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ETZ CHAIM

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*Shana Tova!*  
*Join us as we celebrate the "S" Holidays.*  
*For all holiday information, see page 13.*

## *Vines and Wines: A Wine Tasting*

*Friday, October 18*  
*Second Day of Sukkot*

Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah



VINES & WINES

[www.etzchaim.net/events/vines&wines2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/vines&wines2024)

## **SukkahFest**

**Etz Chaim's Fall Music Festival**

**Sunday, October 20**

Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

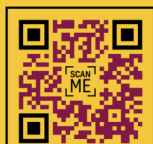
This event is sponsored in loving  
memory of Ira Altfeder z"l,  
a lover of Jewish music.



SukkahFest

[www.etzchaim.net/events/sukkahfest2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/sukkahfest2024)

**Simchat Torah**  
**Dinner, Celebration**  
**and Hakafot for Israel**  
**Wednesday, October 24**



SIMCHAT TORAH

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall  
Radow Sanctuary

**Simchat Torah**  
**Thursday, October 25**

Join us in honoring  
our Kallat Bereshit  
and Chatan Torah.

*Dani and Amir Oren*

Radow Sanctuary



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## Daily Minyan Times

Sunday Mornings: 9:15 a.m.

Monday – Friday Mornings: 7:00 a.m.

Sunday – Thursday Evenings: 6:30 p.m.

Please note:

Morning Minyan for Federal Holidays: 9:00 a.m.

### Shabbat Services:

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

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

[etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream](https://etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream)

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## Dan Dorsch

### Rabbi

Earlier this year, one of our members, Suzanne Rivchun, approached me, concerned about the broken world in which we live. In these very complicated and disconnected times, she asked, “Where can we turn in times of exhaustion, confusion, grief, fear, frightening medical diagnoses, or just plain loneliness?”

Now, thanks to the initiative of dedicated members of our community, our congregation can answer that question.

You can turn to us because we have revisited and expanded the mission of our congregational Chesed Committee. “*Chesed*” is Hebrew for “lovingkindness,” and the members of our Chesed Committee have lovingkindness in abundance.

**If your family has grown with the blessing of a new child**, you may need help with resources for a *brit milah* or *simchat bat*. You may also welcome a nourishing meal during those exhausting first days.

**If your children don’t have local grandparents and are missing that special connection**, members of our congregation are delighted to fill that gap.

**If you’re lonely** – maybe it’s been hard to leave your home because of illness, injury, or age, or maybe you’re just new to this area and haven’t met a lot of people yet – you might welcome a visit and conversation with a new friend.

**If you’re facing a medical journey** and would like the company of someone who has already traveled a similar road, we will find that person for you.

**If you’re recuperating from an illness and time is passing very slowly**, a Chesed Committee member will be happy to visit you.

**If a loved one has passed away**, Chesed Committee members can provide a dairy meal for your family after a local funeral. (Of course, Rabbi Adler and I are always here to plan and officiate at the funeral, arrange shiva services, and comfort you in your grief.)

*Sefer Tefillim*, The Book of Psalms, teaches in chapter 89 that “God built our world with *chesed*.” With this in mind, as we celebrate our new year, I want to ask all of you that should any of these situations apply to you or to a congregant you know, please contact me or Rabbi Adler. We will get you to the right person on the Chesed Committee.

Indeed, the world can be a broken place. But this new year, in the image of our Creator, we too can rebuild the brokenness with *chesed*, one person at a time.



## Jonathon Adler

### Assistant Rabbi

I remember going to High Holiday services as a kid. Of course, I didn’t understand much of what was going on in the sanctuary, but I knew that it was Important - with a capital I. I have memories of music, of wearing uncomfortable suits and sitting on even less comfortable chairs. I also remember that it was special. Perhaps most of all, I remember brisket. Matzah ball soup. Apples and honey. Being together with family.

Today, so many years later, I have a sense of why the Yamim Nora'im - the Days of Awe - are Important with a capital I. The past month, Elul, has been a time for reflection and a beginning to the repentance which occurs over the ten Days of Awe. And all month, I’ve been looking forward to... brisket. Matzah ball soup. Apples and honey. Being with people I care deeply about and helping lead our community during this sacred time.

Something else keeps coming to mind, something I heard during a Rosh Hashanah service a few years ago. This is the gist: The teshuvah, the repentance we do, on the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is incredibly important, but it would be a shame to disregard the repentance we can do on the days between Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah. Teshuvah, repentance, but also return, as in returning to faith, returning to Adonai, returning to basics, is a valuable thing to do not just for ten days out of the year, but for every day, all year long.

When you “miss the mark” and decide to aim to do better, you don’t have to wait until these holidays to do that. You can aim higher the moment after you realize that you’ve missed that mark. You can work to improve your relationship with God, with friends and family, and your relationship with yourself any time. While it’s essential to do so during the Ten Days of Awe, of course, it’s always allowed, and it’s always encouraged.

I wish each and every one of you a 5785 filled with joy, with blessing, and with teshuvah.

## RABBI ADLER INSTALLATION SHABBAT

**November 1, 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Service followed by Dinner at 7:15 p.m., \$36 per person**

**November 2, 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service and Installation of Rabbi Adler**

Join us as we celebrate the installation of Rabbi Adler. Watch your mail for an invitation and RSVP information.



## Elliot Okrent

### President

*"Through the trees comes autumn with her serenade, melodies the sweetest music ever played. Autumn kisses we knew are beautiful souvenirs, as I pause to recall the leaves seem to fall like tears. Silver stars were clinging to an autumn sky, love was ours until October wandered by. Let the years come and go, I'll still feel the glow that time cannot fade...When I hear that lovely autumn serenade" ~John Coltrane and Johnny Harman*

Can you feel it? That cool, crisp air returning to the morning and evening hours – signaling the beginning of the Fall season.

This time of year has always been a favorite of mine. Growing up in Connecticut, autumn was a time of vibrant colors—reds, oranges, and yellows blanketing the landscape. Unfortunately, once those beautiful colors were on the ground, they needed to be raked and cleared. Even then, and now living in Atlanta, I still find myself eagerly anticipating the cooler temperatures and the comforting atmosphere that Fall brings.

The leaves may not be as vivid here, but the season still holds a special place in my heart. Of course, no reflection on Fall would be complete without mentioning my disdain for everything pumpkin spice. To each their own, but I prefer my pumpkins sitting on the front porch.

The High Holidays are right around the corner, and I can't help but think about the many ways that Fall brings us closer together. The season is filled with opportunities to connect—whether it's eating meals outside during Sukkot, the joy of family time at Thanksgiving, or simply gathering with loved ones to celebrate the change of seasons and some good Football. There's a warmth and togetherness that I look forward to with great anticipation. There really is something uniquely special about this season. Except the leaf clean-up – even in Atlanta, they still need to be raked.

While the one-year mark of the horrendous attack on Israel continues to weigh heavily on us, I encourage everyone to take time to prepare—both spiritually and mentally—for the significance of the coming days. It's a time for reflection and hope for a safe and sweet new year. From my family to yours, L'Shana Tovah Tikatevu, and may we all be inscribed in the Book of Life.



## Marty Gilbert

### Executive Director

*"George Gershwin died on July 11, 1937, but I don't have to believe that if I don't want to." ~ John O'Hara*

When I was a child, I was always ushered out of the Yom Kippur service when it was time for the Yizkor Service. I was told that it was inappropriate for me to be in the sanctuary at that time. Even though my mom passed away when I was ten years old, I was still asked to leave, even after I became a Bar Mitzvah.

Unfortunately, starting 24 years ago it is a service that I have attended to remember and mourn the loss of my three parents, my mother-in-law, and now my father-in-law, Irwin Festinger, who passed on September 3, 2024.

I know that I am not alone. Many of you attend the Yizkor service on Yom Kippur to remember loved ones who have passed at some point in your lives: spouses, parents, brothers, sisters, etc.

We remember them with fondness and love. We remember them and they inspire us to strive to be the best people we can be. We remember them and honor them as we begin a new year that moves us forward but unfortunately further away from their physical presence.

Their immortality is the memories we have of them. The jokes, the stories, the laughter and tears we remember. The photos and movies we can watch of them.

Their names live on in our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

As we move into the new year of 5785, I wish all of you sweet memories of the past, but the knowledge that life continues. Eventually, we will be part of the past, but until then, we can live our lives knowing that every day is a blessing.

May all the names of our loved ones be for a blessing as well.





The High Holidays always bring a time of both happiness and joy and self-reflection and repentance. We experience a time of thankfulness for the things in our lives, and for all of God's gifts, and we also think about and miss those whom we have lost.

As we focus on this time of year, how do we share these big feelings with little children? The ideas are hard concepts for small children. However, preschoolers can certainly understand and celebrate the idea of newness, of change, and of celebrating the good things in our lives. We read stories about the traditions the holidays bring. We sing songs that celebrate the sweetness and happiness of the time of year, and we taste the foods that are associated with all the holidays.

Children are naturally curious. They ask questions, they play out the stories of the holidays. They explore and wonder about the concepts of this time of year. Do young children really "get" the idea of repentance? Do they comprehend the idea of forgiveness? Not necessarily. So why do we focus on teaching young children about these holidays? It's about tradition. It's about teaching children about belonging, about feeling our strong roots, and about creating a sense of identity.

We all have memories of the holidays when we were children. Maybe it's a song or a prayer, a special seat at shul, or a taste of a special food. Whatever the memory may be, it is imbedded in our minds and reminds us that we are a part of something so much larger than ourselves. As Jewish early childhood educators, it becomes our duty to create opportunities for these holidays to spark excitement so that in your homes, traditions can occur and memories can be created.

As we travel through this season, as educators we create these opportunities to build on the holidays, like in so many other aspects of Judaism, so that this generation will create a legacy for the next generation to pass on.



### Babysitting on Shabbat Morning

**Saturdays, October 5, 19 and 26, November 9, 16, 23 and 30**

**9:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.**

Babysitting is available on Shabbat when there is no other Youth Shabbat programming. Please check our [website calendar](#) or in the weekly EtzBlast for updates.



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### Tot Shabbat on Shabbat Evening

**Fridays, November 8, December 20**

**5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Bring Your own Dinner (BYOD)**

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

Questions? Contact Lauren Chernau, Preschool Director at [lauren@etzchaim.net](mailto:lauren@etzchaim.net) or call (770) 977-3384.



### Sing-a-long Shabbat on Shabbat Morning

**Saturdays, November 2, December 14**

**10:30 a.m. - Noon**

Bring your child(ren) for a fun Shabbat morning sing-a-long. Questions? Contact Lauren Chernau, Preschool Director at [lauren@etzchaim.net](mailto:lauren@etzchaim.net) or call (770) 977-3384.



### Shabbat Morning Learners Minyan

**Saturday, November 23, with Rabbi Adler**

**9:30 a.m.**

Everything you want to learn about Shabbat Services but were afraid to ask! Each minyan will focus on a specific part of our Shabbat Services, from Pesukei D'Zimra through Musaf. Why these prayers? Why wear a tallit? And so much more! *Designed for people of all ages.*

## Preschool Dates to Remember:

**Wednesday, October 2**, Preschool Dismisses at 1:30 p.m.

**Thursday and Friday, October 3 & 4**, Preschool Closed

**Friday, October 11**, Preschool Closed

**Thursday and Friday, October 17 & 18**, Preschool Closed

**Thursday, October 17**, Sukkot Family Program

**Thursday and Friday, October 24 & 25**, Preschool Closed

### ASP Classes for Puppies and Cool Cats:

ASP Cooking: Mondays, October 7, 14, 28, November 11, 18 and 25

ASP Rhythm & Movement: Tuesdays, October 8, 15, 29, November 12, 19 and 26

ASP Art: Wednesdays, October 9, 16, 30, November 6, 13 and 20



# Preschool Photo Gallery

Our Preschool is off to a great start! Check out what they've been up to in September. Fun with paint, sand, building blocks, puppet shows, and games in matching like items. They are all enjoying building community together.





# Religious School News

## Debbie Deutsch

Director, Religious School  
and Youth Programming



Make your Torah (study time) be fixed. ~ *Shammai*, Pirkei Avot Chapter 1, Mishnah 15

Our Religious School Faculty members come from all walks of life. Some of them have full-time jobs in fields other than education, while others are educators by training. Regardless of profession, everyone who teaches will tell you that continued professional learning opportunities are vital to continued growth and a better understanding of what is relevant in the field of education today. And Jewish education is no different.

I am always proud that our Etz Chaim leadership supports the idea of continued education not only for me, but for our faculty members. This year, two of our teachers, Rachel Slomovitz and Sarajane Weinstein, were able to attend the national NewCAJE Conference for Jewish educators. Both came home excited about what they learned and have begun to share their enthusiasm and learning with the rest of the Religious School faculty. Here are Sarajane's thoughts on her experience:

"I recently attended the NewCAJE annual conference in San Diego. Every workshop proved valuable in some way. Among the things I am already putting into practice are some classroom games, actively encouraging student questions, and new methods for conducting group discussions. I learned (new-to-me) facts about Torah, tefillah, history, Israel and Jewish languages. I was exposed to different curricula that have me thinking about new ways to approach a variety of topics. I returned inspired by the experience and with new tools and ideas to implement. It was truly energizing to share frustrations, ideas, and successes with Jewish educators from across the country."

We look forward to learning more from these two seasoned teachers.



## Shake it Up Shabbat and Learners Minyan

(formerly Team Shabbat)

**Saturdays, November 2 and December 7**  
**9:30 a.m.**

Join us once a month for *Shake it Up Shabbat* morning service for **kindergarten through seventh grade** students and families. The goal of the service is for everyone to become more comfortable in the Radow Sanctuary while those children who choose to do so will lead us in parts of the service. This service, along with Rabbi Adler's Learner's Minyan will take the place of last year's Team Shabbat. We look forward to seeing all of our families on November 2 and 23.



**Learner's Minyan, November 23, 9:30 a.m.**

Everything you want to learn about Shabbat Services but were afraid to ask! Each minyan will focus on a specific part of our Shabbat Services, from Pesukei D'Zimra through Musaf. Why these prayers? Why wear a tallit? And so much more! *Designed for people of all ages.*



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## Mark your calendars for the following events this month and next:

**Sunday, October 6**, Kitah Gimel (3rd Grade) Family Workshop, 9:15 a.m.

**Sunday and Tuesday, October 13 & 15**, Religious School Closed

**Sunday, October 20**, Pre-K Class in session, Mitzvah Fair (5th-7th Grades) 10:15 a.m. - Noon,  
and SukkahFest, from Noon - 2:00 p.m.

**Sunday, October 27**, Kitah Alef (1st Grade) Family Workshop

**Tuesday, November 5**, Religious School Closed

**Sunday, November 17**, Pre-K Class in session

**Sunday - Sunday, November 24 - December 1**, Religious School Closed

# Youth Department



**Debbie Deutsch**

Director, Religious School  
and Youth Programming



Youth  
Department

## Membership Information for 2024-2025

It's time to sign your child(ren) up for this year's Youth Department age-appropriate programming!

**New this year:** Youth can "try-out" the events in August and September prior to becoming a youth group member. After Rosh Hashanah, you must be a Youth Department member to attend events.

**Register your child(ren) on or before October 1** and receive a free Youth Department t-shirt. If family members would like a t-shirt, there will be an additional fee of \$15 each for the additional t-shirts. After October 1, if your child would like a t-shirt, it will be \$15.

Costs are as follows:

Chalutzim and Chaverim \$ 80 per child for members / \$116 for non-members

Gesher \$90 per child for members / \$126 for non-members

USY \$180 per child, all-inclusive price includes Wacky dinners, Limo Lock-in, social events, and Banquet for USY members.

USY non-member price is \$216

To fill out the Youth Department Membership Form, [click here](#) or scan the QR code to go directly to the form.

Youth Department  
Registration



## Upcoming November Programming



**Chalutzim (K-2nd GR)**  
**Baking to Give Back**  
**November 3 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.**

Join us as we bake and make some treats for our local firefighters. We hope to schedule a special visit with them. Please RSVP by October 28.  
Save the date, December 8, for our next program!



**Chaverim (3rd-5th GR)**  
**Baking to Give Back**  
**November 17 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.**

Join us as we start the day making personal pizzas, followed by baking treats for our local firefighters. Please RSVP by November 10. Save the date, December 15, for our Chanukah event at Solana.



**Gesher (6th-8th GR)**  
**Tik Tok Challenge**  
**November 10 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.**

Submit your best challenges to Tiana by October 27 for approval and for us to get the supplies. Please RSVP by November 3. Save the date, December 7, for our next event!



**Sababa USY (9th-12th GR)**  
**Wacky Wednesdays**  
**October 9, 16, 30, November 6, 13 and 20 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Join your friends and fellow congregants for evening minyan in the Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel, followed by Pizza in the Bayit.



# 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.



B'nai Mitzvah



**Violet Bolton will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 16, 2024 - 15 Cheshvan 5785.** She is the daughter of Joanna and Hal Bolton. Violet's Bat Mitzvah Parasha is Vayera. She is a seventh grader at Dickerson Middle School and has been in our Religious School for four years. Violet's hobbies and interests include softball, dance, horseback riding, piano, loving and caring for her many pets, and Taylor Swift!

Violet's D'var Torah Quote is, "Kindness to strangers lifts us higher than the angels." For her mitzvah project, Violet is raising funds for *Charity Water* to bring clean water to communities in need. You can contribute by [clicking this link](#).

**Third Annual  
MITZVAH FAIR**

brought to you by  
**Etz Chaim's Religious School**

**Sunday, October 20**  
**10:15 a.m. - Noon**

**Figuring out a mitzvah project can be challenging. Join us for this great opportunity to learn about the non-profit organizations in our community and how you can help.**

The objective of the Mitzvah Fair is to provide information to the students in the 5th, 6th, and 7th grades to support the organizations by doing, collecting, or giving of their time, all while learning the value of charity and the act of doing a mitzvah (righteous act).

**Stitch & Kvetch**  
with Rabbi Adler

**Thursdays**  
**from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.**

Join us for a fun afternoon of stitching, schmoozing, and kvetching! Bring your cross-stitch, needlepoint, and knitting for this weekly activity in Social Hall 3.

**All are welcome. No RSVP needed.**

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**THE GREEN TEAM'S  
MISSION COFFEE MUG**

**MISSION BYOM - BRING YOUR OWN COFFEE MUG**

BYOM for Kiddush lunch to reduce our paper goods footprint.

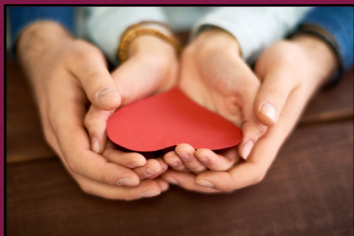
- Your name will be placed on your mug (using an oil-based paint pen).
- Your mug will be washed weekly.
- Your mug will be stored in the Sunshine Kitchen for use on Shabbat.

We ask you to bring your mug to the synagogue during the week to be labeled and stored.

Have questions?  
Contact Aram at the synagogue.

*Etz Chaim is not responsible for any broken or lost mugs*

# Our Caring Community



## How Can We Help?

The Chesed Committee is expanding to help you navigate life's challenging times.

### Shalom Baby!

שלום תינוק

*Hello Baby!*

### Honorary Bubbes & Zaydes

*Grand Mothers & Fathers*

### Lev El Lev

לב אל לב

*Heart to Heart*

### Yad V'Yad

יד ביד

*Hand in Hand*

### Bikkur Cholim

ביקור חולים

*Visiting the ill*

### Nefesh L'Nefesh

נפש לנפש

*Soul to Soul*

Contact Rabbi Dorsch at (770) 973-0137 or rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net to see how the Chesed Committee can help YOU or someone in your immediate family! Confidentiality respected.

## IS THERE A NEW BABY IN YOUR HOUSE?

### Shalom Baby!

Once the synagogue has been notified, we're here to provide a warm welcome to the newest member of your family. We can suggest resources for a brit milah or a simchat bat, provide some nourishment for the whole family during those hectic first days and even provide your little one with some Etz Chaim "merch"!

## DO YOUR CHILDREN NEED A LOCAL GRANDPARENT?

### Honorary Bubbes and Zaydes

(Grandmothers and Grandfathers)

Sometimes grandparents live too far away for regular visits or even visits on special occasions; even local grandparents are sometimes unavailable. If you'd like your child or children to have the special gift of connection with a local bubbe or zayde, a savta or saba, we can arrange it!

## WOULD YOU WELCOME A VISIT FROM A NEW FRIEND?

### Lev El Lev

(Heart to Heart)

Sometimes illness, age, the death of a spouse or partner – even a new move to this area – can leave us feeling isolated and lonely. If you'd welcome the chance to meet a new friend, share a cup of coffee and maybe some life stories, we'd be happy to provide that friend for you!

## DON'T FIGHT A MEDICAL BATTLE ALONE

### Yad B'Yad

(Hand in Hand)

If you're facing or battling a medical challenge, walk down that road hand-in-hand with someone who's already made that journey. A member of our congregation who has faced a similar medical issue can provide information, tips and other resources as you navigate the road ahead.



# Our Caring Community



## WOULD A VISIT LIFT YOUR SPIRITS?

### **Bikkur Cholim**

(Visiting the Ill)

Time in the hospital, in rehab or during recuperation at home can be very long. A visit from a member of our congregation who comes with a smile -- and maybe even a joke or two -- can help break the boredom.

## HAS A LOVED ONE PASSED AWAY?

### **Nefesh L'Nefesh**

(Soul to Soul)

After the synagogue has been notified of the death of a congregant or a congregant's loved one, Nefesh L'Nefesh volunteers arrange a meal for the immediate family of the deceased after an in-town funeral. (Those congregants who observe shiva at home after an out-of-town funeral receive a fruit platter.) With our rabbis, we can also provide both short- and long-term resources to help you deal with loss and grief.

**Contact Rabbi Dorsch at (770) 973-0137 or rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net to see how the Chesed Committee can help YOU or someone in your immediate family! Confidentiality respected.**

# College Connection



## Do you have a college student in the family?

Etz Chaim's College Connection lets our undergraduate students know 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 is the details on how to mail their care packages, and we'll do the rest!

### **Send us your student's information for Care Packages:**

Click here for a printable form and send it to the synagogue office to include your college student on our Care Package mailing list. To fill out the online form, click here. (<https://www.etzchaim.net/get-involved/college-connection/>)

For more information regarding College Connection, contact our co-chairs, Edye Mahaffey and Beth Walter.



# Lilmode: Adult Education



Our goal is to offer programs and classes that provide our congregants with an array of Jewish learning opportunities. We have purposefully chosen a variety of enriching experiences so every member can benefit from courses, classes, and lectures. If you have a class idea for *Lilmode*, please feel free to contact [Jenifer Lieberbaum](#) or [Roni Robbins](#), co-chairs.



## Weekly Torah Study with the Rabbi

**Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.**, Hammer-Tritt Social Hall  
**October 31, November 7, 14 and 21**

Join us in person or via [Zoom](#) for a stimulating conversation with the Rabbi.



## Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Dorsch Monthly Discussion and Pizza

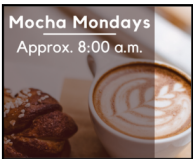
**Tuesdays at noon**

**Fall dates/locations: November 5** at Etz Chaim, **December 3** at US Bank

Come learn and enjoy some pizza with Rabbi Dorsch as he discusses a variety of topics at this monthly L&L. To get a monthly reminder and to RSVP, email [betsy@etzchaim.net](mailto:betsy@etzchaim.net).

Sponsored by the Joyce and Ramie Tritt Family Foundation.

Thank you to U.S. Bank for hosting our Lunch & Learn at 1 Concourse Pkwy., *Virginia Highlands Conference Room*



## Mocha Monday with Rabbi Dorsch Monthly Coffee and Breakfast

**Mondays after morning minyan, approximately 8:00 a.m.**

**Fall dates: November 4 and December 9**

Join Rabbi Dorsch for a discussion on "The Talmud's Greatest Hits". All are welcome to attend.



## Monthly Torah Study at Huntcliff

**Thursday mornings at 11:30 a.m.**

**Fall dates: November 14 and December 12**

All are welcome to attend the monthly Torah Study hosted by Huntcliff Summit I  
- Independent Living, located on Roswell Road.



## Shabbat Morning Learners Minyan

**Saturday, November 23, with Rabbi Adler**

Everything you want to learn about Shabbat Services but were afraid to ask! Each minyan will focus on a specific part of our Shabbat Services, from Pesukei D'Zimra through Musaf. Why these prayers? Why wear a tallit? And so much more! Designed for people of all ages.



## Screening of the Nova Film

**Sunday, November 10, at 7:30 p.m.**  
**Hammer-Tritt Social Hall**

Join us as we stand together to remember the victims and hostages of October 7. This event is being sponsored by *Lilmode* and IAC, the Israel American Council. Doors will open at 7:00 p.m. To register for this event, go to: <https://iac360.org/iac-events/together>, or scan the QR code to the right.



# Holiday Information



## High Holiday Service Schedule and Events

### Rosh Hashanah

**Wednesday, October 2:**

**6:30 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Service** Radow Sanctuary

**Rosh Hashanah Day One, Thursday, October 3:**

**8:30 a.m. Shacharit Morning Service\*** Radow Sanctuary

**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Babysitting with RSVP (Infant - Pre-K)** Preschool Entrance

**9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Young Family Service (Infant - Pre-K)** Grace Church

**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Chavaya with RSVP (K - 5th Grades)** Etz Chaim

**10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 6th - 7th Grades Service** Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel

**10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Teen Service (8th - 12th Grades)** Grace Church

**Young Adults Reception (after Rabbi Dorsch's sermon)** The Bayit

**5:15 p.m. Tashlich (three locations)** East Cobb Park, Hampton Woods and Old Rope Mill Park

**6:30 p.m. Evening Service (Mincha and Ma'ariv)**

**\*Doors open in the morning at 7:30 a.m. | \*\*Doors open for Mincha at 6:00 p.m.**

**Additional parking will be available on the soccer field during the holidays.**

### Rosh Hashanah

**Rosh Hashanah Day Two, Friday, October 4:**

**8:30 a.m. Shacharit Morning Service\*** Radow Sanctuary

**8:30 a.m. 6th - 8th Grades** Join us in the Radow Sanctuary

**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Babysitting with RSVP (Infant - Pre-K)** Preschool Entrance

**10:00 a.m. - Noon, Family Service (K-5th Grades)** Rooms 5, 7, 9 and 11

**6:30 p.m. Evening Service (Mincha and Ma'ariv)**

### Kol Nidre

**Friday, October 11:**

**6:30 p.m. Mincha Service\*\*** Radow Sanctuary

**7:00 p.m. Kol Nidre Service** Radow Sanctuary

### Yom Kippur

**Saturday, October 12:**

**8:30 a.m. Shacharit Morning Service\*** Radow Sanctuary

**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Babysitting with RSVP (Infant - Pre-K)** Preschool Entrance

**9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Young Family Service (Infant - Pre-K)** Grace Church

**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Chavaya with RSVP (K - 5th Grades)** Etz Chaim

**10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 6th - 7th Grades Service** Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel

**10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Teen Service (8th - 12th Grades)** Grace Church

**Yizkor Service**, Approximately 11:30 a.m.

**5:00 p.m. Evening Service (Mincha)** Radow Sanctuary

**Neilah (Closing Service) 6:40 p.m.** Radow Sanctuary

**7:40 p.m. Evening Service (Ma'ariv)** Radow Sanctuary

**7:50 p.m. Shofar Sounds**

### Sukkot (Yom Tov)

**Wednesday, October 16, Erev Sukkot:**

**6:30 p.m. Mincha Service** Allan and Vivian Levine Family Chapel

**Thursday, October 17, Sukkot:**

**9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services** Radow Sanctuary

**10:30 a.m. - Noon, Preschool Family Experience** at the Preschool

**Friday, October 18, Sukkot:**

**9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services** Radow Sanctuary

**Noon, Vines & Wines: A Wine Tasting** Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

RSVP link on the Prime Timers page

### Sukkot (Chol Hamoed)

**Sunday, October 20:**

**Noon - 2:00 p.m. SukkahFest**

Food for purchase, petting zoo, face painting,

Kona shaved ice, inflatables and much more!

[www.etzchaim.net/events/sukkahfest2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/sukkahfest2024)



**Monday, October 21:**

**6:30 p.m. Ribeyes with the Rabbis** Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

Cost: \$56 per person - Ribeye or Salmon entree.

RSVP by October 14.

[www.etzchaim.net/events/ribeyes](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/ribeyes)



**Tuesday, October 22:**

**6:00 p.m. Young Adults in the Sukkah** Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

**Wednesday, October 22:**

**6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. USY Wacky in the Sukkah**

### Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor

**Thursday, October 24**

**9:30 a.m. Service with Speaker, Anat Sultan-Dadon,**

**Consul General of Israel to the Southeast U.S.**

### Simchat Torah Dinner & Celebration

**Thursday, October 24**

**5:45 p.m. Dinner by RSVP**

**6:30 p.m. Services and Hakafot for Israel**

Cost: \$15 per person | \$35 per family



### Simchat Torah

**Friday, October 25**

**9:30 a.m. Simchat Torah Service, honoring our Kallat Bereshit and Chatan Torah, Dani and Amir Oren. Mazal Tov!**

**10:30 a.m. - Noon, Preschool Family Experience**



# Men's Club



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
- Ushering for High Holidays
- Supporting the 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 mailing list at: [mensclub@etzchaim.net](mailto:mensclub@etzchaim.net)

L'Shana Tova, Etz Chaim Congregants!

I want to start off wishing everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Men's Club has a busy October as we will be cooking for the **SukkahFest** event on **October 20**. Looking forward to celebrating this wonderful event with the kids and families.



On **October 21**, we host our premiere annual event **RIBEYES WITH THE RABBIS!** This year promises to be a great one with our Master Grillers grilling extra thick-cut steaks and some new vegetable choices we will be offering! In addition, we have acquired some exceptional spirits to be sampled. We hope you will join us in the Hammer Pavilion / Sukkah. This promises to be a great evening! To RSVP, scan the QR code to the right or go to: [www.etzchaim.net/events/ribeyes](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/ribeyes)



In **November**, the Men's Club is also looking to support an informative session on the **SAR-EL program**, which is a volunteer program to help support the IDF. Date TBD. (See page 21 for general information on SAR-EL)



Lastly, On **November 9**, the Men's Club will be supporting **Veteran's Day Shabbat**. Chuck Bernstein will be working with Rabbis to present a very meaningful Shabbat honoring all who have served.

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).

## Sisterhood Gallery

A great time was had by all who attended our Sisterhood fall kick-off event.



# Sisterhood Scoop



## Sisterhood Minyan Makers:

Join Sisterhood on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. as we help make a minyan for those saying Kaddish for a loved one.

## Judaica and Gifts Shop:

We are open for business! Hours are:  
Sundays and Mondays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Please contact Lauren Gray for information.

## JNF Trees for Israel:

Honor someone special by purchasing a tree in the Etz Chaim Sisterhood Grove in Israel. For more information, contact Sandy Bailey or the Gift Shop.

## Want to know more about Sisterhood?

Please contact Helaine Mark at (404) 353-4589 or Dani Oren at (770) 630-2254.

## 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.



Nearly a year ago, on Simchat Torah Israel was attacked by Hamas. Peace-loving young adults at the Nova Music Festival and people in the kibbutzim near the border with Gaza were waking up to what looked like a beautiful day. The sun was shining and the sky was blue. Some people had gone out for a bike ride or hike. Suddenly, as we all know, everything changed in the most horrific way. Since then, Israel has been at War, and we've all been going through the wringer - experiencing a combination of pride, fear, and grief. Thankfully, it's brought the Jewish community together to support and encourage one another. It's hard to do, but as our Rabbis have said, we must counter the anti-Semitism by encouraging one another to be confident and proud as Jews. Etz Chaim's wonderful Sisterhood ALWAYS is here for you. We are Better Together!

## Helaine Mark and Dani Oren

Co-Presidents



**It's Election Season and your vote matters!** You can confirm your voter registration status by scanning the QR Code to the right or by going to: <https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/s/>

If you don't think you (or your out-of-town student) will be able to get to the polls during early voting or on November 5, request an absentee ballot. You can request it online by October 25, by scanning the QR code or go to: <https://georgia.gov/vote-absentee-ballot>. You will need to fill out the form, print it out to sign, and then scan it in.



**Pinktober Mah Jongg Mixer, October 20, beginning at 6:45 p.m.** Join us for an evening with friends, food, and fun! Cost is \$18 per person. RSVP using the QR Code or by going to <https://www.etzchaim.net/events/sisterhood-pinktober/>



**Shalom in the Shul with Rabbi Shalom Lewis, October 28, and November 4, 11 and 18, from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.** Answers to tough questions: *Israel & Zionism - The Truth; G-d- Who is He or Who is She?; Is the Torah True?; The Soul - Life after Death.* Note: Dates have been updated. Please RSVP using the QR Code.



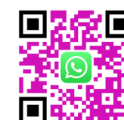
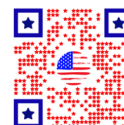
**Artisans at the Etz, December 8, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.** in Etz Chaim's Hammer-Tritt Social Hall. Local artisans will be selling their wares at our holiday shopping extravaganza. There will be jewelry, ceramics, mosaics, woodworking, Judaica and glass designs, fabric art, photography, and much more! *A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Bomb Shelter Beautification Project co-sponsored by JNF.* For additional information, please contact Miriam Rosenbaum, and Lynne Johannesen.



**Sisterhood has a WhatsApp group** Sisterhood members now have a WhatsApp Community to help us stay connected! Become a community member to receive updates, chat with Sisterhood members, and join subgroups organized by topic such as Monthly Minayn and Book Club. Please complete this form to request to join our Community. Scan the QR code to the right or contact Karen in the synagogue office.



**Torah Fund - Support Women's League** Torah Fund supports scholarships and programs in the Conservative Institutes of High Jewish Learning. WLCJ, has raised nearly \$106 million in 79 years. This year's pin, *Am Yisrael Chai* (The People of Israel Live), is a statement of solidarity for our Jewish nation and the continuity of our people. For more information on donations and giving levels, contact Sandy Bailey at (770) 490-7874 or by email at [jbsandy10@gmail.com](mailto:jbsandy10@gmail.com).





# Our Etz Chaim Community



## Have News You'd Like to Share?

Please submit community news to  
[Bernice Isaac](#) in the synagogue office.

## Welcome New Members

- Lee Harnick  
l.harnick@hotmail.com | cell: (404) 432-9871
- Abigail "Abby" and Duncan Hall  
abby.lhat@gmail.com | cell: (770) 815-8555  
duncan.hall.biz@gmail.com | cell: (404) 536-0611
- Avi Lyons  
avilyons@gmail.com | cell: (770) 658-9666

## New Phone Numbers and Emails

- Jacqueline Weiss | corrected cell: (908) 347-7642
- Karen Shepherd | karenshepherd645@gmail.com

## Mazal Tov Wishes

- Fran and Bruce Friedrich on the recent marriage of Matthew and Joeli Friedrich
- Alisa Unger on the upcoming wedding of her son, Jason, to Rebecca Weiss
- Gail and Ephraim Spielman on the marriage of Hannah and Jeremy Spielman, and Mazal Tov to Harris Fogel on his cousin Hannah's marriage to Jeremy.

## Shout Outs

- Thank you to our office volunteers: Ron Judenberg, Michael Karp, Keith Kirshner, and Linda Weinroth
- Thank you to the Green Team for all of their efforts in handling the recycling for Etz Chaim
- Thank you to the Ruach Singers and Rabbi Adler for dedicating their time and talents in preparing for the High Holidays

## Shabbat Honors Reminders

- Do you have a milestone birthday, anniversary, or another significant life event? Observing a yahrzeit?
- Being called to the Torah is a great way to commemorate the occasion whether honoring a simcha or honoring the memory of a loved one.
- We also honor those who have volunteered at the synagogue to mark a job well done.
- Please reach out to [Glynis Okrent](#) to schedule a Shabbat honor.



Congregation  
**ETZ CHAIM**  
creating meaningful Jewish experiences

## Spotlight on New Families ברוכים הבאים - Baruchim Habayim!



Avi Lyons

Please welcome Avi Lyons to our Etz Chaim family!

As a lifelong member of the Etz Chaim community, Avi has recently moved back to Atlanta following his graduation from UGA and is now working as a Hillel Professional at Kennesaw State University.

Along with his professional work with Hillel, Avi is also a leader in the Atlanta young adult Jewish community as a new resident in the Toco Hills Moishe House. When not programming for Hillel or Moishe House, Avi enjoys playing softball at the JCC, beating his dad at golf, and backpacking in North Georgia.

# Young Adults



Congregation Etz Chaim's Young Adults Group is open to Jews in their 20's and 30's. Synagogue membership is not necessary, however, a reduced membership is offered and includes a High Holiday ticket. Programs vary from social events, holiday programs and social action opportunities. Events take place at Etz Chaim, as well as locations around the city of Atlanta.

If you are interested in learning more about our Young Adults Group or would like to be added to our email list, please contact [Anne Still](#).

Follow us on [Facebook](#).

ETZ CHAIM  
Young Adults

**Celebrate the New Year with Us!**

**Young Adults  
Rosh Hashanah Reception**  
Thursday, October 3

Meet us at  
**The Bayit**  
directly after  
the Rabbi's sermon

1202 Fairfield Drive  
Marietta, GA 30068

**For attendees 21+**

RSVP:  
[www.etzchaim.net/events/yareception](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/yareception)



ETZ CHAIM  
Young Adults

**Celebrate Sukkot with Us!**

**Young Adults  
Dinner in the Sukkah**

**Tuesday, October 22**  
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah

RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/events/yasukkot2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/yasukkot2024)

Our tables are  
ready - all we  
need is you!



ETZ CHAIM  
Young Adults

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**BATTLE & BREW  
& BOARD GAMES**

NOVEMBER 14, @ 7:00 P.M.

BATTLE AND BREW  
AT THE BATTERY

925 BATTERY AVE SE, SUITE 1125  
ATLANTA, GA 30339

RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/events/yaboardgames](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/yaboardgames)





# Condolences and Yahrzeits



## Our Condolences

- Lynn Schimmel on the passing of her beloved husband, Mark Schimmel
- Lori Gilbert on the passing of her beloved father, Irwin Festinger

## We Remember

- Memorialize a loved one with a **plaque** on our Yahrzeit Wall in the Radow Sanctuary or with a **brick** in our Holocaust Memorial Garden. For more information on purchasing a plaque, contact [Betsy Fitzwater](#).
- An Asterisk (\*) denotes a memorial plaque in our sanctuary to be lit on the day of the yahrzeit and on all Yizkor holidays.

### October Yahrzeits

1-Oct Anita Wohlman | 28 Elul  
1-Oct Arlene Karp | 28 Elul  
1-Oct Laura Levin | 28 Elul  
1-Oct Marilyn Azriel | 28 Elul  
1-Oct Paul Barman | 28 Elul  
1-Oct Stuart Harrison | 28 Elul  
\*2-Oct Ethel Silverberg | 29 Elul  
2-Oct Harriette Zinsenheim | 29 Elul  
\*2-Oct Howard M. Bachrach | 29 Elul  
3-Oct Helen Rabin | 1 Tishrei  
3-Oct Reba Buxbaum | 1 Tishrei  
\*3-Oct Sylvia Bercuson | 1 Tishrei  
\*4-Oct Arleen E. Shams | 2 Tishrei  
4-Oct Eliazer Sommer | 2 Tishrei  
4-Oct Jack Lambert | 2 Tishrei  
4-Oct Richard Becker | 2 Tishrei  
5-Oct Adam Greenberg | 3 Tishrei  
5-Oct Harold Foster | 3 Tishrei  
\*6-Oct Robin Cipinko | 4 Tishrei  
6-Oct Sidney Garron | 4 Tishrei  
\*6-Oct Solomon Safran | 4 Tishrei  
6-Oct Sylvia Gordon | 4 Tishrei  
7-Oct Gerson A. Levy | 5 Tishrei  
7-Oct Judy Friedman | 5 Tishrei  
7-Oct Magda Kamelgarn | 5 Tishrei  
\*8-Oct Esther Kalen | 6 Tishrei  
\*8-Oct Luba Lifshitz | 6 Tishrei  
\*8-Oct Robert Landerman | 6 Tishrei  
\*8-Oct Sarah Lewis | 6 Tishrei  
8-Oct Vivian Adair Rafferty | 6 Tishrei  
9-Oct Henry Blumenstein | 7 Tishrei  
9-Oct Kenneth Singer | 7 Tishrei  
9-Oct Pearl Kolin | 7 Tishrei  
\*9-Oct Pearl Siegel | 7 Tishrei  
9-Oct Robert Klein | 7 Tishrei  
9-Oct Rosie Jassen | 7 Tishrei  
\*10-Oct Albert Jacob Schein | 8 Tishrei  
10-Oct Catherine Barber | 8 Tishrei  
\*11-Oct Harry Deutch | 9 Tishrei  
11-Oct Joe Wilensky | 9 Tishrei  
11-Oct Robert Harris | 9 Tishrei  
12-Oct David Testa | 10 Tishrei  
13-Oct Barbara Ziff | 11 Tishrei  
13-Oct Stanley Levine | 11 Tishrei  
14-Oct Benjamin Hoffman | 12 Tishrei  
14-Oct Gerald Brandt | 12 Tishrei  
14-Oct Joseph Bercuson | 12 Tishrei  
14-Oct Manuel Bigel | 12 Tishrei  
14-Oct Sadie Scopp | 12 Tishrei  
15-Oct Albert Tenenbaum | 13 Tishrei  
\*15-Oct Eleanor "Ele" Eisenberg | 13 Tishrei  
15-Oct Noel Bloomberg | 13 Tishrei  
\*16-Oct Aaron Greif | 14 Tishrei  
\*16-Oct Eugene Levine | 14 Tishrei  
16-Oct Harry Barman | 14 Tishrei  
16-Oct Manuel Benjamin | 14 Tishrei

\*16-Oct Norman Slater | 14 Tishrei  
17-Oct Beverly Topiol | 15 Tishrei  
17-Oct Carey Golsen | 15 Tishrei  
17-Oct Edward Karp | 15 Tishrei  
\*17-Oct Nathan Rosenberg | 15 Tishrei  
18-Oct Douglas Streetman | 16 Tishrei  
18-Oct Elizabeth Bernstein | 16 Tishrei  
\*18-Oct Rosebelle Roth | 16 Tishrei  
18-Oct Ruth Silver | 16 Tishrei  
19-Oct Faye Shafferman | 17 Tishrei  
19-Oct Gerald Lieberman | 17 Tishrei  
19-Oct Paula Vanovitch | 17 Tishrei  
20-Oct Jan Kahn Coleman | 18 Tishrei  
20-Oct Lily Oling | 18 Tishrei  
20-Oct Sidney Rosenblatt | 18 Tishrei  
21-Oct Henry Kornick | 19 Tishrei  
21-Oct Howard Schneider | 19 Tishrei  
\*21-Oct Max Greif | 19 Tishrei  
22-Oct Frances A. Frank | 20 Tishrei  
22-Oct Stanley Berke | 20 Tishrei  
23-Oct Mac Keller | 21 Tishrei  
23-Oct Paul Berman | 21 Tishrei  
23-Oct William Jacobsohn | 21 Tishrei  
\*25-Oct Liselotte "Lilo" Tritt | 23 Tishrei  
26-Oct Hinda Duhan | 24 Tishrei  
\*26-Oct Rick Alpert | 24 Tishrei  
27-Oct Gerry Simpson | 25 Tishrei  
27-Oct Gloria Berke | 25 Tishrei  
27-Oct Murray Schneider | 25 Tishrei  
27-Oct Sally Chaifetz | 25 Tishrei  
28-Oct Evelyn Kirshstein | 26 Tishrei  
\*28-Oct Irving Simon | 26 Tishrei  
28-Oct William Wise | 26 Tishrei  
29-Oct Benjamin Glancz | 27 Tishrei  
29-Oct Claudia Harrison | 27 Tishrei  
29-Oct Judy Zager | 27 Tishrei  
\*29-Oct Julie Mizrahi Halpern | 27 Tishrei  
29-Oct Maurice Golsen | 27 Tishrei  
29-Oct Mimi Fagin | 27 Tishrei  
30-Oct Leonard Ross | 28 Tishrei  
31-Oct Ben Stone | 29 Tishrei  
31-Oct Bertha Baron | 29 Tishrei  
\*31-Oct Fay Lisses Mark | 29 Tishrei  
\*31-Oct Solomon Goldstein | 29 Tishrei

### November Yahrzeits

1-Nov Judith Sandman | 30 Tishrei  
1-Nov Muriel Becker | 30 Tishrei  
\*1-Nov Myra Fineman | 30 Tishrei  
1-Nov Rena Lewis | 30 Tishrei  
2-Nov Arlette Miller | 1 Cheshvan  
2-Nov Charles Grunfeld | 1 Cheshvan  
2-Nov Cheryl W. Matis | 1 Cheshvan  
2-Nov James Stewart Meharg | 1 Cheshvan  
2-Nov Sydney Hartnig | 1 Cheshvan  
\*3-Nov Lillian Intner | 2 Cheshvan  
3-Nov Linda Idelson | 2 Cheshvan

3-Nov Michael Lieberbaum | 2 Cheshvan  
4-Nov Leonard Lipson | 3 Cheshvan  
\*4-Nov Michael Nadolne | 3 Cheshvan  
5-Nov Isidor Goodman | 4 Cheshvan  
5-Nov Jay Richer | 4 Cheshvan  
6-Nov Barbara Rubenstein | 5 Cheshvan  
6-Nov Joyce Bernstein | 5 Cheshvan  
\*6-Nov Libby Kornbluth | 5 Cheshvan  
6-Nov Bootsie Gutterman | 5 Cheshvan  
\*7-Nov Joseph Rand | 6 Cheshvan  
7-Nov Susan Hassey | 6 Cheshvan  
7-Nov Thelma Donner | 6 Cheshvan  
8-Nov Betty Cohen | 7 Cheshvan  
8-Nov Irving Weiss | 7 Cheshvan  
\*8-Nov Larry Mark | 7 Cheshvan  
9-Nov Caren Greenberg | 8 Cheshvan  
9-Nov Edward Freed | 8 Cheshvan  
9-Nov John Thalhimier | 8 Cheshvan  
\*9-Nov Murray Seiden | 8 Cheshvan  
\*10-Nov Hannah Rae Levine | 9 Cheshvan  
11-Nov Alfred Lewin | 10 Cheshvan  
\*11-Nov Coleman Caplen | 10 Cheshvan  
11-Nov Jerome Mittelberg | 10 Cheshvan  
11-Nov Ralph Lightstone | 10 Cheshvan  
\*11-Nov Sara T. Moskowitz | 10 Cheshvan  
12-Nov Donald Nathan Levy | 11 Cheshvan  
12-Nov Irving Sunshine | 11 Cheshvan  
12-Nov Lillian Cipinko | 11 Cheshvan  
12-Nov Tracey Sklar | 11 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Bertram R. Feerman | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Efim Gontmakher | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Florence Rothchild | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Ida Wilensky | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Menhart Schonberger | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Michael Dix | 12 Cheshvan  
\*13-Nov Morris Berg | 12 Cheshvan  
13-Nov Sol Baron | 12 Cheshvan  
14-Nov Anna Metzker | 13 Cheshvan  
\*14-Nov Dale Fisher | 13 Cheshvan  
14-Nov Zelda Lincoln | 13 Cheshvan  
15-Nov Barry Kamelgarn | 14 Cheshvan  
\*15-Nov Charles Katz | 14 Cheshvan  
15-Nov David Rubin | 14 Cheshvan  
\*15-Nov Herbert Rothchild | 14 Cheshvan  
15-Nov Judith Shuster | 14 Cheshvan  
15-Nov Morris Alpert | 14 Cheshvan  
16-Nov Jackie Berman | 15 Cheshvan  
16-Nov Jimmy Cohen | 15 Cheshvan  
16-Nov Warren Henry Lebish | 15 Cheshvan  
\*17-Nov Burton Jacobs | 16 Cheshvan  
17-Nov Frank Horovitz | 16 Cheshvan  
\*17-Nov Helen Feinberg | 16 Cheshvan  
\*17-Nov Sylvia Schein | 16 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Bertram Greene | 17 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Betty Rickles | 17 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Evelyn Brindle | 17 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Frances Robbins | 17 Cheshvan

\*18-Nov Jennifer Sue Cohen | 17 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Leonard Cohn | 17 Cheshvan  
18-Nov Maurice Draluck | 17 Cheshvan  
19-Nov Barbara Orkin | 18 Cheshvan  
19-Nov Garry Siegel | 18 Cheshvan  
19-Nov Joan Kalish | 18 Cheshvan  
19-Nov Margaret Weintraub | 18 Cheshvan  
19-Nov Max Mayer | 18 Cheshvan  
20-Nov Craig Sanders | 19 Cheshvan  
\*20-Nov Dorothy Schwartz | 19 Cheshvan  
\*20-Nov Elaine Faye Hirsch | 19 Cheshvan  
20-Nov Michael Levin | 19 Cheshvan  
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29-Nov Alan Danis | 28 Cheshvan  
29-Nov Marc Walter | 28 Cheshvan  
30-Nov Donna G. Angster | 29 Cheshvan  
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30-Nov Nace Cadranell | 29 Cheshvan

# The Prime Timers



The Prime Timers are an affinity group of congregants who are 55+ in age and/or no longer have children living at home and are in the prime of their lives. They build new friendships and enjoy social and cultural events by coming together for monthly programs.

Past events have included: Atlanta Jewish Film Festival, Historical and Museum Tours, Vodka and Latkes, Brunch, Trivia Night, and Dance parties with live music.

Contact one of The Prime Timers co-chairs: [Gail Vanovitch](#) or [Andrea Cohen](#) for more information about The Prime Timers.

Prime Timers had a fun Welcome Brunch with Musical Bingo on August 18th. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped make the event a success and the 65 people who attended.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the Vines and Wines (wine tasting) right after services on the second day of Sukkot, October 18. And we're having a Game Day on December 15. See you there!



## Canasta and Mah Jongg

Sponsored by AgeWell and Etz Chaim

**Mondays, 10:00 a.m. - Noon**

Join us for fun and games with AgeWell. Free and open to the community. Questions? Contact [Bernice Mellman](#).



## Vines and Wines: A Sukkot Wine Tasting

**Friday, October 18**

**12:30 p.m.** (approximately)

Vines and Wines is back by popular demand. Join us immediately following services in the Hammer Pavilion/Sukkah for this delightful event sponsored by the Prime Timers. A representative from Kroger's wine department will guide us through this experience. Savor the flavors of *Recanati Wines* from Galilee, Israel. All are welcome to attend (21 and over). RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/events/vineswines2024](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/vineswines2024)



## Koffee & Kibbitz

**Tuesday, October 29**

**10:30 a.m. Visit and Snack**

**11:00 a.m. Art Project - Rock Painting**

Join us for October's program as we get creative together and participate in this hands on project with volunteer Andrea Steinkritz. Andrea paints rocks as a hobby and she will bring all of the supplies needed. So come schmooze, snack and paint and you'll take home a beautiful finished project.

RSVP: [www.etzchaim.net/events/koffee&kibbitz](http://www.etzchaim.net/events/koffee&kibbitz)



## Prime Timers Game Day

**Sunday, December 15**

**2:00 p.m. in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall**

Save the date for our annual Game Day. More details to come.




## Prime Timers Dance: Roaring Back to the 20s in 2025

**Saturday, February 1**


**7:30 p.m. in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall**

Save the date for a Great Gatsby-themed dance. The event will be catered, with an open bar and DJ. Keep an eye out for more details and how to RSVP.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Shabbat Service Times - See page 2 Holiday Service Times - See page 13		<b>1 (28 Elul)</b>	<b>2 (29 Elul)</b> <b>Erev Rosh Hashanah</b> Synagogue Office Closes at 12p Candle Lighting 7:02p	<b>3 (1 Tishrei)</b> <b>Rosh Hashanah Tashlich</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Young Adult Reception Preschool Closed Candle Lighting 8p	<b>4 (2 Tishrei)</b> <b>Rosh Hashanah</b> Synagogue Offices Closed	<b>5 (3 Tishrei) Ha'Azinu</b> Minyanaire's Shabbat 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 8:06p
<b>6 (4 Tishrei)</b> <b>Fast of Gedalia</b> Fast begins at 6:23a Fast Ends at 7:45p S'Hood Book Club 10a	<b>7 (5 Tishrei)</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a Community Gathering Commemorating 10/7 - bus leaves at 5p	<b>8 (6 Tishrei)</b>	<b>9 (7 Tishrei)</b>	<b>10 (8 Tishrei)</b>	<b>11 (9 Tishrei)</b> <b>Erev Yom Kippur</b> Synagogue Closes at 12p	<b>12 (10 Tishrei)</b> <b>Yom Kippur and Yizkor</b> Shabbat Ends 7:56p
<b>13 (11 Tishrei)</b>	<b>14 (12 Tishrei)</b> <b>Columbus Day</b> <b>Indigenous Peoples' Day</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a	<b>15 (13 Tishrei)</b> No Religious School	<b>16 (14 Tishrei)</b> <b>Erev Sukkot</b>	<b>17 (15 Tishrei)</b> <b>Sukkot</b> Synagogue Offices Closed	<b>18 (16 Tishrei)</b> <b>Sukkot</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Vines & Wines 12p (Approx.)	<b>19 (17 Tishrei)</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> Shabbat Ends 7:48p
<b>20 (18 Tishrei)</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> Mitzvah Fair 10:15a SukkahFest! 12p Pinktober Mah Jongg Mixer 6:45p	<b>21 (19 Tishrei)</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a Shalom in the Shul 10a Ribeyes w/the Rabbis 6:30p	<b>22 (20 Tishrei)</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> Young Adults Dinner in the Sukkah 6 p	<b>23 (21 Tishrei)</b> <b>Hoshana Rabah</b>	<b>24 (22 Tishrei)</b> <b>Shmini Atzeret and Yizkor</b> Synagogue Offices Closed No Preschool Anat Sultan-Dadon to speak at services 9:30a Simchat Torah Dinner 5:45p Hakafot for Israel 6:30p	<b>25 (23 Tishrei)</b> <b>Simchat Torah</b> Synagogue Offices Closed	<b>26 (24 Tishrei) Bereshit</b>
<b>27 (25 Tishrei)</b> Melton Class 10:30a Girl Scouts 12:15p Commemoration of 24 Tishrei in Sandy Springs 2p - 5p	<b>28 (26 Tishrei)</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a Shalom in the Shul 10a	<b>29 (27 Tishrei)</b> Koffee & Kibbitz 10:30a	<b>30 (28 Tishrei)</b> Birthday Club 12:30p	<b>31 (29 Tishrei)</b> Torah Study 10a	Candle Lighting 6:33p Shabbat Ends 7:40p	

# Etz Chaim October Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <b>3 (2 Cheshvan)</b> S'hood Book Club 10a Melton Class 10:30a Chalutzim Event 11:15a Sisterhood Book Club Outing to MJCCA 1p					<b>1 (30 Tishrei)</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan</b> <b>Rabbi Adler</b> <b>Installation Shabbat</b> Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30p Shabbat Dinner in honor of Rabbi Adler 7:15p  Candle Lighting 6:26p  <b>8 (7 Cheshvan)</b> Shir Shel Shabbat Musical Service 6:30p  Candle Lighting 5:20p  <b>15 (14 Cheshvan)</b>   Candle Lighting 5:16p  <b>22 (21 Cheshvan)</b>  Candle Lighting 5:13p  <b>29 (28 Cheshvan)</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Morning Minyan 9a  Candle Lighting 5:11p	<b>2 (1 Cheshvan) Noach Cheshvan</b> Rabbi Adler Installation Shabbat 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 7:33p  9 (8 Cheshvan) <b>Lech Lecha</b> Veterans Shabbat 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 6:28p  <b>16 (15 Cheshvan)</b> <b>Vayera</b> Bat Mitzvah of Violet Bolton 9:30a  Shabbat Ends 6:23p  23 (22 Cheshvan) <b>Chayei Sara</b>  30 (29 Cheshvan) <b>Toldot</b>  Shabbat Ends 6:19p
<b>10 (9 Cheshvan)</b> Melton Class 10:30a Gesher Event 12:15p <i>Lilmode Nova Film 7p</i>	<b>11 (10 Cheshvan)</b> <b>Veterans Day</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a Shalom in the Shul 10a	<b>12 (11 Cheshvan)</b>  <b>Election Day</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Preschool Closed Religious School Closed	<b>13 (12 Cheshvan)</b>	<b>14 (13 Cheshvan)</b> Torah Study 10a Torah Study at Huntcliff 11:30a Young Adults at Battle and Brew - Battery 7p	<b>21 (20 Cheshvan)</b> Torah Study 10a	<b>28 (27 Cheshvan)</b> <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> Synagogue Offices Closed Morning Minyan 9a NO evening Minyan
<b>17 (16 Cheshvan)</b> Chaverim Event 12:15p Girl Scouts 12:15p	<b>18 (17 Cheshvan)</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a Shalom in the Shul 10a	<b>19 (18 Cheshvan)</b>	<b>20 (19 Cheshvan)</b>	<b>27 (26 Cheshvan)</b>	<b>24 (23 Cheshvan)</b>	<b>25 (24 Cheshvan)</b> Community Canasta and Mah Jongg 10a

## Etz Chaim November Events Calendar

# Social Action/ Tikkun Olam



At Etz Chaim, we care about the world around us. Through a variety of opportunities within Etz Chaim and the greater Atlanta community, Tikkun Olam is one of the cornerstones of Jewish tradition.

We continue to participate in the following annual events:

- Hunger Walk benefiting the Atlanta Community Food Bank and Kosher Pantry
- Knitting scarfs with our Sisterhood to provide warmth to our friends at MUST Ministries
- Cooking meals for the residents at Rebecca's Tent, a women's shelter, during the month of February
- Men's Club annual blood drive with Life South
- Monthly food drive for the Kosher Food Pantry at JF&CS
- Educational programs on anti-sex trafficking and protecting your child from predators

If you have suggestions or would like to get involved in *Social Action* programs, please feel free to contact Sharon Lightstone, chair.

## High Holidays 2024 FOOD DRIVE

*Teshuvah. Tefillah. Tzedakah!*  
Start the Jewish New Year with  
a mitzvah and donate food.

**Between September 16 – November 1:**  
Drop off items in JF&CS bins at your synagogue,  
temple, school, or at JF&CS in Dunwoody.

**Most needed items:**  
canned meat, canned fruit, canned vegetables,  
rice, beans, canned tomatoes, and dry pasta

For more info, please contact Ernie Ball | [eball@jfcsatl.org](mailto:eball@jfcsatl.org) | 770.677.9315

**Donate:** [give.jfcsatl.org/hhfooddrive](https://give.jfcsatl.org/hhfooddrive)

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## Backpack Buddies 2024-2025

It's a new school year, which means a new year of Backpack Buddies! As a congregation, we will be kicking off our third year of this important program, supporting Eastvalley Elementary School by providing bags of food each week to food-insecure children. There are so many ways you can help this important cause!

1. Volunteer your time: If you are interested in packing bags of food, delivering bags to the school, and more, please [click here](#) to fill out the interest form.
2. Donate food: There is always a need for more nutritious food to stock our pantry shelves!

You can shop our [Amazon Wish List](#) here or purchase items yourself from our [list of requested items](#) and drop them off in the bin in the Etz Chaim lobby.

## Social Action - Mitzvah Opportunity

### Pinch Hitters Program

Sponsored by B'nai Brith

Are you interested in a volunteer job on Christmas Day? We are waiting for the information for 2024.

Please send an email to Sharon Lightstone ([spricelight32@gmail.com](mailto:spricelight32@gmail.com)), in the subject line, "Pinch Hitters", if you want to pursue this act of service.



# Upcoming Community Events

Check out our ongoing and new programs, as well as new programs at Etz Chaim and in the greater Atlanta Jewish Community.



## Programs Supporting Israel:

### United in Remembrance & Resilience Commemorating October 7

**Monday, October 7**

**5:00 p.m. Leave Etz Chaim for City Springs by Bus**

**7:00 p.m. Program begins**

Almost one year ago, Israel endured the worst massacre of the Jewish people in a single day since the Holocaust. On a joyous holiday, Simchat Torah, when Israelis across the country were warm in their beds fast asleep, Hamas terrorists stormed the southern Gaza border and murdered 1200 innocent men, women, and children. Hundreds of people from more than a dozen nations were also kidnapped, and there are still 100 hostages being held by Hamas terrorists in Gaza today.

This is not just a Jewish or Israeli issue. It is a humanity issue.

The vicious and heartbreaking attack on October 7th has shaken Israel and the greater Jewish world to its core. And the way we begin to heal is by standing united as one. Sponsored by JFGA and the Israeli Consulate of the Southeast.

To register, go to: <https://jewishatlanta.org/event/one-year-commemoration-of-the-october-7-massacre-in-israel/>

### October 27 Commemoration

**2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Sandy Springs** (location given after registering for the event)

In line with the decision of the Israel government to observe the 24 Tishrei as the commemorative date of the atrocities of October 7. To register, go to: <https://form.jotform.com/242495903793165>



### Nova Film

**Sponsored by the Israeli American Council (IAC)**

**7:30 p.m. Doors Open**

**8:00 p.m. Screening**

**Hammer-Tritt Social Hall**

Stand together to remember the victims and hostages of October 7.

Join us for a screening of the #Nova Film.

To register, go to: [www.iac360.org/IAC-events/stogether](http://www.iac360.org/IAC-events/stogether)



**Credit: Reuters/Amir Cohen**



The purpose of Sar-El is to enable supporters from around the world, and at home, to contribute to the security of the State of Israel by assisting on IDF bases in a logistical support role. Sar-El is a unique volunteer experience fostering new friendships, greater understanding and the creation of a cultural exchange between Israel and the volunteers' home countries.

We welcome friends of Israel as volunteers, many of whom become "goodwill ambassadors" for our country, and are the only volunteer program that places volunteers directly on IDF bases, working side-by-side with our soldiers. For more information on how to volunteer, contact [Al Cohn](mailto:ajcohn1@gmail.com), (ajcohn1@gmail.com) or by phone at (404) 660-0212.

## Save these dates:

**Friday, November 1: Shabbat Dinner in honor of Rabbi Adler's Installation**

**Saturday, November 2: Rabbi Adler's Installation**

**Saturday, December 14: Pride Shabbat - our speaker will be Marty Gilbert**

**Wednesday, December 25: Chanukah Movies, Menorah Lighting and Chinese Dinner**

**More details to come on these programs.**

# Roots Groups

Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim's interest-based small groups initiative?

All you need is a volunteer leader and five committed members to form a group. You decide when and where. Have a question about joining or creating a Roots Group, contact us in the synagogue office.



**This month, we are featuring:**

***Schmooze on Zoom, the Birthday Club  
and Sisterhood's Book Club***



## Schmooze on Zoom Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m.

If you are looking for a place to chat and make social connections with friendly, non-aggressive chit-chat, we are looking for you!

All topics are welcome, *except for politics*. Drop in any time and leave whenever you wish.

All are welcome...anyone of any age, looking to connect with others. If you are looking for some adult stimulation and conversation, are homebound, in the hospital, home with your children, or just want to schmooze with friendly faces, we are here for you!

Click here to join the Zoom (Meeting ID: 815 1837 7077 PW: 914449 or scan the QR code to the right. Questions? Contact Esther Shultz, facilitator.



Zoom Link



## Birthday Club Lunch October 30, 12:30 p.m.

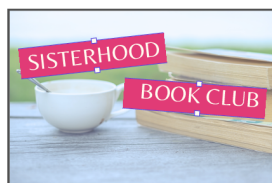
Join us as we celebrate all birthdays in September and October at the home of Laurie Lavinsky, 4531 Oakside Pt., Marietta, GA 30067. Please RSVP by October 25. For additional information, please reach out to Laurie Lavinsky at (404) 428-1018 or Malka Riesenber at (678) 522-3044.



## New Chavurot Forming

A chavurah is an 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. For more information, contact Felicia Berne or Suzanne Rivchun. To fill out the interest form, click here.



## Sisterhood Book Club 10:00 a.m. Sundays

Join us for our monthly book discussion at the Bayit and via Zoom. (unless otherwise specified).

For more information, contact Myra Goldberg.

Here's a look at the great titles we will be reading this Fall:

**October 6**, *Kantika* by Elizabeth Graver

**\*November 3**, *The Children of My Knee* by Len Cooper

**December 8**, *The Late Comer* by Jane Hanff Korlize (available for free audio download)



## Sisterhood Book Club Outing Sunday, November 10, 1:00 p.m.

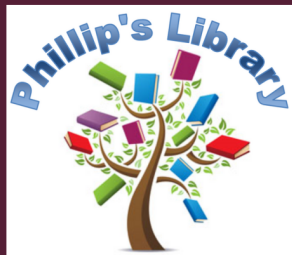
\*Following our November 3 Zoom, we will be doing an outing to the **MJCCA's Book Festival**, (5342 Tilly Mill Road, Atlanta 30338) to hear **Mimi Ziemann, MD**, author of *Tap Dancing on Everest*. Our Book Club will be reading and discussing this book for our February Book Club meeting.

The cost for the community is \$19.50 per ticket, (\$12.50 for MJCCA members - if anyone in our group is a member of the "J", everyone's cost will go down to \$12.50). We are looking to get a group of 10 people to sign up. Refund adjustments will be made the day of the event. For more information, contact: myra.goldberg@yahoo.com. Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 30.

RSVP: www.etzchaim.net/events/bookfest2024



# Phillip's Library News



Phillip's Library was refreshed and dedicated in memory of Phillip Michael Silverman on September 10, 2017.

Our library catalog is [available online](#). You can look to see what books are available in our library anytime, day or night, by accessing our catalog.

There are lots of great books and DVDs available at Phillip's Library for children and adults!

Stop by the library and browse anytime except during Religious School hours. Just follow the directions on the circulation desk to self-check out books.

Book returns go in the return slot at the circulation desk.

Suggestions are welcome for new Jewish books to purchase for the library.

You can also locate the link to the online library catalog on the home page of Etz Chaim's website under the Learning tab, then, Library from the main menu bar.



Library Catalog

STAY TUNED NEXT MONTH FOR SOME GREAT BOOKS TO HELP YOU GET IN THE RIGHT MINDSET FOR THE FALL HOLIDAYS.

## Shanah Tovah 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 on the library circulation desk. The library is open anytime except when the Religious School is in session.

### Featured titles for the holidays:

#### For Adults

***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 Younger Kids (Preschool - Grade 2)

***The Very Best Sukkah: A Story from Uganda* by Shoshanah Nambi.** Winner of the National Jewish Book Award, this touching story with beautiful illustrations introduces kids to a Jewish community in Uganda. (J 243.1 NAM)

#### For Older Kids

***How It's Made: Torah Scroll* by Allison Ofanansky.** The colorful photos and kid-friendly information in this book provide curious children (and adults) with info about how Torah scrolls are made. This is a great book to help prepare kids for Simchat Torah. (J 260 OFA)



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

## Did you know you can do all of these things online?



- Pay your dues
- Make donations
- RSVP for programs
- Update your family profile
- Utilize the online directory for emails, phone numbers, and addresses of our congregants
- View the synagogue calendar

For assistance, contact [Karen Chauvin](#) in the synagogue office or call her at 770-973-0137



# Tzedakah / Donations

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## Joan H. Rabin Memorial Endowment

### **In honor of:**

Miriam Rosenbaum's special birthday  
**Daniel Rabin**

### **In memory of:**

Joshua Sirkin, father of Caren Fetter  
**Dan Rabin and Family**

## Phillip Michael Silverman Memorial Endowment

### **In celebration of:**

the 90th birthday of Barbara Feerman  
**Howard Zalkin and Arlene Lipsky**

### **In honor of:**

Maddy and David Rothbard, Mazel Tov on your  
50th Wedding Anniversary! Such a wonderful  
milestone!  
**Martine and Murray Bookman**

## Reba and Bob Bachrach Education Endowment

**Avi and Kira Moyal  
Jeffrey and Jessica Brown**

### **In appreciation of:**

Linda Pollock. We are grateful for your guidance  
in establishing our Endowment.  
**Reba and Bob Bachrach**

### **In honor of:**

Bob and Reba Bachrach. We were thrilled to hear  
about the new endowment sponsored by two special  
and exceptional congregants.  
**Bob and Sheri Frohlich**

Lynn Sustak's special birthday  
**Reba and Bob Bachrach**

### **In loving memory of:**

my husband, Steven

my father, Adolph Kronberger, on the 52nd year of  
his death

my mother, Jollie, on the 30th anniversary of her  
death

**Esther Low**

### **Wishing a speedy recovery to:**

Allan Levine  
**Reba and Bob Bachrach**

### **Wishing Mazal Tov to:**

Helene and Phil Jacoby on your new home and good  
luck. May you enjoy much joy, health and laughter.  
**Esther Low**

## Rabbi Dorsch Discretionary Fund

**Nir and Bonnie Tolkovsky  
Kenneth and Eileen Schlenker**

### **In appreciation of:**

Rabbi Dorsch. Your response to Barry Teitelman  
made me laugh so hard - it was classic!  
**Art Steinfeld**

Rabbi Dorsch  
**Bill and Diana Lerner**

Rabbi Dorsch, for the meaningful Chanukat  
HaBayit performed at our new home  
**Philip and Helene Jacoby**

### **In honor of:**

Phyllis Frankel  
**Michelle and Lawrence Nathan**

Miriam Rosenbaum's 70th birthday  
**Wendy and Ron Feinberg**

Rabbi Dorsch. Thank you for your kind words for  
Evan, Mel, and Tommy at our family gathering  
**William and Ellen Balser**

### **In loving memory of:**

Chaya Visenberg, my amazing grandmother.  
Memories of you in our lives bring so much joy!  
You always helped me to feel secure. Your  
unconditional love and wisdom are the foundation  
of who I am today. You are missed a lot. Unfortunately,  
your great great grandson Meylakh never met you.  
With love,

**Galina Barshay, Ella and Meylakh**

my mother, Ethel Funk  
**Marsha Shrago**

Elaine T. Pollock, mother, sister, wife and  
grandmother  
**Martin Taffel**

my father, Sol Yonks, on his yahrzeit  
**Sandra Rothstein**

Frederick Miner  
**Tricia Miner**

### **In memory of:**

my grandfather, Israel "Jack" Befeler  
**Gail Vanovitch**

my mother, Eleanor Mendel  
**Jane Simon**

my father, Bernard Goodman  
**Jeffrey and Melissa Goodman**

my mother, Lillian Goodman  
**Jeffrey and Melissa Goodman**

Yaron (Robin) Brill's beloved father, Israel Brill  
**Lawrence and Michelle Nathan**

my brother, Allen Cohen  
**Meredith Cohen**

Harry Diamond. Love,  
**Michael, Linda, Sarah and  
Benjamin Diamond**

### **Wishing Mazal Tov to:**

Hank and Karen Needle on your 50th  
anniversary. We look forward to many more  
happy occasions and travels together  
**Cheryl and Jeff Eagle, Mindy Elkan,  
Jack Cohen, Terry Kaplan, and  
Sandy and Richard Smith**

## Rabbi Adler Discretionary Fund

### **In appreciation of:**

Rabbi Adler  
**Bill and Diana Lerner**

## Rabbi Lewis Discretionary Fund

### **In memory of:**

Phyllis Frankel  
**Anne Schwartz**

Earl Fairchild  
**Steven and Shirley Fairchild**

## Backpack Buddies Fund

**Marcy Graiser  
Glenn and Arlene La Vine  
Sally Greenstein**

### **In celebration of:**

Maddy and David Rothbard's golden  
wedding anniversary. May you have  
many more happy, healthy years together.

Karen and Hank's Golden Anniversary! Best  
wishes!

**Bernice and Bruce Mellman**

Karen and Hank Needle - Mazel Tov on your  
50th Anniversary!

**Janet and Larry Jassen**

Miriam Rosenbaum's birthday with love and  
best wishes. May you continue to always  
receive back all the happiness, humor, and  
care you exude every day. You are the best!  
**Lynne Goldman Johannesen**

### **In honor of:**

Karen and Hank Needle on the B'nai Mitzvah  
of their granddaughters, Maizy and Remy  
Needle. Mazal Tov.

**Sally Greenstein**

Karen and Hank Needle's 50th wedding  
anniversary  
**Arthur and Bonnie Steinfeld**

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## Backpack Buddies Fund

### In loving memory of:

Gary Taratoot-- Our thoughts are with you at this time. With love,

Israel Brill -- We are thinking of you and Yaron at this time. Love,  
**Jackie and Steve Pierce**

### In memory of:

Emanuel Chartash. With love,  
**Debbi, Randy, Jeremy, Kelly, Brian, Samantha, Max and Emme Chartash**

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**Randy Marc Karesh**

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condolences to Ann and family  
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Karen and Hank Needle on their 50th  
wedding anniversary. It was a pleasure to  
celebrate with you and your ganse mishpacha  
at your lovely service and oneg. With love,  
**Arlene and Glenn La Vine**

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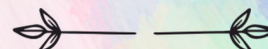
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