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Daily Minyan Times:

Sunday Mornings:
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7:00 a.m.

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6:30 p.m.
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Shabbat Services:

Friday, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, 9:30 a.m.
(in-person & Livestream)

Links are available at:
www.etzchaim.net/livestream

**RENEWALFEST:
CELEBRATING THE POWER OF US**

SUNDAY, MAY 15

AD JOURNAL HONORING:

**REBA AND BOB BACHRACH
CHERYL AND DAVID MILLER**

**SUBMIT YOUR AD OR PERSONAL GREETING!
WWW.ETZCHAIM.NET/EVENT/CELEBRATION2022**

Submit your greetings today! Deadline for greetings is May 1. The contract is on pages 29-30.

From Our Rabbi

The very words of the Pesach Haggadah call out to us this time of year: *Kol Dichfin Yetay Ve-Yechol*. "Let All Who are Hungry Come and Eat." In our own community, thanks to the efforts of several dedicated volunteers, I am proud to announce that Etz Chaim has three initiatives to ensure that no one in our community will go hungry during Passover this year.

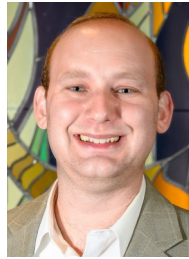
Our first initiative is an old one that's been around for centuries: selling the rabbi your Chametz before Passover. How does selling your Chametz feed the hungry? When you sell me your Chametz as one final "spot-check" to spiritually free your home from all leavened products prior to Passover, it is traditional that you give me a rough approximation of the value of your Chametz (usually, a few dollars). You may not know that I then collect those funds and donate them in a lump sum to the *Maos Chitim Fund* at JF&CS. *Maos Chitim*, literally meaning "bread money," is a fund that JF&CS uses to purchase grocery store gift cards to enable people to buy food for Passover. I am grateful for our partnership with JF&CS that allows us to support needy Jews in our greater Atlanta family.

We are also pleased this Pesach season to be entering into a new and exciting partnership with Mt. Bethel Church (our neighbors on the other side Fairfield Drive) and MUST Ministries under the direction of our Rabbi-at-Large, Rabbi Albert Slomovitz. Following the success of last year's initiative, emails have been sent out from our congregation seeking donations to purchase boxes of food to distribute to seniors needing a little extra help in our local Cobb community around Easter and Passover. On March 27, Sunday school students from Mt. Bethel came to Etz Chaim and joined with our students to make non-sectarian holiday cards. On Sunday, April 3, a limited number of volunteers will be gathering in the MUST warehouse to package the food. We look forward to making this an annual tradition in our community.

Lastly, but not least, our reconstituted Backpack Buddies Program will feed families facing food insecurity in our community. Partnering with East Valley Elementary, twenty-five students a week now receiving subsidized school lunches and facing food insecurity will have bags packed to take home with them over the weekend. As an ongoing project, we are seeking volunteers to assist in the buying, packing, and delivery of food, which is now being stored at the *Bayit*. We are also looking for donors who may be interested in underwriting costs of the program so that we may expand and feed even more families. As a community, we are grateful to our social action chair Bob Beer, and to Lauren and Gavi Surden and Angie and Hannah Nothdurft for their leadership in getting this off the ground.

It's shocking that in our world of abundance we still must invite hungry people to join us to come and eat on Passover. Yet in addition to our work with Rebecca's Tent, ably run by Robin Spiegel, our Operation Isaiah Food Drive over the High Holy Days, and the Hunger Walk in early spring run by Sheri and Bob Frohlich, our synagogue is carrying on the important work of reaching out to those in need so that no one should go hungry.

Rabbi Dan Dorsch



From Our Associate Rabbi

"Let all who are hungry come and eat"

I love the holiday of Passover. I am sure this feeling is not mutual among all who are reading this article but for me it was a special time of year. Growing up I actually loved helping to turn the house completely over to being *kosher l'Pesach* and it was always my job to vacuum and clean out the cars of all the potential *chametz*. I loved the holiday because it meant that I got to use dishes, like my batman glass or looney tunes coffee mug, that were only brought out for the festival.

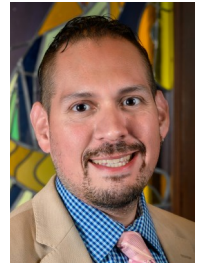
Yet, the thing that I grew to love were the seders. This was never a holiday where our extended family came together to celebrate but was rather a time where we got to spend it with congregants and colleagues of my father. I recall one seder went so late that it was about 2:00 a.m. when everyone left (this is what happens when you have three rabbis sitting around a table)! As I matured and was making my way through rabbinical school, I anxiously waited for when I would be able to host a Pesach seder like my father and mother did.

In my first year "on the job", I was finally able to make this wish a reality. We decided, since Aria was so young, to invite over several families with young children so she would be entertained from the experience as well. During the seder there is a moment when we are to open the door and invite anyone in who might be hungry to come and join us for the seder. I recall giving this task to the children in attendance and they were so excited to see if anyone would be joining us. One boy got so into it that the minute the door opened he ran up and down our apartment complex hallway saying, "LET ALL WHO ARE HUNGRY COME AND EAT!!!" Surprisingly, nobody peeked their heads out of their apartments to see what the noise was all about, and we finished the seder with just those in attendance. That Pesach in 2019 was the last one we have been able to join our friends and community to celebrate our collective redemption from Egypt.

I am thrilled to invite all of you who are reading this article to please sign up for our community seder on April 15, at 6:30 p.m. here at Etz Chaim. We will have options for everyone, and it should be an amazing time to celebrate and be with one another. The firm deadline to sign up for the program is on Thursday, April 7. I hope that you will join me and my family and your Etz Chaim family as we recall our leaving Egypt. May it be a point that we recall in years to come as the first Pesach we were able to celebrate together as we come out of this COVID-19 as best as we can.

With that I say, "Let all who are hungry come and eat!"

Kol Tuv,
Rabbi Micah Miller



Guest Columnist - Cheryl Miller

Ovarian Cancer – Let's get EmpowHERed (educated)

Over the past few years, David and I have become involved in an organization called Tina's Wish that supports Ovarian Cancer Research. We have been able to learn so much about this deadliest gynecologic cancer. Tina's Wish offers a series of webisodes designed to educate and empower women in relation to their gynecologic health. Knowledge is power! For additional information and previous recordings of the EMPOWER series, visit tinawish.org/EmpowHERseries.

It is our desire to share this information with as many people as possible because ovarian cancer often goes undiagnosed for a long while since many of the common symptoms are simply dismissed as just that. The chart at the end will list many of these common ailments to be aware of.

The mission to educate people about ovarian cancer has become a personal matter as the blog entry below was written by a close friend of ours – reading it strengthened my resolve that we had to take up the fight and help her spread the word.

A day in the life of an Ovarian Cancer Survivor

Yesterday Dan and I went on a romantic Valentine's Day date to Costco because he saw on Instagram that they had chocolate covered strawberries (they did not). I went to get some shampoo for Dan while he went to the bathroom. Suddenly I found myself crying alone in the tampon aisle.

I miss my period. I miss my dreams of being pregnant. I miss not being in menopause.

I am depressed. It's hard to maintain the same joy and connection I've always had with people, things, activities in my life. I feel guilty that I'm not being a good friend, partner, daughter, etc.

What if none of my embryos take to the surrogate's uterus? What if my medicine stops working? What if I am too weak to work? What if my chemo brain fog puts me in a situation that's dangerous or where I can't remember something important? What if it comes back and treatment doesn't work? What if I die? What if I'm so sick that I want to die?

The weight of thinking about cancer and what it has done to my life during almost every waking moment is exhausting, unfair and just so sad. I don't know if it will get easier. In the past year, it's only gotten harder, so I have a hard time seeing an end to the challenges I face each day. I appreciate everyone who lets me talk about my cancer candidly and everyone who wants to know what my days are like and what goes on inside my brain.

Thank you for being patient with me.

My heart broke when I read this blog entry and all I could tell her was that she was loved, to stay strong, and to know that she was here for a higher purpose. That she would educate others about this horrible disease and that she would impact lives with her story. This is why it is so important to us to share her story and encourage others to be empowHERed with knowledge.

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From our President Jamie Platt Lyons

Passover is my very favorite Jewish holiday, even though bread is my very favorite food. I really, really love bread (I mean a lot). That said, somehow Passover has never been about not eating bread. For me, Passover has always been about family . . . lots of family.



When I was a child, we always went to Grandma Dee and Grandpa Perry's high-rise on Sutton Place in Manhattan for Passover. We had at least 30 people on my mother's side of the family stuffed into my grandparents' one-bedroom apartment. I don't remember much of the Seders from that time, but I do remember experiences with my cousins. We bowled with plastic pins and balls in the hallway. We climbed around the adults' feet under the table pretending to be in a secret spy club. We created gymnastics and magic routines that were performed for the whole family. It was always a time of great laughter and companionship.

Thirty years later things changed when my mother died on April 27, 2005, the fifth day of Passover. We were able to celebrate Seder, but the rest of Passover revolved around my mother's funeral arrangements and sitting shiva in my childhood home in Rye, New York. When I returned to Atlanta, I started going to Etz Chaim minyan in the mornings or evenings so I could say Kaddish every day.

Minyan was amazing. It was like a little club. There were people with me every day also saying Kaddish for a loved one. It gave me a time and place to focus on my mom. In the mornings I sat in the same spot every day (right behind Richard Smith). As the sun would rise, it would shine through the window above the arc directly on my spot. Without knowing it, I started associating the streaming sun with my relationship to my mom. To this day, almost 17 years later when I am outside and the sun peeks out from behind a cloud, I automatically look up and quietly say to myself, "Hi, Mommy." During those 11 months of saying Kaddish in "my spot" in the chapel, I created a stronger relationship with Etz Chaim, with my fellow minyanaires, and with my mother.

The experience of grieving would have been very different if Etz Chaim did not support and provide a twice-daily minyan opportunity. Today, 17 years later, we don't have much trouble getting 10 people together for regular morning minyan. However, we really need the participation of our congregation for weekday evening minyan. We have trouble getting 10 on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings. (Our Board of Trustees makes sure we get 10 on Sundays and our USY group attends most Wednesday evenings to provide a minyan.)

Most congregants do not think about minyan until they need/want to say Kaddish for a loved one. It's only then that you realize how important it is to show up. If each congregant agreed to attend evening minyan two times per year, we would have no troubles getting 10 every evening of the week.

So if you are driving by the synagogue, if you are picking up a child at religious school on Tuesday, if you have some time to spare (less than 30 minutes) between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. any night of the week during any week of the year, please join us for evening minyan. I promise you, when you are one of the 10 people in the chapel enabling someone to say Kaddish, you know you are doing a mitzvah and it feels really good.

Passover took on a very different feeling after my mom died. While I still smile and laugh about my childhood memories of me and my cousins, Passover is also about remembering and honoring my mother on her yahrzeit. Morning and evening minyan at Etz Chaim help me carry on her memory in a meaningful Jewish way and that takes commitment from all of us.

From Our Director of Education

Passover, a time of new beginnings.

When Pesach comes around, whether it's "late" or "early", it reminds me that we have another opportunity for a new beginning. Although the notion of cleaning my house isn't always appealing, there is something comforting in the ritual of emptying drawers, cabinets, and closets in my kitchen to get rid of the chametz, the crumbs that are left after seemingly after every snack and meal we eat. A clean kitchen brings a sense of satisfaction and order. A new look for familiar space. I'm also reminded that springtime might be a good time to evaluate our health needs and perhaps begin a new health regime – eating better, exercising (or exercising more consistently), meditating, and being mindful of our mental and physical health. Our health decisions shouldn't be relegated to January's New Year; we can take a pre-Pesach moment to check in with our health.

As I write this article in early March, I'm doing so in Asheville, NC, where I'm with Craig, Virginia, and Mira and getting to know our newest family member, our grandson, who was born on the first. Talk about a new beginning!! His birth is a perfect reminder that life changes all the time; we can stop and take a breath, look at all the meaningful things we have and remember that every day is a new day. We can continue to live in our old ways, or take stock, and make changes and grow whenever and however we want. When you read this, April will be here, our grandson will be a month older (and hopefully have a name!) and we'll be getting ready for Pesach. I wish you all a sense of newness, of beginning the next quarter in this calendar year on a positive note of happiness and growth.

In Religious School, we've been enjoying our "new" monthly electives programs on the last Sunday of each month. Our students have enjoyed the gamut of experiences – Jewish art, cooking for the holidays, Jews in sports and then sports and games, Parsha drama, Israeli Explorer's Club, Minecraft, Israeli dancing, and Jewish music. Our madrichim play a key role in the success of these programs and we thank them and our faculty for making this new option a tremendous success. Thanks also to Miriam Rosenbaum for hosting the 4th & 5th grade hamantaschen baking cooking elective. See the next page to capture the fun of our February electives.

It wouldn't be spring without the reminder that we are enrolling for both Camp Ruach! and next year's preschool year. Camp Ruach!, spearheaded by our Assistant Preschool Director Lauren Chernau, will offer many fun activities and special programs and our 2022-2023 school year will bring more of the same quality programming we've offered for the past 27 years. Please call with your questions about either program or for a tour of our program. Don't forget to spread the word about Camp Ruach!, preschool, and our newest addition, the Transitional Kindergarten class for young 5-year-olds not yet ready for elementary school.

Debbie Deutsch



From Our Director of Engagement

Check out these great *Lilmode* classes in store for April and May.

Movies @ the Etz in Partnership with Sisterhood: *The Wedding Plan*, Sunday, April 3, at 3:30 p.m. After Michal's fiancé calls off their wedding a month before the ceremony, the 30-something Orthodox woman decides to keep her wedding date and trusts that God will provide her with a suitable groom. In Hebrew with English subtitles. More details on page 12.

Shalom in the Shul, Monday, April 4, 10:00-11:30 a.m. You do not need to have attended previous sessions to attend. Hear snippets from Rabbi Lewis' book with meaningful discussion. This is sponsored by Sisterhood but all are welcome. See more on page 11.

Rabbi Judith Beiner, community chaplain at JF&CS will teach the class, *Family Estrangements in Our Community: Coping and Caring* on Tuesday, April 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Family estrangements are as old as our Biblical ancestors. Rabbi Judith Beiner discuss and share research, resources and anecdotes illustrating the incidence of family estrangement in our world today. See ad on page 13.

You won't want to miss: **In His Own Words: The Story of Sy Lichtenfeld WWII Jewish GI and German POW #312330 *Lilmode*** in partnership with Etz Chaim's Men's Club on **Sunday, April 24, 10:00 a.m. Breakfast, Program: 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.** See ad on page 14.

Israel: An Uncomplicated Guide to a Complicated Nation with Marnie Nadolne, Psy.D, congregant and Israel Programs Admissions Director in Atlanta for JNF. Tuesdays, May 10 and May 17, 7:00-8:30 p.m. See ad on page 13.

In addition to *Lilmode*, there are many other wonderful programs at Etz Chaim including: **Shabbat L'Kulam on Saturday, April 9** (see more details on page 15). **First Night Passover Seder** at Etz Chaim on **Friday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.** See more on page 8. **Yom Ha'atzmaut** (Israel Independence Day) begins the evening of Wednesday, May 4. **Beatles Blue Jean Shabbat** is back on **Friday, May 6, at 6:15 p.m. for dinner and 7:15 p.m. for the service.** See more on page 26.

Join us for a meaningful **Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) program in-person at Catholic Church of St. Ann on Wednesday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m.** See details on page 25.

We hope to see everyone at **RenewalFest** on Sunday, May 15! This is going to be an amazing day to celebrate ***The Power of Us*** and our renovated building. See more details on pages 27 and 28.

Save the date for Chag Hamayim: Shavuot Water Festival on Sunday, June 5, from 12:00-2:00 p.m. This event is made possible by *Making Jewish Places* initiative of Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta. Following our traditional Confirmation service, there will be water slides, water balloons, putt-putt golf, outside games and more! This is a great opportunity to kick off the summer with a splash while honoring our Jewish tradition. See page 26.

As you can see, there really is a lot going on at Etz Chaim. I hope to see you at our fabulous programs.

Pesach Sameach,


Heather Blake







Friday Tot Shabbat:

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Potluck Dinner 
5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat - with
crafts, songs, dances, and fun!

Join us on these dates:

April 1 and May 13 

Check out our **Preschool Facebook page** for more information.
Questions? Contact **Debbie Deutsch, 770-977-3384** or debbie@etzchaim.net

1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, Georgia 30068 | www.etzchaim.net/preschool

STAY & PLAY SHABBAT MORNING BABYSITTING 9:30 - 11:45 A.M.

WHILE YOU ATTEND SHABBAT SERVICES, I CAN GO TO STAY AND
PLAY WITH MY FRIENDS!

UPCOMING DATES: APRIL 2, 9, 16 AND 23 MAY 7 AND 15

TEAM SHABBAT



JOIN ONE OF OUR **Team SHABBAT Leagues!**
10:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

LITTLE LEAGUE PARENTS & CHILDREN PRE-K AND UNDER	MINOR LEAGUES GRADES K-2
MAJOR LEAGUES GRADES 3-5	*ALL STARS 10:15 A.M. GRADES 6 & 7

FORMERLY JR. CONGREGATION, WE NOW INTRODUCE SEPARATE TEAMS
FOR MORE MEANINGFUL, AGE-APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES.

SAVE THESE DATES: APRIL 30 MAY 21	SHABBAT L'KULAM 9:30 A.M. SHABBAT FOR EVERYONE: APRIL 9 MAY 14 (ALL LEAGUES EXCEPT LITTLE LEAGUE) STAY AND PLAY IS AVAILABLE - PRE-K & UNDER
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come check us out, 'cause IT'S A HOME RUN!

Our Etz Chaim Community

Mazal Tov to...

Bernice and Bruce Mellman on the birth of their grandson, Parker Hayes, born on February 27, to Kelley and Aaron Mellman

Amy and Jeffrey Samuels on the birth of their grandson, George, born on February 21, to Emily and Michael Hertz. The family also welcomed brother Jennings, born in March 2020 during the pandemic.

Debbie and Gary Deutsch on the birth of their grandson, and to Helen and Lou Rosengarten on the birth of their great-grandson, born on March 1, to Virginia Rosenberg and Craig Deutsch

Jacob Mark, son of Helaine and Lisa Mark on having a ceramics piece accepted for display at the Atlanta Dogwood Festival's Atlanta High School Art Exhibition April 8-10 in Piedmont Park. His piece was chosen from among 700 entries from 80 schools.

Annie and Alex Peskin on the birth of daughter, Eliza Miller, born on March 16

Condolences to...

the family of our beloved member, Steve Wexler, on his passing

Joel Schancupp on the passing of his beloved mother, Gloria Schancupp

Peter Greenfield on the passing of his beloved brother, Ricardo "Rico" Grunfeld

Barry Swartz on the passing of his beloved father, Sherwin Norman Swartz

Guity Filsoof on the passing of her beloved mother, Gloria Saltzman

Thank You to our Office Volunteers...

Felicia Berne ♦ Wendy Feinberg ♦ Ron Judenberg ♦ Ellen Jarrett ♦ Cheryl Miller Suzanne Rivchun ♦ Linda Weinroth

Thank You, Program Volunteers...

See page 31 for our program volunteers

Have news you'd like to share with our community? Please contact Bernice in the shul office at bernice@etzchaim.net.

Welcome! We are pleased to introduce these new members...

Gregory Meshman and Larry Watkins
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Craig Lebish
craig.lebish@gmail.com



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What I haven't told you is how we are connected to this survivor. And how she is also connected to Etz Chaim. Ellie is our daughter Jessie's oldest friend; they met in preschool in New Jersey and quickly became best buddies. When Ellie got older, she was a camper and then a counselor at a day camp whose director was our very own Lori Gilbert. We love her like she is one of our own – we watched her as the preschool bride, flew her and her mom across the country to be at birthday parties when we moved, attended her Bat Mitzvah, and just last year, in the midst of her chemotherapy, watched it all come full circle as she and Dan got married.

Ellie is 28 years old. She is certainly not who you would expect to hear about when discussing ovarian cancer, which is exactly why her story is so important to share with the women in your lives. She complained to her doctors about common ailments, and they brushed it off as IBS or a UTI. No one listened closely enough because they saw a young, vibrant woman, and by the time someone finally decided to take a deeper look, they found not only ovarian cancer but metastasis on multiple organs. Egg retrieval, multiple surgeries, chemotherapy, the loss of the ability to carry a child, menopause at 27, scans every 6 months. Had someone taken the time to explore her symptoms earlier, things could have been much different.

Early detection is so important. 80% of women are, like Ellie, diagnosed at an advanced stage. 27% of women diagnosed during an advanced stage survive for five years. We need to do better at early diagnosis. Learn the symptoms and learn how to advocate for the women in your lives. Please take the time to review the following chart and consider registering for the webisodes. Know Early. Know Hope. This is the mission of Tina's Wish.

Cheryl and David Miller

UPSET STOMACH **FEELING FULL QUICKLY** **STOMACH BLOATING** **FREQUENT URINATION** **PELVIC OR ABDOMINAL PAIN**

OVARIAN CANCER SYMPTOMS
If you or one of your loved ones is experiencing any of these ovarian cancer symptoms and they persist for more than two weeks, please visit a doctor.

Tina's Wish
For the Early Detection of Ovarian Cancer
Know Early. Know Hope.
TINASWISH.ORG



Etz Chaim's First Night Seder
Friday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Bring your family and friends for a meaningful community seder led by Rabbi Miller.

Cost: \$46 per adult / \$23 per child 12 & under

Three meal options to choose from.

RSVP by Thursday, April 7, at 3:00 p.m.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/seder2022

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

★ Seder to Go ★



Tropics Catering will be offering Seder meals for curbside pick-up at the shul. Choose from several tasty options listed on the RSVP page on our website.

Family Packs (serves six), Additional Entrees & Vegetarian options available.

- All orders must be placed by Thursday, April 7, by 3:00 p.m.
- Seder to Go meals must be picked up by Thursday, April 14, at 5:00 p.m.

Order at: www.etzchaim.net/form/sedertogo2022

A HEARTY MAZAL TOV TO THIS STUDENT CELEBRATING HIS BAR MITZVAH!



Cole Maxwell Rose will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on April 30, 2022 – 29 Nisan 5782. He is the son of Lisa Rose and Damon Rose. Cole's Bar Mitzvah parasha is Achare Mot. He is a 7th grader at St. Francis Middle School and Cole has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for seven years. His hobbies and interests include football, wrestling and wake boarding.

For Cole's mitzvah project, he will be assisting children with special needs in the community.

Upcoming B'nai Mitzvah

The Voice of Chaim features information on upcoming B'nai Mitzvah.

If your child has a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in the coming months, we would like to feature your child's:

- Biographical information
- School information
- Photo
- D'Var Torah Quote
- Mitzvah project

To have your child's simcha included in the Voice, please email the Bio form which is included in the B'nai Mitzvah Handbook from the Religious School along with a high resolution photo to Bernice in the Synagogue office at: bernice@etzchaim.net

All materials must be received no later than the **1st of the month prior to the simcha**. We will gladly accept material earlier.



Minyan Breakfast every Sunday

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Join us!

For details on upcoming Youth Group events, you can follow us using the following links:

- https://etzchaim.net/youth_programs
- <https://www.facebook.com/etzchaimyouth/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtzChalutzim/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtzAtid/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtzChaimKadima/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EtzChaimUSY/>
- https://www.instagram.com/sababa_usy/



Registration forms are online for membership in one of our many Youth Groups for the Youth Department

www.etzchaim.net/form/YouthGroupMembership2021-22

Shabbat Honors are Back!

Be on the lookout in your inbox for an email from the Shabbat Honors Committee. We'd like to honor all our wonderful volunteers at Etz Chaim with an Aliyah as a thank you for a job well done.

Have a milestone birthday, anniversary, or another significant life event? Being called to the Torah is a great way to celebrate and share your good news with our Etz Chaim community. Are you observing a yahrzeit? An Aliyah is a meaningful way to honor the memory of your loved one.

Please let us know about your events or your friends' events by emailing us at shabbathonorsetzchaim@gmail.com.

Men's Club Notes

Men's Club Shabbat was enjoyed in-person as well as on Zoom on March 19. I want to thank **Barry Riesenber**g who served as our Rabbi, and to those who organized the event. Also, thanks to all the participants who made this a meaningful service.

On April 28, Etz Chaim Men's Club and the Catholic Church of St. Ann will hold our annual joint Yom HaShoah program. This year the theme is currently Antisemitism. **Father Ray Cadran** and **Rabbi Dorsch** are working on the specifics of the program. We will have this available via Zoom or Live Streaming. Please see page 25 for more information and in the EtzBlast, Featured Events link or the Virtual Happenings section of website to attend the event which will be held at St Ann's this year. Yellow Candles are available in the Synagogue Office at no cost. Please remember to light the candle on April 27.

Save the date, April 24, for the Men's Club Best Breakfast in Town followed by a Lilmode program **"In His Own Words: The Story of Sy Lichtenfeld"**, a **WWII Jewish GI and German POW**, moderated by Sharon Lightstone and Elyse Shaw. See page 14 for more information.

As a reminder, the Men's Club has available order forms for Holocaust and Memorial Garden Bricks which is a very special way to honor a loved one. The cost is \$100. To honor someone for a birthday Bar/Bat Mitzvah or any special occasion, you can order a Certificate. The certificate is a photograph of the Holocaust Garden with your custom message. The certificate is suitable for framing and is available for \$18. Ordering is online at etzchaim.net.

Check out page 21 for Positively! Zionism! Media Challenge for students in grades 7—12.

Keep checking the VOC and the weekly updates to register for the event.

David Lieberman - President

Bryan Coleman - 1st Vice President

Mathew Nathan - 2nd Vice President

Come Out and Enjoy Your Men's Club!

mensclub@etzchaim.net



Men's Club is a vital part of our congregation. Our ongoing programs include:

- Supporting daily minyan
- Sponsoring picnics
- World Wide Wrap
- Providing scholarships
- Men's Club Shabbat
- Anshei Darom Retreat
- Synagogue Softball League
- Usher for High Holidays
- Support Holocaust Garden

Our goal is to provide our members with opportunities to meet one another and make new lasting friendships, support our community and have fun during the process.

JOIN MEN'S CLUB and make a difference in our Etz Chaim community.

GET ON THE LIST - CONTACT US AT: mensclub@etzchaim.net



Men's Club Beef Brisket Sale Kosher for Passover

Orders begin March 3 and close on April 6

It's time to place your order for Men's Club's famous smoked or traditional beef brisket! Proceeds (after we purchase the meat) from this fundraiser will support The Steven Krodman Men's Club Scholarship Fund in memory of Steve and his commitment to the Men's Club. The "Krodman Fund" will provide financial assistance to members attending the Men's Club Retreats and FJMC convention.

- Cost is \$26.00 per pound
- Kashrut under the supervision of Rabbi Dorsch
- Can be used for your Seder or weekday meals
- Presold - Order by April 6 to ensure availability

Order at: www.etzchaim.net/event/brisket2022

Minyan Makers

The Sisterhood sponsorship for Etz Chaim's daily minyan has moved from Thursday nights to Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. Come join us for the morning service and then stay afterward to nosh and kibbitz.

Interest Groups

We're also looking to start interest groups for activities to follow our nosh such as mah jongg, knitting, and a walking group. Feel free to let us know if you have any other ideas and to participate.

Centerpiece Rental

Consider using our beautiful new topiary centerpieces for your Friday night dinner, Kiddush luncheon or Saturday evening affair. Contact the Gift Shop for more information.

JNF Trees for Israel

Honor someone special by purchasing a tree in the Etz Chaim Sisterhood grove. For more information, contact Sandy Bailey at 770-490-7874 or the Gift Shop.

For more information about Sisterhood, please contact:

Fern Meharg, 770-380-8830
fmeharg@gmail.com or
Lauren Levetan, 404-422-8921
laurenlevetan@hotmail.com

Check us out on Facebook or our website at www.etzchaim.net/sisterhood

ATTENTION ETZ CHAIM MEMBERS:

If you are planning to be away for an extended amount of time, please inform the office.

Judaica and Gifts Shop Hours

Sundays:
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Tuesdays:
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays:
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Sisterhood Scoop

April is here and it is almost time for Passover. We hope that your Passover Seders, whether you can celebrate in person, with immediate family, or virtually, are meaningful for you. In the meantime, Spring is in the air and, along with it, some great Sisterhood programming!

Rosh Chodesh Nisan falls on **Saturday, April 2**. Join us for Shabbat services at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate and usher in the new month.

Sunday, April 3, at 3:30 p.m. please join us for a special **Movies @ The Etz** in partnership with Lilmode featuring "**The Wedding Plan**", an award-winning Israeli film about a woman willing to put everything on the line to find happiness. Open to all, but see the ad on page 12 to register to attend.

The last session of our popular series for this program year, **Shalom in The Shul**, takes place on **Monday, April 4, at 10:00 a.m.** Join **Rabbi Lewis** as he leads us in a stimulating discussion using excerpts from his upcoming book, **Guide for the Perplexed**. Please see the ad below to register.

Put on your thinking caps and get ready for a lively night of **Team Trivia**. Rescheduled from January, join **Sisterhood and Men's Club** on **Sunday, April 10, at 7:00 pm** at North River Tavern for what is sure to be a fun night! This event is free and open to all, but RSVP because the first round of appetizers is on us! Please see the ad on page 16 to register.

Our next meeting of the **Sisterhood Book Club** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 24, at 10:00 am on Zoom**. Please join us for a stimulating discussion of **The Book of Lost Names** by Kristen Harmel. Sheri Rosenblum will host. Please see the ad on page 14 to RSVP.

Join our community of superheroes as we **install the next Sisterhood Board** on **Wednesday, May 4, at 7:00 p.m.** Safa Nooromid, RDN, LD will be our featured speaker. She will debunk the top myths about diet and nutrition and educate us about why "one size does not fit all". Refreshments will be served. This event is free, but you must register to attend. See the ad on page 25 to RSVP.

Did you know that as an Etz Chaim Sisterhood member, you are automatically a member of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WLCJ)? Please take the time to explore the variety of programs and resources offered on their website. To learn more, go to www.wlcj.org/

We encourage you to get involved with Sisterhood! Volunteer. Join a committee. Attend Sisterhood-sponsored Sunday morning Minyan. The possibilities are endless! Feel connected, have fun, and make new friends. Have questions? Please contact Fern Meharg at 770-380-8830, fmeharg@gmail.com, or Lauren Levetan at 404-422-8921, laurenlevetan@hotmail.com.

Until next time....

Fern and Lauren

Co-Presidents, Sisterhood





Shalom in the Shul

Monday, April 4

from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Join Rabbi Emeritus Shalom Lewis for discussion and laughter!

Hear snippets from his soon-to-be-published book, *Guide for the Perplexed*.

Hybrid Program: in-person and available via Zoom

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/shalshul



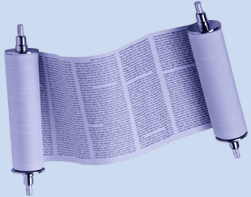




Upcoming Programs

Lilmode - Adult Education

April - May 2022



Torah Study with the Rabbi

Thursdays, April 7, 14 and 28 at 10:00 a.m.

In-person and via Zoom: www.tinyurl.com/Torahstudy5782



Movies @ The Etz
in partnership with Sisterhood
features

The Wedding Plan
Sunday, April 3, at 3:30 p.m.

RSVP at:
www.etzchaim.net/event/aprilmovie22

Movie Co-Chairs:
Luci Sunshine and Marcy Bass

After Michal's fiancé calls off their wedding a month before the ceremony, the 30-something Orthodox woman decides to keep her wedding date and trusts that God will provide her with a suitable groom. As the day of her wedding grows closer and Mr. Right still has not appeared, the jilted bride puts everything on the line to find happiness. Noa Koler won the Best Actress award for her portrayal of Michal at the Haifa International Film Festival 2016, and the movie was a crowd-pleaser when it was shown at the Atlanta Jewish Film Festival's AJFF Selects program. In Hebrew with English subtitles. The runtime is 110 minutes.

MINYAN AND SHABBAT INFORMATION FOR IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM:

All Services (Minyanim and Shabbat) are held both in-person and via livestream.

Monday - Friday Mornings 7:00 a.m. ☆ Sunday Mornings 9:15 a.m.

Sunday through Thursday Evenings 6:30 p.m.

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 p.m. ☆ Shabbat Morning Services 9:30 a.m.

Click link to livestream: <https://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream>

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Family Estrangements in Our Community: Coping and Caring



with Rabbi Judith Beiner
Community Chaplain at JF&CS

Tuesday, April 5, 7:00 p.m.

Family estrangements are as old as our biblical ancestors, whose stories seldom ended with “happily ever after.” Many people today experience deeply complicated family situations that give rise to emotions including anger, sadness and resentment. Rabbi Beiner will share research, resources and anecdotes illustrating the incidence of family estrangement in our world today. She will also engage us in a conversation on how we can cope with our own family estrangements as well as care for those in our community who are experiencing these challenging situations. Also accessible by Zoom.

Register: www.etzchaim.net/event/coping&caring

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Israel: An Uncomplicated Guide to a Complicated Nation with Marnie Nadolne

**Tuesdays, May 10 and May 17
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

May 10: Establish, Expel, Yearn. . . Repeat: The History of a Homeland

May 17: Rumors, Rubbish and Realities: Zionism and Modern Israel

These two classes will be taught by congregant Marnie Nadolne, Psy.D. As the Israel Programs Admissions Director in Atlanta for the Jewish National Fund, Marnie will help us better understand the story of Israel and, because of this deeper knowledge, help us respond to anti-Zionist challenges. Also accessible by Zoom.



Register: www.etzchaim.net/event/homeland





UPCOMING BOOK SELECTIONS FOR 2022:

April 24 - The Book of Lost Names by Kristen Harmel | Host: Sheri Rosenblum, sheri.rosenblum@gmail.com

May 22 - Hands of Gold by Roni Robbins (congregant) | Host: Stacy Lewin, stacylwn@gmail.com

This is an intimate story of a long, fruitful, and bitter-sweet life based on Roni Robbins' grandfather's taped anecdotes and is mesmerizing. There is a universal feel to this book, as new immigrants arrive in this country with nothing and have to start over and over. The accent may be different, but the struggles and pangs of leaving loved ones are very real. Roni will be joining the conversation with the Book Club in person or on Zoom.

June 12 - Florence Adler Swims Forever by Rachel Beanland | Host: Linda Ames - ibenames@aol.com

All sessions begin at 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Livestream: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89091421968>

In His Own Words: The Story of Sy Lichtenfeld WWII Jewish GI and German POW #312330

Lilmode in partnership with Etz Chaim's Men's Club

Sunday, April 24, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Breakfast promptly at 10:00 a.m.

Speaker and Program 10:45 a.m.

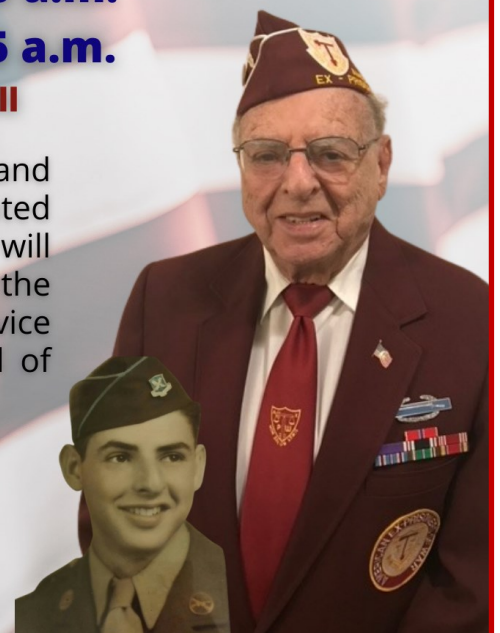
In the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Join Men's Club and *Lilmode* for the "Best Breakfast in Town" and hear Sy's captivating story of strength and will to live. Moderated by Sharon Lightstone and Elyse Shaw. Lichtenfeld, now 97, will join us virtually from Mobile, Alabama, as he recounts the experiences that led him to receive such distinguished service medals as The Purple Heart, The Bronze Star, POW Medal of Honor in addition to many other awards.

This program is free to all in person and via Zoom broadcast.

Cost for Breakfast: \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/giheart



Mocha Mondays

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

7:45 a.m.

Monthly Coffee and Breakfast with the Rabbi accompanied by the Talmud's Greatest Hits

Save the date:

April 11



Traditional Service with Alternative Options

Saturday, April 9

Services at 9:30 a.m. - Radow Sanctuary



Coffee with the Clergy prior to services, **9:10 a.m.**



Torah Study, 9:30 a.m. with Rabbi Miller in Phillip's Library



Yoga in Phillip's Library with Tzipporah Gerson-Miller, **11 a.m.** Bring mat and comfortable clothes.



Etz Chaim welcomes Michael Seiden, WSB-TV Reporter as our guest speaker.

TEAM SHABBAT



Stay and Play for infants thru pre-K **9:30 a.m.**

All-Stars 6-7 Grades **10:15 a.m.**

Minor Leagues K-2 Grades **10:45 a.m.**

Major Leagues 3-5 Grades **10:45 a.m.**

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Join Etz Chaim's Sisterhood and Men's Club for a night of trivia and fun!

Trivia Night

Sunday, April 10

Let's meet at 7:00 p.m.
Trivia begins at 7:30 p.m.

Be our guest for the first round of appetizers!

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/triviaapril10

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A Message from Rabbi Albert Slomovitz



Dear friends, for the past few years, the world might have felt like a place of despair and hopelessness. Between Covid and the current situation in Ukraine, it seems like the ability to have positive actions that can be associated with "Tikkun Olam" (Repairing the World) are in short supply. We at Etz Chaim, in the coming weeks, have some opportunities to do such acts that will push back against prejudice and poverty.

First, please participate in the "40-fying" campaign. The goal of this is to fulfill the words that we say at our Seders: "All who are hunger-let them come and eat." MUST Ministries have identified seniors in our community that don't have enough funds to cover their monthly food and medical expenses. Often, they skip meals to afford medications. Partnering with MUST and Mt. Bethel Church we are providing a number of 40-pound boxes filled with staple food items to be delivered to these seniors in need. Since each box costs \$40, we named the campaign the "40-fying" project.

There are other aspects of this campaign to share. On March 27th, we were blessed to receive a group of children and adults from Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church. They enjoyed visiting our beautiful Sanctuary and facility and sat with our children and made decorated cards to be placed in the boxes of food to be delivered to the seniors. These cards held bright pictures and words of greeting and salutation. Imagine the delight of those receiving the food boxes to have such wonderful cards!

This unique opportunity to partner with our friends at Mt Bethel will continue on Sundays, April 3, 13 and 14 as both congregations are invited to the MUST Distribution Center at 1280 Field Pkwy., Marietta, 30066, to help place food items in the boxes as well as the cards of greeting that our children have made. MUST is saying that they can only accommodate 10 folks from each community per day. I hope that you find the time to participate in this important event. Please use the following link to sign up for the packing of the boxes. Additionally, there are occasions to be with the MUST folks as they deliver the boxes. These locations and times are also listed on this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EA5AD28A3FD0-40fying>.

Thank you for your time and assistance with this significant community project. During these bleak times we respond with funds to help our seniors have healthy food. In place of misunderstanding, we invite our neighbors into our synagogue and create positive memories for them. In times of pain and war, we stand with our neighbors and pack food boxes and place notes of greeting from our children. We are able to live out the Biblical ideal of "Loving Your Neighbor as Yourself".

Have a healthy and happy Passover.

Men's Club Bob Goldman Scholarship

At this time of year, young members of Etz Chaim are likely considering Jewish-based learning experiences in Israel as well as other countries. Etz Chaim's Men's Club is offering a \$1,500 scholarship to one student to help cover the expenses for these trips through its Bob Goldman Scholarship Fund. This fund was established to honor Bob Goldman, a dear member of Etz Chaim's Men's Club who felt it was important for the youth of Etz Chaim to have the opportunity to travel to Israel to study and take part in every-day Jewish life.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in receiving this scholarship, now is the time to apply. **The deadline for application submission is May 1, 2022.**

To be considered for the scholarship, the following criteria must be met:

1. Parent(s) of the applicant must be members in good standing of Congregation Etz Chaim in the year the application is received.
2. Applicant must be 15 to 23 years of age at the start time of the program they plan to attend.
3. Students may only receive one lifetime award.
4. The applicant must participate in a formal program of at least 28 days that is sponsored by one of the following organizations:
 - a.) Congregation Etz Chaim
 - b.) A recognized youth movement
 - c.) A Jewish School or
 - d.) An Israeli University
5. The program must take place in Israel or in the United States. Exceptions will be evaluated by the Men's Club Board on a case-by-case basis.
6. The applicant must provide a short essay that describes what they expect to gain from the program they will be attending. When providing the essay in the online form, it should be saved to a local device before submitting the application.
7. Notice of acceptance from the program, including the program name and address, must accompany the application.
8. Applicants must apply online via the link below by May 1, 2022.
9. The applicant must provide an email address to facilitate timely communication.

For complete details, go to www.etzchaim.net/mens-club and scroll down to "Bob Goldman Scholarship Fund" to apply and fill out the online form, go to: www.etzchaim.net/form/goldmanscholar

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Richard Smith at sasha@mindspring.com or Bob Gordon at bob3sportz@gmail.com.

Passover Schedule 5782/2022

Thursday, April 14, at 8:35 p.m. - Bedikat Chametz (Search for Chametz)

Friday, April 15, at 6:45 a.m. - First Born Service

Friday, April 15, at 11:26 a.m. - Finish eating chametz before this time

Friday, April 15, at 12:32 p.m. - Must sell and burn chametz by this time

Friday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m. - First Night Seder - RSVP for our community seder with Rabbi Miller

*There will *not* be a Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 16, at 10:00 a.m. - Passover Services - (First Day of Pesach)

Sunday, April 17, at 10:00 a.m. - Passover Services - (Second Day of Pesach)

Monday - Thursday, April 18 -21 - Chol Hamoed Pesach (Minyanim at regularly scheduled times)

Friday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. - Passover Services (Seventh Day of Pesach)

Saturday, April 23, at 9:30 a.m. - Passover Services and Yizkor (Last Day of Pesach)

Saturday, April 23, at 8:54 p.m. End of Passover (Earliest to eat chametz)



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Shop hours are based on Religious School being in session.

Get a candle and start your search for chametz

THE SEARCH FOR CHAMETZ (BEDIKAT CHAMETZ)

In prohibiting the use of any leaven during the week of Passover, the Torah enjoins that “leaven shall not be seen with thee in all thy borders” (Ex. XII:7) and “No leaven shall be found in your houses” (Ex. XII:19). In order that these injunctions should be fulfilled both in the letter and the spirit, the rabbis ordained that a thorough search shall be made for chametz on the night before the beginning of the festival.

The search is to be conducted by candlelight so that no corner of the house shall be overlooked and even the smallest particle of leaven removed. On the following morning all remaining chametz is to be destroyed by fire, just as in Temple times any part of an offering, which had been accidentally retained in excess of its prescribed time limit, was relegated to the fire. **(Search for Chametz is Thursday night, April 14 at 8:35 p.m.)**

Having thus disposed of your chametz, the following declaration of annulment is cited: “May all leaven in my possession, whether I have seen it or not, or whether I have removed it or not, be annulled, considered as dust of the earth.” This absolves you from responsibility for any chametz which might accidentally have been overlooked. This is a lovely tradition to follow, one that adds to the excitement of the season. For details, consult either page 140 of the First Jewish Catalogue or any complete Passover Haggadah.

SELLING THE CHAMETZ

Any chametz owned by a Jew during the Passover week is forbidden for actual use. If one cannot dispose of all chametz before the approach of the Passover holiday, he must arrange for a formal “MECHIRAT CHAMETZ” or sale of that chametz to a non-Jew.

All such chametz in your possession should be collected and placed in a spare room, closet or trunk and locked. All chametz dishes and utensils should also be placed in a special closet or room until after Pesach. You should then authorize the Rabbi to draw up a bill of sale and negotiate the transfer to a non-Jew. Every attempt should be made to see the Rabbi personally. If that is not possible, kindly mail the form below to Rabbi Dorsch. *It must reach the Rabbi by Friday April 15, by 12:32 p.m.*

I hereby authorize Rabbi Daniel Dorsch to dispose of all my chametz, wherever it may be stored. This I do in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Jewish law.

Name: _____

Hebrew Name: _____

Address: _____

Showing Gratitude

The Siyyum for the Fast of the First Born will be held on **Friday, April 15, at 6:45 a.m.** All first born should attend in order to show their gratitude for being spared.

Everything you need to know for the holiday

www.etzchaim.net/form/saleofchametz5782

This guide was prepared for the Rabbinical Assembly Committee on Jewish Law and Standards by Rabbi Mayer Rabinowitz. It was accepted by the Committee on December 12, 1984. The last paragraph of the introduction, as well as Part A under “Permitted Foods” have been amended to reflect more recent decisions of the Committee affecting the status of peanut, peanut oil and certain cheeses.

The Torah prohibits the ownership of chametz (leaven) during Pesach. Therefore, we arrange for the sale of the chametz to a non-Jew. The transfer, mekhirat chametz, is accomplished by appointing an agent, usually the Rabbi, to handle the sale. It is a valid and legal transfer of ownership. At the end of the holiday, the agent arranges for the reversion of ownership of the now-permitted chametz. If ownership of the chametz was not transferred before the holiday, the use of this chametz is prohibited after the holiday as well (chametz she-avar alav ha-Pesach).

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of chametz during Pesach, and since many common foods contain some admixture of chametz, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for Pesach.

During the eight days of Pesach, chametz cannot lose its identity in admixture. Therefore, the minutest amount of chametz renders the whole admixture chametz and its use on Pesach is prohibited. However, during the rest of the year, chametz follows the normal rules of admixture, i.e. it loses its identity in an admixture of one-part chametz and sixty parts of non-chametz. This affords us the opportunity to differentiate between foods purchased before and during Pesach.

What follows is a general guideline. However, your Rabbi should be consulted when any doubt arises. Kosher le-Pesach labels that do not bear the name of a Rabbi or one of the recognized symbols of rabbinic supervision, or which are not integral to the package, should not be used without consulting your Rabbi.

Prohibited foods include the following leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye, and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

As of 2015, the Conservative Movement’s Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) has permitted the eating of Kitniyot (rice and various legumes) by those of Ashkenazi lineage. For those who choose to follow this response, they may choose to keep Passover according to the Sephardic custom.

Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods (kitniyot) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, legumes (beans and peas; however, string beans are permitted). The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has ruled unanimously that peanuts and peanut oil are permissible, as peanuts are not actually legumes. Some Ashkenazic authorities permit, while others forbid, the use of legumes in a form other than their natural state, for example, corn sweeteners, corn oil, soy oil. Sephardic authorities permit the use of all of the above. Consult your Rabbi for guidance in the use of these products.

PERMITTED FOODS:

A. The following foods require no kosher le-Pesach label if purchased prior to Pesach: Unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives: (However, be aware that coffees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP); sugar, pure tea; salt (not iodized); pepper, natural spices, frozen fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes see above), milk; butter; cottage cheese; cream cheese, ripened cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft) and camembert (soft); frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives); baking soda.

All about kashering: From utensils and plates to the kitchen sink

B. The following foods require no kosher le-Pesach label if purchased before or during Pesach. Fresh fruits and vegetables (for legumes see above), eggs, fresh fish and fresh meat.

C. The following foods require a kosher le-Pesach label if purchased before or during Pesach: All baked products (matzah, cakes, matzah flour, farfel, matzah meal, and any products containing matzah); canned or bottled fruit juices (these juices are often clarified with kitniyot which are not listed among the ingredients. However, if one knows there are no such agents, the juice may be purchased prior to Pesach without a kosher le-Pesach label); canned tuna (since tuna, even when packed in water, has often been processed in vegetable broth and/or hydrolyzed protein; however, if it is known that the tuna is packed exclusively in water, without any additional ingredients or additives, it may be purchased without a kosher le-Pesach label); wine, vinegar, liquor, oils, dried fruits, candy, chocolate flavored milk, ice cream, yogurt and soda.

D. The following processed foods (canned, bottled or frozen), require a kosher le-Pesach label if purchased during Pesach: milk, butter, juices, vegetables, fruit, milk products, spices, coffee, tea, and fish, as well as all foods listed in Category C.

DETERGENTS: If permitted during the year, powdered and liquid detergents do not require a kosher le-Pesach label.

MEDICINE: Since chametz binders are used in many pills, the following guidelines should be followed: If the medicine is required for life sustaining therapy, it may be used on Pesach. If it is not for life sustaining therapy, some authorities permit, while others prohibit. Consult your Rabbi. In all cases, capsules are preferable.

KASHERING OF UTENSILS: The process of kashering utensils depends on how the utensils are used. According to halakhah, leaven can be purged from a utensil by the same process in which it was absorbed in the utensil (ke-voleo kakh polet). Therefore, utensils used in cooking are kashered by boiling, those used in broiling are kashered by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are kashered by rinsing.

A. **EARTHENWARE:** (china, pottery, etc.) may not be kashered. However, fine translucent chinaware which has not been used for over a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

B. **METAL:** (wholly made of metal) utensils used in fire (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible. Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should have water boiled in them which will overflow the rim. The utensils should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be kashered.

C. **OVENS AND RANGES:** Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. The oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half hour. If there is a broil setting, use it. Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned and then put through the self-cleaning cycle. Continuous cleaning ovens must be kashered in the same manner as regular ovens. **MICROWAVE OVENS** which do not cook the food by means of heat, should be cleaned, and then a cup of water should be placed inside. Then the oven should be turned on until the water disappears. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be kashered for Pesach.

D. **GLASSWARE:** Authorities disagree as to the method for kashering drinking utensils. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours. The other opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before Pesach, or putting them through a dishwasher.

E. **DISHWASHER:** After not using the machine for a period of 24 hours, a full cycle with detergent should be run.

F. **ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:** If the parts that come into contact with chametz are removable, they can be kashered in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules or metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be kashered. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned.)

G. **TABLES, CLOSETS AND COUNTERS:** If used with chametz, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then they may be used.

H. **KITCHEN SINK:** A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.

I. **CHAMETZ AND NON-PASSOVER UTENSILS:** Non-Passover dishes, pots and chametz whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up or covered, and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

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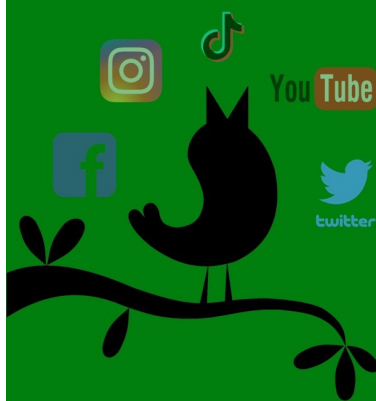
For students currently in grades 7 to 12 in North America

VIDEO ~ 1st prize \$1000, 2nd prize \$750

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MEME ~ \$500 award

Prizes are awarded as scholarships towards a Conservative Movement Israel program



DEADLINE: April 21, 2022

For full rules and details, see:
<https://mercaz.ca/positively-zionism/>



POST PANDEMIC: TORAH READERS WANTED!

We are excited to restart our Torah reading program. Please contact Bob Frohlich or Rabbi Dorsch to be added to our list to receive Torah reading opportunities. If you have any specific questions, please feel free to reach out to Rabbi Dorsch at rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net or Bob Frohlich at chisakid@bellsouth.net.



*Questions about
purchasing a cemetery plot?*

Call Marty Gilbert
770-973-0137



Etz Chaim is Hiring!

Openings in our Preschool:

Preschool Teacher - Hours are: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Extended Care - Hours range from:

7:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. | 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(applicants must be 17 years old and up)

Openings in our Religious School:

Religious School Teacher Days/Hours are:

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and
Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Facilities Openings:

Maintenance Part-Time

Maintenance Full-Time (benefits included)

www.etzchaim.net/form/joinourteam



Bereavement Services Offered to Congregants

Etz Chaim's Chesed Committee will offer to provide meals of consolation to members. This meal is traditionally a dairy meal eaten by mourners upon their return home from the funeral. It includes whole hard-boiled eggs, symbolizing the continuity of life. This service provided by the Chesed Committee allows the family and friends who normally provide the meal to attend the funeral themselves and give the emotional support to the bereaved. Members attending out of town funerals, who sit shiva or hold a memorial service in Atlanta, will be offered a fruit tray.

Contributions made to the Chesed Fund will help to fund these services.

Please contact:

Lisa Flagel—678-591-7950

Your cooperation please!

The disabled parking spots are reserved for the **exclusive use** of those with permits. These spaces are **not** to be used by **anyone** else at **anytime**. There is **no** parking under the Education Wing overhang. It is a fire code violation.

Family Member In the Hospital?



The rabbi has asked that you notify the synagogue office in the event of a family member's hospital stay or serious illness.


April Yahrzeits

Memorialize a loved one with a **Brick** in our Holocaust Memorial Garden or a **Plaque** on our Yahrzeit Wall. For information, please contact the synagogue office.

**Denotes a memorial plaque in our sanctuary to be lit on the day of the yahrzeit and on all Yizkor holidays.*

1	April	Cynthia Feldberg	29	Adar II	17	April	Susan Jacobs	16	Nisan	
2	April	Mindy Golsen	1	Nisan	17	April	Irene Schonberger	16	Nisan	
*	2	April	Wilbert Cohen	1	Nisan	18	April	Constantin Andronesov	17	Nisan
*	2	April	Katrin Hatami	1	Nisan	18	April	Celia Masters	17	Nisan
2	April	Ruth Friedner	1	Nisan	18	April	Lottie Hartnig	17	Nisan	
3	April	David U. Goldenberg	2	Nisan	18	April	Ruth Green	17	Nisan	
3	April	Stanley Gerson	2	Nisan	19	April	Marcia Klein	18	Nisan	
4	April	Marc Goldsmith	3	Nisan	20	April	Zalman Angster	19	Nisan	
4	April	Steven Berkman	3	Nisan	*20	April	Melvin Intner	19	Nisan	
4	April	Ted Levy	3	Nisan	20	April	Samuel Kandel	19	Nisan	
*	4	April	Martha Sussman	3	Nisan	*20	April	Lynne Platt	19	Nisan
4	April	Susan Frohlich	3	Nisan	21	April	Harry Kolin	20	Nisan	
5	April	Samuel Lederman	4	Nisan	*21	April	Jack Briks	20	Nisan	
6	April	Sidney Engel	5	Nisan	21	April	Buddy Goldstein	20	Nisan	
*	6	April	Irving Goldman	5	Nisan	21	April	Irving Hazan	20	Nisan
*	7	April	Irving Altholtz	6	Nisan	21	April	Beatrice Rosenberg	20	Nisan
7	April	Paul Shilling	6	Nisan	21	April	Esther Smith	20	Nisan	
8	April	Robert Needle	7	Nisan	22	April	George Gordel Grauer	21	Nisan	
8	April	Charles Schancupp	7	Nisan	22	April	John Cosgrove	21	Nisan	
*	8	April	Stuart Turner	7	Nisan	22	April	William Nelson	21	Nisan
9	April	Arthur Suway	8	Nisan	22	April	Marley Rogers	21	Nisan	
9	April	Lena Chesin	8	Nisan	22	April	Violet Levy	21	Nisan	
10	April	Irving Adair	9	Nisan	*23	April	Murray Breier	22	Nisan	
10	April	Louis Israelton	9	Nisan	23	April	Shirley Zicht Simpson	22	Nisan	
11	April	Pearl Rosenberg	10	Nisan	23	April	Evelyn Gerson	22	Nisan	
*	12	April	Bernard Vexler	11	Nisan	23	April	Jane Lefco	22	Nisan
12	April	James Green	11	Nisan	*24	April	Herman Weitz	23	Nisan	
12	April	Bob Goldman	11	Nisan	24	April	Smiley Nelson	23	Nisan	
*	12	April	Ron Bachenheimer	11	Nisan	24	April	Barbara Davison	23	Nisan
12	April	Jeanette Feuer	11	Nisan	24	April	Maxine Sisselman	23	Nisan	
12	April	Brian Brody	11	Nisan	25	April	Evelyn Weiss	24	Nisan	
12	April	Sharla Barber	11	Nisan	25	April	Helen Shelkoff	24	Nisan	
13	April	Louis Rappeport	12	Nisan	25	April	Jo Ann Leder	24	Nisan	
13	April	Rachamim Ben-Aroia	12	Nisan	25	April	Leona Rothstein	24	Nisan	
13	April	Bella Kandel	12	Nisan	*25	April	Ellen Coltman	24	Nisan	
*	13	April	Bernice Krodman	12	Nisan	*26	April	Irving Mark	25	Nisan
13	April	Robin Anders	12	Nisan	26	April	Stephen Frohlich	25	Nisan	
14	April	Irving Jacoby	13	Nisan	26	April	Nancy Coplin	25	Nisan	
14	April	Jack Goldstein	13	Nisan	*26	April	Phillip Silverman	25	Nisan	
*	14	April	Joseph Schwartz	13	Nisan	27	April	Isak Kanner	26	Nisan
14	April	Bertha Rothstein	13	Nisan	28	April	George Shapiro	27	Nisan	
14	April	Sylvia Levit	13	Nisan	*28	April	Joseph J. Alperin	27	Nisan	
15	April	Barney Cohen	14	Nisan	28	April	Melvin Groskind	27	Nisan	
*	15	April	Penny Bowman	14	Nisan	28	April	Stephen Parolisi	27	Nisan
*	16	April	Sidney Gordon	15	Nisan	28	April	Mollie Rosner	27	Nisan
*	16	April	William Rosenfeld	15	Nisan	*28	April	Lillian Greenspon	27	Nisan
16	April	Louise Baron	15	Nisan	*29	April	Cecelia Groskind	28	Nisan	
*	17	April	Harry Kramer	16	Nisan	29	April	Libby Yonks	28	Nisan
*	17	April	Joseph La Vine	16	Nisan	*29	April	Rhonda Sue L. Dvorin	28	Nisan
*	17	April	Ken Seidman	16	Nisan	30	April	Meilakh Barshay	29	Nisan
17	April	Barbara Flagel	16	Nisan	30	April	Selma Shapiro	29	Nisan	
17	April	Jean Sacks	16	Nisan	*30	April	Sylvia Shams	29	Nisan	
					30	April	Estelle Segal	29	Nisan	
					30	April	Becky Whetstone	29	Nisan	

APRIL 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 3 (2 Nisan) No Religious School Morning Minyan 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a Movies @ The Etz 3:30p Evening Minyan 6:30p	4 (3 Nisan) No PS Transitions Class Morning Minyan 7a Shalom in the Shul 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p Men's Club Meeting 7p	5 (4 Nisan) No PS Transitions Class No Religious School Morning Minyan 7a Schmooze on Zoom 3p Evening Minyan 6:30p <i>Lilmode: Coping w/Family Estrangement 7p</i>	6 (5 Nisan) No PS Transitions Class Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p	7 (6 Nisan) No PS Transitions Class Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	1 (29 Adar II) Morning Minyan 7a Tot Shabbat 5p Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 7:40p 8 (7 Nisan) No PS Transitions Class Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 7:46p	2 (1 Nisan) Tazria Rosh Chodesh Nisan Shabbat Services 9:30a Stay & Play Babysitting 9:30a Shabbat Ends 8:49p 9 (8 Nisan) Metzora Shabbat L'Kulam 9:30a Stay & Play 9:30a PS Kids Night Out 5p Shabbat Ends 8:54p
10 (9 Nisan) RS and Pre-K 9:15a Morning Minyan 9:15a RS 6th Grade Fam. 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a 2nd GR Fam. 11a Kadima Event 12:15p Young Adults – Dessert Wars 3p Evening Minyan 6:30p Trivia Night @ NRT 7p	11 (10 Nisan) Morning Minyan 7a Mocha Monday w/Rabbi Dorsch 7:45a Confirmation Class 5:30p USY Board Meeting 6p Evening Minyan 6:30p Senior Seminar w/Rabbi Dorsch 7p	12 (11 Nisan) Tentative Runoff Election Morning Minyan 7a Schmooze on Zoom 3p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p	13 (12 Nisan) Morning Minyan 7a Chai Five w/ Rabbi Miller 5:30p Evening Minyan 6:30p PS Faculty Meeting 7p USY Wacky 7p	14 (13 Nisan) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p Bedikat Chametz 8:35p	15 (14 Nisan) Erev Pesach Taanit Bechorot Preschool Closed Synagogue Office Closed No PS Transitions Class First Born Service 6:45a Last Chametz 11:26 Sell/Burn Chametz 12:32p 1 st Night Seder 6:30p No Kabbalat Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:51p	16 (15 Nisan) Pesach Passover Services 10a Stay & Play 10a Shabbat Ends 8:52p
17 (16 Nisan) Pesach 1st Day Omer No Religious School Passover Service 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p Shabbat Ends 9:01p	18 (17 Nisan) Chol Hamoed Pesach 2nd Day Omer Preschool Closed Morning Minyan 7a PS Mini Camp 9:30a Evening Minyan 6:30p	19 (18 Nisan) Chol Hamoed Pesach 3rd Day Omer Preschool Closed Morning Minyan 7a PS Mini Camp 9:30a Schmooze on Zoom 3p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p Exec. Comm. Mtg. 7:15p	20 (19 Nisan) Chol Hamoed Pesach 4th Day Omer Preschool Closed Morning Minyan 7a PS Mini Camp 9:30a Chai Five 5:30p Evening Minyan 6:30p RS Board Meeting 7p S'hood Board Mtg. 7p	21 (20 Nisan) Chol Hamoed Pesach 5th Day Omer Preschool Closed Morning Minyan 7a PS Mini Camp 9:30a Evening Minyan 6:30p Candle Lighting 7:56p	22 (21 Nisan) Pesach 6th Day Omer Synagogue Offices Closed No PS Transitions Class Preschool Closed Passover Service 9:30a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 7:56p	23 (22 Nisan) Pesach / Yizkor 7th Day Omer Passover Service 9:30a Stay & Play 9:30a Earliest time to eat Chametz – 8:54p Shabbat Ends 9:05p
24 (23 Nisan) 8th Day Omer Morning Minyan 9:15a Religious School 9:15a 5th GR Fam Work. 9:30a S'hood Book Club 10a <i>Lilmode: Best Breakfast with Sy Lichtenfeld 10a</i> Chalutzim Event 12:15p Yoga & Meditation 1:30p Atid Event 2p Evening Minyan 6:30p Board of Trustees 7p	25 (24 Nisan) 9th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p	26 (25 Nisan) 10th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7a Schmooze on Zoom 3p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p	27 (26 Nisan) 11th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p Yom HaShoah Program 7:30p	28 (27 Nisan) Yom HaShoah 12th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	29 (28 Nisan) 13th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7a Candle Lighting 8:02p	30 (29 Nisan) Achrei Mot 14th Day Omer Bar Mitzvah of Cole Rose 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:45a Shabbat Ends 9:11p



PASSOVER WILL BE HERE SOON!

How about checking out a book from our library at Etz Chaim to get some great new ideas for your Passover seders? Here are a few of the books available:

The Family Participation Haggadah: A Different Night by Noam Zion and David Dishon. This is the Haggadah that has changed the American seder. It's a full traditional seder, but with large amounts of art and commentaries, and discussion starters -- all in a user-friendly format that makes it easy to customize your seder. This illustrated haggadah is full of ideas for involving parent and child, leader and participant. (262.5 ZIO)

The Family and Frog Haggadah by Rabbi Ron Isaacs and Karen Rostoker-Gruber. In this kid-oriented Haggadah you will find lists to help Jewish families prepare for the seder as well as activities, games, and songs to enjoy during the seder. (J 262.5 ISA)

The UnHaggadah: How to Keep the Conversation & Wine Flowing at your Seder by Rabbi Mitchell Wohlberg. This book has thoughts about various themes in the Haggadah and how they relate to the contemporary American Jew, with questions to help family discussions flow at your seder. (262.5 WHO)

New American Haggadah edited by Jonathan Safran Foer. Foer has created a new way of experiencing the seder with a new translation of the text by Nathan Englander and provocative commentary by major Jewish writers and thinkers. It is unique and absorbing. (262.5 FOE)

For Children: There are many great Passover children's books available for checkout. Here are just a sampling:

Miriam at the River by Jane Yolen. Here's a new beautifully illustrated book of the Bible story of Moses when he is left at the river and found by Pharaoh's daughter. (J 220.95 MOS YOL) For Grades K-3.

Welcoming Elijah: A New Passover Tale with a Tale. Winner of the Sydney Taylor Book Award and the National Jewish Book Award, this book by celebrated author Lesléa Newman, unites a young boy and a stray kitten in a magical, heartwarming story about Passover, family, and friendship. (J 243.2 NEW) For Grades K-3.

YOU CAN FIND MORE HAGGADOT ON THE LIBRARY SHELVES AT 262.5 and for children at J 262.5, as well as Passover books at 243.2 and for children at J 243.2. The books above are all out on display on the library bookshelves and there are also always books on our display rack as well next to the library circulation desk.

You may self-checkout books at any time. Directions for checkout are on the library desk. Just fill out a checkout card and leave it in the yellow box. You can also look for specific books online at <https://etzchaimlibrary.follettdestiny.com>

Stop by and browse.



Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day Program

Join us at the Catholic Church of St. Ann
as we observe Yom HaShoah together.

Wednesday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m.

The Catholic Church of St. Ann: 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta, GA 30062

FJMC Yom HaShoah candles will be available at the program.

Refreshments will be served.

RSVP at: <https://tinyurl.com/2022YomHashoah>

FOR THE DEAD AND THE LIVING, WE MUST BEAR WITNESS.

-Elie Wiesel



CELEBRATING OUR SUPERHEROES
SISTERHOOD BOARD INSTALLATION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE HAMMER-TRITT SOCIAL HALL

Join us for the installation of our new Board and guest speaker, Safa Nooromid, RDN.LD. An active and longstanding member of our community and superhero in her own right, Safa is a Registered Dietician and the owner of Nooromid Nutrition, LLC. Listen to how she debunks the top myths surrounding diet and nutrition and how "one size does not fit all". Delicious, easy-to-prepare recipes will also be shared.

Refreshments will be served. This event is free, but you must register to attend.

RSVP at: www.etzchaim.net/event/sisterhoodboard



Etz Chaim
Sisterhood

SAVE THE DATE FOR

BEATLES BLUE JEAN SHABBAT

FRIDAY, MAY 6



6:15 p.m. Shabbat Dinner

7:15 p.m. Musical Service w/prayers and tunes of Beatles songs

Service led by Rabbi Dorsch, Heather Blake and other musicians

Please look at the Etz Blast for update on food and pricing.

If you are able to volunteer: please contact Heather Blake at heather@etzchaim.net



Chag Hamayim: Shavuot Water Festival

Sunday, June 5
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Water Activities, Putt-putt golf, outdoor games, bubbles, and more! Kick-off the Summer with a splash while honoring our Jewish tradition.

This program made possible by:

RENEWALFEST

CELEBRATING THE POWER OF US

SUNDAY, MAY 15

11:00 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.

CHILDRENS CRAFTS
PETTING ZOO
BRACELET MAKING

FOOD TRUCKS
ARTISAN MARKET

ISRAELI DANCING
CORN HOLE

RIBBON CUTTING
AND RECOGNITION
OF OUR HONOREES

ETZ CHAIM TRIVIA
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BRING THE FAMILY, ENJOY A DAY OF FUN AND FOOD!

CELEBRATE RENEWALFEST: THE POWER OF US HONORING
REBA + BOB BACHRACH AND CHERYL + DAVID MILLER

COST: \$5 PER PERSON/\$15 PER FAMILY

ADMISSION PRICE INCLUDES FREE BEVERAGES + KING OF POPS
FOOD ON-SITE FOR PURCHASE.

THIS IS A MULTIGENERATIONAL EVENT FOR ALL.

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Prepare to be Mystified!

Join us for an evening celebrating the magic of Etz Chaim

Honoring

Reba and Bob Bachrach
Cheryl and David Miller

Sunday, May 15, 2022

6:30 p.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Plentiful Hors d'oeuvres, Cocktails and Entertainment

The Power of Us has made this a Reality.

The cost is \$50 per person.

Please RSVP by Thursday, May 5.

www.etzchaim.net/event/magicalevening

No jackets, no jeans, wear something in between



**2022 Ad Journal and Directory Honoring:
Reba & Bob Bachrach
Cheryl & David Miller**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
Sunday, May 1, 2022**

(CHECK ONE)

Advertisement Personal Greeting

(CHECK ONE)

COVER:

- Back \$5,500
- Inside Front \$4,000
- Inside Front Facing \$3,500
- Inside Back \$3,500
- Inside Back Facing \$3,000
- Spine & Full Page \$2,500

FULL PAGE:

- Diamond \$2,000
- Platinum \$1,250
- Gold \$1,000
- Silver \$750
- Standard \$500

OTHER ADS:

- Half Page—HORIZONTAL \$300
- Quarter Page—VERTICAL \$180
- Eighth Page \$75
- Full-color Ad optional \$75
- Shout-out max. 18 words \$18

DESIGN FEE: **Graphic Design Assistance *\$25**
*Please include if we are creating your business advertisement.

Instructions for purchasing and submitting ads and greetings are on the reverse side.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Contract Received: _____ Art Work Received:
Date Advertisement Paid: _____ Check # _____

DIRECTORY CONTRACT



www.etzchaim.net/form/celebration2022

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Write text legibly below or attach to contract

Business Ad: Please use same ad as last year.

Personal Greeting: Please submit a digital high-resolution family photo with your ad.

Advertiser Name: _____ Solicitor: _____

Authorized By: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Advertiser Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Check enclosed (Payable to Etz Chaim) \$ _____ Credit Card — (Visa or Mastercard only): \$ _____

Account #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVV (3 digit code): _____

Text attached

Graphic Design Required (\$25 Fee)

Camera-ready digital file sent to bernice@etzchaim.net

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2022 AD JOURNAL & MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

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SUBMIT YOUR AD OR GREETING ONLINE AT: www.etzchaim.net/form/celebration2022

Submissions can also be sent as directed below:

Text Only:	Can be submitted by LEGIBLY printing the text in the Text-Only Copy box on this contract, or by attaching the text to the contract, or by emailing the text to bernice@etzchaim.net .
Camera-Ready Digital Files:	Please submit camera-ready art (sized to the dimensions for the ad purchased). Minimum resolution is 300dpi for high quality output. The following standard electronic formats are acceptable: .png, .jpg, .gif, .pdf . Please email digital files to bernice@etzchaim.net or mail camera-ready material on a CD (include a printed copy to ensure accuracy) to: <i>2022 Journal & Directory, Congregation Etz Chaim, c/o Bernice Isaac, 1190 Indian Hills Pkwy, Marietta, Georgia 30068</i>
Graphic Design Assistance:	Graphic Design of your business ad is available at an additional cost of \$25. Please send all supporting files such as your text, fonts, images and/or clip art as separate attachments. Please submit text and layout in a Word or Publisher document and email to bernice@etzchaim.net . If a font(s) is not supplied, one will be substituted. Email digital file(s) to: bernice@etzchaim.net , or upload at www.etzchaim.net/form/celebration2022 or mail a CD to <i>2022 Journal & Directory, Congregation Etz Chaim c/o Bernice Isaac, 1190 Indian Hills Pkwy, Marietta, GA 30068.</i>

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Journal Contact: Marty Gilbert, 770.973.0137 or mgilbert@etzchaim.net

Roots—Etz Chaim’s Small Group Initiative:

Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim’s new interest-based small groups initiative? Below are current *Roots* groups. Do you have an interest-based group in mind for Etz Chaim? Let’s make it happen! Once we have a volunteer leader and five committed members, a group can be formed. You decide when and where. Have questions or want to form a new *Roots* group? Please contact Heather Blake, Director of Engagement, by email at heather@etzchaim.net or 770-973-0137.

Artists Collective

Are you an artist? An art roots group is forming at Etz Chaim! This is an opportunity for all artists to meet, explore Jewish art connections, discuss art topics, support each other in our projects, and contribute to our community. All mediums welcome. Whether it is a hobby or profession, please come to share your art interests and skills as we create this exciting new group! Meetings are usually held on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. on Zoom. For more information and to be part of this group, please contact Rob Foster at fosterrob@comcast.net.

Wednesday Golf Roots Group

Do you have a flexible weekday work schedule? Retired? Looking for some camaraderie? Our Roots golf group typically meets on Wednesdays throughout the calendar year. Our outings are at the Fox Creek Golf Course in Smyrna in the afternoon typically between 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. To join our list, email Alan Silverman at ajsilverman@comcast.net.

T’shuvah Group organized by JF&CS and HAMSA

In Hebrew, T’shuvah means to repent or return. Led by Rabbi Mark Borowitz, founder at Beit T’shuvah, the Atlanta T’shuvah group believes everyone has a right to redeem themselves, and through doing this work, to create new pathways and choices to live well. Whether you are living with addiction or in recovery, toxicity in relationships, facing challenges to your sense of self, experiencing life changes, or simply want to self-reflect and create more meaning in your life – all are welcome. To learn more about T’shuvah group, please contact HAMSA at **833-HAMSA-HELPS** or HAMSAShelps@jfcsatl.org.

*Beit T’shuvah is a Jewish residential addiction treatment center in Los Angeles. Learn more at www.beittshuvah.org.

Schmooze on Zoom

Join us for an informal schmooze/chat on Zoom every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. Our only request is to avoid the topic of politics. All are welcome. Facilitated by Esther Shultz. To be added to the email reminder list, please contact Esther at: savtaesther5@gmail.com. See you on Zoom at: www.tinyurl.com/EtzSchmooze Meeting ID: 844 2620 2608

Woodworkers of Etz Chaim

If you enjoy woodworking of all types and are interested in participating in this interest group, please contact Hank Needle at hneedle@gmail.com or text 678-520-8635. Look forward to hearing from interested parties. Contact Hank for location.

Yoga and Meditation

Practice yoga and meditation with Yana Lubell for our bi-monthly Roots group while cultivating community and helping to restore balance to our body, mind and spirit bringing joy to our lives. All levels and ages are welcome! Each month there will be one Saturday session and one on Sunday. For more information and to be added to the email list, contact Yana at yanalubell@gmail.com. We will try to provide babysitting on-site. **Future dates and times are as follows** (with time for yoga and schmoozing):

Saturday, April 9, approximately 10:45 a.m.

Sunday, April 24, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 7, approx. 10:45 a.m. (Tentative)

Sunday, May 22, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Movie Group - We’re back!

The Etz Chaim Roots Movie Group is back! This group meets once a month on a Sunday afternoon at Merchants Walk to see a family friendly movie (PG/PG-13). If you are interested in receiving communications regarding future movie outings, please complete this form: <https://forms.gle/QW6zFuqr2HgCNrnf8> or contact Tamar England at tamar.england@gmail.com.

The following Roots Groups listed below are on hiatus. We look forward to continuing these groups once the CDC gives the “all clear” to congregate safely with one another. Volunteer leader information is below if you would like to reach out for additional information.

Hiking Group Dani Oren at Daniandamir@gmail.com.

Birthday Club Laurie Lavinsky at laulav6@gmail.com or Malka Riesenbergl at malka217@gmail.com.

Walking/Running Group Amir Oren at aoren1@yahoo.com.



Thank you to our program volunteers:

Galina Barshay, Arlene and Larry Brown, Lauren Chernau, Sheri and Bob Frohlich, Neda Gayle, Steven Gold, Myra Goldberg, Laurie Goldstein, Lauren and Robert Gray, Helene and Phil Jacoby, Lynne Johannesen, Jennifer Katz, Esti Kleinman, Betsy Levy, David Lieberman, Alan and Sharon Lightstone, Jamie Lyons, Norman and Simone Marinoff, Clifford Martin, Aiden Okrent, Glynis and Elliot Okrent, Dani and Amir Oren, Miriam Rosenbaum, Roni and Ian Robbins, Elyse Shaw, Amy Surasky, and Todd Surden



Weekly Schmooze on Zoom!

Tuesday afternoons at 3:00 p.m.

facilitated by Esther Shultz

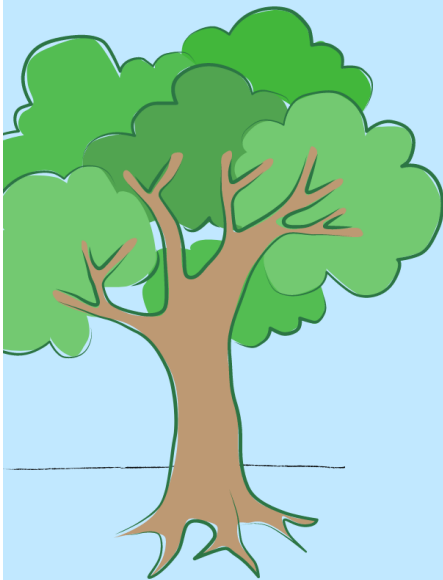
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Since our pin distribution was delayed, we have decided to postpone going forward with a brand new pin until next year. We want to allow everyone to wear the B'Yachad pin for one full year, which also saves the Torah Fund the substantial cost of producing a new pin. Many pins are still available, so let me know if you are interested in still purchasing this pin.

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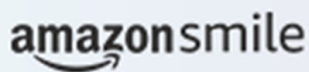
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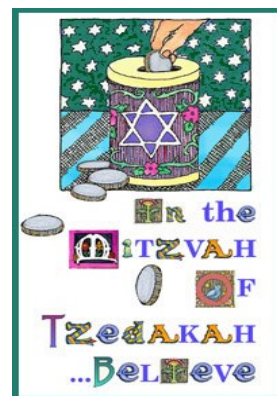
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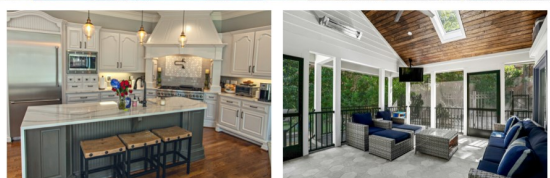
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