

Voice of Chaim

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Join us for a festive evening celebrating the Torah. Silly hats are encouraged. All are welcome!

5:30 p.m. Family Experience and Parade

6:00 p.m. Dinner by reservation Cost is \$5 per adult/children 12 and under free.

6:45 p.m. Simchat Torah Celebration Bring your dancing shoes for this spirited celebration

7:15 p.m. Dessert Reception - Free to all. Please RSVP. Ice Cream Sundae Bar (adult toppings will be available)

Tuesday, October 18, at 9:30 a.m. Simchat Torah Service Honoring our Kallat Bereishit and Chatan Torah Ellen and Pip Spandorfer

Please RSVP by October 3 at: www.etzchaim.net/event/simchattorah2022





SukkahFest

Etz Chaim's Fall Music Festival Sunday, October 9

from II:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sisterhood Outdoor Sanctuary, Sukkah, and Back Parking Lot Rain or Shine. Walk-ins are always welcome! (If it rains, this will take place inside.)

This event is sponsored in loving memory of Ira Altfeder z"l, a lover of Jewish music.

Food is available for purchase.

Obstacle Course, Face Painting, spin art craft, and more! Outdoor Concert with Chip McGuire and a petting zoo!

Fun for all ages! You won't want to miss this event!



New this year, **Holland Botanicals** will participate with a mobile Farm Stand with fresh produce.

Enter our raffle for a chance to win a 25-lb. pumpkin.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/sukkahfest2022 II90 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, GA 30068

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Daily Minyan Times:

Sunday Mornings: 9:15 a.m.

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

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

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

www.etzchaim.net/facebooklivestream

Rabbi Dan Dorsch

When I lived in New Jersey, a controversy boiled over one year around Thanksgiving. The New Jersey papers turned their eyes to Lakewood, New Jersey, home to many ultra-Orthodox yeshivot, and the choice of these yeshivot to hold school on Thanksgiving. The rub was that many of the regular scheduled bus drivers who otherwise would have been off with their families were called in to work to bus the kids to school on Thanksgiving Day. The drivers were becoming resentful of the local Jewish community.



At the time, I explained in a column for *Haaretz* that Jewish law frequently makes use of a category called *mipnei darchei shalom*, which translates to "choices we make for the sake of peace in our society". Some of these choices are ones that Jews make to keep peace between Jews, like calling up the *kohen* for the first aliyah. Mostly, however, this category creates allowances necessary to maintain good

relations and peace with our non-Jewish neighbors. Among these things, for example, is giving tzedakah to both Jews and non-Jews living in your community. At the time, I applied this legal principle to the circumstances in Lakewood. If the Jewish community wanted to have school, it could make that decision. But forcing non-Jews to work on a secular holiday was without a doubt a violation of *halacha* that bred resentment against Jews.

As one could imagine, I received critical feedback from our brothers and sisters in Lakewood. Interestingly, as I recall, most of it boiled down to "how dare you use our tradition against us." I had struck a nerve, which perhaps was precisely the point.

There are many things that I am thankful for each time we come to fall and the Thanksgiving season (beyond the "Pumpkin Spice"). But foremost is that I am thankful for the ability to freely practice my religion in American society. We are no doubt living in a time of great divide, whether psychological or actual, in America. But what continues to unite the majority of Americans is our fundamental belief not to intervene in the religious affairs of others, provided those beliefs do no harm. As our Lakewood case points out, it's not always easy to define "harm," and at times we fall short. But this is a social contract that has served our society well and made us one of the prosperous nations on earth.

The success of this social contract makes celebrating Thanksgiving, for me, not only a religious duty, but a patriotic one. Watching the sound bites of Attorney General Merrick Garland's nomination hearing was a moment that should have resonated for all of us when he said: "I come from a family where my grandparents fled anti-Semitism and persecution [...] "The country took us in and protected us, and I feel an obligation to the country to pay back."

When we think about the courage of our ancestors to get onto a boat and come to this country, leaving their entire lives behind, working in sweatshops to build a better and more prosperous life for their children, one can't help but get teary-eyed. Again, as Ken Burns' recent documentary on America and the Holocaust pointed out, there is little doubt our country has struggled to live up to our ideals. But America continues to be our *Goldene Medina*, even if our streets are not actually paved with gold (more likely, Pumpkin Spice).

In our family we make Thanksgiving an expression of our religious beliefs. I do not recite Tachanun, an otherwise mournful prayer, at morning minyan. My family says Hamotzei before we eat. We go around and share one thing we are thankful for that year. No doubt, after years of isolation, for many of us just "being together" in person and surviving the pandemic will be enough.

In the meanwhile, while I'm not sure that forcing people to come into work on Thanksgiving causes them irreparable harm, I am proud to be part of a non-proselytizing religion that prioritizes making choices to keep the peace among people of all faiths. As Jews, we live in a country where we may almost certainly hold school on Thanksgiving if we choose to practice our religion that way. But I continue to believe that we must, for the sake of our social contract and preserving the ways of peace, support others when it comes to practicing their religion as well.

Rabbi Micah Miller

The Importance of gratitude

Thanks.

In the Babylonian Talmud (Berachot 7b) Rabbi Yochanan informs us Leah was the first person to thank God and this is known because it states, "And she became pregnant and gave birth



to a son, and she said, 'This time I will give thanks to God,' and thus he was called Judah" (Genesis 29:35).

This shocked me not because of the circumstances surrounding the first thanks in the Bible. I, like most parents offer up a blessing and moment of thanks when our child is brought into this world. It is not the context but rather the fact that we had to had to read 29 chapters and 34 verses before we saw this type of gratitude towards God!

To be fair, that is not to say that the Torah up to this point has been completely void of gratitude. However, it happened in the form of offerings to God but the words of thanks and the idea of gratitude as we know it today was absent.

This realization has made me think about the thanks that we utter today. Are we living a life filled with only thanks for the miraculous, like the birth of a child or a similar amazing feat? Are we becoming too hesitant to utter the words or are the words becoming stale because they have lost their meaning? It seems to me that it is some combination of all three.

I want to use a new paradigm to try and elevate our thanks that we give. I want to us to think about what I deem one of the most magnificent prayers of gratitude in our tradition, and it is called *Asher Yatzar* or "the one who formed".

This is a blessing that is including as one of the blessings found in the *Birkot HaShachar* portion of our morning liturgy. However, I was first introduced to it as a small child. It was the prayer that I would see my father utter upon leaving the restroom. At the time I thought this was normal, we say blessings after washing our hands on Friday and Saturday so why not after washing them before we left the restroom?

It was not until I asked my father about it that I found out the true meaning of the blessing of gratitude. The blessing is about thanking God for our body functioning properly. While it seems, this should be an obvious thing to be grateful for our tradition anticipates our likelihood to be overwhelmed with life and not be grateful for the obvious things.

So, while it is important for us to show gratitude for the large miraculous moments, like Leah I want to challenge all of us to find those more obvious moments that sometimes forget to say thank you. Or those people that we interact with who we sometimes do not always say thank you to – like our spouse, or children, or our children's teachers. Let us use this next two months to be a time to focus on thanksgiving, to focus on all the blessings we have to be grateful for and to the Divine who has allowed us to encounter them this day.

Kol Tuv, Rabbi Micah E. Miller

Marty Gilbert Executive Director

On the first day of Rosh Hashanah, our family gathered to celebrate Lori's Dad Irwin's 90th birthday.

I realized that Rosh Hashanah starts a

long stretch of gathering holidays: Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, the "S" holidays, culminating in Thanksgiving, when we celebrate football and leftovers. It's not very Jewish but that's okay; we make it work.

Family is the glue that keeps us together. We may not always see life the same and we may have disagreements that sometimes last for decades, but ultimately, it's nice to know that they are there.

Here at Etz Chaim, we are family as well. Some of us haven't seen each other in a while due to COVID or other circumstances, but these Jewish gathering holidays and Shabbat give us the opportunity to revisit old friendships and kindle new ones.

As we gather in the Sukkah for Sukkahfest, "Ribeyes with the Rabbis", "Wines and Vines", Wacky in the Sukkah, Young Adults in the Sukkah, etc. and then Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah, we rekindle the joy of being a family, being joyful, and being Jewish together.

May that joy sustain us with a warmth that lasts through the winter, even a Georgia winter, and into next year when we prepare to gather again.

"THE BOND THAT LINKS YOUR TRUE FAMILY IS NOT ONE OF BLOOD, BUT OF RESPECT AND JOY IN EACH OTHER'S LIFE." ~RICHARD BACH





Jamie Platt Lyons President

High Holidays as a Kid

Growing up, my family was not particularly observant of Jewish holidays. We attended services on Rosh Hashana (only day 1) and Yom Kippur. I didn't know Sukkot existed and I never held, smelled, or shook a



lulav or etrog, or stepped foot in a succah. I hadn't even heard of Shemini Atzeret or Simchat Torah. I had no idea we blew the shofar every morning during Elul and don't recall learning why we bake/eat round challot for the holiday. High Holidays meant a few days off from school and hanging out with my few Jewish friends in the halls of the Jewish Community Center of Harrison (in New York).

Growing up, I did not know most of what I know now as a Conservative, egalitarian, Jewish adult. I learned a great deal about the calendar cycle when I lived in Israel after college, but most of what I know, use, and practice now as a Jewish adult came from my Adult B'nai Mitzvah class with Rabbi Lewis. I was in my late 20s when we started class and I was 3 months pregnant with our oldest child when we celebrated our B'nai Mitzvah service. Learning as an adult certainly allowed me to absorb the information, process it, and make decisions about how I wanted to incorporate Judaism into my life, (a luxury you don't typically have as a child in religious school). The educational side of the class definitely informed the Jewish adult I am today. While the knowledge and information were pivotal, for me, the most important part of the class was the camaraderie with the other congregants.

It's very hard to put into words how impactful it is to work together with others towards a common goal, while socializing, learning about each other, and while being centered around our Jewish community within Etz Chaim. What I did not know then, but I see so clearly now, is there are so many ways to recreate that feeling by re-engaging in almost any aspect of our synagogue. The other day after Shabbat services, a friend I had not seen in a long time said, "I <u>really needed</u> to be back here, but I didn't realize it until I got here."

This statement is so true for so many. I want to encourage you to come back... for services, a Lilmode class, a synagogue event or celebration, a parent program through religious school or preschool, a Men's Club, Sisterhood, or Prime Timer activity. I want to encourage you to participate with us in our chesed and/or social action programs, join a Roots group that interests you, or start a new chavurah (we can help you). There are so many people and so many opportunities to reengage with at Etz Chaim. You might not know you need it until you arrive, but the feeling you'll have when you reconnect will be soulsettling and reinvigorating at the same time.

I love my role as President of Etz Chaim and I'd love to see you back here with me re-engaging, reconnecting, and remembering why Etz Chaim is such a special place for all of us. I am confident that in my role as President I do a lot of things right. That said, I am certain I can improve on just as many things! I said this during my announcements on Shabbat before Rosh Hashana and I want to repeat it here. Please accept my apology for anytime I was offensive or brash, wasn't as thoughtful, empathetic, or as caring as I could have (or should have) been. I apologize for the times I didn't handle a situation or complaint the way you would have liked and, maybe most importantly, I am sorry for the times I didn't even realize you needed me for support, friendship, or assistance. I will do better next time. May all of us be inscribed in the Book of Life for 5783.

Department of Education

DATES TO REMEMBER:

PRESCHOOL

Tuesday 10/4 Wednesday 10/5 School Closed (Yom Kippur) Monday 10/10 Tuesday 10/11 School Closed (Sukkot) Monday, 10/10 Sukkot Family Program Monday, 10/17 **Preschool Family Parade** (5:00 p.m.) Monday 10/17 Tuesday 10/18 School Closed (Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah) Tuesday, 10/18 Simchat Torah Family Program (10:00 a.m.) Saturday, 11/5 **Kids Night Out** (5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.) Tuesday, 11/8 School Closed (Election Day) Monday 11/21 - Friday 11/25 School Closed

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Tuesday, **10/4** School Closed (Yom Kippur) Sunday, **10/9 & 10/30** Sunday Pre-K Tuesday, **10/11** School Closed (Sukkot) Tuesday, **10/18** School Closed (Simchat Torah) Tuesday, **11/8** School Closed (Election Day) Sunday, **11/13** Sunday Pre-K & Mitzvah Fair Sunday **11/20** School Closed Tuesday **11/22** School Closed Sunday **11/27** School Closed



Debbie Deutsch Director of Education

Fall is my favorite time of year with my favorite holidays. To me, there is nothing better than watching the leaves change color and the beauty those colors bring. I love sitting in our sukkah in the crisp fall, hopefully dry, air. I want to celebrate Simchat Torah with joy and dancing. I like to revel in the changes that will come and how those changes impact our schools. Do we have what we need for our preschoolers to play on the Figur Family Outdoor

Classroom? Does everyone have boots to keep warm and /or jump in the puddles? And as the sun will set much earlier, how can our Religious School kids get outside for recess and play safely? Can we manage some quality time in the parking lot as it is getting dark? The answer to all those questions is always "yes". Yes, we have what we need and do what we do because our focus is always the children. Throughout every hour in the Education Wing, all our children are given what they need to be successful. Sometimes, that requires adjusting what we have done to do it equally as well under different circumstances. Fall brings those different circumstances, which in turn takes us to winter with many different circumstances. And although many people get unsettled about the time change and the changes in the weather, we are going to embrace and celebrate them. Because that's what children, and people who work with them, do.





Lauren Chernau Assistant Director Etz Chaim Preschool

Often when reflecting on my childhood, I fondly remember one of my most favorite playtime activities - fort building. I recall gathering up every pillow and blanket in the house and constructing what I thought was the most elaborate place of dwelling. What was so appealing about building forts? I think it was the idea of constructing something myself that I could be a part of. I believe it

was the cozy feeling of being in a small space. Or maybe it was the pride I felt when I asked my friends or siblings to join me in the fort. As an adult, now a part of a preschool, I see that young children still find such pleasure in fort building. Often, I will be in a classroom where children are playing happily inside of a box turned on its side. Or they are gathered under a table with blankets draped on the sides. As we celebrate Sukkot, I am, once again, reminded of that warm and fond memory of my childhood. The holiday commemorates a time of harvest. We are commanded to build a Sukkah, a fort of sorts, to dwell in for the length of the holiday. We eat, drink, and celebrate with friends and family in our Sukkot, and we practice traditions associated with the holiday inside our huts. And when I celebrate Sukkot, I often get that same warm and cozy feeling of fort building. I feel that pride of being Jewish and carrying on traditions that have been passed down from so many generations before me. As we introduce Sukkot into our classrooms this year, I will excitedly see those boxes turn into a Sukkah and small children excitedly snuggled together under tables and other temporary structures that represent their Sukkah. So what is that warm and cozy feeling that we experience? I believe that it is God's presence. It is that feeling that reminds us that we are part of something much bigger. God commands us to dwell in the Sukkah to remember our past. To quote the Torah, (Lev. 23:42-43), "You shall dwell in booths for seven days...that your generations may know that I made the Children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt." This year, may we all feel the warmth of God's presence as we celebrate these sacred days together.

2022-2023 Religious School Faculty



Debbie Deutsch Director of Education



Madelyn Chernau K'tantanim-Pre-K



Esti Kleinman Kitah Gan-Kindergarten



Claire Isbitts Kitah Alef-1st Grade/ Kitah Gimel—3rd Grade





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SaraJane Weinstein Kitah Dalet—4th Grade



Debbie Isbitts Kitah Vav—6th Grade



Tiana Plendl Kitah Bet Eilat-2nd Grade/ Office Admin.



Eden England Kitah Dalet—4th Grade



Elaine Schwartz Kitah Vav—6th Grade



Kitah Bet Eilat—2nd Grade



Marisa Gewertz Kitah Hay—5th Grade



Allison Barchichat Kitah Zayin—7th Grade/ Madrichim Coordinator



Sara Fran Neuwirth Kitah Gimel—3rd Grade



Aiden Okrent Kitah Hay—5th Grade



Rabbi Miller Kitah Zayin—7th Grade



lan Greenwald Kitah Gimel—3rd Grade



Mia Kleinman Kitah Hay—5th Grade



Donna Bierman Learning Specialist

Leah Green Director of Engagement and Youth Programming

From the end of October through the beginning of November, we are in the Hebrew month of Cheshvan, also called Marcheshvan, where *mar* means bitter. Great, starting our month off with a bitter taste in our mouth. But don't worry - there is a deeper meaning in this. This time of calm in the Jewish religion is also a time to reflect on what you learned about yourself in the past month. It is a time to integrate new ways of thinking and new ways to live. So let's talk about how to create new habits.

Neurologically, you can create new pathways at any point in your life. New experiences allow us to change our brains because of our ever changing neuroplasticity. Growing our neuro-connections is not an easy feat. The process of changing your already built neuro-connections starts with building awareness - awareness of how you live your life everyday. Start by thinking about what your routine is and quite literally choose what you like about it and what you don't like about it. This will help develop an attainable goal.

Once you figure out what goal you want to achieve, for example, taking a walk everyday, you attach this new habit to a current habit. This strategy, called habit stacking, can help make the transition to a new habit easier. For example, you want to start a habit by walking a mile five days a week. Take step one by attaching brushing your teeth in the morning with taking a two minute walk right afterwards. By habit stacking and biting off a small chunk, you take step one into a new routine.

According to James Clear in his book, *Atomic Habits,* "all big things come from small beginnings. The seed of every habit is a single, tiny decision. But as that decision is repeated, a habit sprouts and grows stronger. Roots entrench themselves and branches grow." This stresses the importance of step ones - those tiny first steps of new habits being built. The "two-minute rule", also created by James Clear, notes that a new habit should not feel like a challenge if you bite off small chunks. It is better to do 2 minutes of something than do nothing at all. "The art of showing up" takes practice and eventually you'll want to go big and go all in. So if there's one thing I could wish for you this Cheshvan, it's a beautiful time to disrupt your routine and improve your habits.

Check out what's happening in our Youth Department!!

Big things are happening in the Youth Department! I want to give a huge thank you to everyone that helped during Rosh Hashanah services. It was an amazing success, and it wouldn't have been possible without all the help we received. Personally, it was so fulfilling to see all the teens that care so much

about their spirituality, especially nowadays. Sometimes it's hard to see the good in the world today, but on these holy days, I saw the next generation working together to truly understand the world. That really changed my perspective when I look forward to the future.

This past month has been packed with fun for the youth groups! We did Field Day, the Etz Games, and cupcake decorating. We can't forget about our huge inflatable waterslide either. We had so much fun at these events and the kids were so happy. It warms my heart to see that. Thank you so much for all the support we've been given this past month.

Youth group is extremely important for a kid, especially nowadays. With the increasing pressures of everyday life, for a kid, it's scary and intimidating to even walk out the door. This type of Jewish socialization helps a child explore their spirituality in a safe place and in a meaningful way. These meaningful friendships are an excellent way for your child to learn about themselves. If you are interested in signing your child up, please contact Leah Green at leah@etzchaim.net or fill out the registration form at: Youth Department Registration 2022-2023 - Form - Congregation Etz Chaim.

Also come check out <u>Sukkahfest 2022</u>! It is on Sunday, October 9, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and the religious school children will be escorted to a concert at 11:00 a.m. at the outdoor sanctuary at Etz Chaim. See the cover of the Voice for additional details.

(USY in Chapel with officers)

Officers Brunson, Duling, and Quan were honored by our youth in recalling the tragedy of September 11. It's equally important to remember and to honor those among us who are our local heroes. Jewish National Fund provided the gifts, which have a photo of the 9/11 monument in Israel, the only one of its kind outside of the United States. It lists all of those who perished on that tragic day.







Our Etz Chaim Community

Mazal Tov to...

Carol and Brian Sacks on the engagement of their son Jared to LeighRoss Keza

Condolences to...

Guity Filsoof on the loss of her beloved husband, Adel Filsoof

Jeffrey Goodman on the loss of his beloved mother, Lillian Goodman

Beth Levin on the loss of her beloved father, Barry Dvorchik

Wendy Cohen on the loss of her beloved mother, Harriet Levin

Thank You to our 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.



Traditional Service with Alternative Options

Saturday, October 1, 2022 Services at 9:30 a.m. - Radow Sanctuary



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



Yoga with Paula Coplon in Phillip's Library, **10:45 a.m.** Bring mat and comfortable clothes. The sermon will be a timely conversation between Rabbi Dorsch and congregants Jennifer Greenberg and her son Ethan on Mental Health and the Blue Dove Foundation.

TEAM SHABBAT Stay and Play - Babysitting



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.**

Save the date: December 10 for our next Shabbat L'Kulam

1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. | Marietta, GA 30068







Join us for:



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

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



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

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

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

A HEARTY MAZAL TOV TO THESE STUDENTS CELEBRATING THEIR BAR MITZVAH!



Ethan Greenberg will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 29, 2022 – 4 Cheshvan 5783. He is the son of Jennifer Greenberg. Ethan's Bar Mitzvah Parasha is Noach. He is a 7th grader at Hightower Trail Middle School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School nine years. Ethan's hobbies and interests include Rubiks Cubes, playing tuba, guitar, piano, Fortnight and spending time with friends.

For Ethan's mitzvah project, he will spark conversation around mental health at Shabbat L'Kulam on October 1, and raise money for the Blue Dove Foundation.



Zachary Buxbaum will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 12, 2022 - 18 Cheshvan 5783. He is the son of Lisa Windholz and Adam Buxbaum. Zachary's Bat Mitzvah Parasha as Vayera. He is a 7th grader at St. Frances School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for eight years and

attended our Preschool for four years. Zachary's hobbies and interests include

soccer and spending time with friends.

For his mitzvah project, Zachary is sharing his love for soccer with other children.

Upcoming B'nai Mitzvah

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

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

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

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

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



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



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

With Rosh Hashanah behind us and Yom Kippur upon us, we look forward to Sukkot and our signature event, "**Ribeyes with the Rabbis**", a.k.a. Steak & Leadership Innovation Community Scotch in the Sukkah, on October 10 at 7:00 p.m. After finally getting back to

this fun program last year, we expect to have a large attendance this year. I want to thank all of those who volunteered and those who have continually manned the grills and the kitchen to include John Chaifetz, Bart Agrow, Jerry Cohen, Alan Lightstone and supported by several members who are always happy to help. The main course will be Ribeyes with all the fixins, the scotch and bourbon tastings, and finished off with delicious brownies baked by our own Hank Needle. Nobody leaves hungry.

We want to offer many thank you's to our board member **David Selby** for his generous donation, which was a highlight of the evening, along with **Mathew Nathan** for his contributions as well.

Next up is the **Atlanta Kosher Bar B Q Festival** on **Sunday, October 25**, at Brook Run Park in Dunwoody. More information can be found at <u>https://theatlantakosherbbq.com/.</u> Please add attending this fun event to your calendar. If you are interested in helping the crew this year, please reach out to Bryan Coleman.

We are pleased to announce "Veterans Shabbat" on November 5. Please plan to join us and offer your thanks to our Veterans for their service or be thanked for your service. This provides a meaningful way to recognize our veterans for their commitment to defend us, our families, and our country.

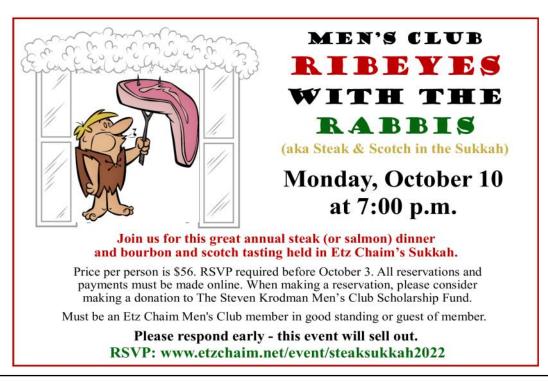
If you are interested in becoming a Men's Club Trustee or holding a Board position, please contact Bryan, Mathew or myself at <u>mensclub@etzchaim.net</u>.

We continue to expand our **Memorial Bricks Program** for the Holocaust Garden. Please consider purchasing a Brick for a loved one or a Certificate to celebrate a simcha. Memorial Brick Certificates are available through the Men's Club or online at <u>etzchaim.net</u>.

We hope to start planning many new events when appropriate for social gatherings in the synagogue and outside the synagogue. This will include the Sunday Morning Breakfast with a presentation on different topics, social activities and the like. If you have a suggestion, please reach out to Bryan, Mathew, or me.

Look for your Men's Club events and activities in the Voice of Chaim, EtzBlast on Thursdays, and our website Men's Club page.

David Lieberman	Bryan Coleman	Mathew Nathan
President	1 st VP	2 nd VP





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

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 is enjoying this beautiful fall! We enjoyed seeing so many of you at Rosh Hashanah services and are looking forward to seeing everyone on Yom Kippur and in the Sukkah later this month. We hope that you joined us in sending New Year's greetings to family and friends as well as recording memories of your loved ones in Sisterhood's annual *High Holiday Greeting and Remembrance Book.* We thank all who participated in this, our largest fundraiser of the year. All proceeds directly benefit our Etz Chaim community. A huge thank you to Elizabeth



Low, Helaine Mark, and Lauren Gray, our Ways and Means VPs, for the creation of this year's book! It will be available at High Holiday services and to view online. Fall continues with rich program offerings from your Sisterhood.

Join us for a fabulous and fun **Pinktober Mah Jongg Mixer, Thursday, October 20, from 6:45-9:00 p.m.** at **Etz Chaim,** to benefit *TurningPoint Breast Cancer Rehabilitation Center*. An \$18 donation is suggested to participate. **Please see the ad on page 17 for more information and to RSVP.**

Beginning on Monday, October 24, we resume one of our favorite lunch and learn series, Shalom in the Shul, in-person at Etz Chaim from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Enjoy engaging and lively conversation with Rabbi Emeritus Lewis as he shares vignettes from his soon-to-be-published book, Faith Without the Leap: A Modern Guide for the Perplexed. Please see the ad on page 27 for a complete calendar of dates and to register.

In appreciation for our Sisterhood community, we cordially invite all current members to attend **"Bee Mitzvah" on Sunday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m.** Join us for a fun night of crafting and learning. Our very own Paula Coplon will lead us in making beeswax Shabbat candles and we will hear from local beekeeper Sherri Russo. This event is free and open to current Sisterhood members. Not a current member? No problem! You can renew your membership and pay your \$36 annual dues online when you sign up for this event. Non-members can attend the event for \$18. **Please see the ad on page 27 to register.**

The Sisterhood Book Club will meet on Sunday, November October 16, at 10:00 a.m. We will discuss *The Zookeeper's WIfe* by Diane Ackerman. This meeting will be hosted by Neda Gayle. We will also meet on Sunday, November 13, at 10:00 a.m. We will discuss *The Man Who Sold Air in the Holy Land: Stories by Omer Friedlander*. This meeting will be hosted by Iris Bachenheimer Please see the ad on page 17 for more information and to RSVP.

Calling all knitters (and those who crochet too)! Sisterhood annually provides warm knitted items to MUST Ministries to supply those in need around the December holidays. We are currently looking for knitters to help fulfill this important Mitzvah. **Knitted items are due by December 9.**

Donate to the Torah Fund and receive a pin! Our theme for 2022-2023 is Chazak v'Ematz, Be Strong and *Courageous*. Wearing this pin signifies the joy of Sisterhood members working together to make important contributions to our community. When you donate, you help to support Masorti Jewish education and programming that prepares our future Jewish leaders and clergy for their roles in this continuously changing and evolving world. For more information, see page 12 or contact our Torah Fund Chair, Sandy Bailey, at <u>ibsandy10@gmail.com</u> or Pam Ziskend, 770-377-2599 or pamziskend@yahoo.com

We encourage you to get involved! Volunteer. Join a committee. Attend Sisterhood-sponsored Thursday night Minyan. The possibilities are endless! Feel connected, have fun, and meet people. Have questions? 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>.

We wish everyone a meaningful fast, festive Sukkot, and very happy and healthy Thanksgiving. We are so thankful for our Etz Chaim community including our large and engaged Sisterhood membership.

Until next time...

Neda and Lauren Co-Presidents, Sisterhood

> שנה טובה ומתוקה Wishing you good health and a sweet year ahead!



CELEBRATING 80 YEARS

Announcing

Our 2022-2023 Chazak v'Ematz Campaign

Be Strong and Courageous

We summon strength and fortitude in these changing times to continue to make an important impact at our global Conservative/Masorti institutes of higher education: Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, Schechter Institutes, Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano and Zacharias Frankel College.

Your generosity helps provide essential scholarships and programs to train future leaders of the Jewish community. Torah Fund helps develop future rabbis, cantors, educators, synagogue administrators, social workers, scholars, researchers, lay leaders and others.

When you support Torah Fund, you help educate students in New York, Los Angeles, Israel, Latin America and Europe—and you align with those who value knowledge, learning and providing the future generation with relevant skills to enrich the Jewish people.

Let us know if we can reserve one for you!

Sandy Bailey, 770-490-7874 or jbsandy10@gmail.com Pam Ziskend, 770-377-2599 or pamziskend@yahoo.com This pin symbolizes the story of the Israelites preparing to enter the Promised Land, when the leadership transitions from Moses to Joshua. The Israelites and Joshua are instructed to "be strong and courageous" (Deuteronomy 31:6, 7, 23; Joshua 1:6, 7, 9, 18). The 5783 Torah Fund pin represents 80 years of ever-increasing strength of Torah Fund.



MINYAN AND SHABBAT INFORMATION FOR IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM:

All Shabbat Services in-person and via livestream. Minyanim will be held in-person only. Monday - Friday Mornings 7:00 a.m. ☆ Sunday Mornings 9:15 a.m. Sunday through Thursday Evenings 6:30 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 p.m. ☆ Shabbat Morning Services 9:30 a.m. Click link to livestream: <u>https://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream</u> 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.



Teshuvah, Tefillah, Tzedakah! Start the Jewish New Year off with a mitzvah and donate food to the JF&CS HIGH HOLIDAYS FOOD DRIVE

Drop off items September 12–October 18, 2022 in JF&CS bins at your synagogue, temple, school, or at Jewish Family & Career Services. Food from the yearly High Holidays Food Drive is the main source of donations for the JF&CS Kosher Food Pantry. We need your help to continue to feed those most in need!

> Most needed items include: canned tuna, canned fruit, canned vegetables, rice, beans, canned tomatoes, and dry pasta.

Learn more at jfcsatl.org/fooddrive Questions? Contact Stacy Fialkow at 770.677.9357 or sfialkow@jfcsatl.org



jfcsatl.org Jewish Family & Career Services 4549 Chamblee Dunwoody Road Atlanta, GA 30338 770.677.9300



Did you know that 1 in 6 children in Georgia is food insecure?

Did you know that children who rely on free breakfast and lunch at school are often food insecure on weekends?

Join us as we launch Backpack Buddies at Etz Chaim to help fill the



weekend hunger gap. We will be providing weekly bags of food to children at Eastvalley Elementary School and are looking for volunteers to donate food, deliver bags, and more.

Contact <u>lsherman15@yahoo.com</u> for more information on how to get involved.

Donations will be accepted in the Etz Chaim lobby. To order on Amazon or see examples of the types of food we accept, click here: https://amzn.to/3xbMqjl

High Holiday Schedule 5783

KOLNIDRE	
Tuesday, October 4	
Mincha Service **	6:30 p.m.
Kol Nidre	7:00 p.m.
YOM KIPPUR	
Wednesday, October 5	
Morning Service (Shacharit)*	8:30 a.m.
Babysitting (Infant to Pre-K)	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Young Family Service (Infant to Pre-K)	9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. (Lutheran Church)
Chavaya (Kindergarten to 1 st Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
Chavaya (2 nd to 3 rd Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
Chavaya (4 th to 5 th Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
Pre-Teen & Teen Service (6 th to 12 th Grade)	10:00 a.m. – noon (Lutheran Church)
Yizkor (approximate start time)	11:30 a.m.
Afternoon service (Mincha)	5:00 p.m.
Closing Service (Neilah)	6:40 p.m.
Evening Service (Ma'ariv)	7:40 p.m.
Shofar Sounds	7:54 p.m.
*Doors open in the mor	ning at 7:30 a.m.
** Doors open for Min	cha at 6:00 p.m.
SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH	
Monday, October 10	
Sukkot Services	9:30 a.m.
Preschool Family Sukkot Experience	10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Tuesday, October 11	
Sukkot Services	9:30 a.m.
Wine tasting to follow, sponsored by The Prime Timers	
Monday, October 17	
Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service	9:30 a.m.
Simchat Torah Family Experience	5:30 p.m.
Simchat Torah Dinner – By Reservation	6:00 p.m.
Simchat Torah Celebration	6:45 p.m.
Simchat Torah Dessert Reception	7:45 p.m.
Tuesday, October 18	
Simchat Torah Service	9:30 a.m.
Preschool Family Simchat Torah Experience	10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.







Sukkot Schedule 5783 / 2022

Sunday, October 9 - 11:30 a.m. Erev Sukkot - Sukkah Fest Monday, October 10 - 9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services 10:30 a.m. Sukkot Family Program 7:00 p.m. Men's Club Ribeyes with the Rabbis in the Sukkah Tuesday, October 11 - 9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services Noon Vines and Wines: A Wine Tasting Wednesday, October 12 - 6:30 a.m. USY Wacky in the Sukkah Thursday, October 13 - 6:00 p.m. Young Adults Dinner in the Sukkah with the Rabbi Sunday, October 16 - Hoshana Rabah Monday, October 17 - 9:30 a.m Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service



The Rabbis, Board of Trustees and Staff of Congregation Etz Chaim wish you a happy, healthy and sweet new year.

שנה טובה ומתוקה

Shana Tova Umetukah

Daniel Dorsch, Rabbi Micah Miller, Associate Rabbi Shalom Lewis, Rabbi Emeritus Jamie Platt Lyons, President Marty Gilbert, Executive Director

Vines and Wines: A Wine Tasting Tuesday, October 11 Second Day of Sukkot

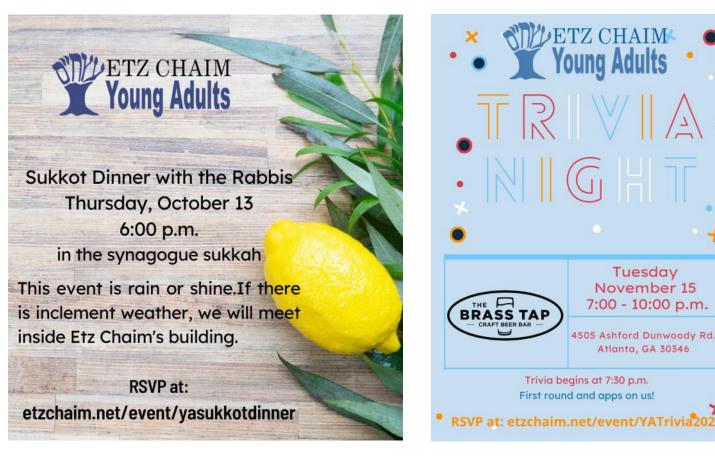
Join us immediately following services at approximately 12 noon in the sukkah. All are welcome ~ 21 and over

The wine tasting will be co<mark>n</mark>ducted by Krog<mark>er at</mark> Parkaire. Sponsored by The Prime Timers

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RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/vines&wines2022







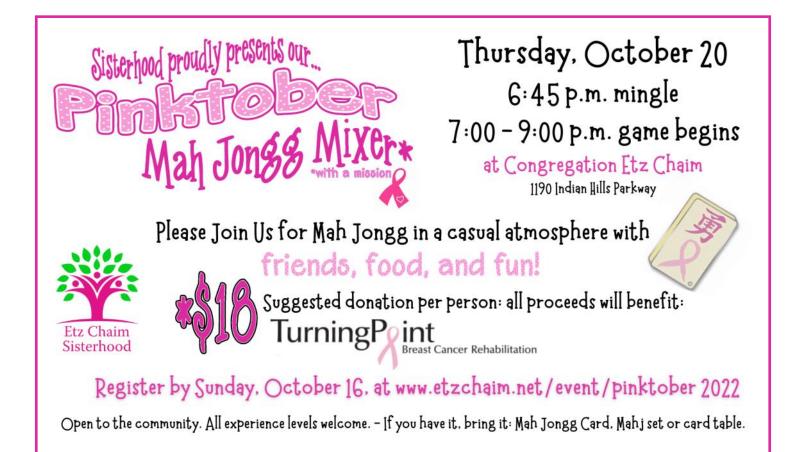
UPCOMING DATES FOR 2022-2023:

October 16 - *The Zookeepers Wife* by Diane Ackerman - Host: Neda Gayle November 13 - *The Man Who Sold Air in the Holy Land: Stories in Israel* by Omer Friedlander - Host: Iris Bachenheimer December 18 - *The Last Rose of Shanghai* by Weina Dai Randel - Host: Patrice Levy

January 23February 19March 19April 16May 21June 18

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

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





Upcoming Programs Lilmode - Adult Education

October and November December see page 29



CHALLAHS AROUND THE WORLD Wednesday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m. with Lara Rush



Shabbat breads don't start and end with the traditional egg challah we know. Lara Rush - private chef to the rich and famous, pastry chef and congregant - will bake a peaches-and-cream challah and a Yemenite kubaneh (both pareve) for us to taste. Then Lara will demonstrate the beginning steps in making Moroccan bread; everyone will get to take home the recipe and spice bag for this bread.

At the end of the evening, one copy of Rising, The Book of Challah by Rochie Pinson (the source of these recipes) will be raffled off to a lucky participant!

Register soon - space is limited!

www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodechallah

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The Bukharian Jews of Uzbekistan, Tajikstan, Israel and Atlanta



Liat Tzionov with Liat Tzionov and Khano Aranbayeva

Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

At the far edge of the civilized world, along the Silk Road in central Asia, Jewish communities formed well over a millennium ago. In recent decades most of these Bukharian Jews, mainly from what we know today as Uzbekistan and Tajikistan, have left for Israel and the U.S., bringing their close-knit families and religious practices to Israel and the U.S. Liat Tzionov - born in Uzbekistan, raised in Israel, now living in Marietta - will Aranbayeva introduce us to the history and customs of the global Bukharian community, and Khano Aranbayeva, Executive Director of the King David Community Center will introduce us to the second largest community of Bukharian Jews in the U.S. - right here in Atlanta!



Khano

RSVP at www.etzchaim.net/event/bukharianjews

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Join us for a special Pride Shabbat Service

Learn about Congregation Etz Chaim's commitment to our inclusive kehillah (community) and what programming is available from the CEC Pride Alliance celebrating our LGBTQ+ community.

www.etzchaim.net/cec-pride-alliance





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Etz Chaim and Atlanta Pride

Etz Chaim is joining SOJOURN and the Atlanta Jewish community to march in <u>the</u> Atlanta Pride Parade on October 9!

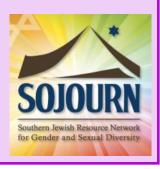
Don your best rainbow gear and join us at 12 p.m. at the Atlanta Civic Center MARTA station to help us show that Atlanta's Jewish community shows UP for Pride! If you are interested in marching or have any questions, please contact <u>Marty Gilbert</u> or <u>Andrew Kagan</u>.

Other events during Atlanta Pride weekend:

Friday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m., the Dock at Piedmont Park Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta is hosting a Pride Shabbat experience.

Sunday, October 9, 10 a.m.—6:00 p.m.; Booth B-2 in Piedmont Park Enjoy the Atlanta Pride Festival at the Jewish Community and SOJOURN's booth (closest entrance is off Park Dr. and Monroe Dr.)

For information regarding Etz Chaim's Pride Alliance, visit us at: www.etzchaim.net/cec-pride-alliance





THE LISA F. BRILL INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM PRESENTS

Melton: Ethics of Jewish Living Year 2 Sundays, 10:30-11:30 am | October 30, 2022-May 7, 2023 Instructor: Rabbi Daniel Dorsch

Join us for a course that explores the wisdom of ancient and modern rabbis and thinkers, offering multiple Jewish approaches to topics such as the environment, interpersonal relationships, end-of-life decisions, stem-cell research, and more.

For more information, contact atlantajcc.org/ethics or brill.institute@atlantajcc.org



Mocha Mondays

MJCCA

8:30 a.m.

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

Save these dates:

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





Torah Study with the Rabbi

Thursdays, October 27, November 3, 10 & 17, December 1 at 10:00 a.m.

In-person and via Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/TorahStudy5783

Coming to Lilmode in November: Mindful Judaism

Attentiveness and Appetites: Judaic Perspectives on Ethics and Eating with Jonathan K. Crane

Raymond F. Schinazi Scholar of Bioethics and Jewish Thought at Emory University's Ethics Center



Monday, November 15

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

In America, we are taught to consume the world with impunity. Judaism, by contrast, encourages us to be aware of our appetites and exercise our restraint muscles. Join us as we gnaw on some of these tensions and classic sources in this program by the author of many books and articles on the subject, including Eating Ethically: Religion and Science for a Better Diet.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodeNov15

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חבורה Etz Chaim

Chavurah

New Chavurot Forming!!

A chavurah is a wonderful opportunity to build treasured friendships in a small setting with other people in the Etz Chaim community.

Your chavurah will gather regularly throughout the year to enrich your lives by socializing, learning, and celebrating Jewish life together. Chavurah members plan activities of their own choosing.

If you are interested, please complete the form at:

www.etzchaim.net/form/chavurot

We look forward to speaking with you and getting to know you!

Ellen Davison 770-656-9602 and Felicia Berne 678-910-1656 or chavurah@etzchaim.net

October 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 vahrzeit and on all Yizkor holidays.

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 average office in the event of a family member's hospital stay or serious illness.

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* 1-Oct	Esther Kalen	6	Tishrei	16-Oct William Jacobsohn	21	Tishrei
* 1-Oct	Robert Landerman	6	Tishrei	16-Oct Paul Berman	21	Tishrei
* 1-Oct	Luba Lifshitz	6	Tishrei	17-Oct Rose Feld	22	Tishrei
* 1-Oct	Sarah Lewis	6	Tishrei	*18-Oct Liselotte "Lilo" Tritt	23	Tishrei
1-Oct	Vivian A. Rafferty	6	Tishrei	18-Oct Mildred Bayliss	23	Tishrei
* 2-Oct	Pearl Siegel	7	Tishrei	18-Oct Irving H. Hook	23	Tishrei
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* 4-Oct	Harry Deutch	9	Tishrei	21-Oct William Wise	26	Tishrei
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4-Oct	Joe Wilensky	9	Tishrei	21-Oct Evelyn Kirshstein	26	Tishrei
4-Oct	Eva Siskin	9	Tishrei	*22-Oct Julie M. Halpern	27	Tishrei
5-Oct	Rose W. Martin	10	Tishrei	22-Oct Judy Zager	27	Tishrei
5-Oct	Miriam Pavlo	10	Tishrei	22-Oct Benjamin Glancz	27	Tishrei
5-Oct	David Testa	10	Tishrei	22-Oct Claudia Harrison	27	Tishrei
6-Oct	Barbara Ziff	11	Tishrei	22-Oct Clara Kirschenbaum	27	Tishrei
6-Oct	Stanley Levine	11	Tishrei	22-Oct Maurice Golsen	27	Tishrei
7-Oct	Joseph Bercuson	12	Tishrei	22-Oct Mimi Fagin	27	Tishrei
7-Oct	Benjamin Hoffman	12	Tishrei	23-Oct Leonard Ross	28	Tishrei
7-Oct	Gerald Brandt	12	Tishrei	23-Oct Reuben Mozenter	28	Tishrei
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9-Oct	Harry Barman	14	Tishrei			
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10-Oct	Edward Karp	15	Tishrei	26-Oct Arlette Miller	1	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Beverly Topiol	15	Tishrei	26-Oct James S. Meharg	1	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Cecelia Binder	15	Tishrei	26-Oct Nellie Levy	1	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Carey Golsen	15	Tishrei	*27-Oct Lillian Intner	2	Cheshvan
* 11-Oct	Rosebelle Roth	16	Tishrei	27-Oct Linda Idelson	2	Cheshvan
11-Oct	Douglas Streetman	16	Tishrei	27-Oct Michael Lieberbaum		Cheshvan
11-Oct	Ruth Silver	16	Tishrei	*28-Oct Michael Nadolne	3	Cheshvan
11-Oct	Elizabeth Bernstein	16	Tishrei	28-Oct Barbara Shapiro	3	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Gerald Lieberman	17	Tishrei	28-Oct Leonard Lipson	3	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Paula Vanovitch	17	Tishrei	28-Oct Fanny Berman	3	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Mildred Turetzky	17	Tishrei	29-Oct Robert Mooney	4	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Max Naiman	17	Tishrei	29-Oct Jay Richer	4	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Faye Shafferman	17	Tishrei	29-Oct Isidor Goodman	4	Cheshvan
13-Oct	Jan K. Coleman	18	Tishrei	*30-Oct Libby Kornbluth	5	Cheshvan
13-Oct	Sidney Rosenblatt	18	Tishrei	30-Oct Barbara Rubenstein	5	Cheshvan
13-Oct	Lily Oling		Tishrei	30-Oct Louise Carreiro	5	Cheshvan
* 14-Oct	Max Greif	19	Tishrei	30-Oct Bootsie Gutterman	5	Cheshvan
14-Oct	Howard Schneider	19	Tishrei	30-Oct Joyce Bernstein	5	Cheshvan
14-Oct	Henry Kornick	19	Tishrei	*31-Oct Joseph Rand	6	Cheshvan
15-Oct	Frances A. Frank	20	Tishrei	31-Oct Roza Meshman	6	Cheshvan
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						 (6 Tishrei) Vayeilech Shabbat L'Kulam 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:45a Shabbat Ends 8:12p
2 (7 <i>Tishrei</i>) Morning Minyan 9:15a Religious School 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a Chalutzim Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p	3 (8 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p Men's Club Meeting 7p	 4 (9 Tishrei) Kol Nidre No Religious School Preschool Closed Morning Minyan 7a Synagogue Closes at Noon See Schedule on page 13 	5 (10 Tishrei) Yom Kippur & Yizkor Preschool Closed Synagogue Offices Closed See Schedule on page 13 Yom Kippur Ends 8:07p	6 <i>(11 Tishrei)</i> Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p	7 (12 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Tot Shabbat 5p Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:56p	8 (<i>13 Tishrei</i>) Ha'azinu Shabbat Services 9:30a Shabbat Ends 8:03p
9 (14 <i>Tishrei</i>) Erev Sukkot Morning Minyan 9:15a Rs & Pre-K 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a SukkahFest 11:30a Evening Minyan 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:54p	10 (15 Tishrei) Sukkot Columbus Day Preschool Closed Synagogue Offices Closed Sukkot Services 9:30a Sukkot Family Prog. 10:30a Men's Club Ribeyes with Rabbis 7p Candle Lighting 7:52p	 (16 Tishrei) Sukkot No Religious School Preschool Closed Synagogue Offices Closed Sukkot Services 9:30a Vines & Wines: A Wine Tasting 12p Shabbat Ends 7:59p 	12 (<i>17 Tishrei</i>) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan <i>7</i> a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky in the Sukkah 7p PS Faculty Meeting 7p	13 (18 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Young Adults Sukkot Dinner 6p Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7p Exec. Committee Mtg. 7:15p	14 (19 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:47p	15 (<i>20 Tishrei</i>) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Shabbat Services 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:45a Shabbat Ends 7:54p
16 (21 Tishrei) Hoshana Rabah Religious School 9:15a Morning Minyan 9:15a Sisterhood Book Club 10a Minyan Breakfast 10a Chaverim Event 12:15p Board of Trustees Mtg. 4p Evening Minyan 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:45p	17 (22 Tishrei) Shmini Atzeret & Yizkor Preschool Closed Synagogue Offices Closed Holiday Services 9:30 a Preschool & Young Family Simchat Torah Experience 5p Simchat Torah Dinner 5:30p Candle Lighting 7:44p	18 (23 Tishrei) Simchat Torah Preschool Closed No Religious School Synagogue Offices Closed Simchat Torah Service 9:30a Simchat Torah Family Program 10:30a Shabbat Ends 7:50p	19 (<i>24 Tishrei</i>) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30p <i>Lilmode</i> : Challah from Around the World 7p	20 (<i>25 Tishrei</i>) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterhood Pinktober 6:45p	21 (<i>26 Tishrei</i>) Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:39p	22 (<i>27 Tishrei</i>) Bereshit Pride Shabbat 9:30a Shabbat Ends 7:46p
23 (28 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 9:15a Religious School 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a Gesher Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p	24 <i>(29 Tishrei)</i> Morning Minyan 7a Shalom in the Shul 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	25 (<i>30 Tishrei</i>) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Morning Minyan 7a Schmooze on Zoom 3p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p Lilmode Program 7p	26 (<i>1 Cheshvan</i>) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30p	27 <i>(2 Cheshvan)</i> Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	28 <i>(3 Cheshvan)</i> Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:31p	29 (<i>4 Cheshvan</i>) Noach Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Greenberg 9:30a Shabbat Ends 7:38p
30 <i>(5 Cheshvan)</i> RS & Pre-K 9:15a Morning Minyan 9:15a Minyan Breakfast 10a Melton Class 10:30a Chalutzim Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p	31 (<i>6 Cheshvan</i>) Morning Minyan 7a Mocha Monday 8:30a Evening Minyan 5p					

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November 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.

Larry Mark 7 Cheshvan 1-Nov 13-Nov Michael Levin 19 Cheshvan 7 1-Nov Betty Cohen Cheshvan 14-Nov Henrietta Weinroth 20 Cheshvan 1-Nov **Irving Weiss** 7 Cheshvan 14-Nov Jeff Jassen 20 Cheshvan * 2-Nov 8 **Murray Seiden** Cheshvan 20 14-Nov Jack Sussman Cheshvan 2-Nov **Edward Freed** 8 Cheshvan 14-Nov Henry Mendel 20 Cheshvan 8 2-Nov William Jay Cheshvan 14-Nov Carolyn Ziem 20 Cheshvan 8 Cheshvan 2-Nov Caren Greenberg 15-Nov **Pauline Teitelman** 21 Cheshvan 2-Nov 8 John Thalhimer Cheshvan 15-Nov **Rona Weiss** 21 Cheshvan * 3-Nov Hannah R. Levine 9 Cheshvan Cheshvan 15-Nov 21 Ben Katz 3-Nov Janet Levine 9 Cheshvan 16-Nov Leonard Cohen 22 Cheshvan 4-Nov **Coleman Caplen** 10 Cheshvan 16-Nov Margerv Cohen 22 Cheshvan * 4-Nov Sara T. Moskowitz 10 Cheshvan 16-Nov **Tillie Tenenbaum** 22 Cheshvan 4-Nov **Ralph Lightstone** 10 Cheshvan 16-Nov 22 Benjamin Diamant Cheshvan 4-Nov 10 Cheshvan Norman Mirsky 16-Nov Sylvia Goodman 22 Cheshvan 4-Nov 10 Cheshvan Alfred Lewin 16-Nov Josephine Diamond 22 Cheshvan 5-Nov Tracey Sklar 11 Cheshvan 17-Nov Louis Kanter 23 Cheshvan 5-Nov Lillian Cipinko 11 Cheshvan 17-Nov Ruth Jay 23 Cheshvan 5-Nov Donald N. Levy 11 Cheshvan 17-Nov Martin Cohen 23 Cheshvan 5-Nov Sam Moog 11 Cheshvan 18-Nov 24 Cheshvan Oscar Stadtler 5-Nov **Irving Sunshine** 11 Cheshvan 18-Nov David Lyons 24 Cheshvan 6-Nov Morris Berg 12 Cheshvan 18-Nov Adeline Gelb 24 Cheshvan Florence Rothchild 12 Cheshvan 6-Nov 18-Nov Edythe S. Steiner 24 Cheshvan 12 Cheshvan 6-Nov Ida Wilensky 19-Nov Mildred L. Levith 25 Cheshvan 6-Nov Menhart Schonberger 12 Cheshvan 19-Nov Joseph L. Reiter 25 Cheshvan Sol Baron 6-Nov 12 Cheshvan 20-Nov **Phyllys Fruchtman** 26 Cheshvan 6-Nov Michael Dix 12 Cheshvan 20-Nov Andrew Rush 26 Cheshvan Efim Gontmakher 12 Cheshvan 6-Nov 20-Nov Sadie S. Gerson 26 Cheshvan 6-Nov Bertram R. Feerman 12 Cheshvan 21-Nov Irene Altholtz 27 Cheshvan 7-Nov Dale Fisher 13 Cheshvan 21-Nov Samuel Brodsky 27 Cheshvan 7-Nov Anna Metzker 13 Cheshvan 21-Nov Helen Goldman 27 Cheshvan 7-Nov Zelda Lincoln 13 Cheshvan 21-Nov Rosalind O. Struletz 27 Cheshvan 8-Nov **Charles Katz** 14 Cheshvan 21-Nov Gladys Lieberman Cheshvan 27 8-Nov Herbert Rothchild 14 Cheshvan Stanley Simon 21-Nov 27 Cheshvan 8-Nov Morris Alpert 14 Cheshvan 21-Nov Roslyn Bellikoff 27 Cheshvan 8-Nov Anna Elman 14 Cheshvan 21-Nov **Stanley Simon** 27 Cheshvan 8-Nov Barry Kamelgarn 14 Cheshvan 22-Nov Alan Danis 28 Cheshvan 8-Nov David Rubin 14 Cheshvan 22-Nov Fannie Mirsky 28 Cheshvan 8-Nov Judith Shuster 14 Cheshvan 22-Nov 28 Cheshvan Marc Walter 9-Nov Fanny Kaminsky 15 Cheshvan 23-Nov Donna G. Angster 29 Cheshvan 9-Nov Warren H. Lebish 15 Cheshvan 29 23-Nov Harvey Malter Cheshvan 9-Nov Jackie Berman 15 Cheshvan 23-Nov Nace Cadranel 29 Cheshvan 9-Nov Jimmy Cohen 15 Cheshvan 24-Nov 30 Cheshvan Geri B. Eppsteiner 10-Nov Sylvia Schein 16 Cheshvan 25-Nov 1 Florence M. Koenig Kislev 10-Nov Burton Jacobs 16 Cheshvan 25-Nov Lillian Shatzman 1 Kislev 10-Nov Helen Feinberg 16 Cheshvan 25-Nov Manny Rothstein 1 Kislev 10-Nov Frank Horovitz 16 Cheshvan 26-Nov **Rose Levine** 2 Kislev 11-Nov Jennifer S. Cohen 17 Cheshvan 27-Nov 3 Kislev **Robert Hammer** 11-Nov **Evelyn Brindle** 17 Cheshvan 27-Nov 3 Maxwell Goldenberg Kislev Maurice Draluck 11-Nov 17 Cheshvan 28-Nov **Theodore Weinroth** 4 Kislev Leonard Cohn 17 Cheshvan 11-Nov 28-Nov Janet Fairbanks 4 Kislev 11-Nov **Frances Robbins** 17 Cheshvan End 28-Nov Judith D. Gilbert 4 Kislev 12-Nov Barbara Orkin 18 Cheshvan 29-Nov 5 Alex David Kislev 12-Nov Margaret Weintraub 18 Cheshvan 5 12-Nov 18 Cheshvan 29-Nov **Ray Jacobs** Kislev Joan Kalish מי שַבֵּרָך 5 12-Nov Max Mayer 18 Cheshvan 29-Nov Ida Stern Kislev 5 12-Nov Sam Rosner 18 Cheshvan 29-Nov Betty Greenberg Kislev * * 13-Nov **Dorothy Schwartz** 30-Nov Leon Mandel 6 Kislev 19 Cheshvan * 13-Nov 30-Nov 6 Kislev William Feinberg 19 Cheshvan Betty A. Jacobson 19 13-Nov **Bill Rogers** Cheshvan 30-Nov **Rufus Shelkoff** 6 Kislev 13-Nov **Craig Sanders** 19 Cheshvan 30-Nov 6 Kislev Zene Persky

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.

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		1 (7 Cheshvan)	2 (8 Cheshvan)	3 (9 Cheshvan)	4 (10 Cheshvan)	5 (11 Cheshvan)
		Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Lech Lecha
		Schmooze on Zoom 3p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Torah Study 10a	Tot Shabbat 5p	Veterans Shabbat 9:30a
		Religious School 4:45p	USY Wacky 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Team Shabbat 10:45a
		Evening Minyan 6:30p Lilmode Program 7n	PS Faculty Mtg. 7p			PS Kids Night Out 5p
					Candle Lighting 6:24p	Shabbat Ends 7:32p
6 (12 Cheshvan)	7 (13 Cheshvan)	8 (14 Cheshvan)	9 (15 Cheshvan)	10 (16 Cheshvan)	11 (17 Cheshvan)	12 (18 Cheshvan)
Religious School 9:15a	Morning Minyan 7a	US Election Day	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Veterans Day	Vayera
Morning Minyan 9:15a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	No Religious School	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Torah Study 10a	Morning Minyan 7a	Shabbat Service 9:30a
Minyan Breakfast 10a	Men's Club Meeting 7p	Preschool Closed	USY Wacky 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Team Shabbat 10:45a
Chaverim Event 12:15p		Morning Minyan 7a	Preschool Board Mtg. 8p	Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7p		Bar Mitzvah of
Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterbood Ree Mitzvah 7n		Schmooze on Zoom 3p Evening Minush 6:30n				Zachary Buxbaum 6p
		Exec. Committee 7:15p			Candle Lighting 5:19p	Shabbat Ends 6:26pm
13 (19 Cheshvan)	14 (20 Cheshvan)	15 (21 Cheshvan)	16 (22 Cheshvan)	17 (23 Cheshvan)	18 (24 Cheshvan)	19 (25 Cheshvan)
Mitzvah Fair 8:30a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Morning Minyan 7a	Chayei Sara
RS & Pre-K 9:15a	Mocha Monday 8:30a	Schmooze on Zoom 3p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Torah Study 10a	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Morning Minyan 9:15a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Religious School 4:45p	USY Wacky 6:30p	Evening Minyan 6:30p		Shabbat Ends 6:22p
Minvan Breakfast 10a		Lilmode Program 7n				
Melton Class 10:30a		Young Adults Trivia 7p				
Gesher Event 12:15p		0				
Evening Minyan 6:30p						
Board of Trustees Mtg. 7p					Candle Lighting 5:15pm	
20 (26 Cheshvan)	21 (27 Cheshvan)	22 (28 Cheshvan)	23 (29 Cheshvan)	24 (30 Cheshvan)	25 (1 Kislev)	26 (2 Kislev)
No Religious School	Preschool Closed	No Religious School	Preschool Closed	Rosh Chodesh Kislev	Rosh Chodesh Kislev	Toldot
Morning Minyan 9:15a	Morning Minyan 7a	Preschool Closed	Morning Minyan 7a	Thanksgiving Day	Thanksgiving Friday	Shabbat Services 9:30a
Minyan Breakfast 10a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Morning Minyan 7a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Synagogue Offices Closed	Synagogue Offices Closed	
Melton Class 10:30a		Schmooze on Zoom 3p		Preschool Closed	Preschool Closed	
Evening Minyan 6:30p		Evening Minyan 6:30p		Morning Minyan 9a No Evening Minyan	Morning Minyan 9a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	
					Candle Lighting 5:12p	Shabbat Ends 6:20p
27 (3 Kislev)	28 (4 Kislev)	29 (5 Kislev)	30 (6 Kislev)			
No Religious School Morning Minvan 9:15a	Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minvan 6:30p	Morning Minyan 7a Schmooze on Zoom 3p	Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minvan 6:300			
Minyan Breakfast 10a	-	Religious School 4:45p	RS Board Meeting 7:30p			
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Mt. Bethel Church and Congregation Etz Chaim are coming together to provide MUST Ministries with 2,100 hygiene kits to distribute to neighbors in need during October.

Completed hygiene kits should be returned to Congregation Etz Chaim.



We ask that once complete, your family say a prayer for the individual who will be ultimately receiving the bag, and for their well-being.

Thank you for serving!





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



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

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

All are welcome to participate in the lively discussions.



RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/shalshul22-23

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





As some of you may be aware, the ALEF Fund is the Student Scholarship Organization that coordinates the funding of our scholarship funds for the Cool Cats and Transitional Kindergarten class. We are currently seeking participants to fund our scholarship program and we are hoping that each of you will participate in any way that makes sense for your family. This is <u>NOT</u> a contribution but a dollar for dollar Georgia state tax credit.

Here is why you should consider participating:

- 1. The state of Georgia gives you a **dollar for dollar state tax credit** for all funds contributed.
- All monies fund our scholarship offerings and we would like to continue to be able to offer the large scholarships we've offered the past 5 years. (Currently, most of our Cool Cats & Transitions students are receiving scholarships covering about 80% of their total full-time tuition.)
- 3. Each year we depend on our participants to support our scholarships.

Here is how to participate:

- 1. Go to https://www.aleffund.org and choose either "New Contributor" or "Returning User".
- 2. Create an account or sign in to your existing account.
- 3. Indicate the amount of your participation and **designate that monies go to Congregation** Etz Chaim Preschool.

You will not have to fund this until after the first of the year, once you have received confirmation that you have been approved by the state.

Due to increased awareness, we expect state funds to run out quickly on January 1. For additional information or questions, please contact Marty Gilbert at 770-973-0137, mgilbert@etzchaim.net or Debbie Deutsch at 770-977-3384, debbie@etzchaim.net.

Forms should be submitted to the ALEF Fund office by Monday, December 12



Upcoming Programs *Lilmode* - Adult Education December

Coming to Lilmode in December: Darkness and Light

Light to Darkness, Maccabees to Hasmoneans: The After-Story of Chanukah with Miriam Rosenbaum



Monday, December 5, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

The Maccabees "turned on" the lights of the Temple, but their Hasmonean descendants switched them off again. Join us as congregant and scholar Miriam Rosenbaum explains how that happened.



RSVP at www.etzchaim.net/event/light2darkness 1190 Indian Hills Pkwy.|Marietta, GA 30068

The Glorious Legacies of Sunsetting Congregations with Noah Levine



Monday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m.



In small towns throughout the United States, where Jewish populations have dwindled significantly, congregant Noah Levine is helping synagogues face the reality of their situations. Noah will take us with him to places like Albany, Bainbridge and Fitzgerald in Georgia and to communities in other states as he discusses how those congregations react and the legacies of their ultimate decisions.

RSVP at www.etzchaim.net/event/legacies



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Roots—Etz Chaim's Small Group Initiative:



Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim's new interest-based small groups initiative? Below are current *Roots* groups. Do you have an 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 Leah the synagogue office at 770-973-0137.

Artists Collective

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

Canasta Group Are you interested in starting a canasta game? Contact <u>Leah Green</u> if you are interested.



Etz Chaim is Hiring!

Openings in our Religious School:

Religious School Teacher Days/Hours are:

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



Facilities Openings:

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

www.etzchaim.net/form/joinourteam



BOOKS FOR THE HOLIDAYS Now that the fall holidays are here, why not check out a book from our library to enhance your understanding and enjoyment of the holidays? We have books for both children and adults. Stop by and browse. Self-check-out directions can be found on the library circulation desk.

Here are just a few of our titles for the holidays:

My Jewish Year: 18 Holidays, One Wondering Jew by Abigail Pogrebin and A.J. Jacobs. My Jewish Year travels through the calendar's signposts with candor, humor, and a trove of information, capturing the arc of Jewish observance through the eyes of a relatable, wandering—and wondering—Jew. Whatever your motivation, you'll be educated, entertained, and inspired by Pogrebin's unusual journey. (240 POG) For adults

Sukkot Treasure Adventure by Allison Ofanansky. In Israel, a young girl and her family go on a scavenger hunt to find the "four species" they will use in their celebration of Sukkot. With beautiful photos, this book brings Israel to life in a family's celebration of Sukkot. (J 243.1 OFA) For children Preschool-Grade 2.

Try also the following websites for more on the fall holidays:

<u>www.myjewishlearning.com</u> You will find lots of interesting information here about the Jewish holidays, weekly Torah portion, etc.

<u>www.jewfaq.org/Sukkot</u> Judaism 101 is an informative website. You can start with this great information on Sukkot.

For the kids:

www.shalomsesame.org Check out the Shalom Sesame website for some fun videos for the holidays, and more!

<u>www.pjlibrary.org/home</u> For ages 0-8. If you do not already have a PJ Library subscription, be sure to sign up to receive a free book each month for your children ages 0-8. There is also lots of wonderful information on the Jewish holidays at the PJ Library website.

ATTENTION: CHILDREN AGES 9-12

Did you know that you can also sign up for PJ Our Way for 9 through 12-year-olds at <u>www.pjourway.org</u>. Each month your child can choose a great new Jewish book that will be sent to you for free!



College Connection

Do you have a college student in the family?

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

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

Please email the following information to *etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com*:

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



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

Student's Name:	Email a	ddress:	
College Address Line 1:			
College Address Line 2:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Any food allergies:		duation date:	
Parent(s) Names/Email(s):			

Please help us continue this wonderful tradition!

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

Donor Name:					
Address:					
Donation amount enclosed:	\$ 18	\$ 36	\$54	\$ 72	Other
		Questi	ons? Ple	ase cont	act:

Shari Judenberg and Ellen Spandorfer at etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com

Tzedakah • צרקה

Contributions processed from August 1 — September 2, 2022

CYNTHIA R. FREEMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In honor of:

Dr. Alan Freeman's receipt of Emory School of Medicine's Eminent Physician Distinction

JOAN H. RABIN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In celebration of:

Haley's 5th birthday! Jake Moyal

In memory of:

Ann Galanti, mother of Louisa Benjamin. May you and your family be blessed with loving memories of your mother.

Dan Rabin and Family

our loving fathers, Max Rabin and Henry Halperin

Dan Rabin and Joan Halperin Rabin (z"l)

PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In honor of:

Alan Silverman. I trust the road ahead is better por vous. Bob and Sheri Frohlich

In memory of:

Brie Wilkins, sister of Brad Wilkins. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you be blessed with loving memories of your sister.

Bobbie and Marvin Shams

My mother, Ethel Funk Marsha Shrago

RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT FUND

In loving memory of:

Stephen Renyi Dennis, Deborah, Allison, and Michael Renyi

GENERAL FUND

In appreciation of:

Lisa and Sam Olens for the courtesy, hospitality, and generosity extended to me and my friend, Frances Zellinger Gerald J. Bamberger

In honor of:

Sharon and Alan Lightstone Gail and Mike Goldberg

In loving memory of:

Bruce Olens Lisa and Sam Olens

Norma S. Karesh **Randy Karesh**

In memory of:

My husband Sidney Freedman

My daughter Linda Idelson Anita Freedman

Willie Berman Irwin and Deborah Berman

Bernard Goodman Jeffrey and Melissa Goodman

Markus Spandorfer Karen Cohen and Virgil Shepherd

Lois Berch Lisa and Sam Olens

Lois Roth Berch Nancy and Wayne Freedman

Wynn Ebel Robert and Lynn Sustak

Betty Greenfeld

Bob Kirschner

Lois Berch Terri and Scott Rittenberg

RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch's meaningful and beautiful leading of the Simchat Bat for our granddaughter, Tali Joseph and Lori Freeman

Rabbi Dorsch for an amazing trip to Israel. Thank you so very much. **Richard and Janice Etscovitz**

In loving memory of:

Thank Hashem for the blessing of having you, Marat, for so many years as a husband, father, and support system. You will always be in our hearts and are missed every day. With love.

Galina and Meylakh Barshay

In memory of:

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December Voice

Deadline: Tues., November 1

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



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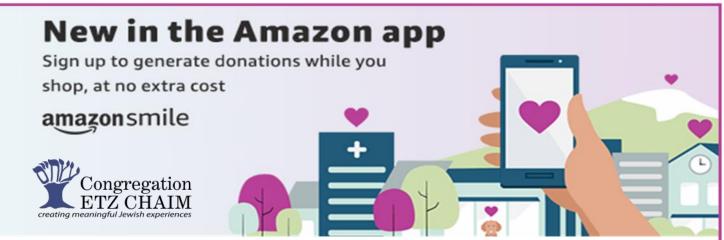
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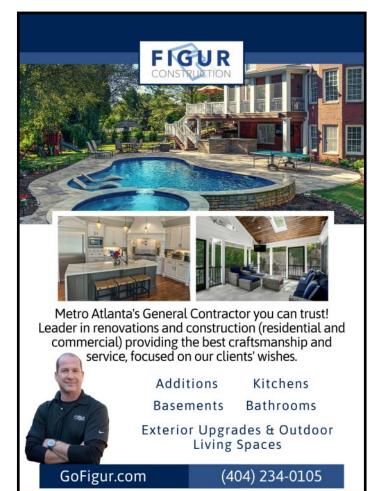
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