

THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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Weekly Edition

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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 Shemini Shabbat Parah

- Candle Lighting: 6:51pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 6:55pm
- Tefillat Shalom Bayit: 7:00am (LL BM)
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Carlebach Tefillah: 9:00am (LL BM)
- Learning Service: 9:45am (Room 3-7)
- Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 10:00am
- Listening Room: 5:20pm (Room 3-3)
- Parsha Shiur: 5:50pm
- Mincha: 6:35pm
- Shabbat Ends: 7:55pm

Weekday Times

- Shacharit:
Sun: 8:30am
Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:15am
Tues/Wed/Fri: 6:45, 8:15am
- Mincha/Maariv all week: 7:00pm

Next Week

Shabbat Parshat Tazria Shabbat Hachodesh Shabbat Mevarchim

- Candle Lighting: 6:58pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Shacharit - Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 6:45pm
- Shabbat Ends/Maariv: 8:02pm



Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Milton Schwartz on the birth of his 17th great-grandson, born in NJ to Shonnie & Yoni Chambre. A big Mazal Tov to the Chambre and Schwartz families.

Welcome to New Member: Natalie Eigenfeld.

This Shabbat @ The Bayit

YCT SHABBATON: Welcome to the many YCT alumni and families joining us for Shabbat. It's great to have you back!

SPECIAL GUESTS' DIVREI TORAH: We'll hear words of Torah from guests throughout Shabbat, including special divrei Torah at the end of Mussaf instead of during the regular drasha slot.

CARLEBACH TEFILLAH - 9:00am: Join us for raucous davening, singing & dancing with Noah Solomon in the Lower Level Beit Midrash. Kiddush to follow. Questions? Email hbroder@gmail.com.

LISTENING ROOM - 5:20pm: Since we have moved the clocks forward an hour, we are moving the starting time of the Listening Room to 75 minutes before Mincha. All are encouraged to try it out!

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - SEUDAH SHLISHIT: Sponsored by Helaine Newman in honor of Alisha Diamond Saltzman's Birthday in December.

Next Shabbat @ The Bayit

DRASHA with Rav Ari

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - AIPAC Talkback: Hear what our Bayit delegation learned on our recent trip to Washington, DC for the Policy Conference.

Sunday, March 30th @ The Bayit

HIR Clothing Drive - 9:30am - 12:30pm: Please sort men's, women's and children's clothing into separate bags. We are also collecting blankets and quilts. Please bag those separately. Volunteers are needed. Please call Steve Pretsfelder or Barbara Gochberg at 718-601-3586 or e-mail spretsfelder@vanwagner.com.



Post-Nup Party - 7:45pm: Our Bayit Rabbinic Team deeply believes in the use of the halakhic pre-nuptial and post-nuptial agreements to address the problem of get-refusal in our broader community. Please help us by filling out a brief survey, so we can learn about how you, our members feel on the subject. Fill out the survey online @ www.thebayit.org/pn.

Never signed a pre-nup or a post-nup? Please join other Bayit couples for an evening of celebration and to sign a post-nuptial agreement.

- 7:45pm - Hors D'oeuvres
- 8:15pm - Post-Nup Signing and Celebration
- 9:00pm - Reception and Dancing



Families welcome! Learn more and sign up at www.thebayit.org/pn. Questions about the Post-Nup? Email Rabbi Steven Exler at ravsteven@thebayit.org or Rabbinic Intern Anat Sharbat at anat.sharbat@gmail.com.

Join the Bayit and Eitan Kastner for a Pre-Pesach tour of the Egyptian Galleries of the Metropolitan Museum of Art

Eitan Kastner will be leading the second installment of his Metropolitan Museum of Art tour series. At 11:00am on Sunday, April 6th, he will lead a tour of the museum's Egyptian galleries to offer a survey of ancient Egyptian history in preparation for Passover. Cost: \$36/person for museum admission and tour.



Eitan Kastner teaches history and Jewish history at the Frisch School. He has an MA in religious history from the University of Chicago and a BA from the Honors Program at Yeshiva University where he focused on Jewish history and art history.

Register online @ www.thebayit.org/met. Minimum registration 20 people. Payment due with registrations. Refunds will be issued if trip is canceled.

Preparing for Passover @ The Bayit - See Page 2.

This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

Joe Hoch z"l Memorial Daf Yomi Shiur with Rabbi Dov Linzer meets 7:30am - 8:30am Sun. - Fri. and **this Shabbat at 6:00pm and after Mincha** in Room 3-7. Open and accessible to all. Join this group and experience Tractate Sukkah and beyond!

Shabbat

8:05am - Midrash Hashavua with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)
5:20pm - Listening Room with Myra Estelle (Room 3-3)
5:50pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven (Main Sanctuary)

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 (Lobby)*
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 (cancelled this week)
7:30pm - Foundations of Judaism: Holidays - Shavuot and Fasts with Rav Steven (Session 22)

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)*

* 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.

Thank You for Giving Back to the Bayit

Thank you to all those who helped make our Purim programming such a success:

Barry Bender for **technical support** on Purim night;

All our Megillah readers: Atara Gorsetman, Bernie Horowitz, Yossi Horowitz, Richard Schleifer, Aliza Schneider, Shira Schneider, Shalhevet Schwartz, Anat Sharbat, Ayelet Spira, Brian Spira and Michael Wachsman.

Carnival and Teen Breakfast: Josh Abraham, Hila & Zohar from Bnei Akiva, Maytal Eisenberger, Yaakov Fishman, Eli Friedman, Kayla Friedman, Bonnie & Isaac Geld, Kathy Goldstein, Davina Goodman, Atara Gorsetman, Shani Mintz & Yaakov Greenman, Beth Hait, Jo-Jo Halperin, Anna Jonas, Daniel Jonas, James Lapin, Devorah Levin, Jordana Levine, Shayna Lopatin, Ely Oberstein, Jeremy Rosenblum, Bella Rudoy, Maya Rudoy, Beverly Satowsky, Shani & David Schwartz, Maksim Shapiro, Ruthie & Joel Simon, Ayelet Spira, Brian Spira, Gillian Steinberg, Lisa Wainberg, Elana Weinberger, Ariel Weiner, Josh Weiner, Ilan Weiner, and Yael Weiner.

Main Sanctuary Decoration and Sat. Night Volunteers: Kathy Goldstein, Beth Hait, Jo-Jo Halperin, James Lapin, Cecily Marbach, Daniella Kevelson, Shani & David Schwartz, and Ruthie & Joel Simon.

To administrative and rabbinic staff: Rav Steven Exler, Rav Ari Hart, Rabba Sara Hurwitz, Richard Langer, Phyllis Newsome, Yael Oshinsky, Shuli Boxer Rieser, and Rav Avi Weiss.

To our maintenance staff: Bryan Cordova, Elmer Cordova, Geo Cordova, Eric Lumanbo, Harry Mendez, Erik Munoz, Manuel Rodriguez, Alex Rose, Andrew Santiago, and Jerome Thomas.

Ariella Bulman, Bella Rudoy, Mica Sinayuk, and Avishai Bulman for a lively performance on Sat. night;

Passover is coming up! If you would like to donate your time, talent or expertise to the Bayit please contact Rabbi Steven Exler at ravsteven@thebayit.org.

Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S TENT: Join us this Shabbat for our open communal dinner. 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.

SCENTS AND SENSITIVITY: As we dress up and accessorize for Shabbat and Yom Tov, we know that many members use personal fragrances (perfume, cologne, deodorants) to enhance their Shabbat experience. Please be aware that fragrances can be harmful to the health of our Bayit family, and in recent times, a number of congregants have shared with our staff that they often experience respiratory or allergic reactions to the fragrances. Please consider reducing or eliminating your fragrance use when you are in the Bayit.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIDDURIM AND CHUMASHIM: As our Bayit tefillot grow, our maintenance team has found more siddurim and chumashim left on our seats after tefillah. Please help us keep our Bayit organized and orderly by returning siddurim and chumashim after tefillah to the appropriate shelves.

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

Preparing for Passover @ the Bayit

CHAMETZ & NON-CHAMETZ FOOD DRIVE: We are collecting Chameitz and non-Chameitz food items that are nourishing, unopened and non-perishable. The food that we collect will go to City Harvest. Please drop off food in the boxes that are in the coat room. **THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTION DATES - One for each drive:**

Kosher for Passover Food - with the specific certification for Passover -

Deadline is **Mon., Mar. 31st at 5:00pm.**

Chameitz - Deadline is **Thurs, Apr. 10th at 9:00pm.**



PESACH QUESTIONS: If you have any Pesach related questions, feel free to call or e-mail our rabbinic team:

Rav Steven Exler: Ext. 108, ravsteven@thebayit.org

Rabba Sara Hurwitz: Ext. 107, rabbasara@thebayit.org

Rav Ari Hart: Ext. 124, ravari@thebayit.org

DO YOUR PESACH SHOPPING AND SUPPORT OUR BAYIT BY USING GIFT CARDS: Purchases of gift cards do not cost you anything extra. For a full listing of stores, log on to www.shopwithscrip.com. To create a new account, use the HIR enrollment code 58L43DE621333.

OU KOSHER FOR PASSOVER FOOD GUIDE: This useful guide is available for pick up in the shul lobby or office. You can also go to www.thebayit.org/pesach and click on the OU Guide link for an online version.

SALE OF CHAMETZ: To sell your chameitz online go to www.thebayit.org/chameitz. Forms are available also in the shul office and in the lobby. If you would like to make the transaction in person, please see one of our rabbinic team.

MA'OT CHITTIM: We are collecting funds for those in need in our community. Donations can be dropped off at the shul office or given to our rabbinic staff or paid online at www.thebayit.org/pesach. These funds should be given in a separate check from any other payments, marked "Ma'ot Chittim" in the memo. Please donate generously.

GOLDEN AGE MODEL SEDER - Thurs., Apr. 10th, 1:00pm: All Older Adults are invited to celebrate Pesach with a Model Seder celebration (led by Rabbi Steven) filled with song and Passover rituals, followed by a scrumptious meal. Please call 718-796-4730 x101 to reserve space or volunteer.

SPECIAL FRIENDS PRE-PESACH PARTY - Thurs., Apr. 10th, 6:30pm: Build bridges between the Special Friends and the Bayit. If you know of special friends who would like to participate, please contact Yael at office@thebayit.org.



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!

Thank you to all our amazing Purim volunteers! Full list on page 2.

FRIDAY NIGHT

with Shayna & Yakira
 7:10-8:10pm, Social Hall
 Pick up @ 8:10 in lobby



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
NEXT MEETING: April 1
 \$5 suggested per child

Sunday FUNDAY Drop-off @ The Bayit

Three full days of fun!

THIS SUNDAY, March 23, April 6, April 13

Bouncy House, Arcade Basketball, Arts & Crafts, Movie, Holiday Learning, Indoor Hockey, Xbox 360 with Kinect, Jump Ropes, Hula Hoops, Parachutes, Bowling & More! **Hot Lunch & Snacks Included!**



Low cost per day:

Child 1 - \$30
 Child 2 - \$50

Sign up for all 3 days & SAVE:

1 Child - \$80
 2 Children - \$140

Sign up & sample schedule @ www.thebayit.org/funday
Drop the kids off for a day of fun @ The Bayit!

Tot Community Shabbat Lunch Shabbat, April 5

Join friends from our wonderful Tot Shabbat community & meet others. Best yet, don't worry about cooking and cleaning 9 days before Pesach!

To learn more visit
www.thebayit.org/tot



This Sunday, March 23
Bnei Akiva SUSHI NIGHT
for 7th-8th Graders

@ Hila & Zohar's Home!

5:00-7:00pm
\$10/per person

420 West 261st st.
See you there!



Nursery-Kindergarten

Tefillah, PJ Library Story & Snacks with Abby & Melissa
 At 10:30am

SHABBAT Morning Groups!

This week's **SNACKS** are not yet sponsored. **Can you please help?** Contact Menachem about this week's snacks or a future snacks sponsorship.

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



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



Room 3-3: Grades 1-2
 Room 3-1: Grades 3-5

TOT SHABBAT

This Shabbat, Tot Shabbat is led by Donna Rudolph TS meets @ 10:30am, Lower Level Bet Midrash (9:30am: Open Play)
THANK YOU, DONNA!

Tot Community Luncheon

We are in looking for volunteers to assist in planning the April 5 Tot community Shabbat luncheon. If you would like to help, please speak to Esther Berko or Menachem

This Shabbat, there will be youth Tefillah with Menachem and we will be using the social hall for free play. Yay!

Teen Lounge

Open from 11am-1pm for teens to hang with friends and Chulent Kiddush. Games and couches available.

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



Thank you to all those listed below who have committed to membership in 2014. If you have not already paid or set up a payment plan, please contact the office (718-796-4730 x103 or Phyllis@thebayit.org) so that we can thank you too. The Bayit needs your support in order to meet our financial obligations, and this support is especially important over the next two months.

Abikzer, Alexandra & Jonathan	Eisenberg, Chavi & Daniel	Haas, David
Abraham, Sara Hurwitz & Josh	Eisenberger, Jennie Goldress & Andrew	Haber, Michelle Kehyaian & Elie
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Dubenko, Julia Bubman & Len	Grossman, William S	Lang, Barbara Estrin & Berel
Dubin, Cochava & Kenneth	Gruber, Vera	Langer, Jessica & Richard
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 Levine, Rose
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 Lew, Ruth Schwartz & Jack
 Leyman, Wendy & Edward
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 Lieberman, Elyorah
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 Lowenfeld, Sally Mendelsohn & David
 Machleder, Elaine
 Mahler, Clara
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 Mandell, Wendy & Arnold
 Marcus, Joyce & Harvey
 Marder, Sonia & Samuel
 Margulies, Selma
 Marks, Kevin
 Marmer, Niva & Mark
 Marson, Sharon & Jay
 Maydan, Elena & Stan
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 Mellinger, Ester
 Menchel, Menachem
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 Messenger, Selene & Marc
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 Noto, Jerilynn Brown Noto & John
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 Poler, Shana & Jon
 Pollack, Yehudit & Noam
 Pretsfelder, Barbara Gochberg & Steven
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 Rosen, Carey
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 White, Gemma & Ari
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Chessed Opportunities:

HELP A FAMILY IN NEED: A family with small children in the community is struggling with life-threatening illness. We're collecting some funds to help with their already heavily subsidized Jewish day school costs. Please contact ravsteven@thebayit.org to help. Any amount makes a difference.

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.

DONATIONS FOR THE BAYIT'S NURSING ROOM: In an attempt to beautify and better equip our Nursing Room, we are asking for your help. If you have left-over disposable diapers or wipes that your child is not using any more, please consider donating them to us for our Nursing Room. Please drop off your donations with Yael at the shul office. Questions? Email office@thebayit.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.

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:

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.

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 & JBFC)*

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! For more information contact csa.at.hir@gmail.com.



FREE PESACH SEDERS @ THE BAYIT

Join us to eat, drink, celebrate and relive the story of our Exodus at HIR's free Passover Seders for either the first Seder on **Mon., Apr. 14th** at 8:15pm, or the second Seder on **Tues., Apr. 15th** at 8:15pm.

Led by Rabbis Avi Weiss, Ari Hart and Steven Exler. Call the office to reserve your spot **by Wednesday, Apr. 9th**. Sponsorships are needed.

To sponsor e-mail Richard@thebayit.org.

This program is sponsored in conjunction with National Jewish Outreach Program's **PASSOVER ACROSS AMERICA.**



The Bayit's 40th Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday, June 15th, 2014.

Join us as we honor 3 outstanding couples for their hard work on behalf of our community.



Shani & David Schwartz
Guests of Honor



Susan & Jonathan Dzik
Community Service Award



Carmiya & Michael Weinraub
Young Leadership Award



THE EMPTY CHAIR - PRE-PESACH PROGRAM FOR BEREAVED JEWS:

Join Rav Steven and HIR social worker Anna Kirshblum for readings, reflections and an opportunity to honor your recently passed loved one in the context of Pesach. Sun., April 6th, 6:00pm - 7:00pm at the Bayit. Please RSVP to Anna at 718-601-9714 or Rav Steven 718-796-4730 x108 or ravsteven@thebayit.org.



THE BAYIT

The Hebrew Institute of Riverdale – The Bayit – is an open Orthodox synagogue serving the entire Jewish community by warmly embracing 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. We are known nationally for bringing spirituality into the synagogue; activism on behalf of the oppressed; youth and teen engagement; learning programs; and work on behalf of the elderly, the homebound, and the 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 - March 21-28, 2014

CALL FOR STORIES: Seeking personal stories of fertility struggles from within the Jewish community. Share your story *anonymously* at www.WeAreUprooted.com. Your stories will help inspire UPROOTED, a mixed media performance piece that confronts the experience of infertility as presented in both Biblical and contemporary narratives. UPROOTED seeks to create understanding in the Jewish community about the experience of infertility. Your story could impact the choreographic process, be printed in the accompanying resource guide, and help shape the tone of this project.

VAN CORTLANDT JEWISH CENTER ONLINE AUCTION: The Van Cortlandt Jewish Center will be holding its next online auction **until Mar. 31st**. Unique and fantastic items up for bid! Visit www.biddingforgood.com/vcjc. Do a mitzvah and get a bargain - all proceeds to benefit the VCJC. Questions? Call VCJC office at 718-884-6105.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHOICES FOR END-OF-LIFE CARE: MJHS and the YM&YWHA of Washington Heights/Inwood are pleased to present Understanding Your Choices for End-of-Life Care. Join us as respected leaders from the community address common issues that arise when facing end-of-life challenges. Understanding your choices - and communicating your wishes to family now - will ensure that your medical care in the future will reflect your personal value and desires. **Sun., Mar. 23rd**, 10:00am - 11:30am, at Mt. Sinai Jewish Center, 135 Bennett Ave., New York, NY 10040.

MSAWI'S 5TH ANNUAL SUPPORT OUR TROOPS DAY: Save the date - **Sun., Mar. 23rd**, 1:00pm - 4:00pm. At Cong. Ramath Orah, 550 West 110th St. It's a day to show our Troops we care. Help to make 100 Kosher for Passover & 1,000 general care packages. Come through our mini-boot camp & take a class in our military academy. For more information, www.msawi.org/troops.php or beverly@msawi.org.

A TALE OF TWO EXILES - TIBETANS AND JEWS - Tues., Mar. 25th, 5:00pm: The Holocaust, Genocide, and Interfaith Education Center at Manhattan College will host this open and free lecture by Nathan Katz, Ph. D. At the Alumni Room, O'Malley Library, Manhattan College, 4513 Manhattan College Pkwy, New York, NY 10463. Questions? Contact Mehnaz Afridi, Ph. D., at mehnaz.afridi@manhattan.edu.

TZEDEK CONCERT AT BEN PORAT YOSEF - Tues., Mar. 25th, 8:00pm: Please join us for an unforgettable night!! Come hear a concert featuring Tzedek's Youth Choir! Since 2005, the Tzedek Youth Choir has provided children with a positive outlet for their time and a safe space to express their emotions. The concerts they put forth provides the children with priceless therapeutic value. The concert will have Israeli music, with chassidic and middle eastern influences. The highly professional Youth Choir has toured extensively throughout Israel and Europe with this as their US debut!

FREE CPR COURSE @ THE RIVERDALE TEMPLE: Riverdale Hatzalah Volunteer EMS will be offering a free American Heart Association CPR course for the community-at-large (no prior knowledge required). This class will cover CPR skills, choking relief and use of a defibrillator. The course will be held on **Sun., Mar. 30th**, at 6:00pm at the Riverdale Temple. *Registration is required and space is limited* To register, please go to www.RiverdaleHatzalah.org/cpr. For more information, please contact Charlie Wohlberg at charlie.wohlberg@gmail.com.

ISRAEL BONDS DESSERT RECEPTION: Israel Bonds invites the Riverdale Jewish community to a dessert reception **Sun., Mar. 30th**, 7:30pm featuring Ambassador Yoram Ettinger, Middle East Strategic and Economic Expert. Ambassador Ettinger will be discussing "The US-Israel Two-Way Street: Israel's Unique Contributions to American Interests." The program will take place at Riverdale Jewish Center, 3700 Independence Ave. All are welcome and there is no fee to attend. If you would like to RSVP to the event or have questions about Israel Bonds, please call Cynthia Blustein at 914-713-9003 or by e-mail at cynthia.blustein@israelbonds.com.

TORAH ACADEMY OF BERGEN COUNTY (TABC) ANNUAL DINNER: Please join TABC at its 31st Annual Dinner on **Sun., Mar. 30th** at Congregation Keter Torah as we honor a group of very special individuals. The theme of this year's dinner "Building our Future," acknowledges the tremendous contributions of our honorees; Wendy and Isaac Shulman, Alisa and Stephen Levy, Dr. Garry Katz and Yaacov Apfelbaum who have all contributed in significant ways to the growth of our Yeshiva. For reservations or to make a donation, please go to www.tabc.org/dinner.

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STEIN YESHIVA'S ANNUAL DINNER: Larry & Nancy Falk are receiving the Parents Award at Stein Yeshiva's Annual Dinner on **Mon., Mar. 31st** to be held at the Young Israel of Scarsdale. Please partner with Stein Yeshiva in honoring this couple by going to www.steinyeshiva.org and selecting "Events" for info on how you can be included in the yeshiva's dedication book. Please call Mrs. Pollock at 914-965-7082, or email spollock@steinyeshiva.org.

RIVERDALE NATURE PRESERVANCY ANNUAL MEETING: Just in time for spring, please come participate in a discussion on non-toxic gardening and housekeeping. Speakers include: Dr. Maya Shetreat-Klein, integrative pediatric neurologist and Jack DePietro, organic gardener. **Thurs., Apr. 3rd, 7:30pm - 9:00pm.** At the Riverdale Neighborhood House, 5521 Mosholu Ave. For additional information go to info@riverdalenature.org or www.riverdalenature.org.

ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR @ THE RIVERDALE Y: Our Annual Environmental Fair will take place this year on **Sun., Apr. 6th, 10:00am - 12:00pm** at the Riverdale Y, 5625 Arlington Ave. RECYCLE - We'll have recycling stations for everything from A to Z; UPCYCLE - Learn about new and creative ways you can turn trash into treasure; REDUCE AND REUSE - Bring in your gently used toys for our Toy Drive (the Y has donation boxes in the lobby). Clean out your closets for textile donations (Crocs too!) For additional information call 718-548-8200.



WHEN COMEDY WENT TO SCHOOL - SCREENING @ RJC: Sun., Apr. 6th, 5:30pm, at the RJC, 3700 Independence Ave. Come see a screening of the remarkable documentary which presents an entertaining portrait of this country's greatest generation of Jewish comedians. See internationalfilmcircuit.com/wcwts/index.html for more info about the film. The cost is \$5 per person; call the RJC office at 718-548-1850 x114 to RSVP.

SOBER PASSOVER SEDER: JACS (Jewish Alcoholics, Chemically Dependent Persons) is offering a Sober Passover Seder on **Mon., Apr. 7th, 6:30pm.** If you cannot attend please join us via a phone conference. For additional information please call the JACS office at 212-632-4600.

PROJECT HOPE - PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY - Sun., Apr. 9, 9:00am - 1:00am: Volunteer with your friends and family this Passover and deliver food packages to lonely home-bound seniors. An hour and a half of your Sunday morning will brighten the day of an older Jewish adult during the holidays! To sign up contact Niti Minkove, Director of Volunteers at nminkove@jbcconline.org or 917-693-3084.



JASA BRONX MODEL SEDER AT JASA VC SENIOR CENTER: Join us for a meaningful model Seder on **Thurs., Apr. 10th** with songs, blessing and appetizers at 11:45am. Including Klezmer musicians, and a performance by the National Yiddish Theatre – *Folksbiene*. To RSVP call the office at 718-549-4700 by Mon., Apr. 7th.

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 and take advantage of the \$50 early bird discount. Email David Frankel at dfrs.frankel@verizon.net if you have any questions.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS 2014-15: Attention music teachers, students and parents! Applications are now being accepted for scholarships to support private music instruction or enhanced lesson time for music students, age 8-15, who live or study in Riverdale, NY. Applications should be submitted by music teachers on behalf of their students and should be received by **May 16, 2014**. Final auditions will be held on **June 15, 2014**. Applications are available from Allen Sher, Director, Rhoda Grundman Music School, Riverdale YM-YWHA. Please call 718-548-8200 x256 or go to www.RiverdaleY.org.

FREE CLASSES @ KCI: Classes with Cantor Chaim Dubin take place on Sundays at 10:00am - Tefillah/Halacha. At Kingsbridge Center of Israel, 3115 Corlear Ave. All are welcome to attend. For more info please call 718-902-5101.