

Voice of Chaim

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Tikkun Leil Shavuot, An Evening of Learning Saturday, June 4, at 8:00 p.m.

Explore chevruta style (partner study) learning as we talk about relationships in the Torah and Talmud.

8:00-8:30 p.m.- Wine, Cheese, and Dessert 8:30-9:30 p.m.- Learning Session 1 9:30-9:50 p.m.- Ma'ariv and Havdalah 9:50-10:30 p.m.- Learning Session 2

RSVP at www.etzchaim.net/event/tikkunleilshavuot2022

You can come with a chevruta study partner or you can be matched with one.

Questions? Please contact Rabbi Miller at rabbimiller@etzchaim.net

Shavuot Services and Confirmation Sunday, June 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Join us as we celebrate our confirmands Eden England | Claire Isbitts Elizabeth Katz | Mia Kleinman Rachel Surasky



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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)

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



The Voice of Chaim - June/July 2022

From Our Rabbi

This summer will be one of many firsts for the Dorsch family. Zev will be spending his first summer at Camp Ramah, where I spent half a dozen summers as a camper and another six on staff. It will also at long last be the moment when I take my first congregational trip to Israel, having originally been scheduled for June of 2020.



The last time I was in Israel in 2016, weeks before I moved to Atlanta, the world was a very different place. Amy and I were both serving as delegates to the World Zionist Congress, a commitment we took with great seriousness. Both of us were raised in homes with families deeply committed to Judaism, Zionism, and the State of Israel. Some of Amy's most formidable memories of Israel came while spending the semester there in 2002; she was a student at Hebrew University (her dean, funny enough, was Shimon Lipsky, Rabbi Lewis' brother-in-law) when the Sinatra Cafeteria was bombed by Hamas terrorists, killing five students and injuring another hundred others. While American programs were pulling their students out and taking them home, as a Canadian, Amy opted to stay. Explaining her decision to MacLean's Magazine (the "Time Magazine" of Canada) at the time, Amy said: "Canada is my home where I live, but Israel is my home in my heart."

Along with many other things, this is where Amy's and my heart beat as one. In the chaotic world in which we live, we understand Israel's vital role in ensuring a future for the Jewish people. Some self-righteous, smug, academics may reject the idea of the "nation -state" as an anachronism or may seek to turn Zionism into a dirty word. Yet if the past six years since our last visit have proven anything, it is that a stable, innovative, strong Israel is critical for Jewish continuity (not to mention with its vital vaccine work, global stability). To quote Israeli guru Neil Lazarus, "Israel didn't happen because of the Holocaust. The Holocaust happened because there was no Israel."

Yet for me, and many of you I suspect, Israel is not simply an insurance premium that we pay toward preserving the Jewish future. It is a place to be loved and enjoyed. Every time I visit, I fall madly in love with its restaurants, culture, locales, parks, and its people. Two of my best childhood friends have made aliyah, and an entire branch of Amy's family lives in Herzliya. This is why we view support for AIPAC, among other organizations supporting Israel's security, as so important, and if it seems like we talk a great deal in America about Israel's security, it is only because we understand that Israel has so many amazing things worth preserving in the first place.

During the summer of 2023, for my sabbatical, Amy and I plan to take our children to live in Israel. We're going to do some Jewish learning, as well as day trips throughout the country. We hope they will grow to love Israel as much as we do.

During this trip, however, I look forward to sharing my love of Israel with members of our Etz Chaim family. I look forward to revisiting my old stomping grounds and making new ones along with the nearly twenty others taking the trip with me. This may be my first Israel trip with Etz Chaim, but I can promise that it will be a far cry from the last one we will take together.

Rabbi Daniel Dorsch

From Our Associate Rabbi

In Rabbinical School there was one part of the campus that always felt extra special, the *beit midrash*. This room was simple in design, just a large open space with some tables set up in long rows and chairs on one side. This was the setup of the room for our morning minyan but by the time the



afternoon rolled around the space transformed! Ok, well it did not totally transform, but the tables were now pulled a part with enough room for a person to talk in between them, and instead of the chairs all facing the same directions towards the ark, they now were organized with one chair on each side of the table.

The room flipped to this layout because in the afternoon it was time for all rabbinical students in their first or second year to descend into the room for our chevrutah, or partnered learning, so that we were able to make our way through our Talmud assignment for the next day.

I recall on my very first day walking into this room and you could hear a buzz similar to that of a bee or wasp. But the buzz that was echoing through the space was that of holy study. I loved that my thoughts and voice were able to become part of the buzz in the room. It was in this room that I gained a greater appreciation for the ancient study format of our rabbis. It was through this type of learning that I was able to see the text in a new way, to broaden my perspective, and to dig deeper into our tradition. Some people studied with the same partner for their entire rabbinical school career, and others, like myself, hopped around from class to class. No matter what your choice, the style of learning was and is so beneficial.

It is why I am so excited that this coming Shavuot we will bring this type of learning to Etz Chaim. I hope that you will consider signing up for our Tikkun Leil Shavuot, where we will examine various aspects of chevrutah study and even get to try that style of learning together. If you have someone that you are particularly interested in studying with, please be sure to sign up with them. If you are coming by yourself, we will gladly pair you with someone for the night. All levels of experience are welcomed.

I cannot wait to study with you all and to learn with you. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday, June 4!

Rabbi Micah Miller



Join us for our "Casual" Shabbat Services in June and July

From our Executive Director

"You'll Never Walk Alone"

Until the age of 11, other than the Beatles and an occasional Top 40 song on WABC-AM or WMCA-AM, my musical experience was limited to Broadway cast albums, which

dominated my parents' record collection. My Fair Lady, Brigadoon, and anything Rogers & Hammerstein.

My least favorite of all the musicals was Carousel. I never liked the play and even though the movie was filmed in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, I never enjoyed that either. The song "You'll Never Walk Alone" which has been covered by everyone from Gary & the Pacemakers to the Dropkick Murphys, never struck me as a great song.

Years later when I was in my high school chorus, we sang it at every graduation and that certainly didn't make it move up on my favorites chart. But now, years later, I may have to change my mind.

We do have to continue to walk on in the wind and the rain and have a song in our hearts; and as a community, this year shows that we never walk alone. We are there for each other. We hold each other's hands, and we are not afraid of the dark.

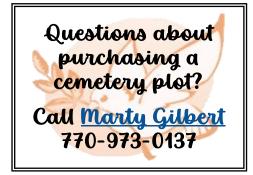
We have hope in our hearts and at the end of the storm there is a golden sky.

This issue of the Voice marks the end of our fiscal year, but we are fluid and continuous. We walk on together and we will continue to never walk alone. May we continue to walk on with hope in our hearts and be there for one another.

Thank you to everyone who has made this year an easier walk.

For Dropkick Murphys' version of the song visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q8SK8JHKn1k

Marty Gilbert



From our I Backp

From our President Jamie Platt Lyons

Chaim. It's an impressive list! As you've heard me



Back in December 2021, before I was installed as President, I made a list of all the different committees, groups, organizations, and activities we have at Etz



announce on Shabbat mornings, we've added another special program to our growing list. I want to take a moment to highlight it. The "new" program is actually a "renewed" program because Etz Chaim participated with this organization in the past. I am talking about Backpack Buddies.

Please indulge me as I provide some background about how this program works and why it's so important. One in six American children goes hungry across the United States at some point during the year. Many cannot afford to consistently purchase nutritious and wholesome food. Often times, these children receive their only good meals at school. So what do they do when they don't have school? Backpack Buddies coordinates with a group of Atlanta area organizations to train and support the organizations (like Etz Chaim) as we provide weekend meals to children who have little or nothing to eat on Saturday and Sunday. Each organization acts independently of the others; however, all follow the basic objectives of providing weekend meals to nutritionally challenged children. Backpack Buddies provides the framework to make sure that these nutritionally challenged kids stay nourished.

Etz Chaim has promised to provide twenty-five "backpacks" per week, but we hope to grow our program depending on contributions and volunteer efforts. The students-in-need are identified by the school, and their parents sign school-district-provided release forms. Single-serve, non-perishable foods are purchased by congregants at Etz Chaim (more about this below) and kept in a designated location in the Bayit. Etz Chaim volunteers meet to pack food bags for the kids. Each week additional volunteers from Etz Chaim will pick-up the food bags from the Bayit and deliver them to the counselors at our partner school(s) to be privately distributed on Fridays to the relevant kids.

Right now, we are waiting for our partner school to be approved to participate in this program and hope that we will get started at the beginning of the school year. Here's how you can help:

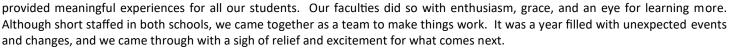
- 1) Donate \$180 to support a child for a whole year.
- 2) Contribute single-serve, non-perishable items that can be easily opened (a full list of acceptable items is on our website).
- 3) Register for a date/time when you receive a sign-up genius invitation to help pack food bags.
- Deliver food bags to our partner school(s) mid-day on Wednesday or Thursday.
- 5) Purchase food for our Backpack Buddies program with the EBT card you might have received through the Cobb County School District if your family does not need these funds. (There is a significant amount of money per child credited on these cards.)

When thinking about purchasing food, please know that this is what is included in each food bag: (a) Four proteins; (b) Two vegetables; (c) Two fruits; (d) Two servings of juice; (e) Two breakfast items; and (g) Two snacks. All items must be non-perishable and single-serve.

From Our Director of Education

Those who can, teach.

Teaching is not for the faint of heart. Just ask a teacher. Or ask any parent that experienced virtual learning with their child in the next room. Or right next to them. It didn't meet anyone's definition of fun. So those who willingly go into the field of teaching do so as an act of true dedication. And so it is at Etz Chaim. Our Preschool and Religious School teachers are some of the best. It wasn't a particularly easy year, with COVID still hovering around us, but we



I'd like to thank our preschool teachers for showing up everyday for our kids. From the child full of spunk to the child who is a little reticent, from the child who loves to build and climb to the child who prefers to listen to a story, everyone's needs were met. This Preschool faculty stepped up and deserve our thanks. Sending our love to Madelyn Chernau, Laura Costello, Ariel Eisenberg, Stefani Faer, Bethany Levee, Maureen Levy, Patrice Levy, Hannah Logan, Roxanne Measroch, Joey Ross, Susan Szczupak, Brooke Van Heest, and Alex Velez. Yasher Koach to Lauren Chernau on her very successful first year as our Assistant Director.

Our Religious School faculty of madrichim and teachers worked tirelessly on making a challenging time of day interesting and enjoyable. Our madrichim stepped up and planned lessons that included games and interactive activities. They were also a key part of our electives options. In partnering together our teachers and madrichim, our Religious School got the best of everyone. Special thanks to our entire Religious School faculty: Nate Aronstein, Daniel Barchichat, Lauren Chernau, Donna Bierman, Eden England, Liam England, Ian Greenwald, Claire Isbitts, Debbie Isbitts, Faith Kart, Esti Kleinman, Kayla Kleinman, Mia Kleinman, Ari Low, Milo Medof, Rabbi Miller, Sara Fran Neuwirth, Aiden Okrent, Emma Okrent, Evan Okrent, Bethany Rydell, Elaine Schwartz, Eli Slomovitz, Rachel Slomovitz, and Gavi Surden.

My sunny disposition (and sanity) is still intact due to the ever-present Allison Barchichat and Tiana Plendl, who keep it all running smoothly.

There's still (a little) room in Camp Ruach! so reach out to Lauren Chernau to get on board. And be on the lookout for Religious School registration, which you should have received via email last week or so.

Debbie Deutsch





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Let's Connect!

Etz Chaim and its many Affinity Groups have Facebook pages where we share news about upcoming events, photos and much more. We also have a private Facebook group for members to share good news, ask for referrals and discuss a variety of topics. Visit <u>www.etzchaim.net/socialmedia</u> for more information!







Please "like" us on our various social media platforms Here are this year's numbers: Facebook "CongEtzChaim" — 1,156 likes/1,546 followers Facebook Virtual Kiddush — 442 members - (congregants only page) contact Bernice in the office to join Etz Chaim Youth Department — 254 likes/256 followers Etz Chaim Preschool — 356 likes Camp Ruach at Etz Chaim Preschool — new page alert! 21 likes/27 followers Etz Chaim Religious School — 114 likes Etz Chaim Men's Club — 104 likes Etz Chaim Young Adults — 47 likes Etz Chaim Young Families — 164 likes

Instagram Etz Chaim — Congregation Etz Chaim_Marietta — 269 followersInstagram — Sababa USY — 244 followersEtz Chaim Kadima — 24 followers



Facilities Openings: Tr 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

Our Etz Chaim Community

Mazal Tov to...

Linda Weinroth

Nicole and Ezra Flom on the birth of their son, Avraham Levi, on March 31

Michelle Grey on the engagement of her daughter Hailee to Seth Yarus

Condolences to... Melissa Goodman on the passing of her beloved father, Stanley Donner

Sue Rothstein on the passing of her beloved father, Marvin Dickler

Scott Rittenberg on the passing of his beloved father, Jay Rittenberg

Thank You to our Office Volunteers... Reba Bachrach Wendy Feinberg Sally Greenstein Ron Judenberg Clifford Martin

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

Members on the Move... Beverly Barnhard 1433 Castlebrooke Way Marietta, GA 30066

Jayne and Andy Becker 2152 Winslow Cottage Cir. Marietta, GA 30062

Denise Gelernter 237 Waterman St., SE Marietta, GA 30060

David Goldstein 317 Summerhour St. Marietta, GA 30060

Robin and John Kennedy 1226 Minhinette Dr. Roswell, GA 30075

Rebecca Negrin 225 Franklin Rd., Unit 2612 Atlanta, GA 30342

Peri and Phillip Rosner 901 Village Ln. Roswell, GA 30075 Miriam and Robert Rosenbaum 158 Riverside Lane Woodstock, GA 30188

Stacye and Harris Fogel 43 Long Cir. Roswell, GA 30075

Shelley and Steve Buxbaum 5200 Brooke Ridge Dr. Dunwoody, GA 30338

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

Korie and David Kahn 11070 Crabapple Lake Drive Roswell, GA 30076 Korie Cell – 770-722-1519 Korie.kahn@gmail.com David Cell – 954-593-9324 dkahnfsu@gmail.com



MINYAN AND SHABBAT INFORMATION FOR IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM:

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

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.

President's Message (continued from page 3)

Where do we go from here? We've already got everything set-up in the Bayit and some of our congregants have purchased food items that are waiting to be packed. There will be plenty of opportunities to help assemble and deliver the food bags and we will send out a sign-up genius as soon as we are at the starting point.

We received an initial gift of \$1,500 from one of our congregants and another gift of \$5,000 from a community supporter of Backpack Buddies. We hope this project will touch and concern all different groups and individuals in our congregation and we look forward to the start of the new school year so we can implement all these plans!

If you have any questions or you want to help, please contact our Social Action Chairperson, Bob Beer, or our Backpack Buddies chairs: Lauren and Gavi Surden and Angie and Hannah Nothdurft.

Jamie



UPCOMING BOOK SELECTIONS FOR 2022:

June 12 - Florence Adler Swims Forever by Rachel Beanland | Host: Linda Ames - Ibenames@aol.com July 17 - The Book of Lost Names by Kristen Harmel | Host: Sheri Rosenblum (original reading for April)

> You can now attend Book Club either in person or via Zoom. All sessions begin at 10:00 a.m. Virtual Livestream: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89091421968

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.



Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines

August Voice September Voice October/November Voice Deadline: September 1

Deadline: Friday, July 1 Deadline: Monday, August 1

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



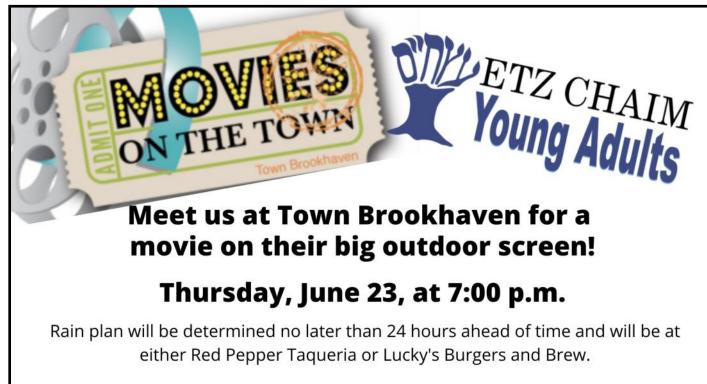
For details on upcoming Youth Group events, you can follow us using the following links:

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/YouthGroupMembership2022-23



RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/movietown



The Young Adults July event will be in partnership with Moshe House.

Keep an eye out for more details in the YA EtzBlast!

Etz Chaim's Green Team

Summer is coming and 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



Men's Club Notes

The Brisket Sale was a big success. While it is identified as a fund raiser, we always hope just to break even. If it wasn't for our experienced team preparing the meat, manning the grills for hours, knowing when they are done and cutting and packaging to meet your requests, we wouldn't be

able to do it. I want to thank Alan Lightstone and his team, who willingly gave their time to make this all happen!

Men's Club Best Breakfast in Town / *Lilmode* Program was a great experience in teamwork with the program leadership of Elyse Shaw and Sharon Lightstone. It's always fun teaming up with others and making something special happen for the members of Etz Chaim.

Sisterhood and Men's Club Trivia night was a great joint program. I hope we have many more to come in the near future.

The Yom HaShoah program brought the Catholic Church of St Ann and Etz Chaim together for a meaningful experience. It was special to be a part of it.

Attending a Braves Baseball game is not on the agenda in ink, but we are working toward doing just that. Keep your eyes open in the EtzBlast for current information as we move into summer.

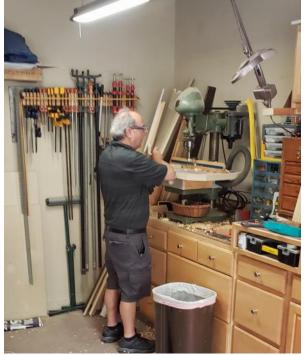
As a reminder, the Men's Club has order forms available for Holocaust and Memorial Garden Bricks, which is a very special way to honor a loved one. The cost is \$100. To honor someone for a birthday, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, or any special occasion, you can order a Certificate. The certificate is a photograph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

Keep on checking the Voice of Chaim and the weekly EtzBlast to register for events.

David Lieberman - President Bryan Coleman - 1st Vice President Mathew Nathan - 2nd Vice President Come Out and Enjoy Your Men's Club! <u>mensclub@etzchaim.net</u>







Etz Chaim's Woodworking Roots Group making the Ring Toss game for the Men's Club RenewalFest activity.



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

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 on our website at www.etzchaim.net/sisterhood

ATTENTION ETZ CHAIM MEMBERS:

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

Judaica and Gifts Shop Hours

The shop will be open by appointment only.

Please contact the synagogue office to schedule your visit.

The Sisterhood Scoop

We hope everyone is enjoying a slower pace this summer. Whether in town or traveling, we hope you're able to relax and create memories with friends and family.

It's still summer, but we've got the **2022 Sisterhood High Holiday Greeting and Remembrance Book** on our minds. Keep an eye out for **early bird pricing** information for your Greetings and Remembrances.



Sisterhood

Committee Members Wanted! Do you love looking through our annual **Greeting and Remembrance Book?** We'd love for you to help us keep this project going and growing! If interested, please **contact us** at <u>hhetzchaim@gmail.com</u>.

The Light of Torah Award was established in 1987 by the Women's League Southern Region to honor one woman in each affiliate to reach its goals. Each woman honored is chosen by her affiliate as the individual who reflects the vision of the outstanding WLCJ Sisterhood Affiliate Woman, one who has given of her time and talents and is the beacon who sets our standards. This year, **Etz Chaim Sisterhood** has nominated **Melissa Sklar** to receive the award. **The Light of Torah honorees** were presented at the recent *Spring into Action Conference* in March. The award ceremony will take place in June via Zoom.

Rosh Chodesh dates during the summer are as follows: Rosh Chodesh Tamuz is on Wednesday, June 29 and Rosh Chodesh Av is on Friday, July 29

Sisterhood Book Club will meet on June 12 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Join us as Linda Ames hosts a thought-provoking conversation about, *Florence Adler Swims Forever by Rachel Beanland*. Please see the ad on page 8 for more information and to RSVP.

Renew your Sisterhood membership in July!

By joining Sisterhood, you'll be helping to *Change Lives for the Better, Create a Caring environment, Give More to Those Who Have Less & Make Life-long Friendships*! Join or renew your membership during the **month of July** to be entered into an exciting **raffle. See ad on page 15.**

Save the date for *Sisterhood Kickoff* on Sunday, August 21, at 7:00 p.m. You won't want to miss out on this fabulous event as we kick off a new season of exciting and engaging programs! More information to come. See ad on page 23.

Etz Chaim's Gift Shop will be slowing down for the summer. If you need to make a purchase, **email Reba Bachrach at <u>giftshop@etzchaim.net</u> for an appointment. See our ad on page 31.**

Sisterhood is still in charge of making **minyan** on **Sunday** mornings. Please help those who need to say Kaddish by joining us at 9:30 a.m. Keep an eye out for "pop up" Sisterhood Schmooze opportunities after Sunday morning minyan.

We encourage you to get involved with Sisterhood! Volunteer. Join a committee. Attend Sisterhoodsponsored Sunday morning Minyan. The possibilities are endless! Feel connected, have fun, and make new friends. Won't you step up? Please contact Lauren Levetan at 404-422-8921, <u>laurenlevetan@hotmail.com</u>; or Neda Gayle at 615-477-3152, <u>nedagayle@att.net</u> with any questions or to inquire further.

Until next time...

Lauren and Neda Co-Presidents, Sisterhood





Upcoming Programs *Lilmode* - Adult Education June 2022

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





Movies @ The Etz Save the Date: Sunday, July 10 at 3:00 p.m.

Movie Chairman: Amir Oren More details to come in the EtzBlast. Stay tuned.

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





BOOK DONATIONS: Please DO NOT leave book donations on the library check-out desk or in the synagogue office. If you have gently used Jewish books from the last ten years you would like to donate, please contact Janice Levine at levines2000@comcast.net.

THANK YOU! Thanks to our library volunteers for this school year: Lisa Dubovy, Patsy Schneider, and Stacy Lewin. The library cannot function without the help of its volunteers.

NEED SOME SUMMER READING?

Why not check out some books for adults and some for kids at Phillip's Library at Etz Chaim to read over the summer? We have lots of interesting books to choose from.

Just follow the self-check-out procedures on the circulation desk in the library. The checkout card in the back of each book should be signed with your name and due date and left in the yellow box on the desk.

Here are just a sampling of books that can all be found right now out on display in the library.

Books For Adults:

An Old Man's Game: An Amos Parisman Mystery by Andy Weinberger. Amos Parisman, a Jewish semi-retired sixty-something private eye, is hired by a Temple in LA to solve the murder of a rabbi. What ensues is an enjoyable mystery that is funny and engaging. (F WEI)

The Last Bathing Beauty by Amy Sue Nathan. Using dual timelines, Nathan expertly unravels the events that affected 18-year-old Betty's sparkling future in 1951 when she worked at a summer resort and that continue to haunt her even as an eighty-four-year-old woman today. Full of characters that shine and told with compassion and humor, this is the perfect summer read. (F NAT)

Getting Good at Getting Older by Richard Siegel and Rabbi Laura Geller. This is essential reading if you are navigating the second half of life, filled with humor, curiosity, and chutzpah. (246 SIE)

Books for Kids:

Pickled Watermelon by Esty Schachter. Molly goes to Israel to visit family she hardly knows and finds big surprises waiting for her. (JF SCH) For ages 9-12.

Sam and Charlie (and Sam too) at camp! by Leslie Kimmelman. Sam and Charlie spend a week at summer camp for the very first time and learn some valuable lessons about nature and friendship. (JF KIM) For ages 7-9.

Check out these websites for some summer activities for children and adults.

FOR KIDS

Shalom Sesame Join the Israeli muppets for some fun videos, music and other activities www.shalomsesame.org

FOR ADULTS

The Jewish Guide to the Internet Great web links for teenagers and adults alike <u>https://www.jewishinternetguide.com/judaica-resources</u>

FOR EVERYONE

Jacob Richman's Home Page has activities for children and adults. Learn Hebrew, play games, etc. at this website <u>https://jr.co.il/</u>

Phillip's Library Annual Report for 2021-2022

◆ 243 books circulated this year (despite COVID)



- ◆ 3438 cataloged books in Phillip's Library Collection, 118 new books added this year
- ◆ 1640 Books for Adults: Fiction and Nonfiction that also includes Biography, Genealogy, and Reference
- ♦ 1775 Books for Children: Includes Fiction for Children and Young Adults (Grades 5-12), Picture Books, and Nonfiction including General Nonfiction and Biographies



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chisakid@bellsouth.net.





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 678-576-9394



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 <u>lisaflagel@gmail.com</u> or call her at 678-591-7950.

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Mazal Tov to Etz Chaim and the Power of Us! We are proud to have been selected by the readers of the Atlanta Jewish Times for 2022 as the BEST Simcha Venue and the BEST Gift Shop in Jewish Atlanta. Camp Ruach! of Etz Chaim's Preschool is the best day camp in East Cobb and was the first runner-up for Jewish Atlanta. Yasher Koach to all of our lay leaders, staff and congregants who make Etz Chaim the best of everything that Jewish Atlanta has





The Voice of Chaim - June/July 2022



June Yahrzeits

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* 1	June	Harold F. Needle	2	Sivan	15	June	Marvin Berk	16	Sivan
1	June	Julian Lichter	2	Sivan	15	June	Evalyn Ginsburg	16	Sivan
2	June	Robert Bernstein	3	Sivan	*15	June	Sylvia Steinfeld	16	Sivan
2	June	Paul Price	3	Sivan	16	June	Barbara Levin	17	Sivan
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* 3	June	David Negrin	4	Sivan	17	June	Philip Sultzer	18	Sivan
3	June	Robert Marsand	4	Sivan	17	June	Lillian Cohen	18	Sivan
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3	June	Andrea Hazan	4	Sivan	18	June	Marvin Kaiman	19	Sivan
4	June	Chester Deutsch	5	Sivan	18	June	Adeline A. Teich	19	Sivan
4	June	Edward Buxbaum	5	Sivan	18	June	Barbara Schlosberg	19	Sivan
4	June	Lloyd Goldsmith	5	Sivan	*19	June	Harold Bowman	20	Sivan
4	June	, Samuel Cohen	5	Sivan	19	June	Milton I. Zlotin	20	Sivan
* 4	June	Risa Saffran	5	Sivan	19	June	Zoe Cohen	20	Sivan
4	June	Rita Alexander	5	Sivan	*20	June	Louis Coltman	21	Sivan
5	June	Carlos Tismimezky	6	Sivan	*20	June	Bea Stadtler	21	Sivan
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*5	June	Claire Hammer	6	Sivan	*21	June	Charlotte Berg	22	Sivan
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*6		Julius S. Spector	7	Sivan	21	June	Elsie Brodsky	22	Sivan
*7	June	Robert Cohen			21	June	Harry Kaplan	22	Sivan
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7	June	Nate Persky	8	Sivan	23	June	Joan T. Hook	24	Sivan
7	June	Ruth Berg	8	Sivan	23	June	Ruth Dickson	24	Sivan
7	June	Rita Schor	8	Sivan	23	June	Edythe Simon	24	Sivan
7	June	Rosalyn Cohen	8	/Sivan/	24	June	Carl Isbitts	25	Sivan
8	June	Martin Ravitz	9	Sivan	24	June	Gerald Sheftel	25	Sivan
8	June	Sandy Bernstein	9	Sivan	*24	June	William Schwartz	25	Sivan
*9	June	Miriam Isaacs	10	Sivan	24	June	Glenda Ballew	25	Sivan
9	June	Julius Beer	10	Sivan	*24	June	Diana Robbins	25	Sivan
9	June	Bertha Freed	10	Sivan	24	June	Alan Shultz	25	Sivan
9	June	Helen B. Darling	10	Sivan	25	June	Arthur Padawer	26	Sivan
9	June	Mary Parolisi	10	Sivan	25	June	Ed Mandel	26	Sivan
9	June	Ruth Rappeport	10	Sivan	26	June	Louis Shilling	27	Sivan
* 9	June	Bassie Kron	10	Sivan	27	June	Elliot Gordon	28	Sivan
10	June	Arthur Turner	11	Sivan	*27	June	Fritz Eden	28	Sivan
10	June	Clifford Weiss	11	Sivan	27	June	Paul Cohen	28	Sivan
10	June	Herman Mitchell	11	Sivan	28	June	Morton Berg	29	Sivan
10	June	Jack Kirshstein	11	Sivan	*29	June	Herman Yucht	30	Sivan
11	June	Leon Lubeck	12	Sivan	*29	June	Howard D. Goldman	30	Sivan
11	June	Mania Gontmakher	12	Sivan	29	June	Martin Friedner	30	Sivan
11	June	Sidney November	12	Sivan	29	June	Robert S. Friedman	30	Sivan
12	June	, Mildred Meiselman	13	Sivan	29	June	Carol Schulman	30	Sivan
13	June	George Weinroth	 14	Sivan	29	June	Margie B. Greenberg	30	Sivan
13	June	Frank Spiegel	14	Sivan	29	June	Mildred Itzkowitz	30	Sivan
13	June	Samuel Cohen	14	Sivan	30	June	Louis Cohen	1	Tammuz
* 13	June	Sidney Freedman	14	Sivan	30	June	Morris Steiner	1	Tammuz
13	June	Helen Spiegel	14	Sivan	30	June	Annette Felson	1	Tammuz
14	June	Abraham Bodenstein	15	Sivan	30	June	Linda Greene	1	Tammuz
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14	June	Barbara Millman	15	Sivan					

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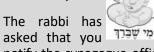
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1	July	Marc Ebel	2	Tammuz	15	July	Hank Landau	16	Tammuz
* 1	July	Ben Smith	2	Tammuz	* 15	July	Arline M. Friedman	16	Tammuz
1	July	Leo Mayers	2	Tammuz	15	July	Elizabeth Sklar	16	Tammuz
* 1	July	Louis Silverberg	2	Tammuz	16	July	Irving Adelman	17	Tammuz
* 1	July	Belle Resnick	2	Tammuz	16	July	Ana G. Sapoznik	17	Tammuz
1	July	Joan Slovin	2	Tammuz	16	July	Betty L. Goldenberg	17	Tammuz
1	July	Sara Cordovi	2	Tammuz	* 16	July	Edna Frankel	17	Tammuz
* 1	July	Sylvia Schulberg	2	Tammuz	16	July	Helen Avni	17	Tammuz
2	July	Abraham M. Richman	3	Tammuz	17	July	Sidney Davis	18	Tammuz
2	July	Alex Rothbard	3	Tammuz	* 17	July	Sidney Rothstein	18	Tammuz
* 2	July	Archie Struhl	3	Tammuz	19	July	Barry Adelman	20	Tammuz
2	July	Herbert Kaplan	3	Tammuz	19	July	Bernard Friedrich	20	Tammuz
2	July	Pauline Kahn	3	Tammuz	19	July	Marvin Goldstein	20	Tammuz
3	July	Marc Sheinbein	4	Tammuz	* 19	July	Murray Steinfeld	20	Tammuz
3	July	Samuel Binder	4	Tammuz	19	July	Jayne Adair	20	Tammuz
3	July	Barbara Goodman	4	Tammuz	19	July	, Ellen Ullman	20	Tammuz
* 4	July	Burnett Roth	5	Tammuz	* 20	July	Beverly Mandel	21	Tammuz
4	July	Anne K. Bernstein	5	Tammuz	20	July	Marcia Stone	21	Tammuz
4	July	Sara Grunfeld	5	Tammuz		July	Saltanatte Filsoof		Tammuz
5	July	Eugene Allen	6	Tammuz	* 20	July	Flori David	\geq	Tammuz
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* 5	July	Irv Sonshein	6	Tammuz	* 21	July	Arthur Robbins		Tammuz
5	July	Betty Lipson	6	Tammuz	21	July	Mildred Green		Tammuz
5	July	Diane F Gilbert	6	Tammuz	22	July	Harold Greenberg		Tammuz
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7	July	Alice Kopen	8	Tammuz	26	July	Irwin Yonks		Tammuz
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8	July	Sarah Krieger	9	Tammuz	* 26	-	Howard Levy		Tammuz
8	July	Sonia Rosenberg	9	Tammuz	26	July	Margaret Rosenzweig		Tammuz
9	July	Leonard Kornbluth	10	Tammuz	× 27	July	• •		
* 9	July	Phillip Morris	10	Tammuz		July	Selma F. Cohen		Tammuz
10	July	Benjamin Karp	11	Tammuz	27	July	Michael Hersh		Tammuz
10	July	Marcos Beker	11	Tammuz	27 * 27	July	Alvin Greenberg		Tammuz
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* 11	July	Albert Easton		Tammuz	* 27	July	Robert Fruchtman		Tammuz
12	July	Bertram Greenberg	13	Tammuz	* 27	July	Barbara Briks		Tammuz
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13	July	Dean Coleman	14	Tammuz	28	July	Aaron Epstein		Tammuz -
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13	July	Roger Waterman		Tammuz	* 29	July	Rosalind Klein	1	Av
* 13	July	Barbara Cohen	14	Tammuz	29	July	Suzanne Levine	1	Av
13	July	Lois Gordon	14	Tammuz	30	July	Herman Peskin	2	Av
13	July	Lorene Shaw	14	Tammuz	30	July	Selma Barman	2	Av
	July	Garry La Vine		Tammuz	31	July	Maj. Alfred E. Isaac	3	Av
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1 (2 Singn)
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Morning Minyan 7a
PS Faculty Planning 9a
Evening Minyan 6:30p
8 (9 Sivan)
Morning Minyan 7a
Evening Minyan 6:30p
15 (16 Sivan)
Morning Minyan 7a
Evening Minyan 6:30p
22 (23 Sivan)
Morning Minyan 7a
Evening Minyan 6:30p
29 (30 Sivan)
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz
Morning Minyan 7a
Evening Minyan 6:30p

JUNE 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 (2 Tammuz)	2 (3 Tammuz) Korach
Addh					Morning Minyan 7a	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Indemendence					Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	
*** DAY ***					Candle Lighting 8:35p	Chadad Eads 0.12 a
3 (4 Tammuz)	4 (5 Tammuz)	5 (6 Tammuz)	6 (7 Tammuz)	7 (8 Tammuz)	8 (9 Tammuz)	9 (10 Tammuz) Chukat
Morning Minvan 9:15a		Morning Minvan 7a	Morning Minvan 7a	Morning Minvan 7a	Morning Minvan 7a	Shabbat Services 9:30a
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	Camp Ruach! Closed Morning Minvan 9a	Schmooze on Zoom 3p Evening Minvan 6-30n				
	No Evening Minyan				Candle Lighting 8:34p	Shabbat Ends 9:42p
10 (11 Tammuz)	11 (12 Tammuz)	12 (13 Tammuz)	13 (14 Tammuz)	14 (15 Tammuz)	15 (16 Tammuz)	16 (17 Tammuz) Balak
Morning Minyan 9:15a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Movies @ The Etz 3p	Camp Ruach! Week 6	Schmooze on Zoom 3p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	
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					Candle Lighting 8:32p	Shabbat Ends 9:39p
17 (18 Tammuz)	18 (19 Tammuz)	19 (20 Tammuz)	20 (21 Tammuz)	21 (22 Tammuz)	22 (23 Tammuz)	23 (24 Tammuz)
Fast of Tammuz	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Pinchas
Morning Minyan 9:15a		Schmooze on Zoom 3p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Sisterhood Book Club 10a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p				
Evening Minyan 6:30p					Candle Lighting 8:28p	Shabbat Ends 9:35p
24 (25 Tammuz)	25 (26 Tammuz)	26 (27 Tammuz)	27 (28 Tammuz)	28 (29 Tammuz)	29 (1 Av)	30 (2 Av) Matot-Masei
Morning Minyan 9:15a	- C2 - C24	Tentative Runoff	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Rosh Chodesh Av	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Evening Minyan 6:30p	Camp Ruach! Week 8	Election	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Morning Minyan 7a	
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		Evening Minyan 6:30p			Candle Lighting 8:23p	Shabbat Ends 9:30p
31 (3 Av)						
Morning Minyan 9:15a						
Evening Minyan 6:30p						

JULY 2022

The Voice of Chaim - June/July 2022





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

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WANT TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS MONTHLY KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE?

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 interestbased 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 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 <u>fosterrob@comcast.net</u>.

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 <u>HAMSAHelps@jfcsatl.org</u>.

**Beit T'Shuvah* is a Jewish residential addiction treatment center in Los Angeles. Learn more at <u>www.beittshuvah.org</u>.

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: <u>savtaesther5@gmail.com</u>. See you on Zoom at: <u>www.tinyurl.com/EtzSchmooze</u> 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 <u>hlneedle@gmail.com</u> 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: <u>https://forms.gle/QW6zFuqr2HgCNruf8</u> or contact Tamar England at <u>tamar.england@gmail.com</u>.

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

Hiking Group Dani Oren at Daniandamir@gmail.com.

Birthday Club Laurie Lavinsky at <u>laulav6@gmail.com</u> or Malka Riesenberg at <u>malka217@gmail.com</u>.

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



Save the Date for **Sisterhood Kickoff** Sunday, August 21, at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for this fabulous event as we kickoff a new season of exciting and engaging programs!

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Fred Davis, beloved Etz Chaim congregant Berna and Noah Levine

my friend, Fred Davis Esther Bigel

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Nancy Sacks and Jeff Rothman

Barbara Rittenberg, beloved mother and grandmother of Scott Rittenberg and family. Hold onto the memories, for they remain with us forever, along with a protective spirit we hope you always sense around you. **Roni and Ian Robbins**

Bertha and Jacob Rothstein, mother and father of Selma Bernstein Selma Bernstein

In support of Congregation Etz Chaim:

Thank you, Rabbi Dorsch for allowing me to speak from the bimah about my journey to create and publish *Hands of Gold*. Thanks, too, to Lilmode for featuring me as your "People of the Book" guest speaker. Also thanking Sisterhood Book Club in advance for having me as its guest speaker on May 22. I do so appreciate the support from my beloved congregation family. **Roni Robbins**

RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch. Thank you very much for assisting with Virgil's conversion to Judaism. It was definitely a bit more challenging with Covid restrictions, but we really appreciate your energy, patience and guidance throughout the process. We are so happy that Virgil was able to complete this journey! Karen Cohen and Virgil

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

In honor of:

Lisa and Sam Olens for their kindness, care, and support. There are no words to express our gratitude for the countless hours Sam spent helping us. May Hashem bless them both.

Meylakh and Galina Barshay

In loving memory of:

Ellen Coltman Barnet O. Coltman

Jack Lincoln (Papa Jack) Linda, Michael, Sarah and Benjamin Diamond

Meilakh Barshay, Meylakh's grandpa and my father-in-law. You are missed and loved. **Meylakh and Galina Barshay**

In memory of:

George Shapiro Beth Mintz

Beth's sister, Anne Schwarzman Beth and Steve Mintz

my father, Isak Kanner, on his yahrzeit. Forever in my heart. Edward Kanner

my father, David Karp, on his yahrzeit Elliot Karp

my father, Paul Goodman, on his yahrzeit Kent Goodman

Libby Yonks, loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, on her yahrzeit **Sandy Rothstein**

my beloved Grandpa, Murray Stern. I am so sorry I never got to meet you. I love you. Myra Sheftel

Wishing Happy Birthday to:

Rabbi Dorsch

Stephanie and Rob Foster

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In beloved memory of:

Claire Schneider, beloved mother of Jack Weinstein. We were sorry to hear of your loss. We trust the memories are sweet. **Bob and Sheri Frohlich**

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my husband, Abe Besser Marlene Besser

RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT

In beloved memory of:

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

In celebration of:

Remy Isabelle Dollar. Thank you, Rabbi Lewis, for performing my granddaughter's naming ceremony. Remy Isabelle Dollar--Ahava Malka.

Sheldon Fram

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In memory of:

my father, Isadore Epstein, on his yahrzeit **Barney Epstein**

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In honor of:

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In loving memory of:

our sweet Phillip Silverman. Hard to believe it's 15 years. We feel your light, love, and hugs always. Mom, Dad, and Laura

Eileen Silverman. Mom/Grandma E - Your memory truly is a blessing. Bonnie, Alan and Laura Silverman

In memory of:

my sister, Allyn Udell. You are thought of and missed every day. And your smile will always be remembered.

Randy Padawer

Phillip Silverman. I love you very much and I hope you and your grandmother have found each other and are together. I love you, Phillip, and always have. Papa Bobby **Robert Silverman**

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In appreciation of:

Bonnie Silverman and Cheryl Eppsteiner for their support of the Sy Lichtenfeld POW program - **Sharon Lightstone & Elyse Shaw**

In beloved memory of:

Phillip Silverman. Remembering Phillip fondly at this time of year. **Bob and Sheri Frohlich**

In memory of:

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my darling wife, Eileen. I miss you more and more each day and my love for you grows more and more each day. I love you, Eileen. Your loving husband, Bobby **Robert Silverman**

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In loving memory of:

my mother. I can't believe it has been five years since I last saw you, but I feel your presence around me each and every day. I miss you dearly and will always love you. Jayne Becker

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In memory of:

my grandson, Anthony Worley, and in appreciation of Congregation Etz Chaim for the lovely and delicious shiva platter Jo Katz-Worley and Family

our loving fathers, Louis Moskowitz and Jake Baer

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In memory of:

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in support of the Backpack Buddies project Stanley and Diane Friedman

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 blessed memory of:

Helen Sonenshine Shelkoff. We miss your smile and dedication to helping all those in need. Mother, Mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, great Aunt. You were a woman of Valor!! Your legacy lives on! Bernice and Bruce Mellman

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:

Lillian Galin **Arlene Manning**

my sister, Carol Gordon Bob Gordon

Stanley Rosenthal Robert Gordon

YOUTH FUND

In memory of:

Selma Kravit Shapiro. My mother dedicated her life to the education and support of youth. She spent 30 years as the Director of the Children's Museum of Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Susan Shapiro McCarthy



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:

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For more information, contact Bob Beer at bob@bobbeer.com







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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 \Box , 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 <u>not</u> 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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Parent's Signature

Child's Signature

Date



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Torah Fund News

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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.

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Emergency Assistance helps people in economic crisis with rent and utilities assistance as well as needed food (both Kosher and not). We're here for your members during this challenging time—and we offer our services with dignity, respect and confidentiality.

For more information about our services, call our Synagogue Support line at 770-677-9436.

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