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**Consulate General of Israel** 

JUDITH VARNAI SHORER, DAN AMOS, Chairman and CEO

"Recent Developments in the Middle East"

Ambassador Judith Varnai Shorer is a nearly 40-year veteran of the Israeli diplomatic corps. She is a former ambassador to both Hungary and Bosnia-Herzegovina as well as a former minister of congressional affairs at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC. Prior to her posts in Europe, Ambassador Varnai Shorer served as first secretary and mission spokesperson for Israel's Mission to the UN in New York. From 2007 to 2010, Ambassador Varnai Shorer served as projects director, Euroasia Division for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Her most recent post was desk director at the Center for Policy Research.

Ambassador Varnai Shorer is a graduate of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and the Hebrew University Graduate School of Communications. She was a Research Fellow at Johns Hopkins University, The SAIS Center for Strategic Studies, where she published a position paper titled "U.S.-Israel Relations visa-vis the Peace Talks." Most recently, Ambassador Varnai Shorer completed a program regarding Global Issues of Mass Destructions Weapons at the Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies (NESA), National Defense University in Washington, DC.

Ambassador Varnai Shorer has substantial experience in the U.S. and the Middle East. She speaks Hebrew, French, English and Hungarian and was born in Beer Sheva, Israel. Joining her in Atlanta is her husband, Oded and their daughter, Roni.

INTRODUCTION— Dan Israel INVOCATION— Michael Butkus Sr.

Aflac

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2016** 

"Aflac: Spreading Our Wings in the US and Japan"

Dan Amos is chairman and CEO of Aflac Incorporated. He joined Aflac in 1973 in sales and in 1983 was named president of Aflac, chief operating officer in 1987, chief executive officer of Aflac Incorporated in 1990 and chairman in 2001. Aflac is a Fortune 500 company that insures more than 50 million people worldwide. It is the leading provider of individual insurance policies offered at the worksite in the United States and is the largest life insurer in Japan in terms of individual policies in force. In Japan, the company insures 1 out of 4 Japanese households.

During Amos' tenure as CEO revenues have grown from \$2.7 billion to \$21 billion. He also is responsible for launching the company's national advertising program featuring the popular Aflac Duck. Today, Aflac is a top national brand and was named by FORTUNE magazine in 2016 as one of America's Most Admired Companies for the 15th year and also has the distinction of being the only insurance company to appear for 18 consecutive years on FORTUNE's list of the 100 Best Companies to Work For. Aflac also has been named to the Ethisphere Institute's annual list of The World's Most Ethical Companies for 10 consecutive years, the only insurance company to appear on this list every year since its inception in 2007.

Amos has many honors including being named by the Harvard Business Review as one of the 100 Best Performing CEOs in the World. He has served on numerous boards including Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and the former chairman of the Japan America Society of Georgia. He has a bachelor's degree from UGA.

INTRODUCTION— Mason Stephenson INVOCATION— Michael Butkus Jr.



# UPCOMING PROGRAMS SEPTEMBER

- 20 Andrew Lorber, CEO, Orpheus Brewery
- 27 Ambassador Cameron Munter, EastWest Institute **OCTOBER**
- 4 Installation of Officers
- 11 Sonny Seals/George Hart, Historic Churches GA
- 18 Michelle Nunn, CEO, Care

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**BACKGROUND CHECKS** are now required for all members and their guests who volunteer with a youth committee or activity. Contact the office for more information and to get a form.

**AMIS** Reception for International Students will be September 25, 3—5 pm, Agnes Scott College. RSVP with Lisa Majoros, <a href="majoros@amis-inc.org">lmajoros@amis-inc.org</a>.

Kids Cultural Challenge is Saturday, October 1st, 8:30 am—1:30 pm at Warren Boys and Girls Club. Join in the fun and be a judge for the cultural displays. RSVP to Michael Butkus, mbutkus@mindspring.com

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

	dappy	Birt	hday
2	Joe Gardner	17	Frank Shoppe
2	Heather Rowles	18	Sandy Feinsmith
3	Marbury Rainer	18	Sam Snider
4	Candice Moore	20	<b>Bradley Martin</b>
6	Ali Gant	20	Leslie Myers
7	Hillary Hardwick	22	Emily Acker
8	Charlie Elsas	22	Anne Skae
10	Doug Payne	27	Jack McFarland
12	Mary James	27	Scott Sikes
13	Firooz Israel	28	Carol Wesley
16	Jennie Blake	29	Harry Lamon

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## **INTERCLUBS**

No September Interclub with Peachtree
Mon, Sep 12, Buckhead, 12:30-Egg Harbor, 1820
Peachtree Rd. Karen Carlisle, kcarlis5@kennesaw.edu
Mon, Sep 19, Druid Hills, Noon, Petite Auberge
Rest. Chuck Bruce, chucksaudio@mindspring.com
Fri, Sep 23, Northside, 12:15 pm at First Presbyterian Church. Mike Halpin, michaelchalpin@gmail.com



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