**This Shabbat @ The Bayit**

**Shabbat Parshat Shemini**
- Candle Lighting: 7:07pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LLBM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Mervarchim Tefillah: 9:00am (RHSH)
- Tefillat Esther: 9:00am (LLBM)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:45am
- Parsha Shiur: 6:10pm
- Mincha: 6:55pm
- Seuda Shlishit: 7:25pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 8:11pm

**Weekday Times**

- Shacharit: Sun: 8:30am
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 7:15pm
- Sunday: Mincha - 7:15
- Maariv after Yom Hashoah Seder

**Next Shabbat @ the Bayit**

**Shabbat Parshat Tazria-Metzora**
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Candle Lighting: 7:14pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 7:00pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 8:18pm

**Saving the date - June 9th - Annual Journal Dinner**

Join us on Sunday June 9th as we honor three outstanding couples:
- Shira Billet & Rav Steven Exler
- Rabba Sara Hurwitz & Josh Abraham
- Arielle Berger & Daniel Held

Stay tuned for details!

**Next Shabbat @ the Bayit**

**BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH** - celebrating a birthday in April? Help sponsor our Birthday Kiddush. All donations $18 and up will be listed in next week’s bulletin. Go to www.thebayit.org/birthday or call the office to sign up.

**Kavanah - new date April 14th @ 9:00am** - an hour of slower tefillah with Rav Steven including meditation, study and song. Light breakfast follows. Halakhic requirements of Shacharit will be met. Room 3-1.

**YOM HASHOAH SEDER - Sunday, April 7, 7:30pm**

Join us in the Social Hall for our annual community Seder where young and old come together to retell the experiences of the Holocaust and hear firsthand accounts from Holocaust survivors.

Mincha will be at 7:15pm followed by the Yom Hashoah Seder. Maariv following Seder.

**Remembrance**

Our Book of Remembrance - Yizkor Book is now in formation. Please fill out the form and return it with an optional contribution to the shul office by Monday, May 6. You must submit this form each year in order to have a listing in the book. The form is available online at www.thebayit.org/yizkor, in the shul office or in the lobby.
This Week’s Classes @ the Bayit

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Shabbat

8:10am - Parshat Hashavua with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)

Monday

6:30am - Hebrew Reading Crash Course, Level I (Room 3-3*)
7:15pm - Hebrew Reading Crash Course, Level II (Room 3-3*)
7:30pm - The Fall of The Commonwealth - Book of Kings with Rav Avi (at his home)
8:00pm - Advanced Hebrew Ulpan (Room 3-3*)

Tuesday

10:00am - Book of Genesis with Rav Avi (Lobby)
11:00am - The Unique and the Sublime: Biblical Characters with Rabbi Sara (Lobby)

Wednesday

7:30pm - Intermediate Hebrew Ulpan (Lobby)*

Thursday

10:00am - Book of Shofarim with Rav Steven (LL BM)
7:30pm - Biblical Hebrew and Siddur Study with Sara Kinberg (Lobby*)

Friday

7:20am - Talmud Moed Katan with Rav Steven (Lobby)

Happenings @ the Bayit

Abraham & Sarah’s Tent: Join us for this open communal dinner. To sponsor future tents contact James Lapin at tent@hir.org.

Shabbat Hagadot Drasha Available Online: If you missed Rav Steven’s Shabbat Hagodol Drasha this year, or you heard it and want to read it again, you can access the text and the source sheet on the Bayit website’s Drashot page at www.thebayit.org/drashot.

Jewish Caregivers Support Group Tuesday April 9th - In partnership with the Shira Ruskay Center of JBFCS 5:630pm. Share experiences, benefit from mutual support and gain practical advice from people who are actively caring for a loved one. Where: Beeman Center 521 West 239th Street, 2nd floor. RSVP to Anna Kirshblum LCSW at 718-601-9714 or akirshblum@jbfcs.org

Kavanah - new date Monday April 14th - at 9:00am - an hour of slower tefillah with Rav Steven including meditation, study and song. Light breakfast follows. Halakhic requirements of Shacharit will be met. Room 3-1.

Shabbat Morning Trip to Pelham Parkway Shabbat, May 25, 8:00am: Join us as we bring the joy of Shabbat to Russian Jews in Pelham Parkway. We leave from the Bayit at 8:00am, and will have tefillah at Congregation Sons of Israel and Kiddush followed by brunch with the Pelham Parkway Jewish community. On our way back we will stop by the beautiful Botanical Gardens for a Shabbat walk.

Learn @ the Bayit: We’d love to help you learn Torah! Visit www.thebayit.org/hevruta to put in your details about what kind of hevruta (study partner) you’re looking for and what you want to learn, and find a study partner! Feel free to learn at the Bayit anytime, especially Monday and Wednesday nights, 6-9pm, when the YCT 2nd Floor Beit Midrash is open for nighttime learning and you can join the Torah study happening there!

Business Advertising in the Bayit Bulletin: Promote your business to Bayit Bulletin readers. E-mail office@thebayit.org for an insertion order form. Ads are printed 1x/first bulletin of every month.

Bayit Katan is Back!

Calling all toddlers and siblings through age 3 with parent or caregiver! The program is hands-on, child-centered, experiential and developmentally appropriate for busy toddlers exploring their world. Our nurturing Jewish environment will include free play (fine and gross motor skills), sensory art, circle time with music and movement, and a healthy snack.

Program time: Mondays 10:00am - 11:30am
Trial class: Monday, April 15
Spring Session: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20 (no 27), June 3, 10, 17.
Fees: $18 for a trial class, $150 for a 8-week Session
Program time: Thursdays 10:00am - 11:30am
Trial class: Thursday, April 11
Spring Session: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13.
Fees: $18 for a trial class, $150 for a 8-week Session

To register, please visit: www.thebayit.org/katan
For more info. contact Kathy Goldstein - BayitKatan@hir.org

HIR CSA (Community Supported Agriculture)

Interested in making healthier and fresher food choices this summer? Join HIR CSA and receive your fruit, vegetables and/or eggs directly from local farms for 22 weeks this coming summer. Each CSA member can sign up for a weekly or every-other-week share of seasonal produce that is organically grown and freshly picked. The produce is conveniently delivered to the HIR and available for pick-up on Wednesday evenings. Sign up today - only a few spots left. For more information contact csa.at.hir@gmail.com.

HIR GIFT CARDS: Support our Bayit by purchasing Gift Cards - Buy it for the Bayit!

For more info. on volunteering or to place an order, email giftcard@hir.org or call Shira Gordon at 718-549-4280.

These attractive cards can be sent for birthdays, anniversaries, births, congratulations and thank you notes. You can support the shul and send mitzvah cards for all occasions. Cost: $18 for a pack of 10 cards or $36 for 25 cards. Order cards...
Calling all Riverdale kids! The Bayit is the place to be!
Be a part of it! Please register your child and become a youth member today!

For Assistance, Please Contact:
Menachem Menchel
Director of Youth Education & Programming
Office - 718-796-4730 ext. 119
Cell - 516-233-8285
menachem@thebayit.org

PI LIBRARY BOOK with
SHABBAT SONGS &
MOVEMENTS with ABBY
Nursery-K @ 10:30am

TOT SHABBAT
Left Hand
Social Hall
10:30-11:30
Free Play @ 9:30

Shabbat Morning Groups
9:30-11:30am
Room 3-4: NURSERY
Room 3-5: Pre-K
Room 3-6: KINDERGARTEN
Room 3-3: GRADES 1-2
Room 3-7: GRADES 3-6

STARS AMONG US for
3rd-6th Graders
Special ice cream treat this
week!
Approximately 10:30am

Teen Tefillah & Lounge
Join friends and family for a teen-led late
wake-up tefillah followed by a Chulent-
Kiddush with franks ‘n blanks & more!
Pool, Ping-pong, foosball, and couches
9:30am-1pm

Can YOU SPONSOR
SNACKS THIS SHABBAT?

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Have YOU Joined the PJ Library Yet?
The PJ Library at HIR provides free Jewish children's books and music to
families in the Riverdale area.
It's easy to enroll! Go to www.pjlibrary.org/ny/HIR. Sign up and share
news of this program with your friends and neighbors with young
children!
For more info contact Shuli in the HIR office at 718-796-4730 x102.

Is your family
new to the community?
Menachem Menchel would like to meet
you and provide you with a copy of our
new youth calendar

REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP
www.thebayit.org/youth
Register and sign up for
Youth Membership today!

Calling all Riverdale kids! The Bayit is the place to be!
Be a part of it! Please register your child and become a youth member today!

Sunday, April 14th:
MOVIES, SMOOTHIES & FREE
PLAY!
1:00 - 3:30pm
HIR Social
Hall  Drop-off!
We're watching The Ant Bully!
$8/child
$5/youth

Sunday, April 14th:
Children's Musical Tefillah!
**NEW TIME
11:00am-12:30pm
Join Morah Chaya Glaser for an
incredibly interactive tefillah
experience with musical
instruments, followed by a hearty
breakfast and arts & crafts!
$10/child; $8/youth member

TEENS SECTION
1. Yom HaShoah Program
All teens are encouraged to join our Yom
Hashoah Seder on Sun. April 7 at 7:30pm.
2. Teen Tefillah
We are meeting both this week (April 6) AND
April 27. We are looking for assistance in leading
as well as sponsorship.
3. POTS Soup Kitchen
Volunteers needed at the POTS Soup Kitchen
one Sunday a month. We leave from HIR at
11:45am and return at about 4:15pm. (The
commitment is 12:00pm-4:00pm). The next
dates are: March 3, April 14, May

Opportunities for
added family Torah
study include the
following:
For more information and
dedication opportunities
please contact Menachem

Let us prepare for Shavuot by dedicating the next 6 weeks
as special weeks of extra family Torah study

This Shabbat!

Weekly Torah summary &
questions
Weekly Pirkei Avot chug
at groups
Weekly Shabbat afternoon
V’Shinantam
Sefirat HaOmer Torah
Companion Packet
Next Shabbat Lunch

We are excited about this new program designed to ensure all newcomers feel at home in our Bayit and are invited for Shabbat lunch following their first visit.

It takes a community to make this happen. Whether acting as an ambassador and reaching out to newcomers, hosting newcomers for lunch or being ‘on call’ when needed, each and every one of us can contribute, so that we can make this program a success!

For more details and to get involved, please contact Yonit Nordenberg at nextshabbat@thebayit.org or visit www.thebayit.org/nextshabbat.

Upcoming Events

Erev Yom Ha'atzmaut - Mon., April 15 Yom Hazikaron Ceremony - 6:45pm  HIR invites all to a solemn Yom Hazikaron ceremony in the Lower Level Beit Midrash. Please note Mincha will be at 6:30pm.

Erev Yom Ha'atzmaut - Mon., April 15 Tefillah Chagigit (Festive Prayer Service) - 7:30pm  In conjunction with Bnei Akiva, HIR will host a Yom Ha'atzmaut Tefillah Chagigit followed by a delicious BBQ, festive music, dancing and a performance by the HIR Choir.

Bayit/Bronx Israel Independence Day Festival - Yom Ha'atzmaut, Tues., April 16, 4:00pm - 8:00pm  The Bayit’s annual Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration in conjunction with the Bronx Borough President’s Office “Big Ideas from a Small Country - Israel” will be on Netherland Ave. & Henry Hudson Parkway, with carnival rides, food, vendors selling Israeli products and more!

Erev Yom Yerushalayim Film & Celebration - Tuesday, May 7, 6:00-8:30pm  Celebrate our relationship to Jerusalem with film and festive prayer. Jerusalem-themed movie at 6:00pm, followed at 7:40pm by Mincha and a festive Maariv with Jerusalem melodies.

Leil Shavuot (Shavuot Eve) - Tues. Night, May 14  Come to HIR for all night learning, dinner and schmoozing. Information to follow.

Beyond the Bayit

RALLY AGAINST IRAN: Join AMCHA this Sunday, April 7 at 12:00pm, at the Iranian Mission to the UN (622 3rd Avenue @ 40th Street). Observe Yom Hashoah with action - raise a voice against Iran’s Holocaust Denial and hate speech.

NORPAC MISSION TO WASHINGTON: On May 8, 2013 you can take advantage of a rare opportunity to have private small group meetings and educate Members of Congress about the importance of a strong US-Israel relationship by advocating for issues vital to Israel’s security. To sign up go to www.norpac.net. For more info e-mail David Frankel at dfrankel@verizon.net.

SUNDAY FUNDAY: Newly formed Sunday morning recreation program at the Y of Washington Heights for children ages 5-12 with special needs or requiring small groups with additional supports. 9:15-11:30am. Sports, drama, art, music and more! Spring session begins April 7. Contact Deena Spindler for more info: 212-569-6200 x265 or dspindler@ywwshshts.org.

SPECIAL SHIUR IN HONOR OF THE 10TH YAHREZIT OF MR. MICHAEL SHRECK: This shiur will take place on Mon., Apr. 8, at 7:30pm at YIOZ. Young Israel Ohab Zedek is located at 6015 Riverdale Ave. Rabbi Shmuel Silber, Rabbi Suburban Orthodox Synagogue, Baltimore MD. For more info please call 718-548-0105.

RABBI DOV LIPMAN - "THE PURSUIT AGAINST RELIGIOUS COERCION IN ISRAEL," 9:2Y, Apr. 11, 7:30PM; Rabbi Lipman is an ultra-Orthodox rabbi recently elected to Knesset. Rabbi Lipman will be speaking about requiring ultra-Orthodox Jews to serve in the Israeli Army, removing the ultra-Orthodox stronghold over religious policy and eliminating the legislation that has caused the arrests of women at the Kotel for wearing a tallit. For Tickets: www.92y.org/ Uptown/Event/Rabbi-Dov-Lipman.aspx or 212 415 5500. Use Promotion Code MK to receive a discount.

BRIEFCASE PROJECT - WOMAN’S EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOP: Are you a business professional willing to share your expertise? The BJCC and UJA Fed of NY are looking for volunteers to provide unemployed low-income women with valuable job readiness tools to help them be more confident during the job acquisition process. The workshop will take place on Sun., Apr. 21, at HIR from 1:00pm - 5:00pm. Contact Lance Nation, AmeriCorps Project Coordinator at BJCC at 718-652-5500 or e-mail LNation@bjcconline.org, for more information.

WE WERE SLAVES - THE JEWISH COMMUNITY UNITES AGAINST SEX TRAFFICKING: Join the UJA for a conference to explore our history and our obligation to combat sex-trafficking. Rav Ari Hart will be speaking on a panel at 1:30pm. This conference is open to all and will provide essential info for those interested in learning more about this form of modern day slavery. Mon., Apr. 22, 8:30am - 5:00pm at the UJA, 7th Fl Conference Center, 130 East 59th St. For questions contact Lyudmila Liberchuk 212-836-1633 or liberchukl@ujafedny.org.

SEEKING ARTIFACTS FROM "A LEAGUE OF OUR OWN": The National Museum of American Jewish History is developing an exhibit on "Jews and Baseball" to open in March 2014. The curators are interested in having the story of our own "League of Our Own" included in the exhibit. If you have artifacts related to your experience with the league - parents and players - especially action or team photos, please contact Jeffrey Gurock at his earliest convenience at gurock@yu.edu or 617-901-6366.

Thank You for Giving Back to the Bayit

Thank you to all those who so ably served as baalei keriah (Torah readers) during Bernie’s respite: Zack Berman, Avi Bloom, Eliav Grossman, Elliot Schwartz, Yaron Shav Tal, Brian Spira, Michael Wachsman, and Dov Weinstock.

RESERVE THE BAYIT FOR YOUR SIMCHA: HIR is using a written contract for the rental of its facilities. If you would like to rent space in the shul, or if you believe that you have reserved the Bayit for your simcha but have not been contacted regarding the new contract, please contact Richard at Richard@thebayit.org. Only reservations that accompany a signed contract and the required deposit are honored.

THE BAYIT

The Hebrew Institute of Riverdale – The Bayit – is an open Orthodox synagogue serving the entire Jewish community. The Hebrew Institute 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, youth and teen engagement, learning programs, and work on behalf of the elderly, the homebound, and those developmentally and physically challenged.

If these words resonate with you, if our Bayit has touched your life, then please join our growing membership.