

# THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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### Kiddush

There will be no Kiddush this Shabbat.

To sponsor a Kiddush, please contact  
Seth Aronson - [kiddush@hir.org](mailto:kiddush@hir.org).

### This Week

#### Shabbat Parshat Terumah Rosh Chodesh Adar I

- Candle Lighting: 4:54pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 4:55pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 7:00am (LL BM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Learning Service: 9:45am (Room 3-7)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:38am
- Parsha Shiur: 3:55pm (Main Sanctuary)
- Mincha (Main/Sephardic): 4:40pm
- Listening Room: 5:05pm (LL BM)
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 5:58pm

### Weekday Times

- Shacharit:  
Sun: 8:30am  
Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:15am  
Tues/Wed/Fri: 6:45, 8:15am
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 5:00pm

### Next Week

#### Shabbat Parshat Tetzaveh

- Candle Lighting: 5:02pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:05pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- **Mincha: 4:30pm**
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 6:06pm

Shabbat Shalom and Chodesh Tov!



### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

**Dr. Chaya Gorsetman** on her new book, "Educating in the Divine Image: Gender Issues in Orthodox Jewish Day Schools", receiving the 2013 National Jewish Book Award in "Education and Jewish Identity."

**Chaya Gorsetman, Debbie Jonas and Amy Koplrow** on their contributions to "Kaddish: Women's Voices", receiving the 2013 National Jewish Book Award in "Contemporary Jewish Life and Practice."

### Wishing Condolences to:

**Sheryl Soskel** on the passing of her mother **Evelyn Soskel**. Shloshim took place this Friday.

### This Shabbat @ The Bayit

**KINNERET DAY SCHOOL APPEAL:** Kinneret parent **Elliot Rabin** and Kinneret 7th grader **Benjamin Rudoy** will speak about Kinneret Day School and its current capital campaign and plans for expansion. Join us to learn more about this important and historic Riverdale Jewish institution.

**SEUDA SHLISHIT:** Rabbinic Intern and Navy Chaplain Dan Millner and sponsor Rick Feldman invite you to share stories about your family's involvement in the American Armed Forces at Seuda Shlishit **this Shabbat, Feb. 1st**. Please bring pictures and artifacts with you to enhance your stories. In conjunction with Sunday's Support Our Troops Day.

### This Sunday, Feb. 2nd @ The Bayit

**KAVVANAH TEFILLAH - Sun., Feb. 2nd, 9:00am:** An hour of slower tefillah with Rav Steven including meditation & song. Light breakfast follows. Halakhic Shacharit requirements met. Room 3-1.

**"SUPPORT OUR TROOPS DAY" AT THE BAYIT!** Roll up your sleeves for our troops, **this Sun., Feb. 2nd** from 2:00pm-4:00pm, by spending an action-packed afternoon of family fun getting busy with creative projects that will be sent to our overseas troops! Learn about different perspectives on religious pluralism in the US Military by hearing stories from Jewish and non-Jewish service members! A shiur will be presented by Rabbinic Intern, LTJG Daniel Millner CCPO, USN, titled, **"To Love, Honor, and Obey: Jewish Perspectives on Joining a Non-Jewish Military."**



### Flex your mitzvah muscles and show our troops you CARE!

Admission: [www.msawi.org/troops.php](http://www.msawi.org/troops.php). Suggested contribution: \$36/family; \$18/individual. Admission also includes entrance to our community-wide SUPPORT OUR TROOPS DAY on Mar. 23rd, 2014 at Congregation Ramath Orah. **All contributions go directly to supporting the Troops - MSAWI is an all volunteer led organization.**

Our partners (in formation):



**SUPER BOWL XLVIII PARTY & RAFFLE - Sun., Feb. 2nd, 6:00pm:** This will be a family friendly atmosphere and fun for all. Cost: \$10/person; \$25/family. Bring another person and you each save a dollar on a raffle ticket!! Raffle tickets are 1 for \$5 or 4 for \$18. Place your tickets in either our AFC or NFC pool. The winner will be picked from whichever team's pool wins the game. Each ticket may be placed in either pool. You don't need to be present to win. E-mail [tent@hir.org](mailto:tent@hir.org) for more information. Sign up online at [www.thebayit.org/superbowl](http://www.thebayit.org/superbowl).

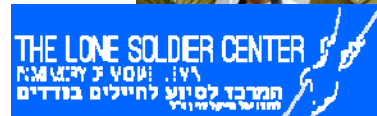
### Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

**ANNUAL YACHAD SHABBATON - Next Shabbat, Feb. 7-8:** Join us as we welcome our special friends and staff from Rayim Yachad! Host guests to sleep and/or eat Friday Night dinner; Join the communal Kiddush/lunch; Join the communal Seudat Shelishit. Sponsorships are offered to offset costs of this important event. Lunch Reservations: \$20/adult; \$12/child; \$60/family; / SPONSORSHIP NEEDED: \$500 - Leader; \$360 - Host; \$180 - Partner; \$100 - Friend. All sponsorships welcome and appreciated! Sponsorships of \$100 and above entitles you to a family reservation. Please visit [www.thebayit.org/yachad](http://www.thebayit.org/yachad) for more info!



### Sunday, Feb. 9th @ The Bayit

Join us on **Sun., Feb. 9th, 5:45pm** to hear about the Lone Soldier Center. Learn about the work of the Michael Levin z"l Lone Soldier Center helping IDF soldiers with no family in Israel and how your support will make a difference. To learn more about this wonderful organization and the important work they do go to [www.lonesoldiercenter.com](http://www.lonesoldiercenter.com).



## This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

**Daf Yomi with Rabbi Dov Linzer** meets 7:30am - 8:30am Sun. - Fri. and Shabbat after Mincha in Room 3-7. Open and accessible to all. Join this group and experience Tractate Yoma and beyond!

### Shabbat

8:05am - Midrash Hashavua with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)  
 3:55pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)  
 5:05pm - Listening Room with Myra Estelle (LL BM)

### Monday

6:30pm - Free Hebrew Crash Course with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)\*  
 7:30pm - Brotherly Love: The Story of David and Jonathan with Rav Avi (On hiatus until March)  
 8:00pm - Advanced Hebrew Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)\*  
 8:30pm - Advanced Talmud: Topics in the Laws of Mourning with Rabbi Jeff Fox (at David Mann's Home. Email [rebjeff@gmail.com](mailto:rebjeff@gmail.com) to attend)

### Tuesday

10:00am - Bereishit: The Genesis Narrative with Rav Avi (On hiatus until March)  
 11:00am - Sour Grapes of Wrath: God's Justice in the Torah with YCT Student Joel Dinin (Lobby)  
 7:30pm - Foundations of Judaism: Discovering Ourselves with Rav Steven (Session 13: Shabbat and Holiday Prayer)

### Wednesday

7:30pm - Intermediate Hebrew Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)\*

### Thursday

10:00am - Book of Shmuel with Rav Steven (LL BM)  
 7:30pm - Biblical Hebrew and Siddur Study with Sara Kinberg (Room 3-3)\*

### Friday

7:25am - Topics in Tefillah with Rav Steven (LL Lobby)

\* Sara Kinberg is an experienced Hebrew teacher. For info and guidance on placement, please call Sara at 718-548-2461. Payment made directly to the teacher.

## Happenings @ the Bayit

**ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT:** Join us for our open communal dinner sponsored by Jacquelyn & Zachary Berman and Deborah & Michael Cooperman. To see which Shabbatot are available for sponsorship and to choose your week go to [www.thebayit.org/tent](http://www.thebayit.org/tent) or contact James Lapin at [tent@hir.org](mailto:tent@hir.org).

**RAV STEVEN'S RUSSIAN JEWRY REFLECTIONS ONLINE:** Rav Steven's drashah from Shabbat, Jan. 18th, "Musings from Moscow: Reflections on a Whirlwind Trip to the Former Soviet Union", is now available online at [www.thebayit.org/drashot](http://www.thebayit.org/drashot) under Sefer Shemot. There are also hard copies in the flyer bins.

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH:** The February birthday Kiddush will take place on Shabbat, Feb. 15th. If you would like to make a donation to the Kiddush fund in honor of a February birthday, please fill out the form at [www.thebayit.org/birthday](http://www.thebayit.org/birthday).

**HEBREW FREE BURIAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BREAKFAST:** Hebrew Free Burial Association will hold its annual Riverdale community breakfast on Sun., Mar. 2nd, at 9:30am at the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale. The honorees are Dr. Judah & Gail Schorr. For more information or to make a reservation please call HFBA - 212-239-1662 or go to [www.hebrewfreeburial.org/rr.htm](http://www.hebrewfreeburial.org/rr.htm).



**BAYIT SHAPED PUSHKAS NOW AVAILABLE @ THE SHUL OFFICE:** We are once again offering reusable Bayit shaped pushkas for tzedaka. They can be emptied out at the shul office and taken back home for additional collections. If you would like to give tzedaka and would like to give to the Bayit, please drop by the shul office to pick one up.

**HELP ISRAELI SOLDIERS:** Adi Finkelstone (son of Jonny and Karen, who lived in Riverdale for several years) is an IDF soldier serving in a Nahal unit that is not outfitted with fleece jackets necessary to protect soldiers from the cold. Army regulations allow soldiers to receive these jackets only if the entire unit is outfitted with them. We are raising \$12,000 to underwrite the cost of the jackets for the entire unit. Please give generously. Checks may be made out to the HIR Rabbinic Discretionary Fund. Please insert "Nachal 50" into the memo portion of the check. If you have any questions please contact Steve Pretsfelder [spretsfelder@vanwagner.com](mailto:spretsfelder@vanwagner.com).

**BAYIT SEFARIM FUND:** Donations to the Sefarim fund will be used to purchase the books we need as determined by the rabbinic team and gabbaim. [www.thebayit.org/sefarim](http://www.thebayit.org/sefarim).

**BUSINESS ADVERTISING IN THE BAYIT BULLETIN:** Promote your business to Bayit Bulletin readers in the first bulletin of every month.



**HIR GIFT CARDS** - Support our Bayit by purchasing Gift Cards - Buy it for the Bayit! For more information on volunteering or to place an order, email [giftcard@hir.org](mailto:giftcard@hir.org) or call Shira Gordon at 718-549-5280.

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**Joint Board of Trustees and  
 Membership Meetings,  
 Tuesday Night, Feb. 4th at 7:30pm.**

# HIR YOUTH DEPARTMENT 2013-14



**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!

**FRIDAY NIGHT GROUPS!**



**with Shayna & Yakira**  
 Free Play, Tefillah, Torah, Activity, Kiddush & Snacks  
**4:55-5:55pm**  
 Meets in Social Hall  
 Pickup in Main Lobby

**THIS SUNDAY**  
**February 2 @ 2pm-4pm**  
**Support Our Troops with MSAWI**

Join Rabbinic Intern, Dan Millner as we make cards and design matzo-covers for soldiers, as well as joining to make videos for our troops who are overseas!  
 For more information and to sign up, contact Dan Millner or Beverly at [beverly@msawi.org](mailto:beverly@msawi.org)

**Happy Rosh Chodesh Adar !!**

**Purim is in 6 weeks!!!**

**Save the date of March 15 & 16 for a celebration like no other!**



**SAVE THE DATES!**

**MOVIE, SMOOTHIES & FREE PLAY!**

Join friends for active free play, featuring indoor hockey, arcade basketball, bouncy house and more, as well as snacks, fruit smoothies & a theater style movie!

\$10/child (\$18/2 children)

1:00-3:30pm on Sundays for ages 5-10

**DATE: February 9 & 16\*** (\*10:30-1pm)

**Monthly Thursday Night Mishmar**

4:00pm: Active Free Play with Bouncy House, Hockey/Basketball  
 4:45pm: Dinner (hot dogs, veggies & Fries) & Dvar with Rav Steven  
 5:15pm: Torah Discussion with Arts & Crafts with Menachem

\$10/child (\$18/2 children) 6:45-9:00pm

**DATE: February 6, March 6**

**NEXT SHABBAT Annual YACHAD SHABBATON!**



Join friends as we welcome our friends of Rayim Yachad. Always a big hit, there are many ways to participate:

- Join the communal Kiddush/lunch
- Join communal Seudah Shelishit
- Host guests to sleep and/or eat

**Sponsorship needed.**

Thank you for your support!

**DATE: February 7-8**

Visit [www.thebayit.org/yachad](http://www.thebayit.org/yachad) to sign up!

**New season of AFTER SCHOOL TUESDAYS TORAH & LOUNGE With Menachem!**

**3:45pm** - Tefillah & Torah for beginners (supporting children with special learning needs & limited Hebrew skills)

**4:20pm** - Lounge time for all (XBox 360 with Kinect, Billiards, Ping Pong along with snacks)

**5:00pm** - Torah for all (inclusive learning of week's Torah portion)

**5:30pm** - Pickup

\$5 suggested per child

**ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S WEEK**

**MID-WINTER CAMP @ THE BAYIT**

**Drop kid; off for a day of fun @ The Bayit!**

Bouncy House, Arcade Basketball, Indoor Hockey, Xbox 360, Baking, Tefillah with Menachem & Torah with Rav Steven, Pool, Ping Pong, Foosball, and so much more!

Hot Lunch & Snacks Included!

9:00-4:00pm

**DATE: February 12 & 18**

Visit [www.thebayit.org/wintercamp](http://www.thebayit.org/wintercamp) for a sample schedule and to register!

1st child - \$60; 2nd child - \$50; 3rd child - \$40

**EARLY BIRD: child 1; \$50; child 2; \$45; child 3; \$40**

**Nursery-Kindergarten**

Tefillah & Snacks with Abby followed by Puppet Show with Melissa! 10:30am

Room 3-4: NURSERY  
 Room 3-5: Pre-K  
 Room 3-6: Kindergarten



**SHABBAT Morning Groups!**

**Shabbat Morning Groups:**  
 3rd Floor Youth Wing  
 9:30-11:30am

We do not yet have a sponsor for this week's snacks.

**CAN YOU HELP?**

Contact Menachem to sponsor this week or next week!



Room 3-1 & 3-2: GRADES 3-5  
 Room 3-3: GRADES 1-2

**TOT SHABBAT**

This Shabbat, Tot Shabbat is led by Esther Berko  
 TS meets @ 10:30am,  
 Lower Level Bet Midrash  
 (9:30am: Open Play)  
**THANK YOU, ESTHER!**

**TOT SHABBAT NOTICE**

As Carmiya begins a short period away for mommy-hood this week, we would like to introduce you to our incredible team of volunteers who will be leading Tot Shabbat over the next few months: Esther Berko, Ian Christner & Donna Rudolph. We are so excited about this talented team of individuals. Please join us in welcoming them. Thank you all!

**Active Free Play**

There will be active free play in the Social Hall this Shabbat :)

**Teen Lounge**

Teens welcome to come hang out in the lounge for Kiddush and games.  
 11:00am-1:00pm

**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](http://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.  
**Stay tuned for special PJ events being planned for this year!**

**For Assistance, Please Contact:**

**Menachem Menchel,**

Director of Youth Education & Programming  
 Office - 718-796-4730 ext. 119

Cell - 516-233-8285

[menachem@thebayit.org](mailto:menachem@thebayit.org)



**Chessed Opportunities:**

**RIVERDALE FREE LOAN GEMACH:** Please be advised that a new Free Loan Gemach has been established to serve residents of the Riverdale community. The Gemach of Riverdale is a non-profit organization providing interest-free loans to those with cash flow challenges, with dignity and respect. For further information please contact Rabbi Moshe Drelich at 917-408-3035 or [GemachofRiverdale@gmail.com](mailto:GemachofRiverdale@gmail.com).

**VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION AT MJHS:** Make a difference in someone's life: Volunteer for MJHS Hospice. Our caring, dedicated volunteers are an invaluable resource for our hospice patients and their families. MJHS Hospice needs your help in the Bronx! The next volunteer orientation will be **Wed., Feb. 12th** at the Block Hospice Residence (2550 Webb Avenue Bronx, NY 10468). For additional information about volunteering, and if you are interested in attending the orientation, please contact Danielle LaRosa, Coordinator of Volunteer Services at 212-649-5515 or at [dlarosa@mjhs.org](mailto:dlarosa@mjhs.org).



**PACK IT UP FOR PURIM @ THE BAYIT:** As Purim approaches, the Bayit is joining UJA-Federation of New York for Pack It Up for Purim, a vital effort to feed the hungry. Each year, Jews around the world send food packages to their neighbors as part of the Purim celebration. In the spirit of the holiday, we hope to collect 3,000 packages filled with nutritious nonperishable items. This year, your food package will be part of an incredible effort to deliver one million meals to hungry New Yorkers through Feeding Our Neighbors: An Interfaith Response. Inspired by a mutual tradition of healing and hope, UJA-Federation and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York are organizing this initiative. For suggestions of nutritious items go to: [www.thebayit.org/packit](http://www.thebayit.org/packit).

**SEEKING SUPERHEROES - NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY:** Every day is a new opportunity to take an active role in our community, to do something about the issues that concern you, to have your voice heard and your presence matter, and to feel fulfilled on a whole new level. Find a volunteer opportunity through UJA's website [www.ujafedny.org/volunteer-services](http://www.ujafedny.org/volunteer-services).

**RECYCLE/DONATE YOUR OLD EYEGLASSES AND CELLPHONES:** There is a collection box in the coat room under the back table. Glasses will be given to the Lions Club ([www.lionsclub.org](http://www.lionsclub.org)). Cell phones will be given to My Sister's Place ([www.mspny.org](http://www.mspny.org)).

**Do you know someone who needs any of the following? Would you like to volunteer for any of these committees?**

**Meals For Ill Members:**

Jackie Binstock - 718-543-9135, [jacalyn.binstock@gmail.com](mailto:jacalyn.binstock@gmail.com).

**Shiva:** We are looking to grow this committee. Please contact [ravsteven@thebayit.org](mailto:ravsteven@thebayit.org).

**Home or Nursing Home Visits or Telephone Calls:**

Rivka Haut: 718-543-1072, [rivkahaut@yahoo.com](mailto:rivkahaut@yahoo.com)

Ruth Licht: 718-796-3491, [ruth.licht@verizon.net](mailto:ruth.licht@verizon.net)

**Meals for New Mothers:**

Mazal tov to Aimee & Jonathan Baron on the birth of twins! For info on meals for new moms please contact Shuli in the office: [shuli@thebayit.org](mailto:shuli@thebayit.org).

**Hospitality and Welcome:** [hirwelcome@gmail.com](mailto:hirwelcome@gmail.com)

**Bayit Band:** [lamelle.ryman@gmail.com](mailto:lamelle.ryman@gmail.com)

**RABBI STEVEN EXLER,  
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DANIEL MILLNER  
AND MEMBERS OF  
THE BAYIT AT AIPAC'S CONFERENCE**



*Join The Bayit at the AIPAC Policy Conference, March 2-4 in Washington, D.C. Nothing compares to the emotion and power of over 12,000 members of the pro-Israel community coming together to demonstrate our commitment to keeping Israel safe and secure. Register online at [www.aipac.org/pc](http://www.aipac.org/pc).*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Shabbat morning, February 22, after Mussaf:** Presentation from world renowned child sexual abuse expert Victor Vieth.

**Saturday night, March 1, 7:00pm:** Melava Malka and Post-Nuptial Agreement Signing Party. Details to follow.

**Saturday night, March 8, 8:00pm:** Guest Lecture by Jerusalem Post Legal Affairs Correspondent Jeremy Bob: "Iran, Syria, WMDs and the Legality of Preemptive Strikes"

**POTS Teens Chessed Opportunity**

Attention Riverdale Teens... Volunteers needed at POTS (Part of the Solution) dining room one Sunday a month. We leave from HIR at 11:45am and return at approximately 4:00pm. Contact Samantha Verrone:

[sverrone@mac.com](mailto:sverrone@mac.com), 917-885-4542 to sign up.  
Upcoming date are: 2/9, 3/23, 4/6, 5/11, 6/8.



*SAVE THE DATE: The Bayit's 40th Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday, June 15th, 2014.*

*Susan & Jonathan Dzik  
Community Service Award*

**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. *Anna can be reached on Mon. 8:00am - 4:00pm, Tues. 8:00am - 8:00pm and Thurs. 8:00am - 8:00pm at 718-601-9714 or e-mail her at [akirshblum@jbfc.org](mailto:akirshblum@jbfc.org). (In partnership with UJA & JBFCs)*



**The Spiritual Legacy of Abraham Joshua Heschel: Two Riverdale Community Events**



Wed., 2/19, 7:30pm / HIR: "Abraham Joshua Heschel: The Call of Transcendence"

Thurs., 2/27, 8:00pm / CSAIR: "Why Amazement Matters: Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel's Vision of Theology, Spirituality, and Ethics."

**Co-Sponsored by  
CSAIR, HIR, Riverdale Temple and Shachar**

For additional info go to [www.thebayit.org/heschel](http://www.thebayit.org/heschel).

**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, 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.*

## BEYOND THE BAYIT - January 31 - February 7, 2014

**RIVERDALE RISING STARS @ THE Y CELEBRATES OUR B'NEI MITZVAH YEAR:** In honor of this milestone all seats for our fall production of All Shook Up will be \$10 ONLY. Come and see these award-winning teens as they rock and roll to the music of Elvis Presley in this fun-filled, song-filled, dance-filled musical!! Show times: **Sat., 2/1:** 8:00pm; **Sun., 2/2:** 2:00pm; **Thurs., 2/6:** 7:30pm; **Sat., 2/8:** 8:00pm; **Sun., 2/9:** 2:00pm & 6:00pm. The Riverdale Y is located at 5625 Arlington Avenue. For tickets and more info call: 718-548-8200.

**SHOLEM-ALEICHEM CULTURAL CENTER:** The Sholem-Aleichem Cultural Center invites you to a lecture in Yiddish by Prof. Elissa Bemporad (Queens College) titled "Becoming Soviet Jews: The Bolshevik Experiment in Minsk." Winner of the National Jewish Book Award. Yiddish singer Inna Barmash. **This Sun., Feb. 2nd,** 1:30pm at 3301 Bainbridge Ave. corner of 208th St. For additional information call 917-930-0295.

**ANTI-SEMITISM IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE:** ISGAP (The Institute for the Study of Global Anti-Semitism and Policy) is sponsoring an interdisciplinary seminar series in Manhattan throughout the spring, entitled "Anti-Semitism in Comparative Perspective". All seminars are free and open to the public. Speakers for the following week include Professor Gregory Gordon ("The Enemy Within: A Neo-Nazi Takeover in the American Heartland?", **Wed., Feb. 5th**), Professor Dan Michman ("Misunderstandings of the Phenomenon 'Antisemitism' in Some Recent Influential Studies of the Holocaust", **Wed., Feb. 5th**), and Dr. Emanuele Ottolenghi ("Worse Than Their Enemies: Anti-Semitism among Jews", **Thurs., Feb. 6th**). For more information, please visit [www.isgap.org](http://www.isgap.org).

**REGISTRATION FOR CAMP GAN MIRIAM NOW OPEN:** Gan Miriam located at 3700 Independence Ave., 2nd Floor, is offering a six week summer camp for children ages 2-5. Sessions beginning **Mon., July 7th** and ending **Fri., Aug. 15th**. Early bird discount offered from now **until Fri. Feb. 7th**. For more information or to register please contact us: 718-543-2553 or email [ganrjc@gmail.com](mailto:ganrjc@gmail.com).



**DANCE FOR PD® RIVERDALE PILOT CLASS - Feb. 20th:** The Mark Morris Dance Group and Brooklyn Parkinson Group in collaboration with the Riverdale YM-YWHA and The College of Mount Saint Vincent are pleased to announce Dance for PD® Riverdale Pilot class. **Feb. 20th,** 11:00am - 12:15pm, at the College of Mount St. Vincent, Peter Jay Sharp Athletic and Recreation Center, 6301 Riverdale Ave. Transportation to and from the YM-YWHA will be available for a modest fee. After class, a hot Kosher lunch is available for all participants who are NYC residents. Lunch is \$3.50 for guests under 60, and a suggested donation of \$2.25 for those 60+. Contact 718-548-8200 x223 for additional information.

**URI L'TZEDEK EVENT WITH OUR OWN RABBI ARI HART:** Join us at the Drisha Institute, on **Feb. 26th,** 7:00pm to hear Rav Ari lead a Social Justice Beit Midrash about the role that the Orthodox Jews can and should play in the Ramapo County educational system and its current crisis. The Drisha Institute is located at 37 W. 65th St., 5th Floor. For additional info call 212-284-6540 or email [info@utzedek.org](mailto:info@utzedek.org).



**SPRING INTO ACTION THIS MARCH WITH UJA'S WELLNESS MONTH:** UJA-Federation and Sports for Youth are excited to promote good health and wellbeing for our community and ourselves. Take advantage of a wide range of health and wellness events and opportunities to learn something new about this important topic. For more info contact Courtney Cohen at [cohenc@ujafedny.org](mailto:cohenc@ujafedny.org). A Kick-off event - **Family Fun Day 2014: Sweet Street** - will take place on **Sun., Mar. 2nd,** 11:30am - 2:30pm, at Pier Sixty/Chelsea Piers, 23rd St. and West Side Highway. Including Balloons, Carnival Booths, Games, Music, Prizes, Arts & Crafts, Sports, Mitzvah Projects, Face Painting. For more information or to register, please contact Nicole Fleishman at [Fleishmann@ujafedny.org](mailto:Fleishmann@ujafedny.org) or 212-836-1258.

**RETREAT FOR ORTHODOOX PARENTS OF LGBT CHILDREN - Mar. 7th - 9th, Waynesboro, PA:** Join us at a national Shabbaton for Orthodox parents with lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender children. Make the world a safer place for your child while sharing parenting resources in a confidential setting. Join this growing community for a Shomer Shabbos and Kosher weekend at a beautiful, modern retreat center. For more information: [info@eshelonline.org](mailto:info@eshelonline.org) / [www.eshelonline.org](http://www.eshelonline.org).



**TALMUD CIRCLE INSTITUTE:** Join the Talmud Circle Institute for a weeklong "101" workshops with Arthur Kurzweil. Two sessions of Learning will take place at the Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center: The Session 1: **Mar. 17th - 21st;** Session 2: July 21st - 25th. Learn more and register at [www.hazon.org/talmudcircle](http://www.hazon.org/talmudcircle).

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST A YCT STUDENT FOR A SHABBAT?:** YCT is holding a Shabbaton for students and alumni on **Shabbat, Mar. 21st - 22nd**. We are looking for hosts for sleeping accommodations only. Please contact Ruthie at 212-666-0036 or [rsimon@yctorah.org](mailto:rsimon@yctorah.org) if you are able to host.

## BEYOND THE BAYIT - January 31 - February 7, 2014

**CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF RAV AVI & TOBY WEISS:** Yeshivat Chovevei Torah will be hosting an evening of celebration in honor of Rabbi Avi & Toby Weiss and family on **Sun., Mar., 23rd**, 5:30pm at the Roosevelt Hotel, 45 E. 45th St., New York, NY 10017. For more info or to make reservation call YCT's office 212-666-0036 or email [info@yctorah.org](mailto:info@yctorah.org).

**NORPAC MISSION TO WASHINGTON:** On **Apr. 30th** 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 Israel's security. Sign up now at [www.norpac.net](http://www.norpac.net) and take advantage of the \$50 early bird discount. Email David Frankel at [dfrs.frankel@verizon.net](mailto:dfrs.frankel@verizon.net) if you have any questions.

**RIVERDALE HATZALA MISHLOACH MANOT CARDS:** Purim is coming! Mishloach Manot Cards are available from Riverdale Hatzalah. Specialized cards are also available for all occasions. Please contact Charlotte Hammerman at 718-548-0599. SUPPORT HATZALAH IN ITS LIFE-SAVING WORK!

**FREE CLASSES @ KCI:** Classes with Cantor Chaim Dubin will take place on Sundays at 10:00am - Tefillah/Halacha, and on Thursdays at 7:30pm - Parasha (meal provided). At Kingsbridge Center of Israel, 3115 Corlear Ave. All are welcome to attend. For more info please call 718-902-5101. This week's Thursday night class on **Feb. 6th** will not take place.

**ORGANIC WHOLE WHEAT SHMURA MATZAH:** Order Yiddish Farm organic whole wheat shmura matzah, baked locally in Kiryas Joel under the supervision of Rabbi Yechiel Steinmetz of Monsey. Yiddish Farm is a non-profit organization. The shmura matzah initiative is part of a fundraiser for the Yiddish classes run by Yiddish Farm. A 1-pound box costs \$29.99 and includes a limited edition insert with the "Four Questions" in Yiddish: [www.yiddishfarm.org/ordermatzo.html](http://www.yiddishfarm.org/ordermatzo.html).

**SAFE AT HOME - THE HUDSON COMMUNITY PROJECT:** The YM&YWHA of Washington Heights/Inwood has collaborated with the Riverdale YM-YWHA, the Jewish Community Council of Washington Heights/Inwood, and the Hebrew Home at Riverdale to form The Hudson Community Project: Safe at Home. It combines agency resources, expands the geographic scope of our services, and streamlines the process. The result - seniors receive a more comprehensive selection of services aimed at helping maintain independence and make living at home more comfortable and secure. Services include: Case Management - Housing Advocacy - Kosher pantry - Kosher meals - Social Adult Day care - In-home support - Health Maintenance - Rehabilitation - Transportation. For more info contact: Sarah Leiner, MSW at 212-569-6200 x233.

**THREE EXCITING RAMAH SPECIALTY DAY CAMPS FOR SUMMER 2014:** Ramah Sport, Ramah Outdoors, and Ramah Performs are unique programs that combine specialized instruction with years of Ramah camping experience in a spirited environment where Judaism, Jewish values, and Hebrew language are integral to daily activities. Choose one or more specialty camp options either as part of a Ramah Nyack package or as a distinct experience. For dates, tuition, locations, and program descriptions, please visit [www.ramahnyack.org](http://www.ramahnyack.org). For questions contact Rabbi Ami Hersh, Assistant Director, Ramah Day Camp in Nyack at [ami@campramah.org](mailto:ami@campramah.org) or at 212-678-8884.

**DONATE SHOES TO CSAIR:** The Sisterhood of the Conservative Synagogue Adath Israel of Riverdale is collecting men's, women's and children's gently used shoes and sneakers. Contributions can be left Sunday-Friday in the Lower Lobby collection box of the shul, located at 475 W. 250 St. For questions contact Phyllis Schulberg at [hcspgs@optonline.net](mailto:hcspgs@optonline.net).

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