



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bnei Akiva: Shabbat afternoon 12/9: 3rd-5th graders: **Beth Jacob** (Snif Shluchot) at 4 PM (walking groups LEAVE Canfield/Airdrome at 3:40pm); and **Yavneh** (Snif Saad) at 4 PM. **Sunday 12/10:** Vzach kickoff! Meet up for ice skating at ICE Santa Monica at 3 PM. hkeisar@bneiakivala.org or 310-387-0974.

Westside JCC One-Healthy-Community 5K Run/Walk along San Vicente Health & Wellness Fair, Kids Fun Run & Activities. **Sun, Dec 10.** Registration is at: www.westsidejcc.org.

Nefesh B'Nefesh, Frequently Asked Questions About Making Aliya, **Sun, Dec 10** at 7:30 PM at Beth Jacob.

YULA Boys High School honors Rachael and J.J. Wernick at Annual Chanukah Scholarship Breakfast, **Sun Dec 10.** RSVP and donate, www.yulaboys.org/breakfast or 310-203-3198.

Eshel and JQ fun bagel brunch! Sun, Dec. 10 at 11:00 AM with LGBTQ Jews from Orthodox & Traditional backgrounds! RSVP for location to Jeremy Borison borisonj@gmail.com.

Yesh Tikva Jewish Women's Reproductive Health Day. Learn about infertility from a reproductive endocrinologist, psychologist, genetic educator, personal stories, Yoetzet Halacha Ilana & **Rabbanit Alissa** tomorrow 10 AM- 12 PM at YICC.

Renfrew Center, Free workshop on **Emotional Eating.** Tuesday, Dec 12, 5:30-7:00 PM, 12121 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 601. Facilitated by Heather Russo, MFT, CEDS. Refreshments served. Kosher options available. Free parking in the garage.

West Coast NCSY hopes to send 40 public schools teens to study Torah in NY Dec 25-31. To donate, email michaltn@ncsy.org or go to westcoast.ncsy.org/donate/

Many Voices, One Song, Monday Feb 18, 2018 Fried, Shabat, Helfot, Leiner and Levine together in concert as Gindi Maimonides Academy celebrates 50 years of Jewish education. Tickets on sale now. www.maimonidesla.com/concert.

BDJ'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 10 - Blood Drive
- December 10 - Decorate Hanukah Gift Bags
- December 10-17 - The Giving Spirit
- December 12-20 - Hanukah
- December 13 - Hanukah and Harry Potter Mishmar
- December 15 - YP Shabbat Hanukah Dinner Mashup
- December 16 - BDJ Babies Hanukah Seudah Shlishit
- December 20 - Hanukah Tikkun Olam Lunch
- December 25 - Office Closed
- January 1 - Office Closed
- January 13 - Arts Shabbaton with David Moss
- January 15 - BDJ Dinner
- January 17 - Tikkun Olam Lunch

מי שברך אבותינו אברהם יצחק ויעקב ואמותינו שרה רבקה רחל ולאה הוא יברך וירפא את החולים בעבור שאנחנו מתפללים בעבורם בשכר זה הקדוש ברוך הוא ימלא רחמים עליהם להחלימם ולרפואתם ולהחזיקם ולהחיותם וישלח להם מהרה רפואה שלמה מן השמים לכל אבריהם ולכל גדיהם בתוך שאר חולי ישראל רפואת הנפש ורפואת הגוף שבת היא מלועוק ורפואה קרובה לבוא השתא בעגלא ובזמן קריב ונאמר אמן.

Misheberach List

Please be in touch with Susan Fink at stfink@gmail.com

Chaya bat Tova Bleima (Sorel Lainer's mother) * Chana (Martine Porter-Zasada's sister) * Esther bat Devorah Bella (Mayer Schames' mother) * Emanuel ben Hinda (Mr. Sassover) * Bella Rivka bat Rosa (Aharon Shimoni's sister) * Shulamit bat Ruchel Sheina (Selma Framson) * Arlene bat Mollie (Kara Roberts' grandmother) * Yaakov Roni Ben Margalit * Michael ben Malka (Max Wozniak) * Chaya bat Bela (Mayer Bick's mother) * Tziporah bat Tova (Mrs. Sassover) * Reina Alfaro * Chayim Menashe ben Fruma (Manny Klein) * Yitzchak Avraham ben Devorah (Deb Mizrahi Smith's uncle) * Mordechai ben Dina * Yisroel Yehuda Ben Dina Sara * Yitzchak ben Raizel (Ira Grose) * Sarah Hindi bat Lily (Cary Glass's mother) * Sarah bat Malka (Lenny Schloss' friend) * Tila bat Miriam * Pinchus Shalom Tzvi ben Ze'eva (Daniella Platt's friend's son) * Shoshana Bat Rivka (Rose Wolfe) * Menachem Mendel Ben Chaya (Sarah Abraham's grandfather) * Hadassah Bat Lea * Eitan Zev ben Nachama Sara Beilah * Shmuel ben Miriam (Rica Bercovici's nephew) * Aharon ben Rosa * Helen Avivah bat Marietta Ruth * Anna Louise bat Barbara Feige * Tova Chaya bat Leah Malka * Leah bat Liba * Yosefa bat Fayga Hadas * Yosef Hiskiya ben Chaya * Matisyahu Yoel Baruch ben Gittel (Marcus Freed) * Chava Yeta bat Shulamit

B'NAI DAVID-JUDEA ANNUAL DINNER



HONORING:
Lola & Emil Sassover
Rae & Shep Drazin
Nikki Sieger & Andres Terech
www.bnaidavid.com/qala

HAPPENING THIS SHABBAT

- ◆ Teen Takeover.
- ◆ Celebrate December Kiddush in the Social Hall.
- ◆ Seudah Shlishit in the Beit Midrash sponsored by Mark & Vicki Rothman in honor of Mark's mother Augusta Klieger Rothman z"l's 2nd yartzheit, and by Shirley Kotler and family in honor of Aaron Kotler's yahrzeit .
- ◆ Guest Speaker Yahya Mahamid after davening.
- ◆ Guest Speaker Rabbanit Dr. Pnina Neuwirth during Seudah Shlishit.

THIS SHABBAT

CELEBRATE DECEMBER KIDDUSH SPONSORS

- ◆ Shari and Jeff Fishman in honor of the teens participating in Teen Takeover.
- ◆ Debra Cohen in honor of Albie Cohen's birthday.
- ◆ Janet Fuchs in honor of Albert Fuchs' birthday.
- ◆ Jeff and Naomi Selick in honor of Shira Selick's 8th Birthday.
- ◆ Hetty and Gil Melmed in honor of the Birthdays of Eliana and Rami Melmed and Jeff Fishman.

Guest Speaker Yahya Mahamid
Immediately after Davening in the Beit Midrash

Yahya Mahamid is a 19 year old Israeli-Arab Zionist and Stand-WithUs educator, born in the Israeli Arab city of Umm Al-Fahm. He was indoctrinated from childhood to hate Jews and deny Israel's statehood, but he had regular interactions with Israelis that challenged these negative views. After realizing he was intentionally misled, he decided to combat the negative stereotypes and demonization of Israel. Today, he is a brave young voice speaking out for the Jewish State and against hatred. This is his last speaking tour before his IDF draft.

Seudah Shlishit Speaker: Rabbanit Dr. Pnina Neuwirth
"I want to be Greek!"
The Story of Hanukah from an Israeli Perspective"

Rabbanit Pnina teaches Torat Eretz Yisrael and Jewish Philosophy, and was visiting Professor of Jewish Studies at Stern College for Women. She specializes in Israeli tax and commercial law and is a Judge in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court. She holds a Ph.D. in Tax Law from Haifa University and is on the faculty at Sapir College, teaching Tax Law and Jewish Law. She writes a column entitled, "Women in the Bible" for the Israeli paper Makor Rishon.

Other Programs: Friday, 7:30 PM: The Story of Chana Bat Matityahu at YULA Girls School. **Motzei Shabbat, 7:45 PM: Modesty and Power in the Age of #Me Too.** Panel with Rabbanit Dr. Pnina Neuwirth, Atara Segal & Rabbi Lieberman at Shalhevet, 910 S. Fairfax.

Candle-Lighting: 4:26 PM
Mincha: 4:30 PM in the Beit Midrash
Kabbalat Shabbat: Rav Yosef
Dvar Torah: Rabbanit Alissa
8:25 Minyan: in the Beit Midrash. Post Davening Learning with Jeff Rabin.
Main Minyan and Teen Takeover: 9:00 AM in the Main Sanctuary
Pesukei D'Zimra: Eli Schneider
Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:16 AM
Shacharit: Eytan Merkin
Anim Zmirot: Yoni Ben Naim
Kriat HaTorah: 1st: Caleb Fishman, 2nd: Joey Blumofe, 3rd: Yakir Kanefsky, 4th: Jonathan Fishman, 5th: Yoni Ben Naim, 6th: Yoni Merkin, 7th: Eytan Merkin, Haftarah: Jonathan Fishman
Ahavat Chessed: Anya Mendelson
Drasha: Leila Balter
Musaf: Joey Blumofe
Mincha: 4:00 PM followed by Seudah Shlishit in the Beit Midrash
BW Mincha: 4:15 PM at the Fishman Home (9428 Duxbury Rd)
BDJ East: 4:10 PM at the Higashi Shaw Home (1216 Alvira St)
Havdalah: 5:26 PM

TORAH	HAFTARAH
Hertz: 141	Hertz: 152
Stone: 198	Stone: 1142

BDJ BROADCAST

- ◆ **Kol Hakavod** our teens for leading and participating in Teen Takeover today! Special thanks to Dov Rosenblatt, Sara Smith & Julie Fax for coordinating!
- ◆ **Mazal Tov** to Drs. Naomi and Brian Zwecker and Ezekiel on the birth of a baby boy! Meal Train: <https://mealtrain.com/6glqod>
- ◆ **Mazal Tov** to Rachel & J.J. Wernick on being honored at YULA on Sunday!
- ◆ **Parking Lot Closure:** The Parking Lot next door to BDJ will be closed for approximately 2 years during construction. We are working with Mercy Housing on alternative parking solutions during this time.
- ◆ **Claim It or Donate It:** Our Lost and Found lives under the table in the main sanctuary and is brimming with adult and kid items. **Please pick up your lost items by this Sunday Dec 10th** or they will be donated.

EDUCATION AT BDJ

WEEKLY LEARNING AT BDJ

Half Hour of Halacha: Blessing Israel with Love
Sunday Nights with Rav Yosef. 8:30 - 9:15 PM - Gill Home

Gemara Shiur: The Brachot We Recite and Live
Monday Nights with Rav Yosef
7:30 - 9:00 PM - Beit Midrash

Midrash Group
Tuesdays with Rav Yosef
7:45 - 8:45 AM - Beit Midrash

Parsha Plug - Resumes 12/12
Tuesday Nights with Rabbanit Alissa
7:30 - 8:30 PM - Beit Midrash

Briyut HaNefesh
Thursdays with Rabbanit Alissa
7:45 - 8:45 AM - Conference Room
To attend please contact rabbanitalissa@bnaidavid.com

Nothing but the Pshat
Various Teachers.
During Seudat Shlishit - Beit Midrash

Shabbat Shorts
By Rav Yosef and Rabbanit Alissa. Tuesday and Thursdays in your inbox. To sign up, email bdj@bnaidavid.com.

ISRAEL

AIPAC Kiddush & Program

Pro-Israel Outreach: Hispanic Support and Beyond with **Senior Outreach Director Pedro Cavallero, Jan 6, immediately after davening**, in the Beit Midrash. Learn about AIPAC's impact in creating pro-Israel support. Pedro earned a JD from University of Buenos Aires and MA in Comparative Law from Maastricht University in the Netherlands. He worked over 8 years with the National Council of La Raza.

Also **AIPAC YP Happy Hour: Jan 24th at Pat's.**

Join Rav Yosef, Rabbanit Alissa, & BDJ members! **AIPAC Policy Conference, Sun-Tues March 4-6 in DC!** BDJ has 15 tickets for purchase at the discounted rate of \$399 (this is \$200 off!). To join our delegation, visit: <https://www.bnaidavid.com/form/aipac-inquiry-2018>. For more info, contact Noam Drazin, Matt Lefferman or Leah Naghi. Last year we had 30+ in our delegation. Let's have even more this year! Policy Conference is a great bipartisan way to support Israel. We hope you can join us!

BDJ BABIES

Hanukah Seudah Shlishit and Melava Malka!

Join BDJ Babies on Shabbat Hanukah, **Dec 16 at 4:30 PM** for a special seudah shlishit with sufganiyot, latkes & games followed by Havdala, candle lighting, and music/dancing at the home of Ronnie & Sarah Lee: 1117 S Hayworth Ave. Rides provided home after Shabbat. Please RSVP to Sarah: sarah.aliza.lee@gmail.com.



SCHEDULE OF DAILY MINYAN

SHACHARIT

Sunday	8:00 AM
Monday	6:45 AM
Tuesday	7:00 AM
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday (Hanukah)	6:40 AM

MINCHA/MA'ARIV

Sunday - Thursday	4:30 PM
Friday	4:30 PM

SHABBAT HANUKAH December 16

Shacharit and Rechoy Yeladim	9:00 AM
Mincha	4:05 PM
Havdalah	5:28 PM

ARTS SHABBATON

SAVE THE DATE!

Arts Shabbaton with Renowned Artist

David Moss, January 12 & 13. Exploring contemporary artistic expressions of Jewish passion. Details to follow!

MISHMAR

Mishmar: Hanukah and Harry Potter
Magic and Miracles with Allyson Gronowitz
Wednesday, December 13

Pizza and sufganiyot will be provided by YP sponsors!

For more information contact asgrono@gmail.com.



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

YP MINYAN

Join us for the next YP Minyan on **Dec 16 at 9:30 AM** in the BDJ Beit Midrash. To get more involved or to sponsor a YP Kiddush, visit www.bnaidavid.com/yp or email Rabbanit Alissa at rabbanitalissa@bnaidavid.com.



YP MASH-UP ON SHABBAT HANUKAH!

Friday December 15
Dinner 6:00 PM
Dessert & Drinks 8:30-10:00 PM

What's a Mash Up? You sign up to host or to attend Shabbat dinner in a YP Minyan home. Then we all join together for Dessert & Drinks at the home of Rabbanit Alissa and Akiva (1447 S Canfield Ave)!

To sign up to host: <https://tinyurl.com/yc8a34gz>

To sign up to attend a dinner AND/OR the dessert: <https://tinyurl.com/yc5yzb8g>

TIKKUN OLAM

THREE MITZVAH DAY EVENTS THIS SUNDAY!

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday Dec 10th, 9:45 AM to 3:45 PM. Blood is life! Give more of it! Reserve your space to donate blood. Sign up at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code BDJ, or call 800-733-2767. For info, contact Mina Rush at 310-351-8742 or iminarush@sbcglobal.net. See flyer for details.

DECORATE A HANUKAH GIFT BAG

Sunday Dec 10th from Noon to 4:00 PM. Twice monthly, Project Chicken Soup prepares and delivers free, nutritious, kosher meals to people in the greater LA area living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses. We will decorate the December delivery bags with fun holiday and winter designs. **Come spend a few minutes drawing your best dreidel or sketching a snowflake!** All ages and artistic levels welcome.

THE GIVING SPIRIT - Dec 10th, 14th and/or 17

The Giving Spirit (www.thegivingspirit.org) assembles and delivers survival kits for the homeless during the holiday season. BDJ has been supporting this project for many years. See flyer for additional details.

Sunday, Dec 10, from 12 - 4 PM - Meet at BDJ to put together subassemblies for the kits. RSVP to albiecohen@yahoo.com.

Thursday, Dec 14, from 7:30 - 10 PM - Meet at Brentwood Presbyterian Church to unload and organize items that go into the kits. Register at www.thegivingspirit.org, click on "Volunteer" and register for the Dec. 14 event.

Sunday, Dec 17 from 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM - Deliver the kits to the homeless throughout L.A. Meet at Brentwood Presbyterian Church at about 10:30, load kits into our cars, and fan out to distribute them. This is an amazing, rewarding, yet sobering experience. Register at www.thegivingspirit.org.

Click on "Volunteer" and register. Please ALSO rsvp to albiecohen@yahoo.com.

Donate: Each kit costs about \$75.00. To donate, go to www.thegivingspirit.org and click on "Donate."

LAUNDRY LOVE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers age 12 and above to help launder and to schmooze during the next BDJ Laundry Love, **Wed Dec 27 from 7-9 PM**, at Laundreland, 1661 Robertson Blvd. Laundry Love engages members of the community who are in need. Clean clothes help people who are struggling to maintain their dignity and to feel better about themselves. Laundry Love is a hands-on chessed, and a wonderful opportunity to spend time with people we might otherwise never meet. We talk with them, we laugh together, and we do their laundry! Contact Debi Pomerantz: debilp@gmail.com.

TIKKUN OLAM (continued)

Tikkun Olam Lunch on the Eighth day of Hanukah, **Wed Dec 20** at 12:00 PM in the Beit Midrash. Have lunch with our neighbors, schmooze and enjoy!

MEMBER MASH UP

December is Member Mash-Up Month!

Mash up your Shabbat meal and get to know more of the amazing members in our community! Please invite for the following dates:

December 8/9: Someone who grew up in California or outside of the United States.

December 15/16: Someone with the same initials as you (or as someone in your family).

December 22/23: Someone who joined BDJ within the past 3 years or a current board member.

December 29/30: Someone at least 10 years older or younger than you.

We are eager for 100% Shul participation, so start inviting! Please try to host someone new for one of these eight meals! If you have questions or suggestions, contact Nikki Sieger at nikkisieger73@gmail.com.

HANUKAH HALACHA HOW TO

One of the perennial Hanukah questions: *If I am going out to friends or family for dinner, where should I light candles?* Well, what's absolutely clear is that you should not light in your host's home. The mitzva of Hanukah is to light in your own home. The optimal thing would be to light in your own home at the regular candle lighting time (about 1/2 hour after sundown) prior to going out. There is no need, at that time, for anyone to remain home after you light. The fact that passersby will see the lights is sufficient. If this timing doesn't work, then there are 3 other possible ways to handle the situation (presented in order of preference):

1. If there will still be passersby on the street when you arrive home, light when you get home.

2. If not, but there will be people in your home (other than yourself) to see the lights when you get home, you can still light at this point.

3. If neither of the first 2 pertains, then you can light as early as **פּלַג מִנְחָה** (plag mincha), which is about 3:45 p.m. this coming week. Of course, you would have to use enough oil or big enough candles that the lights would remain lit until at least 5:45 [Shulchan Aruch 672:1].

If none of the above works, you should light at home without reciting the bracha when you get home.

Please keep in mind as well, that as long as one adult member of your household lights in your house, you're covered too (as long as you are aware that this is taking place) [Shulchan Aruch 677:1].