

NEWS  
EVENTS  
CALENDAR

Feb  
2017

congregation  
bet haverim



# HaMaagal

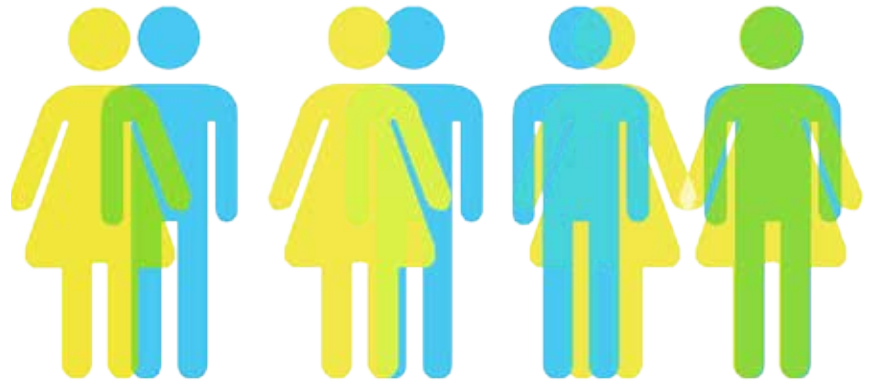
The Circling  
Monthly Newsletter of CBH



## SPOTLIGHT

SHABBAT  
**SHIRAH**  
FEB. 10  
7:30PM

GENDER  
DIVERSITY  
**SERIES**  
FEB. 12  
4:30PM



AJMF CONCERT  
**SEPHARDIC JOURNEYS**  
MAR 4  
8:00PM

# CALENDAR .01

All events at CBH unless noted

**FRIDAY FEB. 3, 7:30PM**

Erev Shabbat Service (GG)

**SATURDAY FEB. 4, 10AM**

Shabbat morning service (KS)

**SUNDAYS FEB. 5, 12, 26, 9:30AM**

CBHCS at FSA

**MONDAY FEB. 6, 6PM**

Meditation & Chant

**TUESDAYS FEB. 7, 14, 21, 28, 7:30PM**

Wise Aging - full

**FRIDAY FEB. 10, 7:30PM**

Shabbat Shirah at Oakhurst Baptist Church

**Saturday, Feb. 11, 3pm**

Meet a Muslim

**SUNDAY FEB. 12**

- 10:15AM Legislative Advocacy (FSA)
- 12:30PM Tu B'shvat Tree Planting (Carter Center)
- 4:30PM Gender Diversity, Gender Justice!

**THURSDAY FEB. 16, 7:30PM**

Interplay Workshop

**FRIDAY FEB. 17, 7:30PM**

InterPRAY Shabbat

**MONDAY, FEB. 20, 6PM**

Meditation & Chant

**FRIDAY, FEB. 24, 6:30PM**

Shabbat Dinner with Jeff Jones Band

**SATURDAY, FEB. 25**

- 10AM Shabbat Morning Service
- 10AM Sing 'n' Play
- 7:30AM Purim Off Ponce (Le Fais do-do)

# SHABBAT SHIRAH

**FRIDAY, FEB. 10, 7:30PM  
OAKHURST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Join us for a joyous evening of music and singing. Come and celebrate the crossing of the sea with lots of familiar melodies, and musical fun for all ages!

This year we return to the beloved & festive Shabbat Shirah that CBH is known for: soulful music that inspires hope, lifts spirits, and directs our feet toward upholding social justice and freedom for all.

Shabbat Shirah celebrates the ultimate freedom story of the Israelites in song. It includes both serious and exhilarating, celebratory music imagining the Israelites dancing and singing on the other side of the sea of reeds.

Please invite your friends from all spiritual backgrounds. All are welcome.

Oakhurst Baptist Church  
222 East Lake Drive,  
Decatur, GA 30030

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# SHABBAT DINNER WITH THE JEFF JONES BAND Friday, Feb. 24, 6:30pm

Spend Shabbat with CBH for this musical Shabbat Dinner. Hear Shabbat songs + original music played by your CBH friends.

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# VOLUNTEERS

## MEDSHARE

On Sunday, January 15, 2017, CBH volunteers at MedShare sorted and packed 320 boxes/1,900 pounds of orthopedic supplies, gauze, bandage, and dressings that will be shipped to medical facilities in Haiti, Guatemala, Nigeria, Cameroon, Malawi, and Kenya.

Thanks to Andy Abend, Joshua Abend, Sarah Abend, Zachary Abend, Charlotte Barrios, Lisa Barrios, Sonia Barrios, Kyle Ben-Yoar, Shoshana Ben-Yoar, Ellen Bettmann Piontek, Joen Bettmann, Marissa Brady, Aaron Breitkopf, Richard Breitkopf, Christie Desir, Jane Diamond, Terry Egdal, Gary Falcon, Zoe Falcon, Andrea Finn, Julie Fishman, Lisa Heimann, Cornelia Huntington, David Huntington, Isaac Huntington, Jeff Jones, Jeri Kagel, Bev Korfin, Sherri Kornfeld, Susan Kupferberg, Jan Levie, Max Levie-Sprick, Susan Levy, Lisa Marquardt, Paul Marquardt, Marian Meyers, Nancy Miller, Richard Mitchell, Sam Pechacek, Mark Podhorzer, Theresa Prestwood, Rebeca Quintana, Kaylah Robinson, Jackie Sherman, Ulli Sprick.

## HAGAR'S HOUSE

Thanks to the folks who provided the Dec. 25 dinner for the Hagar's House homeless shelter:

Joe Chancey, Diane Dexter, Linda Travers, Nancy Davis, Nicole Jurovics and Greg Lee and daughters Shaina and Rachel.

## ATLANTA FOOD BANK

A big THANK YOU to all the hardworking CBHers who spent December 18 at the Atlanta Community Food Bank's product rescue center.

By now, much of the thousands of pounds of food you sorted is on its way to pantries serving some 80,000 people per week in the Atlanta and north Georgia area.

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# INTERPRAY

## SHABBAT SERVICE

Friday, Feb. 17, 7:30pm

Experience Shabbat with a bit of interactive fun with Joyce Kinnard & Audrey Galex. Find out how we intermingle prayers with joyful, improvisational movement.

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# SUPPORTERS

## General Fund

- Stephanie & Andrew Gewirtz, IHO Gayanne Geurin, Will Robertson, and the CBH Chorus, for Harry's bar mitzvah service and the music they make every day
- Ginette Schinazi, IMO her nephew, Serge Bernstein
- Dennis Diamond, IHO Amy Robertson
- Vicki Scheer, IMO Correy Dietz
- Gila Herman
- Lynne Kornhauser, to those in need
- Dennis Diamond
- Aaron & Lillie Straus Foundation
- Joseph & Phyllis Arnold, IHO Rabbi Josh & Lila Arnold's bat mitzvah
- Eve Lackritz
- Stephanie Schrag
- Sharon Fiddler
- Glen Satell
- Gayanne Geurin
- Marcene Borthwick
- Esther Powers & Thomas Redmon
- Jeri Kagel & Susan Levy, IHO Micah Geurin Weiss
- Todd Hurst & Sara Auld
- Julie Fishman & Terry Pechacek
- Sharon Sleeper
- William & Judy Sloan
- Jonah McDonald & Dana Goldman

## Yahrzeit Donation

- Nancy Davis, IMO Regina Miller, Milton Miller & Andrew Miller
- Carole Schumer, IMO Roslyn Schumer
- Shoshana & Mark Ben-Yoar, IMO Armand Ben-Yoar
- Andrea Finn, IMO Irving Finn
- Joyce Kinnard, IMO Norman Kohlenberg
- Beverly Korfin, IMO Alvin Korfin
- Sarah Abend, IMO Barbara Chane
- Sylvia Gross, IMO Zoltan Smooke

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Gail Margolies Reid, IHO Rabbi Josh as a thank you for the years of spiritual inspiration
- David & Gedalia Genin
- Stephanie & Andrew Gewirtz, IHO Rabbi Josh, for working with us to create a unique service for Harry's bar mitzvah
- Tamara Weinstein & Linda Russell
- Rebeca Quintana, IHO Rabbi Josh's sabbatical
- Dennis Diamond, thanking Rabbi Josh
- Amy & Bruce Greenfield, in appreciation of Rabbi Josh for Samantha Sears baby naming
- Peter Strauss
- Eve Lackritz
- David Schechter, IHO Audrey Galex's birthday

## Fundraising/L'chaim Donation

- Harriet Gold
- Karen Oberman
- Uriel Vaknin
- David & Glenda Minkin
- Cindy Smith.
- Morton & Gerda Smith

## Building Fund

- Rebeca Quintana, IHO Amy Robertson, Mark Spieler & Gina Gershon's birthdays
- Rebeca Quintana, IMO Rodrigo Quintana
- Shelley Rose
- Allison Carter
- Leslie Kean
- Roz Edelberg, IMO Joan Stein
- Paul Glickstein
- Jerrilyn Levetan
- Mark Podhorzer & Terry Egdal
- Rebeca Quintana, IHO Shai Ronen Ozar's arrival
- Rebeca Quintana, IMO Leslie Wasmund
- Valerie Wolpe

## President's Campaign

- David Lewis & Danica Kombol
- Melissa Toporek
- Julie Fishman & Terry Pechacek
- Rebecca Goldberg

- Julie Rosenberg
- Stephen Kay & Jennifer Weissman
- Jane Dinerman
- Lisa Heimann & Jeffrey Jones
- Lynne & Neil Norton
- Doris Gordon
- Rebecca Leary & Scot Safon
- Mark Weinstein & Siciliana Delgado
- Jane Diamond
- Felicia Bianchi & Paula Johnson
- Gregg Bedol
- Mariah & Alan Klein
- Linda Weiskoff
- Diane & Jim Dexter
- Cindy Solomon
- Joyce Kinnard
- Roz Edelberg
- Glen & Liz Gurevitch
- Amy Garnett

## High Holiday Donation

- Leslie Orenstein
- Caroline & Garreth Stover
- Debora Bobo & Debbie Williams
- Mark Rosenberg
- Rita & Craig Gilbert
- Jennifer Taussig
- Judy Cohen
- Nomi Traub
- Judith Ayal
- Terry Egdal & Mark Podhorzer
- Stephanie Steiger
- Paul & Lisa Marquardt
- John & Martha Lubell
- Michele Casper & Alan Sokoloff
- Steve Baustin
- Stanley Cohen, IHO Bernice, David, Nathan & Kobe Cohen
- Nancy Guss & Gary Diamond

## Matan Fund

- Stephanie & Andrew Gewirtz, IHO Bob Schwartz for serving as Gabbai Rishon at Harry's bar mitzvah & IHO Shim Gartner for his dedication to teaching trope to our children and serving as Gabbai Sheni at Harry's bar mitzvah

## HONORABLE MENSCHEN

MLK March coordination:  
Darcy Coty

Building Shamash: Joe Chancey

Onegs: Nefesh Chaya, Bill Wither-  
spoon & Rina Rosenberg, Hanne  
Blank, Esther Rechtman

Social Justice March coordination:  
Jackie Sherman

Shabbat Dinner leaders: McKenzie  
Wren & Reuben Haller

## ANNIVERSARIES

Feb. 27 Michael & Theresa Barnett

## HAPPY PURIM

Get Mishloach Manot (Purim gifts)  
for your CBH friends. Watch for  
an email coming soon with your  
personal code and how to order.

## LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

Sunday, Feb. 12, 10:15AM at FSA.  
Learn the ins and outs, the dos  
and don'ts of being an advocate  
so you can be more effective.  
Professionals teach us where to  
put our efforts.

## MEET A MUSLIM

Saturday, Feb. 11. 3PM  
Ask questions and talk about any  
concerns with a representative  
from the Muslim community.

# ABOUT US

**CONGREGATION BET HAVERIM** is a  
Reconstructionist synagogue founded by lesbians  
and gay men, embracing all Jews and loved ones.

HaMaagal is the monthly newsletter of  
Congregation Bet Haverim, containing news,  
information, and items of interest for our diverse  
community.

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- Music Director: Gayanne Geurin
- Education Programming: Emet Ozar

# LEADERSHIP

President	Shoshana Ben-Yoar
Vice President	McKenzie Wren
VP Administration	Shelley Rose
VP Finance	Theresa Prestwood
Treasurer	Cindy Smith
President Emeritus	Charlie Chasen
Secretary	Shana Cohen
Reps-at-large	Deborah Krotenberg
	Susan Levy
	Gina Gershon
Education Cmte.	Rachel Wallack
	Michele Walsh
Membership Cmte.	Abbie Fuksman
Tikkun Olam Cmte.	Avrum Weiss

# BIRTHDAYS

Feb. 1	Alexandria Deyn Brooks-Alt	Feb. 10	Viola Benshushan	Feb. 20	McKenzie Wren
Feb. 2	Carleton Vaughn	Feb. 10	Yael Toporek	Feb. 22	Benjamin Creath
Feb. 3	Cornelia Jaye Huntington	Feb. 11	Eliana Leader	Feb. 23	Martin Cetron
Feb. 3	Jordan Walter	Feb. 11	Jason Martin	Feb. 23	Deborah Krotenberg
Feb. 4	Kim Massell	Feb. 12	Leanne Rubenstein	Feb. 23	Jacob Pechacek
Feb. 4	Terry Egdal	Feb. 12	Susan Gerber	Feb. 25	Ethan Gould
Feb. 4	Roz Edelberg	Feb. 14	David Abeita	Feb. 25	Marjorie Adler
Feb. 5	Davi Pressman	Feb. 15	Graham Hill	Feb. 25	Barbara Nama
Feb. 5	Sylvia Gross	Feb. 16	Steve Bloom	Feb. 25	Dylan Byers
Feb. 6	Miranda Lewis	Feb. 16	Cindy Solomon	Feb. 26	Paul Wolpe
Feb. 7	Jane Dinerman	Feb. 17	Sonia Mara Barrios	Feb. 26	Talia Miller
Feb. 8	Linda Fishman	Feb. 18	Ruthie Betan-Snook	Feb. 26	David Lubell
Feb. 9	Maya Baumeister	Feb. 19	Rebecca Green	Feb. 26	Devon Jacob Haller
Feb. 9	Jeannie Heinsohn	Feb. 19	David L. Osheroff	Feb. 27	Stanley Wei
Feb. 9	Aaron Greenbaum	Feb. 19	Lois Wolf	Feb. 28	Nathan Weiss
Feb. 9	Gabriel Greenbaum	Feb. 19	Eleanor Greenfield	Feb. 28	Bernadette Bridges
Feb. 9	Amy Garnett	Feb. 19	Heather Greenfield		

# MEMORIALS

DATE	NAME	MOURNED BY	DATE	NAME	MOURNED BY
Feb. 2	Lillian Katzewitch	Rebecca Leary Safon	Feb. 15	Judy Adler Levine	Marjorie Adler
Feb. 3	Steven Bloch	Susan Simon	Feb. 15	Pauline Lucille Kombol	Danica Kombol
Feb. 3	David Rosenzweig	Edward Rosenzweig	Feb. 16	David Witherspoon	Bill Witherspoon
Feb. 3	Gloria Kahn	Amy Kahn	Feb. 17	Albert Gershman	Mark Gershman
Feb. 4	Florence Weissman	Sybil McWilliams	Feb. 18	Norton Melaver	Tovah Melaver
Feb. 4	Bruce Haller	Reuben Haller	Feb. 20	Craig Adler	Marjorie Adler
Feb. 5	Dorothy Schnitman	Sheila Muldoon	Feb. 20	Marshall Bedol	Gregg Bedol
Feb. 5	Rachel Cohen Davis	Shoshana Ben-Yoar	Feb. 21	Jerome Gewirtz	Andrew Gewirtz
Feb. 6	Leo Burson	Henry Lewis	Feb. 21	Barbara Chane	Sarah Abend
Feb. 7	George Shendelman	Henry Lewis	Feb. 21	Alvin Korfin	Beverly Korfin
Feb. 8	Bill Wagstaff	Rebecca Leary Safon	Feb. 21	Louis Morrow	Mitch Morrow
Feb. 8	Abraham Goodman	Joy Goodman	Feb. 22	Morty Birnbaum	Nancy Gerber
Feb. 9	Elise Goodman-Lewis	Henry Lewis	Feb. 23	Michael Shure	Jerry Shure
Feb. 9	Mildred Morrow	Mitch Morrow	Feb. 26	Lois Grill	Susan Joss
Feb. 9	Edward Norton	Neil Norton	Feb. 27	Abraham Gittelsohn	Moshe Gittelsohn
Feb. 11	Sam E. Burson	Henry Lewis	Feb. 27	Herbert Karp	Miriam Karp
Feb. 14	Irving Schneider	Vickie Scheer	Feb. 28	Celia Burson	Henry Lewis
Feb. 14	Donald Schwartz	Robert Schwartz			

# PROGRAMS



## AJMF SEPHARDIC JOURNEYS SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 8PM

CBH and AJMF present a concert of Sephardic Jewish music, led by jazz pianist David Marcus. An international musical ensemble presents new arrangements of these ancient melodies from Jewish communities in Greece, Turkey, and the Mediterranean.

CBH Musicians guitarist Will Robertson, violinist Sarah Zaslav, bassist Jordan Dayan, and vocalist Gayanne Geurin join Palestinian oudist Suheil Sedran and Turkish percussionist Emrah Kotan, under the musical direction of David Marcus.

Doors open at 7:30pm.  
Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door.  
Tickets at [www.congregationbethaverim.org](http://www.congregationbethaverim.org)

## GENDER DIVERSITY SERIES

Curious about gender diversity? Hoping to become a better ally to gender-diverse and transgender people? Have questions about gender and sex but don't know where to start? Historian of sexuality and medicine and longtime LGBTQIA activist Hanne Blank leads two workshops where you can bring your curiosity and questions and build your knowledge and allyship, followed by a panel discussion and Talmud study.

### 1. WHAT IS GENDER, ANYWAY?

**Sunday, February 12, 4:30 - 6:00PM**

Everyone has a gender... how much do you know about yours? In this workshop we'll talk about gendered identities, gendered expectations, and where they come from. We'll discuss gender and sex (and why they're not the same thing), how gender intersects with sexuality (or not!), learn about the many different types of gender nonconformity, and get creative about ways of expressing and enjoying gender in the world. Please RSVP for planning purposes.

### 2. GENDER, SEX, AND BODIES

**Sunday, March 5, 4:30 - 6:00PM**

In this workshop we're talking about bodies: anatomy, hormones, physiology, genetics, and how it all relates to the spectrum of sex and gender. Please RSVP for planning purposes.

### 3. GENDER DIVERSITY PANEL

**Sunday, March 19, 4:30 - 6:00PM**

More info TBA

### 4. GENDER IN THE TALMUD

**Sunday, April 30, 4:30 - 6:00PM**

Throughout history, there are many instances of people with non-traditional genders. In this discussion, we will look specifically at Jewish text and see what Rabbis in the time of the Mishna say about androgynous and tum-tum, two categories of gender outside of male and female.

RSVP at [congregationbethaverim.org/cal.php](http://congregationbethaverim.org/cal.php)

# FEBRUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:30am Chanting	2	3 7:30pm Erev Shabbat (GG) 	4 10am Shabbat Morning Service (KS)
5 9:30am CBHCS	6 6pm Meditation & Chant	7 7:30pm Wise Aging Class Full	8 7:30am Chanting	9	10 7:30pm Shabbat Shirah (Oakhurst Baptist Church)	11 3pm Meet a Muslim
12 9:30am CBHCS (FSA) 10am Advocacy (FSA) 12:30pm Tu B'Shvat planting (at Carter Center) 4:30pm Gender Diversity	13	14 7:30pm Wise Aging Class Full	15 7:30am Chanting	16 7:30pm Alchemy of the Soul, Interplay	17 7:30pm InterPRAY Shabbat Service 	18
19 NO CBHCS	20 6pm Meditation & Chant	21 7:30pm Wise Aging Class Full	22 7:30am Chanting	23 6:30pm CBH Leadership Full	24 6:30pm Shabbat Dinner with Jeff Jones Band 	25 10am Shabbat Morning Service (KS) 10am Sing 'n' Play 7:30pm Purim off Ponce
26 9:30am CBHCS	27	28 7:30pm Wise Aging Class Full	 <p>SAT, MARCH 11, 6PM</p> <p>PIZZA • HAMENTASCHEN BAKE OFF • CRAZY HAT CONTEST</p>			

Times subject to change. Please check for changes on online calendar.