

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

## Shavuot

**EREV SHAVUOT - TUESDAY, JUNE 11**

POT LUCK DAIRY DINNER - 7:15 P.M. | TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT - 8:00 P.M.

**SHAVUOT DAY I - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 | DAY II - THURSDAY, JUNE 13**

SHAVUOT DAY ONE - 9:30 A.M. | SHAVUOT & YIZKOR DAY TWO - 9:30 A.M.

DAYS ONE AND TWO, EVENING MINYAN: 6:30 P.M.

DAIRY KIDDUSH LUNCH ON DAY TWO

### Tikkun Leil Shavuot ~ Tuesday, June 11

#### Torah on Your Table: Why Jews Love Food

##### Hammer Pavilion

- 6:30 p.m. Erev Shavuot Services
- 7:00 p.m. Dairy Potluck Dinner
- 7:45 p.m. A History of Israel Salad with Miriam Rosenbaum
- 8:30 p.m. Is it a Mitzvah to Eat with Rabbi Albert Slomovitz
- 9:15 p.m. To Kosher or Not to Kosher? That is the Question with Rabbi Shalom Lewis
- 10:00 p.m. They Tried to Kill Us. We Won. Let's Eat! with Rabbi Jonathon Adler
- 10:45 p.m. Let them Eat Cheesecake! And Other Peculiar Shavuot Customs with Rabbi Dan Dorsch

We will provide the main course and drinks.

Please RSVP for the potluck.

RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/event/shavuot2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/event/shavuot2024)

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### Shavuot Summer Splash

Wednesday, June 12

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Water activities, outdoor games, bubbles, and more!**

Kick off the Summer with a splash while honoring our Jewish tradition. Bring your own dairy picnic lunch - we'll provide the ice cream! Or join us for the Oneg after services.

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#### Daily Minyan Times:

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6:30 p.m.

#### Shabbat Services:

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

(in-person & Livestream)

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**Daniel Dorsch**  
Rabbi

What are the values of our synagogue? The Talmud teaches that if you want to understand a person, all you have to do is to take a look at what is in his or her pocket.

With this in mind, if you want to understand the values of our synagogue, you only need take a look at how our synagogue spent our pocket change this year.

If you've come to one of our daily minyan services or been to a board meeting, then you know that at least twice a day we pass the pushke around. It's an opportunity for us to perform the mitzvah of tzedakah when we daven. When the tzedakah box makes its way around, we place in quarters, dollars, and the contents of our pockets.

What you may not know is that your dollar adds up.

As a synagogue, we must not only be a community that fundraises for our own internal needs, but one that distributes funds to important causes that represent our values. That is why from last July until this one, perhaps our largest, single donation made from our pushke fund was over two thousand dollars to Moshe Sebagabo, our contact in the Jewish community in Uganda. These funds helped their community build a new synagogue building (see below for the picture) and has assisted his community in affording its celebrations of the Jewish holidays.

I don't need to tell you that it's been a rough year to be a Jewish college student. That's why nearly another thousand dollars made its way to Hillels of Georgia this year. Hillel has been on the front lines in our community's fight against anti-Semitism and in providing a safe, loving environment for our college students.

Most importantly, but not surprisingly, a good portion of our dollars and quarters have been sent to Israel. When the war broke out in October, nearly 1300 dollars were directed to assist in buying gloves, hats, snacks, and other supplies for Yariv Lis' (a preschool and religious school dad) unit in the IDF. An additional \$500 went to Masorti Israel, which supports Israeli conservative synagogues, and another \$180 made its way to the Schechter Institute, which supports training rabbis and educators; both of these tzedakot have taken financial hits as donations to Israel largely have been diverted this year to causes directly involved with the war effort.

Locally, we also made some smaller, but also meaningful contributions. \$180 went to help support our team, led by Bob Frohlich in Atlanta's Hunger Walk. It may also surprise you that we wrote a check for \$180 to Dressler's funeral care. Why? Because periodically, there are Jews in our area who die alone with no family, and we must do our part to help assist in the mitzvah of *leviyat hamet*, burying the dead.

All in all, your dollars and quarters added up to over \$4500 that we donated to important causes. All of this came from what is inside your pockets. It is a reminder of the old adage that remains true: that even our spare pocket change can help to make the world a better place.



**Marty Gilbert**  
Executive Director

June 4, will mark my seventh year in Georgia and being a part of the Etz Chaim family.

I still remember driving that last stretch of 75 South getting off at the 120-loop exit, getting onto Roswell Road, turning onto

Indian Hills Parkway, and getting completely lost trying to find the Bayit. It took a while for me to get my bearings, but it was very cool to drive through the areas that Bob Bachrach took me to during my interview weekend in April and realize that I had been here before. I also remember finally having the courage to turn off the GPS at some point when I was trying to get somewhere.

There is still one thing that confuses me. Everywhere up North where there were traffic circles, they have been replaced, but down here they seem to be multiplying.

I do like being able to make left turns and U-turns at stop lights. The two-person express lanes are nice as well. Up North, they're usually a three-person minimum.

I still have my NJ EZ-Pass and I have added a Peach Pass; now that EZ Pass is accepted on the Express lanes, I am sure that I am getting double charged.

Lori still doesn't like pumping her own gas. It's a Jersey thing.

Overall, it has been a wonderful seven years. One last thought about June.

June is Pride Month, and as a father of a non-binary child, who just married their partner, I am reminded of the fact that Love is Love and that we should not ever forget that. Lori and I wish them many years of joy and happiness.

Mazel Tov to S.K. and Kellie.

**Canasta and Mah Jongg**  
Sponsored by AgeWell

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

**Free and open to the community.**  
Questions? Contact [BerniceMellman@gmail.com](mailto:BerniceMellman@gmail.com)



**Elliot Okrent**  
President

*“Got out of town on a boat goin’ to Southern islands...Sailing a reach before a followin’ sea...She was makin’ for the trades on the outside...And the downhill run to Papeete...Off the wind on this heading lie the Marquesas...We got eighty feet of the waterline nicely making way... In a noisy bar in Avalon I tried to call you...But on a midnight watch I realized why twice you ran away”*  
~Crosby Stills and Nash

Growing up outside of New Haven, CT meant we spent quite a bit of time by the Long Island Sound. It wasn’t the full Atlantic Ocean, but it was close enough to drive to, even for an evening stroll. As with many coastal areas, much of the shoreline was dotted with marinas, both for leisure and commercial purposes, with fishing trawlers and every shape and size sail and powerboat you can imagine. I had never seen myself as a boater, although I loved to go out on them, especially sailboats like the one my father’s friend owned in Hauppauge, NY. A trip down the river to New York Harbor one summer weekend when I was a kid, and I was sold. Many years later, when I was in college, my dad and I bought a boat.

It wasn’t a new boat – I did have college to pay for – but it was ours. We were the proud new owners of a 1979 O’Day 28, previously owned by another Jewish family in the community. We should have been concerned with the name when we bought it, Tsores II (Yiddish for “Trouble”), but we went ahead anyway and sailed it to its new home in Branford, CT. We decided to re-name it to make it our own and chose a name that really fits the love/hate relationship one has with owning a boat. We called it “Serenity Now”. The name comes from the Seinfeld episode where Jerry’s father was attempting to manage stress by saying “Serenity Now” repeatedly. However, in the way that you would expect from him, the words did not match the tone in which he yelled them at the top of his lungs. How fitting for a sailboat – which can be both frustrating to manage and maintain but provides some of the most peaceful experiences one can imagine.

I have some great memories of the few summers we had her and even wrote a poem about the first time we set out to sea. It was my weekend apartment during the summers when it was in the water, and it was a great place to hang out with friends. Of course we did actually sail it, and I can say I only got it caught up on one small sandbar, something I do not recommend. In the end, when I got married and it was time to sell and start saving for a house, we parted ways with some pretty amazing memories.

I mentioned I wrote a poem about it, and I’d like to share that with all of you here. I wish you all a safe and meaningful summer, and don’t forget to come to Minyan when you are around!

**“Serenity Now”**

*The motor droned and we were underway,  
Our vessels first journey out was today.  
However old her hull may be,  
She’s now ready for a new captain, me.*

*Out through the channel and into the Sound,  
There weren’t too many others around.  
The winds were quite strong, and the seas seemed rough,  
But we knew that this first trip might be tough.*

*Approaching Duck Island, the sea calmed down,  
And presented itself as Long Island Sound.  
The time was right, to raise the sails,  
So off went the engine, and silence prevailed.*


*We hoisted the mainsail while maintaining our course,  
And looked to the windex to tell the wind’s source.*

*Unfurling the headsail I steered her upwind,  
And the sails billowed out – now the real fun begins.*

*We sailed past Duck Island and practiced our tacks,  
The seas remained calm, and we tried to relax.  
As we rounded the island, more boats did appear,  
This day turned out fine, and diminished our fears.*


*As we came back to the harbor while practicing jibes,  
I couldn’t help think, about our lucky lives.  
To be able to have what some are just dreaming,  
I looked over to my father who was sitting there beaming.*

*Starting the engine, we cruised back to the harbor,  
And lowered our sails, and turned toward starboard.  
Our neighbors were waiting to take the lines from the bow,  
And I realized I had found, “Serenity Now”.*



**Mark  
Your  
Calendar**

## Voice of Chaim Submission Deadlines



**July Special Issue Deadline: Monday, June 3**  
**August Issue Deadline: Monday, July 1**

**Submissions should be sent to:**  
**Bernice at [bernice@etzchaim.net](mailto:bernice@etzchaim.net)**

## Department of Education

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

#### PRESCHOOL

Week 1 of Camp Ruach!  
**6/3 – 6/7** Little Scientists

Week 2 of Camp Ruach!  
**6/10 – 6/14\***  
**(Closed 6/12)**

Adventureland

Week 3 of Camp Ruach!  
**6/17 – 6/21\***  
**(Closed 6/19)**

Wild Wild West

Week 4 of Camp Ruach!  
**6/24 – 6/28**

Animal Adventures

#### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Registration Deadlines and  
Late Fees:

Sunday, **6/16 – 7/15**  
\$30 Late fee assessed

Tuesday, **7/16**  
\$60 Late fee assessed

Friday, **8/23**  
Shabbat in the Park

**Sunday, 8/25**  
**First Day of**  
**Religious School**



**Debbie Deutsch**  
Director of Education

### What's Going on in Pre-K and Gan

The phrase “saving the best for last” might apply to this series of articles and our Pre-K and Gan classes. These two classes either open up or continue the journey of a love of Judaism, understanding of mitzvot, and developing community to our youngest learners. From celebrating holidays, learning prayers in tefillah, participating in our community Havdalah, and building community within our school, these classes will take what they've learned and continue to succeed in the coming years.



**Lauren Chernau**  
Assistant Director Etz Chaim Preschool

As this school year ends, I cannot help but reflect on all of the changes here at Etz Chaim Preschool over the years. New teachers, new philosophies, new children, new families, new paint, floors, furniture. Even a new bathroom. New rules. New expectations. Change can be hard. One of the things that we, as humans, look for to make us feel safe when we are navigating through life, is consistency. The things that remain present, the people that are always there, remind us that no matter our challenges, there are always those constants to ground us.

As I reflect back, through all of these changes both physically and in theory and philosophy, the one constant at preschool has always been Debbie Deutsch. She was there for me when we made the hard decision to move back to Atlanta. She graciously welcomed me and my children into the community with open arms. She worked tirelessly each year to find the balance between building a school and building a community.

Debbie has the ability to make new families feel so welcome and seasoned members of the community feel important too. Through the years her passion for our school was ever apparent as she worked so hard to constantly improve Etz Chaim Preschool. When I became a teacher at the preschool, I still had children as students. Debbie consistently kept separate our working relationship and our preschool family relationship. Rarely were those lines crossed although when one of my kids was sick or had a function that I wanted to attend, her famous response was always, “Family comes first!”

We would often spend our afternoons discussing early childhood education. We would share thoughts, beliefs, questions, and philosophies. The more we discussed, the more we realized how similar our beliefs were. Soon it was time to find Debbie an Assistant Director. I was so honored when the position was offered to me. For three years, Debbie has guided me, educated me, and pushed me to be the best version of a leader that I could be. And here we stand today – Debbie is moving forward to be the Director of Religious School and the Youth Department. She has left me to fill her tiny but gigantic shoes as the Preschool Director.

They often say that success is neither magical nor mysterious. It is the natural consequence of someone who consistently works to the best of their abilities. I hope that I can be as wonderful a director as Debbie has been and I thank Debbie for her hard work, her consistency, her guidance, and her friendship. And I wish her nothing but success in her new journey.



Thank you for your many years of hard work and dedication to our Preschool! Mazal tov as you continue this journey with Religious School and now the Youth Department too!





**Jamie Lyons**  
Interim Youth Director



May was a fantastic month! Chalutzim, Chaverim, and Gesher had a HUGE tie-dye event. We had over 35 kids playing indoor and outdoor games, making colorful t-shirts, socks, headbands, and bandanas, and enjoying an awesome ice cream bar!



The rest of the month was devoted to Sababa USY. Sababa continued to lead minyan every Wednesday night through May 15 and we are now "off" for the summer.

On Wednesday, May 8, Sababa elected the 2023-2024 Member of the Year and their 2024-2025 Executive Board.

**MAZAL TOV TO NATE ARONSTEIN** who was elected by his peers as the *Member of the Year*.

**MAZAL TOV** to the newly elected **Executive Board for 2024-2025**:

Left to right:

Bottom Row: **Bethany Rydell** (Membership Vice President and Executive Vice President); **Kayla Kleinman** (President); **Molly Buchalter** (Israeli Affairs Vice President)

Top Row:

**Jackson Powers** (Communications Vice President); **Daniel Barchichat** (Religion & Education Vice President); **Evan Okrent** (Social Action & Tikun Olam Vice President)

A huge thank you and much appreciation to our outgoing 2023-2024 Executive Board.

Left to right:

**Daniel Barchichat** (Religion & Education Vice President); **Evan Goldstein** (Social Action & Tikun Olam Vice President); **Nate Aronstein** (President); **Kayla Kleinman** (Membership Vice President and Executive VP); **Sasha Gilbert** (Israeli Affairs Vice President) and **Bethany Rydell** (Communications Vice President) - bottom second from right

Finally, on Sunday, May 19, we had the USY Banquet to send off our seniors and celebrate the whole group.



None of our Youth Department events this year would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our stellar advisors, **Roxi Measroch, Gideon Oren, Nic Poole, and Alex Levin**. They are so valuable to our program and we are extraordinarily grateful for their contributions to Etz Chaim and our Youth Department.

We cannot forget our Youth Commission volunteers also! When you see them, give a huge thank you and lots of gratitude to **Dani and Amir Oren, Mathias and Sarah Salamon, Bethany Levee, and Jen Katz**. We are always looking for additional volunteers, so please let us know if you are interested in serving on the Youth Commission next year.

**Stay tuned! OUR 2024-2025 YOUTH DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ELECTRONICALLY ON THE WEBSITE.**

## Our Etz Chaim Community

### *Mazal Tov to...*

Esther and Charlie Harrison on the birth of their granddaughter, Bree Rose, born on April 7 to Hilary and Matt Harrison

Cheryl and David Eppsteiner on the birth of their grandson, Jack Reuven Eppsteiner Heller, born on April 23 to Dr. Sloane Heller and Harris Eppsteiner

Jayne and Andy Becker on the birth of their granddaughter, Emma Max, born on April 29 to Rachel and Jason Warren

Rabbi Jonathon Adler on his rabbinic ordination and on being awarded the United Synagogue Award for Congregational Service on May 16

Jenna and Ian Shaw on their recent marriage on May 26. Mazal Tov to their parents, Sharon and Alan Lightstone and Elyse and David Shaw.

Tammy and Jeffrey Cohen on the recent marriage of their daughter Courtney Ann to Jacob Alexander Lustrin on May 26

Claire Isbitts, daughter of Debbie and Mark Isbitts, on being the 2024 Valedictorian of North Cobb High School

Steven Cadranel on being named the Billi and Bernie Marcus Visionary Award winner at Stand with Hillel 2024, presented by the Radow Family Foundation. "Stand with Hillel" is Hillels of Georgia's initiative to support students in these uncertain times. The Israel Crisis Fund provides crucial resources for students fighting against antisemitism including increased security on campus, Israel programs and education, social gatherings with Jewish peers, and meeting with campus administrators.

Lori and Marty Gilbert on the marriage of their child, SK to Kellie Tracy

### *Our Condolences to...*

Bonnie Steinfeld on the passing of her beloved brother, Hugh Cheslin

Martin Krieger on the passing of his beloved brother, Robert Krieger

Susie Moskowitz and Janie Sukloff on the passing of their beloved mother, Lois Baer and to Cindy Ackerman, on the passing of her beloved grandmother

### *Thank You to our Office Volunteers...*

Ron Judenberg  
Michael Karp  
Linda Weinroth

### *Thank You to our Program Volunteers...*

Janis Greenfield ♦ Steven Horowitz  
Bernice Isaac ♦ Clifford Martin  
Bethany Rydell ♦ Shana and Josh Vexler  
Barry Teitelman ♦ Sandy Bailey ♦ Marsha and Chuck Bernstein

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Helene and Philip Jacoby  
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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](mailto:bernice@etzchaim.net).

## Stitch & Kvetch with Rabbi Adler

Thursdays, starting July 11  
from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun afternoon of schmoozing, kvetching, and fun! Bring your cross-stitch, needlepoint, and knitting for this weekly activity in Phillip's Library.

All are welcome. No RSVP needed.



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## Save the Date!

Shabbat in the Park  
Friday, August 23  
5:30 p.m.  
More Details to Come!




**Yom HaShoah Commemoration—Yep, It Was Us in the Big White Bus!**

Twenty-two members of both Etz Chaim and the Catholic Church of St. Ann filed into the bus that had been rented through the generosity of Etz Chaim's Men's Club, Rabbi Dorsch, and an anonymous benefactor. The purpose of this joint venture was to attend the 59th anniversary of the Yom HaShoah Memorial on May 5 at Greenwood Cemetery.

The drive to Greenwood Cemetery provided an opportunity for Michael Weinroth, Barry Riesenberg, and Steve Dix to explain the meaning and purpose of Yom HaShoah. Fortunately, at Greenwood there were enough seats for almost everyone, though it was reported in the Atlanta Jewish Times that this year's attendance drew more than 500 people.

Some of the information shared with the group on the bus was that Atlanta area **survivors** paid for the construction of the memorial in 1965, and it is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The memorial's architect was Holocaust survivor Ben Hirsch of blessed memory. Hirsch came to Atlanta as a child from Frankfurt, Germany, having lost both of his parents. He was enrolled in an Atlanta public school, unable to speak English. He went on to graduate from Georgia Tech's School of Architecture. During Mr. Hirsch's career he designed many of Atlanta's well-known churches and synagogues, including Congregation Etz Chaim.

On the way back to Etz Chaim there were questions from our St. Ann's friends about the symbolism of placing a Stone of Remembrance inside the interior of the memorial and the purpose of giving each person in attendance a yellow yahrzeit candle that had been furnished by Etz Chaim's Men's Club. When the ceremony concluded, an announcement was made that the white bus was "waiting for Etz Chaim members at the bottom of the hill." Following the memorial event, several families from St. Ann's wrote letters of thanks for including them in this annual event. Please see one example below.



*First, I want to say that the invitation from Congregation Etz Chaim to St. Ann's members to join you for Yom HaShoah was very generous. We are so glad we took the opportunity.*

*The event was beautiful and impactful. It was an honor to be present in some way to our Jewish community. The reverence, the stories, the children, the songs, the prayers, the warmth and love there, all gave us a sense of an eternal connection and appreciation for WHO you are as a people, and to stand in some small way beside you at Yom HaShoah was a privilege.*

Thank you,  
A family from St. Ann's



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## A HEARTY MAZAL TOV TO THIS STUDENT CELEBRATING HIS BAR MITZVAH!



**Ari Durst Kart will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on June 1, 2024 – 24 Iyar 5784.** He is the son of Faith and Dave Kart. Ari's Bar Mitzvah Parasha is Bechukotai. He is a 7th grader at Hightower Trail Middle School, has been a student in Etz Chaim's Religious School for eight years, and attended our Preschool for three years. Ari's hobbies and interests include basketball, reading, and playing the clarinet.

Ari's D'var Torah quote is "If you do things that align with the mitzvot of the Torah, you will be blessed. If you don't follow the rulings of God and the Torah, you will be punished until you make amends through your actions." For his mitzvah project, Ari is raising money to support the Jewish Welfare Board, an organization that gives tallitot, matzah, and other necessary things for military members to celebrate Jewish holidays. In support of the IDF, he also donated money to laminate the IDF Prayer sheets that are in the 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](mailto: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 no "Team Shabbat". Please check our website at [www.etzchaim.net/calendar](http://www.etzchaim.net/calendar) or in the weekly EtzBlast for more information.

Upcoming Dates:

June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

### 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](mailto:shabbathonorsetzchaim@gmail.com).

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

All Shabbat Services in-person and via livestream.

Minyanim are held in-person only.

**BE A MITZVAH MAKER.**

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

(In order to say Mourner's Kaddish, we need to have 10 participants.)

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.

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

## Men's Club Notes

It's June and Summer is just about upon us. That means the Boys of Summer are back in the thick of things and the L'Etz Go Braves outing is happening on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets are sold out, but if you are at the game, come say hi to our Etz Chaim group in Section 317, rows 12 & 13.

The Yom HaShoah/Holocaust Remembrance commemoration was on May 5. There was a lovely group of both Etz Chaim and St. Ann's congregants who rode the chartered bus down to Greenwood Cemetery. Senator Jon Ossoff gave a moving speech and the Men's Club provided candles as part of the Yellow Candle initiative for the 500+ attendees.

Men's Club will be taking June and July off as we enjoy travelling and spending time with our families. We do want to wish all the Dads out there a very Happy Father's Day on June 16!

Lastly, 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](mailto:rog-bry@mindspring.com)) or Mathew Nathan ([mattynathan@gmail.com](mailto:mattynathan@gmail.com))

President: Bryan Coleman  
VP: Mathew Nathan



Come Out and Enjoy Your Men's Club!  
[mensclub@etzchaim.net](mailto: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 our email list at: [mensclub@etzchaim.net](mailto:mensclub@etzchaim.net)

**BE A MITZVAH MAKER! WILL YOU JOIN US FOR MINYAN?**

**BE A PART OF THIS WONDERFUL GROUP OF MEN AND WOMEN PICTURED BELOW WHO ATTEND OUR MORNING AND EVENING MINYANIM.**

**THOSE WHO ATTEND MINYAN WHO ARE OBSERVING YAHRZEITS FOR THEIR LOVED ONES WILL THANK YOU!**

**THE MINYANAIRECS**



## 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](http://www.etzchaim.net/socialmedia) for more information!



Instagram



### Minyan Makers

The Sisterhood's sponsorship for Etz Chaim's daily minyan is on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please join us to help make minyan for those saying Kaddish for a loved one.

### 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:

Helaine Mark at (404) 353-4589, [lainejbeth@comcast.net](mailto:lainejbeth@comcast.net) or Dani Oren at (770) 630-2254 or [daniandamir@gmail.com](mailto:daniandamir@gmail.com).

Check us out on Facebook page or visit our webpage at [www.etzchaim.net/sisterhood](http://www.etzchaim.net/sisterhood)

## The Sisterhood Scoop

We have officially begun our new Sisterhood Board year! On May 5, we celebrated our Sisterhood Board Installation with a fun program "Shalom Amigas". It had been a while since we all took the opportunity to learn about how far and wide members have travelled.

It was incredible to find out that we've got scuba divers, world travelling mah jongg players, a member who's been to the Taj Mahal, members who've gone on cruises and safaris, and of course, quite a few of us who've been to Israel. It was fun to live vicariously through their adventures and to share a couple of our own. We need to take time to Celebrate Together, and we did just that at this program ... and we're going to be Celebrating Together all year!

Our Sisterhood Board and leadership team this year is as follows (as of 5/19/24):

Co-Presidents:	Helaine Mark & Dani Oren
VP-Ways & Means:	Lani Ashner
VP-Programming:	Linda Diamond & Paula Coplon
VP-Membership:	Shana LaVine Vexler & Nicole Flom
VP-Communications:	Dana Shefsky
VP-Financial Secretary:	Beth Levin
VP-Recording Secretary:	Phyllis Silverstein
VP-Torah Fund:	Sandy Bailey
Treasurer:	Reba Bachrach
Gift Shop:	Lauren Gray
Parliamentarian:	Neda Gayle
Program Chairs:	
Book Club:	Myra Goldberg
Pinktober:	Dana Shefsky
Shalom in the Shul:	Gerry Taratoot
Chanukah Shuk:	Stephanie Needle & Sara Salamon
Artisan Shuk:	Miriam Rosenbaum, Lynne Johannesen & Gail Vanovitch
Sisterhood Shabbat:	Neda Gayle
Tu B'Shevat Seder:	Nancy Miller & Amy Mittelberg

We've already begun planning an exciting year with a wide variety of programs, so please come! First up is our **Membership Kickoff** event! Please plan to come to this fun event the evening on **Sunday, September 8!**

If you've never been to a Sisterhood program, please find one that looks interesting or fun. Etz Chaim Sisterhood is women of all ages and life experiences, we are teachers, stay-at-home moms, Jewish community workers, lawyers, businesspeople, writers, people who work in healthcare, retirees, etc. We are YOU!

Have a terrific Summer. We look forward to Celebrating Sisterhood Together all year with you!

*Helaine Mark & Dani Oren*



### ATTENTION ETZ CHAIM MEMBERS:

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

### Judaica and Gifts Summer Shop Hours

The shop will be open by appointment only.

Please contact Lauren at 404-402-0040 or Reba at 770-846-3237.



## 2023 - 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



### Art For a Mitzvah—Annual Review

The Art for a Mitzvah program continues to attract a consistent group of participants who have enjoyed creating beautiful, useful, and decorative pieces of art.

Our first project began in January 2023, and we just wrapped up our fourth project April 2024. Forty-five people have made donations to Art for a Mitzvah.

*To date we have sent four donations totaling \$2,142.*

#### Three of the donations have gone to Israel...

- Two to Yad LaKashish
- One to Magen David Adom

The fourth donation went to the Backpack Buddies program at a time when it was restocking foods for the new school year.

We are looking forward to continuing this program with new projects this coming Fall. Thank you for your support.

**Lynne Johannesen and Miriam Rosenbaum**

Congregation Etz Chaim was the number one food collector for the High Holiday Food Drive 2023 through JF&CS. Our bins were overflowing!

Yasher Koach to our Etz family for leading the way with this important mitzvah in helping those who are in need due to food insecurities.



### Phillip's Library Annual Report:

- 420 books checked out this year
- 3559 books in Phillip's Library Collection, 133 new books added this year
- 1775 Books for Adults: Fiction and Nonfiction (including Biographies, Genealogy, and Reference)
- 1844 Books for Children including Chapter books for Children (Grades K-4) and Young Adults (Grades 5-12), Picture Books, and Nonfiction (including General Nonfiction and Biographies)

The Religious School's K-2 grade children enjoyed Storytime and library book checkout again this year. Books were also purchased to support the Sisterhood Book Club.

Thank you all for your patronage.

**Janice Levine**

### How we have supported Israel during this fiscal year:

- ◆ Since October 7, 2023, our congregation has stepped up to partner with many different organizations to support in Israel in its time of need.
- ◆ Etz Chaim Young Adults participated in JNF's (Jewish National Fund) Israel Resistance Campaign and raised over \$2,268, which was matched by an anonymous donor from JNF.
- ◆ Etz Chaim's Department of Education partnered with JNF and raised \$2,000 for the Tu B'Shevat Tree Sale for Israel.
- ◆ Our congregation is currently raising funds for JNF's Bomb Shelter Beautification Project. The project cost is \$10,000 to create a mural for the exterior of a shelter from Etz Chaim. We've currently raised \$3,150 and we are looking to raise the full amount of \$10,000. Please continue to donate for this meaningful effort.
- ◆ Our Emergency Appeal for Israel Bonds this fiscal year generated over \$848,000 in investments.
- ◆ Rabbi Dorsch delivered the items donated by congregants including clothes, socks, cards, etc., at the Military weigh station outside of our sister city, Yokneam. (See photo below)
- ◆ Our students in Kitah Zayin, 7th Grade, got creative and made bracelets to sell to our community as their Mitzvah project. They donated \$300 to America Friends of Magen David Adom and another \$600 to the Israel Emergency Fund through Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta.



# BACKPACK BUDDIES OF ETZ CHAIM

## 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR IN REVIEW

### Bags of Food Packed

 **1,024** 

Each bag contained entrees, fruits, vegetables, & more -- all the food that a child would need for a weekend.

### Volunteer Hours

 **382** 

From packing to driving, to inventory, it takes a lot of work to keep these kids fed!

### Deliveries to Eastvalley Elementary

 **34** 

Each week, gracious volunteers picked up bags & delivered them to the school.

Whether you volunteered your time, shopped for food, or made a donation, you made an amazing difference for food-insecure children in Cobb County. On behalf of the kids we sponsor, **THANK YOU!**



To get involved next school year, visit [etzchaim.net/social-action](http://etzchaim.net/social-action)

### Prime Timers Annual Report:

Prime Timers would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Debbie and Irwin Berman and Esther and Charlie Harrison as our outgoing co-chairs. They led five very successful programs this past year starting with the annual welcome brunch in August, a picnic at Red Top Mountain in September, a game day in December, our largest dance yet in February, and a trivia event in March!

Thanks for a fun-filled year!

**Gail Vanovitch and Andrea Cohen**  
Co-Chairs, 2024-2025



### Prime Timers Shabbat Dinner



Join us for a beautiful Friday night service followed by dinner.

**9** MONTH    **20** DAY    **24** YEAR

# Social Media Usage Growth 2023 - 2024

## PAGES

	2023-24	2022-23
Facebook CongEtzChaim	1,300 likes/1,669 followers	1,200 likes/1,556 followers
Facebook Virtual Kiddush	483 members	464 members
Facebook Etz Chaim Youth Dept.	281 likes/277 followers	261 likes/260 followers
Etz Chaim Preschool	404 likes/425 followers	375 likes/390 followers
Camp Ruach at EC Preschool	53 likes/61 followers	43 likes/51 followers
Etz Chaim Religious School	123 likes/127 followers	121 likes/122 followers
Etz Chaim Sisterhood	308 likes/318 followers	297 likes/307 followers
Etz Chaim Men's Club	129 likes/134 followers	117 likes/122 followers
Etz Chaim Young Families	156 members	160 members
Instagram EtzChaim_Marietta	369 followers	317 followers
Instagram Sababa USY	256 followers	242 followers
YouTube (@congregationetzchaim-marie4670)	93 subscribers	78 Subscribers

**Like and follow these two new pages!**

**Etz Chaim Young Adults - New Facebook page: [facebook.com/groups/yaetzchaim](https://www.facebook.com/groups/yaetzchaim)**

**Etz Chaim Young Adults - Now on Instagram: [@etzya\\_marietta](https://www.instagram.com/etzya_marietta)**

Want to be "in the know"... Like Us, Follow Us, Share Us!



*Mazal  
Tor*

to Rabbi Jonathon Adler on his  
Rabbinic Ordination on May 16.





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

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

### NEED SOME SUMMER READING?

Why not check out some books for adults and some for kids at Phillip's Library at Etz Chaim to read over the summer? We have lots of great books to choose from. Stop by and browse anytime the synagogue is open.

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

Here are a few sample titles that can be found right now out on display in the library.

### BOOKS FOR ADULTS

***The Deadly Scrolls*** by Ellen Frankel. Set in modern Jerusalem and among the desert ruins of Qumran, this desperate hunt for an ancient treasure scroll pits a female Israeli intelligence agent against a religious fanatic. A thriller that is a quick read. (F FRA)

***An Old Man's Game: An Amos Parisman Mystery*** by Andy Weinberger. When a controversial celebrity rabbi drops dead over his matzoh ball soup at the famed Canter's Deli in Los Angeles, retired private eye Amos Parisman - a sixtyish, no-nonsense Jewish detective - is hired by the temple's board to make sure everything is kosher. What follows is a fun, entertaining private eye tale. (F WEI)

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

### BOOKS FOR KIDS AND TEENAGERS Check out also our books for Shavuot.

***A Place to Belong: Debbie Friedman Sings her Way Home*** by Deborah Lakritz. The story of Debbie Friedman, one of our most amazing Jewish singer/songwriters. (J Biog FRI) For ages 5-8.

***The Book of Secrets*** by Mat Tonti. This exciting graphic novel is a daring adventure tale, following siblings Rose and Ben as they search for their missing grandparents, aided only by a mysterious book, a lantern, and their wits. (JF TON) For ages 8-11.

***Those Summer Nights*** by Laura Silverman. Another great YA book by Laura Silverman, whose parents belong to Etz Chaim. After recovering from a soccer injury that ended her Olympic dreams, 17-year-old Hannah Klein must navigate a new summer job. *Those Summer Nights* is just the right balance of fun summer hijinks & romance. (YA F SIL) For ages 14-18 and up.

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

#### FOR KIDS

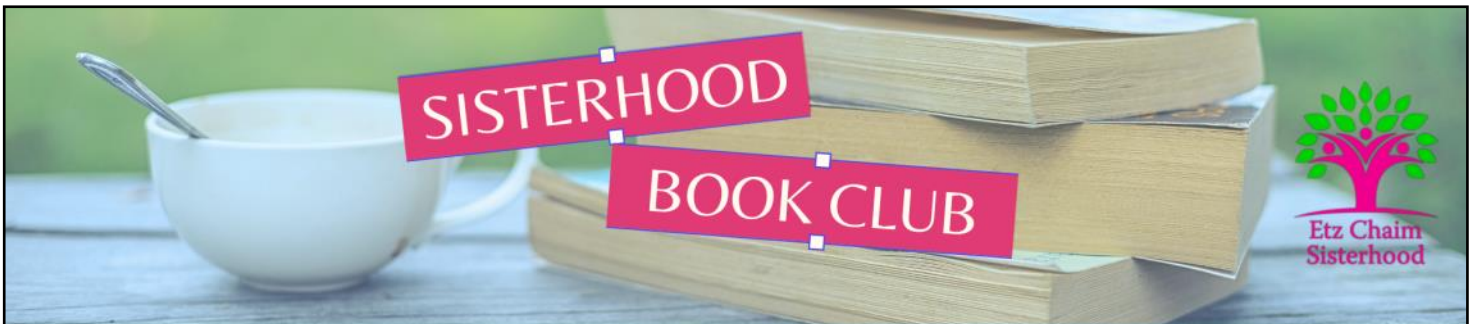
Shalom Sesame Join the Israeli muppets for some fun videos on YouTube. [www.youtube.com/user/shalomsesame](https://www.youtube.com/user/shalomsesame)

#### FOR ADULTS

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

#### FOR EVERYONE

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



**The Book Club is taking a break for the month of June.**

**We are looking for summer and fall hosts. Should you choose July or August, YOU get to choose the Sunday that works best for you, the location, and the book.**

**Three book titles have been chosen for the months ahead:**

*Kantika* by Elizabeth Graver

*All Other Nights* by Dara Horn

*One Hundred Saturdays* by Michael Frank

**To be a host, contact Myra Goldberg at [myra.goldberg@yahoo.com](mailto:myra.goldberg@yahoo.com)**

**Bored with your same old monthly book club's selections?**

**Participate in Lilmode's Summer Book Club  
and August Book Talk featuring Three Exciting Authors**

**Alex Sinclair** presents his debut novel, *The Perfect Enemy via Zoom from Israel*. An exciting and suspenseful thriller that poses uncomfortable questions about trauma and revenge, the desire for peace, religious extremism, and the schisms of the Middle East.

**Harry Stern**, a local author and member of Etz Chaim presents his second novel, *The Insider*. The *Insider* reintroduces two top Mossad counterterrorism operatives from Harry's first book, *My Brothers' Keeper* who are enlisted to assist FBI agents as they thwart a planned attack from Iran. Live at Etz Chaim

Joshua Azriel, a Professor at Kennesaw State University and member of Etz Chaim presents his book, *Enduring Jewish Communities Around the World*. Internal and external communications have helped Jewish communities survive globally in unlikely locations, harsh circumstances, and periods of violent antisemitism. Drawing on in-depth interviews with religious and community leaders of nine international Jewish communities, Joshua Azriel contends that communication is a part of Judaism's core and a powerful, informal tool that has been used over millennia by its followers to sustain their communities, culture, and religion. Live at Etz Chaim

Books will be available for purchase after the program.

Keep your eyes "peeled" for the August date, time and RSVP information for the August Book Talk.





## RELIGIOUS CORNER

### The Vital Importance of Minyan Attendance

Rabba Amanda Flaks and Josh Vexler, Co-VPs of Religion

Did you know that Congregation Etz Chaim is the only progressive shul in East Cobb that offers daily morning and evening minyans?

**We need your help, especially for our evening minyans.** Minyan is less than thirty minutes from start to finish.

Why is minyan so important? In Jewish tradition, the concept of minyan holds profound significance, serving as the cornerstone of communal prayer and spiritual connection. The practice of at least ten Jews coming together for minyan encapsulates the values of solidarity, continuity, and devotion, fostering a sense of belonging and shared purpose that Etz Chaim is known for.

Minyan can mark moments of simcha - like celebrating a b'nai mitzvah, a bris, or naming a baby. During moments of sorrow, such as mourning or illness, the minyan provides solace and strength through collective prayer and consolation. **Within the Etz Chaim community, attending minyan transcends mere religious obligation; it embodies the essence of unity, support, and collective devotion to our members who are saying Kaddish after the death of a beloved family member.** In this way, attending minyan fosters a culture of compassion, empathy, and mutual care within the Etz Chaim community, ensuring that no member ever feels alone in their journey.

We know that committing to minyan can be tough - it adds another "thing" to your long list of daily tasks. But if you commit to just one minyan a month, you will be performing a mitzvah of the highest order. Bring a friend, bring your kids, go out to dinner afterward, or spend some time catching up in the chapel.

**Minyan is held Monday—Friday mornings at 7:00 a.m. and Sundays at 9:15 a.m. Evening minyans are Monday—Thursday, and Sundays at 6:30p.m.** Please feel free to reach out to us, Religion Co-VPs, if you need more information about attending: [rabbiamandaflaks@gmail.com](mailto:rabbiamandaflaks@gmail.com) and [joshvexler@gmail.com](mailto:joshvexler@gmail.com).



### HELP US HELP OTHERS

JF&CS KOSHER FOOD PANTRY

Kosher, non-perishable items are needed for our ongoing Tzedakah project for JF&CS.

- Canned tuna & salmon
- Shelf-stable milk
- Cereal
- Pasta & pasta sauce
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Mac & Cheese - Publix
- Kosher Soup
- Soup Packets

All items must be marked with a kosher symbol.  
For more information, contact Sharon Lightstone.

**June 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 Fligel—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-June	Alan Brown	24 Iyar	* 14-June	Robert Cohen	8 Sivan
* 1-June	Elise Wollner	24 Iyar	14-June	Rosalyn Cohen	8 Sivan
1-June	Sidney Schulman	24 Iyar	14-June	Ruth Berg	8 Sivan
* 2-June	Florence Stiller	25 Iyar	15-June	Martin Ravitz	9 Sivan
* 2-June	Helen Alperin	25 Iyar	15-June	Sandy Bernstein	9 Sivan
2-June	Regina Elkan	25 Iyar	* 16-June	Bassie Kron	10 Sivan
2-June	Richard Eppsteiner	25 Iyar	16-June	Bertha Freed	10 Sivan
3-June	Arthur Efenbein	26 Iyar	16-June	Helen B. Darling	10 Sivan
* 3-June	Ericka Glancz	26 Iyar	16-June	Irving Kravitz	10 Sivan
* 3-June	Irma Landerman	26 Iyar	16-June	Julius Beer	10 Sivan
* 3-June	Morris Cipinko	26 Iyar	16-June	Mary Parolisi	10 Sivan
3-June	Ralph F. Sarlin	26 Iyar	* 16-June	Miriam Isaacs	10 Sivan
* 4-June	Alice Tenenbaum	27 Iyar	* 16-June	Philip Goldstein	10 Sivan
4-June	Gary Greenberg	27 Iyar	16-June	Ruth Rappeport	10 Sivan
* 4-June	Gerald Knauer	27 Iyar	17-June	Arlene Sukloff	11 Sivan
4-June	Phyllis Ravitz	27 Iyar	17-June	Arthur Turner	11 Sivan
* 4-June	Solomon M. Shams	27 Iyar	17-June	Clifford Weiss	11 Sivan
5-June	Albert Kaplan	28 Iyar	17-June	Herman Mitchell	11 Sivan
* 5-June	Esther Pearlberg	28 Iyar	17-June	Jack Kirshstein	11 Sivan
5-June	Gary Sommer	28 Iyar	18-June	Leon Lubeck	12 Sivan
5-June	Ruth Schwartz	28 Iyar	18-June	Sidney November	12 Sivan
5-June	William Kleinman	28 Iyar	19-June	Leah Safer	13 Sivan
6-June	Al Pavlo	29 Iyar	19-June	Mildred Meiselman	13 Sivan
6-June	Audrey Sperling	29 Iyar	20-June	Anne Dinin	14 Sivan
6-June	Herschel Rudy	29 Iyar	20-June	George Weinroth	14 Sivan
6-June	Joseph Shuman	29 Iyar	* 20-June	Sidney Freedman	14 Sivan
* 6-June	Lucille O. Ray	29 Iyar	21-June	Abraham Bodenstein	15 Sivan
6-June	Reva Reiner	29 Iyar	21-June	Dorothy Taratoot	15 Sivan
7-June	Dora Keller	1 Sivan	22-June	Evalyn Ginsburg	16 Sivan
7-June	Marion Kroungold	1 Sivan	22-June	Marvin Berk	16 Sivan
8-June	Bernard Eisenman	2 Sivan	* 22-June	Sylvia Steinfeld	16 Sivan
* 8-June	Harold F. Needle	2 Sivan	23-June	Barbara Levin	17 Sivan
8-June	Julian Lichter	2 Sivan	23-June	Elliott B. Gilbert	17 Sivan
9-June	Bea Price	3 Sivan	24-June	Lillian Cohen	18 Sivan
9-June	Paul Price	3 Sivan	24-June	Philip Sultzer	18 Sivan
9-June	Rhoda Shapiro	3 Sivan	24-June	Susan Hoffman	18 Sivan
10-June	Andrea Hazan	4 Sivan	* 25-June	Abraham Bernknopf	19 Sivan
* 10-June	David Negrin	4 Sivan	25-June	Adeline A. Teich	19 Sivan
10-June	Pearl Hoffman	4 Sivan	25-June	Barbara Schlosberg	19 Sivan
10-June	Robert Marsand	4 Sivan	25-June	Marvin Kaiman	19 Sivan
* 10-June	William Weinstein	4 Sivan	* 26-June	Harold Bowman	20 Sivan
11-June	Chester Deutsch	5 Sivan	26-June	Milton I. Zlotin	20 Sivan
11-June	Edward Buxbaum	5 Sivan	26-June	Zoe Cohen	20 Sivan
11-June	Lloyd Goldsmith	5 Sivan	* 27-June	Bea Stadler	21 Sivan
11-June	Mania Gontmakher	5 Sivan	* 27-June	Louis Coltman	21 Sivan
* 11-June	Risa Saffran	5 Sivan	* 27-June	Tillie Cohen	21 Sivan
11-June	Rita Alexander	5 Sivan	28-June	Arlene Miller	22 Sivan
11-June	Samuel Cohen	5 Sivan	* 28-June	Charlotte Berg	22 Sivan
* 12-June	Claire Hammer	6 Sivan	28-June	Elsie Brodsky	22 Sivan
* 12-June	Edward Resnick	6 Sivan	28-June	Harry Kaplan	22 Sivan
* 13-June	Julius S. Spector	7 Sivan	29-June	Barry Garron	23 Sivan
* 13-June	Paul Berman	7 Sivan	30-June	Edythe Simon	24 Sivan
14-Jun	Nate Persky	8 Sivan	30-June	Joan T. Hook	24 Sivan
14-Jun	Rita Schor	8 Sivan	30-June	Ruth Dickson	24 Sivan

June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
						
<b>2 (25 Iyar)</b> <b>40th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 9:15a Camp Ruach! Meet & Greet 10:30a Men's Club L'Etz Go Braves – 1 <sup>st</sup> Pitch 1:35p Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>3 (26 Iyar)</b> <b>41st Day Omer</b> First Day of Camp Ruach! Morning Minyan 7a Community Canasta & Mah Jongg 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>4 (27 Iyar)</b> <b>42nd Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p Exec. Comm. Mtg. 7:15p	<b>5 (28 Iyar)</b> <b>Yom Yerushalayim</b> <b>43rd Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>6 (29 Iyar)</b> <b>44th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Torah Chanting with Rabbi Adler 11a Evening Minyan 6:30p Sisterhood Mtg. 7p	<b>7 (1 Sivan)</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Sivan</b> <b>45th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p  Candle Lighting 8:29p	<b>1 (24 Iyar) Bechukotai</b> <b>39th Day Omer</b> Bar Mitzvah of Ari Kart 9:30a Babysitting avail. 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 9:34p
<b>9 (3 Sivan)</b> <b>47th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p Board of Trustees 7p	<b>10 (4 Sivan)</b> <b>48th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Community Canasta & Mah Jongg 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>11 (5 Sivan)</b> <b>Erev Shavuot</b> <b>49th Day Omer</b> Morning Minyan 7a Tikkun Leil Shavuot: Erev Shavuot Svc. 6:30p Potluck Dairy Dinner 7p Learning begins 7:45p  Candle Lighting 8:31p	<b>12 (6 Sivan)</b> <b>Shavuot - 1st Day</b> Synagogue Offices Closed No Camp Ruach! Shavuot Services 9:30a Chag Hamayim 11a-1p Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>13 (7 Sivan)</b> <b>Shavuot and Yizkor</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Shavuot Services and Yizkor 9:30a Evening Minyan 6:30p  Shavuot Ends 9:40p	<b>14 (8 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p  Candle Lighting 8:32p	<b>15 (9 Sivan) Nasso</b> Shabbat Services 9:30a Babysitting avail. 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 9:41p
<b>16 (10 Sivan)</b> <b>Father's Day</b> Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>17 (11 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Community Canasta & Mah Jongg 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>18 (12 Sivan)</b> <b>General Election</b> Morning Minyan 7a Pride Alliance @ Braves Pre-game Party 5p First Pitch 7:20p Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>19 (13 Sivan)</b> <b>Juneteenth</b> Synagogue offices closed No Camp Ruach! Morning Minyan 9a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>20 (14 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Torah Chanting with Rabbi Adler 11a Evening Minyan 6:30p  Shavuot Ends 9:42p	<b>21 (15 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p  Candle Lighting 8:34p	<b>22 (16 Sivan)</b> <b>Beha'alotcha</b> Shabbat Services 9:30a Babysitting avail. 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 9:42p
<b>23 (17 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>24 (18 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Community Canasta & Mah Jongg 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>25 (19 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Koffee & Kibbitz 10a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>26 (20 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Evening Minyan 6:30p	<b>27 (21 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Torah Chanting with Rabbi Adler 11a Evening Minyan 6:30p  Candle Lighting 8:35p	<b>28 (22 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7a Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p  Candle Lighting 8:35p	<b>29 (23 Sivan) Sh'lach</b> Shabbat Services 9:30a Babysitting avail. 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 9:43p
<b>30 (24 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 9:15a Evening Minyan 6:30p						

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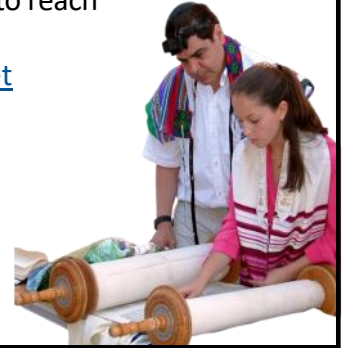
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**In memory of:**

Steve Kayne, beloved father of Roni (Ian) Robbins and grandfather to Seth Robbins and Lena Robbins

**Joseph and Lori Freeman**

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MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT**

**In loving memory of:**

Your dear sister, Lizzy, who left you way too soon. May all of the wonderful memories and times spent together fill your heart with her love and keep her with you always. Love,  
**Elyse and David Shaw**

Helen Rosengarten

**Stephanie and Gilad Moyal**

**In memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten

Bernard Bookman, father of Marnie Nadolne  
**Dan Rabin and Family**

my mother, Connie Samuels, on her first yearzeit

**Jeffrey and Amy Samuels**

**PHILLIP MICHAEL SILVERMAN  
MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT**

**In appreciation of:**

Bob Frohlich. We thank you so much for all you do for Congregation Etz Chaim every Shabbat.

**Bonnie and Alan Silverman**

**In loving memory of:**

Anita Reiter

**Martine and Murray Bookman**

**In memory of:**

Our son/brother, Phillip, on your yearzeit. Love does last forever and so does missing you. Love, Mom, Dad, and Laura

Our mother/grandmother, Eileen Silverman, on her yearzeit. We love you, Mom. Love, Bonnie, Alan, and Laura

Helen Rosengarten. We are sorry for your loss and know how much Helen will be missed by family and the entire Etz Chaim community. Holding you close to our hearts at this sad time.

**Alan and Bonnie Silverman**

**RABBI LEWIS ENDOWMENT**

**In loving memory of:**

Irving Altholtz, loving father and grandfather

Abraham Bernknopf, loving father and grandfather

**Stan and Linda Bernknopf**

**In memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten. Condolences to the Rosengarten and Deutsch families

**Stan and Linda Bernknopf**

**RADOW YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP  
ENDOWMENT**

**In honor of:**

Cheryl Kellogg, Maintenance Worker Extraordinaire! Mazal Tov on your well-deserved retirement. I will miss your beautiful smile and genuine hugs! Wishing you all the best always. Much love,  
**Robin and Yaron Brill**

**In loving memory of:**

your mother Beverly Radow and grandmother to Lisa Hurd and Neil Radow. We are sorry for your loss. May her memory be for a blessing, now and always. Sincerely,  
**Arlene and Glenn La Vine**

Beverly Radow. May her memory be a blessing and comfort.

**Bonnie and Alan Silverman**

Beverly Radow

**Dillon Baynes**

Beverly Radow. Our deepest condolences on the loss of your beloved mother. We enjoyed all the time we got to spend with her. She was strong and passionate with a deep love for her family. May your memories bring you comfort.

**Ellen and Steven Perlow**

Beverly Radow

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Beverly Radow, mother of Norman (Lindy) Radow

**Julie Kleinman**

Beverly Radow

**Lauri and Ken Winkler**

Beverly Radow, mother of Norman Radow  
**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

Norm's mother, Beverly  
**Michelle and Rob Leven**

Beverly Radow

**Mindy and Louis Kandel**

The absolute warrior that was Carol Carola, beloved wife of Tommy, mother of Alex and Hannah, and grandmother of Landon and Jaxon. May her memory always be a blessing to all that had the good fortune to know her and call her friend. With our deepest condolences.

David Greenspon, father of Dylan and Brooke and brother of Phil. May his memory always be for a blessing.

Beverly Radow, beloved mother of Norman (Lindy) Radow, grandmother of Lisa (Joey) Hurd, and Neil (Noy) Radow. May her memory always be a blessing to you and your family. With our sincere condolences.

"Grandma" Helen Rosengarten, beloved wife of "Papa" Lou, beloved mother of Debbie Deutsch (Gary) and grandmother of Craig Deutsch (Virginia Rosenberg) and Eric Deutsch (Lin Kaplan). An amazing woman and teacher. Her memory will truly be a blessing unto all that were touched by her love and kindness. With our most sincere condolences and love

**Robin and Yaron Brill**

**In memory of:**

Norman Radow's mother, Beverly Radow  
**Adrian and Ilene Grant**

Beverly Radow, mother of Norman (Lindy) Radow

**Adrienne and Randy Figur**

Beverly Radow

**Alisha Tischler**

Beverly Radow

**Jeffrey and Mary Minchew**

Beverly Radow

**Jonathan and Jamie Lyons**

Beverly Radow with our deepest condolences to the Radow Family  
**Linda and Ken Pollock**

Helen Rosengarten. So sorry for your loss.  
**Marcy Graiser**

Beverly Radow

**Sue and Alan Rothstein**

Beverly Radow

**William and Allison Medof**

**SISTERHOOD ENDOWMENT FUND**

**In loving memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten. May her memory be a blessing for the Rosengarten and Deutsch families.

my sweet brother-in-law, Marvin Coplon  
**Paula L. Coplon**

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**STAFF APPRECIATION ENDOWMENT**

**In honor of:**

Marty Gilbert, Mazel Tov on his continuing recovery and in appreciation of the delicious Kiddush lunch he and Lori sponsored.

**Esther Shultz**

**In memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten

**Ilene and David Levin**

**RABBI DORSCH DISCRETIONARY FUND**

**In appreciation of:**

Rabbi Dorsch. This is a small token of my immense gratitude for you giving up a day with your family to officiate at the funeral of my mother, Beverly. You did an outstanding job. Everyone in attendance said the funeral service was just "perfect".

**Norman and Lindy Radow**

Rabbi Dorsch, thank you for your assistance during these sad times. Your eulogy covered many highlights of Helen's life. Thank you for your kind words.

**The Rosengarten and Deutsch Families**

**In celebration of:**

Irwin Weitz's birthday and imminent retirement

**Steven Jesse Bodenstein and Patti Bloom**

**In honor of:**

Rachel Wilson's Vice Presidency of Membership Services on the Executive Committee Board. Love, Mom Wilson  
**Carole Wilson**

Sai Mukkamala Bar Mitzvah

**Sai Mukkamala**

**In loving memory of:**

a sweet lady, Helen Rosengarten  
**Eileen and Ken Schlenker**

Meilakh Barshay, grandfather and father-in-law. Unfortunately, you were not able to see me and your grandson Meylakh, who you can be so proud of. Both of us miss and love you. You will always be in our hearts.

**Galina Barshay**

my father, Stan Donner on his yahrzeit  
**Jeffrey and Melissa Goodman**

Bella and Sam Kandel

**Mindy and Louis Kandel**

Helen Rosengarten

Bernard Bookman

**Simone and Norman Marinoff**

Madolyn Goldbart, beloved mother of Jill Gardner

**Stacy and Jon Regitsky**

**In memory of:**

Robin Anders. Eight years and counting. I miss you, sis. Your time was too short.

**Andrew and Jayne Becker**

My grandfather, Henry Rosenthal, on the occasion of his yahrzeit

**Ann Rosenthal**

Bernard Bookman. May his memory be a blessing to all who knew him.

Helen Rosengarten. May her memory be a blessing to all who knew her.

**Debbie and Jeff Frankel**

Isak Kanner. On this yahrzeit you are remembered with all my love and your incredible guidance in helping me on my journey through life.

**Edward Kanner**

my grandfather, Carl Vanovitch

**Gail Vanovitch**

Anita Reiter, loving mother of Saundi Shapiro. We are so sorry for your loss. May her memory be a blessing.

**Jayne and Andy Becker**

Our father, grandfather, and great grandfather, Marvin Silver. We miss you.

**Jerry and Iris Silver**

my father, Paul Goodman, on his yahrzeit

**Kent and Julia Goodman**

Helen Rosengarten. So sorry for your loss.

**Marcy Graiser**

Sharla Barber

**Michael Barber**

Fay Sackler and her wonderful dedication to her family

**Renee Berman**

my mother, Lottie Hartnig  
**Richard and Fern Hartnig**

my sister, Teri Scheinzeit  
**Ron and Arline Scheinzeit**

Bob Hiller, father of Elyse Shaw. May you always have sweet memories

**Ron and Wendy Feinberg**

**RABBI LEWIS DISCRETIONARY FUND**

**In appreciation of:**

Rabbi Lewis. This is a small token of my immense gratitude for you giving up a day with your family to officiate at the funeral of my mother, Beverly. You did an

outstanding job. Everyone in attendance said the funeral service was just "perfect".

**Norman and Lindy Radow**

**In loving memory of:**

Sylvia Bierman

**Martyn Bierman**

John Cosgrove, brother of Sandra Brindle, on his yahrzeit

**Robert J. Brindle**

**GENERAL FUND**

**Sherry Adams**

**Sally Greenstein**

**In celebration of:**

Marty Gilbert - Happy Birthday and many thanks for all you do

**Cecile Bock**

**In honor of:**

Marty Gilbert. So glad you are back! You were so missed, and your shoes were too big to fill. Continue to feel well! Love,

**Elyse and David Shaw**

**In loving memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten

**Becky and Dave Diamant**

Bernard Bookman

**Lauri and Ken Winkler**

Edward Rush, beloved father of Helen Rosental

**Melissa and Donald Sklar**

Helen Rosengarten. With love,  
**Randy and Hedy Padawer**

**In memory of:**

Helen Rosengarten. Sorry for your loss, Papa Lou.

Bernard Bookman, father of Marnie Nadolne. We are sorry for your loss. Love,

**Charles and Marsha Bernstein**

Helen Rosengarten

**Donald and Judith Kaye**

Bob Hiller, father of Elyse (David) Shaw  
**Jeff and Melissa Goodman**

Helen Rosengarten, wife of Lou and mother of Debbie Deutsch. We are very sorry for your loss. We wish you long and sweet memories of Helen.

**Jeffrey and Amy Samuels**

Mel Intner

**Jim and Mindy Intner**

Helen Rosengarten

Bernard Bookman

**Lisa and Sam Olens**

## Tzedakah ▪ צדקה

### Contributions processed from April 1—30, 2024

Beverly Radow  
**Phillip Greenspon**

Helen Rosengarten. Our hearts are with you. We are sorry for your loss.  
**Russell and Rita Breier**

#### BACKPACK BUDDIES FUND

##### In loving memory of:

Helen Sonenshine Shelkoff, loving mother, grandmother, aunt, and special friend to all. We miss your kind heart.  
**Bernice and Bruce Mellman**

Sheri Berke's mom, Toby Nastir. May your memories (and a Diet Coke!) bring you comfort.

Mindy and Louis Kandel's amazing mom, Barbara Rabhan. May your memories bring you comfort. Big hugs.

Abby Vines' amazing mom, Barbara Rabhan. May your memories bring you comfort. Big hugs.

Carol Carola, your wife, mom, and grandmother - the most amazing woman and a pillar of our community. We will be thinking of her with every trip to Bagelicious, and you know how often that is! With love and heartfelt condolences

Your sweet dad, grampa and mensch, Bob Hiller. May your wonderful memories of him bring you comfort and smiles.

Helen Rosengarten. Wishing you our deepest condolences. We know you have a lifetime of great memories to cherish. The Mah Jongg queen will always live on in so many friends she made. She was quite a lady!

Your dad, grampa, and husband, Bernie Bookman. We know you have wonderful memories of a special man and master of many things to cherish forever.  
**Henry and Karen Needle**

Helen Rosengarten. We will always remember her as a kind and gentle person. Our thoughts are with you at this time.

my beloved father, Harry Kolin, who taught me the importance of laughter  
**Jackie and Steve Pierce**

my mother, Maxine Sisselman. Although it's been 7 years, your presence continues to surround me. We all miss our mom and Grammy so much.  
**Jayne Becker**

##### In memory of:

Norman Radow's mother. We are so sorry

for your loss.  
**Shelley and Bob Brodsky**

##### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Heather, Justin, and Shira Blake on the birth of Carter Noah. Welcome to the family and the loving arms of the Etz Chaim community too! Sending lots of love and hugs.  
**Henry and Karen Needle**

#### BUILDING ENHANCEMENT FUND

##### In loving memory of:

father and grandfather, Irving Adair, remembered with love forever  
**Craig, Susan, Paige Adair, and Cami and Cason Maddox**

#### FIGUR FAMILY OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

##### In memory of:

Helen Rosengarten  
**Adrienne and Randy Figur**

Sidney Engel  
**Donald and Susie Sommer**

David Brimm, brother-in-law of Iris Bachenheimer. We are very sorry for your loss.  
**Lynn and Bob Sustak**

#### KITCHEN FUND

##### In honor of:

Steve Cadranel for receiving the Billi and Bernie Marcus Visionary Award from Hillel  
**Stanley and Luci Sunshine**

##### In loving memory of:

Carol Carola. Your presence is so missed both at Bagelicious and here at Etz Chaim. You were bigger than life. Love,  
**Elyse and David Shaw**

##### In memory of:

Mary Elkan  
Beverly Radow  
Helen Rosengarten  
**Stanley and Luci Sunshine**

#### LINDA H. WEINROTH EDUCATION FUND

##### In loving memory of:

your dear dad, Bernard Bookman. May the wonderful memories he left you bring you comfort during this difficult time. Sending love,  
**Elyse and David Shaw**

my parents, Mania and Samuel Lederman, on their yahrzeits. May they rest in peace.  
**Gary and Debbie Taratoot**

my father, William Rosenfeld, on his yahrzeit  
**Kent and Julia Goodman**

Cynthia Feldberg, mother and nana, on her yahrzeit

Joseph Feldberg, beloved father and papa  
Milton Zlotin, beloved father and grandfather

**Robert, Elaine, Mike, Lacey, and Zack Feldberg and Sarah and Mark Planer**

##### In memory of:

Helen Rosengarten, with our sincere condolences  
**Arvin and Myra Goldberg**

Helen Rosengarten, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Our sincere condolences to the entire Rosengarten and Deutsch families  
**Bernice Isaac and Richard Quintana**

Helen Rosengarten  
**Dave and Marisa Gewertz  
Debbie Denenberg  
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Helen Rosengarten, with love  
**Leigh and Mathew Nathan**

#### PHILLIP'S LIBRARY FUND

##### In loving memory of:

Steve Kayne, father of Roni Robbins  
**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

my brother, Zalmon Angster

Poppa Tanah  
**Neda Gayle**

our sister Barbara Pomerance on her yahrzeit  
**Richard and Sandy Smith**

##### In memory of:

my mother, Ethel Kravitz, on her yahrzeit  
**Jill and Steve Birch**

Adele Cohen  
**Lawrence Cohen**

Sidney Gordon - wonderful husband, dad, and Poppi. We will always love you.  
**Sunny and Ted Monitz and Family**

##### Wishing a speedy recovery to:

Philip Goldstein. Hoping you have a complete recovery.  
**Richard and Sandy Smith**



## Tzedakah ▪ צדקה

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#### PRESCHOOL FUND

##### In celebration of:

Arlene and Glenn La Vine on your milestone anniversary

**Frank and Gail Vexler**

##### In loving memory of:

Helen Rosengarten. She was truly a remarkable lady and will certainly be missed by so many of us. May her memory be for a blessing, now and always. Love,

Bernard Bookman, father and grandfather. May his memory be for a blessing, now and always. Love,

**Arlene and Glenn La Vine**

Helen Rosengarten. May her memory always be a blessing.

**Elaine, Jay, Josh and Rachel Schwartz**

Your dear bride of 70 years, Helen. Your love and relationship is something we can all learn from. She will always be in your heart and with you. Love,

Your dear sweet mom and grandmother, Helen. She left you so many memories and a tremendous legacy. She will be greatly missed.

**Elyse and David Shaw**

Helen Rosengarten

**Debbi and Randy Chartash**

**Mindy and Louis Kandel**

**Natalie and Jeff Kirsh**

**Amy and Rickey Mittelberg**

**Allan and Lori Struletz**

**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

**Lauri and Ken Winkler**

the wonderful Helen Rosengarten, aka Grandma Helen. May her memory be a blessing. She impacted generations of the Etz Chaim community. Her legacy will live on through the lives she touched.

**The Gorod Family - Randy, Nancy,**

**Natan and Ilana**

##### In memory of:

my father, Dr. Leo A. Levine, on his yahrzeit

**Allan and Vivian Levine**

a wonderful woman, Helen Rosengarten, who will be missed by many

**Andrew and Jayne Becker**

Helen Rosengarten, devoted Sisterhood volunteer and integral part of Etz Chaim

**Betsy and Jay Lessans**

Helen Rosengarten. Sincere condolences to you and your family. She will be remembered with love.

**Beverly Barnhard**

Helen Rosengarten. I am deeply saddened about your loss.

**Esther Low**

Helen Rosengarten. Our hearts go out to Papa Lou, Debbie, Gary, and the extended Rosengarten and Deutsch families. For how entwined you all are in our shul, we hope you are comforted by how much your community supports you now in your time of grief. She lives on in the powerful impact she had at Etz Chaim and the difference you continue to make in our world.

**Ian and Roni Robbins**

Helen Rosengarten, beloved mother of Debbie Deutsch

**Melissa and Donald Sklar**

Helen Rosengarten

**Sherry Adams**

**Matt and Christine Bezdek**

**Jacki Smith**

**John and Marylan Karp**

**Judith Rosenberg**

**Stacey and Frank Schaffer**

Helen Rosengarten, mother of Debbie Deutsch. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this sad time.

**Karen, Ron, Lori, and Gavin Feibel**

Helen Rosengarten, beloved mother of Debbie Deutsch

**Robyn Grossblatt**

Helen Rosengarten

**Ron and Wendy Feinberg**

Helen Rosengarten, beloved wife, mother, grandmother. May you find comfort in the many years you had together and with the many memories you all made and may you know no more sorrow.

**Sally Greenstein**

##### Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Justin and Heather Blake in honor of the birth of Carter Noah Blake

**Michael and Linda Weinroth**

#### ROBERT KLEIN MEMORIAL CHESED FUND

##### In loving memory of:

Beverly Radow, mother of Norman Radow. What an incredibly elegant, strong, and graceful lady, whose legacy will endure.

May her memory always be a blessing for all who knew and loved her. Love,  
**Safa and Shahrokh Nooromid and Family**

##### In memory of:

Helen Rosengarten. So sorry for your loss. She was a rare find.

**Howard and Faith Shatzman**

Bernard Bookman, loving father of Marnie Nadolne. We are so sorry for your loss. May his memory always bring a smile to your face and one in your heart.

**Jayne and Andy Becker**

Bernard Bookman. Our hearts and prayers go out to the Nadolne and Bookman families with friendship and empathy for your loss. Hope he continues to inspire you to share your positive energy and commitment to community with those you touch.

**Roni, Ian, Lena, and Seth Robbins**

#### SISTERHOOD FUND

##### In appreciation of:

Sisterhood for all you do for our Shul. Thank you for the Mishloach Manot package.

**Sally Greenstein**

##### In memory of:

Hugh Cheslin, brother of Bonnie Steinfeld

**Gerald and Ann Chotiner**

#### SOCIAL ACTION FUND

##### In honor of:

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If you are interested in learning more about joining one of the many Chavurot here at Etz Chaim or if you would like to start a new Chavurah, fill out the interest form at [www.etzchaim.net/form/chavurot](http://www.etzchaim.net/form/chavurot).

## Roots—Etz Chaim’s Small Group Initiative:



Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim’s new interest-based small groups initiative? Below are current *Roots* groups. Do you have an 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 let us know in the synagogue office.

### **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](mailto:fosterrob@comcast.net).

### **Wednesday Golf Roots Group**

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If you are interested, please complete the form at:

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

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