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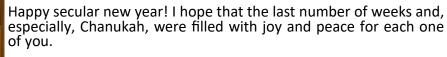
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Rabbinic Reflections

Dear friends,



As we enter into this secular new year, I want to share with you two very exciting opportunities on the first two Shabbatot of 2023 plus an important upcoming Shabbat change at CDT.

First, on Friday evening, January 6, our member and madricha, Ellie Rosen will deliver the sermon. Ellie had the unique opportunity last summer to represent the United States in her age group at the Maccabiah games in Israel. She will share with us about her experience, what she learned, how it felt to represent our country, and what it felt like to be part of such a large and international Jewish community of young people.

Then, on the next Shabbat, January 13, as we enter into the book of *Shemot*, which we call the book of Exodus in Hebrew, we will have a unique communal opportunity. *Shemot*, which is the name of both the book and the weekly Torah portion means "names." In our tradition, many of us have both a secular name that we are called each day (for me...Jordan), but we also have a Hebrew, or sacred, name that we are called as sacred occasions, such as weddings, brit milah or baby namings, b'nai mitzvah, or any time we are called to bless the Torah. And yet, many in our community either do not remember or never received a Hebrew name. So, as we enter into the book of *Shemot*, we will give everyone in the congregation, who would like, the opportunity to receive a Hebrew name. Please contact me if you are interested in participating so that we can choose a name together.

Finally, beginning in February, we have an important change coming to our Friday evening Shabbat worship. For many in our community, Shabbat dinner is an important weekly event—a time to sit down with family and friends and welcome in Shabbat together. We, at CDT, would like to encourage this practice, while at the same time encourage you to come to services as well. In order to make both of these practices more feasible to occur on the same evening, we will be introducing a monthly early service. Our Shabbat evening will begin with *Kabbalat Panim*, a nosh and opportunity to gather together before services, beginning at 5:45pm. Then, we will enter into the sanctuary together for services at 6:15pm. An hour later, following the conclusion of services, you will be free to go and enjoy your Shabbat dinner. Please see the flyer in the newsletter with the dates for these early services.

I hope you have a wonderful beginning of 2023 and hope to see all of you soon.

B'ahavah (with love),

Rabbi Jordan

President's Message



Leslie Fox

A 2023 poem, From me to you. It's hard to believe, How quickly 2022 flew!

CDT's past year,
Was full of programs and events.
And, of course, a time,
For us to relent!

Memories were made, With family and friends. And it's a bit bittersweet, When the year comes to an end!

As 2023 begins, The slate is clean. Please make a visit to CDT, A part of your routine!

Our community is special, That we all know. So put a date on your calendar, And make it a point to go!

I hope to see you all,
As we move through '23.
May it be a year,
That's good to you and to me!

Wishing you,

And all you hold dear,

Good health, happiness, and peace,
In the upcoming year!

Leslie

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Cantorial Soloist's Message



Mike Zuspan

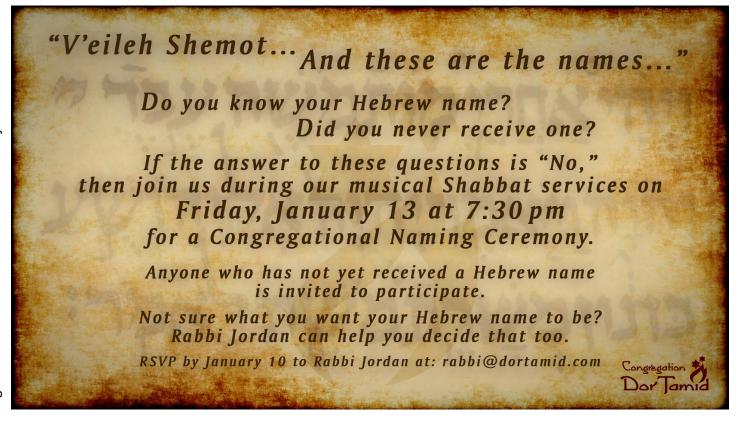
Shalom chaveirim - hello my friends!

Happy (Secular) New Year! I hope you and your loved ones are well and have enjoyed ushering this new secular year. This month, on January 13th, we will have our next Musical *Shabbat*. As it will be Martin Luther King Jr weekend, we will, as has been our tradition, incorporate a civil rights theme into our *Erev Shabbat* Service. We will sing some Dylan and a little Sam Cooke. Pete Seger and Bob Marley will most likely make an appearance. The Impressions may even show up as well. As I have been working on the music for this upcoming weekend, the lyrics from these songs sung fifty or so years ago as the melodies and

poems of the Civil Rights movement continue to strike me as relevant and necessary - especially as the rhetoric of hate, racism, and antisemitism have been growing. Bob Dylan asks in his song Blowin' In The Wind: "Yes, and how many times can a man turn his head and pretend he just doesn't see?" How relevant this lyric is still. As of late, the Jewish community has woken up to the rise in antisemitism and begun in earnest to speak out and ask our brothers and sisters to not turn their heads and pretend that they don't see. This upcoming MLK Jr weekend, please come to *Erev Shabbat* Service on January 13th so that we can strengthen our voices by coming together to sing and pray for peace and to be reminded that the pursuit of justice is ongoing, that the dream of Martin Luther King Jr has not yet been fulfilled, and that we must continue to work together free ourselves of hate, racism and antisemitism.

L'Shalom,

Mike Zuspan Cantorial Soloist



New Member Corner



This section of the newsletter is dedicated to our new members joining us recently. We are so proud and excited to have this family a part of our community. Enjoy getting to know the Waltzman family, and extend a welcome hand.

New Members



We are Waltzman family - Dana, David, Asher and Lyla

We moved to Johns Creek 6 years ago from California. Since then, Dana (mom) and David (dad) had two wonderful kids. Asher is now 5 and Lyla is 2 years old. Dana's job at the CDC brought us to the area. We fell in love with the serenity of the area, and lots of walks during the week around the neighborhood and hikes with the kids on the weekends.

Our family joined CDT at the beginning of this school year for the kids to start Sunday school. Asher enjoys the Pre-K class every week, and Lyla comes once a month for Play Tamid. The monthly Tot Shabbat events are also popular in our house. During the week, we hear Asher singing Jewish songs full blast throughout the house, so I think it is all working well.

We are looking forward to strengthening our ties in the CDT community in the coming months and years.

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Many Thanks תודה רבה

Cantorial Soloist Fund

Angelo & Angela Capozzoli

—in honor of Talia & Matthew on their Auf Ruf

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—in honor of Ron Altman's 80th Birthday

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—in Honor of Stephen & Jodi Wolfe becoming

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Giving Tuesday

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High Holy Days Appeal

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PrimeTimers

Leslie Penuel

—in memory of Tom Davis

Helene Kraselsky

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Sandwich Project

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—in memory of Marvin Finkelstein

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-in memory of Frances Goldstein

Larry & Rae Saidman

—in memory of Josef Saidman

Ron & Bonnie Harvey

—in memory of Mildred Olson

Irina Chernilovskaya

—in memory of Yuly Makovoz

Janet Levy

—in memory of Joel Levy

Condolences

Lynn Elster on the passing of her mother

Joyce Ellis

May her memory be a blessing.







SANCTUARY CIRCLES

A very special thank you to the following who participated in our Sanctuary Circles.

"By three things is the world sustained: by Forah, by worship, and by deeds of loving-kindness."

Pirkei Pool 1:2

TORAH

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Ron & Betty Kurtz

Stacy Lord

David Pace & Lakiya Jones

Scott & Laura Palgon

Scott & Dana Rothenberg



Beginning this February...

Kabbalat Panim and

Kabbalat Shabbat

Once a month, we will gather for a Kabbalat Panim, an Oneg Shabbat before services, at 5:45 pm. We will then move to the sanctuary to welcome in Shabbat together at 6:15 pm.

> February 17 March 17 April 7 May 19 lune 2

> > *Dates subject to change.

A beautiful First Night First Light with our CDT Families.

Ashley Chenault



Dress up and join us for an AFTERNOON TEA Sunday, Jan. 22nd at 12:30 pm We will be serving tea, sandwiches and desserts along with our special tea. Bring your favorite tea pot! All ages are welcome! Directly after Religious School in the social hall \$10 per adult \$5 per child 10 and under

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Social Action and Tikkun Olam







We are excited to have some amazing activities in the works for 2023!

January 11th – Panel discussion on Anxiety and Depression in children, teens, and young adults. This will be the first of several Wellness sessions sponsored by CDT Social Action, CDT Sisterhood and the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta. We are so excited to work together on this important topic, and are planning several more Wellness topics.

This session will be valuable for all parents, grandparents and others who have children, teens and young adults in their lives. We will have snacks and coffee starting at 6:30 and will start the session promptly at 7:00, ending at 8:30. Please see flyer below for more details.



Are you concerned that your child, teen or young adult is suffering from anxiety or depression?

Join us for a panel discussion with medical and mental health professionals who will discuss how to identify mental health issues. what to do next, and treatment options.

Panel Participants

Dr. Zager Lew-Pediatrician, Dr. Forman Blitzer-Pediatrician, Dr. Spitalnick - Psychologist, Anxiety Specialists of Atlanta, Dr. Engler - Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

January

Refreshments available at 6:30 - session will start PROMPTLY at 7:00 p.m.

Click here to Sign-Up*

A Wellness Session Sponsored by CDT Social Action, CDT Sisterhood and Joseph Reduction





*Adults only

Social Action and Tikkun Olam, cont.

CDT Cares Mitzvah Day - January 15th

Look for some more information in early January as we celebrate MLK weekend, and make a difference in our local community.

- ◆ The Religious School children will get involved with some Arts and Crafts as they make items that will bring joy to people (and critters) who are being helped by some local charities.
- ◆ <u>We will also be collecting gently used children and adult books</u> for several organizations. If you have any books in Russian you will get special kudos, as they are greatly appreciated by the Café Europa Holocaust Survivor group. Other book donations will be distributed to:
 - Children Read low income children ages 1-5
 - Sheltering Books (CNN Hero) Children 0-18
 - Hope for Domestic Violence Adult books
- ◆ Our friends from LifeSouth will be coming with their Bloodmobile from 9:00-1:30, so we will be asking for people to sign-up to reserve a time slot.
- ♦ Lastly, weather permitting, Men's Club will be using their strength and engineering skills to <u>set up</u> the new shed for the Gan Tamid Garden.

We ended 2022 with some very meaningful activities. Thank you so much for everyone who participated in the following December Social Action initiatives:



- ◆ <u>Volunteer Day at North Fulton Community Charities</u> On Saturdays, we are only able to bring six volunteers but what a wonderful group we had on December 10th! Led by **Vicki Levine**, thanks to **Ed Levine**, **Alex Levine**, **Spencer Shilling**, **Debbie Rubin and Sharon Miller** for your hard work!
- ◆ Homes Against Hunger We had a huge haul again and the gentlemen who picked up from A Place of Forsyth was so appreciative. Thank you Jackie Berger, our fearless leader, as well as Lesley Radov, Sharon Miller, Linda Badesch Barton, and Sara Kleinfeld and everyone who donated food to this fabulous organization.
- ◆ <u>Toys for Tots</u> Again I am in awe of the generosity of everyone who brought a new unwrapped toy for a child in our local community!
- ◆ <u>Thank you to Lisa Winton</u> (and to the lovely people who accompanied her) for providing a meal for the couples at Zaban Paradies. Not only did she help provide dinner, but she helped clean out a clothing closet and is ready to go back and provide some more assistance. If you have women's winter clothing that you would like to donate, please let us know at (pbloom99@yahoo.com).
- <u>Lastly, thank you to **Sara Dean**</u> and her significant other, for suggesting that guests to their holiday party bring canned food for Homes Against Hunger instead of wine and other items for the hosts. This is an amazing idea and they were able to donate a significant amount of food!

Sisterhood







Our Mission: The Women of Congregation Dor Tamid's primary function is to support the synagogue through Judaism, Community Service, Friendship & Fundraising.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2023!!

LET THE FUN BEGIN!

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PrimeTimers Events



We've been having so much fun this past year! I hope you can join us in 2023 as we seek out new adventures.



Leslie Penuel

Janet Levy

The Chanukah Party was lots of fun with Debby Shilling leading the event in a session of Name That Tune! Enjoy the photos.



What: Movie Night

When: Tuesday, January 17th

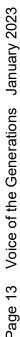
Time: 6:30pm-Movie begins. Sandwiches, Desserts, Shakes & Drinks will be served.

*Special thanks to Bob Eisenhardt for the movie choices. We will keep you posted on the movie title.

We are looking for volunteers to run Movie Night. For any suggestions, movie titles, and volunteers contact: primetimers@dortamid.com

See you soon,

Leslie Penuel and Janet Levy







Programs







Why go to Starbucks or Dunkin, when you can come to CDT!



Come to CDT each Sunday morning, during Religious School for coffee and pastries. Read the paper, hang out with your friends from CDT, play Corn Hole.

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Each Sunday that Religious School is in session from 9 to Noon.

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Schedule your tour today at **770.321.8484** (ext:1 or 3)

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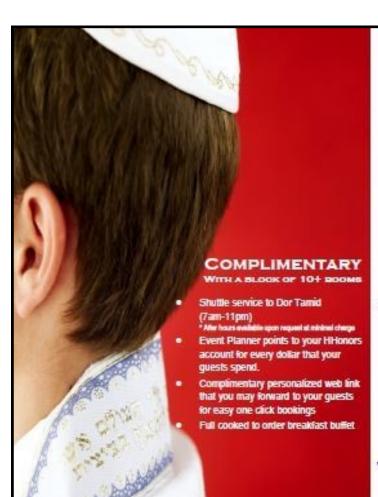


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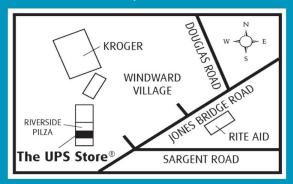
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