

THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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Weekly Edition

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Kiddush

Kiddush this Shabbat is sponsored by Pola & Ari Wax in honor of Joshua's Bar Mitzvah. To sponsor a Kiddush, please contact Arielle Berger - hirkiddush@gmail.com.

This Week

Shabbat Parshat Bereshit Shabbat Mevarchim

- Candle Lighting: 6:01pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 6:05pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LL BM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Carelbach Tefillah: 8:30am (LL BM)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:53am
- Parsha Shiur: 4:45pm
- Mincha: 5:30pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 7:02pm

Weekday Times

- Shacharit:
Sun: 8:30, 9:00am (Kavvanah)
Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:15am
Tues/Wed: 6:30, 8:15
(Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan)
Fri: 6:45, 8:15am
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 5:55pm

Next Week

Shabbat Parshat Noach

- Candle Lighting: 5:50pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:55pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 5:35pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 6:52pm



Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Bryna & Chaim Dubin on the birth of twin grandchildren (boy & girl) to their children **Sheryl & Avi Dubin**. To Sheryl's mother Annie Gurland and to the entire family.

Ilana & Shya Herman on the birth of a grandson Michael Moshe. To parents **Tani & Aaron Herman** and Aunt Rachel & Uncle Josh Herman.

Pola & Ari Wax on their son **Joshua's** Bar Mitzvah. To the best big brother in the world **Jake**. To grandparents Rabbi Burton & Maxima Wax and Henry & Ruth Rosenstein.

Beverly & Ted Fettman on the upcoming marriage of their daughter **Judy Chana Fettman** to **Marc Gaston Dreyfuss**. To Marc's parents Rochelle & Robert Dreyfuss. To Dr. Jesse Lachter promoted to Professor of Medicine at the Technion Medical School of Haifa, son of Beverly & Ted, brother to the bride and groom and Julia & David Greenwald. To Zak Greenwald on his aliyah to Israel, grandson of Beverly & Ted.

Wishing Condolences to:

The family of **Yaffa Glickman** on her passing. Shiva will be observed at 3777 Independence Ave., #14N until Monday Shacharit. Shacharit 8:30am Sun., and 6:45am Mon.; Mincha/Maariv 6:00pm Sun.

Leah Botnick on the passing of her mother **Mrs. Gisele Hausman**. Shiva will be observed at 875 West End Ave., #7B until Tuesday morning, Oct. 16. Mincha/Maariv: 6:15pm Wed., Thurs., and Sun.

Welcome to New Members:

Rina & Joshua Altman, Amy Heller & Noah Borenstein, Yael & Will Keller and Rachel Zelman.

This Shabbat @ The Bayit

VIEWS FROM THE PEWS: We'll experience Bereshit - creation - through the lens of a psychologist, an artist, and a biologist.

SHABBAT MEVARCHIM: We are continuing our spirited tefillah this Shabbat at 9:00am in Lower Level Beit Midrash. Healthy Kiddush will follow. Contributions of healthy, unopened, acceptably kosher certified snacks welcome!

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - SEUDA SHLISHIT AUFRUF CELEBRATION: Celebrate with Judy Chana Fettman and Marc Gaston Dreyfuss in anticipation of their forthcoming marriage. Food, singing, and blessings for bride and groom! Sponsored by Rochelle & Robert Dreyfuss.

Please note: Shacharit & Mincha/Maariv this Sun., Oct. 14 will be in the Main Sanctuary.

KAVVANAH TEFILLAH - This Sunday, October 14: An hour of slower tefillah with Rav Steven including meditation & song. Light breakfast follows. Halakhic Shacharit requirements met. Room 3-1.



Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

DRASHA with Rav Avi: "Reflections on the Post-Katrina Rededication of Rav Uri's Synagogue"

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH: Kiddush will take place on **Shabbat, Oct. 20**. If you would like to make a donation to the Kiddush fund in honor of an October birthday, please fill out the form at www.thebayit.org/birthday.

In honor of Jewish Social Action Month - Global Hunger Shabbat in Riverdale: Coming together as a Community to Reverse Hunger

Please join the broader **Riverdale Jewish community** and **AJWS** as we come together for Shabbat dinner and program at HIR's Abraham & Sarah's Tent.



Fri. Night, Nov. 2 * 6:30pm - Expo & Text Study * 7:30pm - Dinner

Catered Shabbat dinner; Learning and programming for all ages; Childcare;
Dessert lecture and Q&A with AJWS President Ruth Messinger

Please sign up at: www.thebayit.org/JSAMreversehunger by Oct. 24.

Suggested donation (to help cover costs) of \$18/person; \$50/family.

Sponsorship Opportunities: Pillar - \$360; Chai - \$180; Partner - \$100

For more information contact Menachem Menchel (menachem@thebayit.org)

Partial funding for this event has been provided by the UJA-Federation of NY's Jewish Social Action Month

This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

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

Shabbat

8:10am - Parshat Hashavua with Rav Ari
4:45pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven

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)*
8:00pm - Advanced Talmud with Rabbi Jeff Fox
(at David Mann's home. Email rebjeff@gmail.com to attend)

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

7:20am - Talmud Moed Katan with Rav Steven

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

Bayit Katan Toddler Time is back! Registration now open for our Mondays' Session
Mondays from 10:00am - 11:30am
Trial: Oct. 22, 2012 - Cost: \$18
8 week Session: Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 19, 26,
Dec. 3, 10, 17th and Jan. 7 - Cost: \$150
Not meeting: Nov. 12, Dec. 24 & 31



SPACE IS LIMITED! For more information, please contact Kathy Goldstein at BayitKatan@hir.org.



Reserve the Bayit for Your Simcha



HIR has begun 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 will be maintained.

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**Shabbat Shalom
and Chodesh Tov!**

Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT: Join us for this open communal dinner sponsored by Beverly & Ted Fettman in honor of **Judy Chana Fettman** and **Marc Gaston Dreyfuss** on their wedding. Also, in honor of our son Professor Jesse Lachter on his promotion to that position at the Technion Medical School in Haifa and our grandsons Rabbi Adam Greenwald on his appointment as Executive Director of the "Miller Introduction to Judaism" program and Zak Greenwald for making Aliyah this past August. To sponsor future tents contact James Lapin at tent@hir.org.

2 BOOK EVENTS - Oct. 21: Meet the authors and buy their books of Jewish interest: The Bayit's own Dan Langer celebrates his new book, *"The Seventh and the First: The Divine Thread of the Torah"*, at a 10:00am breakfast, and extraordinary prisoner of conscience Yosef Mendelevich presents his work, *"Unbroken Spirit: A Heroic Story of Faith, Courage and Survival"* at 7:30pm. See box on page 4.

TEFILLAT ESTHER: The next women's tefillah will take place on **Shabbat Parshat Lech Lecha, Oct. 27, 9:00am** in Lower Level Beit Midrash.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING IN THE BAYIT BULLETIN: Promote your business to Bayit Bulletin readers. Bulletins are emailed to almost 1,200 people, posted to our Facebook Page and 300 paper copies are distributed in Shul each week. E-mail office@thebayit.org for an insertion order form.

CELEBRATING A SIMCHA? OBSERVING A YAHRZEIT? Please send an email to gabbai@hir.org so that we can arrange the appropriate Aliyah.

Coming Soon... www.thebayit.org - Upgrade coming soon! Stay tuned for details as our website gets a makeover soon.

WELCOMING TO OUR BAYIT: If you would like friends or family welcomed on Shabbat morning, you can now enter their names in the first link on our homepage www.thebayit.org. Please continue to make our Bayit welcoming by introducing yourself to at least one new person every Shabbat and by inviting new families to join you for a Shabbat meal. Not every "new" face is new to Riverdale, but if they are new to you, that's what counts.

SEFARIM FUND



Our new Sefarim Fund is up and running.

Thank you to this month's donors:

- Lauren & Jack Gorman in thanks for Jack's aliyah on Sept. 1, 2012.
- Barbara & Steven Held in honor of the birth of our granddaughter Reva Gila Held.
- Shirley Lowenstein in memory of Alfred Lowenstein.

To make a donation, pick up a flyer in the lobby, visit our website www.thebayit.org/sefarim, or call the office.



Have you see the 3rd FL Youth Mural Yet?
Celebrate Shabbat Bereishit and come witness our new mural depicting the 7 days of creation!

Is your family new to the community? Menachem Menchel would like to meet you and tell you about all our youth & family programming!



REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP

www.thebayit.org/youth

Register and sign up for Youth Membership today!

HIR YOUTH DEPARTMENT 2012-2013

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!

Two Awesome Programs Kick Off on Sunday, October 14th!

Children's Musical Tefillah!

10:00am-11:30am



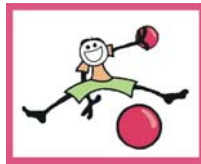
Grab your favorite instrument and join a circle of friends and parents to experience a lively musical tefillah with veteran music teacher, Morah Chaya Glaser. Following tefillah, enjoy a hearty breakfast along with an arts and crafts activity!

\$10/child; \$8/youth member
Parents join free with children.

To sponsor, please contact Menachem.

Movie, Smoothies & Free Play!

1:00pm-3:30pm



Movie: The Little Rascals
Smoothies: Fresh Fruit & Yogurt

Free Play: Gaga, Foosball Jump-rope & Board games

\$8/child; \$5/youth member.
Reserve a spot with Menachem.

Upcoming Events:

- **Trip to Eden Village:** Next Sunday, October 21
Join family and friends as we plant orchards and learn together. Suggested donation: \$10. If you would like to attend, please RSVP with Menachem by October 17.
- **V'Shinantam Kick-Off:** Saturday, October 27
Child-parent Torah study is back! Join us an hour after Shabbat ends for a 1 hour open Beit Medrash, followed by a values-based conversation with Menachem.
Can you help sponsor our kick-off snack party? Contact Menachem
- **Teen Tefillah:** Shabbat, October 27 & November 3
Join friends for a teen-friendly Shabbat tefillah in the Teen Lounge, featuring late wake-up start time. We welcome teen participation and leadership. Hot Kiddush and games to follow Tefillah. 9:30am.
 - **Teen Paintball:** Sunday, October 28
Join friends as we travel upstate for teen paintball! Equipment, Travel and Snacks included. Limited number of spots. To reserve, please contact Menachem ASAP. 9th-12th grades. \$70/teen — 12:00pm - 5:00pm

This shabbat!

PARASHA PUPPET PLAY with MELISSA BULMAN @ 10:30am for Nursery, Pre-K, Kindergarten in room 3-1

Stars Among Us with Chazzan Pinchas Rosenblatt for 3rd-6th Grades @ 10:30 with Menachem.

Special Program on Art, Creativity, & B'reishit @ 9:45am with our Beautiful new 3rd floor mural

TOT SHABBAT RIGHT HAND SOCIAL HALL THIS WEEK
10:30am-11:30am
Free Play @ 9:30am

Shabbat Morning Groups

9:30-11:30 on 3rd floor

- Room 3-4: NURSERY
- Room 3-5: PRE-K
- Room 3-6: KINDERGARTEN
- Room 3-3: Grades 1 & 2
- Room 3-7: Grades 3 & 4
- Room 3-2: Junior Congregation (5/6)
- Room 3-1: Teens

CAN YOU SPONSOR SNACKS THIS WEEK?

Teen Lounge

Join friends for pool, foosball, cards and games
Along with a chulent Kiddush and leather couches
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 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



Chessed Opportunities:

VOLUNTEER ESCORTS NEEDED FOR CEMETERY VISITS WITH SENIORS: Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have participated in our cemetery visiting program this year. We have a few more requests from seniors who would like to visit the grave sites of their loved ones and we need your help to fulfill this need. This opportunity would not be possible without you. If you are able to volunteer please contact Niti Minkove at nminkove@bjcconline.org or call 917-693-3084 to sign up.

HOST NEW RIVERDALIANS AT YOUR SHABBAT TABLE: We're looking to expand our list of hosts to welcome new families to the community. If you can host new Riverdalians at your Shabbat table, please email hirwelcome@gmail.com to let Hospitality Coordinator Chavi Eisenberg know. Thank you for making our Bayit more welcoming!

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

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

Home or Nursing Home Visits or Telephone Calls:

Rivka Haut: 718-543-1072, rivkahaut@yahoo.com
Ruth Licht: 718-796-3491, ruth.licht@verizon.net

Meals for New Mothers:

Aimee Baron: 718-432-0777, baronaj1@yahoo.com

Hospitality and Welcome: hirwelcome@gmail.com

Young HIR: hirsocial@gmail.com

LEMON-AID STAND: On Sun., Oct 28th from 12:00-5:00pm, Anina and Raphael Jasper Brody (3rd grade), along with their mother Michelle, will be selling lemonade and cookies to help raise money for Cancer Care, Gilda's Club and Chai Lifeline in memory of father and husband David Jasper Brody. Weather permitting, the stand will be located on Independence Ave. and 236th St. If it is too cold, or inclement weather, the stand will move to 3515 Henry Hudson Parkway, #8F. For questions, please call 917-250-8943.



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



HIR GIFT CARDS: Get ready for the High Holidays. Purchase Gift Cards before you go shopping for Chag - Buy it for the Bayit!

The Kosher Market on the Upper Westside is now participating in the HIR Scrip program. They will issue gift certificates in the denomination that you choose and will rebate the shul 5% of the amount.

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

Beyond @ the Bayit

YIDDISH IN THE BRONX: The Sholem Aleichem Cultural Center located at 3301 Bainbridge Ave. at Corner of 208th St., will host its opening lecture of the season on Sun., Oct. 14 at 1:30pm. Professor David Fishman, JTS will speak about "Chaim Grade: Memoirs and Reflections." Special musical guest: Joshua Waletzky. For more information call 917-930-0295.

ISRAELI AND PALESTINIAN YOUNG WOMEN TO SPEAK ABOUT PEACEMAKING WORK: The College of Mount Saint Vincent, located at 6301 Riverdale Ave. will be hosting a discussion in the President's Reception Room, Founders Hall this Thurs., Oct. 18 11:30am - 12:30pm. Three young women will speak about their peacemaking work. For additional information contact Carol DeAngelo, S.C., Director of Office of Peace, Justice and Integrity of Creation at the Sisters of Charity Center 718-549-9235 or cdeangelo@scny.org.



SAR PROSPECTIVE PARENT OPEN HOUSE FOR NURSERY - 8TH GRADE: Will take place on Wed., Oct. 24, 7:00pm-9:00pm. SAR is located at 655 W. 254 St., Pre-register at www.saracademy.org/acopenhouse. Questions, please contact Beverly at 718 548 1717 x1262 beverly@saracademy.org.

JEWISH CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP: The next session of the Jewish Caregivers Support Group through the Shira Ruskay Center of JBFCS will be held on Wed., Oct. 24 from 5:00pm-6:30pm. Share experiences, benefit from mutual support and gain practical advice from people who are actively caring for a loved one. Where: Beatman Center 521 West 239th Street, 2nd floor. RSVP to Anna Kirshblum LCSW at 718-601-9714 or akirshblum@jbfcs.org.

ROCK-A-BABY MUSIC PROGRAM @ THE RIVERDALE Y: An interactive mommy-and-me style music program for infants and toddlers, is coming to the Riverdale Y following their successful appearances at the 14 Street Y and the JCC of Manhattan. The 45-minute classes include three musicians to rock your socks off - vocals, guitar, and key board! Hands on instrument play, dancing, story time, songs and much more. Free trial class: Fri., Oct. 26 10:45am - 11:30am (Room 5). To pre-register for free class with Wendy Pollock email WPollock@RiverdaleY.org. The 6-week session will run from Mon., Nov. 5 - Mon., Dec. 10. For more information contact Wendy Pollock at 718-548-8200, x220. The Riverdale Y is located at 5625 Arlington Avenue.

MONDAY EVENING SPECIAL LECTURE SERIES @ YCT: Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School is offering two exciting lecture series: *Jew & Non-Jew in Halakha*, Rabbi Dov Linzer, Rosh HaYeshiva and Dean Oct. 22 / Oct. 29 / Nov. 5 / Nov. 12 - 8:00pm-9:00pm



From the Rav's Desk - The Published & Unpublished Letters of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik z"l
Rav Nati Helfgot, Chair, Departments of Bible and Jewish Thought
Nov. 19 / Dec. 3 / Dec. 10 / Dec. 17 - 8:00pm-9:00pm. Location: YCT Beit Midrash, 3700 Henry Hudson Parkway, 2nd Floor. Cost: \$18 registration fee per series. To register please contact 212-666-0036 or abatalion@yctorah.org.

Yosef Mendelevich @ The Bayit - Oct. 21, 7:30pm

Come hear Yosef Mendelevitch, a true Jewish hero. Yosef helped found the modern Zionist underground in the Soviet Union and was sentenced to long years in the Gulag of prisons and labor camps. After 11 years, worldwide pressure forced the Kremlin to liberate Yosef. From Israel, he continued to vigorously advocate for the freedom of his fellow Russian Jews. He will be in New York for one day, beginning a national book speaking tour. Copies of Yosef's new hardcover autobiography, "Unbroken Spirit" will be available at the special discounted price of \$20. For more info., contact Rav Steven at [718-796-4730 x.108](tel:718-796-4730)



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.