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Monday - Friday Mornings:

7:00 a.m.

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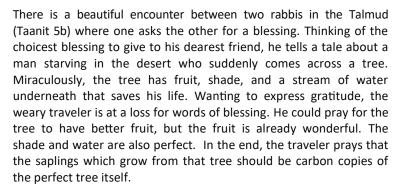
Links are available at:

www.etzchaim.net/livestream

From Our Rabbi

As we begin a new secular year, I want to use this opportunity to speak to one of the most frequent pastoral issues I deal with in my rabbinate following the holiday season: our children.

It doesn't matter whether our kids are young or old. All of us land somewhere on a barometer between the nachas and tzuris that our children give us.



So too, we say to ourselves: wouldn't it be wonderful if our children were the same as us? Shouldn't they be? After all, they come from our roots. Why aren't their choices the same as ours?

In reality, the point of the story from the Talmud is just how anomalous it is when a child is even remotely similar to a parent. This especially applies when it comes to the ways our children make different choices than we might have hoped for. All adults must go through a period where we mourn the adults that we hoped our children would grow into in contrast to what they have become. Kol Adam Kozev, says the Psalmist. Even the best children disappoint a little.

However, funny enough, I also find if we are willing to look honestly into the mirror, we may find that we are often blind to memories of own imperfections. None of us has gotten to where we are on a straight and narrow path. Our children may be far more like us than we realize; we just forget that our contexts are different. We were raised in 1950s Brooklyn where everyone was Jewish. Our children were raised in 1990s Georgia. We are second generation Americans; our children are one more generation removed. We rebelled against the immigrant Orthodoxy of our grandparents. Much to our chagrin, they will rebel against what we provided for them too.

I've been a parent for eight years. I'm still a novice. But here's what I've learned so far: We can plant for our children. We may provide them the best environment to grow and learn. We hopefully keep a Jewish home and celebrate the holidays. But ultimately, the choices our children make are their own. *Uf Gozal*. They all eventually fly from the nest. One can only hope as they too become parents, they will be reflective about their children as we are about them.

Our ancestors planted for us. We plant for our children. Yet, the sapling will never quite be the same as the parent, no matter how perfect we believe ourselves to be. Our children are the best possible copies of us, for better and for worse. Therefore, let us embrace them for who they are, as well as the potential they still may grow to become.

Rabbi Dan Dorsch

From Our Associate Rabbi

New Year, New Goals

I have long had a complex relationship with my personal fitness. When I was younger and unfortunately during the Pandemic, I would have stretches of working out but not with any consistency. There were times I said, well next week



I'll go. Or tomorrow I won't have the extra carbs or sweet treat. And then, there have been stretches of my life that I have loved going to the gym. So much so that I felt a little bit of grieving and mourning from a missed routine. I have shared with some of you that my work out regiment is a part of my spiritual practice. It is a religious endeavor anytime I walk into my iron sanctuary filled with barbells, free weights, squat racks, and so much more. With the gym being one of my happy places, it leads me to always feel particularly interested as the new year approaches.

As we all know, we set the New Year off the right way by often making New Year resolutions, something I even encouraged our community to try as we entered the new Jewish Year to pick areas of engagement as a resolution of sorts (by the way how are those resolutions going?). However, if you are more of a traditionalist for resolutions, then this is your month. One of the most common resolutions is the desire to get into shape and starting to eat right. This is absolutely amazing and if this is your goal, please do it because to me you are enacting and practicing your religion by doing so but did you have to wait for 2022? Could this not have been something that you started to lay the groundwork for earlier?

I ask these questions as a former "I'll get in shape this January resolutionist". However, as I got a little older and a hair wiser, I realized the change needed to be initiated sooner, not wait for the designated time of we are going to make a difference.

Sometimes deciding to make a change can be very difficult. It is not easy to break old habits and mindsets. Perhaps it is even more difficult to create this new framing. As someone who has fallen off the path of being committed to my personal health and even at times, when I was younger, my faith, I know this is not an easy ask.

So that is why I want to echo some of my remarks from the High Holidays four months ago. What are the different areas in which you want to grow spiritually and within the family that we have here at Etz Chaim? What resolution will you make for yourself to enact your Judaism in a new and meaningful way.

As you can tell from all the amazing programs listed in this Voice and the amazing blasts you all receive in your email, we have so much going on. Which activity or, as I like to say, "hat" will you try on this coming year? What new resolutions do you have since the High Holidays? What new learning do you want to do?

I know that there are so many ways in which I want to grow as a person and spiritual leader, and I look forward to doing this with you all this coming year. May 2022 be a year where we all grow in the ways that we desire and continue to create a strong holy community.

Kol tuv and see you around the shul... and maybe even the gym.

Rabbi Micah Miller

From our Executive Director

On January 8, a new synagogue President, Executive Board and Board of Trustees will be installed here at Congregation Etz Chaim. The incoming slate was approved on December 5 at the Annual Congregational Meeting. This was after months of deliberation,



interviews and setting of expectations by the committee which determined the slate. What appears on the surface as a very simple and easy process is in fact very time consuming and detailed. We here at Etz Chaim are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and passionate group of lay leaders in our ranks. Since I started here in June of 2017, I have been extremely impressed with the session planning that has taken place and the thorough way the process plays out. In the past four and a half years, I have worked with three Presidents, three different Executive Boards and Boards of Trustees. Everyone involved has a great vision for Etz Chaim and is also a strong supporter of what we are as a Conservative synagogue.

We continue to move seamlessly from leadership team to leadership team because of the dedication and vision of our lay leaders and their partnership with clergy and the professional staff.

What I have learned in these past four and a half years is that we can shift within our vision and represent ourselves based on our ever-changing world. One of our biggest challenges will always be financial, but to some extent, that challenge is overshadowed by our need to have more people interested in taking on leadership positions. Fundamentally, we will always be what we are, a Conservative Jewish congregation; but within that basic framework, we can make a difference in our congregants' lives and in the community in which we serve and call our home. That comes from all of you.

Hopefully, as the threat of COVID subsides, thanks to vaccinations, anti-viral medications, and natural immunity, more of our congregants will join us once again for services, programs, and ultimately in leadership roles.

We, the professional staff, value your involvement. We look forward to seeing you all again as you help us "Create Meaningful Jewish Experiences."

Marty Gilbert



From our President

Well, this column is the final column of my term as president of our shul. It is trite to say, but where did the past two years go? Several weeks ago, someone asked me if I would have accepted this position had I known a historic pandemic was only weeks away. The question was in jest, of course, but the past two years have undoubtedly been a



challenge for all of us. I have conceded in messages and addresses that I had ideas and plans that had to be set aside when our world changed in March 2020. I was looking forward to services, programs, and events that would be fun and engaging and help me get to know even more members of our congregation, as well as help encourage new members. Only now are we beginning to re-open in a way that would make some of those ideas or initiatives possible. No matter. I will be forever grateful for these two years and this experience. I am so very thankful for and celebrate what we have achieved and accomplished. Despite Covid, our congregation has thrived.

I am thankful for and celebrate the members of the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees, with whom I have had the privilege of working as we paddled Covid's rapids. I am thankful for and celebrate the Medical Committee, without whom we could not have navigated. I am thankful for and celebrate the Etz Chaim professional, education, administrative and maintenance staffs who have kept us going and going with creativity, ingenuity, and dedication. While God may have laughed at our plans, I celebrate the new and different plans we made and goals we met - the installation of Livestream, updates to our Endowment program, initiatives in our religious school and preschool, "parking lot Tot-Shabbat," new programming for Shabbat services and what we used to call Junior Congregation, a resumption of Shabbat in the Park, Blue Jean Shabbat, and our Scholar-in-Residence program, and (most importantly) adding Rabbi Miller to our Etz Chaim family. And these are only a few of the remarkable ways we have continued to connect and support one another. I am especially thankful to Allison Saffran, who invited me on this journey several years ago and to her and all our past presidents, especially Bob Bachrach, for their support and mentorship. I sailed on this journey with Rabbi Dorsch, Marty Gilbert and Jamie Lyons, and I am so lucky to have had their thoughtful guidance as we travelled treacherous waters. I am thankful for our entire congregation – kind and supportive shipmates on this journey. And last but most important, I thank Kenny, Andrea, Morgan and Rebecca - the four of you are everything.

Shortly after Covid emerged, I read a particularly good piece on leadership. It discussed four behaviors and strategies for leadership, particularly crisis leadership. I quite literally summarized those strategies on an index card and posted them by my desk. They are: Don't hunker – be visible. Be candid and honest. Be connected – listen and adapt based on incoming information. Be more compassionate than you think you need to be. I truly hope I have led this congregation well and remained true to our culture and traditions while helping us adapt to and succeed within our new reality. I remain on our Executive Committee for two more years, so I am not really going anywhere, and will always be privileged to be part of our wonderful shul, but Jamie... the helm is now yours. I know you will lead us with creativity and dedication. I can't wait to see where Etz Chaim travels next.

Linda Pollock

From Our Director of Education

Meet Noga...Etz Chaim is once again delighted to be working with the Schoenbaum Shinshinim program through the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta. We are excited to have Noga Lipik in our building every Sunday morning for



Religious School. Noga's goal is "to bring different activities around different topics to bring the Israeli spirit to the students".

Noga works with our Gan and Alef students (kindergarten and first grades) and thus far they've done some getting-to-know -you activities as well as a game about the story of Noach. Moving forward, Noga will be giving the students a tour of different places in Israel through activities and games. She really likes this age group and says "they ask the best questions". Noga also joins our teens for Wacky Wednesday each week and reports that she thoroughly enjoys being with the teens.

Here is a little more about Noga from her bio on the Federation website: Noga Lipik was born in 2003 in Kiryat Gat, Israel, and has lived there her whole life. Her family includes parents Merav and Ami Lipik and two sisters, Shira and Hila. As a family, they enjoy traveling, visiting relatives, going to music festivals, art museums, eating at restaurants, and going to the movies. Like Noga, her family has an "artsy vibe." Noga enjoys art, drawing, poetry, photography, nature, traveling, yoga and exercising. Growing up she was motivated by the Diller Teen Fellows, a leadership organization that explores Jewish identity. She traveled to her partnership city of Chicago both in 8th and 10th grade. Noga plans on sharing her expertise through volunteering in Kefiada, through the Jewish United Fund, and learning and leading through Diller, an immersive leadership program, when she comes to Atlanta. Check back next month for photos of Noga with her classes.

Team Shabbat

There is nothing better than having all our children in the building on Shabbat and starting in January, Team Shabbat will make that happen. Team Shabbat is programming for infants through 7th grade. Team Shabbat will feature *All Stars* – our 6th and 7th graders in the Radow Sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. with the community, *Major Leagues* for 3rd – 5th graders at 10:45 a.m. in the Allan and Vivian Levine Chapel with Shana LaVine, *Minor Leagues* -Kindergarten – 2nd graders in rooms 10 & 12 at 10:45 a.m. with Debbie Deutsch, and Little League – formerly Tot Shabbat in rooms 5, 7, 9, & 11 at 10:45 a.m. with Sheri Frohlich. Plus, Stay and Play, or babysitting, will be available every Shabbat. Look for a flyer with all the dates so you can mark your calendars. I am so excited about this reinvented program for our children. See our Team Shabbat ad on page 6.

Debbie Deutsch

From Our Director of Engagement

I am excited to announce Bonnie Silverman and Cheryl Eppsteiner as our new *Lilmode* Co-Chairs. They have worked hard these past couple of months to plan the Spring 2022 (January-May 2022) *Lilmode* semester. Thank you for hitting the ground running. You have shared such fresh, great ideas for Lilmode



programming for this semester and next year. If you have a specific topic in mind which you would like to see taught for *Lilmode* Fall 2022-Spring 2023, feel free to pass ideas on to them. Watch for the *Lilmode* flyer for February-May 2022 in the February Voice of Chaim.

A big thank you to Audrey Fried-Sheets, the *Lilmode* Chair for the past two and a half years (and solo for one and a half years). Thank you for your passion and dedication to adult education. You have created exceptional adult education classes. You pivoted so well during the challenges due to COVID-19. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

You do not want to miss Rabbi Miller's next Lilmode Class: Jewish Law Then and Now - Why We Do What We Do on Tuesdays, January 11 and 18, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Please see page 12 for more details.

Movies at the Etz is Sunday, January 30, at 3:30 p.m. We'll be screening A.K.A. Doc Pomus, the story of Jerome Felder, a prolific songwriter and a member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. See more details on Page 19.

Scholar-in-Residence is back bigger than ever! We are excited for Scholar-in Residence, Dr. Shuly Rubin Schwartz, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary. JTS is the Conservative Seminary where Rabbi Dorsch was ordained. On Friday night, she will be teaching about "COVID and the Era of Jewish Experimentation" and Saturday morning "Bottom-Up Judaism: Building Empowering Judaism, Then and Now." On Saturday afternoon, there will be a Q&A - feel free to submit questions to Rabbi Dorsch prior to Shabbat. Scholar-in-Residence (SIR) is made possible through the generous support of the Joyce and Ramie Tritt Family Foundation. Thank you to our SIR Chairs, Lauren and Todd Surden.

Save the date for *Lilmode* class, Purim Katan and Other Lesser-Known Purim Traditions with Miriam Rosenbaum on Tuesday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Brunch for new and prospective members is on January 23 at 10:00 a.m. This is a chance to meet our Board members, staff and affinity group representatives while enjoying a lovely brunch together. Open to new members who joined since March 2020 to the present. We also welcome prospective members. If you know of any of your friends or family who might be interested to learn more about Etz Chaim, please invite them and they can contact me for more information or RSVP on the website calendar under Welcome Brunch. See page 13 for more information.

The Chanukah Party and Open House was a blast! Thank you to the representatives from affinity groups, committees and Etz Chaim Departments, as well as all the volunteers that helped with this program. Please see program volunteers on page 7. This is a great start to a wonderful 2022.

L'shalom, Heather Blake

















Photos below, Etz Chaim's Chanukah party.

















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:

January 7 February 4 March 4 April 8 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

TEAM SHABBAT

NEW THIS YEAR: JOIN ONE OF OUR TEAM SHABBAT LEAGUES!

10:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

STAY & PLAY

BABYSITTING

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:

JANUARY 8 & 22 FEBRUARY 19 MARCH 12 & 26 APRIL 30 MAY 21

SHABBAT L'KULAM 9:30 A.M.

SHABBAT FOR EVERYONE:

FEBRUARY 5

APRIL 9

MAY 14

(ALL LEAGUES EXCEPT LITTLE LEAGUE)
STAY & PLAY AVAILABLE

COME CHECK US OUT, 'CAUSE IT'S A HOME RUN!

Our Etz Chaim Community

Mazal Tov to...

Sheri and Bob Frohlich on the birth of granddaughter, Alma Bachar born on November 12 to Shannah ne Frohlich and Gil Bachar

Judy and Stan Fineman on their 50th wedding anniversary and to Cindy and Rabbi Shalom Lewis on their 19th wedding anniversary. Thank you to the Fineman's and Lewis' for sponsoring the Kiddush Lunch on January 1, 2022.

Candy Frank on the birth of grandson, Max Avery born on December 12 to Hannah and David Frank

Condolences to ...

Saundra Rothstein on the loss of her beloved son, Robert Rothstein, brother of Jana Ross, and brother-in-law of Bruce Cohen

Nancy Shuster on the loss of her beloved mother, Elayne Lite

Thank You, Program Volunteers...

Michelle Azriel
Arlene and Larry Brown
Cheryl Eppsteiner
Shelly and Evan Eisenstadt
Wendy Feinberg
Jeff Frankel
Audrey Fried
-Sheets
Marisa Gewertz
Iris and Mark
Kahn
Noga Lipik
Yana Lubell
Simone and
Norman Marinoff
Fern Meharg Bernice and
Bruce Mellman
Gilad Moyal Jonathan Olens
Dani Oren
Goldie Winston Pine
Barry
Riesenberg
Marsha Shrago Maxine Schein
Bonnie Silverman
Shani Vardy
Sarala

Thank You, Office Volunteers...

Ron Judenberg Linda Weinroth

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

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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.



Voice of Chaim Announcement:

The Voice of Chaim is now fully digital so as to be more environmentally responsible in producing a smaller footprint. We realize there are some families who are more comfortable with a paper copy or do not have access to technology.

If you would like to continue to receive a hard copy of the Voice of Chaim, please contact lisa@etzchaim.net to be placed on the mailing list.

UPDATED MINYAN AND SHABBAT INFORMATION FOR IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM:

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

January 17 morning minyan at 9:00 a.m.

Monday - Friday Mornings 7:00 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



Yom Rishon

A new Sunday minyan open to everyone in support of equal prayer rights for women in Israel



Please join us every month on the Sunday after Rosh Chodesh as our synagogue minyan prays in solidarity with Women of the Wall, which has been struggling for 33 years to assemble, pray aloud and read Torah at the Western Wall on Rosh Chodesh. Services are about 30 minutes (both men and women are welcome to lead parts of the service) and are followed by a brief breakfast and a report on what happened at the Western Wall on Rosh Chodesh.

Rosh Chodesh Shevat: January 3

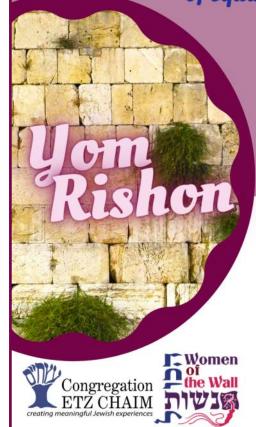
Yom Rishon: January 9

Rosh Chodesh Adar 1: February 1, 2*

Yom Rishon: February 6

To be added to our email list, please contact: Cheryl Eppsteiner at eppst4@aol.com.

*When Rosh Chodesh is a two-day holiday, the Women of the Wall holds services at the Western Wall on the second day. Our synagogue minyan observes both days.





NEW
Minyan Breakfast
every Sunday
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Hammer-Tritt Social Hall
Join us!

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.



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.

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

I hope everyone had a safe, happy, and memorable New Year celebration. I also pray the start of the New Year brings with it the Joy of Travel without restrictions, **Peace** to all those that have a compromised immune system, Strength to bring our country together and remove the politics



that separate us, and Compassion for those who have struggles we may not see without needing to see them.

The start of the new year also brings with it change. In this case I'm referring specifically to the change in leadership of the Synagogue and the Men's Club. I would like to thank Linda Pollock for her leadership these past two years and to welcome Jamie Lyons as the incoming President of our synagogue and offer our support wherever needed. Along with that, I would like to recognize Jeff Frankel for his leadership of the Men's Club through the pandemic, keeping our programs fresh and always available to provide guidance and support to those who sought it, especially me. I will be taking the reins of the Men's Club this month as I have been preparing for this the last two years.

The Atlanta Jewish Film Festival Preview (AJFF) presentation is on January 30 and will include the installation of officers and a delicious breakfast. Please plan on attending this event which is always well attended and includes clips of the movies that will be available this year. I want to thank Bart Agrow for working with AJFF in bringing this program to us.

Beginning, Friday, February 18 - Sunday, February 20, plan to get away with us as we celebrate the 22nd Annual Anshei Darom Retreat. Spend a weekend with your Men's Club for three days of immersion, friendship, and fun in the mountains of Georgia with representatives from all Clubs in the Southeast Region. The Etz Chaim Men's Club is by far the most honored organization at this event, having won the FJMC Torch Award, two Quality Club Awards and bringing the largest contingent of members. This is an outstanding weekend and if you have not had the opportunity to participate, please make plans to do so this year! We are offering a \$150 credit toward the fee for first-time attendees. For more information, see page 26.

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.

The Sisterhood and Men's Club Trivia Night at North River Tavern in Sandy Springs on Saturday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m. has been postponed. Stay tuned for the new date and time.

If you have a loved one who has passed away, a yahrzeit, Bar/Bat Mitzvah or a special occasion you wish to honor, please consider a donation to the Men's Club Holocaust Memorial Garden and Brick Program. You can make your donations online using a credit card at https://www.etzchaim.net/form/2020 memorialgardenbrick or via mail with a check using the order forms available in the information wall across from the Judaica and Gifts Shop.

Keep an eye out for more information on Men's Club Shabbat.

David Lieberman, President mensclub@etzchaim.net

Come out and enjoy Your Men's Club!

SAVE THE DATE: **JANUARY 30, 2022 BLOOD MOBILE Etz Chaim Parking Lot** 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **LIFESO**UTH **Community Blood Centers**



Minyan Makers

Etz Chaim's Sisterhood takes responsibility for making a minyan on Sunday morning. If you are available to help make minyan on a Sunday at 9:15 a.m., sign up at:

https://www.tinyurl.com/ cecthursminyan. If you would like to get more information, please contact our co-chairs by email at Helen Rosental: helenmariadecali@gmail.com or Linda Ames: lbenames@aol.com.

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 the Sandy Bailey at 770-490-7874 or the Gift Shop.

For more information about Sisterhood, please contact:

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Lauren Levetan, 404-422-8921 laurenlevetan@hotmail.com

Don't forget to check us out on Facebook or 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

We hope everyone had a wonderful Chanukah and that all your homes were filled with warmth, happiness, and togetherness. We would also like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy New Year. We are so excited to see you at some of our upcoming events! Please read on to discover the full calendar of events we have designed to welcome in the New Year.



A big thank you to those who contributed to our annual **Sisterhood Knitting Project.** All the knitted and crocheted items donated will help those in need

during these winter months. You are a blessing to Must Ministries and a great credit to our community. An extra shoutout to **Neda Gayle** for coordinating this year's successful program.

The Sisterhood sponsorship for **Etz Chaim's daily minyan** is moving 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. We're 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 want to participate.

Rosh Chodesh Shevat is on Monday, January 3. Please support the regular minyan at 7:00 a.m. to celebrate the new month. Then join us the following Sunday, January 9, at 9:30 a.m., for "Yom Rishon," the new incarnation of the monthly service in solidarity with Women of the Wall. Stay afterward for breakfast, schmoozing, and a report on the Rosh Chodesh happenings at the Kotel (Western Wall). For more information on Yom Rishon, see our ad on page 8 or contact Cheryl Eppsteiner at eppstal@aol.com for updated information regarding these services and special events.

Trivia Night for Sisterhood and Men's Club on **Saturday**, **January 8**, at **North River Tavern** has been postponed. We appreciate all who have signed up for this fun evening. Be on the look out for a new date and time.

Another stimulating meeting of Sisterhood Book Club is on Sunday, January 9, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Join us as we discuss *The Book of V* by Anna Solomon, hosted by Linda Briks. Please see the ad on page 17 to RSVP.

This year, we will be conducting our annual **Sisterhood Shabbat on January 15.** Please join your sisters as we celebrate new beginnings and come together for a meaningful morning in the Radow sanctuary. This promises to be a very special service conducted by members of Sisterhood. **Please see the ad on page 13 for more information.**

Tu B'Shevat is January 17. It's the perfect time to plant a tree in Israel to honor loved ones or commemorate a special occasion. And now, for your convenience, Sisterhood has moved the **JNF tree ordering online!** It's so easy! With the click of your mouse, you can order and pay all at once. Your recipients will receive a beautiful, personalized certificate. **Please see the ad on page 16 for more information or to place an order.**

Bam, Crack, Dot. It's time to order the 2022 Mah Jongg Card! Let Sisterhood process your order for you (now you can order completely online – it's that simple). It's the same price as ordering through the National Mah Jongg League, but Sisterhood receives a rebate to help support Etz Chaim programs. The deadline is February 1, so order today! Please see the online link and printable order form on page 17.

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, lauren levetan@hotmail.com.

Until next time....

Fern and Lauren

Co-Presidents, Sisterhood





Torah Study with the Rabbi

Thursdays, January 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 10:00 a.m.

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

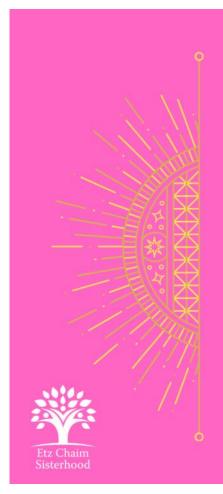


Jewish Law Then & Now: Why We Do What We Do with Rabbi Miller

Tuesdays, January 11 and 18 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

RSVP at www.etzchaim.net/event/jewishlaw

Judaism has always been a religion willing to look at the changing world and examine our laws. Our first session will look at the topic of Shabbat and see how our observance of the weekly holidays has shifted throughout the centuries. In our second session we will discuss Jewish burial rituals which have stayed relatively unchanged over the generations but now have been getting a reexamination from modern Jews.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT

AS WE CELEBRATE NEW BEGINNINGS

JANUARY 15, 2022
9:30 AM
IN-PERSON & VIA LIVESTREAM

This special service will be conducted entirely by Sisterhood members honoring their contributions this past year followed by a wonderful Kiddush lunch.





We welcome all those who have joined the synagogue between March 2020 and the present.

Prospective members are welcome to attend!

RSVP at:

www.etzchaim.net/event/welcomebrunch2022



1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. Marietta, GA 30068





COME BE A PART OF OUR ENERGETIC FRIDAY NIGHT MUSICAL SERVICE.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR MUSICIANS AND SINGERS OF ALL AGES.

WANT TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS MONTHLY KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE?

CONTACT FERN MEHARG AT <u>FMEHARG@GMAIL.COM</u>
OR CHERYL EPPSTEINER AT EPPST4@AOL.COM





Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines

February Voice March Voice April Voice May Voice

Deadline: Monday, January 3 Deadline: Tuesday, February 1 Deadline: Tuesday, March 1 Deadline: Friday, April 1



Submissions should be sent to: Bernice at bernice@etzchaim.net

Scholar-in-Residence Weekend



FEBRUARY 11 - 12, 2022

featuring Dr. Shuly Rubin Schwartz

Chancellor
The Jewish Theological Seminary

Session 1 (Friday Night)
COVID and the Era of Jewish Experimentation

As many American Jews settled in suburbia in the mid-20th century, their presence ushered in an era of Jewish adaptation and experimentation that changed the face of American Jewish life. Come find out from JTS's Chancellor and American Jewish historian about how COVID is accelerating a new era of experimentationthat is already having an impact on the future of American Judaism.

Session 2 (Shabbat Morning)
Bottom-Up Judaism: Building Empowering Judaism, Then and Now

When Jews came to the US, many left the East Coast and spread out across the country into cities like Atlanta. Hear about the institutions they built, and about how Jewish leaders today are also building bottom-up for the next generation.

Session 3 (After Kiddush in the Sanctuary)
Q&A with Dr. Shuly Rubin Schwartz, Chancellor of the
Jewish Theological Seminary

Where have we been and where are we going? Do you have questions for Chancellor Schwartz about the weekend's topics, the Jewish Theological Seminary, or Conservative Judaism? Come prepared with your own questions or submit them in advance to rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net.

Shabbat Dinner Friday, February 11: Cost \$25 per person, entrée options are Chicken, Salmon or Vegetarian

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/SIR2022

The Scholar-in-Residence Program is made possible through the generous support of the Joyce and Ramie Tritt Family Foundation, which brings internationally-renowned scholars to the Etz Chaim community.



Multi-Generational Israel Trip Congregation Etz Chaim

Led by Rabbi Daniel Dorsch June 20-29, 2022

Optional Eilat - Petra extension June 29-July 3, 2022

View and download itinerary and application at www.israeltour.com/rddorsch22





UPCOMING BOOK SELECTIONS FOR 2022:

January 9 - The Book of V by Anna Solomon | Host: Linda Briks - ibriks@bellsouth.net

February 27 - City of 1000 Gates by Rebecca Sacks | Host: Myra Goldberg - myra.goldberg@yahoo.com

March 27 - The Lost Shtetl by Max Gross | Host: Janice Levine - levines2000@comcast.net

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: TBD

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





Same price as the National Mah Jongg League - Order from Sisterhood and we receive a \$2.50 rebate per card to support Etz Chaim Programs!

Prices: \$9.00 standard size card / \$10.00 large print card

Purchase through our website or fill out the form below. If you are an established NMJL member, when you receive your 2022 order booklet, include your UNPEELED address label. Make check payable to "Etz Chaim Sisterhood". Drop off form to the synagogue or mail to Lisa Flagel, 827 Hillwood Drive, Marietta, GA 30068.

Name:		Email:		
Address:		Phone:		
City, State, Zip:		# of Cards	_ x \$9 standard =	total
New Member /	Change of Address	# of Cards	_ x \$10 large =	total



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 or call her at 678-591-7950.



Etz Chaim Volunteers needed to provide meals for Rebecca's Tent Women's Shelter
January 30 to February 12, 2022



Food no longer needs to be kosher and can be picked up and/or delivered from local restaurants

Click the mealtrain link to sign up: https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/85yv4

Call Robin Spiegel with any questions at 770-355-3299



Facilities Openings:

Maintenance Part-Time Maintenance Full-Time (benefits included)

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.



www.etzchaim.net/form/joinourteam



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

If people are interested in a Zoom session during evening hours and not on a workday, contact Heather Blake at Heather@etzchaim.net and we can make it happen.



Viva Las Vegas.
This Magic Moment.
Save the Last Dance For Me.

Ever wonder who wrote these iconic songs?

Join Movies @ The Etz
Sunday, January 30, at 3:30 p.m.
to find out!

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/movies21-22

Movie Co-Chairs: Luci Sunshine and Marcy Bass

We'll be screening <u>AKA Doc Pomus</u>, the story of Jerome Felder, a prolific songwriter and a member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Confined to a wheelchair due to having polio as a child, he reinvented himself as a blues singer and later as a songwriter. This 99-minute film brings to life Doc's joyous, heartbreaking, romantic, and extraordinarily eventful journey. Packed with incomparable music and rare archival imagery, it features a cast that includes a myriad of music luminaries. He inspired generations of songwriters such as Lou Reed, John Lennon, and Phil Spector. This wonderfully entertaining documentary was a crowd-pleaser at the 2013 Atlanta Jewish Film Festival.

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.

January 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.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					12/31 (27 Tevet)	1 (28 Tevet) Vaera
					Morning Minyan 9a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Happy 2022! Shabbat Services 9:30a
					Candle Lighting 5:21p	Shabbat Ends 6:30p
2 (29 Tevet)	3 (1 Shevat)	4 (2 Shevat)	5 (3 Shevat)	6 (4 Shevat)	7 (5 Shevat)	8 (6 Shevat) Bo
No Religious School	Rosh Chodesh Shevat Preschool Closed	No PS Transitions Class No Religious School	USY Wacky 7p	Torah Study with the Rabbi 10a	Tot Shabbat 5p Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Shabbat Services and BOT Installation 9:30a
	No PS Transitions Class	RS Faculty Workday				Team Shabbat 10:45a
	Rosh Chodesh Morning	4:30 p				Sisternood & Ivien's Ciub Trivia Night 7:30p
	Minyan 7a Torah Study at Huntcliff				*175***********************************	70000000000000000000000000000000000000
	with Rabbi Dorsch 2:30p				Candle Lighting 5:27p	Shabbat Ends 6:35p
9 (7 Shevat)	10 (8 Shevat)	11 (9 Shevat)	12 (10 Shevat)	13 (11 Shevat)	14 (12 Shevat)	15 (13 Shevat) Beshalach
Religious School, Pre-K &	Mocha Mondays with	Religious School 4:45p	Chai Five with	Torah Study with the	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Sisterhood Shabbat 9:30a
9:15a	Confirmation Class	Then and Now with	USY Wacky 7p	Sisterhood Board 7p		
Yom Rishon 9:30a	5:30p	Rabbi Miller 7p	•	. (2		
S'hood Book Club 10a	USY Board Meeting 6p	*1				
Kadima Event 12:15n					Candle Lighting 5.33n	Shabbat Ends 6:47p
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Group Meeting (off-site)	Offices/classes closed	Lilmode: Jewish Law				USY Limo Lock-in 7p
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		Rabbi Miller 7p			Candle Lighting 5:39p	Shabbat Ends 6:48p
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Religious School 9:15a		Religious School 4:45p	USY Wacky 7pm	Torah Study with the	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Mishpatim
RS 7th GR Family				Rabbi 10a		Shabbat Services 9:30a
Workshop 9:15a						RS 6 th GR Shabbaton 9:30a
KS 4th Grade Parent						
Welcome Brinch 10a						
Melton Ethics 10:30a						
Chalutzim Event 12:15p					Candle Lighting 5:46p	Shabbat Ends 6:55p
Atid Event 2p						
30 (28 Shevat) Religious School 9:15a	31 (29 Shevat)					
RS 4th Grade Family						
Conferences 9:30a						
Men's Club AJFF Prev. 10a						
Blood Drive 11a - 2p						
Women's Interfaith						
Network 2p						
Movies @ The Etz 3:30p						

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 HAMSAHelps@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 hleedle@gmail.com or text 678-520-8635. We will begin with an organizational meeting on Sunday, January 16, at 1:00 p.m. (off-site) followed by a tour of shops. This way, we can meet one another and see what each of us does individually and then take it from there. Look forward to hearing from interested parties.

Due to COVID-19, 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.

Roots Movie Group

Etz Chaim now has a monthly Sunday matinee movie group! Join Etz Chaim friends to see family-friendly (PG/PG13) movies once a month at Merchants Walk. We can see the movie together and discuss afterward. If you would like to be added to the email list, please email Tamar England at tamar.england@gmail.com.

Roots Hiking Group

Explore local beauty by joining us on a hike once a month on a Sunday afternoon. This small group is open to all ages and abilities. Please reach out to Dani Oren to be added to the email list at Daniandamir@gmail.com. Information will also be shared in the Etz Chaim Virtual Kiddush Facebook Group.

Birthday Club

The Etz Chaim Birthday Club is a social club enjoying lunch once a month and helping celebrate our congregants' birthdays. We choose a local spot for a 1-2 hour lunch on a Friday afternoon, get together and learn a little bit about each other. If you would like to be added to this group, please contact Laurie Lavinsky at laulav6@gmail.com or Malka Riesenberg at <a href="mailto:mai

Walking/Running Group

Start your Sunday off right by joining us for a morning walk/ run with your Etz Chaim friends and family. This takes place Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Etz Chaim parking lot. If you are available, we ask that you please join us for morning minyan at 9:15 a.m. too. If you have any questions or want to participate in the Sunday morning walking/running group, please contact Amir Oren at aoren1@yahoo.com.





Traditional Service with Alternative Options

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, February 5

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

Keep an eye out in our weekly EtzBlast for more details!

TEAM SHABBAT

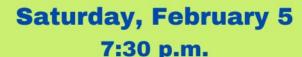


Stay and Play - Babysitting for infants thru pre-K

Minor Leagues K-2 Grades 10:45 a.m. Major Leagues 3-5 Grades **10:45 a.m.**



1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. | Marietta, GA 30068





Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Join 3 Score More or Less for a fun evening of trivia.

Cost is \$5.00 per person.

Test your knowledge of entertainment, history, sports and so much more!



1190 Indian Hills Parkway | Marietta, GA 30068 | 770.973.0137





As part of our acceptance and celebration of our LGBTQIA+ members, families, and guests, it is important for us to understand the unique needs, issues, and challenges that the community faces. We want to be embracing and supportive. Nonetheless, we have questions, such as:

- What is the current terminology around gender identity and sexual orientation?
- Why are pronouns important?
- How can I be a better ally?



This program is for anyone who wants to expand their sense of welcoming, or if this is new to you, provide a place where it is safe to ask and have your questions answered. The program is appropriate for teens and adults ages 13 and up.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/gsd101

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Shalom in the Shul

Monday, February 7

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

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Men of the South

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February 18 - 20, 2022
Ramah Darom

Etz Chaim Men's Club is offering \$150 toward the cost for first timers!

For additional information and to register go to:

https://ansheidarom.com/region-retreat-2022/



Save the Date!



MARCH 6, 2022

For more information and to join or sponsor Etz Chaim's Team, contact our Team Captain, Bob Frohlich at chisakid@bellsouth.net.

Torah Fund News

B'Yachad, together, we carried on and successfully completed the 2020-2021 Torah Fund Campaign. Our pins were delayed in manufacturing, production, and distribution, but we received them... better late than never. Going forward



we support the students at our five global Conservative/Masorti institutions of higher learning. Our donations to Torah Fund enable the five Conservative/Masorti institutions of higher education to provide programs, services, and scholarships to the students who are our future leaders. We proudly continued the B'Yachad campaign, which turned out to be a significantly meaningful theme as we continue through these different times.

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.

The pin symbolizes the journey we have been on together, even while socially distanced from each other. Let's continue on this journey to help fortify the Jewish people in multiple ways and ensure a bright future.

Sandy Bailey jbsandy10@gmail.com or call, 770-490-7874



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Thanks to Sylvia Weinberg's family for the books just donated to Etz Chaim in her memory. She contributed her time in many ways to Etz Chaim during her lifetime and loved books and libraries.

Tu B'Shevat and Martin Luther King's Birthday are coming this month! Here are some of the wonderful selections we have. You will find these books and more out on display in the library.

As Good as Anybody: Martin Luther King Jr. and Abraham Joshua Heschel's Amazing March Toward Freedom by Richard Michelson. (For Grades 1-4). This is the story of how Martin Luther King and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel formed a remarkable friendship and fought together for civil rights for African Americans. This is a wonderful book for kids, beautifully written and illustrated, about overcoming discrimination, looking beyond skin color to find our similarities, and helping those who are being persecuted. (J 323 MIC)

Sadie's Snowy Tu B'Shevat by Jamie Korngold (For Preschool-Grade 1) Sadie hopes to plant a tree outside to celebrate the holiday of Tu B'Shevat, but it is too snowy and cold. Inspired by her grandmother's memories, she plants parsley instead. (J 244.2 KOR)

The Littlest Tree by Sylvia Rouss (For Preschool-Grade 2) The artwork and storyline are awesome! This children's story is about a little tree that feels left out. Eventually, we learn that "good things come out of small packages..." (J 244.2 ROU)

Please do not leave book donations on the circulation desk or anywhere else in the library. You can check our catalog at the URL above to see if we already own them. If you have any books you would like to donate, please contact Janice Levine 404-376-3443, levines2000@comcast.net.

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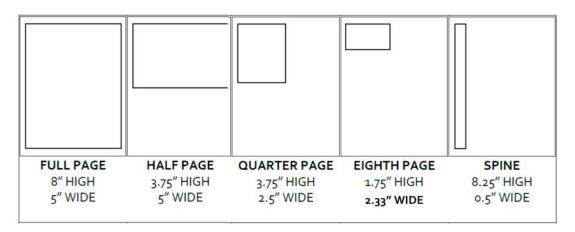
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Gladys Lieberman, beloved mother of David Lieberman (Suzanne Rivchun)

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In blessed memory of:

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Gladys Lieberman. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

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In loving memory of:

Helen Ehrlich

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my Grandma, Ida Stern, on her yahrzeit

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Helen Ehrlich

Rochelle and Mitchell Arian

Helen Ehrlich

Tom and Leslie Andrzejewski

In memory of:

Morris Shapiro on his yahrzeit. We always

remember and love you.

Debbi, Randy, Jeremy, Kelly, and Brian

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Hillary Schneidman. May her memory be

a blessing to the whole family.

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Sherry Adams

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch. We can't begin to tell you how much your support, wisdom, guidance and good nature mean to our family. We are fortunate to have you in our lives. The service for Ezra's Bar Mitzvah was wonderful. Whether we are fishing or learning to swim,

you are a good sport. Thank you.

Arvin and Myra Goldberg

Rabbi Dan and the Etz Chaim community for allowing us to view the livestream

Yom Kippur services
Karen and Rick Eberson

Rabbi Dorsch for your leadership, support

and kindness

Suzanne Rivchun

In beloved memory of:

Albert Sandak

Larry Sandak

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Robert Coltman - 30 years

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our sister and aunt, Sandra Weiss

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our beloved friend Helen Ehrlich. She will be greatly missed.

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Helen Ehrlich

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In memory of:

Helen Ehrlich

Avi and Debbie Weiss

our beloved mother, Reva Epstein

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Gladys Lieberman. Thank you for leading

service for shiva.

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Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Reba and Bob Bachrach on your 55th wedding anniversary. May you have many

more to celebrate together!!

Adele Greenspon and Family

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In appreciation of:

Rabbi Lewis. I appreciate that you came to my home for shiva for my mother. I'm thankful to have you as a friend and Rabbi.

David Lieberman

Rabbi Lewis for continuing to lead by example, for still being an important part of Etz Chaim's family and your friendship.

Suzanne Rivchun

In honor of:

the birth of Charlie Lewis

Linda and Michael Weinroth

In loving memory of:

Edwin Berger

our Mom, Dora Berger Iris and Jerry Silver

In memory of:

my father, Alan Danis

Ken Danis

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RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT

Sending congratulations to:

Jill Lewis and grandparents Rabbi Shalom and Cindy Lewis and Bob and Shelley Brodsky on the birth of Charlie Aaron Suzanne Riychun

RABBI MILLER DISCRETIONARY FUND

In appreciation and gratitude of:

Rabbi Miller. Thank you so much for the care, love and understanding you have shown our family. Our grandson Ezra did so well at his Bar Mitzvah and has clearly made a strong connection with you. We look forward to spending more time with you, getting to know you and your family.

Arvin and Myra Goldberg

In blessed memory of:

Malcolm Lewis, beloved father of Jodi Danis. We are sorry to hear of your loss. We trust the memories are sweet.

Bob and Sheri Frohlich

BOB GOLDMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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Gladys Lieberman, mother of David Lieberman. May her memory be a blessing. Ronni and David Beker

In memory of:

Muriel Becker, mother of Andy Becker Marsha Shrago

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In honor of:

the anniversary of Bob and Reba Bachrach Linda and Michael Weinroth

In loving memory of:

Aunt Libby Crystal, missed and loved always Susan, Craig, Paige, and Cami Adair

COLLEGE CONNECTION FUND

Sending congratulations to:

Bob and Sheri Frohlich on the birth of their 2nd granddaughter

Suzanne Rivchun

CYNTHIA R. FREEMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In blessed memory of:

Vivian Epstein. May the wonderful memories of your mom bring you comfort.

Felicia and Warren Berne

In loving memory of:

my mother, Rita Freeman. We miss you every day.

Alan and Lisa Freeman

Gladys Lieberman. May her memory be for a blessing.

Felicia and Warren Berne

In memory of:

Rita Freeman, beloved wife, mother and grandmother

Joe Freeman

Malcolm Lewis, beloved father of Jodi (Ken) Danis and grandmother of Peter Danis and Ethan Danis

Lori and Joe Freeman

FIGUR FAMILY OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

In celebration of:

the 55th wedding anniversary of Bob and Reba Bachrach. Mazel Tov.

Lynn and Bob Sustak

In loving memory of:

my mother, Evelyn Ebel Lynn and Bob Sustak

Samuel Klemes Yucht

Maxine and Jonathan Schein

In memory of:

Gladys Lieberman, mother of David Lieberman

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In memory of:

my beloved mother and grandmother, Marcia Karol

Sandy Bailey

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In loving memory of:

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Irene Altholtz, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, on her yahrzeit

our mother and grandmother, Rose Bernknopf, on her yahrzeit

our uncle, Phil Cohen, on his yahrzeit Linda and Stan Bernknopf and Family

my uncle, Joel M. Friedman, on his yahrzeit my grandmother, Minnie Altholtz, on her yahrzeit

Linda Bernknopf

Henrietta and Theodore Weinroth

Julia Halpern

Michael and Linda Weinroth

Helen Ehrlich. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Ronni and David Beker

In memory of:

Helen Ehrlich. Her wonderful and gentle soul will forever remain in the hearts of many.

Elaine and Michael Shapow

Neli Bejerano, dear and sweet mother of Malka Riesenberg. It was a blessing that you were in Israel and just another kind thing your mom did. May the wonderful memories of her live on forever in your hearts and bring you much comfort.

Elyse and David Shaw

Saul Stickgold, father, grandfather and great grandfather, on his yahrzeit **Vivian Levine**

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In honor of:

Lori Gilbert

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Gladys Lieberman

Ellen and Billy Balser

In blessed memory:

Malcolm Lewis, beloved father of Jodi Danis **Ellen and Billy Balser**

In memory of:

Helen Ehrlich, wife of Steve Ehrlich. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you be blessed with loving memories of Helen.

Gladys Lieberman, mother of David Lieberman. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Bobbi and Marvin Shams

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Helen Ehrlich

Esther K. Low

In celebration of:

our grandson, Ezra Barchichat, on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah

Myra and Arvin Goldberg

In memory of:

Isadore Cohn and Esther Cohen

Lawrence Cohen

Helen Ehrlich **Linda Ames**

Sylvia Weinberg

Luci Sunshine

Lee and Sidney Silverman, my dear departed mother and father, on the anniversary of their yahrzeits. I still miss the both of you very much. Your oldest son, Bob

Robert Silverman

PRESCHOOL FUND

In loving memory of:

Gladys Lieberman, mother of David Lieberman and grandmother. We're sorry for your loss. May her memory be for a blessing, now and always.

Arlene and Glenn LaVine

Helen Ehrlich

June and Joel Strom

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Sheri and Bob Frohlich on your new, precious granddaughter

Adele Greenspon

ROBERT KLEIN MEMORIAL CHESED FUND

In appreciation of:

all the Chesed Committee does for those who have lost loved ones. Special thanks for the generous shiva meal for our family following the funeral of my mother, Sylvia Weinberg. She would have been touched by your kindness. Etz Chaim was a special part of my mother's life, being that she was involved in many ways.

Ilene Baker and Family In beloved memory of:

Malcolm Lewis, father of Jodi Danis. We are so sorry for your loss. May his memory be for a blessing.

Dana and Ari Greenberg

In loving memory of:

Andy Rush, husband of Lara Rush. May memories of Andy always be sweet, to help wash away your tears.

Jo Ellen and Alan Levy

our sister, Judith Baer

Susie and Joey Moskowitz

In memory of:

Gladys Lieberman. David, we are so sorry for your loss. May the memories you have of her bring a smile to you during this difficult time.

Jayne and Andy Becker

SISTERHOOD ENDOWMENT FUND

In blessed memory of:

Israel Coplon

Paula L. Coplon

SISTERHOOD FUND

Sherry Adams

In honor of:

Jamie Lyons as the new incoming Etz Chaim President. Looking forward to your leadership

the Etz Chaim Men's Club and Sisterhood's incoming new board members

Suzanne Rivchun

In memory of:

Bessie and Ruben Plotkin - inspiring, wonderful, beloved grandparents who will always live in my heart

Barbara and Jerry Mayer

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

In loving memory of:

Bernard Kagan

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In memory of:

Sidney Rosenblatt, father of Bob Gordon

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In memory of:

Edith Rindner, mother of Lisa Singer

Marsha Shrago

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

In blessed memory:

Michael Lieberbaum, father of Bill Lieberbaum and grandfather to Mark and Jordan Lieberbaum

Jonathan and Nancy Goldman

my husband, David Lieberman, on his becoming Etz Chaim's Men's Club President. I'm so proud of you.

Suzanne Rivchun

In loving memory of:

Gladys Lieberman

Denise and Steve Pelts

In memory of:

Lazaro (Leizer) Sapoznik

Alberto and Cindee Sapoznik

Gladys Lieberman. Our heartfelt condolences to David Lieberman and family on the passing of his dear mom. May your loving sweet memories of her help to ease the pain and bring you much comfort and strength. We know she will live on forever in your hearts.

Elyse and David Shaw

YOUTH FUND

In appreciation of:

Dr. Pip for taking such incredible care of our kids and in celebration of Avital receiving her vaccine. We are so grateful for you!

Josh, Melissa, Avital and Benji Wikoff

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of:

Audrey Cohen

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Helen Ehrlich

Bernice Mellman

my mom, Shirley Rivchun. All my memories are dear, how I miss you and wish you were here.

David's mom, Gladys Lieberman. All my memories are dear, I will pass them on to those who are dear.

Ron Toron's mom. A strong and resilient

Neli Bejerano, beautiful mom of Malka Riesenberg

Muriel Becker, sweet mother of Andy Becker Suzanne Rivchun

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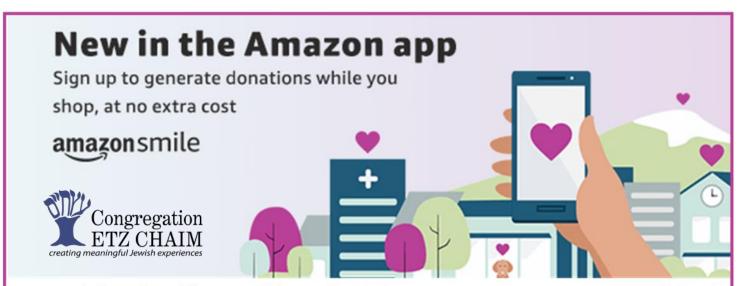
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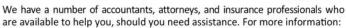


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