

Voice of Generations

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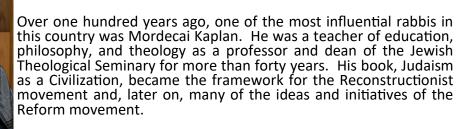
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Rabbinic Reflections

Dear friends,



One of the most long-lasting, and widest reaching, of his initiatives had to do with equality of the sexes in the Jewish community. Believing that girls should have the same religious opportunities as their brothers, Rabbi Kaplan arranged for his daughter, Judith, to read Torah on a Shabbat morning at his synagogue, the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. Thus, on March 18, 1922, Judith Kaplan became the first publically celebrated *bat mitzvah* in this country.

This innovation, of women reading from the Torah, began to gain followers, and by the late 1960s and early 1970s, the practice of young women reading Torah was becoming mainstream practice across the non-Orthodox movements.

Here at CDT, we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of this important milestone during our Friday evening Kabbalat Shabbat worship services on March 18 at 7:30pm. It will be my honor, that evening, to call any women (aged 13 and up) in our congregation who has previously celebrated becoming a *bat mitzvah* to the Torah for an *aliyah*. Please make sure to RSVP to Ginny in our office by March 16.

I look forward to celebrating Shabbat with all of you (each week and) on March 18 as we celebrate together the 100 years of bat mitzvah.

B'ahavah (with love),

Rabbi Jordan

COT CELEBRATES 100 YEARS of BAT MITZVAH!



On March 18, 1922, Judith Kaplan, the daughter of Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, celebrated the first public bat mitzvah in the United States.

To celebrate the centennial anniversary of this important occasion, CDT is calling any woman in the congregation who has celebrated becoming a bat mitzvah (here or at another synagogue), to come up to the Torah for an Aliyah on Friday, March 18, 2022.

Please RSVP to Ginny at 770-623-8860 or gallen@dortamid.com to let us know if you will be able to join us by March 16.

New Member Corner



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



Sam, Jodi, Jake, Ryan and Jonah Brooks

We are from Cobble Hill in Brooklyn, NY and moved to Johns Creek last summer. Our eldest, Jake is 19 and living in Israel, Ryan is 17 and on his way to college in the fall, and Jonah is 10 in 5th grade at Shakerag Elementary School and part of CDT's Hebrew School. We are thrilled with our home, neighborhood, school, our large extended family across Atlanta and our new relationship with CDT. We chose CDT based on our cousins wonderful experience, the Skyer's, and feel like we've already created a welcoming home at the synagogue. Thank you for your kindness and inclusiveness - we are thrilled to grow together!



Staci and Piper Arnold

We are the Arnold family! My name is Staci and this is my 6 year old daughter, Piper. We chose Dor Tamid because of the value of community, the value of learning, and the value of spirituality. Not all families look alike, and Dor Tamid welcomes that with open arms. While rooted in Jewish tradition, Dor Tamid embraces diversity and are committed to the principal of inclusion.

President's Message



As many of you know, from my past words on the High Holidays, I was not raised with religion in my life. We did not belong to a temple, I did not have a Bat Mitzvah, and I was not confirmed. That being said...one of those things is about to change. I'm having a Bat Mitzvah!!! CDT is planning an adult B'nai Mitzvah for February 2023 and I am going to stand before family and friends and chant Torah. I could not be more excited!

An Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class will kick off with an informational meeting the evening of March 2nd. Beginning in mid-March, we will be learning to read Hebrew with Molly, learning to chant Torah with Mike, and preparing for the big event with Rabbi Jordan.

Leslie Fox

This group will study, learn and prepare together while developing and strengthening relationships with each other, as well as with Rabbi, Mike and Molly! If you have not had a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, this is your chance. Please join me in taking the steps to this significant milestone!

These classes and preparations will be rewarding and fun with a group. I would love for you to be standing and chanting with me next February as we become a Bar/Bat Mitzvah!

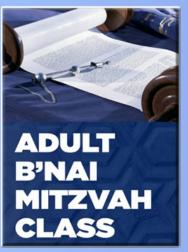
Shalom!

Leslie



Have you ever celebrated your own bar or bat mitzvah? Well, now you can!

CDT WILL BE STARTING AN ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH PROGRAM TAUGHT BY RABBI JORDAN, MIKE, AND MOLLY.



JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATION MEETING ON MARCH 2 AT 7:30 PM.

- Part 1: Introduction to Hebrew with Molly begins on March 14 at 6:45 on Mondays
- Part 2: Learn to Read Torah with Mike beings this summer.
- Part 3: B'nai Mitzvah preparation class with Rabbi Jordan begins this summer.

Cost for participation in the program is \$360. Cost includes all three classes, books, materials, and program fees.

Cantorial Soloist's Message



Shalom chaveirim! Hello my friends!

As this is the month of *Adar* (yes, also March - I know), it is *Purim* time! This holiday is the most fun of all our holidays - unless you love *matzah*, then that's Passover for you. But, not for me - it is *Purim* that I look forward to every year. And to get us in the mood for this festive and fun holiday, I thought I'd offer up some juicy (Jew-ishy) jokes!

Mike Zuspan

Who led the Jewish people across a semi permeable membrane? Os-Moses.

Did you hear about that Jewish barista? Hebrews really good coffee.

Have you ever had Jewish coffee? You'd like it, Israeli good.

What do you get when you mix a Jewish family with fruit? Apple Jews.

How did the Jewish soccer player get hurt? He *Torah* ligament.

Where do imaginary Jews live? Isn'trael.

How did Pharaoh successfully enslave the Jews? He created a pyramid scheme.

Judaism is a lot like the pH scale.

On one side of the spectrum there are basic Jews, and on the other side, Hasidic.

What do you call a Jewish crustacean? A Crabbi.

So... if you are still reading this! I hope to see you at our *Purim* reading and spiel this March 16th in the evening at CDT. Also, join us for our *Purim* carnival on March 20th! Happy *Purim*!

B'Shalom,

Mike Zuspan Cantorial Soloist

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Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah Students



Bryce Debowsky is a seventh-grade student at Autrey Mill Middle School. He is a dedicated state ranked swimmer at Swim Atlanta in Johns Creek. Bryce is a First Class scout in Scout Troop 27. He enjoys playing tennis at St. Ives, snow skiing, SCUBA diving, working on his self-designed and self-built computer, and playing games with friends. He has spent four summers at Camp Coleman.

Bryce's tikkun olam/social action project raised money for Rescue Me Georgia. We came to know this foundation while adopting our wonderful dog, Bella. Bryce baked miniature chocolate chip cookie cakes and sold them for Valentine's Day. The money

raised, over \$500, was donated to benefit dogs in need of rescue, rehabilitation, and adoption.



Jonah Asher Mann is a big hearted, low key, engineering minded, science, nature and sports loving, soccer playing 7th grader at River Trail Middle School. His aspirations include using that engineering ability and love of science and nature to make a difference somewhere on land, in the sea or even in space. Besides playing soccer, going to school, and not sleeping enough, Jonah spends his time playing computer games, socializing, playing with his dogs, Scouts, reading magazines and diving into anything football related. Jonah loves traveling on or near the water, exploring nature, Camp Barney, standing up for things he believes in and volunteering with Planned Pethood.

For Jonah's Mitzvah service project, Jonah chose something important to him in many ways. Important to all of us actually. Being passionate about the ocean and marine life, when Jonah saw a challenge Mr. Beast and Mark Rober (famous You Tubers and good role models) were doing, he built a plan. Their #TeamSeas challenge was to raise \$30 million dollars to remove 30 Million pounds of trash from the ocean and to educate on recycling and sustainability. Jonah, with the help of an incredible organization called KidsBoost, created a "Sports For the Seas" fundraiser and raised over \$1000 for this cause and educated people on trash reduction too. The project ended up being both a Mitzvah and a great business planning lesson for Jonah.



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Education Director's Message



We have so many programs coming up this month, that I decided to make you aware of all of these amazing programs!

Molly Peled

Don't Forget to mark your calendars!

March 4th – Shabbat Dinner and service with CDT's 6th and 7th graders - 6:15 pm.

March 6th – Religious School pre/k – 9th grade. Learning all about Purim!

March 10th – Adult Ed, A Taste of Israel through the eyes of an Israeli. "People of Israel" - 7:00pm on Zoom.

March 13th – No Religious School, Fulton county "teacher work day" weekend.

March 14th – First Hebrew reading class for adult B'nai Torah class - 6:45 in person at CDT.

March 20th – Purim Carnival at CDT from 10:00am – 12:00pm. Includes:

- Carnival booths
- Purim play
- Costume parade
- Fund raiser for the Hunger Walk
- Pizza and Kona ice truck for FREE lunch!!!

March 25th - Shabbat Dinner and service with CDT's 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders at 6:15 pm.

March 27^{th} – Religious School pre/k – 10^{th} grade. Learning all about Passover!

March 31st – Adult Ed, A Taste of Israel through the eyes of an Israeli. "Food of Israel" - 7:00pm in person.

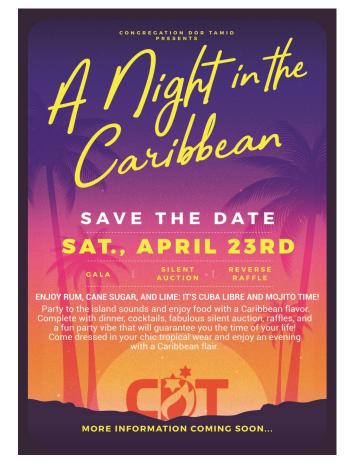
I look forward being with you this month! Let's bring the smiles and the hugs back!!!!!!!!!!

Love,

Molly

CDT Happenings





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Many Thanks — תודה רבה

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—in memory of Diane Fages

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Gifts

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—for their generous donation towards a new tent

Plant a Tree

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-in memory of Dr. Earl Hershfield

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Sandwich Project

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Social Action

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- —in memory of Blanche Shumsky

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—in memory of Ham Kurtz

Ron & Bonnie Harvey

—in memory of Hilda Harvey

Steve & Jodi Wolfe

—in memory of Herman P. Wolfe

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—in memory of Bessie Kurtz

Condolences

Charles & Stephanie Greene on the passing of her father Joel Sinkoe

May his memory be a blessing.



Social Action



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Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett

We are so thankful for the response to the project benefiting the Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett, where our very own Rachel Moscoso is the Education Director. This initiative seems to have

resonated with a lot of members .. many who have special needs children and adults in their own lives.





We brought a car load of educational materials and job training items, along with a wagon for non-mobile children, for transport during emergencies. The school is also using the wagon for the kiddies to easily get them around the playground and campus. We also donated another \$214 to the school for other things they were hoping to purchase. This is an inspirational place if you have time to visit or volunteer. Contact Rachel Moscoso if you would like to see this wonderful school in person. Thank you to all who donated!

Atlanta Hunger Walk

One in four children...Can you imagine that one in four children in our community is living in a food insecure household? To me, that is what the Atlanta Hunger Walk is about. Although the Hunger Walk will be in-person and virtual, we have decided that the Covid risk is still too great and we will not be sponsoring an in-person team. Of course, people can choose to walk independently downtown. People can also join the CDT Cares virtual team and get a t-shirt or just make a donation. Can we get each person reading this to donate \$10? Every dollar provides four meals, so your ten dollar donation will provide 40 meals.

We will also be working with the Religious School during the Purim Carnival on March 20 $^{
m th}$. Last year, we were able to raise donations of \$4000 or 16,000 meals. I would love to do the same in 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Bloom (770-570-8059/pbloom99@yahoo.com)



Donate to CDT Cares Hunger Walk Join the CDT Cares Virtual Hunger Walk Team and get a t-shirt





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

The Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta has awarded Congregation Dor Tamid's Sisterhood a Grant for \$1500 towards The Sandwich Project!!

Two North Fulton Jewish Synagogues Come Together!

As mentioned in the last Voice of the Generation's newsletter, Congregation Dor Tamid and Gesher L'Torah Sisterhoods have joined forces to support the Sandwich Project. The Jewish Federation, **because of this collaboration**, has awarded CDT's Sisterhood a Grant of \$1500. This Grant will help us to continue to make sandwiches for the homeless and food insecure people here in Georgia, at least for the next few months.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank **The Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta** for their generosity which allows us to continue this very important Mitzvot.

And.....*Todah Rabbah*, a very special thank you, to **Lisa Skyer** and **Stacey Jahanfar**, because without you this Grant would never have been possible.

And.....Just as importantly, I would like to thank the **Sisterhood of Gesher L'Torah** for not only their participation in the Sandwich Project but also wanting to share in collaborative events which will strengthen our North Fulton Jewish community!

CDT and GLT Sisterhoods made nearly 100 sandwiches



Monday, March 7th

<u>Personal Librarian</u> By Marie Benedict

*Wednesday, April 13th

Maus and Maus II
By Art Spiegelman

Monday, May 2nd

Button Man

By Andrew Gross

Monday, June 6th

Beach Read

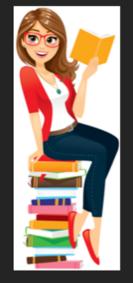
By Emily Henry

Any questions, please email <u>sisterhood@dortamid.com</u> or <u>carenkern@gmail.com</u>

7:30 pm -Zoom link or location will be announced closer to each date.

*April 13th book club will be a congregation event with Rabbi Jordan.







We need your help with the Sandwich Project

Join us at CDT every Wednesday at 12:00 pm to help us make Sandwiches.

The Sandwich Project is a non-profit dedicated to providing sandwiches to the homeless and food insecure families in the Atlanta area.

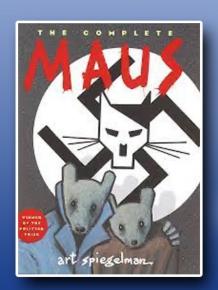
Can't make it? We welcome your financial donation to Sisterhood for The Sandwich Project so we can continue feeding the hungry.

Any amount would be appreciated.





CONGREGATION DOR TAMID READS MAUS



Join Rabbi Jordan and your friends from CDT in reading MAUS AND MAUS II by Art Speigelman.

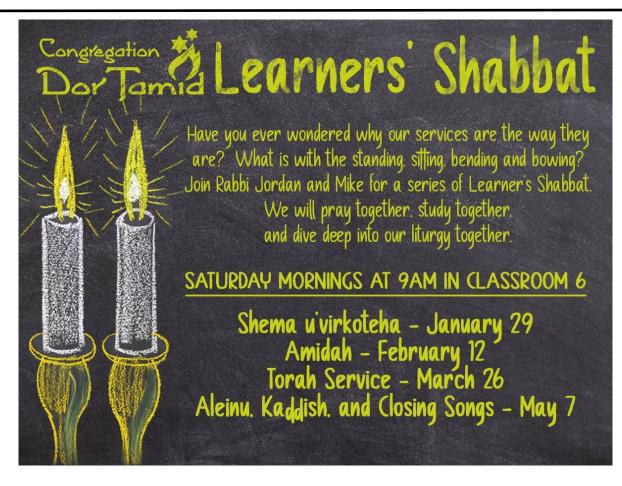
This important, Pulitzer Prize winning, graphic novel was just banned by the school board in McCinn County, TN.

We will read this book as a congregation and join together on

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 AT 7:30PM for a discussion of the book and the ramifications of banning books like Maus









ALL SERVICES BEGIN AT 5:30 PM

RSVP Required to Stacey at sjahanfar@dortamid.com



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Instructions:

- 1. Please neatly complete this form.
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- 3. Send form and check to CDT Sisterhood, 11165 Parsons Road, Johns Creek, GA 30097

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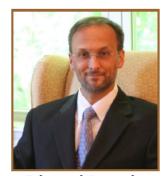
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