

# 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.

# This Week Shabbat Parshat Toldot Shabbat Mevarchim

- Candle Lighting: 5:34pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:35pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LL BM)
- Shacharit Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Learning Service: 9:30am (Social Hall)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 10:03am
- Listening Room: 4:10pm (LL BM)
- Parsha Shiur: 4:35pm (Main Sanctuary)
- Mincha: 5:20pm
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 6:36pm

### Weekday Times

Shacharit:

Sun: 8:30am (Rosh Chodesh Kislev) Mon: 6:30, 8:15am

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Tues/Wed/Fri: 6:45, 8:15am Thurs: 6:40, 8:15am

Mincha/Maariv all week: 4:35pm

### Next Week Shabbat Parshat Vayetze

- Candle Lighting: 4:26pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 4:30pm
- Shacharit Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 4:10pm
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 5:28pm

שבת שלום!

### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

**Erica Goldman-Brodie & Rabbi Joseph Brodie** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, **Sophia Brodie-Weisberg**.

**Donna & Vlad Rashkovich** on the birth of a son Levi Michael. To big siblings Emma and Eli and the entire family.

### Wishing Condolences to:

**Seryl Ritter** on the passing of her father **Rabbi Murray Zivitz**. Shiva is observed at the home of Seryl's sister, Nyla Greenbaum, 25 Rosehill Ave. New Rochelle until Tues., Nov. 5 8:00am.

### This Shabbat @ The Bayit

**WELCOME TO OUR SHABBAT SHELANU GUESTS:** The Bayit is partnering with iHouse (Israel House) @ the Riverdale Y and Shir Fun in a series of Israeli style Kabbalat Shabbat and Friday night dinner. Program begins at 4:30pm with a musical Kabbalat Shabbat. For more information visit our website <a href="https://www.thebayit.org/shelanu">www.thebayit.org/shelanu</a>, or contact Rav Ari (<a href="ravari@thebayit.org">ravari@thebayit.org</a>) or Hadas Oded @ iHouse (<a href="hadasoded2@gmail.com">hadasoded2@gmail.com</a>). We look forward to Bayit members and first time visitors sharing a wonderful Shabbat experience.

**FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL GUEST JOE LHOTA:** The Bayit welcomes mayoral candidate Joe Lhota to share a few words immediately after tefillah on Friday night.

### **BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - Seuda Shlishit**

THE BAYIT'S CONTEMPORARY ISRAELI POETRY GROUP - This Tues., Nov. 5th, 7:00pm: Under the guidance of poet and translator Atara Fobar. Poems will be read in Hebrew with English translation and discussion. This meeting will be dedicated to the Yiddish and Hebrew poetry of Uri Tzvi Greenberg taught by the Bayit's own Gella Fishman. All are invited! 3rd FL, Room 3-4. Upcoming dates: 12/3, 1/7, 2/4.



### Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH:** The November birthday Kiddush will take place on Shabbat, Nov. 9th. If you would like to make a donation to the Kiddush fund in honor of a November birthday, please fill out the form at <a href="https://www.thebayit.org/birthday">www.thebayit.org/birthday</a>.

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - Shiur with Rachel Keren, senior lecturer at Midreshet Ein Hanatziv: "Bein Kodesh Le'Chol – Walking on a Delicate Path"



### Kristallnacht Commemoration - Sat. night, Nov. 9, 7:30pm, Lower Level Beit Midrash:

Featuring our very own Professor Berel Lang who will discuss "Unsung Hero: Raphael Lemkin and the Idea of Genocide."

All are welcome.



KAVVANAH TEFILLAH - Next Sun., Nov. 10th, 9:00am: An hour of slower tefillah with Rav Steven including meditation and song. Light breakfast follows. Halakhic Shacharit requirements met. Room 3-3.

**VETERAN'S DAY BIKUR CHOLIM - Sunday, Nov. 10th, 10am-11:30am:** Honor our veterans with a trip to the VA Nursing Home. Leaving from the Bayit at 10:00am. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:yael@thebayit.org">yael@thebayit.org</a>.



### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE GREEN CHANUKAH BOUTIQUE ON SUN., NOV. 10:**

Why drive to the mall when you can walk to the social hall? Our Green Chanukah Boutique and Tag Sale is getting close! There will be lots of good stuff on sale, and we need adult and teenage helpers to sell it. Sale hours are 10:00am - 3:00pm on Sun., Nov. 10th. Please contact <a href="https://hittagsale@gmail.com">hittagsale@gmail.com</a> if you can sign up for a shift between 9:00am and 4:00pm that day, or to help set up on Sat. night, Nov. 9th.



Keep those great donations coming! Help out the Bayit by donating new or gently used Judaica, housewares, collectibles, gift items, jewelry, artwork, toys, and sports equipment. NO used clothing, and NO used cooking or serving utensils. See the tag sale flyer for more details. Drop-off is in the shul office, Monday-Thursday 9:30am - 4:30pm or Sundays 9:00am - 10:30am.

### FOUNDATIONS OF JUDAISM - DISCOVERING OURSELVES

Join Rav Ari, Rav Steven and Rabba Sara to learn or revisit the core of our Jewish lives, from history, to text, to ritual and law, to the life cycle. 30 sessions.



Tuesday nights, 7:30pm. Room 3-3. Please share this information with anyone who may enjoy this class! **3rd session this Tuesday night:** "Jewish Textual History."

### This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

Daf Yomi with Rabbi Dov Linzer meets 7:30am - 8:30am Sun. - Fri. at 4:35pm and 5:50pm this Shabbat in Room 3-7. Open and accessible to all. Join this group and experience Tractate Shekalim and beyond!

### **Shabbat**

8:10am - Midrash Hashavua with Ray Steven (Main Sanctuary)

4:10pm - Listening Room with Myra Estelle (LL BM)

4:35pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)

6:30pm - Free Hebrew Crash Course with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)\*

7:30pm - Brotherly Love: The Story of David and Jonathan with Rav Avi (At his home)

8:00pm - Advanced Hebrew Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Room 3-3)\*

8:30pm - Advanced Talmud: Topics in the Laws of Mourning with Rabbi Jeff Fox (at David Mann's Home. Email <a href="mailto:rebjeff@gmail.com">rebjeff@gmail.com</a> to attend)

### **Tuesday**

10:00am - Bereishit: The Genesis Narrative with Ray Avi (Lobby)

11:00am - Sefer Devarim: Power, Courage and Faith with Rabba Sara (Not meeting this week)

7:30pm - Foundations of Judaism: Discovering Ourselves with Rav Ari Session III: Jewish Textual History (Room 3-3)

### Wednesday

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

### **Thursday**

10:00am - Book of Shoftim with Rav Steven (Lobby)

7:30pm - Biblical Hebrew and Siddur Study with Sara Kinberg (Room 3-3)\*

7:25am - Tractate Megillah with Rav Steven (LL Lobby)

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

### Free Thanksgiving Dinner & Collection for BJCC Local Food Pantry

Don't spend your holiday alone, spend it with your HIR family.

### Thursday, November 28, 2013

1:00pm - Open Thanksgiving Service 2:00pm - Free Thanksgiving Dinner



Please RSVP at 718-796-4730, ext. 101

If you are interested in volunteering to help set up, serve or clean up, please contact our Volunteer Coordinators Ellie & Hal Weinstein at 917-859-6373 or e-mail

halellieweinstein@yahoo.com.

The Bayit is joining the BJCC's **Best Collections Project** and will be collecting new, unused, sealed groceries and cleaning supplies/ toiletries. Donations can be dropped off until Thanksgiving day, Nov. 28 in the boxes located in the coat room. To view a list of requested items go to www.thebayit.org/bulletin and click on the Thanksgiving flyer link.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Shabbat morning Nov. 23 - Special Post-Shacharit Kiddush: Sponsored by the Dzik Family. Kiddush from 9:15am -9:50am, followed by Torah reading.

### Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT: Join us for our open communal dinner sponsored by Ilana & Jeffrey Weiss in appreciation of the hospitality of James & Ann Lapin and Abraham & Sarah's tent provided to us during our stay in Riverdale. To see which Shabbatot are available for sponsorship and to choose your week go to www.thebayit.org/tent or contact James Lapin at tent@hir.org.

R' WOHLBERG'S SERMON POSTED: You can see R' Jeremiah Wohlberg's inspiring sermon from Erev Rosh Hashanah, titled "Standing On The Edge of Life And Faith As The New Year Begins - Uvacharta Bachayim - Choose Life", on our website at www.thebayit.org/drashot. Scroll down to the end of the Devarim section.

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Learn to Skate at Van Cortlandt Park Ice Rink Skating School Just for You!

All levels, ages four and up. every Sunday, 10:00 am-10:30 am, 11/17/13 to 3/9/14

Bronx, NY 10471

Contact Cheryl Hunt, chunt@vcpicerink.com for details

### Prenatal Yoga in Riverdale

Join a nurturing and relaxing prenatal yoga class. Marcia's prenatal yoga classes help women draw on their own inner resources to face the challenges of labor with confidence, calm and courage. Students will experience the powerful connection between their breath and their ability to consciously relax, release tension, relieve anxiety, restore energy and ultimately increase the joy of childbirth. Tuesdays 7:30-8:45pm, Riverdale Jewish Center, 3700 Independence Avenue, Bronx, NY.

For more info visit: www.yogaforbliss.net or contact Marcia at Marcia@yogaformotherhood.net.

# 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!





# BNEI AKIVA KICK-OFF EVENT 2nd-6th Grades



MINUTE TO WIN IT CHALLENGE XBOX STATION COTTON CANDY

### NOVEMBER 3 @ HIR

11:00am-1:00pm \$5/child RSVP: riverdaleba@gmail.com

# TUESDAYS TORAH & LOUNGE

### With Menachem

4:30pm—XBOX, SNACKS & TEEN LOUNGE 5:00—Torah with Menachem 4:30-5:30pm @ HIR Grades 2-5; \$5/child

## TOT KABBALAT Starting Friday night,

Nov. 8
Bring your tot for a
child-centered Friday
night Tot Shabbat
with Carmiya!

5:15pm
This program is free.
Sponsorship needed.



### NOVEMBER & CHANUKAH SAVE THE DATES:



- Baking to Support Chanukah Tag Sale: Saturday Night, November 9
   Join resident chef & editor, Tamar Genger, and Menachem as we bake yummy pastries to support the shul's Chanukah Tag Sale on November 10. Please note the baked goods will be for the sale, not for consumption. Event is free. 6:30-8:30pm
- Monthly Thursday Night Mishmar: Thursday, November 7
   Active free play, hot dogs & hamburgers dinner, Torah with Rav Steven & Menachem! 4:00-6:00pm. \$10/child
- <u>Children's Friday Night Oneg</u>: Friday night, November 8 (After dinner); Gr. 2-5. Join friends and Menachem for games, snacks & a story. Time/location TBD
- Pre-Chanukah Benefit Carnival: Sunday, November 24
  Bouncy House, Just Dance with XBOX Kinect, Games, Prizes, lunch & more!
  All to benefit great tzedakot! More details to come!
- Glow-in-the-Dark Chanukah Dodgeball with Bnei Akiva: Sunday, Dec. 1
- Chanuka PJ Library @ Dunkin Donuts: Monday, December 2 Free doughnut for the first 200 people! PJ Library book reading, live music, and lighting!

### **POTS Teens Chesed Opportunity**

Volunteers needed at POTS (Part of the Solution) dinning room one Sunday a month. Depart HIR at I 1:45am and return approximately 4:00pm except in November when we will leave at 8:45am and return at approximately 12:00pm. Contact Samantha Verone:sverrone@mac.com, 917-885-4542 to sign up. Upcoming dates are: 11/10, 12/15, 1/12, 2/9, 3/23, 4/6, 5/11, 6/8.

### **Nursery-Kindergarten**

PJ Library Book with Abby, followed by Torah and Tefillah

Room 3-4: **NURSERY** 

Room 3-5: **Pre-K** 

Room 3-6: Kindergarten



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

SHABBAT

Morning Groups!



## We are still looking for snacks sponsors for this Shabbat.

Please visit:

http://www.thebayit.org/?id=16355
Or contact Menachem. Thank you!

Room 3-3: **GRADES 1-2** Room 3-7: **GRADES 3-4** Room 3-7: **GRADES 5-6** 

### TOT SHABBAT

Led by nationally acclaimed tot leader & educator, Carmiya Weinraub TS meets @ 10:30am

(@ 9:30am: Open Play)

Lower Level: Right Hand Social Hall

### NEW TEFILLAH STRUCTURE—Room 3-2 GRADES 1-6 with MENACHEM @ 10:20am

- Interactive with Child led Tefillah, Child Dvar Torah, Child Aliyot & Child Gabbaim
- HOTKIDDUSH with Vegi Chulent (gluten free option), Potato Kugel, Vegis & Drinks

### Teen Lounge

Teen Tefillah will resume next Shabbat @ 9:30am. This Shabbat, come enjoy chulent & lounge from 11:00am-1:00pm

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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 <a href="www.pjlibrary.org/ny/HIR">www.pjlibrary.org/ny/HIR</a> 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 & Program-



Office - 718-796-4730 ext. 119 Cell - 516-233-8285

### **Chessed Opportunities:**

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 (<a href="https://www.lionsclub.org">www.lionsclub.org</a>). Cell phones will be given to My Sister's Place (<a href="https://www.mspny.org">www.mspny.org</a>).

"RENEW A STEADFAST SPIRIT WITHIN ME" - 26th Annual Conference on Visiting the Sick: Explore the theme of renewal for the one visited and the visitor, in the context of illness. When: Sun., Nov. 10 from 9:00am - 3:30pm, Where: UJA Federation of N.Y. 130 East 59th Street, Cost: \$36 includes kosher breakfast & lunch. Contact Rabbi Steven if you need to be sponsored. For more information call 212-632-4730 or email bikurcholimcc@jbfcs.org or visit www.jbfcs.org/bikurcholim.

PROJECT HOPE - Help deliver Chanukah Packages: Join the Bronx Jewish Community Council to deliver Project H.O.P.E. Chanukah Packages. Pick up your packages and deliver on Sun., Nov. 17, 9:00am -11:30am. There will be two pick up locations: 2050 Bartow Ave and 95 Gale Place (Comm. Room #9). For info call Niti Minkove at 917-693-3084.

**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 Sun.-Fri. in the Lower Lobby collection box of the shul, located at 475 W. 250 St. For questions contact Phyllis Schulberg at <a href="https://hcspage.optonline.net">hcspage.optonline.net</a>.

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

### **Meals For III Members:**

Jackie Binstock - 718-543-9135, jacalyn.binstock@gmail.com.

**Shiva:** We are looking to grow this committee. Please contact raysteven@thebayit.org.

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

Rivka Haut: 718-543-1072, <a href="mailto:rivkahaut@yahoo.com">rivkahaut@yahoo.com</a>
Ruth Licht: 718-796-3491, <a href="mailto:ruth.licht@yerizon.net">ruth.licht@yerizon.net</a>

### Meals for New Mothers:

Aimee Baron: 917-331-2285, <u>aimeebaron1818@gmail.com</u>
Mazal tov to Aimee and Jonathan Baron on the birth of twins! To make meals for them, please contact Shuli in the office: <u>shuli@thebayit.org</u>.

Hospitality and Welcome: hirwelcome@gmail.com

Bayit Band: lamelle.ryman@gmail.com



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@jbfcs.org. (In partnership with UJA & JBFCS)



Please remember to move your clocks back one hour this Saturday night, November 2.

### **Beyond the Bayit**

SONS OF ISRAEL 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA: The Gala celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our sibling shul in the Bronx, Rabbi Moshe Fuchs' Congregation Sons of Israel will take place **this Sun.**, **Nov. 3rd, 6:00pm** at The Marina Del Ray. Pick up a card in the lobby flyer bin for more information. All are welcome - funds go to help the shul's services for needy in the community.

**OPEN HOUSE @ ROSENBAUM YESHIVA OF NORTH JERSEY:** We invite all prospective parents to our annual Open House on **Sun. evening, Nov. 3rd.** The evening will begin with an academic fair at 7:00pm followed by a program and interactive presentations at 7:30pm. For more information, we welcome you to contact Mrs. Tamar Kahn, Director of Admissions, at <a href="mailto:tkahn@rynj.org">tkahn@rynj.org</a> or 201- 986-1414. Kindly register online at <a href="https://www.rynj.org">www.rynj.org</a>.

WESTCHESTER DAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: For families who are serious about Judaism, education, Israel, menschlichkeit, community...and fun. Westchester Day School Open Houses, Mon. Nov. 4, 11, and 18 at 9:00am at 856 Orienta Avenue, Mamaroneck, NY. Meet Rabbi Joshua Lookstein, Head of School, and see WDS in action! Pre-register at www.westchesterday.org/openhouse2013. Any questions? Contact Allison Lyons, Director of Admissions, at alyons@westchesterday.org or 914-698-8900 ext. 134. Transportation available for Riverdale students.

RJC Presents "A Touch of Class" our 7th annual Pre-Chanukah Boutique: Please join us for an evening of fun, food, and sensational shopping! Enjoy wine tasting, great prizes, and of course the Split the Pot! Shop early for all your Chanukah gifts! Motzei Shabbat, Nov. 9 from 7:30pm - 11:00pm. Admission is \$5 per person and it includes one raffle ticket. At the Riverdale Jewish Center, 3700 Independence Avenue, 718-548-1850 x13.

VETERANS DAY MEMORIAL GROVE CEREMONY: The Memorial Grove Restoration Group invites you to attend our seventh annual Veterans Day Ceremony, the 64th anniversary of the Memorial Grove. The ceremony will take place at the restored Memorial Grove in Van Cortlandt Park on Nov. 10th at 12:00pm, Broadway at W. 246th St. For additional info call Herb Barret at 718-548-6832.

POP-UP TEXAS KOSHER BBQ @ YOUNG ISRAEL OF SCARSDALE: The Wandering Que, a Texas Kosher BBQ will be surfacing in Scarsdale on Sun., Nov. 10th. Located in the parking lot of the Young Israel of Scarsdale, 1313 Weaver Street from 12:00pm - 9:00pm. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Israel Defense Forces (IDF), Golani Troop 12, and will be donated to IDF/Yashar Lachayal (Straight to the Soldier) program. See <a href="https://www.yasharlachayal.org">www.yasharlachayal.org</a>. For more information please contact Penina Weinberger at <a href="https://www.yisny.org">yis@yisny.org</a>.

FOOD & GARDEN SCRAPS DROP-OFF AT THE RIVERDALE COMMUNITY COMPOSTING SITE: Although our food/garden scraps drop-off at the CSA has concluded we will continue to accept food/garden scraps throughout the year at our site, 4400 Independence Ave. We accept: fruits & vegetables scraps, shredded newspaper, non-soiled paper, leaves, grass clippings, tea bags, coffee grinds & filters, twigs & small branches. Please only deposit scraps in the scraps collection bin. We also welcome donations of bagged leaves and will be happy to pick them up. More info? 347-699-6520.

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

NEW - Riverdale Vintner has joined our scrip program and will contribute 10%. For more information on volunteering or to place an order, email <a href="mailto:giftcard@hir.org">giftcard@hir.org</a> or call Shira Gordon at 718-549-5280.

### 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.