

## Shabbat in the Park

East Cobb Park

Friday, August 19

5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Join us for:

~Fun and games for all

~Affinity Group information

~Dinner made by our

Men's Club master grillers

and a

~Beautiful Shabbat Service

\$10 per person/\$30 per family

To volunteer for the event, go to  
[www.tinyurl.com/volunteersitp](http://www.tinyurl.com/volunteersitp)

**RSUP:**

[www.etzchaim.net/event/sitp2022](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/sitp2022)

Water will be provided. Bring a beverage of your choice.

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### Daily Minyan Times:

Sunday Mornings:  
9:15 a.m.

Monday - Friday Mornings:  
7:00 a.m.

Sunday - Thursday Evenings:  
6:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Services:

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

(in-person & Livestream)

[www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream](http://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream)

## From Our Rabbi

Our flight back home from Etz Chaim's Israel trip should have been uneventful. Sadly, it wasn't.

After waiting several hours for take-off, our plane of 400+ passengers was told that our aircraft had mechanical problems.

Chaos then ensued.

After a fabulous, flawless trip, we had to pick up our suitcases and reenter customs into Israel. United Airlines failed utterly to help anyone over the screams of hundreds of unhappy people. ITC, our travel agent, successfully scrambled to get all of us rooms in Tel Aviv and a ride back to the airport for our rescheduled flight fifteen hours later.

What was the "mechanical problem"? The next day, our flight attendant informed us that a passenger on the previous flight had chosen to flush garbage in the bathroom, clogging up the airplane's entire wastewater system (those of you who have flown before know that there is no shortage of signs asking people not to do this). The selfish actions of one individual affected an entire plane of people, including a person on our flight who was traveling to the USA with an organ in a cooler for a lifesaving organ transplant.

Call it the "Great Man Theory" of history. Label it the "Butterfly Effect". Either way the point is the same. As we slowly creep toward the Holy Days at the conclusion of summer, we are called to remember how every one of our actions affects the lives or fortunes of someone else.

This year, one megalomaniac in Russia ruined the lives of millions of people living peacefully in the Ukraine. Another unknown person chose to eat an infected bat in China leading to a worldwide pandemic. One terrible flush led to 400 people scrambling in the middle of the night to find places to sleep, more delayed flights, and quite possibly, the death of another person.

Today, we are too cavalier about what we say and what we do. Only that is not what Judaism teaches us is the way to live. In Pirkei Avot, Rabbi Yehuda HaNasi charges us to avoid making errors in judgement by remembering that "all your deeds are inscribed in a book."

As we approach the holy days - a little later than usual this year - we are called to remember that everything we do has an effect on another person, from what we choose to wear in the morning to the way we choose to eat, to the way we "purge ourselves", spiritually and physically.

None of us lives in our own personal silo. Even the smallest of our actions can affect another.

Never forget that the next time you are deciding what to do with your trash on an airplane.

**Rabbi Dan Dorsch**



## From Our Associate Rabbi

### Growth through Learning

It is hard for me to believe that April, Aria, and I have been a part of the Etz Chaim community for over a year. It is true what they say - "time flies when you are having fun!" This first year has been amazing on so many different fronts, yet one aspect I have loved so much has been working with the youth group. Youth group was an integral part of my upbringing, and I know how beneficial this experience can be for young Jews. I loved the Purim Carnival, the Wacky Wednesdays, and making sure that our teens had a great experience at Shabbatons and conventions.

Now as I officially start my second year as your Associate Rabbi, I am also excited for the new things that are on the horizon. Starting this year, I will be shifting from our youth group, to now working closely and overseeing our adult education program, Lilmode. Education is a major facet of what I believe to be at the core of our experiences as Jews. For me, education is what allows us to unlock those inner aspects of religious experience.

I am so excited for what we have planned for this upcoming year concerning Lilmode! This year we are assigning a broad theme to each month; the classes that we will offer will during that month will be related to that theme. Some of our themes include mindfulness and how it relates to Judaism; Etz Chaim itself, where we will offer classes pertaining to our traditions and customs, as well as a look at some of the amazing artwork that line our hallways; and different aspects of inclusion and learning more about our traditions view of being a large tent to welcome everyone.

This month we are honored to have our own **Marnie Nadolne**, who will be teaching a course pertaining to Israel called "**Israel Uncomplicated Guide**". This will be occurring on **August 16 and 23 at 7:00 p.m.** and is just the beginning to our amazing year of Lilmode learning opportunities. I hope that you will consider joining us for this class and for many more classes as the year progresses. For more information on this program with Marnie Nadolne, see page 14.

Kol tuv,

**Rabbi Micah Miller**



## From our Executive Director

“Summer’s lease hath all too short a date.” ~William Shakespeare

I have been in Georgia for five years now and other than having to deal with all the Braves fans, I have very few issues ... except one: School starting in August.

Now mind you I have no children that are school age, so the only inconvenience to me is additional traffic and remembering to be aware of school speed zones and school buses. But the thought of school starting before Labor Day still bothers me. August should be a month of enjoying the hottest month of the year at the pool, beach or relaxing someplace cool. I still don’t get it. It throws my entire personal seasonal clock off every year. And it’s not like I can take August off. The High Holy Days are right around the corner and there is a lot to do. And my community pool is open through September, so I can still go for a swim during those balmy days. It just shatters my Summertime frame of mind.

There is a child-like sanctity to summer being from Memorial Day to Labor Day that stays with me even now long after my school days, camp days, college days have passed. Going to the beach on Labor Day and watching the sunset over Barnegat Bay as we headed back from Island Beach Park as Summer ended will always be a cherished memory. Having the same event happen on July 31 doesn’t have the same ring to it.

But things change and “all things must pass.”

August is here and we move back to normal. We get ready for 5783 and the High Holy Days. We welcome new staff members: Leah Green, Director of Engagement and Youth Programming; Karen Chauvin, Administrative Assistant; Drew Blanchard, full-time Facilities Staff.

We start gearing up for our wonderful annual events like Shabbat in the Park.

Summer may be over in Georgia, but it ain’t cooling off anytime soon.

**Marty Gilbert**



## From our President Jamie Platt Lyons

### **Etz Chaim. . .Creating Meaningful Jewish Experiences**

As many of you know, recently the Cobb County School District changed the logo of Eastside Elementary School (the elementary school across the street from our synagogue). The new logo that was released earlier this week is strikingly similar to a Nazi symbol. Members of our Etz Chaim community, including Marty Gilbert, Rabba Amanda Flaks, and Stacy Efrat, were interviewed by the media. All of them articulated similar concerns about the need for deeper education and understanding about antisemitism, Holocaust symbolism, and diversity in the stakeholder evaluation process when decisions like this are made in the future.

In discussing the issues with Rabbi Dorsch, we talked about the fact that negative Jewish experiences seem to get the most traction in the media. Of course, I understand why, but I still don’t like it. In response, I think we should try to flip the conversation. While we must address the negative stories and experiences by educating others, we need to create a different, alternative narrative simultaneously. I want to challenge all of us to “advertise” **creating meaningful Jewish experiences**. We are so fortunate to be part of a robust, thriving, active Jewish community with tons of events, meetings, and holidays coming up. Etz Chaim has a fabulous and growing child-centered Preschool and an equally flourishing and successful Religious School. Let’s talk about the positive messages as loudly and as broadly as we address and educate about the negative messages.

Coming up in August, we have something for just about everyone! There is a **Young Adult** kickoff event, then a **Prime Timers** kickoff event, followed by a **Sisterhood** kickoff event. We have an ongoing **Youth Department** fundraiser (jars of honey for Rosh Hashanah) and we have two **Lilmode** adult education opportunities. **College Connection** will be collecting names and addresses of our college-age kids for small packages and notes throughout the year. **Shabbat in the Park** (with **Men’s Club** grilling dinner for our members and potential new members) is smack in the middle of the month. We have the solemn commemoration of **Tisha B’Av**, and the joyous experiences of **Shabbat**. Plus our first day of **Religious School** and our first **USY** Wacky Wednesday are in August.

Woven throughout all these opportunities is the chance to participate in one of our **Roots Groups** (woodworking, yoga, walking, movie-going), be involved in our **Chesed** committee (life cycle events for our congregants), and/or participate in (or start a new) **Chavurah**. Chavurot are small groups of 20-30 congregants who get together socially outside of Etz Chaim. They communicate independently and schedule their get-togethers privately. Singles or couples are welcome to join or form a new Chavurah.

Come back home to Congregation Etz Chaim. Join us in *creating meaningful Jewish experiences* for you and your family. Let’s change the narrative together.

**Jamie Platt Lyons**



Questions about  
purchasing a  
cemetery plot?  
Call **Marty Gilbert**  
770-973-0137

## From Our Director of Education

### We've Got Ruach! ~Lauren Chernau

Each Spring, as I prepare for Camp Ruach, I reflect on what the word "ruach" means - Spirit. In the beginning of Bereshit, the Torah references the Spirit of God, *ruach Elohim*. As June rolls around and the children enter the building ready for camp, the smell of sunscreen, little bodies in their swimsuits, and the excitement for the day fills the air. I cannot help but believe that feeling is, indeed, the spirit of God, *ruach*. This summer children are busy moving from activity zone to activity zone immersed in experiences related to science, art, sports, sensory, music, and water. On any given day, one can hear children belting out their group cheers, watching with anticipation as volcanoes of baking powder and vinegar explode, creating magic wands and pet rocks, dipping their toes into oobleck and creating obstacle courses to travel through. Camp Ruach is an amazing place for preschoolers to spend their summer. Different than the school year, much of the day is spent outside visiting the designated zone areas. Each zone is run by a staff member who facilitates an experience for the children visiting the zone. The children are delighted with the opportunities that the zones offer, and often, one can hear campers excitedly cheering about where their group is going next! Much of our success is due to our wonderful staff. Their hard work, dedication, and understanding of young children is evident as they all put 100% of themselves into each camp day. I would like to thank Madelyn Chernau, Stefani Faer, Lily Isbitts, Kyle Jacobs, Hannah Logan, Savanna McDaniel, Roxanne Measroch, Rachel Pearle, Nikki Riviere, Amy Szumstein, Brooke Van Heest, Daniel Barchichat, Eden England, Lizzie Katz, Mia Kleinman, Kayla Kleinman, Bethany Rydell, Talia England, Ari Kart, Eli Slomovitz, Shoshana Waller, Bonnie Besmertnik, Salma Camacho and Joey Ross. And a big thank you to Tiana Plendl and Debbie Deutsch for all your support, help and advice. "We've got Ruach, yes, we do! We've got Ruach, how 'bout you!"



### School Year 2022-2023

Lather. Rinse. Repeat. Sometimes, when I talk to other directors, some bemoan the fact that another year is starting and it's just more of the same. Lather. Rinse. Repeat. I imagine that some teachers feel that way as well. But it's an attitude that I've never adopted or even had the slightest inkling to feel. I spend much of each school year observing, making notes, and identifying what is working and what needs to be changed. In addition, I'm seeking things to bring in that we hadn't previously thought about or implemented. And around April of each year, I'm beginning to map out how current curriculum and programs will change and what new things will be introduced, all this while determining if we have the right faculty members to pull everything together. And then, along with Lauren Chernau for the preschool and the boards of both schools, we present, discuss, and get ready for the next school year. Definitely not a lather, rinse, repeat scenario. It can sometimes get a little sticky with so many people involved but bringing in the teachers and board members allows another layer of ideas and opinions that fosters more growth and greater involvement. So as we move into this coming school year, look for new ideas, new activities, new faculty, parent volunteering opportunities in preschool, a different method of introducing / reinforcing Hebrew, and especially look for our 7th graders and how they are involved in the other Religious School classrooms. Also look for the reintroduction of activities that we had to put on hold due to COVID—coffee and curriculum with Debbie, grade level Shabbat dinners, and family programs. It's true, waking up early for Preschool drop off and on Sunday morning will be lather, rinse, repeat, but we anticipate the school year being nothing but good changes and lots of involvement.

### Debbie Deutsch

**Invest in our Children's Future**

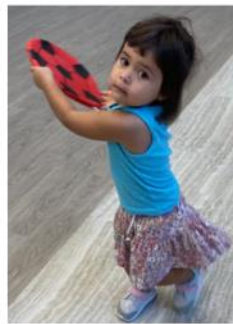
The Radow and Sunshine families have given a generous donation to sustain and grow our Preschool. They have challenged us to raise more funds which will be matched by our gracious donors.

**GIVING LEVELS:**

- Pencil: \$18
- Marker: \$54
- Desk: \$90
- Whiteboard: \$180
- Tablet: \$360
- Laptop: \$540+

<https://www.etzchaim.net/form/psfuture>

# Camp Ruach!



## From Our Director of Engagement and Youth Programming - Please welcome Leah Green



Hi, my name is Leah Green. Many of my family have been members of this congregation since the beginning of this synagogue. I've grown up here and every step I take in Etz Chaim brings a memory back from a time in my childhood. The hallway where my office is reminds me of 6th and 7th grade Hebrew School class with Mrs. Lyons. It reminds me of running down it as fast as I could, racing against my brother, Max. I also get to see other family and friends in the pictures lining the walls. I remember pretending to do plays in the library, I remember playing hide and seek in the sanctuary and the chapel. This synagogue brings me such a comforting feeling, a safe feeling.

Through college I was really interested in the human psyche. I studied psychology and economics. I joined a club called The Nudge Unit which focused on behavioral economics and how we can get people to make the right choice an easier one to make. A common example of this would be the default option which makes an option easier or harder to select. It amazed me that even a small "nudge" can help people make very important decisions for themselves. My unit focused heavily on sustainability. Since working at Etz Chaim, I've been informed about the recycling situation that exists and how the recycling works here. One of my goals working here would be to make recycling easier and doable for the synagogue. I feel during these hard times, worrying about what is important is extremely beneficial. By shifting some focusing on sustainability, we secure a brighter future for the next generations.

As Director of Engagement and Youth Programming, I get the opportunity to bring the Jewish community together. Etz Chaim is such a source of comfort for me, and my motivation in this position is to make everyone I'm able to encounter feel safe and at home. Covid has separated us. We have been forced to be farther apart, specifically 6 feet. As we start to understand this horrible disease more, we can shift our focus to being together in a safe way. This time has shaken me to realize the importance of being together. The feeling of being alone in the world is extremely unnerving, filled with tension and confusion. We see examples of this in the news. My goal is to ease back into being together and create programs that inspire the courage to come back to the loving and fun environment that is Etz Chaim.

## Youth Department News

Hi Etz Chaim Families! First things first, what's with the new names of the youth groups? Great question. The revised youth groups and event schedules are:

**Chalutzim** - Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grades [Chalutzim Events](#)  
**Chaverim** (aka Jr. Kadima) - 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades [Chaverim Events](#)  
**Gesher** (aka Kadima) - 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades [Gesher Events](#)  
**Sababa USY** - 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades [USY Events](#)



If you would like to sign up for youth group, which I highly recommend if you're interested in making friends and having fun, follow the link [Youth Department Registration 2022-2023 - Form - Congregation Etz Chaim](#) or fill out the registration form found on pages 27 through 30 and bring it to Etz Chaim.

I am so excited to be starting my new position as Director of Engagement and Youth Programming. I will be the point person for all things youth group. I am so happy the advisors for each youth group are so dedicated to making sure each child has fun and feels special. Hope to see you at the events!

*Leah Green*

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

[https://etzchaim.net/youth\\_programs](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/](https://www.instagram.com/sababa_usy/)

### **MINYAN AND SHABBAT INFORMATION FOR IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM:**

**All Shabbat Services in-person and via livestream. Minyanim will be held in-person only.**

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>

MINYANIM ARE HELD IN THE ALLAN AND VIVIAN LEVINE FAMILY CHAPEL

SHABBAT SERVICES ARE HELD IN THE LINDY AND NORMAN RADOW SANCTUARY

**Please note, in order to say Mourner's Kaddish, we need to have 10 participants.**

## Our Etz Chaim Community

### *Mazal Tov to...*

Dena and Ryan Saginor on the birth of their son, Theodore Henry, born on June 6, 2022

Stephanie and Barry Gang on the marriage of their daughter Ilana to Yonatan Mintz

Stephanie and Barry Gang on the engagement of their son Matt to Traci Weisberg

Lauren and Robert Gray on the birth of grandson, Beckham Wallace, born on June 23 to Jessica and Michael Gray

Bev and Barry Kaplan on the birth of grandson, Lucas Fairley, born June 30 to Joelle and Justin Page

### *Condolences to...*

Amy Dorsch on the passing of her beloved grandmother, Betty Greenfeld

Mark Isbitts on the passing of his beloved mother, Joyce Isbitts

Michele Gelernter on the passing of her beloved father, Robert "Bob" Kirschner

### *Thank You to our Office Volunteers...*

Reba Bachrach

Lisa Fligel

Sally Greenstein

Ron Judenberg

Linda Weinroth

### *Thank you to our Program Volunteer...*

Merry Weiss

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

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Stuart Dermer

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



**Tot Shabbat  
2022 - 2023**

**Join us for:** 

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

**Save these Friday night dates:**

August 12	January 27
September 23	February 3
October 7	March 3
November 4	April 14
December 2	May 12



**Check out our Preschool Facebook page for more information.  
Questions? Contact Debbie Deutsch 770-977-3384 or [debbie@etzchaim.net](mailto:debbie@etzchaim.net)**

1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, Georgia 30068 / [www.etzchaim.net/preschool](http://www.etzchaim.net/preschool)

# TEAM SHABBAT 2022-23 season



**SHABBAT PROGRAMMING  
FOR ALL CHILDREN!**

<b>LITTLE LEAGUE</b> PARENTS & CHILDREN PRE-K AND UNDER	<b>MINOR LEAGUES</b> GRADES K-2
<b>MAJOR LEAGUES</b> GRADES 3-5	<b>*ALL STARS</b> GRADES 6 & 7

**Time:**  
10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

**SAVE THESE DATES:**

SEPTEMBER 10 & 17	FEBRUARY 11 & 18
OCTOBER 1 & 15	MARCH 11 & 18
NOVEMBER 5 & 12	APRIL 15 & 22
DECEMBER 3 & 10	MAY 6
JANUARY 7 & 21	

**come check us out, 'cause it's a home run!**



## A HEARTY MAZAL TOV TO THIS STUDENT CELEBRATING HER BAT MITZVAH!



Talia England will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on August 27, 2022 - 30 Av 5782. She is the daughter of Tamar and Lance England. Talia's Bat Mitzvah Parasha is Re'eh. She is a 7th grader at Daniell Middle School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School eight years and attended our Preschool for four years. Talia's hobbies and interests include dancing, tumbling, spending time with friends and playing with her dogs.

Talia's D'var Torah quote is "The word 'holy' has a different meaning for everyone." For her mitzvah project, Talia has chosen to work with Bosley's Place. It is an organization for orphaned and homeless puppies.

### 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](mailto: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.

**back to School**

**Looking for a program for your young 5 year old?**

**REGISTER FOR OUR TRANSITIONS CLASS TODAY!**



<https://www.etzchaim.net/form/psreg2022-23>



### 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](mailto:shabbathonorsetzchaim@gmail.com).

## Men's Club Notes

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer as we prepare for the school year to start. For the Men's Club we are gearing up for the programs we have planned and our support of other groups within the synagogue with our talented Men on the Grill.



Outside our normal events we refurbished the shrubbery in the Holocaust and Memorial Garden. **Hank Needle** noticed the garden was in need of refreshing with the loss of several bushes and a general need to tidy up. Hank contacted **Allan Struletz**, the original person hired to plant the garden, for ideas of plants to use and procuring what was needed to be installed. Hank Needle put together his team of landscape pros to do the necessary work. Hank Needle lead the team of Steve Dix, Barry Riesenbergs and me and followed the plan provided by Allan Struletz.

When Hank reached out to Allan for the invoice, Allan told him there would be no invoice and that it was his donation to the Men's Club. What an unexpected and generous offer! Thank you, Allan, for your kind and caring support of the Men's Club.

Get ready for some delicious Bar-B-Q! The 10th **Atlanta Kosher Bar-B-Q Festival (AKBF)** will be held **October 23** at the Brookwood Run Park in Dunwoody. Planning has already begun, and Alan Lightstone will be assembling his team. If you are interested in being a part of that, please reach out to Alan.

This month Shabbat in the Park will be held on August 19. This a great congregational event for all to **enjoy and is very popular. The Men's Club will be manning the grills in support of the program.**

**David Lieberman**  
President

### Officers:

David Lieberman	President
Bryan Coleman	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
Matt Nathan	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
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Jerry Cohen	VP – Activities
John Chaifetz	VP – Membership
Steve Caras	Engagement
Joe Ziskend	Corresponding Secretary
Chuck Bernstein	Recording Secretary
Richard Smith/ Bob Gordon	Goldman & Krodman Scholarship Funds
Jeff Frankel	Parliamentarian

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- Steve Dix – FJMC Region Advisor
- Joseph Goldstein
- Hank Needle
- Alan Lightstone
- Henry Levine
- Stefan Pollack
- Barry Riesenbergs
- Al Sapoznik
- David Selby
- Barry Teitelman

**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](mailto:mensclub@etzchaim.net)

**Come Out and Enjoy Your Men's Club!**



*Please join us in welcoming Karen Chauvin to our synagogue staff. She is our new administrative assistant in the office.*

*Karen is originally from Louisiana and moved to Georgia two years ago with her husband, Todd. They live in Woodstock with their dog, Baxter. She enjoys shopping and spending time with her fur baby.*

### 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](http://www.etzchaim.net/sisterhood)

## The Sisterhood Scoop

Happy August and back to school! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer! Sisterhood has been working hard behind the scenes and has many exciting programs planned for the upcoming year. There is truly something for everyone!

We extend a warm Etz Chaim welcome to Leah Green, our Director of Engagement and Youth Programming. We look forward to meeting and getting to know you!

Join us in the tradition of sending New Year's greetings to friends and family or messages of remembrance for loved ones by sponsoring the **Etz Chaim Sisterhood High Holiday Greeting & Remembrance Book**. This book connects our community while raising funds for Sisterhood's important programs. **Early-bird pricing starts on August 1!** Check your email or visit [www.etzchaim.net/greetingbook](http://www.etzchaim.net/greetingbook) for ordering information. Pricing goes up on Monday, August 15. Final deadline for all submissions is **Wednesday, August 31**. Need assistance? A Sisterhood volunteer will be happy to help you with your submission. Please email us at [hhetzchaim@gmail.com](mailto:hhetzchaim@gmail.com).

Register now for *Sisterhood Kickoff!* We can't wait to see you on **Sunday, August 21, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall. **See the ad below more information and to register.**

Join us on **Sunday, August 21, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom** for a stimulating discussion with our **Book Club** as Joanne Chaifetz moderates a thoughtful discussion about this month's book, *Dayenu*, by *Jeanie Franco Marx*. **Please see the ad on page 17 for Zoom information and to RSVP.**

Many thanks to our "sisters" who joined or renewed their annual membership to Sisterhood during our Membership Drive last month. If you haven't renewed yet, we hope that you will take a moment now and support your community. In addition to helping us fund wonderful programs that forge connections and lifelong friendships, the minimal \$36 dues go a long way toward supporting critical synagogue programs. As an organization, we contribute annually to the Education and Youth Departments, as well as fund celebrations for all the Chagim. Your dues also support our affiliation with the WLCJ, the Women's League for Conservative Judaism. And this is just the tip of the iceberg! **When you register for Kickoff, you can join or renew your membership at the same time! Become a part of Sisterhood and discover all that we have to offer!**

We encourage you to get involved! Volunteer. Join a committee. Engage in Sisterhood-sponsored Sunday morning minyan. The possibilities are endless! Feel connected, have fun, and meet people. Have questions? Please contact Lauren Levetan at 404-422-8921, [laurenlevetan@hotmail.com](mailto:laurenlevetan@hotmail.com) or Neda Gayle at 615-477-3152, [nedagayle@att.net](mailto:nedagayle@att.net) with any questions or to inquire further.

Until next time....

**Lauren and Neda**

Co-Presidents, 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.

*Reduce your stress and join us for a Mindfulness Taster*

## Sisterhood Kickoff

### Sunday, August 21

*from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.*




Learn about the science that breaks the cycle of stress, anxiety and unhappiness. Together in groups and with partners we will practice mindfulness exercises and share common insights and challenges.

*Dress: comfortable and casual*

*Light snacks and drinks will be served*

*Free for Sisterhood members; \$18 for non-members*

*Mindfulness Facilitator/Coach: Lisa Wellstead*

<https://www.etzchaim.net/event/shoodkickoff2022>



## College Connection

### Do you have a college student in the family?

Etz Chaim **College Connection** lets our undergraduate students know that we are thinking about them. College Connection celebrates Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah, and Purim by sending Jewish holiday “care packages” to our college students. All we need are some details from you, and we’ll do the rest!

To avoid the expense of mailing packages to potentially outdated addresses, **we purge the list every year and start fresh**. So, even **if your student was on the list last year and their address hasn’t changed, please send us their information again**. Also, please let us know if your student graduates during the school year.

Please email the following information to [etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com](mailto:etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com):

- Student’s name
- Student’s college email address
- Student’s college mailing address
- Student’s food allergies
- Year in school/graduation date
- Parents’ name(s)
- Parents’ email address(es)



Alternatively, complete this form and return it to the Etz Chaim office:

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

College Address Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

College Address Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Any food allergies: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Names/Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### Please help us continue this wonderful tradition!

College kids love to receive packages, especially around the holidays. Voluntary contributions are always welcome and help ensure that we can keep this program up and running. Please send to: College Connection, Congregation Etz Chaim, 1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, GA 30068.

Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount enclosed: \$18 \$36 \$54 \$72 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Please contact:

**Shari Judenberg and Ellen Spandorfer at [etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com](mailto:etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com)**



**ETZ CHAIM  
Young Adults**

**kickoff**

**TACO MAC PRADO**

**Monday, August 1  
7:00 p.m.**

Outside under the covered pavilion  
5600 Roswell Rd., Ste. F210  
Sandy Springs, GA 30342

RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/event/yataco](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/yataco)



**OTP Erev Tisha B'Av 5782**  
**Saturday, August 6**  
**Beginning at 8:00 p.m.**  
at  
**Temple Beth Tikvah**  
9955 Coleman Road, Roswell 30075



**8:00 p.m. Schmooze & Seudat Mafseket**      **Social Hall**  
**8:30 p.m. Study Sessioin**                              **Oneg Room**  
**9:15 p.m. Havdalah/Ma'ariv/Eicha**              **Sanctuary**

RSVP: [www.bethtikvah.com/event/otp-erev-tisha-bav](http://www.bethtikvah.com/event/otp-erev-tisha-bav)

Come schmooze, enjoy some team activities, and learn about our plans for the coming year!

Don't miss out!

**Prime Timers Kickoff Brunch**  
August 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Waterford Green Clubhouse**  
1436 Waterford Green Drive  
\$18.00 per person

Your payment is your RSVP.  
Please RSVP by August 11.

For questions, please contact:  
Debbie and Irwin Berman or Esther and Charlie Harrison  
dlberman2@gmail.com, imberman2@gmail.com  
eharrisonkamel@aol.com, charlieharrison@aol.com



**ETZ CHAIM'S  
PRIME  
TIMERS**

[www.etzchaim.net/event/primetimersbrunch](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/primetimersbrunch)



## Upcoming Programs

### *Lilmode* - Adult Education

# August and September 2022

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

**Tuesdays, August 16 and 23**  
**7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

August 16: Establish, Expel, Yearn. . . Repeat: The History of a Homeland

August 23: 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/israeluncomplicated](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/israeluncomplicated)**

### Lilmode Adult Education Program Suggestions

Is there something you always wanted to know? Or wanted to know how to do??

The Lilmode Adult Education program is currently putting together its programs for 5783 (September 2022 through August 2023).

We're open to all ideas!

Send your suggestions to:  
[Lilmode@etzchaim.net](mailto:Lilmode@etzchaim.net)



Preparing for the High Holidays

## STRUGGLING WITH THE CONCEPT OF GOD

with Rabbi Micah Miller

**Wednesday, September 7**  
7:00 p.m.



Register at:  
[www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodeconcept](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodeconcept)



Preparing for the High Holidays

## Getting Comfortable at Etz Chaim: Our Customs and Quirks

with Rabbi Dan Dorsch

**Monday, September 12**  
7:00 p.m.



Register at:  
[www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodedecustoms](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodedecustoms)



## Mocha Mondays

8:30 a.m.

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

**Save these dates:**

- September 12
- October 31
- November 14
- December 12
- January 23
- February 13
- March 13
- April 17





## Shalom in the Shul Part 2



**Monday, October 24**  
from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

If you joined us last year, you are going to love what we have in store. We will be examining passages from Rabbi Lewis' book,

***Faith Without the Leap: A Modern Guide to the Perplexed.***

All are welcome to participate in the lively discussions.

**RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/event/shalshul22-23](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/shalshul22-23)**

*Save these future Monday dates: December 12, February 13 and April 24*



**The participants of this summer's Etz Chaim Tour of Israel with Rabbi Dorsch**





**Do you want to know what's going on with our various Affinity Groups?** Scan the QR code you're interested in below for more information on what's happening in a specific group.



**UPCOMING DATES FOR 2022-2023:**

August 21 - Dayenu by Jeanie Franco-Marx | Host: Joanne Chaifetz - chaifetz@yahoo.com  
Jeanie Franco-Marx will be joining our discussion of her book.

September 18  
February 19

October 16  
March 19

November 13  
April 16

December 18  
May 21

January 23  
June 18

**Book Club will be held via Zoom.  
All sessions begin at 10:00 a.m.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89091421967>

**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 Fligel—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.

**August 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-Aug	Charlotte Friedrich	4	Av	14-Aug	Patsy Printz	17	Av
*1-Aug	Effie Becker	4	Av	15-Aug	Joseph Rosenberg	18	Av
*1-Aug	Gertrude Gronsbell	4	Av	*15-Aug	Mary Safran	18	Av
1-Aug	Susan Dermer	4	Av	15-Aug	Mitchell Bierman	18	Av
2-Aug	Charlotte Kramer	5	Av	15-Aug	Sally Sencer	18	Av
2-Aug	Dorothy Cohen	5	Av	15-Aug	Seymour Sklar	18	Av
*2-Aug	Eleanor M. Cohen	5	Av	*15-Aug	Simon Denenberg	18	Av
2-Aug	Rosie Riesenber	5	Av	15-Aug	Sylvia Blumenstein	18	Av
2-Aug	Ruth Epstein	5	Av	16-Aug	Dora Weinstock	19	Av
*2-Aug	Sylvia Pomerantz	5	Av	16-Aug	Elaine Pollock	19	Av
3-Aug	David Levine	6	Av	17-Aug	Allen Cohen	20	Av
3-Aug	Issie Katz	6	Av	17-Aug	Harold Sperling	20	Av
*3-Aug	Mildred Wachter	6	Av	17-Aug	Jerome Mendel	20	Av
*3-Aug	Oscar Adelman	6	Av	17-Aug	Morris Potler	20	Av
4-Aug	Joshua Lane	7	Av	18-Aug	Harold Cohen	21	Av
*4-Aug	Pearl Stickgold	7	Av	*18-Aug	Herman Sobel	21	Av
*4-Aug	Sarah Hirsch	7	Av	18-Aug	Morris Katz	21	Av
5-Aug	Jerry Schneider	8	Av	*18-Aug	Rosalind Schwartz	21	Av
5-Aug	Leslie Reicher	8	Av	19-Aug	Ernest Singer	22	Av
6-Aug	Anna Rosenberg	9	Av	19-Aug	Margie Becker	22	Av
*6-Aug	Debra Bernes	9	Av	19-Aug	Sadie Simon	22	Av
6-Aug	Lois Ann Cohen	9	Av	20-Aug	Ethel Cohen	23	Av
*6-Aug	Marjorie R. Stark	9	Av	20-Aug	Mac Blatt	23	Av
*6-Aug	Phillip Kaplan	9	Av	*20-Aug	Molly T. Eisenberg	23	Av
6-Aug	Seth Novoselsky	9	Av	20-Aug	Sam Goodman	23	Av
*6-Aug	Susan Altfeder	9	Av	20-Aug	Theodore Kaplan	23	Av
7-Aug	Arthur Ehrlich	10	Av	*21-Aug	Janice Hiller	24	Av
*7-Aug	Harry Rinzler	10	Av	21-Aug	Max Rabin	24	Av
7-Aug	Nancy Wetstone	10	Av	21-Aug	Norman Lebedin	24	Av
8-Aug	Harvey Silverman	11	Av	21-Aug	Susan Goldberg	24	Av
8-Aug	Max Weinstock	11	Av	*22-Aug	Adolph Kronberger	25	Av
8-Aug	Mose Taffel	11	Av	*23-Aug	Jacob Friedman	26	Av
9-Aug	Anita Lichter	12	Av	23-Aug	Robert Felson	26	Av
9-Aug	Barbara Lightstone	12	Av	24-Aug	Frank Vitale	27	Av
9-Aug	Edna Brown	12	Av	24-Aug	Phillip Bass	27	Av
9-Aug	Edward Kappelman	12	Av	*24-Aug	Sam Schoychid	27	Av
9-Aug	Eric Jacobsen	12	Av	24-Aug	Sidney Levy	27	Av
9-Aug	Harry Diamond	12	Av	*25-Aug	Charles Hirsch	28	Av
*9-Aug	Stephen Renyi	12	Av	26-Aug	Clarence Feuer	29	Av
10-Aug	Gertrude K. Frost	13	Av	*26-Aug	Ruth Bodzy	29	Av
10-Aug	Hilda Kurtz	13	Av	26-Aug	Ruth Kroll	29	Av
10-Aug	Markus Spandorfer	13	Av	27-Aug	Abraham Etscovitz	30	Av
10-Aug	Muriel Grant	13	Av	*27-Aug	Blanche Schneider	30	Av
10-Aug	Stanley H. Levine	13	Av	27-Aug	Lillian Spiselman	30	Av
11-Aug	Jane Cohen	14	Av	27-Aug	William Kurtz	30	Av
11-Aug	Raymond Kahn	14	Av	28-Aug	Lila Kaplan	1	Elul
*12-Aug	Harry Cohen	15	Av	28-Aug	Marcia Freedman	1	Elul
12-Aug	Herman Trotz	15	Av	*28-Aug	Martin Sussman	1	Elul
12-Aug	Marc Elkan	15	Av	29-Aug	Eleanor Mendel	2	Elul
*12-Aug	Morris Elkan	15	Av	29-Aug	Florence Schneider	2	Elul
*12-Aug	Rueven Wollner	15	Av	*29-Aug	Judge Raymond Levith	2	Elul
*13-Aug	Ben Kazer	16	Av	29-Aug	Margaret Harrison	2	Elul
*13-Aug	Dr. Jerome B. Cohen	16	Av	*29-Aug	Rae May	2	Elul
13-Aug	Linda Epstein	16	Av	*29-Aug	Rafael Fruchter	2	Elul
*14-Aug	Isaac H. Koenig	17	Av	30-Aug	Louis Chesin	3	Elul
14-Aug	Joe Brown	17	Av	*30-Aug	Rochelle Perlow	3	Elul
				*31-Aug	Debby Dix	4	Elul

# August 2022

## Congregation Etz Chaim

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>7 10 Av</b>  <b>Fast of Tisha B'Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 9:15am                      PS Meet &amp; Greet 11:00am                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      Shabbat Ends 9:23pm</p>	<p><b>1 4 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Faculty Planning 9:00am                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      Young Adults Kickoff 7:00pm                      Prayer Task Force Meet. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>2 5 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Faculty Planning 9:00am                      Schmooze on Zoom 3:00pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>3 6 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Faculty Planning 9:00am                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      PS New Parent Orienta. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>4 7 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Faculty Planning 9:00am                      USY on Wheels 6:00pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>5 8 Av</b>                      USY on Wheels 7:00am                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      Kabbalat Shabbat Serv. 6:30pm                      Candle Lighting 8:17pm</p>	<p><b>6 9 Av</b> <b>Devarim</b>  <b>Erev Tisha B'Av</b>                      Shabbat Services 9:30am                      Baby naming, 9:30am                      Wilensky, 8:00pm                      Tisha B'Av</p>
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<p><b>14 17 Av</b>                      RS Faculty Planning 9:00am                      Morning Minyan 9:15am                      Prime Timers 11:30am                      Welcome.                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      Board of Trustees Me. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>15 18 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Art 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>16 19 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Dance 1:30pm                      Schmooze on Zoom 3:00pm                      Religious School Facu. 4:30pm                      Bat Mitzvah Practice . 5:00pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      Lilimode: Israel Uncom. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>17 20 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Playball 10:00am                      PS ASP - Lego 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>18 21 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Cooking 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>19 22 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      Shabbat in the Park 5:30pm                      Candle Lighting 8:02pm</p>	<p><b>20 23 Av</b> <b>Eikev</b>                      Shabbat Services 9:30am                      Shabbat Ends 9:09pm</p>
<p><b>21 24 Av</b>                      First Day Religious . 8:30am                      Morning Minyan 9:15am                      Sisterhood Book Club 10:00am                      Bat Mitzvah practice. 12:15pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      Sisterhood Kickoff E. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>22 25 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Art 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      PS Cool Cats, Puppies. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>23 26 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Dance 1:30pm                      Schmooze on Zoom 3:00pm                      Religious School 4:45pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm                      PS Monkeys &amp; Ladybugs.                      Lilimode: Israel Uncom. 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>24 27 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS Playball 10:00am                      PS ASP - Lego 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>25 28 Av</b>                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      PS ASP - Cooking 1:30pm                      Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>26 29 Av</b>                      England Family using bayit                      Morning Minyan 7:00am                      Bat Mitzvah Photos: E. 1:00pm                      England Shabbat Dinne. 4:00pm                      Kabbalat Shabbat Serv. 6:30pm                      Candle Lighting 7:54pm</p>	<p><b>27 30 Av</b> <b>Re'eh</b>  <b>Rosh Chodesh Elul</b>                      Bat Mitzvah of Talia England                      Shabbat Services 9:30am                      Bat Mitzvah of Talia . 9:30am                      Shabbat Ends 9:00pm</p>
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**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](mailto:rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net) or Bob Frohlich at [chisakid@bellsouth.net](mailto:chisakid@bellsouth.net).



  
**Kindness Matters.**

*Gemilut Chasadim...*

*Join us in the Act of Loving Kindness*

Come be a part of our newly expanded CHESED COMMITTEE!

There are a few ways you can choose to get involved and help us all feel more connected: *Bikkur Cholim* (visiting/helping those who are ill), providing support during a funeral, or welcoming a new baby with a meal for a family.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful committee or want more information, please reach out to Lisa Flagel at [lisaflagel@gmail.com](mailto:lisaflagel@gmail.com) or call her at 678-591-7950.

**Etz Chaim's Green Team**

Summer may be over, but the sun is still shining bright. What happens when you add the yellow of the sun to our Etz Chaim blue?

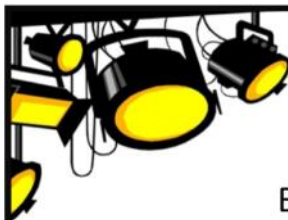
You get green!

Join the Green Team as we practice *Tikkun Olam* together by focusing on reducing our carbon footprint. If you would like to be a part of this new initiative, email Allison Saffran at: [allisonsaffran@gmail.com](mailto:allisonsaffran@gmail.com)



**Be on the look out for an email from Marty Gilbert with all things High Holiday related.**

**SPOTLIGHT ON SOCIAL ACTION**



Be a part of our Social Action Committee!

If you are interested in Tikkun Olam and doing great things for the community at large, please contact:

Bob Beer  
[bob@bobbeer.com](mailto:bob@bobbeer.com)  
678-576-9394

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[www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

**NPO# KY946**

Questions? Contact Bernice in the synagogue office at 770-973-0137



## Weekly Schmooze on Zoom!

Tuesday afternoons at 3:00 p.m.

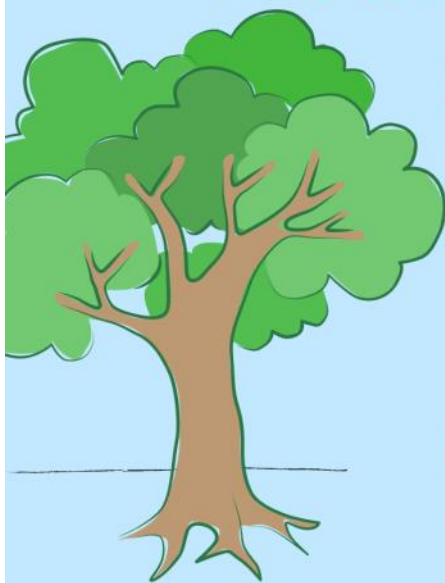
facilitated by Esther Shultz

Because of COVID-19, we don't always have an opportunity to socialize and catch up. So, let's get together for an informal time to chat! Our only request is we ask everyone to *stay away from politics*. All are welcome.

Invite your Etz Chaim friends or meet new people.

**Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84426202608>**

## IT'S NEVER BEEN EASIER TO PLANT A TREE IN ISRAEL!



Honor loved ones or mark a special occasion by purchasing a tree in our Sisterhood Grove.

JNF tree ordering is now simpler than ever and is completely online at:

[www.etzchaim.net/form/jnftrees](http://www.etzchaim.net/form/jnftrees)

Order, pay online, and select from a variety of beautiful certificates which will be personalized and sent directly to your honoree(s).

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Bailey at [jbsandy10@gmail.com](mailto:jbsandy10@gmail.com) or 770-490-7874.



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## 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 Leah the synagogue office at 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [HAMSAHelps@jfcsatl.org](mailto:HAMSAHelps@jfcsatl.org).

\*Beit T’shuvah is a Jewish residential addiction treatment center in Los Angeles. Learn more at [www.beittshuvah.org](http://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](mailto:savtaesther5@gmail.com). See you on Zoom at: [www.tinyurl.com/EtzSchmooze](http://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](mailto:hneedle@gmail.com) or text 678-520-8635. Look forward to hearing from interested parties. Contact Hank for location.

### **Movie Group**

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/QW6zFuqr2HgCNruf8> or contact Tamar England at [tamar.england@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:Daniandamir@gmail.com).

**Birthday Club** Laurie Lavinsky at [laulav6@gmail.com](mailto:laulav6@gmail.com) or Malka Riesenbergs at [malka217@gmail.com](mailto:malka217@gmail.com).

**Walking/Running Group** Amir Oren at [aoren1@yahoo.com](mailto:aoren1@yahoo.com).



## Etz Chaim is Hiring!

### **Openings in our Religious School:**

Religious School Teacher Days/Hours are:

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

### **Facilities Openings:**

Maintenance Part-Time

Maintenance Full-Time (benefits included)



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**Tzedakah ▪ צדקה**  
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**GENERAL FUND**

**Jennifer Lane and Daniel Greidinger**

**Joseph Goldstein**

Wishing a speedy recovery to Renee Cobb

**Anne Schwartz**

**In honor of:**

RenewalFest

**Michael and Caryn Boxer**

**In loving memory of:**

Carole Platt

**Ian Platt, Laura Blaskett and family**

Jay Rittenberg, father of Scott Rittenberg

**Kent and Julia Goodman**

**In memory of:**

my parents, Suzanne and Stanley Levine, on their 21st and 10th yahrzeits. You are missed and remembered daily.

**Amy Levine Samuels and Family**

Harold (Hesh) Greenblatt

**Arline and Ron Scheinzeit**

Miriam Kaye

Ralph Kaye

**Donald Kaye**

Sonia Rosenberg, my beloved mother

**Fay Szeftel**

Jay Rittenberg

**Jeffrey and Lisa Glickman**

my mother, Barbara Goodman

**Kent Goodman**

Samuel Cohen

Alan Cohen

**Lawrence Cohen**

Jay Rittenberg

**Lisa and Sam Olens**

Leonora Sicular

**Lori Combs**

Rosalyn Cohen

Samuel Cohen

**Martin Cohen**

Jay Rittenberg

**Rita Jordan**

Betty Greenfeld, grandmother of Amy Dorsch

**Ron and Arline Scheinzeit**

Jay Rittenberg, father of Scott Rittenberg

**Roni and Ian Robbins**

Jay Rittenberg

**Trent and Kim Watrous**

Lucille Ray

**William and Ellen Balsler**

**RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND**

**Jennifer Lane and Daniel Greidinger**

**In memory of:**

Mania Gontmakher, amazing mother and grandmother. I miss your wisdom that you so generously had shared with me. You are missed and loved. Galina and Meylakh Barshay and Ella Gontmakher

**Galina Barshay**

Marvin Coplon. We are so sorry for your loss. Love,

**Mindy and Louis Kandel**

my father, Berton Karol

**Richard Karol**

Jay Rittenberg, father of Scott. Scott, Terri and family, our thoughts are with you during this difficult time. May his memory be a forever blessing.

**Sharon and Marc Seltman**

**Wishing:**

safe travels to Rabbi Dorsch on his trip to Israel

**Art and Liz Cohen**

**In appreciation of:**

Rabbi Dorsch for such a meaningful baby naming for our granddaughter, Lily Blake. Your words about Lily and Cooper's Hebrew names just lit up our hearts.

**Jerome and Lynne Johannesen**

Rabbi Dorsch conducting shiva services for my mother and advising me on funeral arrangements.

**Joel Schancupp**

Rabbi Dorsch and Rabbi Miller. For their support at my conversion. Thank you!

**Laura Klink**

Rabbi Dorsch coming to our home to do our baby naming

**Whitney and Ross Kooden**

Rabbi Dorsch. Thank you for the lovely baby naming service you performed honoring our granddaughter Lucy Jordyn Kooden. So appreciated! Sharon and Marc Seltman

**Sharon and Marc Seltman**

Marty, Aram and others who helped make the Sy Lichtenfeld program such a huge success. Your support is professional, friendly and appreciated. Thank you.

**Sharon Lightstone and Elyse Shaw**

Rabbi Dorsch

**The Saginor Family**

**In celebration of:**

our 36th wedding anniversary.

**Ellen and John Jarrett**

Rabbi Miller's installation.

**Patricia and Marc Bernstein**

**In honor of:**

Lily's beautiful naming service

**Lindsey and Jess Johannesen**

Adam Sandak's Bar Mitzvah and to the Etz Chaim staff for a job well done.

**Renee Berman**

Adam Sandak's Bar Mitzvah. Love, Bubbe

**Wendy Stahler**

**In loving memory of:**

the Yahrzeit of our father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Harvey Jacobson. Love,

**Nancy, Wayne, Eric, Blair, Henry, Scott, and Jennifer Freedman**

**In memory of:**

Marc Sheinbein. You are loved and missed by your family. Love, Your children and grandchildren, **Amy, Evan, Madelyn, Hannah and Aidan Charles**

Louis R. Coltman

**Barnet O. Coltman**

Betty Greenfeld. Amy, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your grandmother. May your loving memories sustain you during this time of loss.

**Cecile Bock**

our father and grandfather, Frederick Miner. We can't believe it has been 2 years. We miss you every day.

**Dana, Ari, Ilyse and Sam Greenberg**

Betty Greenfeld, grandmother of Amy and Daniel Dorsch. We are so sorry for your loss. May you only have great memories of her.

**Debbi and Randy Chartash**

Betty Greenfeld, beloved grandmother of Amy Dorsch

**Donna Krodman**

Norman Cohen

**Doug Cohen**

Jay Rittenberg

Betty Greenfeld with our deepest sympathy to you and your entire family

**Elaine and Jay Schwartz**

Betty Greenfeld. We are thinking of you and your family at this difficult time. May her memory be for a blessing.

**Ellen and Pip Spandorfer**

Edythe Simon, my wonderful mother-in-law. With love,

**Jane Simon**

Betty Greenfeld. Our heartfelt condolences to the Greenfeld and Dorsch families on the passing of Amy's beloved grandmother.

**Laurie and Mark Lavinsky**

**Tzedakah ▪ צדקה**  
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Abraham Bernknopf, loving father and grandfather on his yahrzeit

Robert Seth Cohen, our cousin, on his yahrzeit

Irwin Monroe Friedman, our uncle, on his yahrzeit  
**Linda and Stan Bernknopf and Family**

Betty Greenfeld  
**Lisa and Sam Olens**

Irving Sonshein  
**Margie Sonshein**

Molly Turk, my beloved grandmother

Lenny Press, my beloved grandpa  
**Martyn and Donna Bierman**

our parents and grandparents, Harriet and Leo Lane  
**Patricia Lane and Jennifer Lane**

Betty Greenfeld  
**Robert Gordon**

Lillian and Louis Cohen, my beloved parents  
**Sally Greenstein**

Irwin Yonks, my beloved brother on his yahrzeit  
**Sandra Rothstein**

Glenda Ballew  
**Stephen and Bonnie Dix**

Abraham Bodenstein  
**Steven Bodenstein**

Gerald Sheftel, our father. We feel your loss every day.  
**Tom, Myra, Ellen and Jeremy Sheftel**

**RABBI MILLER DISCRETIONARY FUND**  
**In honor of:**

Rabbi Miller's installation  
**Art and Liz Cohen**

Rabbi Miller's installation, Congregation Beth Ami in Santa Rosa, California is making this donation. **Barbara McGee, President, Richard Kahn and Anne Brown**

Rabbi Miller for the warm and meaningful teaching and guidance he gave Kaylin Low for her Bat Mitzvah  
**Elizabeth and Adam Low**

Rabbi Miller. Congratulations on your installation as Etz Chaim's new Associate Rabbi!

**Jenifer and William Lieberbaum**  
**In memory of:**

Arthur Turner, a man who lived to leave a legacy of making his family live in a world of peace and to help future generations  
**Stanley Turner**

**RABBI LEWIS DISCRETIONARY FUND**

**In memory of:**

Norman Cohen  
**Doug Cohen**

my beloved mother, Sylvia Schulberg  
Barry Garron, beloved brother of David Garron  
**Kenneth and Grace Graiser**

Marvin Dickler, beloved father of Sue Rothstein and family  
**Linda and Stan Bernknopf and Family**

Tova Wexler, my dear grandmother  
**Rochelle Spandorfer**

**RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT**

**In loving memory of:**

Fred Davis, who was a wonderful friend of our dad, Edwin Berger  
**Iris and Jerry Silver**

**BUILDING ENHANCEMENT FUND**

**In memory of:**

Ana Sapoznik  
**Alberto and Cindee Sapoznik**

**CYNTHIA R. FREEMAN  
MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT**

**In honor of:**

Marty Gilbert on his 5-year anniversary with Congregation Etz Chaim  
**Lori and Joe Freeman**

**In memory of:**

Jay Rittenberg, beloved father of Scott (Terri) Rittenberg and grandfather of Alexa, Andrew (Victoria), and Joel Rittenberg  
**Joe and Lori Freeman**

Marty Steiner, my father. I miss him every day.

**Lisa and Alan Freeman**

**FIGUR FAMILY OUTDOOR CLASSROOM**

**In memory of:**

Joyce Isbits, beloved mother of Mark Isbits.

Betty Greenfeld  
**Adrienne and Randy Figur**

Howard Goldman  
**Art and Liz Cohen**

Marc Ebel, brother of Lynn Sustak  
**Lynn and Bob Sustak**

**JOAN H. RABIN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT**

**In celebration of:**

Penelope Lane. Mazel tov to Kale, Alex and Francis on her arrival.  
**Dan Rabin**

**In appreciation of:**

Heather Blake for the wonderful job that you have done for our synagogue. We wish you the best in the future.

**Judy and Joel Schancupp**

**KITCHEN FUND**

**In memory of:**

Arthur Elfenbein  
**Lee and Debbie Elfenbein**

Bert Karol, my father. You are missed!  
**Sandy Bailey**

**LILMODE - ADULT EDUCATION FUND**

**In memory of:**

Barbara and Jay Rittenberg, beloved parents of Scott Rittenberg.

Betty Greenfeld, beloved grandmother of Amy Dorsch

**Cheryl and David Eppsteiner**

the beloved parents of Scott Rittenberg  
**Sharon and Alan Lightstone**

**LINDA H. WEINROTH EDUCATION FUND**

**In memory of:**

Deena Stickgold, loving sister and aunt  
**Allan and Vivian Levine**

Alex Rothbard and Sidney Davis  
**David and Madeline Rothbard**

my grandmother, Esther Pearlberg  
**Ronnie Dinin**

**MORRIS FRANK SACRED TEXT FUND**

**In loving memory of:**

Alice Taffel Tenenbaum, mother, grandmother and great grandmother  
**Martin Taffel**

**In memory of:**

Marvin Dickler, father of Sue Rothstein  
**Marsha Shrago**

**Wishing a speedy recovery to:**

Marty Taffel  
**Candy Frank**

**PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN  
MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT**

**In memory of:**

Betty Greenfeld, grandmother of Amy Dorsch. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you be blessed with loving memories of your grandmother.

**Bobbi and Marvin Shams**

Joel Reish  
**Robert Silverman**



Tzedakah ▪ צדקה

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Barry Garron, brother of David Garron. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you be blessed with loving memories of your brother and the special trip you recently took together.

**Bobbi and Marvin Shams**

Estelle Schwartz Riddle wonderful mother, grandmother and so much more. Sending love at this difficult time.

**Bonnie and Alan Silverman**

**PHILLIP'S LIBRARY FUND**

**In appreciation of:**

Bonnie Silverman and Cheryl Eppsteiner for their support of the Sy Lichtenfeld POW program

**Sharon Lightstone and Elyse Shaw**

**In memory of:**

Jay Rittenberg, father of Scott Rittenberg

**Marsha Shrago**

my father, Arthur Padawer

**Randy Padawer**

Phillip Silverman. May my wonderful Grandson rest in peace. Phillip, I hope you've found your grandmother and both of you are taking care of each other. I love you very much. Papa Bobby

Eileen Silverman. For my wonderful, beautiful wife. There are no words that can describe how much I love and miss you. You have been my whole life. I love you, Eileen!!! Bobby

**Robert Silverman**

**PRESCHOOL FUND**

**In loving memory of:**

Zoe Cohen

**Amy and Dalan Cohen**

**Wishing a Speedy Recovery to:**

Gail Vexler. We hope and pray that you continue to recover steadily from your recent surgery. Looking forward to our next in person visit with you and Frank. Love,

**Arlene and Glenn La Vine**

**In celebration of:**

Shoshana Waller's Bat Mitzvah. Thank you for sharing your simcha with Aaron and Erin's aufruf!

**Nancy and Norm Miller**

**In loving memory of:**

Marvin Dickler. To Sue Rothstein and family - we're sorry to hear of your loss. May his memory be for a blessing, now and always.

Love, **Arlene and Glenn La Vine**

**In memory of:**

Betty Greenfeld, beloved grandmother of Amy Dorsch

**Louis and Helen Rosengarten**

Betty Greenfeld, grandmother of Amy Dorsch. May all your blessed memories bring you comfort, peace, and a smile forever in your heart.

**Lynne Goldman Johannesen**

Betty Greenfeld, grandmother of Amy Dorsch

**Marsha Shrago**

Barbara and Jay Rittenberg

**Maury Gerson**

Marcos Beker

**Ronni and David Beker**

**ROBERT KLEIN MEMORIAL CHESED FUND**

**In honor of:**

the speedy recovery of Marc Bachrach

the speedy recovery of Bob Brodsky

**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

**In loving memory of:**

Marvin Dickler, father of Sue Rothstein

**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

**In memory of:**

our beloved father and grandfather, Harold Greenberg

**Dana, Ari, Ilyse and Sam Greenberg**

**SISTERHOOD ENDOWMENT FUND**

David Coplon. We miss you always and carry you in our hearts. Love,  
**Paula, Cheryl, Jonathan, Jamie, Brooke, Evan and Ethan**

Marvin Dickler, father of Sue Rothstein. I feel your sorrow and loss. May his memory be a blessing for your family. Love, Paula

**Paula L. Coplon**

**In memory of:**

Jay Rittenberg. May his memory be a blessing for all of you.

**Paula L. Coplon**

**SISTERHOOD FUND**

Marvin Dickler, beloved father of Sue Rothstein.

**Marj and Doug Friedman**

**SOCIAL ACTION FUND**

Jay Rittenberg, beloved father of Scott Rittenberg. Sheri and I are again sorry to hear of your loss. We trust the memories are sweet...

**Bob and Sheri Frohlich**

**SOCIAL ACTION FUND - BACKPACK BUDDIES**

**Stan and Linda Bernknopf**

**In appreciation of:**

Elyse Shaw. What an incredible experience working with you as you worked your magic on our Sy Lichtenfeld POW program! Thank you for your organization, energy and positivity. **Sharon Lightstone**

**In celebration of:**

Rabbi Miller's Installation  
**Bernice and Bruce Mellman**

**In memory of:**

Jay Rittenberg, beloved father and grand - father of Scott Rittenberg and family, with our sincere condolences. May his memory be for a blessing and comfort all of you.

**Lynne, Jerry, Jess, and Lindsey Johannesen**

**STEVEN KRODMAN MEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**In appreciation of:**

David Lieberman and Men's Club chefs. Thank you for all you did to make the Sy Lichtenfeld event so successful.

**Sharon Lightstone and Elyse Shaw**

**In memory of:**

Adeline Agrow

**Barton Agrow**

Diana and Allen Robbins

**Ian and Roni Robbins**

Stanley Rosenthal

**Robert Gordon**

**Wishing a speedy recovery to:**

Bob Brodsky. Great to see you back in shul and on the mend.

**Joel Schancupp**

**YOUTH FUND**

**In honor of:**

Kayla Kleinman, Vice President of Israel Affairs for Sababa USY 2022-2023

**Rosalind Reiss**

Mia Kleinman, President of Sababa USY for 2022-2023

Mia Kleinman, President of Sababa USY for 2022-2023

**Rosalind Reiss**

**In memory of:**

Herman Yucht. It has been 49 years, but we still miss you like it was yesterday.

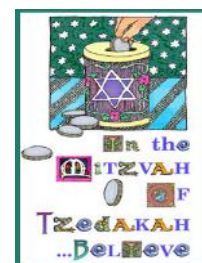
**Maxine and Jonathan Schein**

My mother, Mildred Itzkowitz (Mindel Chava bat Aharon Lev v' Tsharna)

**Rosalind Reiss**

Jay Rittenberg. May the memories you shared with your dad bring you much comfort and may you know no more sorrow.

**Sally Greenstein**



### Tzedakah Project for JF&CS' Kosher Food Pantry

Etz Chaim continues to collect food for the JF&CS Kosher Food Pantry. Right now, they are low on the following items:

Canned tuna and salmon, shelf stable milk, cereal, pasta sauce, [peanut](#) butter, jelly, Publix brand macaroni and cheese, kosher soup and soup packets.

***Please make sure ALL items are marked with a kosher symbol.***

For more information, contact Bob Beer at [bob@bobbeer.com](mailto:bob@bobbeer.com)



## New in the Amazon app

Sign up to generate donations while you shop, at no extra cost

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*Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select "Congregation Etz Chaim Inc" as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They'll donate a portion of your eligible mobile app purchases to us.*

*How it works:*

- 1. Open the Amazon app on your phone*
- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features*
- 3. Select "Congregation Etz Chaim Inc" as your charity*
- 4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app*



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
2022-2023**

*Membership includes Chapter dues and registration,  
in addition to all non-specialty programs held at Etz Chaim or the Bayit.*

	Etz Chaim Members	Non-Etz Chaim Members
Chalutzim (Grades K, 1, and 2)	\$60	\$78
Chaverim (Grades 3, 4, and 5)	\$70	\$88
Gesher (Grades 6, 7, and 8)	\$80*	\$98
USY (Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12)	\$90	\$108

*\*If you became a Bar or Bat-Mitzvah at Etz Chaim, your 8<sup>th</sup> grade Gesher Membership is FREE!*

**IF YOU JOIN BEFORE ROSH HASHANAH, TAKE \$15 OFF THE RATES ABOVE!**

All checks should be made out to: Congregation Etz Chaim  
(Please note **Youth Group Membership** on the memo line)

**CHILD'S INFORMATION**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Hebrew Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade ('22- '23): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: \_\_ Child \_\_ Adult // S M L XL XXL

**PARENT'S INFORMATION**

Parent's/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Lives with Me! Y or N Jewish? Y or N  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Lives with Me! Y or N Jewish? Y or N  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY, SAFETY, AND SECURITY INFORMATION**

Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*We understand that we have participants whose success may depend on their unique needs being addressed. For the success, and overall health & safety of your child, please list all psychological and/or medical information we should know about them here, including medications (name/dosage/frequency):

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\*Your child(ren)'s privacy is very important to us. Great care will be taken to maintain the confidentiality of this information. The Youth Director will share this information with your child(ren)'s youth group advisor(s), the Synagogue Executive Director, and appropriate medical personnel only when deemed necessary.

I give permission for my child(ren) to take over-the-counter medications under supervision from the Youth Director or his/her designee:

acetaminophen     ibuprofen     antihistamine     decongestant

**If parents cannot be reached, please give the name and phone numbers of two people responsible for your child(ren):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION**

Please list any additional information we should be aware of, including other extracurricular activities:

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**CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM YOUTH DEPARTMENT  
CONSENT, AUTHORIZATION, AND RELEASE**

I hereby grant permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in Congregation Etz Chaim Youth Programs for the 2022-2023 year. I understand that this permission form grants permission for my child to travel to activities on any mode of transportation selected, including, but not limited to a coach bus, school bus, minivan, van, personal vehicle, taxi or any other form of transportation for any event, including chapter events, sub-regional events or regional events during the 2022-2023 year.

I hereby agree to hold Congregation Etz Chaim, it's Officers, Directors, agents, servants, employees and representatives free from any and all liability resulting from any injuries which might occur to my child named above. In the event of an injury to the child while participating in the program, every reasonable attempt would be made to notify me. Should I, for whatever reason, not be able to be contacted by reasonable efforts, I grant permission to those in charge to seek and administer any and all necessary and/or required medical attention and/or treatment for my child and I further grant permission and authorization to any hospital, doctor or medical personnel to administer whatever care and treatment they deem necessary for the best interest of my child, and I expressly agree to assume full financial responsibility for all costs and related expenses arising as a result and to hold Congregation Etz Chaim and all of its organizations and employees harmless from any such liability and agree to indemnify them.

I understand that disruptive behavior by my child will not be tolerated and may result in my child being suspended from upcoming events and/or activities or asked to leave the program. I have discussed these rules with my child, and he/she is aware of the same.

Unless this box is checked , I agree to allow Congregation Etz Chaim and/or its related Departments, to publish for general circulation in any media, Internet, etc., any photographs, video clips, artwork, audio clips, involving any activity in which my child has participated.

All checks will be made out to Congregation Etz Chaim unless otherwise stated on a flyer or application. The Youth Department prefers checks rather than cash. Due to the amount of pre-planning involved, there will be no refunds made for cancellations after deadline date. Please adhere to deadlines. All moneys can be turned into the Youth Director via the office at Etz Chaim or at any youth program. No money will be accepted without proper paperwork. If payments are mailed, please address the envelope to the Congregation Etz Chaim Youth Director and make sure to allow enough time for it to arrive.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM YOUTH DEPARTMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

### **Arrival/Dismissal**

All participants are expected to arrive before the start of each program and be picked up after each program concludes. If any parent must pick up their child early, they should reach out to the Youth Director and/or Advisor(s) in a timely fashion. If any child is being picked up by an adult other than their own parent or sibling, the Youth Director must receive written notice, whether through email or a signed letter provided at drop-off. USYers of driving age are not allowed to drive during any program.

### **Behavior**

All Youth Department participants are to treat each other with respect and dignity. At no time will any derogatory remarks toward one another be tolerated.

### **Hukei Habayit (House Rules)**

With the understanding that we have different participants who are setup for success in different ways, we ask that no pets are brought into the Bayit, unless a specific activity/program asks for them. All food brought into the Etz Chaim Bayit must be marked kosher or approved by the Youth Director or Rabbi. Participants will not be allowed to leave their program unless the Advisor(s)/Youth Director deem the Bayit cleaned. In the spirit of fostering independence, we ask that Parents, unless in an official volunteer capacity, do not join us during programs.

### **Dress Codes**

The dress code will vary from program to program. It is mandatory, however, that all those who identify as male, while in the Synagogue, wear kippot. While in the Sanctuary, everyone must have their shoulders covered. Shorts, skirts and skorts must be an appropriate length. Shirts cannot show midriff, back or cleavage and must be free of inappropriate language or insignia. Tank top straps must be two fingers in width.

### **Financials & Financial Assistance**

While most programs that happen at Etz Chaim or the Bayit will be covered by your dues, some specialty programs (like Chocolate Seder) may incur an additional fee. All monies must be paid at the program, or in advance. Late payments may incur an additional fee. Checks are preferred and should be made out to *Congregation Etz Chaim* with the activity and participants name on the memo line. We believe that financial need should never stop a child from participating in any of our programs. Please reach out to our Youth Director at YouthDirector@EtzChaim.net, for more information or if you have any questions.

***Please be aware that, by signing below, you are indicating that you are aware of the aforementioned policies of the Congregation Etz Chaim Youth Department. If there is a violation of any said policies, our staff has been trained in regard to our standard operating procedure.***

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