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Pride Shabbat

Saturday, December 2, at 9:30 a.m.

Rabbi Adler will be leading us in meaningful prayer and will be giving the D'var Torah.

All are welcome.

ASVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/prideshabbat23

Congregation Etz Chaim | 1190 Indian Hills Pkwy., Marietta, GA 30068



Pride Alliance



Scholar-in-Residence January 19 - 21, 2024 featuring

Rabbi Brad Hirschfield

President, Clal - The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership
Co-Founder and Executive Editor, TheWisdomDaily.com

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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



#### Daniel Dorsch Rabbi

There was a period in my life when I very well could have gone on the path of becoming an orthodox Jew. I was in high school and was attending the orthodox minyan regularly at school. The rabbi who ran the minyan, a



mentor, was a conservative rabbi who had turned orthodox after his ordination. Many of my closest friends at that point were also orthodox.

My delving into this orthodox world granted me many wonderful gifts. Although I was somewhat proficient from Camp Ramah and Jewish day school, attending that minyan taught me how to daven. I wore tefillin regularly and began Shabbat observance, things that I continue to do into adulthood.

However, in college, when I went on a date with a lovely Orthodox girl who suggested that I consider formally "becoming Orthodox," I gave my beliefs a closer look. I did some soul searching and came to the conclusion that being part of an Orthodox community would require me to sacrifice things that I was not prepared to do.

Living in that world would have required me to sacrifice intellectual honesty regarding my own views of the Torah and the way I believe Jewish law should continue to evolve and apply in the modern world. In this respect, I was and still am a committed conservative Jew.

It was also then that I had the foresight to realize that someday I might have a daughter. As a feminist, I was not prepared to join a community that would deny my daughter the same opportunities that I had growing up. Ultimately, I reasoned, if my daughter chose to live more traditionally (or not) as an adult, that would be her decision. But I was not prepared to be part of a world that would take that opportunity away from her at the start.

Confronted with the reality of living a traditional life in a not always traditional community, from time to time, a congregant will ask why I don't participate or enroll my children in more Orthodox leaning programs. My answer, quite simply, is because in Atlanta, we have programs that match the values that Amy and I believe are central for our family. We are staunch supporters of the JCC and In the City Camps, which instill a pride in being Jewish and are also completely egalitarian. For similar reasons, we send our children to Epstein, even though these days, an increasing number of Epstein families are otherwise unaffiliated or non-practicing outside of school. I will never have my daughter believing she is "less" in any way.

I continue to have a great respect for those who embrace living a traditional lifestyle, committed to living *shomrei mitzvot*, in an Orthodox community. Many are members of my own family.

But in the end, it's not for me.

For better, I believe that all of those many years ago I made the right decision to cast my lot in with all of you. My vote to live as a conservative Jew is a vote for an evolving Judaism that strives to afford equal opportunity for all.

#### Jonathon Adler Rabbinic Fellow

Two of my favorite things are music and Shabbat. (Matzo ball soup is an extremely close third, but that's a story for the future. Also, coffee and cats!) From the bottom of my heart, I love bringing music and Shabbat



together on Friday nights. I know I'm not the only one who feels that way, which is why we are adding a musical Kabbalat Shabbat to the calendar, generally once a month, for the coming year. I'm calling it "Shir Shel Shabbat."

"Test drive" Shir Shel Shabbat on Friday evening, November 3, at 6:30 p.m. Our big kickoff celebration will be on November 17, which is also my birthday! So, we're going to have a potluck dairy dinner. Etz Chaim will provide challah, cake and beverages, and a few other goodies. We'll have some fun zemirot (Shabbat songs) in addition to the music of Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv. (See page 17 for more details.)

For *Shir Shel Shabbat* to be truly successful, I need your help. Do you play an instrument? Do you love to sing? Dance? Clap along? If so, I hope you'll join us. I hope that many of our members will come and bring their own music to these joyous celebrations welcoming Shabbat in the coming months. Let me know how you'd like to contribute. *Shir Shel Shabbat* will not only be fun, but I really hope it will be a collaborative opportunity for many of you to show off your musical skills or share a few thoughts about Shabbat or simply be in community. The more people involved; the better *Shir Shel Shabbat* will be. Truly.

In his great comedy, "Twelfth Night", William Shakespeare wrote, "If music be the food of love, play on." I think of music not only as food of love, but as food for the soul. One of my favorite rabbinic teachings is from *Reish Lakish*, a prominent figure in the *Talmud*. He teaches us that on Shabbat, we each receive, for twenty-five hours, an extra soul. Let's feed all our souls, extra or not, with the music of *Kabbalat Shabbat*.

Over the year, that music will include classic melodies, but I'll also introduce new ones. I'd like you to share new tunes as well. It never ceases to amaze me how many settings there are for every Psalm in the Friday night service, for *L'cha Dodi*, even for the *zemirot* we might sing after our Shabbat dinners. We will sing, we will clap, some of us might even dance, as we welcome the Sabbath Bride and our extra Shabbat soul.

I hope you'll be there.

I also want to say thank you to everyone for an amazing High Holiday experience. Your support and feedback continue to be like an *Eshet Chayil*, a righteous woman, beyond its worth in rubies. I was so touched by how many of you felt compelled to share your own stories of becoming your best selves. I'm truly inspired by each and every one of you.



Marty Gilbert
Executive Director

A Prayer for the State of Israel Siddur Lev Shalem, page 178

"Our Father in Heaven, Rock, and Redeemer of the people Israel: Bless the State of Israel, with its promise of redemption. Shield it with Your

love; spread over it the shelter of Your peace. Guide its leaders and advisors with Your light and Your truth. Help them with Your good counsel. Strengthen the hands of those who defend our Holy Land. Deliver them; crown their efforts with triumph. Bless the land with peace, and its inhabitants with lasting joy."

And let us say: Amen.



#### Jamie Platt Lyons President

#### **Etz Chaim Safety Culture**

The horrific and heartbreaking situation in Israel has created a much more delicate security situation than we've had to deal with at Etz Chaim in a very long time. The security of our kids, our teens, our teachers, our staff and all our other congregants is the most important concern at Etz Chaim. We care deeply about everyone who works in and uses our building, and we want to keep everyone safe.

Over the years we have implemented many security measures that protect everyone on our campus. Marty and our synagogue staff and our lay leadership regularly consult and communicate frequently (lately, the advice has been on a daily basis) with former FBI agents who serve as part of the security team at the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta, the Secure Community Network ("SCN") (www.securecommunitynetwork.org), and local law enforcement (primarily Cobb County Sheriff's Deputies).

The professional security team at the Federation meets quarterly with Jewish Community groups and SCN conducts security assessments of our property. They walk our property, inspect our building, and examine our security plans, strengths, and vulnerabilities. They guide us on our security protocols and partner with us to ensure the security of our building and grounds is solid. While there are still things on our "to-do list", our physical structure has been praised as one of the more secure in our area.

At Congregation Etz Chaim, we receive daily updates from Federation and SCN via text and email advising us of potential threats. We also receive alert signals (like Amber Alerts) if there is an immediate threat. Throughout the year, and especially during the High Holidays, SCN hosts numerous webinars regarding all manners of security needs and goals. Many of these webinars have been made available to the community or are accessible through links on the SCN website. In short, we at Etz Chaim have daily interaction with these security professionals and all our decisions are made based on their advice and counsel.

Out of an abundance of caution, given the current events, we've hired a Cobb County Sheriff's Deputy to be on site Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., while we continue to have Officer Scott Price on Saturday and Sunday mornings. We've also asked our local police department to more frequently patrol our grounds. Our Security Committee and lay leadership constantly work to determine our needs to ensure the continued safety of our entire Etz Chaim Community.

Additionally, we are in the process of scheduling in-person training with CSS - The Community Security Service (an SCN partner) to train a volunteer security team to help protect the perimeter of our campus and the entrance to building. Many of our preschool dads already started this process! On Friday, October 13, (when Hamas called for an international day of jihad), Michael Israel organized our Preschool Dads to take shifts providing lay leadership security on our property. No one will care about our community as much as we do. Having our own community members vigilantly "on alert" is one of the best ways to help avoid incidents and keep ourselves safe. That's why we are scheduling CSS training. Please let Marty know if you'd like to be involved in this process.

Finally, we are trying to embed more of a "safety culture" throughout Etz Chaim. We will make short safety announcements from the bima, at Etz Chaim events and programs, at Preschool and Religious School, whenever we gather. These will be reminders about something we do in our community or that we have in our building that help us remain safe. At Religious School on Tuesday, October 10, we reminded the students and teachers to make sure all doors lock behind them when they leave the building for recess (or any other reason). At the Board of Trustees meeting on Sunday, October 15, I reminded everyone that we have an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) in our building (on the wall beside the doors to the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall). As we move forward, please expect to hear these short messages so we all become more accustomed to our "safety culture."

May we continue to stay safe, vigilant, and supportive of one another as a sign of the solidarity of the Jewish people. Help us keep all of us safe. Remain alert to your surroundings and . . .

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING – SAY SOMETHING. Am Yisrael Chai.

#### **Department of Education**

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

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Friday, 11/3
Tot Shabbat
Saturday, 11/4
Team Shabbat
Tuesday, 11/7
School Closed
(Election Day)
Saturday, 11/11
Team Shabbat
Kids Night Out
Mon. 11/20 – Fri., 11/24
School Closed

#### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

(Thanksgiving)

Saturday, 11/4
Team Shabbat
Tuesday, 11/7
School Closed
(Election Day)
Saturday, 11/11
Team Shabbat
Sunday, 11/12
Pre-K Class in Session
Sun., 11/19, Tues., 11/21, and Sun., 11/26
School Closed
(Thanksgiving)

ETZ CHAIM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AND GRADED SHABBATOT

Dates, times and registration Information is available on page 16.



## Debbie Deutsch Director of Education

#### A Peak into Our Schools

Our Kitah Zayinists (7th graders) are busy making the world a better place. One of the priorities of teaching 7th graders is keeping them engaged at religious school, even after their B'nai Mitzvah. The students are drawn in by the projects they design, and they love the feeling of doing good work.

On Tuesdays, our Zayinists focus on community in their Service Learning and Leadership class. Earlier this semester, the students researched and self-selected the Special Olympics as the benefactor of their first project. To raise funds, the class voted on a bake sale, and the Zayinists did all the planning, marketing, baking, and selling to achieve their goal. The final count is not in yet, but success is a sure thing! In addition to helping our broader community, the Zayinists planned and carried out a Sukkot program at Etz Chaim for our Gan class and look forward to planting daffodils at the Leo Frank Memorial.

Once each project is complete, the students evaluate their efforts and reflect on their choices. The soft-skills gained in this type of program are invaluable. Beyond team building and time management, the Zayinists are becoming connected with the community around them as new Jewish adults.

Another way we are supporting our Zayinists to connect with the community and to Jewish adulthood is through their speaker sessions and activities on Sundays when our focus is on B'nai Mitzvah preparation and an understanding of what it means to become a Bar or Bat Mitzvah. The Zayinists now realize that it's more than just a party, thanks to Rabbi Dorsch. This is because each week we have been joined by a variety of speakers from throughout the community, enriching our understanding of Jewish life cycle events. We will even be taking a field trip this month to MACOM.

The Kitah Zayinists will tell you 7th grade is the best year of religious school with many of last year's students becoming Madrichim as 8th graders. The hope is that the B'nai Mitzvah is not the end of their Jewish education, but just the beginning.



#### Lauren Chernau Assistant Director Etz Chaim Preschool

As the newness of the beginning of the school year is now behind us, each day, we look forward to seeing happy faces and content children happily engaged in play. We love seeing friendships forming, joyful voices and wonderment abound.

This month I will be highlighting our youngest group, the Busy Bees. This class is taught by Dana Sobel and Madelyn Chernau. The children absolutely adore Mrs. Sobel and Miss C! At any given time of day, you can walk into their classroom and see children snuggling their teachers, laughing, playing, and exploring the very thoughtfully set up classroom. The children in this class must be at least 14 months old and walking. As they begin this class, their little toddling legs slowly and unsteadily carry them around. Soon after, they are cruising, climbing, dancing, jumping and even running!

When talking to their teachers, they cannot say enough wonderful things about this class. Dana says, "The best thing about teaching the Busy Bees is that they have the sweetest personalities, and it is so exciting to watch them begin to discover each other and develop friendships." When I asked Madelyn what is special about being the Busy Bees teacher, she said, "I absolutely love watching them discover the world through their eyes and seeing the wonderment each day. Also their snuggles are the best!"

As the starting point, the Busy Bees class is a great beginning to the journey at Etz Chaim Preschool!



















Kítah Zayín, bake sale for a cause—Special Olympics











Join us on these Fridays during the 2023-24 school year:



November 3 - December 8 - January 5 February 2 - March 1 - April 12 - May 10

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Bring Your Own Dinner "BYOD"

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

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

www.etzchaim.net/preschool

1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, GA 30068

### TEAM SHABBAT AT ETZ CHAIM 2023-24 S23SON

#### SHABBAT PROGRAMMING FOR ALL CHILDREN!

#### LITTLE LEAGUE

PARENTS & CHILDREN

#### PRE-K AND UNDER

MAJOR LEAGUES

GRADES 3-5

#### **MINOR LEAGUES**

**GRADES K-2** 

#### **ALL STARS**

GRADES 6 & 7

#### TIME:

10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

#### SAVE THESE TEAM SHABBAT DATES:

NOVEMBER 4 & 11 - DECEMBER 2 & 16 - JANUARY 13 & 27 FEBRUARY 3 & 10 - MARCH 9 & 23 - APRIL 13 & 20

#### DATES FOR ALL STARS:

NOVEMBER 11 - DECEMBER 16 - FEBRUARY 10 MARCH 16 - APRIL 13 - MAY 11

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



## 2024 ALEF Fund, now Georgia GOAL

Your participation helps send children to our Pre-K program



As some of you may be aware, the ALEF Fund, now Georgia GOAL is the Student Scholarship

Organization that coordinates the funding of our scholarship funds for the Cool Cats 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 NOT 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.
- 2. 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 students are receiving scholarships covering about 73% 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.goalscholarship.org/ and select "Apply Now", then choose either "First Time Donor" or "Returning Donors". Create an account or sign in to your existing account.
- 2. 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.

#### Debbie and Marty

Allocate your money as quickly as possible. There is a state wide cap on allocations and when that cap is met, no more allocations will be accepted. 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 GOAL—ALEF Fund office by the end of 2023



#### Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines

December Deadline: Wednesday, November 1 January Deadline: Friday, December 1

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



### Our Etz Chaim Community

#### Mazal Tov to...

Barbara and David Siegelman on the birth of their grandson, Evan Julius, born on July 25 to Sydney and Philip Siegelman

Stephanie and Barry Gang on the marriage of their son, Matt, to Traci Weisberg on September 3

Jodi and Peter Danis on the marriage of their son, Peter, to Eliza Duberstein

Michelle Grey and Hailee and Seth Yarus on the marriage of Michelle's son and Hailee's brother, Daniel Grey to Rachel Cohen

#### Our Condolences to...

Shannon and Mark Patinkin on the passing of their beloved son, Michael

Ronni Beker on the passing of her beloved mother, Dorothy Trotz

Peri Rosner on the passing of her beloved husband, Dr. Phillip Rosner

Bobbi Shams on the passing of her beloved husband, Marvin Shams

Sydelle Silberman on the passing of her beloved husband, Irwin Silberman, and to Amy Rein, on the loss of her beloved father

Rabbi Albert Slomovitz on the passing of his beloved father, Lester Savitt, and grandfather to Rachel Slomovitz

Alan Shectman on the passing of his beloved sister, Sandy Shectman Carita

Nancy Lemer on the passing of her beloved father, Kenneth Hugh Singer

Karen Keeter on the passing of her beloved father, Robert Harris

Jack Weinstein on the passing of his beloved sister, Cheryl Weinstein Matis

Thank You to our Office Volunteers... Ron Judenberg

Michael Karp 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.





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

All Shabbat Services in-person and via livestream.

Minyanim will be held in-person only.

BE A MITZVAH MAKER.

#### PLEASE HELP US MAKE A MINYAN FOR THOSE SAYING KADDISH.

Please note: Thursday, November 23, minyan 9:00 a.m. and no evening minyan.

Friday, November 24, minyan at 9:00 a.m.

#### Click link to livestream:

https://www.etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream

MINYANIM ARE HELD IN THE ALLAN AND VIVIAN LEVINE FAMILY CHAPEL SHABBAT SERVICES ARE HELD IN THE LINDY AND NORMAN RADOW SANCTUARY

#### Upcoming B'nai Mitzvah

The Voice 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 Morning Babysitting 9:30 - 11:45 a.m.

Babysitting is available on Shabbat when there is <u>no</u> "Team Shabbat". Please check our website at <u>www.etzchaim.net/calendar</u> or in the weekly EtzBlast for more information.

Upcoming Dates: November 18 and 25



#### **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.

#### Men's Club Notes

Shalom Once Again, Etz Chaim Congregants.

Fall is in the air and as we head towards Thanksgiving, your Men's Club is very thankful to be a part of this Congregation.



Next up, look for Men's Club to assist with **Veterans Day Shabbat on November 11,** as we honor our Veterans. (See ad on page 12.)

Men's Club was very proud to be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs for the **Sukkot Community Cookout** on October 1, as well as the dedication for the Hammer Pavilion. With over 150 congregants present, this was a great event for all to enjoy, and thankfully the weather cooperated.

Two nights later we hosted our annual **Ribeyes with the Rabbis (i.e., Steak in the Sukkah)** dinner on October 3. Over 80 people came out for the evening, and once again, the weather cooperated as everyone enjoyed their meal and libations on this spectacular night inside the Hammer Pavilion and Sukkah. Special thanks to **Alan Lightstone** for shopping, prep, and cooking, **Jerry Cohen** for manning the grill, **Joe Ziskend** for the wonderful brownies, **Mathew Nathan** for stepping up as Treasurer for the day, and really all the rest of Men's Club who helped make this event so great for everyone.

Men's Club hosted a free breakfast for Etz Chaim members on Monday, October 18, to discover who and what the Technion Society is. This was a very informative event to learn about this wonderful society, what it does to help technology grow in Israel, and the impact on the rest of the world. Thanks to **Steve Caras** for hosting and to our speaker **Susan Levin-Abir**.

At our most recent event, Men's Club cooked at the Atlanta Kosher BBQ Festival on October 22, at Brook Run Park in Dunwoody. The Etz Chaim team, 'Moshe Ribeinu's Kosher Barbie-Q Team' raised a lot of eyebrows with our Pink Barbie Shirts! The event was a lot of fun and there was a huge turnout by the community.



**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 our Men's Club-sponsored events or have a great idea about an event? Please share with us your thoughts. We are actively looking for more members to come socialize with us. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Bryan Coleman, <a href="mailto:rog-bry@mindspring.com">rog-bry@mindspring.com</a> or Mathew Nathan, <a href="mailto:mathan@gmail.com">mathan@gmail.com</a>.

President: Bryan Coleman VP: Mathew Nathan

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

#### Mazal Tov to the Champions of the Synagogue Summer Softball League ... Etz Chaim's Men's Club!



Yasher Koach to the "A Team"! Synagogue Summer Softball League's City Champions!

Team Members:

Josh Berry & Rob Miller & Brad Goldberg
Alex Carola & Andrew Cohn & Noah Medwed
Mason Hart & Mason Chernau & Brian Mittelberg
Andrew Cohen & Alec Rubin & Robbie Eisenman
Mark Needle & Dalan Cohen & Alex Brown
Adam Melnick & Seth Yarus

#### Minyan Makers

The Sisterhood sponsorship for Etz Chaim's daily minyan is on 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:

Neda Gayle, 615-477-3152, nedagayle@att.net or Helaine Mark at 404-353-4589, laineybeth@comcast.net.

Check us out on Facebook or 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. Mondays: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays: 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. or by appointment, contact Lauren Gray

#### The Sisterhood Scoop

#### Surround Yourself with Women Who Will Lift You Higher!

#### Happy Thanksgiving!

We are grateful and thankful to all of you for being a part of Sisterhood and Etz Chaim!

Our Annual Member Appreciation event has been moved from Sunday, November 12 to March 3, 2024. Keep an eye out for more details in the coming months.

Sunday, November 12, at 10:00 a.m. at the Bayit, Dale Millman will host the Book Club to share thoughts and inspiration on the true story of "Anna & Dr. Helmy: How an Arab Doctor Saved a Jewish Girl in Hitler's Berlin" by Ronen Steinke. (See page 18 for our ad.)

The new session for our popular series, **Shalom in the Shul**, began October 16. Our next session is **December 11**. Join Rabbi Lewis as he leads us in a stimulating discussion on the book **Not in God's Name** by Rabbi Jonathan Saks, Chief Rabbi of Great Britian. Available for purchase through Amazon. Please see the ad on page 24 to RSVP.

**MUST Ministries**, a local homeless shelter and service provider for those in need, is counting on us to provide knitted caps and scarves for those cold winter months. Do you knit, crochet? Bring completed items to the office during business hours to be placed in our bin. See our ad on page 16.

Sunday, **December 3**, is the **Chanukah Shuk** brought to you by Sisterhood for our Religious school children to purchase gifts for family and friends. The Chanukah Shuk will be open during religious school hours.

Please continue to support **Sunday morning minyan at 9:15 a.m.** Every person who attends is vital and appreciated. Your attendance can make a difference! We are one of the only synagogues in the area that have daily minyans. It is a mitzvah to be there for those in mourning and observing a yahrzeit.

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. Won't you step up? Please contact Neda Gayle at 615-477-3152, <a href="mailto:nedagayle@att.net">nedagayle@att.net</a>, or Helaine Mark at 404-353-4589, <a href="mailto:laineybeth@comcast.net">laineybeth@comcast.net</a> for any questions or to inquire further.

Until next time...

Neda and Helaine Co-Presidents, Sisterhood Order your 2024 Mah Jongg Cards! See page 24.

Donate to the Torah Fund today. New year, new pin! See page 13 for more information.



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

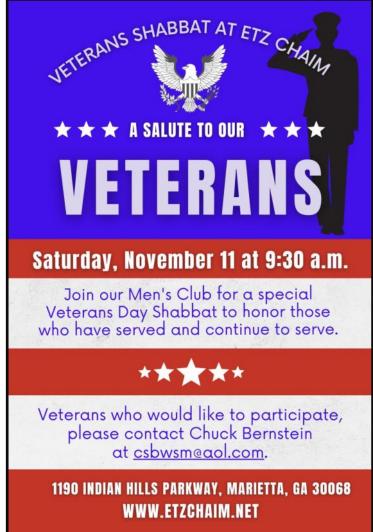
weekend hunger gap. Our congregation sponsors children at Eastvalley Elementary School - which means we are responsible for providing bags of food for dozens of children each week this school year.

To learn how you can help and sign up to volunteer, please visit the Social Action page of our website or scan the QR code.















### Torah Study with the Rabbi

Join us in person or via Zoom for a stimulating conversation with the Rabbi.

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Hammer-Tritt Social Hall at Etz Chaim

November 2 November 9 November 30 December 7 December 12 December 21 Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. Huntcliff Summit I -Independent Living

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To be added to our email list or receive the Zoom link, contact Betsy in the office at betsy@etzchaim.net.

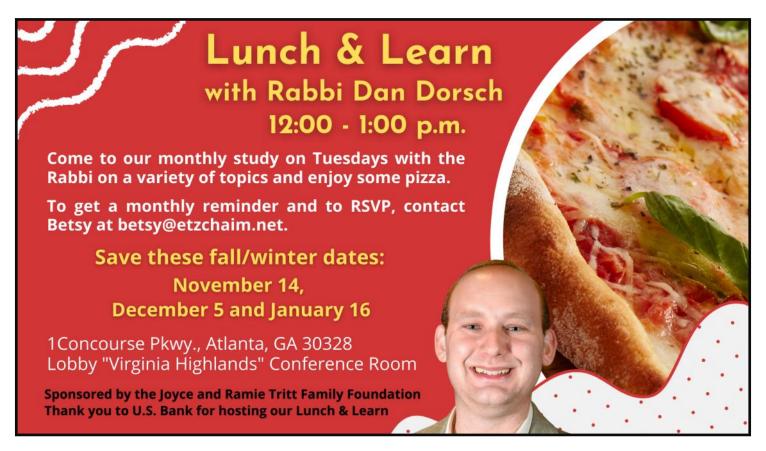


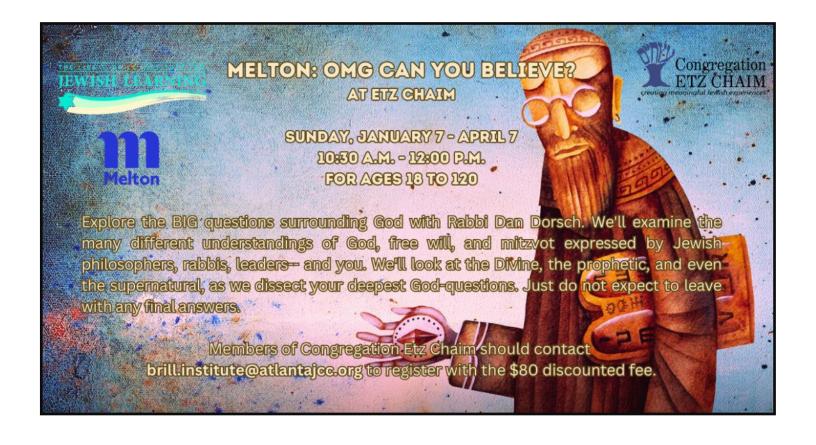


## Do you shop at Kroger? Do you have a Kroger Plus Card?

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

www.krogercommunityrewards.com Etz Chaim's NPO# KY946 Questions about purchasing a cemetery plot? Call Marty Gilbert 770-973-0137









Join Us for a "Test Drive"

with Rabbi Adler and the Ruach Singers Friday, November 3, at 6:30 p.m.

Official Launch Party

Friday, November 17 6:80 p.m.





- Potluck Dairy Dinner
- · Celebrate Rabbi Adler's birthday
- · This event is free.
- · Fun for the entire mishpacha!

Consider a donation to sponsor or endow a Music Fund www.etzchaim.net/event/shirshel







Come and Hang Out with US!



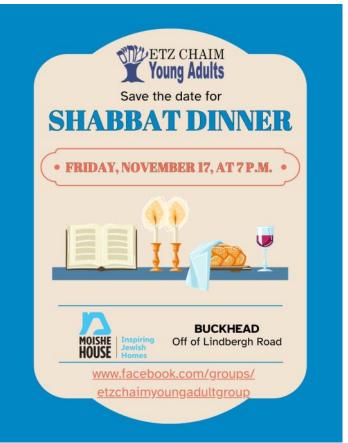
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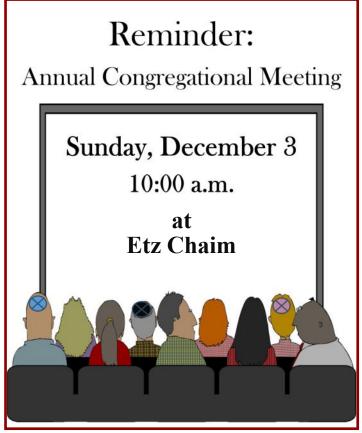
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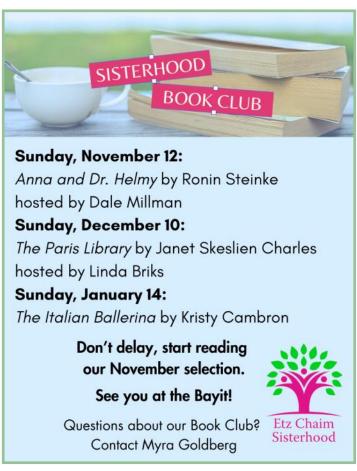


For additional information and to RSVP, Visit us at: https://www.facebook.com/groups/etzchaimyoungadultgroup











### Wednesday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall at Etz Chaim

Explore the changing fields of gender identity and expression, and learn how to create inclusive spaces and to honor them.

Highly interactive and provides a safe space for discussions relating to:

- Gender roles in the US and in Judaism
- Gender identities such as non-binary and transgender
- How Judaism and society are reacting to expand gender identities and expressions



This event is free and open to the community.



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As members of our Etz Chaim community, let's join upcoming Pride & LGBTQ events here at our synagogue and around metro Atlanta to show our commitment to love, acceptance, and inclusion. By participating, we can bridge divides, foster understanding, and spread the message of love that transcends all boundaries. Let's embrace diversity, celebrate uniqueness, and be a living example of our Judaism in action. Join us and also have tons of FUN!



Etz Chaim members, Andrew Kagan and Rachel and David Wilson (pictured in their new Pride Alliance t-shirts) met up with SOJOURN and many other members of the Atlanta Jewish Community, who marched in the Atlanta Pride Parade on Sunday, October 15.

"There was a fabulous crowd, bigger than last year. Andrew rode the float, carrying a sign showing one of the children kidnapped by Hamas. Many people in the crowd saw it and waved back with compassion and understanding."

It was a wonderful day. Happy Pride!

Andrew Kagan

## **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?

serious illness.

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

#### **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.

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Saturday	4 (20 Cheshvan) Vayera	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Shabbat Service 9:30a	Team Shabbat 10:30a			Shabbat Ends 7:32p	11 (27 Cheshvan)	Chayei Sara	Veterans Shabbat Service	9:30 a.m.	Team Shabbat 10:30a	Kids Night Out 5p		Shabbat Ends 6:27p	18 (5 Kislev) Toldot	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Shabbat Service 9:30a	Babysitting avail. 9:30a				Shabbat Ends 6:23p	25 (12 Kislev) Vayetzei	Shabbat Service 9:30a	Babysitting avail. 9:30a			Shabbat Ends 6:20p					
Friday	<b>3</b> (19 Cheshvan)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 7a	Tot Shabbat 5p	"Test Drive" Shir Shel	Shabbat 6:30p	Candle Lighting 6:25p	10 (26 Cheshvan)	Morning Minyan 7a	Pre-K Shabbat Dinner 5p	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p				Candle Lighting 5:20p	17 (4 Kislev)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 7a	Shir Shel Shabbat and	Dinner 6:30p			Candle Lighting 5:15p	<b>24</b> (11 Kislev)	Thanksgiving Friday	Preschool Closed	Synagogue Offices Closed Morning Minyan 9a	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p	Candle Lighting 5:12pm					
Thursday	2 (18 Cheshvan)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 7a	Torah Study 10a	Confirmation Class 5:30p	B'Yachad Class 7p	Lycinig minyan o.oop	9 (25 Cheshvan)	Morning Minyan 7a	Torah Study 10a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7p				16 (3 Kislev)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 7a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	Community Ecumenical	I nanksgiving "Creating Courageous Connections"	at TKE 7p		23 (10 Kislev)	Thanksgiving Day	Preschool Closed	Synagogue Offices Closed Morning Minyan 9a	No Evening Minyan		<b>30</b> (17 Kislev)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Torah Study 10a	Evening Minyan 6:30p B'Yachad Class 7p	
Wednesday	1 (17 Cheshvan)	Morning Minyan 7a	Art For a Mitzvah 1p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	USY Wacky 6:30p			8 (24 Cheshvan)	Morning Minyan 7a	Art For a Mitzvah 1p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	USY Wacky 6:30p	roung Adults at Lucky s Brookhaven – Trivia 7p			15 (2 Kislev)	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 7a	Art For a Mitzvah 1p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	USY Wacky 6:30p Pride Alliance: Honoring	the Rainbow Program 7p	900 W	22 (9 Kislev)	Preschool Closed	Morning Minyan 7a	Evening Minyan 6:30p (No USY Wacky)			29 (16 Kislev)	Morning Minyan 7a	Evening Minyan 6:30p	USY Wacky 6:30p	
Tuesday								7 (23 Cheshvan)	Preschool Closed	No Religious School	Election Day	Morning Minyan 7a	Fvening Minyan 6:30p	Lilmode: Beg. Hebrew 7p Exec. Comm. Mtg. 7:15pm		14 (1 Kislev)	Rosh Chodesh Kislev	Morning Minyan 7a	Lunch & Learn 12p	Religious School 4:45p	Evening Minyan 6:30p Lilmode: Beg. Hebrew 7p	Trustees Mtg. 7p		21 (8 Kislev)	No Religious School	Preschool Closed	Morning Minyan /a Evening Minyan 6:30p	Lilmode: Beg. Hebrew 7p		28 (15 Kislev)	Morning Minyan 7a		Lilmode: Beg. Hebrew 7p	
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Sunday	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR							<b>5</b> (21 Cheshvan)	Daylight Saving Time	"Fall Back One Hour"	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Religious School 9:15a	Melton Class 10:30a	Girl Scouts Mtg. 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p	33 35	12 (28 Cheshvan)	Religious School & Pre-K	9:15a	Morning Minyan 9:15a	Sisterhood Book Club 10a	Melton Class 10:30a Chalutzim Event 12:15p	Evening Minyan 6:30p	8	19 (6 Kislev)	No Religious School	Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim	Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p	)		<b>26</b> (13 Kislev)	No Religious School	Evening Minyan 6:30p		

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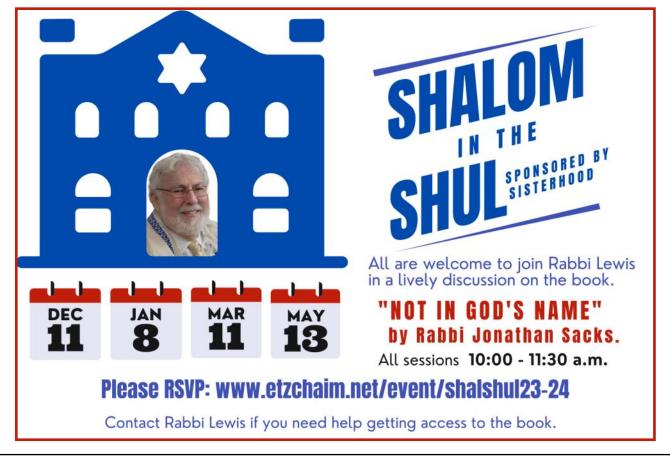
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## JOAN H. RABIN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

#### In celebration of:

Arlene and Glenn La Vine - Mazel Tov on your 50th wedding anniversary. What a wonderful milestone for two delightful and generous Etz Chaim congregants.

#### Joel Schancupp

#### In loving memory of:

our fathers, Max Rabin and Henry Halperin. With love,

Dan Rabin and Joan Halperin Rabin (z'l)

## PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

#### In memory of:

Bobby Silverman

Andy and Ilana Zalkin

Robert Silverman

**Carole and Stephen Kaplan** 

**Robert Silverman** 

**Stanley and Luci Sunshine** 

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### In memory of:

William Paul Hurd Rachel Rosner

Elaine Taffel Pollock, mother and grandmother, and Eric Gottfried Jacobsen, father and grandfather

Linda, Kenny, Andrea, Morgan and Rebecca Pollock

**Bruce Olens** 

**Lisa and Sam Olens** 

Harry Diamond. With love, Michael, Linda, Sarah and Benjamin

Diamond

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Frances Levy

Sandra and Andrew Landis and Family

In memory of:

Sally Sencer Siegelman

**David and Barbara Siegelman** Phil Rosner

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**Bruce and Bernice Mellman** 

Jane Cohen

**Jeremy Cohen** 

Emanuel Chartash on his yahrzeit. We always remember you. Love,

Randy and Debbi Chartash

#### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Barbara and David Siegelman on the birth of your grandson Evan Julius.

Julie Kleinman

#### RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND

#### In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch, thank you for your kind and thoughtful remarks to us in honor of our 50th anniversary. We really appreciate you and all that you do for our congregation. Sincerely and with love,

#### Glenn and Arlene La Vine

Rabbi Dorsch for your support and help with the recent passing of my mother.

#### **Lawrence and Michelle Nathan**

Moshe Sebagabo and Namanyonyi Synagogue in Uganda for the Kippahs they made and sent to us

#### **Ron and Wendy Feinberg**

Rabbi Dorsch's guidance and direction during Maya's Bat Mitzvah

#### **Stacy and Amir Efrat**

#### In loving memory of:

Chaya Visenberg, an amazing loving and caring grandmother, great grandmother to Meylakh. Your way of living, your wisdom is an inspiration to all of us. You are missed Galina, Ella, Meylakh

#### **Galina Barshay**

your son, Sam. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this very difficult time. May Sam's memory be for a blessing now and always. Love,

#### Glenn and Arlene La Vine

Jacob George Friedman, loving father and grandfather, on his yahrzeit. Linda and Stan Bernknopf and Family

#### Linda Bernknopf

Elaine T. Pollock, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother. We will always remember you.

#### **Martin Taffel**

Allen Cohen, my beloved brother

#### **Meredith Cohen**

Frances Levy

**Steven and Marcy Caras** 

#### In memory of:

my mother Margie Becker

#### Faye B. Glancz

our mother, Eleanor Mendel

**Jane Simon** 

my father Bernard Goodman

my mother, Lillian Goodman

Jeff and Melissa Goodman

Rita Hoffman

**Larry Sandak** 

Arthur Hoffman Larry Sandak

Alan Silverman's father. May his memory always be a blessing and bring comfort and peace to your heart.

#### Lynne Goldman Johannesen

Marcy Caras' mother. May her memory always be a blessing and bring peace to your heart.

#### Lynne Goldman Johannesen

**Dorothy Collman Cohen** 

#### Meredith Cohen

your beloved son Sam. May you find comfort in the many memories you shared and know no more sorrow.

#### **Sally Greenstein**

my dear brother Irwin Yonks' yahrzeit **Saundra Rothstein** 

Sol Yonks, father, grandfather, and greatgrandfather on his yahrzeit

#### Saundra Rothstein

Audrey Nathan, beloved mother of Dr. Lawrence Nathan. With sincere condolences. May her memory always bring to you a smile and warm heart. Our thoughts are with you, Michelle, Geoffrey, and Ruthie.

#### The Brill Family

#### Wishing a speedy recovery to:

Steve Bodenstein. We hope you have a speedy and complete recovery. We hope your recent surgery will bring you everlasting, pain-free results. Love,

Arlene and Glenn La Vine

#### **RABBI LEWIS DISCRETIONARY FUND**

#### In loving memory of:

my husband Markus Spandorfer

**Rochelle Spandorfer** 

#### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Dani and Amir Oren on the Bar Mitzvah of their son. Ari

Linda and Stan Bernknopf

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#### In memory of:

Abram Bernstein on his yahrzeit Rick and Peggy Bernstein

#### LINDA H. WEINROTH EDUCATION FUND

#### In memory of:

Pearl Stickgold on her yahrzeit - mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. **Allan and Vivian Levine** 

#### MORRIS FRANK SACRED TEXT FUND

#### In honor of:

Arlene and Glenn La Vine's anniversary. Mazel Toy!

#### Linda and Irv Briks

#### In loving memory of:

our dear father and grandfather, Mose Taffel

#### **Martin Taffel**

#### Wishing a speedy recovery to:

Josh Levetan
Candy Frank

#### **PHILLIP'S LIBRARY FUND**

#### In honor of:

Maxine Schein on her birthday. **Esther Low** 

Arlene and Glenn La Vine's 50th wedding anniversary

#### **Richard and Dale Millman**

#### In memory of:

Pauline Cohn

George Cohen

#### Lawrence Cohen

#### In appreciation of:

PRESCHOOL FUND

Shana, Josh, Ellie, Amelia, David, Diantha, Cairn, River, and Marley, and our dear children and grandchildren. Thank you for your efforts in planning and participation to ensure that our 50th celebration was spectacular, which, of course, it was! We will remember that weekend with love and joy forever. Love all y'all, Mom/Arlene/Nana Lu and Dad/Glenn/Papa Glenn

#### **Glenn and Arlene La Vine**

#### In celebration of:

Arlene and Glenn La Vine's anniversary. We enjoyed celebrating with you and wish you many, many more!

#### **Debbie and Gary Deutsch**

Arlene and Glenn La Vine. Mazel Tov on your 50th wedding anniversary!!

#### **Ron and Wendy Feinberg**

#### In loving memory of:

Bubbe Adele, a force of nature when it came to Early Childhood Education and a sweet Bubbe to all our preschoolers.

#### All the Etz Chaim Preschoolers

#### In memory of:

Herman B. Trotz, loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. You are always in our thoughts.

#### **David and Ronni Beker**

#### ROBERT KLEIN MEMORIAL CHESED FUND

#### In loving memory of:

our father and grandfather, Frederick Miner, on his yahrzeit. We can't believe it has been three years. We miss you always.

our beloved father and grandfather, Harold Greenberg on his yahrzeit.

#### Dana, Ari, Ilyse and Sam Greenberg

#### In memory of:

Frederick Miner yahrzeit **Tricia Miner** 

#### SISTERHOOD FUND

#### In appreciation of:

Sisterhood. Thanks for all your hard work. **Sherry Adams** 

#### Wishing a speedy recovery to:

Bernice Mellman. Sheri and I hope you are painless soon!

#### **Sheri and Bob Frohlich**

#### YOUTH FUND

#### In appreciation of:

Leah Green

#### **Sherry Adams**

In memory of:

Tema Rothenberg Robert Gordon

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## CYNTHIA R. FREEMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In celebration of:

Rosh Hashanah

Sarah Freeman and Alisa Feldman

In honor of:

the birth of Sophie Maisel Feldman. Mazel Tov to parents Dave and Alisa Feldman and grandparents Joe and Lori Freeman.

**Debbie and Kevin Robbins** 

the birth of Sophie Maisel Feldman

**Deborah Firestone** 

In memory of:

Michael Patinkin, beloved son of Shannon and Mark Patinkin and brother of Jordan Patinkin

Sandy Shectman Carita, beloved sister of Alan Shectman

Joseph and Lori Freeman

## GERTRUDE AND JOE WILENSKY MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In loving memory of:

our father, Joe Wilensky

our mother, Sadie Scopp

Frank and Barbara Wilensky

## JOAN H. RABIN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

#### In appreciation of:

Sheri Rosenblum, thank you for the beautiful poem that you composed and read on Yom Kippur. You captured the holiday and its meaning so well. May you and Bruce have a healthy and happy new year.

Joel and Judy Schancupp

In memory of:

Helen Rabin, beloved mother and grandmother.

Dan Rabin, Sarah Rabin Nourparvar, Michelle Manne, and Stephanie Moyal

## PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

#### In loving memory of:

Bobby Silverman, father of Alan Silverman

Michael and Linda Weinroth

#### In memory of:

your beloved husband Marvin Shams. We are so very saddened for your loss. What a special man.

Charles Moog, beloved father of Michelle. May his memory be a blessing. Love, Alan and Bonnie Silverman

#### RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT

#### In appreciation of:

Rabbi Lewis for his comforting words when my mother passed away

Michelle K. Grey

In memory of:

Catherine Barber

Michael Barber

## RADOW YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

#### In honor of:

the birth of William Hurd, grandson of Norm and Lindy Radow

Michael and Linda Weinroth

#### SISTERHOOD ENDOWMENT FUND

#### In loving memory of:

Robert Harris, beloved father of Karen Keeter. May his memory be a blessing. **Paula L. Coplon** 

#### **RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND**

#### Tanah and Allison Barchichat

#### In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch for your devotion to our kid and her Jewish college experience. Shana Tova U'metukah to you and your family.

#### Alex and Jess Weinberg

our High Holiday honors

#### Ellen and Billy Balser

Rabbi Dorsch's beautiful words inspiring 70+ years ahead for the marriage of Peter and Eliza. Thank you for a lovely aufruf, Rabbi!

#### **Ken and Jodi Danis**

Rabbi Dorsch officiating at Lauren and David's wedding

#### **Lisa and Sam Olens**

Rabbi Dorsch

#### Mark and Shannon Patinkin

Rabbi Dorsch for conducting a virtual shivah/minyan for my mother when I had Covid. Your kindness was greatly appreciated.

#### Michelle K. Grey

Rabbi Dorsch leading Shiva Minyan for my mother Dorothy P. Trotz

#### Ronni Beker

Rabbi Dorsch, thanks again for helping to make our grandson's Bar Mitzvah a wonderful celebration.

#### Stanley and Judy Fineman

#### In honor of:

Barry Teitelman

#### Frank and Barbara Wilensky

Sarah Edelstein being called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

#### Jack and SaraJane Weinstein

Wendy Feinberg's Big Birthday - we wish you many more in good health.

Allan and Vivian Levine's 50th Anniversary - we wish you many more to come. Love,

#### Malka and Barry Riesenberg

Ari Oren's Bar Mitzvah

#### Marsha and Chuck Bernstein

Rabbi Dorsch's Presidency of the Atlanta Rabbinic Association

#### Michael and Linda Weinroth

Jayden Cohen being called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah

#### SaraJane and Jack Weinstein

Sheri Rosenblum for the beautiful poetry and artwork. You are so very talented.

#### **Debbi and Randy Chartash**

#### In loving memory of:

**Marvin Shams** 

#### **Carol and Roger Rosenthal**

my father, Gerald Lieberman, on his yahrzeit **David Lieberman** 

Michael Patinkin

#### **Gail and Ron Chanin**

dear Abraham Schwert - thank you, Hashem, for the blessing of having you for so many years as a special friend, support system and loving Godfather to Meylakh Barshay. Your wisdom of applying Torah knowledge in everyday life helps us to make the best possible decision. You will always be in our hearts. With love,

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

#### Galina and Meylakh Barshay

Marvin Shams

Phil Rosner

Myrna and David Garron

#### Tzedakah • דרקה

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your sister and aunt, Sandy Shectman Carita. We are sorry for your loss. May her memory be for a blessing, now and always. Sincerely,

Glenn and Arlene La Vine

our parents, Albert Schein M.D. and Sylvia Schein R.N., who were true inspirations to our family

Jonathan and Maxine Schein

Marvin Shams

Saundi and Adam Shapiro, Debbie and Mark Isbitts, and Josie and Perry Reiter

Harriette Zinsenheim, beloved mom and grandma. Love,

Shari, Mallory, and Michael Landon

Marvin Shams

**Simone and Norman Marinoff** 

In memory of:

Ronni Beker's mom, Dorothy Trotz. May her memory be for a blessing. Love,

**Alberto and Cindee Sapoznik** 

Richard Becker. I think about you every day. Wishing you were here to see your grand-children.

**Andrew and Jayne Becker** 

Pearl Levy

my brother, Richard Epstein

**Barney Epstein** 

Dorothy P. Trotz. I am so sorry for your loss.

Dr. Phillip Rosner. I am so sorry for your loss. **Bobbi Shams** 

Marvin Shams with sincere condolences from Carole and Andy Shovers

**Carole and Andy Shovers** 

Ronni Beker's mom. Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your mom. Her wonderful spirit hopefully will comfort you.

**David Lieberman and Suzanne Rivchun** 

my life partner and my soulmate Jane Simon

Mary Sandak

**Larry Sandak** 

Marvin Shams

Dr. Phillip Rosner

**Marcy Graiser** 

my wonderful mother, Florence Katz **Margie Sonshein** 

your husband Irwin Silberman. Sorry for your loss.

Lester Savitt, father of Rabbi Slomovitz Marsha and Chuck Bernstein Esther Bigel, mother of Penney Cohen

Adele Greenspon, mother of Phil Greenspon

Michael and Linda Weinroth

My sister Marilyn Gorlin

Renee Berman

your beloved husband, Phil. May you find comfort in the many memories you have shared and know no more sorrow.

Rabbi Slomovitz's father

Sally Greenstein

Phillip Rosner

**Simone and Norman Marinoff** 

Rebecca Molly Bodenstein. Always in my memory.

Steven Bodenstein

mother, Ida Silberman

my sister, Beverly Topiol

**Sydelle Silberman** 

Mindy's brother Gary Your Havurah Friends

#### RABBI LEWIS DISCRETIONARY FUND

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Lewis officiating at Lauren and David's wedding

Lisa and Sam Olens

Rabbi Lewis

Mark and Shannon Patinkin

Rabbi Lewis, thanks again for helping to make our grandson's Bar Mitzvah a wonderful celebration.

Stanley and Judy Fineman

In celebration of:

Lauren and David Gorvy. Congratulations on this marvelous simcha!

**David Lieberman and Suzanne Rivchun** 

In loving memory of:

my father, Harold Regitsky

Jonathan and Stacy Regitsky

**BACKPACK BUDDIES FUND** 

Glenn and Arlene La Vine Ari and Dana Greenberg Sally Greenstein

In celebration of:

Wendy Feinberg's 75th birthday **Betty Ann and Ian Feinberg** 

In honor of:

Cecilia Brown, daughter of Rebecca and Alex Brown. We are so glad we got to meet

that beautiful little girl. Enjoy every minute. Love,

Lynn and Bob

Jayden Cohen on his Bar Mitzvah. Mazel Tov.

Harriet and Rick Litzky

In loving memory of:

**Marvin Shams** 

Elaine, Jay, Josh and Rachel Schwartz

our parents Harry and Pearl Kolin

Jackie and Steve Pierce and Family

my sweet and loving stepmom, Rosie Jassen. Your kindness and love are always with us.

Karen and Hank Needle

Abraham Etscovitz on his yahrzeit Richard and Janice Etscovitz

Marvin Shams

**Toby and Gayle Steinberg** 

In memory of:

Norman Slater, Grandpa Norman. Your smile, your laugh, your love. We remember.

**Alberto and Cindee Sapoznik** 

Robert Harris. We are so sorry for your loss. **Arvin and Myra Goldberg** 

Herb Neuwirth

**Elaine Schwartz** 

your beloved mother, Dorothy Trotz. Your mom was a kind, sweet and gentle person who always had a warm smile on her face. May her memory be for a blessing.

**Ellen and Steven Perlow** 

Dr. Phil Rosner

**Marvin Shams** 

**Richard and Janice Etscovitz** 

#### **BUILDING ENHANCEMENT FUND**

In loving memory of:

beloved aunt Sophie Smith
Susan, Craig, Paige, and Cami Adair

#### **COLLEGE CONNECTION FUND**

In appreciation of:

College Connection. Thanks for the amazing job you do.

**David and Ilene Levin** 

**College Connection** 

**Evan and Amy Charles** 

College Connection. Thanks for all your hard work.

**Karen Cohen** 

#### Tzedakah • דרקה

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College Connection. Thanks for the wonderful job you do.

Noah and Berna Levine

College Connection. Thanks for caring for our college students.

Steve and Susan Szczupak

#### FIGUR FAMILY OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

#### In loving memory of:

Wynn Ebel, brother of Lynn Sustak Lynn Sustak

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### **Sherry Adams**

#### In appreciation of:

our Etz Chaim Family, always in our hearts - Shanah Tova Umetukah!

Jane and Michael Weiss

Rabbi Slomovitz

#### **Mark and Shannon Patinkin**

my honor for Rosh Hashanah

**Sandy Bailey** 

#### In celebration of:

Stan Fineman's 75th birthday **Shelly and Marc Tanenbaum** 

Rosh Hashana

**Sherry Adams** 

#### In honor of:

Allison Saffran, who put wheels on my recovery.

#### Adam and Elizabeth Low

our honor as Chatan Torah and Kallat Bereishit for Simchat Torah. We are deeply touched!

#### **Henry and Karen Needle**

Karen and Hank Needle, Kallat Bereishit and Chatan Torah

Arlene and Glenn La Vine on their 50th anniversary

#### Marsha Shrago

Vivian and Allan Levine's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

Iris and Dena Bachenheimer, Reba and Bob Bachrach, Shelley and Bob Brodsky, Judy and Stan Fineman, Jean and Neal Fink, Traci and Jeff Flome, Janis and Peter Greenfield, Joan and Stephen King, Barbara and Bob Lehman, Krystal and Adam Levine, Cindy and Shalom Lewis, Judy Marzullo, Ali and Kevin Mitchell, Bonnie and Neil Negrin, Safa and Shahrokh Nooromid, Irene Rabinor, Karen and Mark Rosenberg, Karen Schultz, Jane Simon, Lynn and Bob Sustak, Linda and Michael Weinroth, Adam Weinroth, Kathy and Bob White, and Barbara and Frank Wilensky

Stan Fineman's 75'th birthday

Vivian and Allan Levine, Lynn and Bob Sustak, Cindy and Shalom Lewis, Robert and Barbara Lehman, Myrna and David Garron, Julie Kleinman, Sherrie and Jordan Wetstone, Orah and Shimon Lipsky, Iris and Jerry Silver, Sandi and Gerry Friedman, Margo and Peter Savitz, Karen and Mark Rosenberg, Linda and Michael Weinroth, Safa and Shahrokh Nooromid, Reba and Bob Bachrach, Joan and Stephen King and Shelley and Bob Brodsky

#### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Lauren Olens and David Gorvy. May you have all of life's blessings.

Jonathan and Maxine Schein

#### In loving memory of:

Saba David and Saba Yosi

#### **Andrew Kaplan**

my mother, Vivian Epstein

#### Ellen Feldser

my father, Yaakov Rosenberg

#### **Fay Szeftel**

Phil Rosner

#### **Kate Meyer and Mitch Chmielarz**

my sister, Arlene William

#### Lee Elfenbein

Saddelle Ray

#### Michele Sullender

our dear father and grandfather, Manuel Bigel

Penney, Jeremy and Michelle Cohen

**Lester Savitt** 

#### Stan and Rabbi Judith Beiner

#### In memory of:

Solomon and Rose Martin's yahrzeits **Clifford Martin** 

Phil Rosner. Our prayers are with you and your family.

#### **Elaine and Mike Shapow**

Marvin Shams Ellen Feldser

Phil Rosner

**Emily Goldsmith** 

Marvin Shams

Jenise and Henry Spil

Irwin Silberman, beloved husband of Sydelle Silberman

Phil Rosner, beloved husband of Peri Rosner

#### **Judy Lebow**

Marvin Shams

#### Karen and Ron Feibel

my dear friend, Esther Bigel **Kathy Dillard** 

Marvin Shams

Phillip Rosner

#### **Lisa and Sam Olens**

Marvin Shams, loving husband of Bobbi Shams

Phil Rosner, loving husband of Peri Rosner

Susan Schlansky, dedicated and admired teacher

#### Marsha Shrago

Marvin Shams. May your memories sustain you during this difficult time.

#### Michael and Elaine Shapow

Marvin Shams

Phil Rosner

Noah and Berna Levine

Elizabeth Bernstein

**Rick and Peggy Bernstein** 

Phil Rosner

Ron and Karen Feibel

Reba Buxbaum

Stephen and Shelley Buxbaum

Marvin Shams

**Susan and Herschel Saparow** 

#### KITCHEN FUND

#### In appreciation of:

Vivian and Allan Levine. Thank you for keeping the tradition going and including us in your break the fast. You are so gracious and kind to have our family.

#### Lynn and Bob

#### In memory of:

my mother, Silvia Gordon

my grandmother, Rose Rosenthal **Robert Gordon** 

#### **LILMODE**—ADULT EDUCATION FUND

#### In honor of:

Ken and Grace Graiser Marcy Graiser

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In loving memory of:

Marvin Shams

Marcia and Jim Griffith, Cameron and Katie Griffith

In memory of:

Marvin Shams. We hope you know no more sorrow.

**Ronni and David Beker** 

#### LINDA H. WEINROTH EDUCATION FUND

#### In appreciation of:

Vivian and Allan Levine

Randi, Brian, Evie, and Liam Downey

Linda Weinroth. Thanks again for helping to make our grandson's Bar Mitzvah a wonderful celebration.

**Stanley and Judy Fineman** 

#### In loving memory of:

your husband and father/grandfather, Phil. We are so sorry for your loss. May Phil's memory be for a blessing now and always. Sincerely, Arlene and Glenn La Vine

Susan Schlansky. She was a lovely lady and a wonderful teacher who touched so many children's lives in such a positive way. May Susan's memory be for a blessing now and always.

#### Glenn and Arlene La Vine

our beloved grandmother, Bella Hans. our beloved grandfather, Rafael Fruchter our father and teacher, Harry King our mother and inspiration, Anne Eden **Stephen and Joan King** 

In memory of:

**Howard Silverstein** 

Julie and Mark Schlosberg

Dorothy Trotz, mother of Ronni Beker. May her memory be a blessing.

Sandy Rosenberg and Daniel Pransky

#### **MORRIS FRANK SACRED TEXT FUND**

#### In celebration of:

Karen and Hank Needle on your honor of Chatan Torah and Kallat Bereishit. Such a special honor.

**Ron and Wendy Feinberg** 

In honor of:

Wendy Feinberg's Birthday Candy Frank

Wendy Feinberg's birthday Janice and Josh Levetan

In memory of:

Marvin Shams **Edward Ross** 

**Marvin Shams** 

Phil Rosner

Barbara Mark's mother

**Markam and Sherry Hersh** 

Alan Shectman's sister, Sandy Shectman Carita. Sorry for the loss of you sister. May you always have sweet memories.

**Ron and Wendy Feinberg** 

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Amy and Dalan Cohen on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jayden

**Ron and Wendy Feinberg** 

#### **PHILLIP'S LIBRARY FUND**

#### In appreciation of:

the Ladies of the Sisterhood Book Club and friends, with special thanks to Gather Grants@Jewish Atlanta.org, as we celebrated and made our own traditions for Tu B'Av.

Myra Goldberg

#### In memory of:

Ronnie Beker's mother, Dorothy Trotz. Condolences to you and your family.

**Beverly Barnhard** 

Evelyn Padawer, my wonderful and loving mother

#### Randy and Hedy Padawer

my father, Sidney Rosenblatt

**Robert Gordon** 

my mother, Lily Oling

William and Jenifer Lieberbaum

#### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Lisa and Sam Olens on the marriage of their daughter Lauren Olens to David Gorvy Cindee and Alberto Sapoznik

#### PRESCHOOL FUND

To be used to purchase equipment for the Preschool

#### **Tanah and Allison Barchichat**

#### In appreciation of:

Debbie Deutsch and her preschool team. Many thanks to all y'all for your wisdom and love in helping guide all of our beloved kiddos who call us Nana and Papa. It's our pleasure staying young with you. Love,

Glenn and Arlene La Vine

#### In celebration of:

Wendy Feinberg - Happy birthday! **JoAnn and Gary Feinberg** 

#### In honor of:

Faye Lebish - thanks for keeping us rolling. We appreciate your help!

#### **Debbie and Gary Deutsch**

the births of Noa and Joni Perlow, granddaughters of Steve and Ellen Perlow **Michael and Linda Weinroth** 

#### In loving memory of:

Dorothy P. Trotz

#### **Denise and Steve Pelts**

Michael Patinkin. May his sweet memory be for a blessing. We are sending you strength and love during this challenging time. Love,

#### The Berne Family

our parents, grandparents and brother/ uncle on the anniversaries of their yahrzeits this year. We love and miss you very much.

#### Hy and Annette Krugman, Elaine La Vine, Joe La Vine, Garry La Vine. The family of Glenn and Arlene La Vine

my father William Jacobsohn on his vahrzeit

**Karen and Ron Feibel** 

#### In memory of:

Michael Patinkin

Aram Blankenship

Sandy Shectman Carita. Our heartfelt condolences to Alan Shectman and family on the passing of your beloved sister.

**Linda and Steven Horovitz** 

my father, Eugene Levine

Alan Shectman's sister, Sandy Shectman Carita

#### **Noah and Berna Levine**

Michael Patinkin

**Nora and Wayne Taylor** 

#### Wishing a speedy recovery to:

Stan Bernknopf - a speedy and complete recovery from his recent back surgery. We hope this intervention will bring long-term positive results. Love,

#### Glenn and Arlene La Vine

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#### **ROBERT KLEIN MEMORIAL CHESED FUND**

#### In appreciation of:

the Chevra Kadisha Committee

Ronni Beker and Family

Marty Gilbert- thanks again for helping to make our grandson's Bar Mitzvah a wonderful celebration.

Stanley and Judy Fineman

In celebration of:

Stan Fineman's 75th birthday Myrna and David Garron

In loving memory of:

Dorothy Trotz, mother of Ronni Beker. May you find comfort in all of your wonderful memories of her.

Your Etz Chaim Havurah

my beloved sister, Judy

**Esther Shultz** 

In memory of:

our uncle Eli Lewis

**Barry and Joyce Teitelman** 

Esther Kalen

**David and Eleanor Hochberg** 

Marvin Shams upon his passing. Heartfelt sympathy is extended to his entire family.

**Eleanor and David Hochberg** 

Samuel Adams, beloved son of Sherry Adams

Phil Rosner, loving husband of Peri, with our condolences

Marvin Shams with deep condolences to his loving wife, Bobbi.

**Kenneth and Grace Graiser** 

#### SISTERHOOD FUND

#### In memory of:

Robert Harris, father of Karen Keeter. Our heartfelt condolences on your loss. May his memory be for a blessing and comfort you always.

Kenneth Hugh Singer, father of Nancy Lemer. Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family on your loss. May his memory be for a blessing and comfort you always.

David Lieberman and Suzanne Rivchun

#### **SOCIAL ACTION FUND**

#### In appreciation of:

Jon and Maxine Schein

**Marcy Graiser** 

In celebration of:

Jayden Cohen's Bar Mitzvah
Janie and Alan Fishman

In memory of:

Marc Dickler, beloved brother of Sue Rothstein

Michael and Linda Weinroth

## STEVEN KRODMAN MEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Glenn and Arlene La Vine

#### In honor of:

the birth of Barry and Malka Riesenberg's granddaughter Noa

Michael and Linda Weinroth

#### **YOUTH FUND**

#### In appreciation of:

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#### In appreciation of:

Jamie Lyons' kindness and warm thoughts after my mother's passing

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#### In memory of:

Lea Turner, whose life was devoted to her family and Judaism and who went to eternal rest on August 25, 2021, at age 99 years young.

**Stanley and Carole Turner** 







Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim's new interest-based small groups initiative? Below are current *Roots* groups. Do you have an interest-based group in mind for Etz Chaim? Let's make it happen! Once we have a volunteer leader and five committed members, a group can be formed. You decide when and where. Have questions or want to form a new *Roots* group?

Please contact Leah in the synagogue at 770-973-0137 x125.

#### **Artists Collective**

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

#### Wednesday Golf Roots Group

Do you have a flexible weekday work schedule? Retired? Looking for some camaraderie? Our Roots golf group typically meets on Wednesdays throughout the calendar year. Our outings are at the Fox Creek Golf Course in Smyrna in the afternoon typically between 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. To join our list, email Alan Silverman at ajsilverman@comcast.net.

#### T'shuvah Group organized by JF&CS and HAMSA

In Hebrew, T'Shuvah means to repent or return. Led by Rabbi Mark Borowitz, founder at Beit T'Shuvah, the Atlanta T'Shuvah group believes everyone has a right to redeem themselves, and through doing this work, to create new pathways and choices to live well. Whether you are living with addiction or in recovery, toxicity in relationships, facing challenges to your sense of self, experiencing life changes, or simply want to self reflect and create more meaning in your life – all are welcome.

To learn more about T'Shuvah group, please contact HAMSA at **833-HAMSA-HELPS** or HAMSAHelps@jfcsatl.org.

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

#### Schmooze on Zoom

Join us for an informal schmooze/chat on Zoom every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. Our only request is to avoid the topic of politics. All are welcome. Facilitated by Esther Shultz. To be added to the email reminder list, please contact Esther at: <a href="mailto:savtaesther5@gmail.com">savtaesther5@gmail.com</a>. See you on Zoom at: <a href="https://www.tinyurl.com/EtzSchmooze">www.tinyurl.com/EtzSchmooze</a> 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 <a href="mailto:hleedle@gmail.com">hleedle@gmail.com</a> 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 contact Leah Green at leah@etzchaim.net.

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 <a href="mailto:laulav6@gmail.com">laulav6@gmail.com</a> or Malka Riesenberg at <a href="mailto:malka217@gmail.com">malka217@gmail.com</a>.

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

**Canasta Group** Join our group which meets on Mondays from 10 a.m. to Noon in the Hammer—Tritt Social Hall. Sponsored by AgeWell. For more information, contact <u>Leah Green</u>.



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to Rabbi Dorsch at <a href="mailto:rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net">rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net</a> or Bob Frohlich at <a href="mailto:chisakid@bellsouth.net">chisakid@bellsouth.net</a>.

questions, please feel free to reach out

#### 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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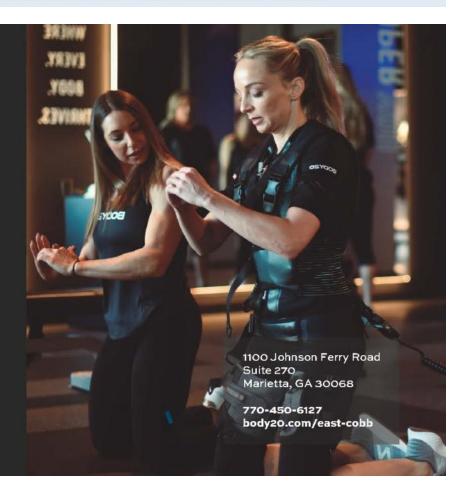
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