

# Voice of Generations

Congregation Dor Tamid 11165 Parsons Road Johns Creek, GA 30097

March 2017

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# **Schedule of Services**

Friday 7:3

Torah Study 9:00-10:00 AM Shabbat Service 10:30 AM No Shabbat Service on March 18

March & April Birthday Recognition Shabbat Led by CDTTY

Friday March 3 7:30 PM

PURIM

Saturday, March 11 7:00 PM Sunday, March 12 10:00 AM

Musical Shabbat Service Friday, March 24 7:30 PM

Look on our website for the most current calendar updates!

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# Message from the Rabbi



We're now in the month of Adar, a holiday we are to fill with revelry. Happiness is the name of the game. So the Talmud says - "Mishenichnas Adar marbin b'simchah," "When Adar enters, we increase joy." (B. Ta'anit 29a)

Purim is very different from all the other holidays. Passover is a time to learn about all the customs that teach about the exodus in Egypt. There is so much to learn that the week before

Rabbis traditionally give a major sermon on how to perform all the rituals. Even the happy holiday of Chanukah demands a rudimentary knowledge of Hebrew in order to be able to light the Chanukah candles. But Purim is pure fun. No one needs to learn how to boo the villain and cheer the hero when the Megillah is read. There is no special way to eat a hamantashen. No one is going to ask if the greggor is turned from right to left or from left to right. Purim is one big smile from beginning to end.

Maybe that's why the Sages said that Purim would be the only holiday to exist after the coming of the Messiah. They knew that the people reveled in the joy of the holiday.

And isn't it so? There is a fairy tale feeling to the story.... with a great party that lasts six months, a beauty contest for all the women in the kingdom and a little girl who gets to be queen. Esther is frightened but ends up saving her people. The bad guys lose; the good guys win. It is all "once upon a time."

This is Purim. It is delightful and fanciful. So woe be to the Rabbi who would deliver a serious sermon about anti-Semitism on this holiday! That is NOT what this holiday is about. Rather this holiday is about catharsis and community, costumes and carnivals.

And for us...you'll want to be at CDT on Saturday night, March 11. Fred Green and Steve Kushins are facing off in a Great Debate - Which is superior, the hamentaschen or the latke?! Click <a href="https://youtu.be/YVwt\_TfuC-E">https://youtu.be/YVwt\_TfuC-E</a> for a preview! And the schpiel is Billy Joel all the way! The tradition is to get so drunk you can't tell the difference between Haman and Mordechai. Bring a designated driver.

Hundreds of people show up every year on Purim. Why? Because Jews know how to have a good time.

Be there or be square.

L'shalom, **Rabbi Katz** 

# EREV PURIM

Saturday, March 11 7-8:30 PM

Megillah Reading

**NEW:** Billy Joel Purim Schpiel

# THE GREAT DEBATE:

What's best-The Hamentaschen or the Latke?

Alcohol, soft drinks and nosh will be served





# PURIM DAY

Sunday, March 12 10:00 AM -1:00 PM

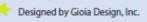
# COME IN COSTUME!

Megillah Reading • Short Kids Schpiel • Fun Parade

CARNIVAL & "MAGIC MAN" SHOW

Games • Booths • Bazaar







## Message from the President

Spring is in the air and that means that our Gala is fast approaching. Our "Gala Girls", the supremely talented Co-chairs of Denise Abramow, Lynn Elster, Leslie Fox, and Lisa Romm, along with their outstanding committee, are at it again. This year's event, "A Night on Broadway", promises to be a great event.

If you have not yet bought your tickets or want a sneak peek at some of the amazing silent auction items, click here: <a href="http://dortamid.org/tp40/page.asp?id=339328">http://dortamid.org/tp40/page.asp?id=339328</a>.

I want to thank everyone who came out to Top Golf for our Men's Club "rebirth" a couple of weeks ago. If you are interested in more information about upcoming events for Men's Club, or want to join one of our CDT softball teams, email <a href="Mensclub@dortamid.com">Mensclub@dortamid.com</a>. BTW-if you like Steak and Bourbon, and who doesn't, save the date of Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>... More info coming soon.

For those of you that have not yet heard, we are proud to announce that Rabbi Jordan Ottenstein will be joining Congregation Dor Tamid as our Senior Rabbi on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Special thanks to the Search committee for doing a tremendous job over the past 9 months. Rabbi Jordan and his family will be in town soon to check out Johns Creek and visit CDT. We will send out more info on this once plans are finalized.

Be sure to join us for some great events coming up...

The **Hunger Walk** is Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at Turner Field. Join the CDT Walkers for this fun, community-wide family event.

**Purim** is the weekend of March 11<sup>th</sup>. We have great events both Saturday night and Sunday! The Megillah Reading and Billy Joel Purim Schpiel will be Saturday night. Plus, there will be an epic debate about which is better, the Hamentaschen or the Latke. You won't want to miss this!!! On Sunday, March 12th, we will have our Annual Purim Carnival. Molly Peled is creating another epic CDT event for the entire family.

And of course, the **Gala** is Saturday night, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

There are many more events, so hop over to the CDT website to check 'em all out. www.dortamid.org.

Remember, CDT is our community!

As always, let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

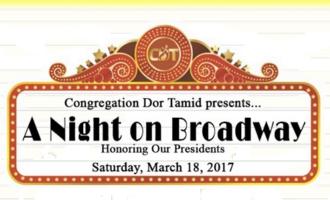
This is your CDT!

B'shalom,

ROB

Rob Lederman President





# CDT presents "A Night On Broadway," coming March 18th for one night only!

Please join us for this fundraiser gala as we come together to honor our presidents. The evening will include dinner, cocktails, silent auction, live entertainment and much more!



# March 2017 at CDT

| SUN   | MON                              | TUE                                  | WED  | THU   | FRI   | SAT  |
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|   |                                  |                                      | 11:00 AM Torah Study 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Executive Board Meeting | 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Purim Rehearsal | 6:30 PM Teacher Appreciation Dinner 7:30 PM CDTTY Shabbat Service with recognition of March & April birthdays | 9:00 AM Torah Study  10:30 AM Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Service of Jessica Pinsker   |
| 9:15 AM Religious School Grades PreK-5  12:00 PM Hunger Walk  1:00 PM CDTTY Board Meeting  5:30 PM Religious School Grades 6-8 Derech Tamid Grades 9-10                 | 6                                | 7                                    | 8 11:00 AM Torah Study 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class                               | 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Purim Rehearsal | 7:30 PM<br>Shabbat Service  | 9:00 AM Torah Study  10:30 AM Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah Service of Samuel Risner  7:00 PM PURIM Including Great Debate, Billy Joel Purim Schpiel, Megillah Reading, and free drinks! |
| DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS  10:00 AM PURIM FESTIVAL Including parade, carnival, magic show and more!   | 7:00 PM Sisterhood Board Meeting | 7:30 PM Engagement Committee Meeting | 15 11:00 AM Torah Study 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Board Meeting        | 16<br>5:30 PM<br>B'nai Mitzvah Class                | 7:30 PM Shabbat Service   | 9:00 AM Torah Study  Congregation Der Tanial presents.  A Night Con Broadway Stateday, March 18, 2017  6:30 PM CDT GALA  |
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| 26 HOMES AGAINST HUNGER PICK UP  9:15 AM Religious School Grades PreK-5  2:00 PM Sisterhood Women's Seder  5:30 PM Religious School Grades 6-8 Derech Tamid Grades 9-12 | 27                               | 28                                   | 11:00 AM Torah Study 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class                                 | 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class                         | 7:30 PM<br>Shabbat Service  |  |

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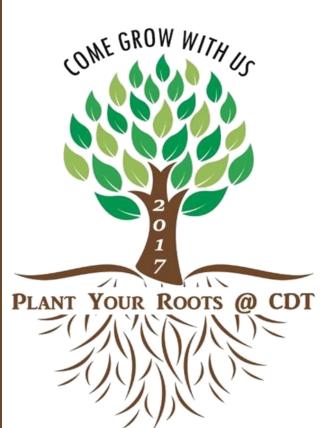
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## Sisterhood had a FUN February!

Thank you, Dana Rothenberg for hosting, and Brooke Belodoff for planning a wonderful Wellness Luncheon!

Dr. Suzanne Ferree Turner shared several tips for better sleep habits while we enjoyed a delicious lunch. In addition, we raised \$185 for Hadassah University Medical Center in Israel.



# Join us!



You won't want to miss this annual event! Join the Sisterhood for an afternoon of Israeli dancing, refreshments and chocolate desserts. All women of our community over the age of 11 are welcome to attend our modern twist on the Passover Seder.

# Sunday, March 26 2:00 PM

**Congregation Dor Tamid** 

RSVP to sisterhood@dortamid.com Mail or drop off check at CDT by 3/22 \$10 for Sisterhood members & their families, non-members \$18

### BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

4/25 Game night

4/30 Virtual Dementia Tour at the Cohen Home -Learn first hand what it's like to live with Dementia

Don't forget to email sisterhood@dortamid.com with any comments, questions or suggestions for activities.

Michele

Michele Lederman Sisterhood President Would you like to be more involved in Sisterhood next year? We are currently putting together a slate for the 2017-2018 board and would love for you to participate! If you're interested in learning more, contact



## **SUN, MARCH 5, 2017** TURNER FIELD, 12:00-4:00 PM

Join the CDT Walkers in a Family Event

Thousands of people will come together to raise awareness and funds to help fight hunger in our community. Our team will be there – and we need you to support this important mission!

You can help by making a donation or take the next step against hunger by walking/running with us on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Bring the whole family for a fun-filled, entertaining afternoon for a great cause

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**QUESTIONS?**Contact:

Deb Eskenazi hdb 3@ymail.com



# Dor Tamid Primetimers

Place: Gibbs Gardens, Ball Ground, GA

Date: Sunday, April 2nd Time: 11:00 am



#### Details:

If we have at least 10 people, admission will be \$16.96 per person and if anyone needs the tram, it's \$5.30. We will have lunch after our visit at Forno's Italian Restaurant around 1:30.

Please RSVP to Ellen Salowitz at ersalo@aol.com or 770-781-1138 by March 23rd.

Check out www.gibbsgarden.com for more information





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## B'nai Mitzvah



# Brock Weinsier February 4, 2017

Brock is a 7<sup>th</sup> grade honor student and Junior Beta Club member at Autrey Mill Middle School. At the age of three years old, Brock began playing baseball and has been actively involved in sports ever since. In addition to baseball, he plays flag football and basketball and has earned a black

belt in Tae Kwon Do. When Brock is not playing sports, his Saturdays and Sundays are spent watching football and rooting for the Florida Gators and Atlanta Falcons. For five summers, Brock has attended his "favorite summer place" Camp Barney Medintz. Brock's other loves include skiing, chess, and hanging out with his friends.

Brock's passion for sports and his desire to help others were the driving force behind his tikkun olam/social action project. Brock decided to volunteer at the Marcus Jewish Community Center with SOAR, a program where adults with special needs have an opportunity to participate in team sports. For three months, Brock spent one afternoon per week helping adults with disabilities play kickball. Whether he was helping someone catch, run to a base, or just cheering them on, Brock loved being part of this inspiring group. He plans to return to volunteering with SOAR after his Bar Mitzvah service is complete. This experience taught Brock how someone can make a difference in the lives of others.



## Bryce Kurtz February 11, 2017

Bryce is a 7th grader at Webb Bridge Middle School in Alpharetta. He has many hobbies including playing soccer, reading, cooking, and traveling.

For his tikkun olam/social action project, Bryce shaved his head and led a team of 'shavees' as

part of St. Baldrick's Foundation fundraiser to raise money for children's cancer research. Bryce is a multi-year participant and has raised thousands of dollars for this important cause. He will once again be participating next month with a goal of raising another \$2,500 this year.

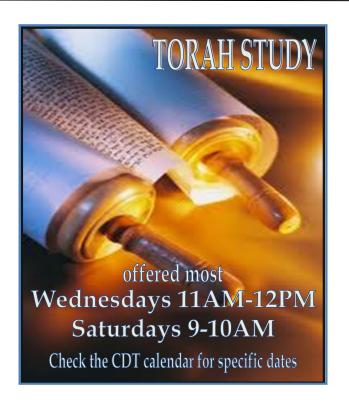


## Zachary Kurtz February 11, 2017

Zachary is a 7th grader at Webb Bridge Middle School in Alpharetta. He's an avid sports fan and plays basketball nearly year-round for the Hoops and Sand team out of Cumming. Zachary is a true Texas Longhorn fan and can often be seen wearing his burnt orange and white apparel.

For his tikkun olam/social action project, Zachary worked at the Marcus Jewish Community Center in a program called SOAR. His role was to coach adults with disabilities in various sports. He was able to share his love of sports with the participants and learn about the day-to-day lives of people with disabilities.

# B'nai Mitzvah, continued on next page



# B'nai Mitzvah, continued



# Charlotte Lichtenfeld February 11, 2017

Charlotte is a 7<sup>th</sup> grade honor student, Junior Beta Club member and Thespian at Autrey Mill Middle School. She has a passion for musical theater and chorus and has been a cast member of many musicals throughout the past several years. In addition to theater, Charlotte loves participating in

sports, specifically, basketball, soccer and figure skating. She has especially enjoyed having her father coach all of her soccer teams since she was three years old. Charlotte has a special place in her heart for Camp Wicosuta located in New Hampshire. Charlotte's love of musical theater, singing and helping others gave Charlotte the inspiration for her tikkun olam/social action project. She decided to volunteer at The Cohen Home. She wanted to share her love of music, and her companionship, by performing musical numbers from shows she has acted in. She also spent time explaining the origins of each song and got to know the residents who attended.



## Zachary Starkman February 18, 2017

Zac is a 7th-grade student at South Forsyth Middle School where his favorite subjects are science and social studies. Zac relaxes by time spending friends gaming on the computer. He also enjoys scuba diving with his dad and is currently workina toward his PADI Junior Advanced Open Water Diver

qualifications. During the summer, Zac attends camp at ID Tech and Andretti's. He also travels to Canada where he visits with his Canadian relatives and goes fishing with his Uncle Dan.

For Zac's tikkun olam/social action project, he collected toys and raised funds for toys to be purchased for the children affected by the Gatlinburg, Tennessee wildfires. In late November, the tourist town of Gatlinburg was devastated by wildfires, which damaged and destroyed hundreds of homes. Many children lost all of their toys and personal possessions. Zac wanted to give these children some hope and brighten their holiday season. We delivered the toys to the police department in Conyers, Georgia, so they could add them to their toy drive. With Zac's help, they were able to send 86 boxes of toys to Gatlinburg.



## Ethan Bronfman February 25, 2017

Ethan is an animal lover and has a dog named Rosie, a cat named Sir Douglas, and two rabbits named Chloe and Blackie. He has played recreation league basketball for the past three seasons, and he was a Cub Scout and Webelos Scout for four years. Ethan loves to read and is a fan of super heroes, both in movies and comic book form.

For his tikkun olam/social action project, Ethan has been volunteering at the Furkids Animal Shelter in Alpharetta over the past six months. He really enjoyed the experience of being with the animals and encourages everyone to volunteer their time or to donate financially to shelters like Furkids.





A big thank you goes to Ron and Bonnie Harvey for chairing our

Dinner and a Movie. Over 40 people attended. I heard the food was great and the movie was fantastic.

Mark your calendar for our next event a trip to Gibbs Gardens in Ball Ground, Georgia on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will

be meeting there at 11:00 am to tour the grounds and then meet for lunch at Forno's Italian Restaurant around 1:30pm. If we have at least 10 people, admission to Gibbs Gardens will be \$16.96 per person and if anyone needs the tram it's \$5.30.

This event is chaired by Ellen Salowitz and Linda Mallin. Please RSVP to Ellen at ersalo@aol.com or call her at 770-781-1138 by March 23rd.

All Primetime events are opened to any CDT member 55 years old or older. Please join us!









**Happy Birthday** Ethel!





Jerry and Harriet!

# **March 2017**

# **Social Action**

Spring is soon upon us, as is Pesach. What a wonderful time to do some Spring Pantry Cleaning and get rid of those foods that haven't expired yet, but were more appetizing in the grocery store

than they are in your closet! You can't imagine how much more those foods would mean to someone who is experiencing food insecurity a/k/a hunger. Consider donating your non-perishable (NON-GLASS) food items and non-Passover items (chametz) to our Homes Against Hunger food pick up on SUNDAY, MARCH 26th, 2017. If you haven't signed up yet, please contact me at <a href="mailto:HomesAgainstHunger@dortamid.comand">HomesAgainstHunger@dortamid.comand</a>. We will pick up your items from your doorstep. You bag them, we snag them! It's that simple!!!!



Also the CDT Walkers, under the leadership of Debbie Eskenazi, will again be participating in the **Hunger Walk** in Atlanta on **Sunday, March 5th, 2017**. Here is the link to our team page if you would like to sign up as a Walker or simple make a donation.

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If you have questions, please contact <a href="mailto:SocialAction@dortamid.com">SocialAction@dortamid.com</a>.

This year Passover falls in the beginning of April. During the month of March, some of our congregants struggle to find a means in which to celebrate Passover with their families. We at CDT are looking for donations of gift cards to Kroger, Publix, Target and Walmart, to help those members who just need a little help to get through the holidays. If you can, please consider dropping by a gift card. You can also make donations to *Chesed Tamid* online through the donations link on the CDT website and the money is used to purchase gift cards

Wishing you all a smooth transition from Winter to Springtime!

Jackie Berger Acting Social Action Chair

# ללמוד תמיד חמיד Adult Education

Sunday, March 19 Rabbi Hirshy Minkowicz

"Maintaining Constant Joy"
10:00 AM

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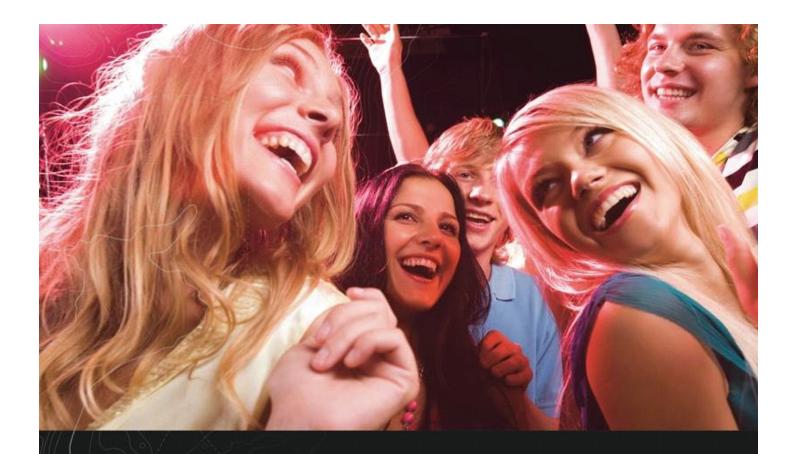
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Q: My daughter has disabilities and has just graduated from high school. She really wants to work and has had great support all through school. But now that she is graduating, I don't know how to help her find work. What is the next step?

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For more information on Supported Employment, contact 770.677.9372 or info@jfcsatl.org.

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