

# Voice of Chaim

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You are invited to the Good Ship Etz Chaim for some chai rolling on the high seas.

Honoring our "Double Chai" members and beyond, while cruising into the future.



# Casino Night

Sunday, April 23 6:00 p.m.

Congregation Etz Chaim Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

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- Dinner
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Trade in your casino cash for additional raffle tickets.

RSVP by April 10 one of these three ways:

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Remember to send in your Greetings and Advertisements for the Ad Journal & Membership Directory! See pages 23 – 25 for contract.

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#### **Daily Minyan Times:**

Sunday Mornings: 9:15 a.m.

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

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

#### **Shabbat Services:**

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

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

www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream

#### Rabbi Dan Dorsch

Some of you may know that I send a questionnaire to all of our B'nei Mitzvah families called a "Family Learning Project". In addition to answering questions about the parasha as some prep work, I ask a number of "get to know you" questions about each child that can be a jumping-off point for further discussion.



Recently, one of our B'nei Mitzvah candidates indicated that their favorite movie was "Austin Powers". This not only gave me a good laugh (if I have to tell you why, you probably haven't seen the movie), but reminded me of one of the film's most telling lines. Austin Power's father, in attempting to sound rather heroic, points out that there are "two things in life that I cannot stand: people who are intolerant of other people's cultures, and the Dutch."

The irony and danger of this way of thinking should not be lost on any of us. How can someone truly preach tolerance of others while also demonstrating an intolerance for difference? This is, I am happy to report, an approach to creating inclusive communities that is antithetical to Judaism. Our faith possesses a strong tradition of what we call *machloket leshem shamayim*, disagreement for the sake of heaven. You know the deal: there are many, many Jews that it takes to figure out how to correctly screw in a lightbulb (just as it takes many, many Jews to build a broad-based and supported synagogue community).

There are many techniques we can employ to disagree without disrespect. We can make every attempt to use *derech eretz*, overly kind language and undertones, even when we encounter someone who does not view an issue the same way that we do. In place of drawing assumptions or labeling a person by their race, age, gender, or politics, we can be overly gratuitous and learn to embrace human beings for the love and value they add to our lives. Full stop.

I am proud to be part of a synagogue where I believe that everyone who comes through our doors must be valued and respected. This is the heart of what it means to be an inclusive community. You may or may not keep kosher or Shabbat. You and I may have radically different approaches to the way we believe in God, Judaism, or anything else. But so long as you respect where I come from, I will also value your voice. There are times when your voice may prevail. Other times, it may not. I suspect that Hillel and Shammai had a similar back and forth. But ultimately, the Talmud teaches us that Hillel and Shammai married their children to one another and learned to be part of the same community. This is what it means to have disagreements for the sake of heaven.

Prior to the High Holy Days, our synagogue board of trustees passed a Code of Conduct for our congregation that includes taking into account the way that we present our speech in a respectful way. It asks us to think hard before "we press send" to an email to make sure that we are being respectful, or before we gossip about another person in our community. It asks us to be gratuitously kind in our interactions with everyone to create a culture of respect. If you missed it, I hope you will take a look at it and be proud of the values our community stands behind.

As we approach Pesach, where an Exodus of over 650,000 Jews of different ages, genders, and beliefs managed to leave Egypt together, I am reminded that it is only normal for good people to disagree.

It shouldn't matter if you are Jewish or Dutch. Everyone in our community, whether it is a congregant, rabbi, or employee, deserves to be treated with respect for the sake of heaven.

# Marty Gilbert Executive Director

April is the cruelest month, breeding lilacs out of the dead land, mixing memory and desire, stirring dull roots with spring rain." ~T.S. Eliot



Oh my gosh... is that depressing?
That is not this April at Etz Chaim though.

April this year is a cause for celebration.

On April 5, we have our First Night Passover Seder being led by Miriam Rosenbaum. So far, we have 60 people registered so it should be a lot of fun, with no clean up required.

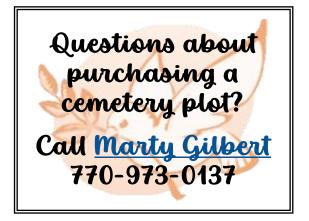
On April 17, we will partner with our friends at St. Ann's to commemorate Yom HaShoah. This is not a celebratory holiday, but it is a day that we remember the six million who died in the Holocaust and dedicate ourselves to remembering them through our deeds and actions. We as Jews are still here. We are still a force in the world certainly a cause for celebration!

On April 23, we will gather to celebrate together at our Casino Night Event: *Honoring our Past, Cruising into the Future*. Leading up to that evening and we are honoring our individuals and families that have been members for 36 + years, our "Double Chai" Club. The list of folks that make up this group is long. It is important that everyone looks over the list. I am sure that we all know someone who is on the list and deserves to be honored with an ad or at least an \$18 shout-out.

These members have dedicated many years to Etz Chaim - isn't that dedication worth some level of acknowledgement

This is our Spring Fundraiser and the money raised by this Ad Journal is vital to our budget for the year. Please support Etz Chaim, celebrate our 36+ year members, and please come and enjoy Casino Night.

I will buy you a drink of your choice.





Jamie Platt Lyons President

#### **Re-Making Passover Memories**

One of my favorite childhood memories is stretching out on the ledge above the back seat (in front of the rear window) of my parents' brown Bonneville as we drove back home from my grandparents' house after Passover Seder. We always had Passover Seder at my grandparents' apartment at Sutton Place overlooking the East River in New York City. My grandparents set a large table for the adults and a smaller table for the kids. I was never, ever old

enough to sit at the adults table. My brothers, cousins, and second cousins always sat at the kids' table. My grandfather always led the Seder, and the kids did not participate, except when the youngest (my brother) would sing the four questions and the rest of us would chime in. We could not wait until dinner was served so we could spill into the hallway of the building and play games.

After college I lived in Israel for a year and then moved to Atlanta for law school. I stopped returning home for Passover Seder and started **re-making Passover memories**. I met Jonathan in January of my first year of law school and we spent that Seder at Andrea's place, one of Jonathan's best friends from Emory. That was my first time helping to create my own Passover experience.

When our kids were very young, we flew to Tucson, AZ, to have and begin **re-making Passover memories** at my in-laws' house. When my in-laws moved to Atlanta, we had another opportunity for **re-making Passover memories**. We had first Seder at their house and second Seder at our house. The first night was always the quieter, more formal Seder with our kids' grandfather leading the Seder just as our grandfathers had done during our childhoods. Second Seder got bigger and rowdier over the years as we invited numerous friends (including Andrea, our friend from Emory, and her husband) and all their kids to join us.

After Jonathan and I started **re-making Passover memories** for second Seder, we held strongly to the belief that we did not want to separate the adults from the kids. We wanted everyone to be mixed together at one table. Over the years, we purchased numerous different Haggadot, trying to find the version that fit our family and create the appropriate mood for the experience. For many years Jonathan made Passover versions of TV game shows and board games including: Jewpardy, Seder Survivor, Jew Wants to be a Millionaire, Family Feud, Passover Password, and Match Game. Jonathan incorporated Passover trivia – some questions more challenging than others - some answers wittier than others. One year during Passover Password the correct answer was "egg." My partner gave the clue "chicken" and I immediately shouted out, "SOUP" (wrong). Our friend gave the next clue to our daughter . . . "scrambled". Tali yelled, "EGG" (winner, winner, chicken dinner)! They got the point and the game continued around the table with more clues and more laughter. It became a long-standing tradition for our "second Seder family" to guess which game Jonathan had created for Passover and all of us looked forward to his "big reveal" at our Seder table.

Years passed. Some of our "second Seder family" moved out of town, some got divorced, our kids went to college, my in-laws passed away, and we began **re-making Passover memories** again. We now have Passover Seders at all-adult tables with friends who have become family. We include the adult daughter of my best friend from college who attends Emory now, so we've returned to the "Emory connection".

In the future I know we will be blessed with Seder tables of both adults and kids again. We will be **re-making Passover memories** for our children and grandchildren and, who knows, maybe Jonathan will reinvent the Passover Seder game night!

Although all of us must strap ourselves into our seat belts to drive home from our Seder experiences, the memories we make every year during Passover are just as meaningful and precious as the ones I thought about while lying on the ledge above the backseat of the Bonneville!

We hope all of you enjoy your Passover family traditions and that you continue to re-make Passover memories in the process.

#### 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: <a href="https://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream">https://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream</a>

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.

#### **Department of Education**

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Wednesday, 4/5 1<sup>st</sup> Pesach Seder (PM) Wed., 4/5 - Fri., 4/7 School Closed (Pesach) Wed., **4/12** – Thur., **4/13** School Closed (Pesach) Friday, **4/14 Tot Shabbat** Saturday, 4/15 **Team Shabbat** Sunday, 4/16 Sunday Pre-K Monday, 4/17 Puppies/Turtles Conferences (School IN) Saturday, 4/22 **Team Shabbat** 

#### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

Sun., 4/2 & Tue., 4/4 School Closed Sunday, **4/9** School Closed (Pesach) Saturday, 4/15 **Team Shabbat** Sunday, 4/16 Sunday Pre-K 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Family Workshop Friday, **4/21** 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Shabbat Dinner Saturday, 4/22 **Team Shabbat** Sunday, 4/23 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Family Museum Sunday, 4/30 **Baccalaureate Service** 



# Debbie Deutsch Director of Education

With the onset of Pesach, besides the thoughts of cleaning and cooking, are thoughts of spring and new beginnings. The flowers are blooming, the buds are beginning to appear on the trees, and the grass is growing greener. Ironically, these beginnings also make me think of endings, as our school year is coming to a close for both schools in May. Endings make me realize that we

could never have reached this point without a beginning or middle and we've reached this point because of all the work put into each phase. I know it's only April, but Religious School ends the first Sunday in May, which will be here before we know it. This seems to be a good time to appreciate those who have helped make our Religious School and its experiences successful. Behind the scenes, I must thank our Religious School Board, a team who is dedicated to making this five-hour a week program its very best. Thanks to Sarala Waller, chairperson, Eric Fox, Inna Gold, Dave Kart, Korie Kahn, and Mallory Low for your guidance. And thanks to a fabulous team who is devoted to bringing Jewish learning to our students. We couldn't have done so well without Madelyn Chernau, Lizzie Katz, Joe Gewertz, Esti Kleinman, Adam Sandak, Shoshi Waller, Moran Gross, Claire Isbitts, Dana Sobel, Claire Isbitts, and Bethany Rydell, who led our teams of Pre-K – 1<sup>st</sup> Grades. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grades were led by Gillat Sternberg, Tiana Plendl, Nate Aronstein, Rachel Slomovitz, Eli Slomovitz, Sydney Shefsky, Sara Fran Neuwirth, Ian Greenwald, Kayla Kleinman, SaraJane Weinstein, Eden England, Marisa Gewertz, Aiden Okrent, Mia Kleinman, Debbie Isbitts, Elaine Schwartz, Evan Okrent, Allison Barchichat and Donna Bierman. Special thanks to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade guest teachers Josh Azriel for teaching our Holocaust curriculum and Neda Gayle for prayer practice. Yasher Koach to all!



#### Lauren Chernau Assistant Director Etz Chaim Preschool

The Passover story is one of my favorite chronicles of the year. It tells of strength, endurance, love, sacrifice, courage, and faith. As we head into the Pesach season, as preschool teachers, we are once again challenged to bring those very adult-like themes to the minds and hearts of our preschoolers. There is, of course, the good guy Moses and bad guy Pharoah. There are the

magical scenes of burning bushes and parting seas. And the idea of the good guys winning, dancing, and singing to celebrate freedom. But the characters are so rich in meaning, even for young children. Moses, with his courage to stand up for justice. He is a leader and he reminds us to listen and trust God. There is Moses' mother Yocheved, who makes the ultimate sacrifice to give her son the best chance to live. Moses' sister, Miriam, who quietly hides and watches to ensure the safety and wellbeing of her brother. And even Pharoah's daughter, who surely knew that the baby she extracted from the river was a Jewish baby, saved him and raised him safely in the palace. There are so many opportunities to teach our children about being kind, looking out for others, making good choices, and treasuring family. As a preschool, we try to bring these characters to life by encouraging the children to emulate their behaviors. This Pesach, as we practice our own traditions and celebrations, may we remember the ones who went before us and practice some of their strengths in our own homes.



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Enrollment is also under way for Preschool! See page 10.





























#### **Leah Green**

#### **Director of Engagement and Youth Programming**

I am so excited to be writing to you this April. We have so many fun things going on for all ages. I just want to start by thanking every person that helped with the Purim Carnival! The USYers, especially the board of Sababa USY, played major roles in organizing and executing a fundraising event. We raised over \$7000 for the Youth Department!!

A few photos from the Purim Carnival are below. For a list of our wonderful Purim Carnival Sponsors (as of 3/2), see page 30.

The high schoolers that were heavily involved in planning and executing this event were Tamar Oren, Evan Goldstein, Claire Isbitts, Kayla Kleinman, Mia Kleinman, Julia Radin, Lizzie Katz, Sasha Gilbert, Nate Aronstein, Eli Slomovitz, Hannah Nothdurft, Evan Okrent, Bethany Rydell, Daniel Barchichat, Zack Goldstein, Eden England, Max England, and Sophie Levy. We would also like to thank the adult volunteers - Inna Gold, Clifford Martin (photographer), Mark Miller, Bethany Levee, Amy Surasky, Betsy Levy, Phyllis Silverstein, Rachel Slomovitz, Ruth Radin, Eva Green, Eti Azizy, Adam Azizy, Angie Nothdurft, Debbie Minkin, Roni Robbins, Neda Gayle, Jamie Lyons, Amir Oren and Josh Vexler. A HUGE thank you to **Jen Katz and Dani Oren** for all their extra help and expertise on this event. We truly could not have pulled it off without every single volunteer and every single high schooler that helped out. This was personally the biggest event I've ever helped organize and it was made special and easy with the help of these students and parents.

We had SUCH a fun time at the Ein Gedi Sub Regional Convention in Nashville on March 24-26, for the 5th-12th graders! We rented a bus for all the Georgia chapters to share and we were with Jews from all around the Southeast when we got to Nashville. We sang, danced, played, and ate a whole lot. We can't WAIT for the HaNegev Regional Convention April 28-30, at Ramah Darom. More information on that will be emailed to parents soon.

Canasta went so well and we loved learning how to play it! I am looking into partnering with AgeWell again to do another session with another topic. Let me know what you want to learn and I'll see if I can put it together. My email is <a href="Leah@etzchaim.net">Leah@etzchaim.net</a> if you want to suggest anything!

Yom HaShoah starts on the evening of April 17. We will be doing an extremely meaningful program starting at 7:00 p.m. where different generations come together to remember the Holocaust and prevent such a horrific event from ever happening again. See our ad on page 15. We also will be partnering with KSU's Holocaust Museum to put a program together to educate people about becoming guides/docents for our specific artifacts. Once we have guides that are designated and educated on the historical pieces the synagogue owns, we will be encouraging schools in Cobb and Marietta to come for field trips or extra credit to our synagogue. They will learn about the Holocaust and also about the Jewish People in a safe place.

Many kids will never set foot into a synagogue in their lives. We have such a rich collection of artifacts just in the synagogue that we have a duty to share this information to prevent ignorance and antisemitism within our community. I would love to help build this program and I believe it could be really successful. Please come join us that night if you're interested in being a guide/docent. You can also email me!

April 16, will be the last youth group event for Chalutzim. April 23, is the last event for Chaverim and April 30, will be the last Gesher event. PLEASE RSVP for these events when the RSVP emails go out because I'm going to miss your kids for the Summer  $\odot$ .











ETZ CHAIM







### Our Etz Chaim Community

#### Mazal Tov to...

Judy and Joel Schancupp on the birth of grandson, Caleb Austin, born on February 12, to Jill and Craig Wasilewsky

Ronni and David Beker on the birth of granddaughter, Ava Dottie, born on March 1, to Jenna and Joseph Beker. Mazal tov to aunt, uncle and cousins, Alissa and Dave Selby, Eli and Wren.

Susie and Joey Moskowitz on the birth of grandson, Leo Joseph, born on February 9, to Brittany and Neal Moskowitz

#### Our Condolences to...

Sherrie Wetstone on the passing of her beloved mother, Sheila Grenitz

Sharon Misnuner on the passing of her beloved father, Martin Kaplan

Richard Smith on the passing of his beloved sister, Barbara Pomerance

Thank You to our Office Volunteers...
Ron Judenberg

Linda Weinroth

Andy Becker for delivering food to the JF&CS Kosher Food Pantry

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

Alyssa Madwed and Joshua Painter 4278 Ivywood Drive Marietta, GA 30062 Alyssa (cell) 401-714-4178 apmadwed@gmail.com Joshua (cell) 404-805-8429 joshuagpainter@gmail.com



We are pleased to welcome back to our community...

Judy and Steve Greenberg 2753 Old Mill Trail

Marietta, GA 30062

Judy cell: 678-520-1069 Jsg820@aol.com

Steve cell: 678-520-1070

#### Members on the move...

Amelia Lazerson 925 Battery Ave. SE, Unit 533 Atlanta, GA 30339

Gail Turner 25 Glenlake Pkwy, NE Sandy Spring, GA 30328

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

#### Passover Schedule 5783/2023

Tuesday, April 4, at 8:26 p.m. - Bedikat Chametz (Search for Chametz)

Wednesday, April 5, at 6:45 a.m. - Siyyum and Fast of the First Born

Wednesday, April 5, at 10:00 a.m. - Ideally, no more chametz should be eaten and should be sold and burned by this time.

Wednesday, April 5, at 6:00 p.m. - First Night Seder led by Miriam Rosenbaum

Thursday, April 6, at 10:00 a.m. - Passover Services - (First Day of Pesach)

Friday, April 7, at 10:00 a.m. - Passover Services - (Second Day of Pesach)

Saturday - Tuesday, April 8 - 11 - Chol Hamoed Pesach (Minyanim at regularly scheduled times)

Wednesday, April 12, at 9:30 a.m. - Passover Services (Seventh Day of Pesach)

Thursday, April 13, at 9:30 a.m. - Passover Services and Yizkor (Last Day of Pesach)

Thursday, April 13, at 8:46 p.m. End of Passover (Earliest to eat chametz)



Have chametz to sell? See page 27 for the form. Or fill out the online form at www.etzchaim.net/passover.





### Join us for:



Save these Friday night dates: April 14 May 12

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Potluck Dinner

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

Check out our Preschool Facebook page for more information.

Questions? Contact Debbie Deutsch 770-977-3384 or debbie@etzchaim.net

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

# TEAM SHABBAT 2022-23 SE2SOIL

SHABBAT PROGRAMMING FOR ALL CHILDREN!



MINOR LEAGUES

PARENTS & CHILDREN
PRE-K AND UNDER

**GRADES K-2** 

**MAJOR LEAGUES** 

\*ALL STARS

TIMe:

GRADES 3-5

GRADES 6 & 7

10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

SAVE THESE DATES: APRIL 15 & 22 MAY 6

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

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



**Hailey Nicole Levin will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on April 15, 2023** – **24 Nisan 5783.** She is the daughter of Beth and Micah Levin. Hailey's Bat Mitzvah Parasha is Shemini. She is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Saint Francis and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for eight years. Hailey's hobbies and interests include tennis, hanging out with friends, baking, snuggling, and spending time with her dog, Buddy and cheerleading.

My mom always says, "If you take the risk, you accept the consequences." According to the rabbis, Aaron's sons should have known the consequences of their actions and did it anyway.

I have dyslexia. I decided I wanted to give back to Etz Chaim by having dogs come to the preschool/ religious school for the kids to be able to read to them. Therapy dogs can have a positive impact on a child and their attitude and even help with academic ability. This will help kids learn Hebrew because the dogs won't judge them and won't tell them if they mess up. This is something I did when I went to a school called The Swift School and I enjoyed it and thought it was great.



#### Shabbat Morning Babysitting 9:30 - 11:45 a.m.

Babysitting is available on Shabbat when there is  $\underline{no}$  "Team Shabbat". Please check our website at  $\underline{www.etzchaim.net/calendar}$  or in the weekly EtzBlast for more information.

Upcoming Dates: April 1 and 8



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

#### **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.



#### **Shabbat Honors**

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.



# Camp Ruach!

@ Congregation Etz Chaim

June 5 - July 28, 2023 Catering to Ages 14 mon & walking—Rising 1st Graders

Give your child a wonderful summer experience at Camp Ruach! for a spirit-filled summer of friendship and fun! Your camper will enjoy:

\* Daily Water Play \* Crafts \* Music \* Sports \* Games and much more \*



Our qualified staff of well-trained, energetic teachers and teen counselors will energize your child's summer.

#### We offer flexibility:

- \* Enroll for one week or per 4 week session
- Part-time and Full-time Camp options
- Sibling discount on lowest weekly rate

For more information, contact: Lauren Chernau 770-977-3384 lauren@etzchaim.net Visit us at: www.etzchaim.net/campruach









Team Etz Chaim at the 2023 Hunger Walk/Run. Thank you for supporting Team Etz Chaim, which was led by Bob Frohlich.

#### Men's Club Notes

Greetings and Salutations, Etz Chaim Congregants.

The Purim Carnival/Luau Dinner on March 6 was a big hit with almost 200 congregants in attendance. The Men's Club cooked dinner for the event and received rave reviews for our cooking. A special shoutout to Alan Lightstone for leading the cooking and prep team of Mathew Nathan, Bryan Coleman, Bart Agrow, Clifford Martin, Bruce Rosenblum, and Joseph Goldstein.

Just a reminder - Men's Club will not be offering Kosher Brisket for Passover as the costs we feel would be prohibitive. If this is an issue for you at all, please email us at <a href="mailto:mensclub@etzchaim.net">mensclub@etzchaim.net</a> and let us know your feedback.

The Anshei Darom Region Annual Retreat was March 17-19, at Camp Ramah Darom. The theme was "Plugging Back in: Seeing Judaism with 2020+ Vision". Several Etz Chaim Men's Club members were in attendance and enjoyed a relaxing, yet spiritual weekend with a lot of time for bonding.

Men's Club Shabbat was March 11 and was led by our own **Barry Riesenberg.** Many readings and aliyot were delivered by Men's Club members with other honors being performed by our congregants. We had a great turnout and everyone enjoyed the Kiddush afterwards.

The Super Bowl Squares contest was a big hit as we were able to sell all the squares. Congratulations to our four winners, Bernice Isaac, Steve Caras, Nick Ashner and Alan Lightstone. Riding on the popularity of the Men's Club Superbowl Squares, the Men's Club created a NCAA bracket challenge for March Madness. The \$18 entry fee proved to be a big hit!

The Yom HaShoah/Holocaust Remembrance Day program is on April 18 in conjunction with The Catholic Church of St. Ann. This year's ceremony will be at Etz Chaim. Men's Club will be selling candles as part of the Yellow Candle initiative for the event. In addition, Steve Dix is in the process of creating a docent program so that kids from area schools can come learn about the Holocaust. For more information and to RSVP, see our ad on page 15.

Men's Club will also be participating in **Lag Ba'Omer** on **May 9**, but details have not been finalized. Look for an exciting announcement about this coming soon!

All you **Braves fans** out there mark your calendars for **June 11**. Men's Club will be partnering with other affinity groups to create an Etz Chaim Braves game experience. More details to come as we are still coordinating the final details.

**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



We welcome you to get involved with Men's Club! Volunteer to cook or prep. Attend any of our Men's Club sponsored events. We are actively looking for more members to come socialize with us. Have any questions? Please don't hesitate to contact Bryan Coleman (mailto:rog-bry@mindspring.com) or Mathew Nathan (mattynathan@gmail.com)

**Bryan Coleman,** President **Mathew Nathan,** VP

Come Out and Enjoy Your Men's Club! mensclub@etzchaim.net



# ATLANTA MEN'S SYNAGOGUE SOFTBALL LEAGUE

It's time to sign up for the softball league and Team Etz Chaim! Games start at the end of May or early June and run through mid-August.

There was so much excitement last year, Etz Chaim formed two teams. So, let's do it again!

The minimum age is 18 years old and affiliated with the shul.

Interested in signing up? Contact either Joshua Berry at dbth888@gmail.com or Billy Balser at balser18@bellsouth.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:

Lauren Levetan, 404-422-8921 laurenlevetan@hotmail.com or Neda Gail, 615-477-3152, nedagayle@att.net.

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

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



Our next meeting of the **Sisterhood Book Club** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 16, at 10:00 a.m. at the Bayit.** Please join us for a stimulating discussion of "How to Find Your Way in the Dark" by **Derek Miller. Myra Goldberg** will host. Please see the ad on page 14 to RSVP.

The last session of our popular series for this program year, **Shalom in the Shul**, takes place on **Monday**, **May 8**, **at 10:00 a.m.** Join **Rabbi Lewis** as he leads us in a stimulating discussion using excerpts from his upcoming book, *Guide for the Perplexed*. Please see the ad below on how to register.

Join our Sisterhood community as we install the next stellar Sisterhood Board on Sunday, May 7, at 7:00 p.m. This event is free, but you must register to attend. See our ad below to RSVP.

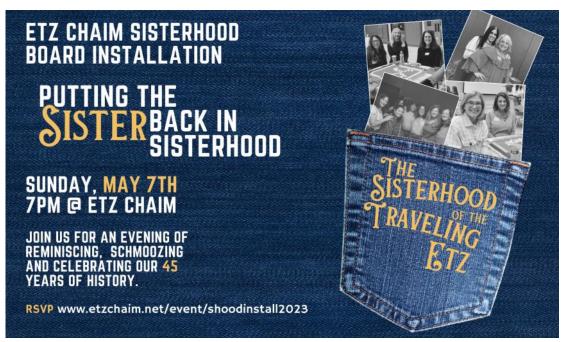
Did you know that as an Etz Chaim Sisterhood member, you are automatically a member of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WLCJ)? Please take the time to explore the variety of programs and resources offered on their website. To learn more, go to www.wlcj.org/

We encourage you to get involved with Sisterhood! Volunteer. Join a committee. Attend Sisterhood-sponsored Sunday morning Minyan. The possibilities are endless! Feel connected, have fun, and make new friends. Have questions? Please contact Neda Gayle at 615-477-3152, nedagayle@att.net, or Lauren Levetan at 404-422-8921, laurenlevetan@hotmail.com.

Until next time....

#### **Lauren and Neda**

Co-Presidents, Sisterhood







Save a Loved One's Life Tomorrow by Saving a Stranger's Life Today



Etz Chaim welcomes **Shai Robkin**, who donated a kidney to someone he did not know until after the transplant was completed. He will discuss what led him to become a non-directed ("altruistic") kidney donor, and how your kidney donation can serve as kidney transplant "insurance" for members of your family.

In short, you can save a stranger's life today and possibly save the life of a loved one tomorrow.

Shai represents WELD – We Encourage Living Donation (donatelife.net). Mr. Robkin serves as the chair of the Atlanta Regional Council of the New Israel Fund and as a national board member of the Friends of the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies.

#### **TEAM SHABBAT**



Little League



- Minor Leagues
   K-2 Grades
   10:30 a.m.
- Major Leagues 3-5 Grades 10:30 a.m.
- All Stars
   6 & 7 Grades
   10:30 a.m.

1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. | Marietta, GA 30068



5:30 p.m. Dinner with Israeli Street Food
6:30 p.m. Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 29, 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service Ruach-themed Kiddush with Israeli Songs



1190 Indian Hills Pkwy., Marietta, GA 30068

See page 33 for details about Blue Jean Shabbat





#### **UPCOMING BOOKS AND DATES**

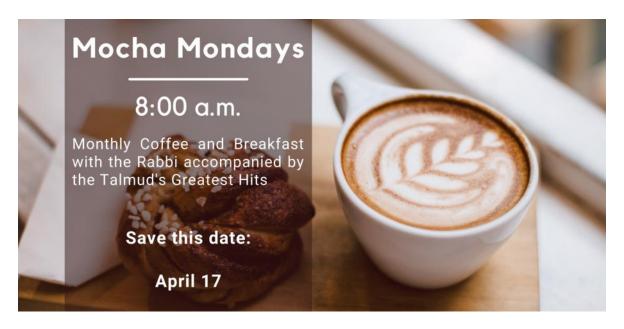
April 16 - How To Find Your Way In The Dark by Derek Miller - Host: Myra Goldberg

May 21 - The Thread Collectors by Shaunna Edwards and Allison Richman - Host: Joanne Chaifetz June 18 - An Old Man's Game, An Amos Parisman Mystery by Andy Weinberger - Host: Maddy Huppert

Save these upcoming dates: May 21 June 18

Book Club will be held in person at the Bayit.

All sessions begin at 10:00 a.m.















# LET'S GIVE BACK AGAIN BY CREATING OUR SECOND "ART FOR A MITZVAH"

TUESDAYS, APRIL 25, MAY 2, 9, AND 16 FROM 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. HAMMER-TRITT SOCIAL HALL

Join **Hank Needle** for **woodworking** and make a beautiful wood box that will be sold back to the congregants and enjoy some lively social time together.

- · Second Project Shabbat Candle Box, or choose a box of a different size for any use
- Instructions are given for all four sessions; all work will be done at Etz Chaim except sanding... to be discussed at the first session
- Sign up today! Space will be limited!
- · Let's make this as successful as the collaged trays were!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT HANK NEEDLE AT 678-520-8635 OR LYNNE GOLDMAN JOHANNESEN AT 404-433-4078

PLEASE RSVP BY THURSDAY, APRIL 20.

WWW.ETZCHAIM.NET/EVENT/ART4MITZVAH2







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?

You can make a difference with Backpack Buddies at Etz Chaim to help fill the week-



end gap. Our congregation sponsors 45 children at Eastvalley Elementary Schoolthis means we are responsible for providing 45 bags of food each week this school year. It takes a village to keep this program running and there are so many ways you can help. We are looking for volunteers to donate food, fill bags, deliver bags to school and more.

To learn how you can help and sign up to volunteer, please visit our page on the website at: www.etzchaim.net/social-action

To order on Amazon or see examples of the types of food we accept, click here: <a href="https://amzn.to/3xbMqjl">https://amzn.to/3xbMqjl</a>



### Lilmode Proudly Presents...

# "A Trip Back into Hidden History" with Mike Weinroth





opportunities for African-Americans in 15 southeastern states.

Date and Time: Sunday, May 21, at 2:00 p.m.

In 1911, Booker T. Washington and Julius Rosenwald, a Jewish philanthropist, and part-owner of Sears Roebuck, Inc. met in Chicago. That meeting forever changed the future of educational

**Visit:** One of the last standing Rosenwald schools in the Southeast, located in Cassville, Georgia

**Learn:** Take a tour with Mike Weinroth, who has spent over a decade researching and restoring Rosenwald schools throughout Georgia.

Further details, including transportation, will be published in the May Voice of Chaim.

RSVP: etzchaim.net/event/rosenwald



#### Do you shop at Kroger?

Do you have a Kroger Plus Card?

Kroger Community Rewards Program gives a percentage of your purchase cost back to us each quarter.
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Questions? Contact Bernice in the synagogue office at 770-973-0137

#### **Etz Chaim's Green Team**

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

#### You get green!

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



### Mark Your Calendar

#### **Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines**

May Voice Deadline: Wednesday, March 29
June/July Voice Deadline: Monday, May 1

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





# Weekly Schmooze on Zoom!

Tuesday afternoons at 3:00 p.m.

#### facilitated by Esther Shultz

No Schmooze on April 4 and 11. We will resume on April 18

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/83828410862



#### What's in a flag?

By Rachel Slomovitz

Well, in this case, what do the colors of a Pride flag mean? And how long has it been around? When the Pride Alliance was preparing for our Pride Shabbat, I did a little digging around into Queer History, and this is what I found. First, did you know that there are over 30+ flags that currently represent the queer community?

The original flag was created in 1976 by a man named Gilbert Baker. Mr. Baker was challenged by Harvey Milk to find a symbol that would give a sense of pride to the gay community. He wanted a flag that represented the different parts/struggles of the LGBT community. Here are the original colors and what they represented - hot pink (sexuality), orange (healing), green (nature), blue (serenity), red (life), yellow (sunlight), turquoise (magic), violet (spirit).



The Pride flag has evolved and changed over the last 46 years. Some colors have been dropped, and some colors have been added. With time I'm sure there will be more evolutions! If you are interested in learning more about an individual flag that might speak more to you or a family member/friend directly, Readers Digest online has a great article entitled "The Meaning Behind 32 LGBTQ Pride Flags".

The current Pride flag was created by Daniel Quasar. It is called the 'Progress Pride' flag. The black and brown colors of the <u>Progress Pride Flag</u> represent marginalized LGBTQ people of color, as well as those living with AIDS/HIV and those who died from AIDS/HIV

complications...Quasar also added the colors light blue, pink, and white to represent the transgender community.



Flags are important to the Queer community—you might not grow up with a lot of people like you, but when you see your inner self represented in a flag, you know you are not alone. You know that someone cared enough to create a flag, a symbol to show all that you are here, you are queer, and its time to unite with others like you.

The Pride Alliance at Congregation Etz Chaim welcomes all who want to be involved. The queer community and its allies are so important.

Come join us!



#### You could be our next Mashgiach.

What is a Mashgiach, you ask? You would supervise a caterer cooking kosher food in our dairy or meat kitchen to ensure kosher standards are met. This is a paid position. Training is available.

For more information or to let us know you're interested, email Betsy in the synagogue office at <u>betsy@etzchaim.net</u>.

## Bereavement Services Offered to Congregants

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

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

#### Please contact:

Lisa Flagel - 678-591-7950

#### Your cooperation please!

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

# Family Member In the Hospital?

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

#### **April Yahrzeits**

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

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

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8-Apr	Morris Wexler	17	Nisan	*24-Apr	Bill Boardman	3	lyar
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10-Apr	Samuel Kandel	19	Nisan	*24-Apr	Sylvia Block	3	lyar
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12-Apr	John Cosgrove	21	Nisan Nisan	26-Apr	Jack Lincoln	5	lyar
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13-Apr	Evelyn Gerson	22	Nisan	26-Apr	Sheldon Martin	5	lyar
13-Apr	Fay Sackler		Nisan	27-Apr		6	lyar
13-Apr	Jane Lefco	22	Nisan	27-Apr		6	lyar
*13-Apr	Murray Breier	22	Nisan	27-Apr		6	lyar
13-Apr	Shirley Z. Simpson	22	Nisan	27-Apr		6	lyar
14-Apr	Barbara Davison	23	Nisan	*28-Apr	Arnold Balser	7	lýar
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15-Apr	Carl Vanovitch	24	Nisan	29-Apr			lyar
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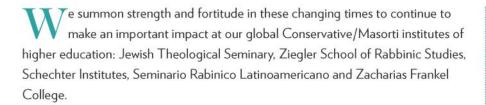
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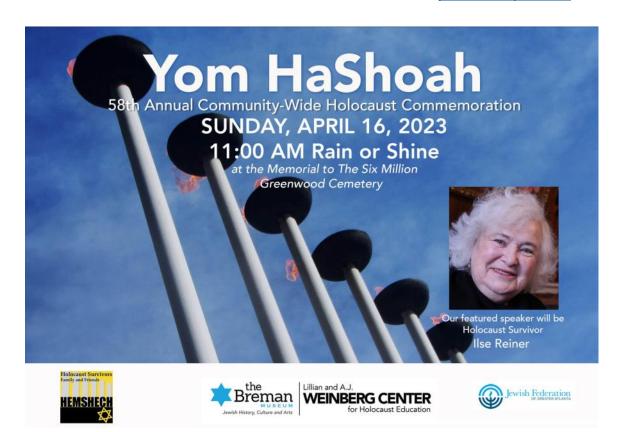


This pin symbolizes the story of the Israelites preparing to enter the Promised Land, when the leadership transitions from Moses to Joshua. The Israelites and Joshua are instructed to "be strong and courageous" (Deuteronomy 31:6, 7, 23; Joshua 1:6, 7, 9, 18). The 5783 Torah Fund pin represents 80 years of ever-increasing strength of Torah Fund.

Let us know if we can reserve one for you! All purpose greeting cards are also available.

Sandy Bailey, 770-490-7874 jbsandy10@gmail.com Pam Ziskend, 770-377-2599

pamziskend@yahoo.com



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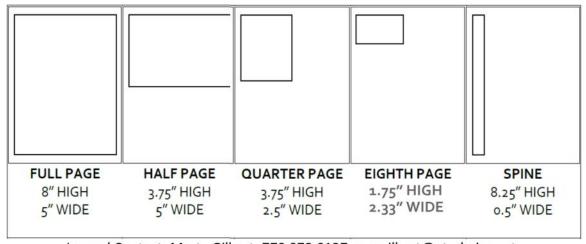
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Here are just a few sample titles that will be out on display in April:

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Men's Club Shabbat 2023 (image clipped from livestream video)

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#### Get a candle and start your search for chametz

#### THE SEARCH FOR CHAMETZ (BEDIKAT CHAMETZ)

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

The search is to be conducted by candlelight so that no corner of the house shall be overlooked and even the smallest particle of leaven removed. On the following morning all remaining chametz is to be destroyed by fire, just as in Temple times any part of an offering, which had been accidentally retained in excess of its prescribed time limit, was relegated to the fire. (Search for Chametz is Tuesday night, April 4 at 8:26 p.m.)

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

#### SELLING THE CHAMETZ

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

All such chametz in your possession should be collected and placed in a spare room, closet or trunk and locked. All chametz dishes and utensils should also be placed in a special closet or room until after Pesach. You should then authorize the Rabbi to draw up a bill of sale and negotiate the transfer to a non-Jew. Every attempt should be made to see the Rabbi personally. If that is not possible, kindly mail the form below to Rabbi Dorsch. It must reach the Rabbi by Wednesday, April 5, by 10:00 a.m.

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

Name:			
Hebrew Name:			
Address:			

#### **Showing Gratitude**

The Siyyum for the Fast of the First Born will be held **Wednesday, April 5, at 6:45 a.m.** All first born are welcome to attend to show their gratitude for being symbolically spared during the 10<sup>th</sup> plague.

#### Everything you need to know for the holiday

#### www.etzchaim.net/form/saleofchametz5783

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### PERMITTED FOODS:

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

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

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

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

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

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

- A. EARTHENWARE: (china, pottery, etc.) may not be kashered. However, fine translucent chinaware which has not been used for over a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.
- B. METAL: (wholly made of metal) utensils used in fire (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible. Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should have water boiled in them which will overflow the rim. The utensils should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be kashered.
- C. OVENS AND RANGES: Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. The oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half hour. If there is a broil setting, use it. Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned and then put through the self-cleaning cycle. Continuous cleaning ovens must be kashered in the same manner as regular ovens. MICROWAVE OVENS which do not cook the food by means of heat, should be cleaned, and then a cup of water should be placed inside. Then the oven should be turned on until the water disappears. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be kashered for Pesach.
- D. GLASSWARE: Authorities disagree as to the method for kashering drinking utensils. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours. The other opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before Pesach, or putting them through a dishwasher.
- E. DISHWASHER: After not using the machine for a period of 24 hours, a full cycle with detergent should be run.
- F. ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES: If the parts that come into contact with chametz are removable, they can be kashered in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules or metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be kashered. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned.)
- G. TABLES, CLOSETS AN D COUNTERS: If used with chametz, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then they may be used.
- H. KITCHEN SINK: A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.
- I. CHAMETZ AND NON-PASSOVER UTENSILS: Non-Passover dishes, pots and chametz whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up or covered, and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

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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!

Felicia Berne 678-910-1656 or chavurah@etzchaim.net

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

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

Please make sure ALL items are marked with a kosher symbol. For more information, contact Bob Beer at <a href="mailto:bob@bobbeer.com">bob@bobbeer.com</a> or Sarala Waller at <a href="mailto:saralarosewaller@gmail.com">saralarosewaller@gmail.com</a>.











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Click the below links for upcoming Youth Group events:

Chalutzim -  $K - 2^{nd}$  grades: Chalutzim Events

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Blue Jean Shabbat Dinner 5:30 p.m. Shabbat Service 6:30 p.m.

Cost is \$10 for Adults and children 11 and over \$5 for children 2 - 10 years old

Israeli Street Food Dinner Includes:

Falafel Eggplant
Beef Kofta Peaches
Chicken Kebabs Salad
Fish Flatbreads
Rice Dish Tahini Dressing

Tabouleh Pomegranate Walnut Dressing

RSVP by Friday, April 21 at Noon www.etzchaim.net/event/hasitshabbat

#### TORAH READERS WANTED!

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

or Bob Frohlich at chisakid@bellsouth.net.



#### 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!









#### 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 <a href="mailto:lisaflagel@gmail.com">lisaflagel@gmail.com</a> or call her at 678-591-7950.



# 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 at bob@bobbeer.com or Sarala Waller at saralarosewaller@gmail.com

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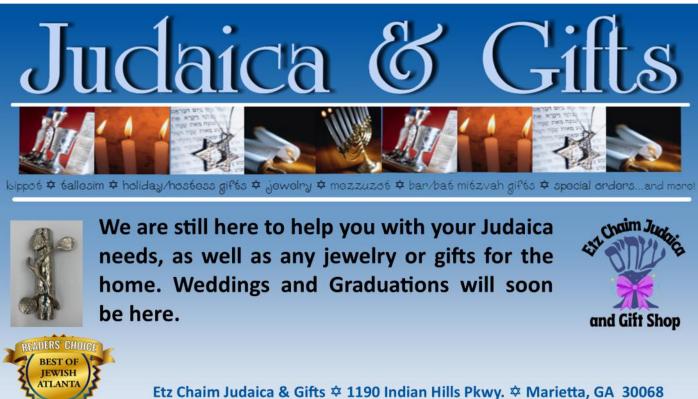
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#### Have a great idea? A question to ask?

Your **Board of Trustee liaison** is available to point you in the right direction or answer your questions.

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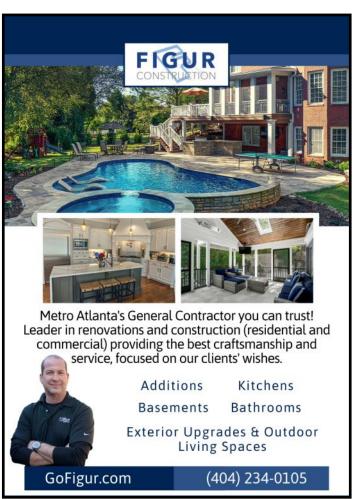
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