

THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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Kiddush

There will be no Kiddush this Shabbat.
Please contact the shul office to
sponsor a Kiddush.

This Week Shabbat Parshat Metzora April 8-9

- Candle Lighting: 7:10pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (LL BM)
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (2nd FL BM)
- Shacharit Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Learning Service: 9:00am (LL BM)
- Teen Tefillah: 9:30am (RH Social Hall)
- Sof Zman Kri'at Shema: 9:42am
- Parsha Shiur: 6:10pm
- Mincha: 6:55pm
- Shabbat Ends: 8:14pm

Weekday Times

Shacharit:

Sun: 8:30am

Mon/Thurs: 6:40, 8:00am Tues/Wed/Fri: 6:45, 8:00am

Mincha/Maariv all week: 7:20pm

Next Week Shabbat Parshat Acharei Mot Shabbat Hagadol April 15-16

- Candle Lighting: 7:17pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Shacharit Main Tefillah: 8:30am
- Mincha: 6:15pm
- Shabbat Hagadol Discourse: 6:45pm
- Shabbat Ends: 8:21pm

For our Pesach

Schedule and Programs

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Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Rifka & Samuel Schacher on the engagement of their daughter **Yonit** to Ohad Yona, a son of Dalia & Yosef Yona, in Israel. To sister Yael and her family, grandmother Paula Monheit, and to the entire family.

This Shabbat @ The Bayit

SHABBAT MORNING TRIP TO PELHAM PARKWAY - POSTPONED TO MAY 7: Please RSVP to ravstevenexler@gmail.com if you can join us!

SHABBAT LEARNING SERVICE - 9:00AM: Learning Service will take place at 9:00am in the Lower Level Beit Midrash. Guest teacher: Rav Steven.

BETWEEN MINCHA AND MAARIV - Shiur with Rav Steven: "The History and Finer Points of Selling Chametz, or: Why Is the Form So Long?"



ISRAELI POET @ THE BAYIT: The contemporary Israeli Poetry Group's April meeting, this Tue., Apr. 12 at 7:00pm, welcomes Moishale Yitzhaki, a contemporary Israeli poet, who will lead the class and teach his poetry. He is a well known poet in Israel with 5 books published, and he is the Dean of Literature at Midrashat Oranim which trains teachers.

Pesach Practicum with Rabba Sara and Rav Steven - Sun., Apr. 10, 8:00pm: To ensure that it is a *chag kasher vesameach*, we'll study the laws and details of what foods and products can be bought and used for Pesach, and how to clean our homes in a halakhic way.

Next Shabbat @ The Bayit - SHABBAT HAGADOL

Please do not bring chametz into the Bayit this coming Shabbat. The Sanctuary, 2nd and 3rd floors will already be cleaned and chametz-free.

YHIR TEFILLAH: Young HIR will begin at 9:15am in the lower level beit midrash. There will be no Kiddush. To sponsor a future Kiddush e-mail Steven Katchen at chulent@gmail.com.

PRE-PESACH SHABBAT LUNCH: Are preparations for the Shabbat before Pesach stressing you out? Let HIR do the cooking for you! Join us for a delicious and elegant Shabbat Lunch. Cost: Members \$35/Adult, \$20/Children 4-12; Non-Member \$40/Adult, \$25/Children 4-12. For reservations please call the shul office at 718-796-4730 no later than **Tues., Apr. 12**.

SHABBAT HAGADOL DISCOURSE - AT 6:45PM

Ray Avi will deliver a Shabbat Hagadol Discourse titled "Elijah at the Seder: From Zealous Anger to Redemptive Peace." Due to the starting time of the discourse Mincha will be at 6:15pm.

FREE SEDERS @ THE BAYIT - PART OF PASSOVER ACROSS AMERICA

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., April 18 at 8:15pm, or the second Seder on Tues., Apr. 19 at 8:15pm. Call the office to reserve your spot by Wed., Apr. 13.

We are proud to offer free Seders at HIR, and hope you will help us keep this tradition going by donating towards this important program. Every dollar counts! \$100 feeds 5 people at the Seder. \$180 feeds 10 people at the Seder. Please email ravstevenexler@gmail.com to sponsor.

This program is in conjunction with National Jewish Outreach Program.



HIR's 37th Annual Journal Dinner - Sun., Jun. 5, 6:00pm
Save the date for a spectacular Journal Dinner honoring:

Daniel Perla & Valerie Altmann - Guests of Honor Rabbi Tomer & Efrat Grossman - Community Service Award Steven & Chani Laufer - Young Leadership Award

Look for our Journal Dinner mailing next week.

HIR - The Bayit Pesach Schedule 5771/2011

SHABBAT, APRIL 16 - SHABBAT HAGADOL

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha 6:15pm
Shabbat Hagadol Discourse 6:45pm
Maariv/Shabbat Ends 8:21pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Search for Chametz After 8:19pm (If you are traveling or unable to do the search on Sunday night, search without a bracha on the last night you will be present.)

MONDAY, APRIL 18 – FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN and EREV PESACH

Fast Begins	5:02am	
Shacharit	6:40 & 8:00am	
Siyum Bechorim with Daniel Feit	7:30am	
Siyum Bechorim with Charlie Hall	8:45am	
Chametz May Not Be Eaten After	10:40am	
Burn and Annul Chametz no later than	11:47am	
Candle Lighting	7:20pm	
Mincha/Maariv	7:25pm	
Start Seder After	8:23pm	
Community Free Seder	8:15pm	
For Reservations Call 718-796-4730		

TUESDAY, APRIL 19 – PESACH DAY I (YOM TOV)

Shacharit	8:30am	
Mincha	6:50pm	
Followed by a shiur		
Maariv	7:55pm	
Candle lighting and seder begins after	8:25pm	
Community Free Seder	8:15pm	
For Reservations Call 718-796-4730		

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20 – PESACH DAY 2 (YOM TOV)

Shacharit	8:30am
Mincha	7:20pm
Followed by a Shiur	
Maariv/Yom Tov Ends	8:26pm

Daf Yomi Schedule: Yom Tov and Shabbat Chol Hamoed between Mincha and Maariv, Chol Hamoed at 7:30am - with Rabbi Dov Linzer

THURSDAY, APRIL 21 – PESACH DAY 3 (CHOL HAMOED)

Shacharit 6:30 & 8:00am Followed by a Shiur

Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 22 – PESACH DAY 4 (CHOL HAMOED)

Shacharit 6:30 & 8:00am
Candle Lighting 7:25pm
Mincha/Abbr. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 23 – PESACH DAY 5 (SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED)

Shacharit 8:30am
Shir Hashirim Reading
(Men & Women Readers) After Services
Contact sally46@gmail.com to read a perek.
Shir Hashirim Reading (Men Readers) 6:40pm
Mincha 7:10pm
Followed by a Shiur
Maariv/Shabbat Ends 8:29pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 – PESACH DAY 6 (CHOL HAMOED)

Shacharit 8:30am
Candle Lighting 7:27pm
Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm

MONDAY, APRIL 25 – PESACH DAY 7 (YOM TOV)

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha 6:55pm
Followed by a Shiur with Professor Jeffrey Gurock
Maariv 8:00pm
Candle Lighting After 8:31pm

TUESDAY, APRIL 26 – PESACH DAY 8 (YOM TOV)

Shacharit 8:30am
Yizkor not before this time 10:00am
Mincha 7:30pm
Followed by a Shiur with Rabba Sara
Maariv/Pesach Ends 8:33pm

Chametz sold through HIR will be permissible at approximately 10:00pm on Tuesday Night, April 26.

Chag Kasher V'sameach from everyone at the Bayit!

Post-Pesach Events

Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) Yom Hashoah Seder and Painting Exhibition Sunday, May I, 7:00pm

Join HIR for our annual community Seder where young and old come together to re-tell the experiences of the Holocaust. Hear first hand accounts from Holocaust survivors. This year we will introduce the Seder with a gripping painting exhibition detailing the story of a survivor. She will address us before the Seder. Please note Mincha will be at 6:45pm, and Maariv will follow the Seder.

Yom Hazikaron (Israel's Remembrance Day) Yom Hazikaron Ceremony Monday, May 9, 7:15pm

HIR invites all to a solemn Yom Hazikaron ceremony in the Lower Level Beit Midrash.

Please note Mincha will be at 7:00pm.

Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel Independence Day) Tefillah Chagigit (Festive Prayer Service) Monday, May 9, 8:00pm

We will host a Yom Ha'atzmaut Tefillah Chagigit followed by a delicious BBQ, lively music, dancing and a performance by the HIR Choir.

Bronx Israel Independence Day Festival Tuesday, May 10, 4:00pm - 7:00pm (Seton Park)

Join hundreds of Riverdalians on Yom Ha'atzmaut for a massive festival for children and families, "Israel: Gifts of the Land". Sponsored by the HIR and the Bronx Borough President's Office.

Lag B'Omer Musical Havdallah and Kumzitz Saturday night, May 21, 9:00pm

Join the Bayit Band for musical Havdallah and Kumzitz.

Yom Yerushalayim Erev Yom Yerushalayim Tuesday, May 31, 7:00pm - 10:00pm

Join us for a Jerusalem themed film. Mincha and our festive Yom Yerushalayim tefillah at intermission - 8:05pm.

Shavuot

Leil Shavuot (Shavuot Eve) Tuesday Night, June 7

Come to HIR for all night learning, dinner and schmoozing. Information to follow.

CHAMETZ & NON-CHAMETZ FOOD DRIVE: We are collecting

Chametz and non-Chametz food items that are nourishing, unopened and non-perishable. A portion of the food collected will help local neighbors in



need and a portion will be donated to City Harvest. THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE TWO DIFFERENT COLLECTION DATES - For the Non-Chametz items, the deadline to drop off food in the boxes that are in the coat room is Sun., April 10 at 5:00pm. For the Chametz items, the deadline is Wed., April 13 at 5:00pm.

Youth Programs

Please note that regular Youth Groups will not be taking place over the first days of Pesach. They will resume on Shabbat Chol Hamoed (Apr. 23) and the last days of Pesach (Apr. 25 & 26).

Pre-Pesach Camp

Sunday, April 10, 11:00am - 3:00pm

Take some time to prepare for Pesach and drop your kids off for sports, arts and crafts, learning about Pesach, and a delicious lunch. \$10 per child, only \$5 for youth members! Please pre-register by emailing evanhir@gmail.com so that we can adequately prepare for your children.

HIR/RJC Teen Trip to Great Adventure Thursday, April 21, 8:30am

7th - 12th Graders: We are planning a joint trip to Great Adventure this Chol Hamoed Pesach with the RJC. To purchase tickets, please contact Dovid Freund at RJCYouth@gmail.com or call 917-548-2073. Limited seats available. The bus will leave promptly from RJC at 8:30am and returning at 8:00pm. Cost \$65 per person (including Coach Bus). Kosher for Pesach food will be available for purchase.

Shoah Testimonies

Yom Hashoah Seder - Sunday, May 1, 7:00pm

We are looking for 4 sensitive and responsible teens to interview Holocaust survivors in preparation for our annual HIR Yom Hashoah Seder, on Sunday, May I. If you are interested, contact Rabba Sara Hurwitz at sarahurwitz@yahoo.com.

There will also be a **Yom Hashoah Program for 4th - 6th graders** on **Sunday, May I**, at 6:00pm.

Prepare for Pesach @ the Bayit

PESACH QUESTIONS: If you have any Pesach related questions, feel free to call or e-mail our rabbinic staff: Rabbi Steven Exler: Ext. 108, ravstevenexler@gmail.com; Rabba Sara Hurwitz: Ext. 107, sarahurwitz@gmail.com

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. These funds should be given in a separate check from any other payments, marked "Ma'ot Chittim" in the memo. Please donate generously.

HOSTING AT YOUR SEDER: We have a number of people seeking Pesach seder hosts. If you can host or need to be hosted, please contact ravstevenexler@gmail.com.

KASHERING DISHES: Kasher your dishes for Passover at the RJC, on **Thurs., April 14** from 7:30pm - 10:00pm. You can also Kasher your Kiddush cups on **Sun., April 17** from 9:15pm - 10:15pm.

SEARCHING & BURNING CHAMETZ: Please remember that the search of Chametz takes place this year on **Sun., Apr. 17**, after 7:47pm. You can burn your Chametz at HIR on **Mon., Apr. 18** from 9:00am - 11:00am.

We're Exicted About Our New HIR Membership Photo Directory!



In our continuing effort to help our members connect with one another, invite guests for a *Shabbat* meal, or simply pick up the phone to say "hello", an HIR Photo Membership Directory is being created. Due to a special arrangement with LifeTouch studios, this directory is being produced at NO COST to HIR or its membership. Everyone will have the option to purchase photos, but you are not obligated to do so.

Our directory will be set up to include a photo of each HIR member unit (individual, couple, or family) and your contact information AS YOU WISH. You will have the opportunity to have a professional photo taken (and you get a FREE 8" x 10" photo!) beginning May 1, and be part of our directory that will be hand delivered to all members of HIR in time for Rosh Hashanah.

To sign up, just use this link: http://tinyurl.com/BayitDirectory which will take you to the sign-up website of our photo partner, Lifetouch Studios. You will get a \$10 coupon to use on any extra purchases if you sign up online. If you prefer not to schedule online, please call Edith Wolff at 718-796-8527, and she can schedule your appointment.

Photo appointments are available from Sunday, May 1 through Thursday, May 5 (excluding May 2). We only have four dates in May and these will go fast. To assure yourself that you will get an appointment of your choice, please sign up before Pesach.

For information or assistance you can call: Bonnie Geld 971-885-2793 Wendy Levinson 347-326-7239 Edith Wolff 718-796-8527



This Week's Classes @ the Bayit

<u>Daf Yomi</u> with Rabbi Dov Linzer meets 7:30am Sun.-Fri. in the 2nd Floor Beit Midrash, and after Mincha on Shabbat in the Lower Level Lobby.

Shabbat

6:10pm - Parsha Shiur with Rav Steven

6:10pm - Daf Yomi with Rav Linzer

After Mincha - Arve Pesachim: 10th Chapter of Tractate Pesahim with Rav Piperno (2nd Floor BM)

Sunday

9:15am - Stories of the Talmud - Aggadot Hatalmud with Rav Avi (Lower Level Beit Midrash)

9:30am - Parshanut with Rav Steven (Rav Steven's office, 2nd Floor)

Monday

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

7:30pm - Stories of Elisha & Eliyahu with Rav Avi (At his home)

8:00pm - SHULA RAIT Memorial Advanced Hebrew Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)*

8:00pm - Advanced Talmud with Rabbi Jeff Fox, Rosh Yeshiva, Yeshivat Maharat (At the home of David Mann. `Contact Rabbi Fox at rebjeff@gmail.com to attend.)

Tuesday

10:00am - Pirkei Avot with Rav Avi (Lobby)

I 1:00am - Relationships in the Torah: the Good, Bad and Ugly with Rabba Sara (Lobby)

8:15pm - Basic Judaism with Rabba Sara (Lobby)

Wednesday

8:00pm - Intermediate Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)*

Thursday

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

6:30pm - Beginners' Ulpan with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)*

7:30pm - Siddur Hebrew with Sara Kinberg (Lobby)*

<u>Friday</u>

7:20am - Moed Katan with Ray Steven (Lobby)

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

Happenings @ the Bayit

ABRAHAM AND SARAH'S TENT: Join us for a Shabbat meal this Friday night. Sponsored by Joan & Arnie Stark in memory of Arnie's mother, Anne K. Stark. To sponsor future tents contact James Lapin at TheBayit-Tent@yahoo.com.

SUPPORTING ITAMAR: The Bayit is collecting funds for Itamar to be distributed to Friends of Itamar (www.friendsofitamar.org) and to the Israel Trauma Coalition, an organization doing trauma counseling and training in Itamar. We are aiming to raise \$1,500. Please make checks payable to HIR Rabbinic Discretionary with "Itamar" in the memo, and drop off in the office.

Thank You for Giving Back to the Bayit



Thank you and Yasher Koach to the clothing drive organizers Barbara Gochberg & Steven Pretsfelder. Thank you to the clothing drive volunteers: Minda Abidor, Nina Bruder, Gary Pretsfelder, Avi Pretsfelder, Yonah Pretsfelder, Amichai Zierler Feit, Daniel Feit, Wendy Zierler, Nathaniel Goldblum, Ann Rauch, Shana Langer, Michal Chamudot, Shira Berkovits and to our maintenance staff: Elmer Cordova, Geo Cordova & Manuel Rodriguez. If you would like to donate your time, talent or expertise to the Bayit please contact our Rabbinic staff: Rabbi Steven Exler at ravstevenexler@gmail.com or Rabba Sara Hurwitz at sarahurwitz@yahoo.com.

Support HIR with your purchases: Gift cards or store credit available for all local stores and many beyond. You can order directly from Kosher.com using the password KOSHERHIR - no gift card necessary. For a complete list of all available stores, log on to shopwithscrip.com. The HIR enrollment code is 58L43DE62133. For more information or to place orders, e-mail Shira Gordon at hirgiftcards@gmail.com.

Youth Department

YOUTH GROUPS: 9:30am - 11:30am

Tot Shabbat (Room open for play at 8:30am): 3-1

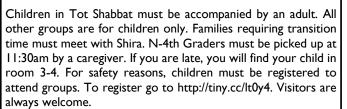
3 Year Old Nursery: 3-4

4 Year Pre-K: 3-5

5 Year Old Kindergarten: 3-6

1st-2nd Grade: 3-3 3rd-4th Grade: 3-7

5th-6th Grade Junior Congregation: 3-2 7th-12th Grade Teen Tefillah: Social Hall



Teen Tefillah will meet this week at 9:30am on the right hand side of the Social Hall.



YOUTH KIDDUSH

Youth Kiddush is sponsored by an anonymous supporter of the Youth Program. Thank you!



VESHINANTAM CONTINUES ON SHABBAT AFTERNOON

We invite you to join us for parent and child learning at Veshinantam. Return to the Bayit to learn with your children in the **Lower Level Beit Midrash**. Open up a Mishna, bring your child's Parsha reader, or use one of our books or articles for child Jewish learning. Light Seudah Shlishit will be served. This program is free and open to the entire community. Veshinantam meets this **Shabbat afternoon**, **Apr. 9**, **5:30pm-6:30pm**.

VOLUNTEER POSITION: We are looking for a bimonthly volunteer to shadow a 10 year old boy with autism on Shabbat mornings in youth groups. If you are interested, please contact Shira.

POTS: Attention Riverdale teens! 4 Volunteers needed at the POTS Soup Kitchen on Sun., May 8.

We leave from HIR at 11:30am and return at about 4:00pm. If interested, please contact Samantha Verrone at sverrone@mac.com or (917) 885-4542.

DONATIONS: Please contact Shira if you have any of the following at home and would like to donate them to the youth department:

Doll-house furniture

Mr. Potato Head

Garbage Can (medium or large)

Little people

Mega-blocks Lego

Cabinet/closet

Extra-extra large rug in good condition Ping-pong table in good condition

Our Youth Directors are Shira Berkovits and Evan



Zauder. You can e-mail Shira at hirshira@yahoo.com and Evan at evanhir@gmail.com.



Chesed Opportunity

JOIN OUR BIKUR CHOLIM VOLUNTEERS: As our shul grows, we need to expand our pool of Bikur Cholim Volunteers. We urgently need committed individuals to help plan, grow and organize our services. Help us make the Bayit all it can be. Please contact: Rivka Haut at rivkahaut@yahoo.com; Ruth Licht at ruth.licht@verizon.net; or Isaac Geld at kindcare@aol.com, or call 917-733-4961.

DONATE PLATELETS FOR NESHAMA: 6-year-old Neshama Ryman, a beloved member of our community, is undergoing 15 months of treatment for cancer. Neshama is in regular need of platelets. Donating platelets is as simple as donating blood, but takes a longer time. If you're available to donate platelets for her, please email or call Joe Licata at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Blood Donor Program to schedule an appointment: 212-639-8177 or licataj@mskcc.org. The last platelet appointments on T/W/Th: 6:00pm; F/(Sat)/S/M: 1:30pm. Please ALSO sign up on a website dedicated to coordinating Neshama platelet donations: http://goo.gl/0G9np. Donations are at Sloan Kettering, 1250 Ist Ave. Visit www.mskcc.org/blooddonations for complete information.

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

Shiva: We are looking for fill-in volunteers. Please contact ravstevenexler@gmail.com

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 Isaac Geld: 917-733-4961, kindcare@aol.com



Meals for New Mothers:

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

Hospitality and Welcome: hirwelcome@gmail.com

Young HIR: hirsocial@gmail.com



SOCIAL WORKER @ THE BAYIT: In partnership with UJA-Federation and JBFCS, HIR social worker, Anna Kirshblum is available to assist with employment and financial advice, bereavement counseling and information and referral. There is no charge for these services and all information shared is strictly confidential. Call Anna at 718-601-9714 or e-mail her at akirshblum@jbfcs.org.

ISRAEL ACTION COMMITTEE INPUT: Our in-formation Israel Action Committee wants to hear from you! What kind of Israel resources, activities, and opportunities do you want at the Bayit? Please e-mail Karen Stahl-Don at Karen.stahl-don@law.cardozo.yu.edu with suggestions. We're also looking to compile a list of names and e-mails of Bayit members now in Israel. Please also send those to the e-mail address above.

Rabba Sara on SHALOM TV

To watch Rabba Sara Hurwitz in an interview with Mark Golub on Shalom TV, go to www.shalomtv.com and click on "Find Us" on the menu bar to find out the channel numbers on their cable system. The program can be found on TV in the category, Judaism and Culture. In New York City, we are on: Time Warner Cable (CH 1012); Cablevision (CH 502, select News and World); Verizon Fios (CH 900, select Browse All/Free/People and Culture); RCN (CH I, select Religious).

Beyond the Bayit

HAIRSPRAY: Riverdale Rising Stars announce their spring production of HAIRSPRAY. With appearances by Bayit Members Rebecca and Rachel Abrams and Shara and Yona Zierler Feit, and Shira Schleifer. Show dates are: Sat., Apr. 9 & 16 at 8:45pm, Sun., Apr. 10 at 4:00pm & 7:30pm and Apr. 13-14 at 7:30pm. Tickets are available online at Riverdaley.org. For more info. call 718-548-8200.

CAMP GAN MIRIAM: Sessions will begin Tues., July 5 and end Fri., Aug. 12. Early registration discount available. The *younger* group (2 - young 3 year olds) will meet 9am-1pm Mon-Fri. 3, 4 or 5 days are available. The *older* group (3½ - 5 year olds) will meet 9am-3pm Mon-Thurs and 9am-2pm Fridays. Camp includes regular daily sessions, enrichment programs, indoor and outdoor water play, trips and special nature programs. Lunch and snack served daily. For pricing and further information please call 718-543-2553 or email ganric@aol.com.

SPECIAL NEEDS SUNDAY PROGRAM: The Y of Washington Heights is planning to offer a Sunday morning recreation program for children with special needs in grades K through 5 beginning in the early fall. For more info., please contact dspindler@ywashhts.org.

URI L'TZEDEK HAGGADAH SUPPLEMENT: Uri L'Tzedek has chosen to add an ambitious chapter to the seder's never-ending story: food and justice. The Food & Justice Haggadah Supplement features essays, insights and actions to inspire the Jewish community in our commitment to food, social justice, and ethical consumption. To download the free haggadah supplement online, please see: http://utzedek.org/socialjusticetorah/uri-ltzedek-food-a-justice-haggadah-supplement.html. Check out Maggid featuring contributor Ari Hart, our Rabbinic Intern!

PEY DALID AT UNITY CAFE OPENING: UNITY CAFE is a Kosher Cafe serving delicious organic, holistic, healthy and fun foods embraced in a warm and welcoming artistic environment of Jewish expression. Through live music and the arts, it hopes to inspire communication and unity! Sat., April 9, 2011, 4545 Independence Ave. Riverdale, NY, 9:15pm - Cafe Opens; 10:00pm - Show Starts; \$12 at the door; Lots of free parking!



JEWISH BEDTIME STORIES & SONGS FOR FAMILIES

The PJ Library is Coming to Riverdale!

HIR is excited to announce that we will be partnering with the PJ Library to bring **free** children's books and music to families in the HIR community!

Stay tuned for more details and how you can sign up.

Please enjoy the books in the Lobby - these are a taste of what PJ Library is all about.

For more info or to sponsor this program please contact Shuli in the HIR office at 718-796-4730 x.102.

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.

We would like to thank the following members who have renewed their membership for 2011.

Sharon Adams
Charles Antmann
Yael & Cory Baker
Lorna & Mark Baker
Harry & Judith Ballan
Tamar & Tzvi Bar-David
Aimee & Jonathan Baron
Etty & Tzvi Bar-Shai
Jayne & Harvey Beker

Lisa Javitch & Louis Benjamin Jennifer Pepper & Jed Bergman

Robert S. Berman

Jacquelyn & Zachary Berman Gava & Lewis Bernstein

Selma Berson

Judy & Lanny Binstock Loren & David Birk Judith & Paul Blank

Anat Barber & Marc Avi Bloom Barbara & David Blumenthal

Eileen & Barry Blutig Linda & Jeff Botwinick Klara & Philip Brieff Ruth & Howard Bromberg

Eleanor Bronstein Sanford Bruckner Melissa & Paul Bulman

Illene Burack

Helaine Newman & Victor Chmielnicki

Nava & Adam Cohen Charlotte Cohen Claire & Joseph Cohen Sharon & Matthew Cohen Lynn & Stephen R. Cohen Stacey & Michael Daube

Leah Davidson

Gillian Steinberg & Mark Davis

Gabriella de Beer Rebecca de Beer Violet & Warren Dolny Karen Stahl-Don & Philip Don

Natalie Dweck

Naomi & Hal Dorfman Susan & Jonathan Dzik

Debra Kaplan & Donny Ebenstein

Moshe Edelman Sonia Erlich

Alisa & Adam Eilenberg

Jennie Goldress & Andrew Eisenberger

Gloria & David Eiseman

Elyorah Ellison

Debbie & Robert Ezrapour

Zahava Federman Rose Feigenbaum

Rebecca Kobrin & Kevin Feinblum Wendy Zierler & Daniel Feit

Bernice Pohl Feldman Ann & Richard Feldman Joseph Feldschuh Alvin Fensterheim Beverly & Ted Fettman Gella & Joshua Fishman

Marion Fishman Atara Fobar Harry Follick

Beth Pepper & Jeffrey Fox Sally & Danny Frankel

Anat Sharbat & Ariel Freidenberg Rachel & Daniel Friedlander Sheila & Leonard Freilich Bonnie & Isaac Geld Hilde Gerstley Shirley Glickman

Florence Glucksman
Ruth & Charles Gold
Rhoda & Lee D. Goldberg
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