvash!
“(A Good New Year and Sweet as Honey!)”



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Making Our Bayit a True Home

A Bayit, or home, is a place where people can feel safe, secure and welcome. Here at the HIR, we strive to create a Bayit atmosphere to give everyone a home for spiritual growth. Like any home, the Bayit deserves proper care so that it remains a place available and accessible to all. In that spirit, here are a few friendly reminders of “house rules”:

- **Ball Playing** – Please do not bring balls or other sports equipment into the Bayit. If you or your children must do so, please make sure to leave the sports equipment in the coatroom.
- **Coats** – Please use the coatroom to hang coats. Please do not drape coats over the mechtza as this can damage the wood.
- **Vestibule Use** – The vestibule into the Main Sanctuary provides a sound buffer between the Lobby and Sanctuary. Please pass through this area as quickly as possible since sounds in the vestibule are heard clearly in the Sanctuary.
- **Bicycles, Tricycles, Scooters, and Other Ride-on Toys**– These vehicles pose a hazard, particularly when ridden indoors. Please feel free to make use of our collection of picture books or bring quiet games for your children.
- **Snack Choices** – Our maintenance staff works unbelievably hard to clean our Bayit. Please help us keep it clean by limiting snacks to choices that are crumb-free and neat. Choosing water rather than sweet drinks and juices will also make it easier to clean up any spills. Please help your children in cleaning up any spills or messes together.
- **Children are Welcome in Groups or Services** – Our Youth Department offers many children's groups. Children are also welcome to accompany parents into the Sanctuary, as long as their behavior is in the spirit of our focus on the prayer service, Torah reading, and speakers.
- **Supervision and Building Respect** – Please supervise your children appropriately. Please do not allow your children to climb on window sills, swing from the rods in the coat room, or ride the chair dolly. In addition, please note that the stairwells are not play or “hang out” spaces. Sitting down and blocking a staircase is discourteous to others and poses a safety hazard.

If these guidelines are already second nature to you and your family, we thank you! If they present a new challenge, we thank you in advance for your effort to make adjustments that will benefit us all, preserve our investment in our new Bayit, and enhance our safety and the sanctity of our Bayit space.