

THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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Weekly Edition

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Kiddush

To view the list of sponsors for the October Birthday Kiddush see box to the right.

To sponsor a Kiddush, please contact
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This Week

Shabbat Parshat Vayera

- Candle Lighting: 5:53pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:55pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LL BM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:56am
- Parsha Shiur: 4:30pm (LL BM)
- **Mincha: 5:15pm**
- **Seudah Shlishit: 5:40pm**
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 6:55pm

Weekday Times

- Shacharit:
Sun: 8:30am
Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:15am
Tues/Wed/Fri: 6:45, 8:15am
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 5:50pm

Next Week

Shabbat Parshat Chayei Sarah

- Candle Lighting: 5:43pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:45pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- **Mincha: 5:15pm**
- **Seuda Shlishit: 6:00pm**
- Maariv/Shabbat Ends: 6:45pm



שבת
שלום!

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Judy & Lanny Binstock and uncle **David** on the birth of a granddaughter, **Talia Tzipporah**. To parents **Yaira Singer & Matthew Binstock**, to siblings **Eliza Netiya** and **Eitan Tzvi**.

Rochelle & Leo Goldberg and family on the birth of a grandson, **Phillip Judah**. To parents **Shari & Josh Goldberg** and to big sister **Evelyn**.

Welcome to New Members:

Abe Mayers, Shirley & Donald Feldstein and **Sara Schafler**.

Wishing Condolences to:

Daniel Millner on the passing of his grandmother **Babette Millner**. Shiva in Riverdale has concluded. Shiva will continue in Chicago until Tues., Oct. 22nd.

This Shabbat @ The Bayit

LEARNING SERVICE WITH RAV ARI! 9:30am - 11:00am. Social Hall. Weekly Kiddush. Sponsors welcome. Contact Rav Ari at ravari@thebayit.org or 718-796-4730 x124.

BIKKUR CHOLIM & OCTOBER BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH: The October Birthday Kiddush is sponsored by: Ken Perry in honor of all the October birthdays; Beverly & Ted Fettman in honor of the 1st wedding anniversary of Judy Fettman Dreyfuss & Marc Dreyfuss; Judy Kaplan in honor of Larry Polsky's birthday; Elliott Rabin in honor of Adele & Elliott Rabin's birthdays; Joan & Arnie Stark in honor of Arnie Stark's birthday; Ahron Rosenfeld in honor of Kathy Goldstein's birthday; Beth & Ari Hait in honor of Menachem Menchel's birthday; Rochelle & Leo Goldberg in honor of the birth of their grandson; Jane Flechner & Ron Schechter in honor of their granddaughter Barbara Lilly Sasson's birthday; Chavi & Daniel Eisenberg in honor of their birthdays; Anya & Chayim Wiebke in honor of their daughter Saskia and son Emanuel's birthdays; Stuart Olsen in memory of his late wife Ann's birthday. Co-sponsored by Shoshana Shinnar in honor of Bikkur Cholim Shabbat.

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE @ THE BAYIT - Dr. David Luchins

Dr. Luchins is Chairperson of the Political Science Department of Touro College, was a longtime senior advisor to the late Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, and is a Senior Vice President of the Orthodox Union.



Shabbat morning talk after tefillah: "*Kulturkampf: Israel's Religious Wars*"

Talk during Seudah Shelishit: "*Is the Party over? American Jewish Political Power Faces New Realities*"

Saturday night 8:30pm - talk: "*When Public Policy and Halacha Clash - the Orthodox Community and Marriage Equality*"

FINANCIAL LITERACY & EMPOWERMENT SEMINAR

This Sunday, Oct. 20, 1:00pm - 3:30pm

Join communal leaders, rabbis and financial experts at the Bayit to share and discuss Jewish wisdom and financial strategies in preparation for the upcoming Shmitta year. Featuring: Having the "Talk" - Family and Money; Financial Tools for empowerment; Torah study on money and values. For info or to RSVP: ravari@thebayit.org / 718-796-4730 x124.



Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

TEFILLAT ESTHER: The next Women's Tefillah will take place on **Shabbat Parshat Chayei Sarah, Oct. 26th**, 9:00am in the Lower Level Beit Midrash.

LEARNING SERVICE WITH RAV ARI! 9:30am - 11:00am. Social Hall.

SEUDA SHLISHIT - Shabbat Oct. 26th, 6:00pm: Seuda Shlishit is sponsored by Ethel & Stanley Scher in honor of their grandson Meir Zvi Scher's Bar Mitzvah. Mincha will be at 5:15pm.

RECYCLE UNUSED GIFTS AND BENEFIT THE BAYIT!

On **Sun., Nov. 10th**, we will be hosting a Green Chanukah Boutique / Giant Tag Sale. Help the environment by recycling unused gifts, Judaica, collectibles and more:

- Your unwanted items in excellent condition find new loving homes
- Proceeds from the sale raise needed funds for HIR
- Receipts available for items dropped off during office hours

Drop-off your donations at the Bayit Office Mon.-Thurs., 9:30am - 4:30pm and Sun. 9:00am - 10:30am. Questions? Contact the tag sale committee at hirtagsale@gmail.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 Shekalim and beyond!

Shabbat

See front page for Dr. Luchins' Scholar-in-Residence talks

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

4:30pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)

The Listening Room with Myra Estelle (**Not meeting this week**)

Monday

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 rebjeff@gmail.com to attend)

Tuesday

10:00am - Bereishit: The Genesis Narrative with Rav 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 I: Walking with God (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)*

Friday

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., October 27th, 7:00pm - Book Talk with Gillian Steinberg: "Thomas Hardy: The Poems"



Shabbat, November 2nd Between Mincha and Maariv - Talk with Chanan Kessler: "After Kaddish: Reflections on the Transition From Mourning to Memory"

POTS Teens Chesed 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 except in November when we will leave at 8:45am and return at approximately 12:00pm. Contact Samantha Verrone: sverrone@mac.com, 917-885-4542 to sign up.
Upcoming date are: 11/10, 12/15, 1/12, 2/9, 3/23, 4/6, 5/11, 6/8.



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 giftcard@hir.org or call Shira Gordon at 718-549-5280.

Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT: Join us for our open communal dinner sponsored by Ann & Rick Feldman in honor of our kind and giving friends at HIR and the Parsha of the Tent. 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.

FREE HEBREW CRASH COURSE LEVEL 1: Learn to read Hebrew in just 6 hours, 1 hour weekly sessions. Continues this **Mon. Oct. 21** and also Oct., 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18 at 6:30pm. Designed for people with little or no background in Hebrew. Each participant will receive a free textbook provided by NJOP. To register call 718-796-1430.

FOOD & GARDEN SCRAPS DROP-OFF FOR COMPOSTING: There will be a bin available for everyone to drop off food/garden scraps during the weekly CSA pick-up time, usually Wed., 5:30pm - 8:30pm or come by to learn more and get your questions answered. We accept: fruits & vegetables scraps, shredded newspaper, non-soiled paper, leaves, grass clippings, tea bags, coffee grinds & filters, twigs & small branches. All scraps collected will be brought to the Riverdale Community Composting site, 4400 Independence Ave. More info? csa.at.hir@gmail.com or 917-968-8469.

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. Donors will be recognized with a thank you in the 2nd bulletin of every month and a dedication label in the book that is purchased. To donate visit our website at www.thebayit.org/sefarim.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING IN THE BAYIT BULLETIN: Promote your business to Bayit Bulletin readers in the 1x/first bulletin of every month.

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. Open to all. 30 sessions. Tuesday nights, 7:30pm. Room 3-3. Please share this information with anyone who may enjoy this class! Starting this Tuesday night.



Remembering Hurricane Sandy Efforts at the Bayit

It is hard to believe that an entire year has passed since Hurricane Sandy took place on October 22-31, 2012. In remembrance of these eventful days at the Bayit we are displaying some of the thank you letters from SAR students who came to learn at the Bayit for a few days. Please take a few moments and pass by the LCD screen in the lobby.

Free Thanksgiving Dinner

*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.



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.

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!

**This Shabbat Afternoon
 @ 4:20pm
 Child-Parent
 V'Shinantam Torah Study
 with Menachem**

Come celebrate Menachem's Bar Mitzvah Parasha with Torah & Cake!

4:10pm—Open Torah Study
4:40pm—Values Conversation from Parasha facilitated by Menachem
5:05pm—Cake & Fruit
5:15pm—Mincha*

*All kids who come to Mincha will be invited to open the Aron Kodesh for *peticha*!

Thank you to our team of volunteers who organized Bayit toys, under the leadership and initiative of Carmiya Weinraub:

Cecily Marbach and Yosefa
 Chavi Eisenberg and Moshe
 Melissa Bulman

Kathy Goldstein and Modi
 Esther Margit and Maya
 Bryan Cordova

FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT SEMINAR THIS SUNDAY

ALL TEENS & PARENTS OF TEENS are invited to join communal leaders, rabbis and financial experts who will be discussing Jewish wisdom and financial strategies in preparation for the upcoming Shmitta year. Featuring: Having the "Talk" - Family and Money; Financial Tools for empowerment; Torah study on money and values. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Rav Ari

Have your children been in Tot Shabbat for the last couple of years?

Bring them upstairs for the 3 year-old group!

The nursery group is hands-on and rich with fun, interactive educational programming. **Parents welcome!**

Nursery-Kindergarten

PJ Library Book with Abby,
 followed by Torah and Tefillah

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

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

Room 3-3: GRADES 1-2
 Room 3-2: GRADES 3-6

TOT SHABBAT

Thank you to Donna Rudolph for leading Tot Shabbat this week!
TS meets @ 10:30am
 (@ 9:30am: Open Play)
Lower Level: Right Hand Social Hall

**CHILD-PARENT
 V'SHINANTAM IS BACK!
 PLEASE SEE THE ABOVE
 NOTICE FOR
 INFORMATION :)**

Teen Tefillah & Lounge

Come to our teen-led and teen-family led tefillah. Late wake up and relaxed environment. Enjoy Kiddush with chulent, pool, ping pong, foosball and more!
9:30am on 3rd floor



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/nv/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:

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). Cell phones will be given to My Sister's Place (www.msphny.org).

RUN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR BEIT ISSIE SHAPIRO: Do you or someone you know want to run in the 2013 ING New York City Marathon on **Sun., Nov. 3rd** but don't have a spot? Sign up to run and raise funds for the American Friends of Beit Issie Shapiro (AFOBIS). For more information, please contact Bill Edelstein at bedelstein@afobis.org or 212-586-2464 or visit the AFOBIS website www.afobis.org.

"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. For more information call 212-632-4730 or email bikurcholimcc@jbfc.org or visit www.jbfc.org/bikurcholim.

DONATE SHOES TO CSAIR: The Sisterhood of the Conservative Synagogue Adath Israel of Riverdale is collecting as a fundraiser men's, women's and children's gently used shoes and sneakers to be distributed to people who might otherwise not be able to have them. Please leave contributions in the collection box in the lower lobby of the shul located at 475 W 250 St. The box will be available Sundays through Fridays. Any questions please contact Phyllis Schulberg at hcspgs@optonline.net or Sharon Hyman at sharonhyman@gmail.com.

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.

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

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@jbfc.org.** (In partnership with UJA & JBFCs)

Beyond the Bayit

CONCERT IN COMMEMORATION OF RABBI SHLOMO CARLEBACH'S YAHRZEIT - Oct. 19th: Concert will take place at the West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120 W. 76th St. Doors open 9:00pm, Concert begins 9:30pm. Starring Yehuda Green, Yisroel Williger, Eitan Katz, and Elli Kranzler. Music by Krohn Brothers Orchestra. Admission: \$45 at the door, if still available. To purchase tickets online visit www.carlebachshul.org

EVENING OF INSPIRATIONAL STORIES AND DIVREI TORAH WITH RABBI MORDECHAI MACHLIS: Rabbi Machlis and his wife are legendary in Israel for opening up their small Jerusalem home to thousands of people of all imaginable backgrounds, including over 200 people every Shabbat. As featured on Aish.com, they personally provide home cooked meals, spiritual inspiration, a safe place to sleep, and social assistance to countless people. **Wed., Oct. 23rd, 8:00pm**, (3020 Palisade Avenue @ Jonas home). For additional information contact: ElanPT@gmail.com or 347-688-3526.

"MOKUM AND MEDIENE" CONCERT @ CSAIR: Conservative Synagogue Adath Israel of Riverdale Sisterhood is sponsoring a concert on **Wed., Oct. 23rd** at 8:00pm. Musical presentation by Barbara Haimowitz with keyboard/guitar accompaniment. This event is free and open to all. Light refreshments from the Netherlands. For additional information call 718-543-8400.

SHEFA SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - FOR CHILDREN WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES: Join us to learn more about The Shefa School, a new Jewish community day school in Manhattan for children with learning disabilities. Now accepting applications for enrollment in Sept. 2014 for students entering 2nd-4th grades. **Oct. 24th, 6:00pm-7:30pm.** JCC in Manhattan, 334 Amsterdam Ave., 7th Floor. RSVP to: rebecca@shefaschool.org. More info at shefaschool.org.

CPR COURSE @ RJC: Riverdale Hatzalah Volunteer EMS will be offering a free American Heart Association CPR course for the community-at-large (no prior knowledge required). Class covers CPR skills, choking relief and use of a defibrillator. **Sun., Oct. 27** at 6:00pm at the Riverdale Jewish Center, 3700 Independence Ave. Space is limited. To register, please go to www.RiverdaleHatzalah.org/cpr. For more info contact Charlie Wohlberg at charlie.wohlberg@gmail.com.

OPEN HOUSE WESTCHESTER HEBREW HIGH SCHOOL: **Wed., Oct. 30th, 6:30pm** at 856 Orienta Avenue, Mamaroneck, NY. Light dinner will be served. To register online go to www.whhsny.org or call 914-698-0806 x308.

WTA OPEN HOUSE: Please join Yeshivat Netzach/Westchester Torah Academy on **Thurs., Oct. 31st** at 8:00pm for our Open House, located at 1000 Pinebrook Blvd, New Rochelle. Prospective parents and community members are invited to see our classrooms, learn about our school, meet some students, and hear from our head, faculty & parents. For more info or to RSVP visit westchestertert.org/open-house-2013. WTA will offer Pre-K through 2nd Grade for the 2014/15 school year. Email info@westchestertert.org to arrange a tour.

SONS OF ISRAEL 100th ANNIVERSARY GALA: The Gala celebration of the 100th anniversary of our sibling shul in the Bronx, Rabbi Moshe Fuchs' Congregation Sons of Israel will take place on **Sun., Nov. 3rd, 6:00pm** at The Marina Del Ray, Throgs Neck, Bronx. 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.

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.

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.