



Shana Tova U'metukah

Wishing you and your family a sweet new year!

G'man Chatima Tova

May you be sealed in the Book of Life
for a good year!

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Friday, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

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Daniel Dorsch
Rabbi



When I was in sixth grade, my grandparents bought me an anthology of O. Henry stories as a graduation present. At twelve years old, I wasn't exactly thrilled with the gift (I would've preferred the candy bar). Early nineteenth century English isn't fun to read under the best of circumstances, and his stories seemed less than relevant to my life. I smiled, thanked my grandparents for the gift, and the book went on a shelf to be long forgotten.

Fast forward six years to my senior year at Akiba Hebrew Academy. Somewhere after gritting my teeth for two weeks in Mrs. Toledano's Hebrew Literature class, I realized that the story we were reading in Hebrew was a translation of a classic work by an American writer pen named O. Henry. I took the book off the shelf. I located the story: *Lost on Dress Parade*. Not only was the story powerful, speaking to me in that moment, but needless to say, I became the most popular kid in the class for the rest of the semester.

There is a wonderful story about a chazan, who every year would return to study the Machzor before the High Holiday services. One of his congregants approached him. "Chazan, you are the most proficient person that I know when it comes to knowing the words of this service. You can nearly recite them by heart backward and forward. The words do not change from year to year. Why do you need to study them?" The Chazan replied: "Indeed, you are correct. The words do not change. But each year, I do."

Every year that we return to High Holiday services, people (okay, usually my wife) will comment to me about "how boring it is" that we use a text that is largely unchanged. She's right. The Machzor is the same text that I read in sixth grade, and it's likely to be the same text I will read in my 90s. The word itself means "to cycle." So why not throw it out and start over?

Yes, the Machzor is the same. But every year, the ways we respond to it, resonate with it, and apply it to our life circumstances are not.

Of course, there should be room for creativity in our service. But very few of us come back because we are seeking a novel text. We come because we are trying to grapple with how timeless wisdom spoke to our ancestors and marvel at how as we change, it continues to speak to us.

Israeli writer Amos Oz once said that Jews are not a blood line: we are a "text line," generations of people who continue to find wisdom in our traditional texts. When we read Torah stories about parents coming into conflict with their children, these stories take on new meaning for us as we come into conflict with our own children. When we read the words "don't forget me when I am old," they are elusive to us when we are young, but not when we return to them decades later.

In our synagogue, we give each of our B'nei Mitzvah a kiddush cup. I can't imagine that every child runs home the week after to use them. However, I know that when I have the privilege of marrying these grown kids decades later, I always ask if they still have their kiddush cup to use under the chuppah. They inevitably get excited. There is a new level of understanding and appreciation for their Jewish journey, and for what that cup's use at their wedding symbolizes and represents in that holy moment.

So this year, go ahead: take that old book off the shelf. Look at it once again. And may all of us be privileged to draw new meaning from the most precious of gifts, even ones we once thought would remain long forgotten on the shelf.

Marty Gilbert
Executive Director



God said to Abraham, "Kill me a son"
Abe say, "Man, you must be puttin' me on"
God say, "No, " Abe say, "What?"
God say, "You can do what you want Abe, but
Next time you see me comin', you better run"
Abe said, "Where do you want this killin' done?"
God said, "Out on Highway 61"

-Bob Dylan, "Highway 61 Revisited"

5784 is upon us and as we celebrate the new year and atone for our transgressions, we remember that we are ultimately asking G-d to "remember us for life".

We have all had our moments of celebration and struggle through 5783. Life is always a mix of sweet and bitter; but as we reach this time of year, we can focus on the fact that we are here and that we are able to ask G-d to remember us for life.

We move forward with our hopes and dreams for 5784, hopefully surrounded by family and friends and the things that bring us joy.

Music has always been one of the joyful constants in my life. I am not musically inclined. I don't play any instruments, mostly because I never had the patience to practice, but my earliest childhood memories seem to revolve around music. I remember...Mom singing to me—specifically, Weaver's songs but also other folk songs,... my parents playing classical music or showtunes on the Victrola record player,...Dad playing WNEW-AM on the car radio, so I learned the Great American Song Book—Gershwin, Porter, Rodgers & Hart, Hoagy Carmichael, etc. All these standards are intertwined in my memory bank.

Lori and I got to see Zac Brown and Bruce Springsteen here in Atlanta. We visited the Allman Brothers Band/Big House and Capricorn Studios in Macon. We got to go to the Celtic Music Festival in St. Augustine and saw a few bands that we are familiar with from up North.

One of my bucket list items is to visit Graceland and take the drive from Memphis down the Blues Highway, Highway 61. Maybe this is the year that it will be scratched off the list.

Remembering us for life gives us the ability to do the things that bring us joy and bring joy to our friends and family. We have the power to do good and love one another. Isn't that always enough?

Lori and I wish all of you and your families a healthy, happy, and sweet 5784.

*Questions about
purchasing
a cemetery plot?
Call Marty Gilbert
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Jamie Platt Lyons
President

Season of Apologies

Some of my favorite and most cherished childhood memories come from my summer camp experiences. One of my most painful childhood memories does as well. I was 14 and a rising freshman in high school during my last summer as a camper. We were FINALLY in “Senior House”, the oldest camper bunk. In the middle of the summer, as I sat on the steps of our cabin, a few of my forever camp friends stood in front of me on the gravel road and recited from a pre-written list all the things they didn’t like about me. I was devastated. I was diminished. I was demoralized. I will never forget what my bunkmates said to me and I will never forget how it made me feel. The experience impacted how I perceive myself. It impacted my self-esteem. It even impacted how I handle my friendships as an adult.

It makes me sad that my “so called” friends never apologized and it bothers me that I’ve held on to these feelings for so long. They were so intentionally hurtful and it was never discussed again, even after the group of us became counselors at the very same camp.

Looking back on it now, if my friends had sincerely and genuinely apologized at the time (or even well afterwards), I might have a different perspective about the situation (if I even remembered it). However, I never brought it up again and no apology (let alone a sincere or genuine one) ever crossed the lips of any of my childhood camp friends.

Lately, I’ve been working through the concept of “apology”. I’ve come to realize that any apology, if meaningful, needs to

be received by the hurt party as sincere and genuine. It is not enough for the apologizing party to believe they are being sincere and genuine. As with all of us, I’ve had my share of missteps this year and certainly in my years as President of Etz Chaim I’ve missed the mark many times. Please know that I have never once been intentionally hurtful.

Despite my intentions (or lack thereof), I know for certain that I’ve caused others pain and I did not realize it until I was told. You’ve all heard me say that I am a “say it out loud” kinda gal. This goes for me saying things out loud to others. It also includes others saying things out loud to me. In one circumstance, I did not know how I made someone feel until they said it out loud to me and gave me an opportunity to apologize. In a different situation someone told me they felt my initial apology was not sincere or genuine. It was after our second conversation that I realized it doesn’t matter how I think my apology sounds. It only matters what it feels like to the receiving party.

I am fortunate that these two people told me “out loud” how they felt, so I had the chance to make things right. It was difficult for me to hear, because I did not intend to hurt them and I didn’t expect their feedback. That said, I am grateful I was given the opportunity to evaluate my role and my actions and to take responsibility for unintentionally causing pain. Please know that if I’ve hurt you in any way, it was not intentional and I sincerely and genuinely apologize. If you’d like to talk with me about it, I welcome the conversation.

Shana Tova u’Metukah to my Etz Chaim family and friends.



Jonathon Adler
Rabbinic Fellow

This coming year, I’ll be working with our 8th and 9th graders for Chai5. We’re changing things up a bit this year and calling the program B’Yachad, which means together. Why? Because Etz Chaim has been awarded a grant for the next four years called *Better Together*, a project of the Jewish Education Project. The purpose of the grant is to bring our teens together with the Prime Timers from our community.

We are kicking off a two-year curriculum this fall. This year, we’ll learn about the Holocaust. Our studies will culminate in a trip to Washington, DC, to tour the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. In the second year, we’ll do a deep dive into the history of Jews in the South, taking a special look at the Civil Rights Movement. This will include visits to historical sites in Atlanta and beyond. There will also be learning about Torah and some other activities that are just plain fun!

If you are an 8th or 9th grader, if you have one in your family, or if you’re a Prime Timer and you’re interested in participating in this exciting program, please let me know. I also ask that you introduce yourself to me during the High Holidays.

Speaking of the High Holidays, I would like to wish each of you a sweet New Year. May 5784 be a year of blessings for us all, filled with Torah. I’ll be studying a lot of Torah, Talmud, and Halakhic texts, as well as a deep dive into Jewish Theology in my classes this fall. I love to share my learning—a big part of why I’m becoming a rabbi—so I hope you’ll all ask me about what I’m learning during this, my final year of Rabbinical School. I also hope that you’ll share some insider details about Marietta and Atlanta. I’m sure there are a lot of amazing spots to discover, so please let me know your favorites.

L’Shana Tova and Go Braves!

Department of Education

DATES TO REMEMBER:

PRESCHOOL

Monday, 9/4
School Closed (Labor Day)
Friday, 9/8
Tot Shabbat
Thursday, 9/14
Cool Cat Tashlich Walk
Friday, 9/15 and Monday, 9/25
School Closed for
Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur
Sunday, 10/1
Sukkot Family BBQ
Friday, 10/6
Tot Shabbat

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Sunday, 9/3
School Closed
Friday, 9/8
6th Grade Shabbat Dinner
Sunday, 9/10
Pre-K Class in Session
1st Grade Family Workshop
Sunday, 9/17, 9/24 and
Tuesday 9/26 School Closed
Sunday, 10/1
Sukkot Events
Sunday, 10/8 and 10/22
Pre-K Class in Session
Friday, 10/13
Kindergarten Shabbat Dinner
Sunday, 10/22
6th Grade Family Workshop
Sunday, 10/29
3rd Grade Family Workshop

**ETZ CHAIM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AND
GRADED SHABBATOT**

**Dates, times and registration
Information is available
on page 27.**



Debbie Deutsch
Director of Education

Moving into Elul

Elul, the month leading up to the High Holidays, will be in full swing when you are reading this. Our Religious School curriculum has our 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th graders learning about the month of Elul and why it's an important month in the Jewish calendar. Elul is the 30 days before the High Holidays. We are to spend the month reflecting on the past year and preparing ourselves to stand before God as the Book of Life is opened and closed. This process of thinking about becoming a different or better person is a challenging one for adults, so you can imagine how difficult it is for our students.

We talk about how to genuinely reflect, how to understand that only by mindfully thinking about what we did and who we have been, can we move forward and "be better". We discuss what it looks like and how it is personal to each of us. We open the conversation with our older students about being a person whose actions and behaviors impact others – our family members, our classmates, and the world at large. We move into discussing and reflecting on if those things need to change and how we can take advantage of Elul to begin again and continue to grow into a person who makes different choices and decisions in this next year. We'll utilize music, stories, and personal experiences to flesh this out. And while we'll most likely get more than a few thoughts about being a better sibling or friend, we know that we are planting the seeds to help our students learn how to create real change in themselves when the time calls for us to do so.

Gary and I wish our Etz Chaim family *Shana Tova Tikateivu* – may you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a good year.



Lauren Chernau
Assistant Director Etz Chaim Preschool

We often sing this song during Shirat H'Boker at preschool. The lyrics go like this:

*We've been waiting for you to come to this place.
We've been waiting for you to come to this place.
Wherever you're from, we're glad that you've come.
We've been waiting for you to come to this place.*

And I truly believe that this song really speaks to who we are as a preschool.

All summer, while camp is going on, behind the scenes we are busy discussing, planning, and preparing for "this place" to be the inviting, engaging, and loving school that it is. This year we have welcomed so many new families. We have welcomed new teachers and we have even welcomed new classes. We added a second 18-month class and a second 2-year-old class. Our Morning and Aftercare programs have grown by leaps and bounds as well. It is exciting to think about how much our school is growing and changing. The beginning of school sparks a sense of excitement and newness. There is nothing better than watching the little ones toddle down the hall to experience their first Morning Sing. I have enjoyed seeing the 3-year-olds discover their new room as they scurry around with such wonderment. And seeing the 4-year-olds well up with pride as they walk into their classroom and announce, "I am a Cool Cat!" We have been waiting for all of them to come to this place and we are so glad to start this new year together.



**See page 13 for information about our
B'Yachad Program for 8th & 9th Graders!**

2023-2024 Preschool Faculty



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Director of Education



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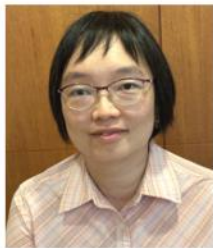
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(3 Year Olds)



Hannah Freeman
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(3 Year Olds)



Sarit Sachs
Butterflies
(2 Year Olds)



Elisa Goldklang
Butterflies
(2 Year Olds)



Bethany Levee
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(2 Year Olds)



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Ladybugs Class
(2 Year Olds)



Stefani Faer
Monkeys Class
(14 months +)



Lori Feibel
Monkeys Class
(14 months +)



Madelyn Chernau
Busy Bees
(14 months +)



Dana Sobel
Busy Bees
(14 months +)



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

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

Upcoming Dates:
September 2, 23 & 30
October 7 and 21

Leah Green

Director of Engagement and Youth Programming

Hi, Etz Chaim! We are so excited for September and October! It's definitely a packed two months, so let me break it down for you a little bit.

First off, "Wow!" is all I have to say about Shabbat in the Park! We had such a fantastic time at the park and there were tons of people; over 200... it was awesome. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make it happen. And a special shout out to Douglas Gross and Audrey Fried-Sheets for being the chair-people of this event. It wouldn't have been such a hit without every set of hands that helped. THANK YOU!



On Wednesday, September 6, there is a *Lilmode* class with the *Green Team*. They are presenting "**Judaism, Creation of the World, and the Environment**" at **7:00 p.m.** In the world we live in today, the environment is especially relevant. Make sure you [RSVP](#) on the Etz Chaim website.

On Monday, September 11, at 6:00 p.m., at the Mountain View Library, there is an extremely interesting program called "**Let's Break Bread Together**". This program, led by my sister, Micah Gross, who is the Director of Adult Programming at one of the Cobb County libraries, will be talking about the significance of the different types of bread across cultures. Challah is going to be a part of this talk, and a member from Etz Chaim will be speaking about challah in Judaism. Come check it out! [Click here](#) to RSVP.

There will be **Family and Teen services** on **Rosh Hashanah** days one and two. The teen service starts at 10:00 a.m. and we have very special topics to cover with each age group. On the first day, the family service will be led by Debbie Deutsch, and the 6th-7th service will be led by Rabbi Adler. Can't wait to see you there!

We will be having **The Great Sukkot Community Cookout** on **Sunday, October 1**, after **Sukkot services**. The cost is \$5 per adult, children 5 and under are free. The Men's Club "*Moshe Ribeinu*" master grillers will be making an appearance by grilling for us! We are so excited to spend Sukkot in our new sukkah too! [Click here](#) to RSVP.

Youth Department Update:

Hi, Youth Groupies!

I'm so excited for you to meet our new advisors this year, Nic Poole and Gideon Oren! Nic will be the Gesher (6th – 8th graders) advisor and Gideon will be the Chaverim (3rd – 5th graders) advisor. Roxi Measroch returns for her fourth year as the Chalutzim (K – 2nd graders) advisor and Alex Levin returns for his second year as the USY (9th – 12th graders) advisor. They are so excited for this upcoming year.



It's time to sign-up your child(ren) for our various Youth Groups for the 2023-24 school year.

Please [click here](#).

Important dates:

September 10, 2023

12:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Gesher and Sababa Apple Picking

October 8, 2023

12:15 - 1:45 p.m. - Chaverim Kickoff

Lilmode and the Green Team Present a Special Rosh Hashanah Class

Judaism, Creation of the World, and the Environment

Wednesday, September 6

7:00 p.m.

Featuring Miriam Rosenbaum



"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for He founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters."

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/lilmodeRH



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Our Etz Chaim Community

Mazal Tov to...

Lori and Joe Freeman on the birth of their granddaughter, Sophie Maisel Feldman, born August 1 to Alisa and David Feldman

Lauren and Robert Gray on the birth of their granddaughter, Clara Anne, born on August 20 to Sarah and Eric Gray

Our Condolences to...

Michelle Grey on the passing of her beloved mother, Peggy Kaplan

Sherry Adams on the passing of her beloved son, Samuel Wesley Adams

Michelle Nathan on the passing of her beloved father, Charles Moog

Thank You to our Office Volunteers...

Wendy Feinberg
Esther Low
Linda Weinroth

Thank You to our Program Volunteers...

Thank you to everyone (too many to name!) who pitched in to help make Shabbat in the Park such a success. Thank you to Audrey Fried-Sheets and Doug Gross for chairing this wonderful event.

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.

SELICHOT:

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 P.M.

HAMMER-TRITT SOCIAL HALL

BYOB: BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET

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FOLLOWED BY SELICHOT SERVICE

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Tot Shabbat
at Etz Chaim

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

September 8 - October 6 - 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

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TEAM SHABBAT AT ETZ CHAIM 2023-24 season

SHABBAT PROGRAMMING FOR ALL CHILDREN!

LITTLE LEAGUE PARENTS & CHILDREN PRE-K AND UNDER	MINOR LEAGUES GRADES K-2
MAJOR LEAGUES GRADES 3-5	ALL STARS GRADES 6 & 7

Time:
10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

SAVE THESE TEAM SHABBAT DATES:
SEPTEMBER 9 - OCTOBER 14 & 28 - NOVEMBER 4 & 11 - DECEMBER 2 & 16
JANUARY 13 & 27 - FEBRUARY 3 & 10 - MARCH 9 & 23 - APRIL 13 & 20

come check us out, 'cause IT'S A HOME RUN!



A HEARTY MAZAL TOV TO THESE STUDENTS CELEBRATING THEIR B'NAI MITZVAH!



Sarah Edelstein will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on September 2, 2023 – 16 Elul 5783. She is the daughter of Lauren and Josh Edelstein. Sarah's Bat Mitzvah Parasha is Ki Tavo. She is a 7th grader at Hightower Trail Middle School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for eight years. Sarah's hobbies and interests include soccer and drama.

Sarah's D'var Torah quote is "This portion talks about gratitude and the first fruits of the soil." For her mitzvah project, Sarah is volunteering at the JF&CS Kosher Food Pantry helping at food distribution days and is also collecting food for the pantry.



Zachary Pila will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 21, 2023 – 6 Cheshvan 5784. He is the son of Jennifer and Joshua Pila. Zachary's Bar Mitzvah Parasha is Noach. He is an 8th grader at Dickerson Middle School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for eight years and attended our Preschool for four months. Zachary's hobbies and interests include space, swimming, golf and reading.

Zachary's D'var Torah quote is "Throughout the centuries, from Noach's day to ours, how people express their emotions has been through words." For his mitzvah project, Zachary organized media for the Jason Cunningham Charitable Foundation – a foundation who provides funds to children with hearing loss.



Jordan Paul Gewertz will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 28, 2023

– 13 Cheshvan 5784. He is the son of Marisa and Dave Gewertz. Jordan's Bar Mitzvah Parasha is Lech Lecha. He is a 7th grader at Dodgen Middle School and has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for six years and attended our Preschool for three years. Jordan's hobbies and interests include scuba diving, soccer and legos.

Jordan's D'var Torah quote is "Never give up." For his mitzvah project, Jordan is volunteering at Good Mews Animal Foundation.



Sam Bazarte will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday late afternoon, October 28 — 13 Cheshvan 5784.

He is the son of Trina and Bryan Bazarte. He is an 8th grader at Simpson Middle School. Sam's hobbies and interests are video games, walking and swimming, summer camp, the beach, friends and building Legos. For his mitzvah project, Sam is volunteering with Backpack Buddies and other projects related to food insecurity.

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 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, Etz Chaim Congregants!

Fall and the High Holidays will soon be upon us. That means Men's Club will be prepared to do a lot more cooking!

We started things off at **Shabbat in the Park** grilling for the Congregation. What a great event for the Shul to really come together as one big multi-generational family...and a fantastic turn out. I enjoyed seeing so many friends and their families!

With the High Holidays approaching Men's Club will be grilling Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for the **Sukkot** Kiddush on October 1 as we dedicate the Hammer Pavilion. We then host our annual **Ribeyes with the Rabbis** (aka Steak and Scotch in Sukkah) dinner on **October 3 at 7:00 p.m.** We look forward to everyone coming out for this spectacular event at the Hammer Pavilion.

Lastly, the **Atlanta Kosher BBQ Festival** will be on **October 22 at Brook Run Park** in Dunwoody starting at **11:00 a.m.** The Etz Chaim team, 'Moshe Ribeinu', looks to bring home more trophies as we 'smoke' the competition. Come on out and enjoy some fantastic Kosher BBQ.

Men's Club will also be hosting a breakfast for the **Technion Society** for Etz Chaim members on **October 18.** Look for an e-blast or on the website with details about this exciting event. See page 30.

We wish everyone a Shana Tova and Chag Sameach.

We welcome you to get involved with Men's Club! Volunteer to cook or prep. Attend any of our Men's Club sponsored events. 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 (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



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

MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS:
RIBEYES WITH THE RABBIS
AND BOURBON, TEQUILA & SCOTCH TASTING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 7:00 P.M.

The grill masters of the Men's Club will be cooking up a feast. Reserve your steak/salmon now! This event will sell out quickly.

- The cost is \$56 per person
- Reservations close on September 26
- Online payment is your reservation
- Must be Men's Club member in good standing or a guest of a member

Please consider a donation to The Steven Krodman Men's Club Scholarship Fund.

- Weather permitting, we will be in the Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/ribeyes&rabbis2023





The Sisterhood Scoop

Surround Yourself With Women Who Will Lift You Higher!

We wish everyone a very happy, healthy and sweet new year.

“Forgiveness is the key to action and freedom.” Hannah Arendt *

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Etz Chaim Sisterhood High Holiday Greeting and Remembrance Book. We appreciate your support. It is these programs that allow Sisterhood to support the many programs at Etz Chaim Synagogue and in our community.

Join us on **Sunday, September 10, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Bayit for a stimulating discussion with Neda Gayle as our host about this month’s book, **The Woman Who Defied Kings, The Life and Times of Dona Gracia Nasi.** A Jewish Leader during the Renaissance by Andree Aelion Brooks. Please see the ad on page 18 for Zoom information and to RSVP.

On **Sunday, October 15,** at 10:00 a.m. at the Bayit, Marsha Bernstein will host the Book Club to share thoughts and inspiration on **An Observant Wife: A Novel** by Naomi Ragen.

The new session for our popular series, **Shalom in the Shul,** begins **October 16.** Join Rabbi Lewis as he leads us in a stimulating discussion on the book **Not In G-d’s Name,** by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, Chief Rabbi of Great Britain. Available for purchase through Amazon. Please see the ad on page 29 to RSVP.

Join us on **Wednesday, October 18,** to support Breast Cancer Awareness in **Pinktober.** Our Mah Jongg event supports Turning Point, a Breast Cancer Rehabilitation Center in Sandy Springs. See the ad below.

Save the date for Sisterhood’s Membership Appreciation event on **Sunday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m.** Always fun and engaging and free to paid Members! Would you like to bring a guest? Let us know! For a nominal fee of \$10 per person we can accommodate guests.

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, nedagayle@att.net, or Helaine Mark at 404-353-4589, lainebeth@comcast.net for any questions or to inquire further.

Until next time...

Neda and Helaine
Co-Presidents, Sisterhood

Donate to the Torah Fund today. New year, new pin! See page 14 for more information.

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, lainebeth@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](mailto:Lauren.Gray)

Sisterhood proudly presents our...

Pinktober Mah Jongg Mixer*

*with a mission

Wednesday, October 18
6:45 p.m. mingle
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. game begins
at Congregation Etz Chaim
1190 Indian Hills Parkway

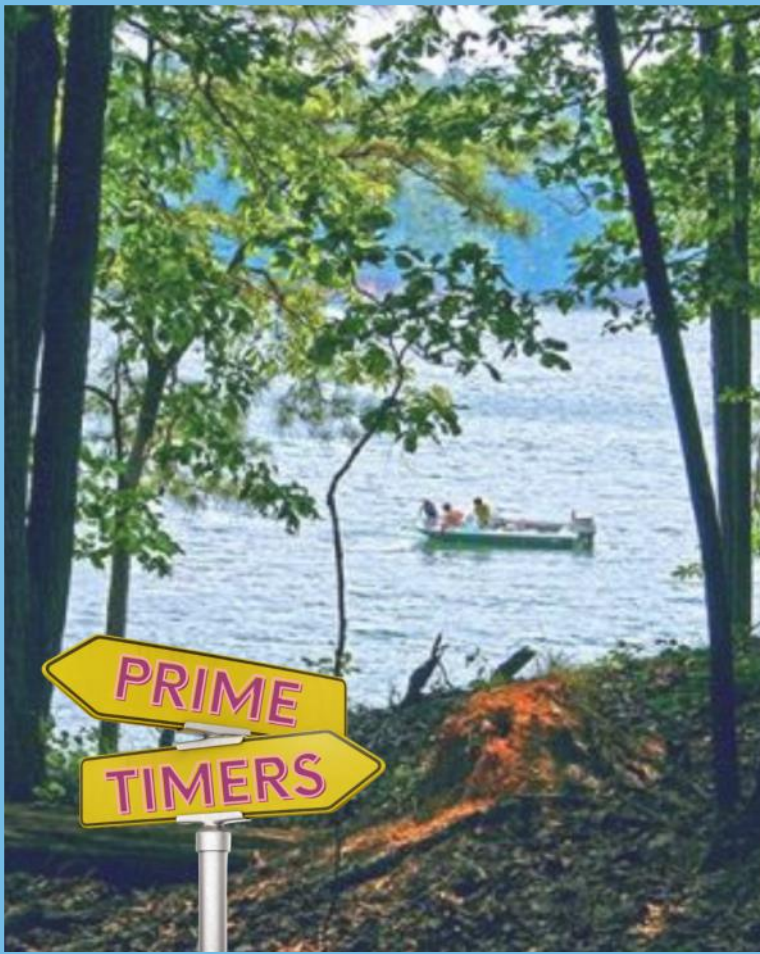
Please Join Us for Mah Jongg in a casual atmosphere with friends, food, and fun!

***\$18** Suggested donation per person: all proceeds will benefit: **TurningPoint** Breast Cancer Rehabilitation

Register by Friday, October 13, at www.etzchaim.net/event/pinktober2023

Open to the community. All experience levels welcome. - If you have it, bring it: Mah Jongg Card, Mahj set or card table.



**PICNIC AT RED TOP MOUNTAIN
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
AT 11:00 A.M.**

Bring your lunch and chairs and join the Prime Timers for a fun picnic on the mountain.

Meet at the shul at 10:30 a.m. to carpool or meet us at the pavilion at 11:00 a.m.

You will receive directions to the site with your RSVP confirmation.

www.etzchaim.net/event/redtop2023



Mountain View Regional Library
BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER
Monday, September 11 at 6:00 p.m.

Bakeries and organizations from around Marietta discuss the historical and cultural significance of bread.

Scan to register 

Meet the participants:
Congregation Etz Chaim
Bernhard's German Bakery
At Heart Panaderia

Mountain View Regional Library
3320 Sandy Plains Rd
Cobbcat.org/events



Join Congregation Etz Chaim's Multi-Generational Israel Adventure Led by Rabbi Daniel Dorsch

July 9–19, 2024

Optional: The North and Tel Aviv Extension—July 18-21, 2024

“Arise, Walk Throughout the Land”



For additional information and to register, visit www.etzchaim.net/israeltour2024.



with Rabbi Jonathon Adler
Open to all 8th and 9th Graders

First two sessions:

October 19, 7-9:30 p.m.

B'Yachad Open House and Pizza Party

October 22, 1-3:00 p.m. "Better Together"

Kickoff with B'Yachad & Prime Timers

This program is underwritten by the Better Together Grant which brings teen learners together with Etz Chaim's Prime Timers.

Class Dates 2023-24

Thursdays, from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

November 2 & 16
December 1 & 14
January 11

February 1, 15 & 29
March 21

April 11 & 18
May 2

Experience Chai Five like
you never have before!

This program includes:

**Year One: *The Holocaust* culminates
with a visit to the U.S. Holocaust
Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.**

**Year Two: *Jewish Southern History with
a Touch of the Civil Rights Movement***

- ★ Learn, discuss and explore thought provoking topics
- ★ Visit historical museums
- ★ Cost: \$180 per student.

REGISTER NOW



www.etzchaim.net/form/enrollchai5_2023

Financial Assistance is available. Contact Rabbi Adler.

ETZ CHAIM SISTERHOOD

Torah Fund

SUPPORT WOMEN'S LEAGUE



DID YOU KNOW?

When you support Torah Fund, you help educate the next generation of Jewish scholars around the world. For more info visit www.WLCJ.org



Benefactor level donations and above receive this year's pin

MULTIPLE GIVING LEVELS

Keter Kavod \$5000
Scholarship Patron \$2500
Patron \$1200
Associate Patron \$600
Guardian \$300
Benefactor \$180

CONTACT SANDY BAILEY

✉ jbsandy10@gmail.com
☎ 770-490-7874

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.



Backpack Buddies

of Metro Atlanta | Because hunger doesn't take the weekend off



Scan me

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.**

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

MINYANIM ARE HELD IN THE ALLAN AND VIVIAN LEVINE FAMILY CHAPEL

SHABBAT SERVICES ARE HELD IN THE LINDY AND NORMAN RADOW SANCTUARY

Please note, in order to say Mourner's Kaddish, we need to have 10 participants.



Canasta and Mah Jongg
Sponsored by AgeWell

Join us on Mondays
from 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Free and open to the community.



Teshuvah, Tefillah, Tzedakah!

Start the Jewish New Year off with a mitzvah and donate food.



Drop off items **September 10 – October 10, 2023** in the JF&CS bins at your synagogue, temple, school, or at Jewish Family & Career Services. Food from the yearly High Holidays Food Drive is the main source of donations for the JF&CS Kosher Food Pantry. We need your help to feed those in need!

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

Learn more at jfcsatl.org/fooddrive

Questions? Contact Gabriel Fleming at 770.677.9431 or gfleming@jfcsatl.org



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





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

September 7
October 5
October 12
October 19
October 26

Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.
Huntcliff Summit I -
Independent Living

September 5
October 17
November 7
December 12
January 9
February 13
March 12
April 9

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



Hebrew for Beginners

with Batia Ben-Aroia

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
at Etz Chaim

October 17 - December 13, 2023
(No class during the week of Thanksgiving)

Cost is \$25 per person
Eight one-hour sessions



www.etzchaim.net/event/hebrew2023

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Dan Dorsch 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Come to our monthly study on Tuesdays with the Rabbi on a variety of topics and enjoy some pizza.

To get a monthly reminder and to RSVP, contact Betsy at betsy@etzchaim.net.

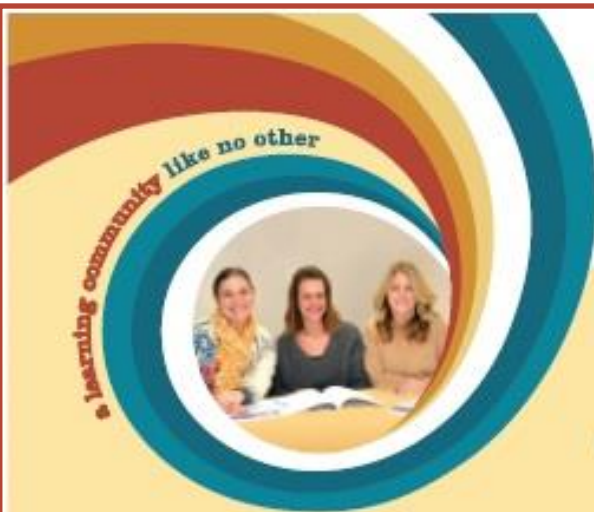
Save these fall/winter dates:

**October 10, November 14,
December 5 and January 16**

1 Concourse Pkwy., Atlanta, GA 30328
Lobby "Virginia Highlands" Conference Room

Sponsored by the Joyce and Ramie Tritt Family Foundation
Thank you to U.S. Bank for hosting our Lunch & Learn





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

Melton: Members of the Tribe

Sundays, October 22-December 17 • 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Instructor: Rabbi Daniel Dorsch

Dive deep into a fundamental, challenging question: "What is the overarching purpose of living Jewishly?" We'll discuss the responsibilities, pressures, and misconceptions that come with being called "the Chosen People." Together, we'll learn the meanings behind symbols and rituals, and why Israel matters so much.

Melton: OMG, Can You Believe?!

Sundays, January 7-April 7 • 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Instructor: Rabbi Daniel Dorsch

Explore the BIG questions surrounding God. We'll examine the many different understandings of God, free will, and mitzvot expressed by Jewish philosophers, rabbis, leaders — and you. We'll look at the divine, the prophetic, and even the supernatural, as we dissect your deepest God-questions. Just do not expect to leave with any final answers.

Fee: \$150 per course

Congregation Etz Chaim members: \$80 per course

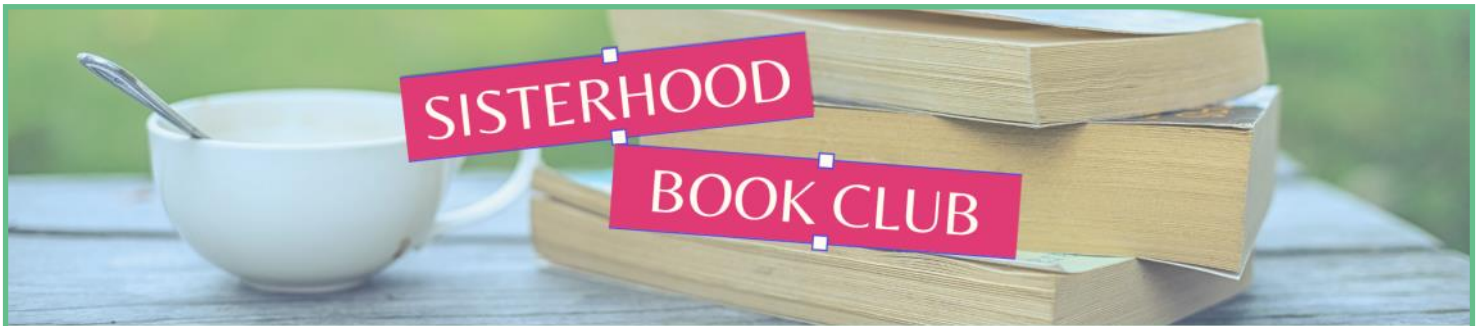
LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT

atlantajcc.org/melton

Questions? Please contact brill.institute@atlantajcc.org or 678.812.4153.



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UPCOMING BOOKS AND DATES

September 10 - *The Woman Who Defied Kings* by Andree Aelion Brooks - Host: Neda Gayle

October 15 - *The Observant Wife: A Novel* by Naomi Ragel - Host: Marsha Bernstein

November 12 - Book TBD - Host: Dale Millman

December 10 - *The Paris Library* - by Janet Skeslien Charles - Host: Linda Briks

**Book Club will be held in person at the Bayit.
All sessions are on Sunday beginning at 10:00 a.m.**



Do you want to know what's going on with our various Affinity Groups? Scan the QR code you're interested in below for more information on what's happening in a specific group.

JOIN US IN OUR HOUSE

Chesed Committee

Young Adults

Pride Alliance

Roots Groups

Youth Department

Men's Club

Social Action

Prime Timers

Sisterhood

COMING SOON...

October 20 at 6:30 p.m.

We are excited to bring back our musical Kabbalat Shabbat service once a month.

Do you sing or play an instrument?

Contact Rabbi Adler, rabiadler@etzchaim.net to join the fun! All are welcome to attend.



Save these future dates: **November 17** **December 15** **January 12**
March 22 **April 12** **May 3**

DO YOU LOVE WORKING WITH CHILDREN?

NOW HIRING

We are looking for energetic Extended Day Associates.
7a - 9:45a and/or 12p - 6p \$15/hr

SEND YOUR RESUME TO:
lauren@etzchaim.net

The logo for Etz Chaim Preschool features three stylized children's faces in blue, red, and yellow, with the Hebrew text 'עץ חיים' above them.

WHO'S LOOKING FOR A "SIDE HUSTLE"?

We are in need of a high school or college student who can operate our (AV) audio-visual equipment for programs at Etz Chaim.

- Hourly pay
- Some weeknights and/or Sundays

Please contact Aram or Marty
770-973-0137

An illustration showing a person sitting at a desk with a laptop, surrounded by various digital icons like gears, speech bubbles, and a person carrying a box, symbolizing technology and work.

September 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.

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.

*2-Sept	Gustav Tritt	16	Elul	14-Sept	Laura Levin	28	Elul
*2-Sept	Helen Fisher	16	Elul	14-Sept	Marilyn Azriel	28	Elul
2-Sept	Abe Oresky	16	Elul	14-Sept	Paul Barman	28	Elul
2-Sept	Sheila Cohen	16	Elul	*15-Sept	Ethel Silverberg	29	Elul
3-Sept	Diane Silverman	17	Elul	15-Sept	Harriette Zinsenheim	29	Elul
3-Sept	Lea Turner	17	Elul	*16-Sept	Sylvia Bercuson	1	Tishrei
4-Sept	Janet Rita Katz	18	Elul	16-Sept	Helen Rabin	1	Tishrei
4-Sept	Lena Rudy	18	Elul	16-Sept	Reba Buxbaum	1	Tishrei
4-Sept	Michael Smith	18	Elul	*17-Sept	Arleen E. Shams	2	Tishrei
*5-Sept	Stanley Tinter	19	Elul	17-Sept	Abraham C. Mintz	2	Tishrei
*5-Sept	Stephen Krosner	19	Elul	17-Sept	Eliazer Sommer	2	Tishrei
5-Sept	Estelle Slomovitz	19	Elul	17-Sept	Jack Lambert	2	Tishrei
5-Sept	Mickey Low	19	Elul	17-Sept	Richard Becker	2	Tishrei
5-Sept	Rebecca Bodenstein	19	Elul	18-Sept	Adam Greenberg	3	Tishrei
5-Sept	Shira Levin	19	Elul	18-Sept	Harold Foster	3	Tishrei
*6-Sept	Evelyn Coltman	20	Elul	*19-Sept	Robin Cipinko	4	Tishrei
6-Sept	Allen Mador	20	Elul	19-Sept	Sidney Garron	4	Tishrei
6-Sept	Sandy Rosenberg	20	Elul	19-Sept	Sylvia Gordon	4	Tishrei
*7-Sept	Anne Eden	21	Elul	20-Sept	Gerson A. Levy	5	Tishrei
*8-Sept	Leonard Simon	22	Elul	20-Sept	Judy Friedman	5	Tishrei
*8-Sept	Irving Holtz	22	Elul	20-Sept	Magda Kamelgarn	5	Tishrei
8-Sept	Bernie Nastir	22	Elul	*21-Sept	David Hatami	6	Tishrei
8-Sept	Harold Regitsky	22	Elul	*21-Sept	Esther Kalen	6	Tishrei
8-Sept	Harold Winkler	22	Elul	*21-Sept	Robert Landerman	6	Tishrei
8-Sept	Lillian November	22	Elul	*21-Sept	Luba Lifshitz	6	Tishrei
*9-Sept	Harry Altholtz	23	Elul	*21-Sept	Sarah Lewis	6	Tishrei
*9-Sept	Eli Lewis	23	Elul	21-Sept	Vivian A. Rafferty	6	Tishrei
*9-Sept	Florence Katz	23	Elul	*22-Sept	Pearl Siegel	7	Tishrei
*9-Sept	Wynn Ebel	23	Elul	22-Sept	Henry Blumenstein	7	Tishrei
*9-Sept	Kenneth D. Kopelman	23	Elul	22-Sept	Pearl Kolin	7	Tishrei
9-Sept	Ben Pollack	23	Elul	22-Sept	Robert Klein	7	Tishrei
9-Sept	Frances Marcus	23	Elul	22-Sept	Rosie Jassen	7	Tishrei
9-Sept	Howard Brussel	23	Elul	*23-Sept	Albert J. Schein	8	Tishrei
9-Sept	Iris Dix	23	Elul	23-Sept	Catherine Barber	8	Tishrei
9-Sept	Mary Sandak	23	Elul	*24-Sept	Harry Deutch	9	Tishrei
10-Sept	Evelyn Padawer	24	Elul	24-Sept	Joe Wilensky	9	Tishrei
10-Sept	Harold Rainbow	24	Elul	24-Sept	Steven Waller	9	Tishrei
10-Sept	Herbert Dubovy	24	Elul	25-Sept	David Testa	10	Tishrei
10-Sept	Irving Rosenblum	24	Elul	25-Sept	Miriam Pavlo	10	Tishrei
10-Sept	Magda Frank	24	Elul	26-Sept	Barbara Ziff	11	Tishrei
10-Sept	Richard Epstein	24	Elul	26-Sept	Stanley Levine	11	Tishrei
*11-Sept	Pearl Brodsky	25	Elul	27-Sept	Benjamin Hoffman	12	Tishrei
*11-Sept	Joel Lebow	25	Elul	27-Sept	Gerald Brandt	12	Tishrei
*11-Sept	Murray Rosenzweig	25	Elul	27-Sept	Joseph Bercuson	12	Tishrei
11-Sept	Arlene William	25	Elul	27-Sept	Manuel Bigel	12	Tishrei
11-Sept	Beatrice Lubeck	25	Elul	27-Sept	Sadie Scopp	12	Tishrei
11-Sept	Frank Planer	25	Elul	*28-Sept	Ele Eisenberg	13	Tishrei
11-Sept	Ida Silberman	25	Elul	28-Sept	Albert Tenenbaum	13	Tishrei
12-Sept	Betty Sheckman	26	Elul	28-Sept	Noel Bloomberg	13	Tishrei
12-Sept	Judith Cohen	26	Elul	*29-Sept	Eugene Levine	14	Tishrei
12-Sept	Sherry Harms	26	Elul	*29-Sept	Aaron Greif	14	Tishrei
13-Sept	Bill Gardner	27	Elul	*29-Sept	Norman Slater	14	Tishrei
13-Sept	Harold Gutterman	27	Elul	29-Sept	Harry Barman	14	Tishrei
13-Sept	Joan Komisar	27	Elul	29-Sept	Manuel Benjamin	14	Tishrei
13-Sept	Marat Barshay	27	Elul	*30-Sept	Nathan Rosenberg	15	Tishrei
13-Sept	Marilyn Gorlin	27	Elul	30-Sept	Beverly Topiol	15	Tishrei
14-Sept	Anita Wohlman	28	Elul	30-Sept	Carey Golsen	15	Tishrei
14-Sept	Arlene Karp	28	Elul	30-Sept	Edward Karp	15	Tishrei
				30-Sept	Sheldon Finkel	15	Tishrei

September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>3 (17 Elul) No Religious School Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>4 (18 Elul) Labor Day Preschool Closed Synagogue Offices Closed Morning Minyan 9a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>5 (19 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study Huntcliff 2p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p Executive Committee Meeting 7:15p</p>	<p>6 (20 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30p <i>Lilmode: Judaism, Creativity of the World and Environment</i> 7p</p>	<p>7 (21 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study w/Rabbi 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>1 (15 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 7:46p</p> <p>8 (22 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Tot Shabbat 5p</p>	<p>2 (16 Elul) Ki Tavo Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Edelstein 9:30a Babysitting Avail. 9:30a Shabbat Ends 8:52p</p> <p>9 (23 Elul) Nitzavim-Vayeilech Selichot Shabbat Service 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:30a A Night at the Movies followed by the Selichot Service 9p</p>
<p>10 (24 Elul) Morning Minyan 9:15a Kitah Alef (1st GR) Family Workshop 9:15a Religious School and Pre-K 9:15am Sisterhood Book Club 10a Prime Timers at Red Top Mountain (Picnic) 11a Girl Scouts Meeting 12:15p Geshet Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p Board of Trustees Mtg. 7p</p>	<p>11 (25 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Breaking Bread Together @Mountain View Lib. 6p Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>12 (26 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Religious School 4:45pm Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>13 (27 Elul) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>14 (28 Elul) Cool Cats Tashlich Walk Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7p</p>	<p>Candle Lighting 7:36p</p> <p>15 (29 Elul) Erev Rosh Hashanah Preschool Closed Synagogue office closes 1p Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Rosh Hashanah Service 6:30p For a listing of service times, see page 34.</p>	<p>Shabbat Ends 8:43pm</p> <p>16 (1 Tishrei) Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Rosh Hashanah Service 8:30a Evening Services 6:30p For a listing of service times, see page 34.</p>
<p>17 (2 Tishrei) Rosh Hashanah Day 2 No Religious School Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Rosh Hashanah Service 8:30a Tashlich 5:15p Evening Service 6:30p Yom Tov Ends 8:32p</p>	<p>18 (3 Tishrei) Fast of Gedalia Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>19 (4 Tishrei) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Religious School 4:45pm Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>20 (5 Tishrei) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>21 (6 Tishrei) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>Candle Lighting 7:27p</p> <p>22 (7 Tishrei) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p</p>	<p>Candle Lighting 8:25p</p> <p>23 (8 Tishrei) Ha'Azinu Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Shabbat Service 9:30a Babysitting Avail. 9:30a</p>
<p>24 (9 Tishrei) Erev Yom Kippur No Religious School Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Mincha Service followed by Kol Nidre 6:30pm Candle Lighting 7:14p</p>	<p>25 (10 Tishrei) Yom Kippur & Yizkor Preschool Closed Synagogue offices Closed Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim For a listing of service times, see page 34. Yom Tov Ends 8:21p</p>	<p>26 (11 Tishrei) No Religious School Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>27 (12 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>28 (13 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>Candle Lighting 7:17p</p> <p>29 (14 Tishrei) Erev Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat and Sukkot Service 6:30p</p>	<p>Shabbat Ends 8:23p</p> <p>30 (15 Tishrei) Sukkot Sukkot/Shabbat Service 9:30a Babysitting Avail. 9:30a</p>
					Candle Lighting 7:07p	Candle Lighting 8:06p

October Yahrzeits

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

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

Bereavement Services Offered to Congregants

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

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

Please contact:

Lisa Flagel—678-591-7950

Your cooperation please!

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


Family Member In the Hospital?



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

1-Oct	Douglas Streetman	16	Tishrei	17-Oct	Michael Lieberbaum	2	Cheshvan
1-Oct	Elizabeth Bernstein	16	Tishrei	18-Oct	Barbara Shapiro	3	Cheshvan
*1-Oct	Rosebelle Roth	16	Tishrei	18-Oct	Leonard Lipson	3	Cheshvan
1-Oct	Ruth Silver	16	Tishrei	*18-Oct	Michael Nadolne	3	Cheshvan
2-Oct	Faye Shafferman	17	Tishrei	19-Oct	Isidor Goodman	4	Cheshvan
2-Oct	Gerald Lieberman	17	Tishrei	19-Oct	Jay Richer	4	Cheshvan
*2-Oct	Howard M. Bachrach	17	Tishrei	20-Oct	Barbara Rubenstein	5	Cheshvan
2-Oct	Paula Vanovitch	17	Tishrei	20-Oct	Joyce Bernstein	5	Cheshvan
3-Oct	Jan K. Coleman	18	Tishrei	*20-Oct	Libby Kornbluth	5	Cheshvan
3-Oct	Lily Oling	18	Tishrei	20-Oct	Bootsie Gutterman	5	Cheshvan
3-Oct	Sidney Rosenblatt	18	Tishrei	*21-Oct	Joseph Rand	6	Cheshvan
4-Oct	Henry Kornick	19	Tishrei	21-Oct	Susan Hassey	6	Cheshvan
4-Oct	Howard Schneider	19	Tishrei	21-Oct	Thelma Donner	6	Cheshvan
*4-Oct	Max Greif	19	Tishrei	22-Oct	Betty Cohen	7	Cheshvan
5-Oct	Frances A. Frank	20	Tishrei	22-Oct	Irving Weiss	7	Cheshvan
5-Oct	Stanley Berke	20	Tishrei	22-Oct	Larry Mark	7	Cheshvan
6-Oct	Mac Keller	21	Tishrei	23-Oct	Caren Greenberg	8	Cheshvan
6-Oct	Paul Berman	21	Tishrei	23-Oct	Edward Freed	8	Cheshvan
6-Oct	William Jacobsohn	21	Tishrei	23-Oct	John Thalhimer	8	Cheshvan
8-Oct	Irving H. Hook	23	Tishrei	*23-Oct	Murray Seiden	8	Cheshvan
*8-Oct	Lilo Tritt	23	Tishrei	*24-Oct	Hannah R. Levine	9	Cheshvan
9-Oct	Hinda Duhan	24	Tishrei	25-Oct	Alfred Lewin	10	Cheshvan
9-Oct	Jay Kinsbruner	24	Tishrei	*25-Oct	Coleman Caplen	10	Cheshvan
*9-Oct	Rick Alpert	24	Tishrei	25-Oct	Ralph Lightstone	10	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Gerry Simpson	25	Tishrei	*25-Oct	Sara T. Moskowitz	10	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Gloria Berke	25	Tishrei	26-Oct	Donald N. Levy	11	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Murray Schneider	25	Tishrei	26-Oct	Irving Sunshine	11	Cheshvan
10-Oct	Sally Chaifetz	25	Tishrei	26-Oct	Lillian Cipinko	11	Cheshvan
11-Oct	Evelyn Kirshstein	26	Tishrei	26-Oct	Tracey Sklar	11	Cheshvan
*11-Oct	Irving Simon	26	Tishrei	27-Oct	Bertram R. Feerman	12	Cheshvan
11-Oct	William Wise	26	Tishrei	27-Oct	Efim Gontmakher	12	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Benjamin Glancz	27	Tishrei	*27-Oct	Florence Rothchild	12	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Claudia Harrison	27	Tishrei	27-Oct	Ida Wilensky	12	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Judy Zager	27	Tishrei	27-Oct	Menhart Schonberger	12	Cheshvan
*12-Oct	Julie M. Halpern	27	Tishrei	27-Oct	Michael Dix	12	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Maurice Golsen	27	Tishrei	*27-Oct	Morris Berg	12	Cheshvan
12-Oct	Mimi Fagin	27	Tishrei	27-Oct	Sol Baron	12	Cheshvan
13-Oct	Leonard Ross	28	Tishrei	28-Oct	Anna Metzker	13	Cheshvan
14-Oct	Ben Stone	29	Tishrei	*28-Oct	Dale Fisher	13	Cheshvan
14-Oct	Bertha Baron	29	Tishrei	28-Oct	Zelda Lincoln	13	Cheshvan
*14-Oct	Fay Lisses Mark	29	Tishrei	29-Oct	Barry Kamelgarn	14	Cheshvan
*14-Oct	Solomon Goldstein	29	Tishrei	*29-Oct	Charles Katz	14	Cheshvan
15-Oct	Judith Sandman	30	Tishrei	29-Oct	David Rubin	14	Cheshvan
15-Oct	Muriel Becker	30	Tishrei	*29-Oct	Herbert Rothchild	14	Cheshvan
*15-Oct	Myra Fineman	30	Tishrei	29-Oct	Judith Shuster	14	Cheshvan
15-Oct	Rena Lewis	30	Tishrei	29-Oct	Morris Alpert	14	Cheshvan
16-Oct	Arlette Miller	1	Cheshvan	30-Oct	Jackie Berman	15	Cheshvan
16-Oct	Charles Grunfeld	1	Cheshvan	30-Oct	Jimmy Cohen	15	Cheshvan
16-Oct	James S. Meharg	1	Cheshvan	30-Oct	Warren H. Lebish	15	Cheshvan
16-Oct	Sydney Hartnig	1	Cheshvan	*31-Oct	Burton Jacobs	16	Cheshvan
*17-Oct	Lillian Intner	2	Cheshvan	31-Oct	Frank Horovitz	16	Cheshvan
17-Oct	Linda Idelson	2	Cheshvan	*31-Oct	Helen Feinberg	16	Cheshvan
				*31-Oct	Sylvia Schein	16	Cheshvan

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 (16 Tishrei) Sukkot Religious School 9:15a Sukkot Services 9:30a The Great Sukkot Community Cookout and Dedication of the Hammer Pavilion 12p Girl Scouts Mtg. 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p Yom Tov Ends 8:12p</p>	<p>2 (17 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p Israel Democracy Program in Sukkah 7p</p>	<p>3 (18 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30pm Men's Club Ribeyes with the Rabbits 7p</p>	<p>4 (19 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky in the Sukkah 6:30p</p>	<p>5 (20 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30pm</p>	<p>6 (21 Tishrei) Hoshana Raba Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Hoshana Raba Service 9:30a Tot Shabbat 5p Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Candle Lighting 6:58p</p>	<p>7 (22 Tishrei) Shmini Atzeret & Yizkor Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Shemini Atzeret and Shabbat Service 9:30a Babysitting Avail. 9:30am Simchat Torah Soiree (Adults only) 8p Candle Lighting 7:56p</p>
<p>8 (23 Tishrei) Simchat Torah Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Rel. School & Pre-K 9:15a Simchat Torah 9:30a Family Celebration 10:30a Simchat Torah Festival 12p Evening Minyan 6:30p Yom Tov Ends 8:03p</p>	<p>9 (24 Tishrei) Columbus Day Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>10 (25 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Lunch & Learn 12p (offsite) Religious School 4:45p Backpack Buddies 5p Evening Minyan 6:30p Executive Committee Meeting 7:15p</p>	<p>11 (26 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30p</p>	<p>12 (27 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7p</p>	<p>13 (28 Tishrei) Morning Minyan 7a Kindergarten Shabbat Dinner 5:15p Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p</p>	<p>14 (29 Tishrei) Bereshit Minyanaires Shabbat 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:30a Candle Lighting 7:55p</p>
<p>15 (30 Tishrei) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Religious School 9:15a Morning Minyan 9:15a Mitzvah Fair for 5th, 6th, and 7th Grades 10a Sisterhood Book Club 10a Geshet Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p Board of Trustees Mtg. 7p</p>	<p>16 (1 Cheshvan) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Morning Minyan 7a Mocha Mondays 7:45a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Shalom in the Shul 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>17 (2 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study – Huntcliff 2p Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p <i>Lil'mode</i>: Hebrew for Beginners 7p</p>	<p>18 (3 Cheshvan) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Men's Club Breakfast with speaker 8a Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30p Sisterhood Pinktober 6:45p</p>	<p>19 (4 Cheshvan) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Confirmation Class 5:30p Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>20 (5 Cheshvan) Candle Lighting 6:48p 21 (6 Cheshvan) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Morning Minyan 7a Candle Lighting 6:40p</p>	<p>Shabbat Ends 7:55p 21 (6 Cheshvan) Noach Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Pila 9:30a Babysitting Avail. 9:30a Shabbat Ends 7:47p</p>
<p>22 (7 Cheshvan) Rabbi Adler @ Etz Chaim Rel. School & Pre-K 9:15a Morning Minyan 9:15a Kitah Vav (6th GR) Family B'nai Mitzvah Workshop 9:15a Library Staff Mtg. 9:30a Melton Class 10a ATL BBQ Festival 11a Chalutzim Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>23 (8 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>24 (9 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Religious School 4:45p Evening Minyan 6:30p <i>Lil'mode</i>: Hebrew for Beginners 7p</p>	<p>25 (10 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Art for a Mitzvah III 1p Evening Minyan 6:30p USY Wacky 6:30pm</p>	<p>26 (11 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Torah Study 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>27 (12 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p</p>	<p>Shabbat Ends 7:47p 28 (13 Cheshvan) Lech Lecha Bar Mitzvah of Jordan Gewertz 9:30a Team Shabbat 10:30a Bar Mitzvah of Sam Bazarte 4p</p>
<p>29 (14 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 9:15a Kitah Gimel (3rd GR) Family Workshop 9:15a Religious School 9:15a Melton Class 10a Chaverim Event 12:15p Evening Minyan 6:30p GIPL's Solar Initiative 7p</p>	<p>30 (15 Cheshvan) Morning Minyan 7a Mah Jongg & Canasta 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p</p>	<p>31 (16 Cheshvan) No Religious School Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p <i>Lil'mode</i>: Hebrew for Beginners 7p</p>			<p>Candle Lighting 6:32p</p>  <p>- Chag Ramesh -</p>	<p>Shabbat Ends 7:39p</p>

Tzedakah ▪ צדקה

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PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

In loving memory of:

Bobby Silverman, beloved father of Alan and Bonnie Silverman. May the sweet memories stay close to your heart.

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In memory of:

Robert Silverman
Pat and Jack Balsler

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James Bauer and Susan Shapiro McCarthy

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch for his thoughtfulness, care and beautiful Shiva

Sherry Adams

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In appreciation of:

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David and Rachel Wilson

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In honor of:

Jayden Cohen's Bar Mitzvah
Lisa and Sam Olens

In loving memory of:

my father, Yaakov Rosenberg
Fay Szeftel

In memory of:

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Randy's mom, Norma Solomon Karesh, on her yahrzeit
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Adolfo and Jolantha Kronberger on their yahrzeits
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In memory of:

Samuel Adams. May many wonderful memories help ease your sorrow.

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In memory of:

Ruth Kroll. It has been 28 years, but we miss you like it was yesterday.

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Eva Smith, my grandmother

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In memory of:

Ethel Funk, the best mother I could have had
Samuel Wesley Adams, beloved son of Sherry Adams. May his memory be a blessing.
Marsha Shrago

Sam Adams, son of Sherry Adams. So sorry to hear of the loss of your son. May his memory be for a blessing.
Ron and Wendy Feinberg

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Malka and Barry Riesenberg on the birth of your granddaughter, Noa Rose. We are so happy for you!

Ron and Wendy Feinberg

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

In celebration of:

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Janie and Alan Fishman

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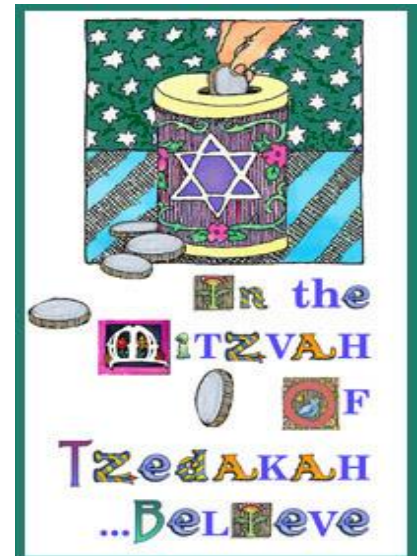
Steve Birch on your 70th Birthday! So glad we could celebrate with you.

Ron and Wendy Feinberg



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NEWS FROM ETZ CHAIM'S PRIDE ALLIANCE

The Pride Alliance is looking forward to a very exciting year ahead. We have two primary goals for the year:

- Continue to provide safe, warm, and welcoming support to our LGBTQIA+ members, their families, and friends, while growing allyship within Etz Chaim
- Reach out to other synagogues in the area and build connections that allow us all to share best practices and collaborate on activities and programs



Supporting the first goal, we have three events planned:

On **Sunday, October 15**, we hope to bring a contingent from Etz Chaim to March with the rest of the Atlanta Jewish community in this year's Atlanta Pride Parade. We've begun speaking with other synagogues to see whether we can coordinate a bus, van, or carpooling to get people to and from the parade.

On **Wednesday evening, November 15 at 7:00 p.m.**, join us at Etz Chaim for an insightful program led by SOJOURN, *Honoring the Rainbow: Gender Identity, Expression, and Inclusion*. For more information, see page 33 for more details.

On **December 2**, we will have our **third annual Pride Shabbat**. Rabbi Adler will lead the service and give the Drash, and members of the congregation will do meaningful readings.

In support of the second goal, members of the Pride Alliance have begun reaching out to other synagogues and have spoken with them about their efforts and programs supporting the Queer community. We hope to bring these folks together to grow a network of support.

Save the Date

SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT

Sunday, November 12th



College Connection

Do you have a college student in the family?

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

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

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

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



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

Student’s Name: _____ Email address: _____

College Address Line 1: _____

College Address Line 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Any food allergies: _____ Graduation date: _____

Parent(s) Names/Email(s): _____

Please help us continue this wonderful tradition!

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

Donor Name: _____

Address: _____

Donation amount enclosed: \$18 \$36 \$54 \$72 Other _____

Questions? Please contact:
Shari Judenberg and Ellen Spandorfer at etzchaimcollegeconnection@gmail.com

Join us for...
Religious School Shabbat Services and Dinner by Grade
with RSVP link information

October 13 - Gan/K, 5p Dinner/6:30p Service: www.etzchaim.net/event/gankshabbat2023

November 10 - Pre-K, 5p Dinner/6:30p Service: www.etzchaim.net/event/pkshabbat2023

December 1 - 1st Grade, 5p Dinner/6:30p Service: www.etzchaim.net/event/alef1shabbat2023

December 8 - 6th Grade, 6:30p Service/7:15p Dinner: : www.etzchaim.net/event/vav6shabbat2023

January 12 - 5th Grade, 6:30p Service/7:15p Dinner: www.etzchaim.net/event/hay5shabbat2023

January 26 - 3rd Grade, 6:30p Service/7:15p Dinner: www.etzchaim.net/event/gimel3shabbat2023

February 9 - 4th Grade, 6:30p Service/7:15p Dinner: www.etzchaim.net/event/dalet4shabbat2023

April 12 - 2nd Grade, 5p Dinner/6:30p Service: www.etzchaim.net/event/bet2shabbat2023

The cost is \$5.00 per child (13 and under) / \$8.00 per Adult



The Sisterhood Knitting Project
Knitting together to keep others warm

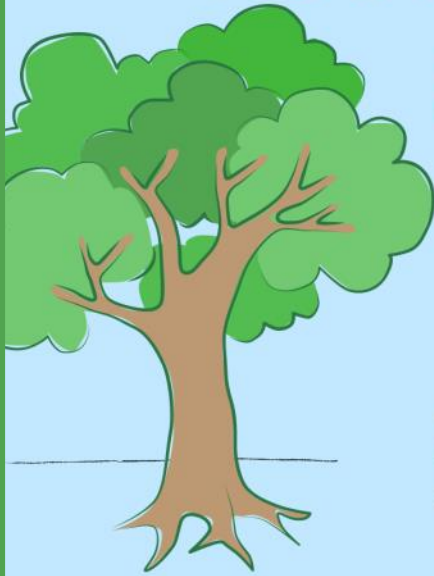
Calling all knitters and crocheters
to benefit MUST Ministries

As in the past, MUST needs hats, scarves and gloves
to fill the needs of those less fortunate.

If you would like to participate, please contact Dana Shefsky,
at danashefsky@yahoo.com or call 901-218-9546.

Drop off all items at the shul by Friday, December 15.
Please remember to put your name in the bag of items.

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

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

If you are interested, please complete the form at:

www.etzchaim.net/form/chavurot

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

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



Mocha Mondays

7:45 a.m.

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Save these fall/winter dates:

October 16

November 6

December 11

January 8



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All sessions 10-11:30a
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RSVP:
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Contact Rabbi Lewis if you need help getting access to the book.



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Please join us for breakfast!

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Wednesday, October 18, after morning minyan at 8:00 a.m.

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A Lively Discussion with The American Technion Society with Susan Levin-Abir

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Have you ever wondered about the science behind the creation of Israel's Iron Dome or who is behind the first 3D-printed steak in outer space?

Free and open to the community

Please register at www.etzchaim.net/event/AmTechnion

Questions? Please contact Steve Caras, steven.caras@comcast.net or Susan Levin-Abir, susan@ats.org

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Mark Your Calendar:



Interfaith Daffodil Garden Planting with the Catholic Church of St. Ann

November 5 at 4:30 p.m.

This is a multigenerational event.

at St. Ann's:
4905 Roswell Road
Marietta, GA 30062

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/daffodil





Art for a Mitzvah Project III

Taught by Miriam Rosenbaum
and Lynne Johannesen

Wednesdays, October 25
November 1, 8, 15, 29
and December 6

(No class the week of Thanksgiving)
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

It's time to sign up for our third project!
Join the fun and time with our kehillah.
We are excited to start creating with you
and bring your vision to life!

As always, there is no cost; all supplies provided.

Limited space available.

RSVP at:

www.etzchaim.net/event/artmitzvah3

Art for a Mitzvah Project III Coming in October!

I'm very excited to give a little preview about the next Art for a Mitzvah project. Miriam Rosenbaum and I will be guiding participants in making Charcuterie and Barbeque Boards. There will be different style boards to choose from, staining, wood burning...or...decoupage with rice paper and sealing. Your choice! Look ahead for more details, dates, and times, and sign up to be provided soon...and remember, there is no cost to sign up and participate. All supplies are provided and from what I've seen and experienced, there's lots of fun to be had.

I'd like to thank all the people who have been involved in getting Art for a Mitzvah off the ground, up, and going. Without those of you who signed up and made collaged trays and wood boxes, there would not have been anything to sell...and without those of you who have bought these pieces, there would not have been donations to make.

Yasher Koach to Galina Barshay, Steve Caras, Tammy Cohen, Janice and Richard Etscovitz, Lori Gilbert, Myra Goldberg, Lauren Gray, Bernice Isaac, Jerry Johannesen, Donna Krodman, Arlene LaVine, Fern Meharg, Hank Needle, Roz Reiss, Miriam and Robert Rosenbaum, Bonnie Roth, Cindee Sapoznik, Marsha Shrago, Missy Sklar, and Joe Ziskend. Special Todah Rabah to Bernice Isaac, Karen Chauvin, Betsy Fitzwater and Christine Bezdek for handling all the emails, phone calls, advertising, marketing, registering, and keeping track of all the funds for Art for a Mitzvah.

I've received a lovely thank you from Susan Lebetkin, Director of Community Relations at Yad LaKashish, for our donation of \$630. She passed on her gratitude to everyone who was involved with creating and buying the collaged trays. Our second donation to the Jewish Community Relations Council of Atlanta (JCRC), who works closely with the Jewish Federation to combat anti-Semitism among its responsibilities, will have been made by the time you're reading this article.

Anyone who has an idea for a project and is interested in leading it, please reach out to me. I promise you that I'll be the wind beneath your wings!

Lynne Goldman Johannesen



SAVE THE DATE: LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS Organizational Meeting for the new school year. We will meet at Etz Chaim on Sunday morning, October 22, at 9:30 a.m. Location still to be determined. If you are interested in helping with the library, contact Janice Levine at levines2000@comcast.net.

Shana tova to everyone!

GREAT BOOKS FOR THE FALL HOLIDAYS Why not check out a book from our library to help you get into a spiritual mindset for the upcoming fall holidays? Stop by and browse our books that are out on display for both adults and children. Self-check-out directions can be found at the library circulation desk.

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

For Adults

This is Real and You are Completely Unprepared: The Days of Awe as a Journey of Transformation by Rabbi Alan Lew. Rabbi Lew takes the reader on a journey of spiritual transformation in this life-changing book. This powerful book is a must-read to prepare for the High Holidays. (242 LEW)

Ceremony and Celebration: Introduction to the Holidays by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks. Read this amazing book and you will discover things that will help make the holidays more meaningful. (240 SAC)

For the Kids

Yom Kippur Shortstop by David Adler. Jacob loves baseball and knows his Little League team counts on him. But when a critical game is scheduled on the holiday of Yom Kippur, he has to make a tough decision. (J 242 ADL) For ages 5-10.

Sadie's Sukkah Breakfast by Jamie Korngold. Two sisters plan a special breakfast in their family's sukkah during the holiday of Sukkot. (J 243.1 KOR) For children ages 3-6

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

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

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

ATTENTION: CHILDREN AGES 9-12

Did you know that you can sign up for [PJ Our Way](#) for 9 through 12-year-olds? Each month your child can choose a great new Jewish book that will be sent to you for free!



Etz Chaim's Green Team and Georgia Interfaith Power and Light

present the

Solarize Cobb Campaign

Sunday, October 29 at 7:00 p.m.

- Learn the cost benefits of participating in this program
- Understand how the Inflation Reduction Act can save you money
- Q and A to follow this one-hour presentation
- Sign up for a home assessment



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Congregation Etz Chaim's Pride Alliance,
Lilmode and SOJOURN present:
**HONORING THE RAINBOW:
GENDER IDENTITY, EXPRESSION AND INCLUSION**

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.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/rainbow

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Ma'alot Atlanta and the Atlanta Rabbinical Association present
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Session 2 begins November 15 | Session 3 begins January 10

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- **The Jewish Mission to Heal the World**
- **Kashrut: The Original Soul Food**
- **Talmud: Argument for the Sake of Heaven**
- **God: Encountering the Holy**
- **From Birth to B'nai Mitzvah: Raising a Mensch**

For additional information and to register:


www.etzchaim.net/event/MillerIntro2023

High Holiday Schedule 2023 / 5784

ROSH HASHANAH	
Friday Evening, September 15	
Erev of Rosh Hashanah	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 16	
Morning Service (Shacharit) *	8:30 a.m.
Babysitting (Infant - Pre-K)	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Preschool Entrance)
Young Family Service (Infant - Pre-K)	9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. (Methodist Church)
Chavaya (Kindergarten - 1 st Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
Chavaya (2 nd - 3 rd Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
Chavaya (4 th - 5 th Grade)	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Etz Chaim)
6th – 7th Grades	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel)
8th – 12th Grades	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Methodist Church)
<i>Young Adults Reception Following Rabbi's Sermon</i>	Bayit
Evening Service (Mincha/Ma'ariv)	6:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 17	
Morning Service (Shacharit)*	8:30 a.m.
Babysitting (Infant to Pre-K)	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Preschool Entrance)
Family Service (K to 7 th Grade)	10:00 a.m. – Noon (Rooms 5, 7, 9, 11)
8th - 12th Grades	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel)
Tashlich East Cobb Park, Hampton Woods, and Old Rope Mill Park	5:15 p.m.
Evening Service (Mincha/Ma'ariv)	6:30 p.m.
KOL NIDRE	
Sunday, September 24	
Mincha Service **	6:30 p.m.
Kol Nidre	7:00 p.m.
YOM KIPPUR	
Monday, September 25	
Morning Service (Shacharit)*	8:30 a.m.
Babysitting (Infant - Pre-K)	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Preschool Entrance)
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8th – 12th Grades	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Methodist Church)
Yizkor (approximate start time)	11:30 a.m.
Afternoon service (Mincha)	5:00 p.m.
Closing Service (Neilah)	6:40 p.m.
Evening Service (Ma'ariv)	7:40 p.m.
Shofar Sounds	7:55 p.m.
*Doors open in the morning at 7:30 a.m. **Doors open for Mincha at 6:00 p.m.	
SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH	
Friday, September 29	
Erev Sukkot and Kabbalat Shabbat	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 30	
Sukkot Services	9:30 a.m.
Preschool & Religious School Family Experience	11:15 a.m. - Noon
Sunday, October 1	
Sukkot Services <i>Followed by The Great Sukkot Cookout and Dedication of the Hammer Pavilion</i>	9:30 a.m.
Saturday, October 7	
Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service	9:30 a.m.
Simchat Torah Soiree	8:00 p.m. Adults Only
Sunday, October 8	
Simchat Torah Service	9:30 a.m.
Preschool & Religious School Family Experience	10:30 a.m. – Noon.
Simchat Torah Festival	Noon

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Reception
September 16**

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For attendees 21+



Tashlich Service
Sunday, September 17, at 5:15 p.m.

Join Congregation Etz Chaim and Temple Kol Emeth at one of the following locations as we cast away our sins of the past year.

- East Cobb Park
- Hampton Woods/Butler's Gate
- East Hampton



Sukkot / Simchat Torah Schedule 5784 / 2023

- Friday, September 29 - 6:30 p.m. Erev Sukkot - Kabbalat Shabbat Service*
- Saturday, September 30 - 9:30 a.m. Yom Tou and Sukkot Services*
- Sunday, October 1 - 9:30 a.m. Yom Tou - Sukkot Services*
12:00 p.m. The Great Community Sukkot Cookout and Hammer Pavilion Dedication
- Monday, October 2 - 7:00 p.m. Israel Democracy Program in the Sukkah*
- Tuesday, October 3 - 7:00 p.m. Men's Club Ribeyes with the Rabbis in the Sukkah*
- Wednesday, October 4 - 6:30 p.m. USY Wacky in the Sukkah*
- Friday, October 6 - 9:30 a.m. Hoshana Raba Services*
5:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat
6:30 p.m. Erev Yom Tou and Kabbalat Shabbat Service
- Saturday, October 7 - 9:30 a.m. Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service*
8:00 p.m. Simchat Torah Soiree - Adults-only event
- Sunday, October 8 - 9:30 a.m. Simchat Torah Service*
Honoring Hank and Karen Needle, our Chatan Torah & Kallat Beresheit
10:30 a.m. Family Simchat Torah
12:00 p.m. Simchat Torah Festival - Food, games and much more!

The Great Sukkot Community Cookout

featuring

The Dedication of the Hammer Pavilion

Sunday, October 1

9:30 a.m. Sukkot Service

12:00 p.m. Dedication and Cookout (by reservation)

The Men's Club's master grillers will be cooking up hot dogs, hamburgers, and a vegan option.

Cost is \$5.00 per person / free for children five and under

Please RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/sukkotcookout



The Democracy Sukkah

Monday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Sukkah

Join us for a timely conversation about the judicial overhaul from an Israeli Atlantan on:

- the overhaul and implications of Israel's justice system
- concerns for Israel's democracy
- potential ramifications for Jews in the US and world-wide

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/democracy

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Mark Your Calendar

November
December

Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines

Deadline: Monday, October 2
Deadline: Wednesday, November 1

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



SIMCHAT TORAH SOIREE

AN ADULT-ONLY EVENT

SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 7

8:00 P.M.

HAMMER-TRITT SOCIAL HALL

FOLLOWED BY

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SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 AT ETZ CHAIM

9:30 a.m. Simchat Torah Service Honoring Hank and Karen Needle, our Chatan Torah and Kallat Bereishit

10:30 a.m. Families and Students: Hakafot | Singing | Dancing with the Torah Blessing and Aliyah for the children

12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Let's all Celebrate! Family-Friendly and Adult Activities Food | Drinks | Adult Beverages | Games

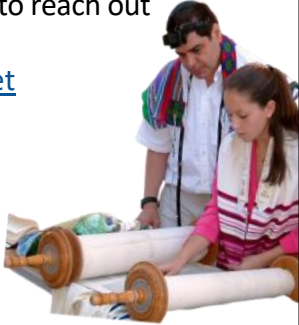
This event is free and open to the community. Sponsorships available.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/event/simchattorah2023



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.



Gemilut Chasadim...

Join us in the Act of Loving Kindness

Come be a part of our newly expanded CHESED COMMITTEE!

There are a few ways you can choose to get involved and help us all feel more connected: *Bikkur Cholim* (visiting/helping those who are ill), providing support during a funeral, or welcoming a new baby with a meal for a family.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful committee or want more information, please reach out to Lisa Flagel at lisaflagel@gmail.com or call her at 678-591-7950.

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 www.etzchaim.net/socialmedia for more information!



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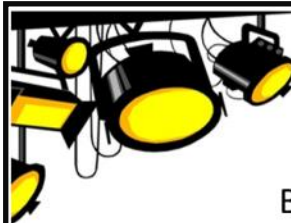


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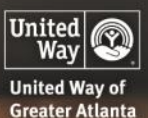
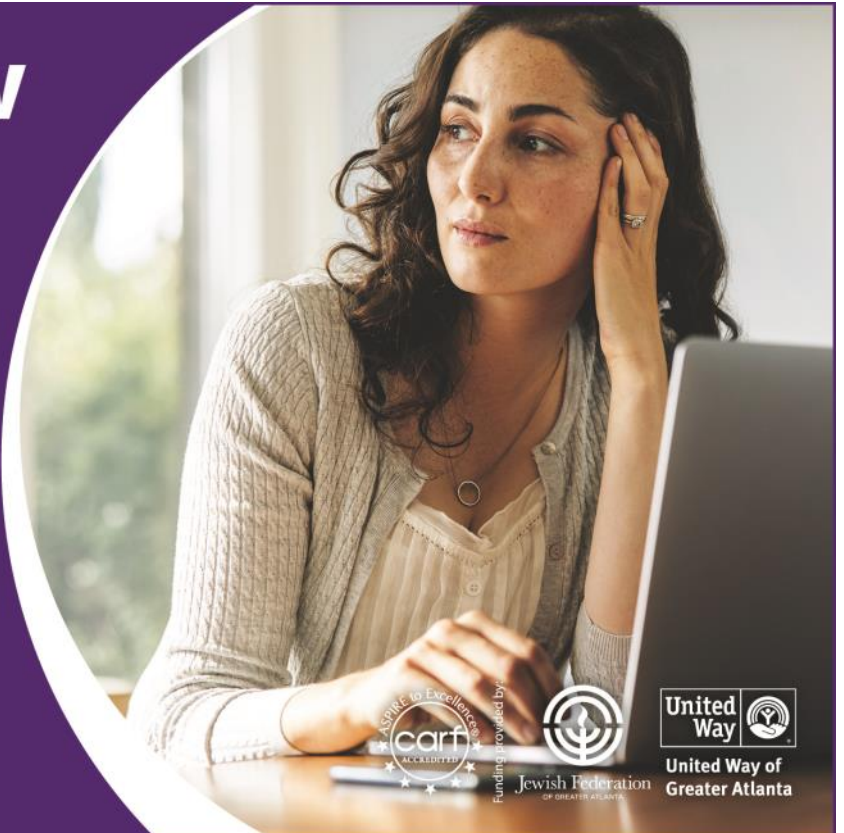
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