

B'NAI ISRAEL

THE DOWNTOWN SYNAGOGUE



Shabbat Re'eh

August 22-23, 2014

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B'nai Israel Membership & High Holidays 5775

Don't forget to renew your membership and sign up for High Holiday seats by Sept. 7! Forms and details are now at www.jewishdowntown.org. Please contact office@jewishdowntown.org if you have any questions.

Mazal Tovs, Etc.

- Mazal tov to Isaac Hametz and Talia Levy on the Simchat Bat of their daughter this Shabbat. Welcome and mazal tov also to the Hametz and Levy families who are joining us this weekend.
- Mazal tov to Rabbanit Tammy Mintz on receiving her doctorate this Sunday!
- Please [scroll down](#) for an important message from Sara Brandenburg

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Weekly Schedule

Location is
B'nai Israel Congregation
unless otherwise noted.

Friday, August 22

- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv: 6:30PM
- Salami & Scotch: following Maariv (~7:15PM)
- *Candlelighting:* 7:34PM

Saturday, August 23

- Shacharit: 9:30AM
- Tot Shabbat Service: 11:00AM
- Kiddush: following Mussaf (~12:00PM)
- *Shabbat Ends:* 8:34PM

Sunday, August 24

- Shacharit: 8:30AM
- Breakfast: following Shacharit (~9:15AM)
- Rabbi's Mishna Class: NOT BEING HELD THIS WEEK

Announcements

- Please join us tonight at 6:30pm for Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat and Salami & Scotch following Maariv and Sunday morning at 8:30am for Shacharit followed by breakfast.
- Rabbi Mintz's Sunday morning mishna class and BIYA Boot Camp will not be held this week.
- Baltimore Community Mission to Israel is accepting applicants through September. For more information from the info session last week please speak to Shelly Feldman or Michael Hoff. To register, contact Larry Feldman at Lfeldman@vfi-usa.org.
- Upcoming events (scroll down for details):
 - Labor Day Hike with Howard, Mon., Sep. 1.
 - Mind, Body, and Soul Shabbat evening at the MAC, Fri., Sep. 5.
 - Jewish New Year Street Festival on Lloyd Street, Sun., Sep. 7.
 - Selichot and Pre-Selichot Concert & Kumsitz, Sat., Sep. 20.

Kiddush Sponsored By...

Isaac Hametz & Talia Levy

in celebration of the birth & Simchat Bat of their new daughter

Ice Cream Station sponsored by Rabbi Mintz

in celebration of Tammy becoming Dr. Tammy and to welcome Tammy's sister Becky from Israel

Bagels & Lox Kiddush

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Celebrate your simcha, share your nachat (pride), memorialize a loved one, thank a friend or merit a refuah shlayma (complete recovery) while enhancing the shul's kiddush program.



*To sponsor a kiddush in full or in part  
please contact the office by [e-mail](mailto:office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org) or at 410-732-5454 as soon as possible.*

## Special Events

### Labor Day Hike with Howard Cohn - Monday, September 1, 2014

If you're sticking around for Labor Day weekend, join Howard Cohn and others from B'nai Israel for a morning hike on the Ma & Pa Heritage Trail

Monday, September 1, 2014

Hike starting at 9:00am at 703 North Tollgate Road, Bel Air, MD or meet at 8:15am and carpool from B'nai Israel, 27 Lloyd St

Brown bag lunch, water, and hiking shoes recommended.

For more details about the Ma & Pa Trail go to [www.mapatrail.org](http://www.mapatrail.org)  
To RSVP, e-mail [office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org](mailto:office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org).

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NOT BEING HELD  
THIS WEEK

Torah Tuesday, August 26

- Jewish Philosophy:  
5:15PM
- Advanced Talmud  
Chabura: 8:00PM
- Tanya with Rabbi  
Siegel: Resumes in  
September

## Volunteer Opportunities

We always have volunteer  
opportunities available!

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If you are interested or  
would like more details  
about any of these or other  
opportunities, please  
contact the office via e-  
mail or at 410-732-5454.

## Lost and Found

The synagogue's lost and  
found items are stored in  
the office. Contact the  
office via e-mail or at 410-  
732-5454 to retrieve your  
missing items.

## Mind, Body, & Soul Shabbat - Friday, September 5, 2014

Please join B'nai Israel and the Maryland Athletic Club  
for a Mind, Body, & Soul Shabbat

Friday, September 5, 2014  
5:30-8:00 PM

MAC at Harbor East, LLC  
655 President St, Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Happy Hour in the Lobby  
Parent and Child Movement, Yoga Meditation, Meditation  
and Shabbat singing with selections from Kabbalat Shabbat  
Light Shabbat Fair  
High Holiday Information and Ticket Sales

RSVP on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/events/143390072498211](http://www.facebook.com/events/143390072498211)  
or by e-mailing [office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org](mailto:office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org).



For more details, e-mail [office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org](mailto:office@bnaiisraelcongregation.org).

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## Jewish New Year Street Festival - Sunday, September 7, 2014

Save the Date  
for our Jewish New Year Street Festival

Sunday, September 7, 2014  
1:00-3:00 PM  
Right here on Lloyd Street  
(27 Lloyd to be specific)

Details TBA

*Generously supported by The Jacob & Hilda Blaustein Fund of The Associated.*

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## Selichot and Pre-Selichot Concert & Kumsitz - Sat., Sep. 20, 2014

Please join us and the Ma'aravi-Polak Folk Duo  
Saturday, September 20, 2014  
for Selichot and a Pre-Selichot Concert & Kumsitz



9:00 pm - Maariv & Havdalah  
9:15 pm - Concert & Kumsitz (sing-a-long)  
10:30 pm - Selichot

Light refreshments will be served.

To read more about Selichot click [here](#).  
To listen to the Ma'aravi-Polak folk duo click [here](#).

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Ma'aravi/Polak is a folk duo that performs an eclectic mix of music from many places and periods. Their primary focus is on Jewish folk music from the Judeo-Spanish (Ladino) tradition. They are also keenly interested in the music of the Breslov Hasidim, to which they add their unique interpretations. Ma'aravi/Polak consists of Rabbi Shuviel Ma'aravi and Joshua Polak.

Rabbi Ma'aravi is actively developing the Baltimore Esnoga, an organization dedicated to building open, inclusive and healing communities infused with the light and inspiration of the Western Sephardic tradition. He has developed a course on Jewish Meditative Music, presented this summer at Common Ground on the Hill in Westminster, MD.

Joshua Polak is the owner/proprietor of Guitars of Pikesville. Guitars of Pikesville sells and repairs guitars and other stringed instruments, carries a uniquely broad collection of music books, and offers guitar lessons to players of all ages and levels of experience. More than this, Guitars of Pikesville has become the nucleus of a diverse community of musicians who have become deeply connected and supportive to one another. Many have found their relationship to this community truly life changing.

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## B'nai Israel Young Adults (BIYA) Events

- **BIYA Boot Camp**
  - Sunday, August 31, 2014 from 10:45-11:30 am
  - Pagoda at Patterson Park
  - \$5 per session or \$18 for the month
  - <http://www.biyabaltimore.org/biya-boot-camp.html>
- **B-More Shabbat**
  - Friday, September 19, 2014 from 6:30-10:00 pm
  - B'nai Israel, 27 Lloyd Street, 21202
  - \$8 per person
  - <http://www.biyabaltimore.org/ticketsdonations.html>

*BIYA welcomes new involvement and has many leadership opportunities.  
For more details, please e-mail [biyabaltimore@gmail.com](mailto:biyabaltimore@gmail.com).*

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## Community News

- **A message from Sara Brandenburg:** Dan Brandenburg (father of Sara Brandenburg) is in dire need of a kidney transplant. After two years waiting on the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) transplant list for a donor kidney, and with the current prospect of an additional two to five year wait, the Brandenburg family is now searching for a live donor. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Danielle Griffin at the Johns Hopkins Donor Coordinators Office at 410-614-9345 for additional information (and make sure to reference Dan Brandenburg). Please click below to read the letter from his family: [Matching Words with Deeds - Helping Find a Kidney for Dan](#).

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*Shabbat Shalom!*