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Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore

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## Gujarati Community Newsletter

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from the Executive Committee and the Volunteers of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore. I hope you are enjoying this beautiful summer. The Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore has lined up many outstanding events for the summer and fall season for your entertainment.

**First up: The Annual Picnic:** We would like to invite you, your family, and your friends to the summer picnic on Sunday August 7th at the Centennial Park East, Columbia from 12:00 PM- 7:30 PM at Pavilion H. This event comes with delicious food, volleyball courts, cricket, a playground, bingo, prizes, and much more. Please join us to have a great time. Please RSVP via on-line Registration, which is now open at our website or call any committee members.

**The Independence Day Culture program** on Saturday August 13th 2016 at Greater Baltimore Temple at 4.00 PM. We are proud to bring you a cultural program to show our community's talents. For this cultural program, we are looking for performers. The performances can be anything from dancing, singing, etc. If you would like to perform in the event, or know a group that would be interested, please contact us by July 24th.

**The Annual Yatra:** On Sunday, September 11th, GSB will be taking you to Vraj and the Swaminarayan Temple in Allentown. On-line registration will be also open at website; so stay tuned. This will be a great trip full of fun, relaxation and a wonderful spiritual experience. Our one day Yatra has been very popular with our members, especially, our seniors. If you are interested in donating for this event, please contact any of the committee members for more information. Any donations are greatly appreciated.

**Navratri Programs:** This year, we will be hosting the Navratri Garbas on four Saturdays nights: September 24, October 1, 8 and 15, 2016. The most enjoyable Navratri Raas-Garba programs in the Maryland area will be organized again this year by the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore at the huge Meadowbrook Athletic Complex in Ellicott City. Please join us for these amazing Raas-Garba programs. More information on this will come closer to the event.

**Diwali Music Program & Dinner:** On Saturday, November 12 join us for the Diwali program. The venue has yet to be determined, but stay tuned, as this information will come soon.

Along with these wonderful programs, you can find other information about our future events on our website and through our periodic email blasts. We encourage you to sign up for our email list as this provides the most up to date information regarding our programs, important community news, etc. You can subscribe to our email list by clicking on the subscribe button on top right corner of our web site [www.gsbaltimore.org](http://www.gsbaltimore.org). If you would like to advertise through the GSB, then please contact Raj (Bunty) Patel, and if you would like to sponsor any of our future events or would like to provide donations, please contact any of the committee members or send us an email at [contact@gsbaltimore.org](mailto:contact@gsbaltimore.org).

Once again, thank you so much for continuing to support the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore. We are very excited to put on these community events, and cannot wait to see you there!

Manisha Bhatt

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The Annual Picnic – August 7, 2016 @ Centennial Park

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## MEMBERS ONLY EVENT (LIMITED CAPACITY OF 300 ONLY)

*Please join us to enjoy Picnic & have a fun time with family & friends*



Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore  
Invites you & your family & friends to  
Summer Picnic fun  
August 7, 2016  
12:00 PM to 7:30 PM

**Centennial Park East Pavilion H**  
4800 Woodland Road  
Columbia, MD

### **Direction to the Park from US 29:**

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**Midday Chai time: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm: Tea, Samosas with chutney**

**Other Food Items: Chips, Corn, Watermelon, Soft Drinks & Snowballs**

**Dinner: 6:00 PM TO 7:30 PM: Vaghareli Khichadi, Mix Shak, Puri, Papad, Chass (buttermilk), Athanu (Pickles) & Onions**

**(Menu subject to change based on availability)**

**Charges:**      Ages 12 and over: \$ 10 per person (Members Only)  
                    Ages 5 to 12 years: \$5 per person (Members Only)  
                    Under 5 years – Free – No Charge  
                    Limited number of Members' guests: \$ 15 per person



***Please register online or contact any committee Member.  
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# Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore celebrates Independence Day

Cultural program with:

- Classical Dance
- Bollywood Dance
- Vocal performances
- Talent Show



Date: Saturday,  
August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Place:  
Greater Baltimore Temple  
2909 Bloom Rd.  
Finksburg, MD 21048  
Time: 4:00 PM

Contact:

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**Free admission for cultural program**

**Food is available for purchase**

**Gujarati Samaj Baltimore cultural program call for performers**

The Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore is proud to bring you a cultural program to show our community talents. For this cultural program, we are looking for performers. The program will held at Greater Baltimore Temple on August 13th, 2016. The performances can be anything from dancing, singing, etc. If you would like to perform in the event, or know a group that would be interested, please contact us by July 24th. We hope to hear from you soon!

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# **A Day Trip To Vraj Hindu Temple, Schuylkill Haven**

## **MEMBERS ONLY EVENT**

**Sunday, September 11, 2016**

**Venue: Vraj Hindu Temple, 15 Manor Rd, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972**

**Limited capacity of 120 only – First come first served.**

**Register online at [www.gsbaltimore.org](http://www.gsbaltimore.org) by September 4, 2016 or by calling any committee members.  
Registration will close once we reach the capacity.**



**Pickup at 8:00 AM and Drop-off at 7:00 PM at  
Owings Mills Metro Station  
5018 Painters Mill Rd, Owings Mills, MD 21117**

**Cost: \$ 20 per member – No Refund**

**(Partially covers transportation and food)**

Please register as soon as possible and send your payment to Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore, P.O. Box 687, Baltimore, MD 21117. To secure your place, please ensure that your payment reaches us within a week of the registration or by September 4, 2016 whichever comes first. Gujarati Samaj is providing the bus transportation and meals for a nominal cost of \$20 per person. Our cost is over \$50 per person. No refunds please.

Please note: Each participant is required to sign Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore's liability release form. Form will be provided on a day of the trip.

**We request our members and businesses to donate generously for such a good cause in order to continue such trips in the future. Please contact any committee member if you would like to make a donation in any amount.**



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## 2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

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|--|------------------------------|
| Music Program by Raj Pandya & Family.....  | May 1, 2016                  |
| Picnic @ Centennial Park East Pavilion H.....                                      | Sunday, August 7, 2016       |
| The Independence Day Culture program @ Greater Baltimore Temple.....               | Saturday, August 13, 2016    |
| Temple Yatra.....  | Sunday, September 11, 2016   |
| Navratri Program by Achal Mehta (From Baroda) @ Meadowbrook Athletic Complex ..    | Saturday, September 24, 2016 |
| Navratri Program by Krushanu & Deeti Majmundar @ Meadowbrook Athletic Complex..... | Saturday, October 1, 2016    |
| Navratri Program by Arpan Group @ Meadowbrook Athletic Complex.....                | Saturday, October 8, 2016    |
| Navratri Program by Raj Pandya & Family @ Meadowbrook Athletic Complex.....        | Saturday, October 15, 2016   |
| Diwali Dinner, New Town HS, Owings Mills .....                                     | Saturday, November 12, 2016  |
| General Body Meeting.....  | TBA                          |