

# BEIS HAKNESSES *of* NORTH WOODMERE



*Winter Season*  
PROGRAM  
GUIDE *5777*





## *Message from Rabbi Lebowitz*

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It is with a great sense of excitement that the Beis Haknesses of North Woodmere presents our programming guide for the winter of 5777. Our shul was founded on the principle that Avodas Hashem is the focal point of our lives, and it is most effectively expressed and experienced through Tefilah and Talmud Torah. The events highlighted in this booklet are designed to inspire us toward greater commitment to Hashem and His Torah. Our entire shul is indebted to the Torah Committee led by Shamshi Szlafrok, for their hard work in conceiving of and planning these incredible programs. A special thank you to Rabbi Natan Farber for his creative genius and hours of work in preparing this booklet. As for the rest of us, let us participate to the best of our ability, both by attending as many of the programs as we possibly can, and considering a sponsorship of a shiur or program. May the Tefilah and Torah in our shul keep you warm through the cold winter months!

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send an email to [bknwlearningcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:bknwlearningcommittee@gmail.com)



# REGULAR SHIURIM @ BKNW



## DAF YOMI

**SUNDAY • 7:45 AM, MONDAY - FRIDAY • 6:15 AM**  
**SHABBOS AFTERNOONS • 45 MIN BEFORE MINCHA**

Rabbi Lebowitz delivers one of the most popular Daf Yomi shiurim, listened to by people all throughout the world through the internet. Experience it at BKNW live as Rabbi Lebowitz weaves the text of the daf with real halacha l'maseh applications.



## TUESDAY NIGHT HALACHA SHIUR

**TUESDAY EVENINGS at 9:30, FOLLOWED BY MAARIV**

Known for his ability to present even the most complicated Sugyas in an organized and clear fashion, Rabbi Lebowitz delivers an incredible Halacha shiur on Tuesday evenings complete with Mareh Mekomos to help you follow along. Enjoy the 10 minute version? Then you'll love this!



## SHABBOS MORNING CHABURAH

**SHABBOS MORNINGS FOLLOWING THE 7:30 AM MINYAN**

This rotating Chaburah is hosted in a different BKNW member's house each week, following the Hashkama minyan. Enjoy hot chulent, kugel, and refreshments, while learning from one of our many knowledgeable and talented congregants on a range of fascinating topics.



## FRIDAY NIGHT CHABURAH

**FRIDAY NIGHTS at the BUTLER RESIDENCE**

These winter nights are long and cold - and what better way to warm up than enjoying this weekly Friday Night Chaburah delivered by our very own Gavri Butler. The chaburah focuses on the Sefer HaMitzvot, analyzing a different mitzvah each week.



## "THE SHAYLA OF THE WEEK"

**EVERY SHABBOS AFTERNOON BETWEEN MINCHA & MAARIV**

With Rabbi Lebowitz receiving shaylos from all over the world, you can imagine that some pretty interesting questions come his way. Join us every week for a fascinating and interactive discussion as we tackle the hottest and most cutting-edge issues in contemporary halacha.



# MONTHLY WOMEN'S SHIURIM

*from Rabbi Lebowitz*

NOV  
**13**

## **SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT:**

*Hilchos Lashon Hora*

DEC  
**4**

## **PEER PRESSURE:**

*How to Pressure Your Children  
Not to Be Pressured*

JAN  
**8**

## **MAKING MORE DISHES:**

*Serving Fish and Meat  
on the Same Plate*

FEB  
**12**

## **SHOULD WE BE AT THIS SHIUR?**

*Women and Talmud Torah*

MAR  
**26**

## **PRE-PESACH SHIUR:**

*How to get the most out of a  
woman's most stressful Yom Tov*

APR  
**20**

## **SPEAKING OF STRESSFUL...**

*The Halachos of Raising Teenagers*

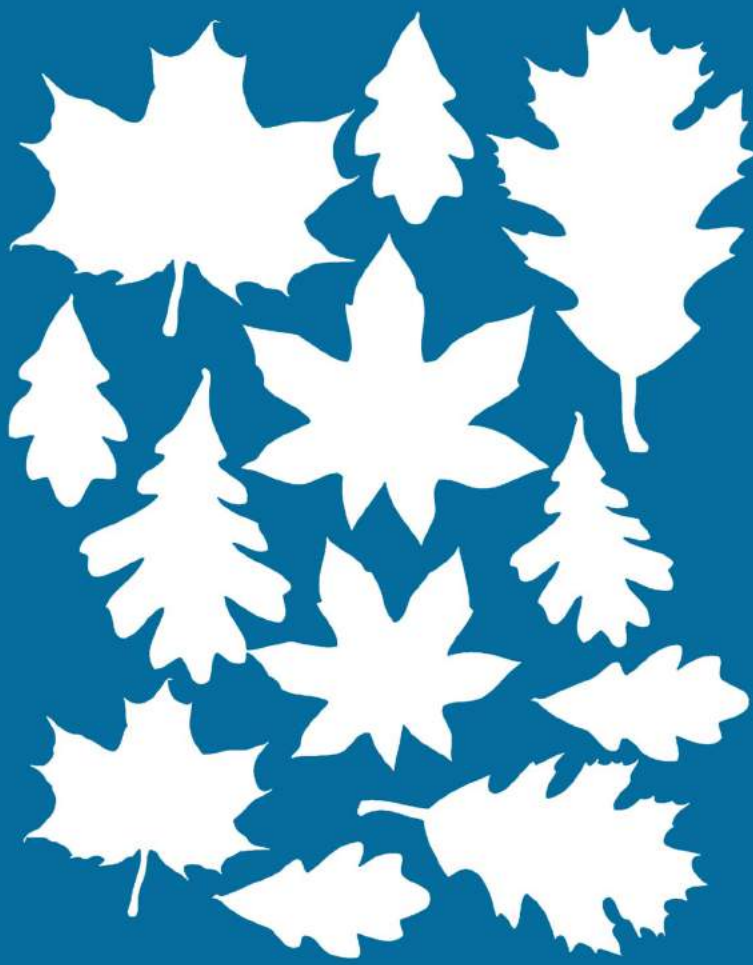
MAY  
**21**

## **TO CARRY, OR NOT TO CARRY?**

*Halachos of Using an Eruv on Shabbos*

ALL SHIURIM TAKE PLACE AT 8:30 PM

Dates & Topics subject to change



# BKNW TEENS

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## THANKSGIVING

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# BREAKFAST

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8:50 AM SHACHARIS  
GALA BREAKFAST  
SHORT SHIUR

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18**

Youth Chanukah Party

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH**

Annual Purim Carnival





# VISITING ROSH YESHIVA HARAV MORDECHAI SHER

**PARSHAS  
TOLDOS  
DECEMBER  
2-3**



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══════ would like to thank those who graced our shul ══════  
DURING CHODESH ELUL AND TISHREI

*Harav Aharon Kahn*

*Mr. David Lichtenstein*

*Rabbi Dani Rapp*

*Rabbi Yaakov Trump*

*Rabbi Shay Schachter*

*Rabbi Isaac Rice*

*Rabbi Yisroel Kaminetsky*

# GUEST LECTURER RAV MOSHE TZVI WEINBERG



## ABOUT

### RABBI WEINBERG

Rabbi Moshe Tzvi Weinberg currently teaches in Yeshiva University's Irving I. Stone Beit Midrash Program (SBMP), where he also serves as Mashgiach Ruchani.

A graduate of Yeshiva University, Rabbi Weinberg received his semicha from Rabbi Zalman Nechemia Goldberg of Jerusalem and has also been certified by the Center for Integrated Teacher Education.

Rabbi Weinberg has worked as a Jewish educator for over ten years, and has previously taught at the Torah Academy of Bergen County and the Moriah School, before joining the Yeshiva University faculty last fall. He has served as a guest speaker and scholar in residence in Jewish communities and college campuses across the country.

Additionally, Rabbi Weinberg offers a variety of weekly inspirational shiurim in the Teaneck and Bergenfield area, many of which are recorded on YUTorah.

## WEDNESDAY

## DEC 7

## 9:15 PM

### "A Life in Conflict is Truly Alive"

Sponsored by the Rose Family  
in memory of

ר' רפאל אהרן בן בנימין הכהן ז"ל  
חיה גיטל פייגא בת בנימין הלוי ז"ל



# **CHANUKAH** @ BKNW

## **SHABBOS GUEST LAVI GREENSPAN**

*Shabbos, December 23-24*

*After a series of health problems and surgeries, Lavi lost his eyesight at the age of 26. His disability didn't stop him from completing his law degree at Fordham University, and earning his semicha from YU. Lavi has used his challenges as a source of inspiration for thousands of people throughout the world. He is a paragon of emunah, always maintaining an extraordinarily positive attitude. Lavi enjoys a close relationship with many gedolei yisrael from across the Orthodox spectrum. When Lavi calls, gedolim answer, because they are all inspired by his profound faith, his commitment to Torah and his love of Klal Yisrael.*

## **"LIGHT UP THE" NIGHT SEDER**

*Sunday, December 25th · 10:00 PM - 12:00 AM*

*A late night Beis Medrash program in our very own Beis HaKnesses featuring a series of Chaburas with preparatory source sheets given by members of our kehillah... of course great food will be served!*





# SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

## RABBI SHALOM ROSNER



### ABOUT RABBI ROSNER

Until his Aliyah in August 2008, Rav Rosner was a popular Maggid Shiur at Yeshiva University's Stone Beis Medrash Program and the Rabbi of Congregation Bais Ephraim Yitzchok for six years, and remains a close chavrusa to our Mora D'Asra.

A Musmach of RIETS, Rav Rosner was a member of the Beren Kollel Elyon and a Kupietsky Kodshim Fellow.

Renown for his ability to clarify the most complex sugyot, and beloved as a warm and caring Rabbi, Rav Rosner has joined the staff of Yeshivat Reishit Yerushalayim as a maggid shiur for both Shana Bet and in the new Masmidim track advanced program.

Rav Rosner is also teaching part time at Yeshivat Shaalvim.

During the summers, he is Camp Rabbi and Educational Director at Camp Kaylie.

# SHABBOS PARSHAS VAYECHI

# JANUARY 13-14



# SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

DR.  
DAVID  
PELCOVITZ



## ABOUT

### DR. PELCOVITZ

Serving for more than two decades as director of psychology at North Shore University Hospital-NYU School of Medicine and clinical professor of psychology at NYU School of Medicine, Dr. Pelcovitz has consulted extensively with the Jewish community in the United States, Europe and Israel on a wide range of issues facing children and adolescents.

Dr. Pelcovitz, who received his PhD from the University of Pennsylvania, has published and lectured extensively on a variety of topics related to education, parenting and child mental health. Areas of research and clinical specialty include family violence, the impact of domestic violence, stress management, transmitting values to children and adolescents and coping with trauma and loss.

His most recent publication was *Balanced Parenting*, a book he wrote in collaboration with his father, Rabbi Raphael Pelcovitz, on parenting from a Jewish perspective.

# SHABBOS PARSHAS BO

# FEBRUARY 3-4



# **SPECIAL SHOVEVIM SHIUR HARAV ZVI SOBOLOFSKY**



## **ABOUT**

### **RAV SOBOLOFSKY**

Rav Zvi Sobolofsky is one of the most popular Roshei Yeshiva in YU, and a highly sought after posek, known for his incredible clarity and amazing breadth of knowledge.

He was appointed Rosh Yeshiva in the spring of 2002 and began teaching Talmud at RIETS in the fall of that year. His shiur has gained much popularity, and is currently one of the largest shiurim in the Yeshiva.

Some credit this popularity to his ability to blend the teaching styles of his two teachers, Rabbi Mordechai Willig and Rabbi Hershel Schachter. Rabbi Willig is known for his focus towards practical understanding and Rabbi Schachter is known for his ability to present topics in the Talmud in a broader context. Rabbi Sobolofsky blends these two styles to form a unique package that many students find most rewarding. In addition to his role as Rosh Yeshiva in RIETS, Rabbi Sobolofsky also serves as the spiritual leader of Congregation Ohr HaTorah in Bergenfield, New Jersey.

# **SUNDAY FEB 12 8:00 PM**

## **"Ten Things You Forgot about Hilchos Niddah"**





# PRESIDENTS' DAY

F E B R U A R Y 2 0 T H



RABBI MENACHEM

**PENNER**

DEAN OF RIETS, YU  
9:30 AM



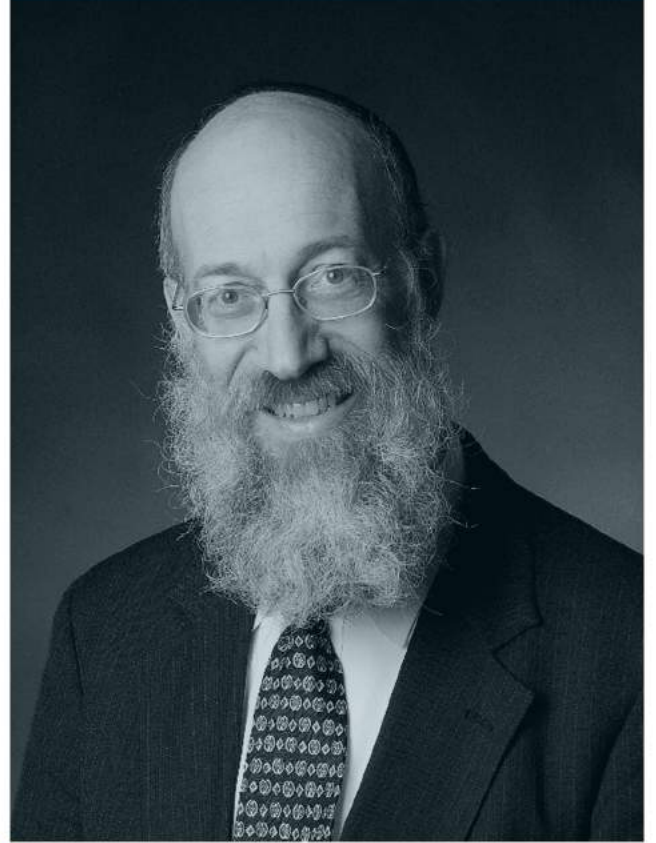
RABBI YAAKOV

**BENDER**

ROSH YESHIVA, DARCHEI TORAH  
10:15 AM

*On the topic of*  
"Yiddishkeit in the Modern World"

# PRE PESACH SHIUR HARAV MORDECHAI WILLIG



## ABOUT

### RABBI WILLIG

Rabbi Willig is one of the foremost poskim of the Modern Orthodox world.

He has been a Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University since 1973 and a Rosh Kollel at RIETS.

He has served as spiritual leader of Young Israel of Riverdale in the Bronx, NY, since 1974, and has published several seforim, and many articles in Torah scholarship journals.

He also serves as the deputy av beis din of the Beth Din of America, the court of the Rabbinical Council of America.

During the summer, Rabbi Willig is the Rosh Kollel of the College Morasha Kollel.

**SUNDAY  
APRIL 2  
9:15 AM**

"Pre-Pesach  
Q and A"



# The Amud Yami Initiative

Our shul has, Baruch Hashem, launched two successful campaigns that saw many members of our shul complete Maseches Taanis and Rosh Hashana, by studying an amud a day. We are now in the midst of our 3rd limud, studying Maseches Beitzah.

This is a great time to start up a chavrusa, and finish a Masechta in a short time and most importantly be a hero to your family when you tell them you've completed a

Masechta by putting aside a little bit of learning time every day.

Rabbi Lebowitz posts amud recordings on YUTorah to make it easy for you to follow along every day!

Maseches Beitzah will be completed on January tenth, after which we will begin Maseches Megillah with a grand siyum planned for the night of Purim. Join the already large group of members who have jumped on to this initiative!

## COMING SOON

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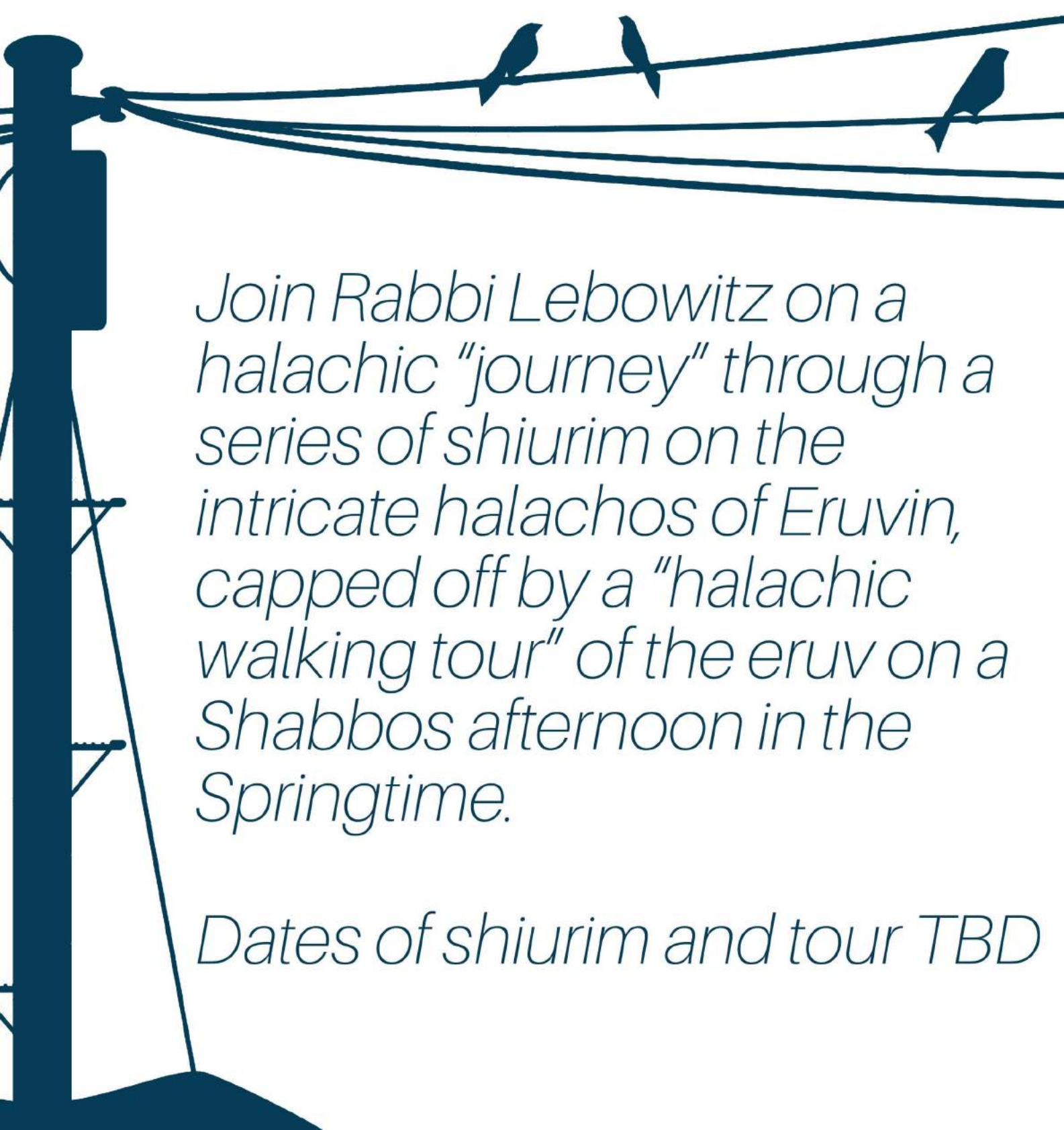
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# הצפון



## VOL V: CHANUKAH & PURIM

# BKNW's **FIRST EVER** **ERUV** WALKING TOUR

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*Join Rabbi Lebowitz on a halachic "journey" through a series of shiurim on the intricate halachos of Eruvin, capped off by a "halachic walking tour" of the eruv on a Shabbos afternoon in the Springtime.*

*Dates of shiurim and tour TBD*



SAVE  
*the* DATE



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