

Congregation ETZ CHAIM

Congregation Etz Chaim's Mission Statement is: Passionate and participatory, our supportive Jewish community engages each individual in a life-long Jewish journey. We embrace diverse experiences that span both traditional and contemporary ideas while learning and pursuing spiritual growth.

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Message from your Incoming President – Terry



Happy November!

I hope that everyone had a meaningful Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and that you were able to enjoy the stream of holy days and celebration days that followed. Our synagogue was filled with congregants and guests throughout the busy holiday schedule. The services, the meals, the planning, the smell of a freshly cleaned carpet, along with the whirlwind of almost daily activity in the building was exhilarating, but alas is now just a memory.

There were many behind the scene notes of appreciation sent from the Board and Ritual Committee, and received from congregants and from guests. Most of them noted how beautiful the services were, how flawless the flow of the services seemed, or how they were touched in some meaningful way during the holidays. Truthfully, as we sat in services, it seemed as if everything just effortlessly happens. I am always happily impressed.

As a congregation, it's nice that we have familiar things that we can look forward to. We know there will be a Selichot evening program, a second day luncheon, beautiful flowers on the Bima, snacks in the lobby, and a light meal following Yom Kippur evening services. During Sukkot, there are always extra lulavs and etrogs available for congregants to us, meals that will follow the morning services, and that the sukkah is standing tall before Sukkot begins. Just as important, there is always an amazing program associated with each of the holidays through Simchat Torah. So, why am I talking about this?

During Yom Kippur, Hank Lerer, in his role of service leader, noted that a lot of work went into the preparation for the next part of the service, and requested that we all show respect for, and understand with appreciation, the words which we were about to hear. I thought to myself, YES. Our volunteers and our staff put an amazing amount of preparation into each part of the service and I wonder just how many of us have an accurate idea of how many hours of preparation go into making our holidays flow so smoothly.

So, I'm going to share with you something that is no big secret. Nothing 'just happens' at Etz Chaim. Our volunteers and our staff always amaze me. Their dedication is endless.

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The high holidays are no small service event to plan. I thought I'd share some of the behind the scenes planning that takes place. The preparation for our high holidays begins some time following Purim. That is around the time synagogues begin the process of securing a Cantor. The finance committee gives a budget to the board and then the ritual committee begins corresponding with the cantor. The process takes about a month, and if we are lucky, by mid-April or May, we have a commitment and a contract in place. That is where the process really just begins, because by late July, the services and all the moving parts begin to be discussed and are assigned. The coordination of each service is done by Ritual Committee Co-Chairs, Barry Joffe and Barbara Taggart Milberg, via phone calls and conference calls with Cantor Lubin. Monthly meetings turn into weekly meetings as the High Holidays approach. The Ritual committee and our administration coordinate Aliyot and honor assignments, while our choir begins weekly practices, which turn into daily practices (as we near the holidays), and finally they practice with the Cantor when he arrives.

Speeches and Divrei Torah are assigned about a month and a half ahead of time, so that they can be written and practiced. Reports and updates are sent to the boards. Special trope and High Holiday nusach must be learned by the service leaders and Torah readers. Additionally, honor cards must be sorted, security must be hired, the kitchen must have everything purchased and prepared, the facility gets a good once over, babysitting services are arranged, youth services and special educational components are checked off the must do lists, and then finally...check lists are reviewed by our staff, board and congregational leaders.

Every portion of the service is timed, and the floor shamashim are all given instructions including who is to be tapped before their honors. Then, hotel logistics, and arrival times for our cantor are checked, rides and meals are arranged and the High Holidays arrive. Even this explanation seems rather trite knowing how many conversations and details take place which I did not mention.

This year as I noted, we heard a request during the Yom Kippur services, to stop a moment and *take notice*, of the heart our congregants pour into service participation including Divrei Torah and speeches. Our congregants willingly accept these tasks with vigor. It is the stuff that makes us who we are. There is no single leader, nor one hand that guides us. We are a congregation of many hands, and of many learned lay leaders, who volunteer to step forward during this beautiful season.

Our service leaders and volunteers give us all another gift. They give up time sitting with their family as they lead services, sing in our choir or sit on the Bima. Whether it be individually or by participation on a committee, this is a generous gift, and I took the request to *take notice* to heart.

It is a new year, and taking note is only a first step. In Hebrew School, we are taught that it is not enough to simply state you will do something, it is followed up in an action. I have promised myself to do three small things that I know will help make a difference to the volunteers that give so much of their time and effort to our shul. I hope others will join me.

- I will volunteer my time to at least one new program or event this year.
- I will send in a reservation for events, and get them in before the deadlines.
- Finally, I will remember that we are all responsible to acknowledge a job well done, to welcome strangers, to help put away books, to open doors and to take pride in what we have built.

It's an easy list that makes a difference. These small actions will make everyone's efforts a little easier, and they help to send a chamisha message, which acknowledges we all appreciate the work everyone puts in for our synagogue family. We have a most amazing congregation.

Terry Brodof



Ritual Matters

Ritual Committee members: Co-Chairs: Barry Joffe & Barbara Taggart-Milberg; Members: Alex Cohen, Emmy Friedenber, Lynne Haber, Candy Kwiatek, Hank Lerer, Steve Segerman, Chava Vidal, Robyn Wolfe

Another one under our belt! The New Year 5778 has begun and again, we made it through another successful round of High Holy Day (HHD) and Holiday celebrations. From Selichot through to Simchat Torah, there are many people to thank – so many that all we can say is one big TODAH RABAH to all of us. Sure, there's prep, planning, execution, attending, you name it – but our job is not done yet. We need feedback from YOU. If you've already given us your feedback, thank you! If you haven't, we greatly desire it – positive OR negative.

Speaking of successes, we think it's time two other reminders to start off the new year: Firstly, Thursday morning minyan services! Thursday morning services are exceptional; yes, they are early in the day but they are so well worth the time to attend. Here is the reminder that has appeared in past Ritual Matters articles: Whether you come every week or once a month, it's great start to your day. To top it off, the service ends with Bagels, Cream Cheese, Blocks, Shots & Lox! (Everyone takes a turn to sponsor this breakfast). David Weil, minyan captain, sends out a special email reminder to participants each week. Contact the Etz Chaim office to get your name on that list! Secondly, Special minyan services – Any congregant wishing to have a special service to say yahrzeit for a loved one should call the office. And please show your support for your fellow congregants by attending one or more of these special services. It is greatly appreciated and it's a mitzvah!

RITCOM is now offering a one-hour healing service, proposed to be held on a quarterly basis. The first service is scheduled for November 18 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The service would draw on Jewish traditions and text. Prayer and other contemplative elements related to healing and music (singing) will comprise the majority of the service.

Something to think about in the coming months -- and our President, Terry, mentioned this in her State of the Union Address on Kol Nidre – we'll be holding another Etz Chaim weekend retreat, or Kallah this winter, this time at Houston Woods. If you didn't attend last year, you missed something wonderful and you have the chance to sign up for this year. Think about it...more information to come. In the meantime, save the date Friday, February 9 – Sunday, February 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara and Barry





Cantor Fund Gratitude

Thank You to Those Who Contributed to Our Cantor Fund

Once again, we hosted Cantor Abe Lubin for our HHD service and again our services were just wonderful, ably augmented by our ever-expanding group of lay leaders and *daveners*. As I mentioned in our previous bulletin, last year some congregants banded together to establish a Cantor Fund to help offset costs. We are very pleased to announce that we have broadened this participation and increased our gift total significantly. Thank you to those who supported our effort. If you would still like to participate, it is not too late!! Just contact the office.

Barry Joffe, Cantor Fund Chair

Contributors

Russ & Arlene Rosen
Barbara Taggart Milberg
Diane & Howard Yasgur
Carney Sotto
Mark Rogoff
Anonymous
Barry Goldstein
Aaron & Stephany Schechtman
Jeff & Qing Gabbour
Barry & Melanie Joffe
Richard & Sara Behrman
Joel & Susan Moskowitz
Monica Lerner
Lynne Haber
Steve & Sue Segerman
Hazzan David & Barbara Silverstein
Paul & Marianne Nidich

Thank you, too, to an anonymous donor who covered the cost of the honorarium for our cellist on Kol Nidrei night.





High Holiday Appeal Article

During this year's High Holiday Appeal, I tried to help you all see something in a little different fashion. We are fortunate to have a beautiful building with an equally beautiful sanctuary that has nice seating and brand new air conditioning units. In fact Terry Brodof mentioned just that in her state of the congregation address, where she noted that some of the original equipment or other capital items are in need of being replaced. I explained that this schul is our home and taking care of it is all of our responsibility. Just like owning a home, Heating & Air Conditioning units periodically need replacing (which we've begun doing), and the roof too will have to be replaced sometime in the not too distant future. We've gotten great use and many years out of the carpeting throughout the building, but it too will need replacing, and a fresh coat of paint or new wallpaper would be nice. Again, think of it as your home. I mentioned that as a schul, and a family, we have the money...it's just in your pockets.

Unlike some synagogues, we haven't initiated a Capital Campaign, where congregants, via a hard sell approach, are asked to make a sizeable contribution to the campaign. Here at Etz Chaim, we request that you make a generous contribution to the annual HHD appeal. An appeal is an urgent request for something important, and in this case it's an appeal to our congregants, for money to keep the building operations going, and to pay for items that make the building look nice, like painting, or new carpeting. We rely heavily on the financial commitments that we receive from the High Holiday Appeal, as dues only cover about 35% of the total income that the synagogue needs to operate.

Another point to consider is that there's a misnomer that if you complete and return your HHD appeal card, the money is expected immediately. While we certainly would prefer to have the money sooner than later, you should know that some congregants make a HHD pledge and submit a payment plan that they can live with. We're not a synagogue that has previously asked you to step outside your comfort zone when giving, and we're not going to start now. What we would like you to do is consider giving a little more this year if you feel that you can follow through on that commitment. In the past few years our Appeal has generated on average about \$23,000 per year. This year we're looking to our congregational family to consider a larger donation which we can put toward interior or exterior building maintenance items, and potentially painting, carpeting, or replacement of heating and air conditioning units. This really cannot be done without your financial commitment.

If you've not given before, we're asking that you give to at least the lowest level noted on the HHD Appeal card in the envelope. If you've been a consistent giver to the Appeal, we ask you to consider giving a little more this year. If you didn't receive an envelope on Yom Kippur, then please contact the office and we'll get one out to you right way. If you did turn in your Appeal card and envelope, then we truly thank you again for your commitment to your synagogue. If you took your Appeal card and envelope home with you to give it further consideration, then we thank you in advance for the thoughtfulness that will go into your donation.

Let me say G'mar Hatima Tova or May you be sealed in the Book of Life. May G-D bless you all and may G-D bless our synagogue for many years to come.



MEN'S CLUB

Have you ever asked yourself how you find special enjoyment in life? I am no expert on the subject but getting involved in activities and organizations at Etz Chaim will help to find the answer. The Men's Club had the Mitzvah of being ushers for the High Holidays. The real joy was being able to greet so many of our congregants and wish them a Shana Tovah. I know this feeling was felt by all the men and women that ushered. I would like to thank Mark Rogoff, Sara and George Gati, Bob Friedenber, Eddie Gallop, Bob Dreyer, Larry Dannenberg, Jeff Gabbour, Mordechai Higgins, Andy Maxwell, Dick Behrman, Howard Yasgur, and Richard Pywen for their service.

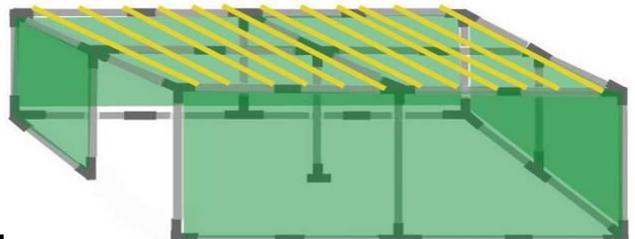
Our second great challenge for the new year 5778 was the Men's Club Sukkah building. A crowd of 45 showed up to demonstrate their skills as carpenters, engineers, civil service workers, plan and development associates and street supervisors. If you were not there, you missed one of the best Jewish moments. Building the Sukkah moves you spiritually and brings you closer to the meaning of Etz Chaim. We had every personality from the candle stick maker to the magician. When the Sukkah was up we all said "let the party begin"

Someone asked me "why do you continue to get involved in the Sukkah building?" My answer was simple. "It is fun and enjoyable and I cannot think of a better Jewish tradition to be involve in" You develop a respect for your fellow workers. I would like to thank everyone who helped to make this another successful event.

Robyn Wolfe- chief drill girl
Michael Taplits- doc on the job
Russ Rosen- The Negotiator
Jeff Gabbour- Mr. sermon
Mordechai Higgins- Mr. ladder
Mark Rogoff- behind the scene
George Gati- Mr. tool box
Rick Diamond- just call
Ed Schulman- show me the plan
Marty Ruben- menche on the chair
Andy Maxwell- Chief Engineer
Stan Timmer- I will hold the screws
Barb Rosen- good, better, best
Sharyn Fox - the decorator
Terry & Lauren - Garden Goddesses
Don & Robby - father/son dynamic duo
Adele Nagler - Holiday helper
Cara & Lincoln - decorating wizards
Michelle Moncarz & Esther Manes - rays of sunshine
Stephany Schechtman - The love of my life

Jack Landman - a little to the left
Ethan & Sam Krimins - good team
Robyn Duvall- rocking robyn
Michelle Fesman- Decorating diva
Bryan Taplits- true menche
Julie Kaufman- Indoor/outdoor volunteer
Hank Lerer- the boss
Brian Wolfe- show me the meat
Penny Manes- legally right
David Neman- I'm here
Howard Saal- must have the genes
Herb Segal- play ball
Nelson & Jean- Model A team
Rachel Wolfe - The illuminator
Richard Pywen - Comic Relief
Carol Friedman - Lovely Assistant
Howard Suid - Guest Chair Shlepper
Chava Vidal - Caffeinated Construction Worker

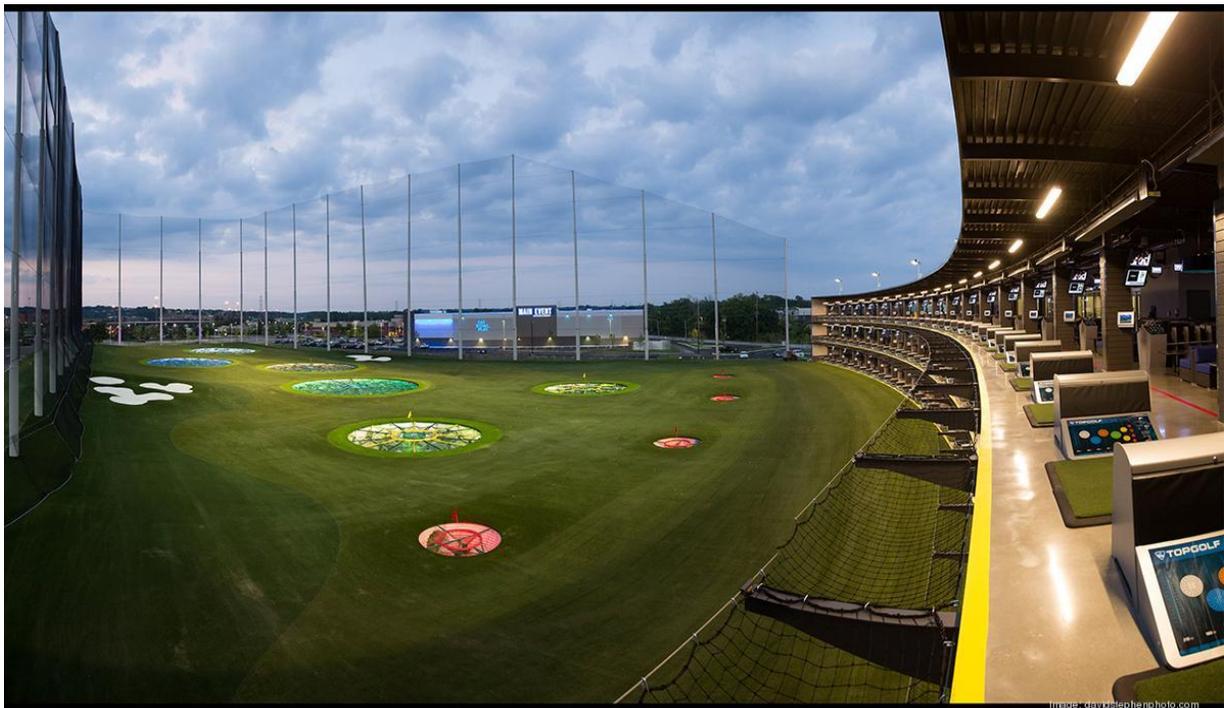
Aaron Schechtman, your Men's Club President





MEN'S CLUB

BRUNCH & **TOPGOLF**



Sunday, November 19, 2017

Join Men's Club for a delicious brunch at 10am
at Congregation Etz Chaim.

Then we will travel to

Top Golf in West Chester

9568 Water Front Dr, West Chester Township, OH 45069

For an 11:30am Tee-Time

You must RSVP to aaron Schechtman #677-0446 by 11/13/17

Brunch costs \$10 and Topgolf is pay your own way

Practice your swing and repair your divots with CEC

Sukkah Building 5778



Special thank you to our anonymous donor for sponsoring the delicious meal following the sukkah build. We had over 45 people pitching in to lend a hand to build and decorate our sukkah, set up fall decorations and close down our garden. Thank you one and all!





Thank You to our wonderful volunteers from ages 2 to 92!
We couldn't have done it without you and we wouldn't have wanted to!



Sunday, October 1, 2017

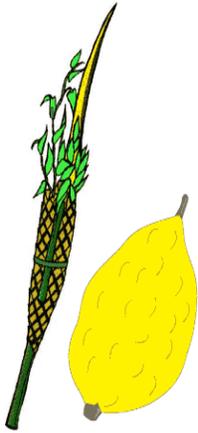




Standard Navy Issue – Pop Up
Sukkah, Complete with real life
Petty Officer Second Class ↓



Sukkot Chili Dinner 5778



Special Thank You to Harriet Kuhr for subsidizing the sukkot dinner in memory of Don Kuhr z”l. May his memory continue to serve as a blessing and as a source of inspiration to us all.



A fun evening was had by all – from the chili to the hot apple cider fortified with rum, smiles and good stories were flowing. The weather may have rained on our sukkah but not on our parade!





Spaghetti Dinner & Fundraiser

CEC Synagogue Fundraiser, Dinner & Entertainment from the Dixieland Band

We are pleased to announce our upcoming Synagogue Gift Card Raffle. Proceeds from this raffle will help us fund our Synagogue events and general expenses.

The raffle tickets are only \$5 a piece or 5 for \$20

The prizes will be 3 gift card packages each valued at \$400.00!!!

We hope you'll consider purchasing a sheet of tickets for yourself, then selling a sheet to friends and family. Who wouldn't want a chance to win amazing gift cards just before the holidays?

Additional tickets are available in the office.

Our Raffle Winners will be drawn during the
**Congregational Spaghetti Dinner on
Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 6:00pm**

It will be a wonderful evening with great food, friends,
and it's open to the greater community.

You need not be present to win but it does make
winning that much sweeter.

Dinner is only \$10 per person with a Firm RSVP date of November 5.
Call the office today 513-489-3399 or simply send in one check with your
dinner reservation and raffle tickets.

We thank you in advance!

GIFT CARD RAFFLE

Chanukah and The Holiday Season are just around the corner...

The cold weather is here and shopping is starting to pick up. Imagine this... you purchase one five-dollar raffle ticket. The lights dim, they reach in the drawing box and just like that you hear your name announced. You yell with joy then you breathe a deep sigh of relief because you know that all your gift giving for the 2017 season is magically done! Don't let this chance pass you, your friends, neighbors, or co-workers by!

GIFT CARD RAFFLE

WITH 3 PRIZE
PACKAGES
EACH VALUED
AT \$400.00!!!



Prizes include gift cards to: Mio's, European Café, Johnny Chan, Tony's, Brooklyn Pizza & Pasta, Through the Garden, Starbucks, Barnes & Noble, Mayerson JCC, Grand Central Deli, JCPenny, Durum Grill, Maggiano's, First Watch, Regal Cinema, Chili's, Rhino's, Meijer, Graeter's, Red Robin, Fricker's, Amazon, Bones' Burgers, Ulta Beauty, Cazadores, C'est Cheese, Pitrelli's, Hairport Salon, Jungle Jim's, Subway, Panera, Ferrari's Little Italy, AMC, Share: Cheesebar

You do not need to be present to win! Drawing 11/12/17
Donation \$5 each or 5 for \$20.00



You not only get dinner and a chance to win 3 great raffle packages, we're also giving you quite a show.

Help us welcome back to Congregation Etz Chaim... the musical stylings of the New Horizon Dixieland Band – featuring our very own Mr. Russ Rosen.

Building Bridges, Closing Gaps

By: Brian Wolfe

Hey. How you doing? Good to see you. Been a long time, I mean, seriously, it was last year, 5777 and so much has happened and so much food has been eaten since the last time we talked.

August 11, 2017 Israeli Shabbat Dinner: Where we welcomed Cincinnati native Ethan Padnos to share his story of serving in the Israeli Defense Forces.

August 25, 2017 The Garden Shabbat Dinner: Remember that one? We said thanks to our garden sponsors and to our volunteers for their dedicated work the entire season.

September 22, 2017 Rosh Hashanah Day Two Luncheon: Day 1, spent with family and friends. Day 2 with your Synagogue family. Who didn't leave that day spiritually and stomachely fulfilled? (what do you mean that isn't a word?)

October 9, 2017 Sukkot Dinner under the Stars / Lobby lights: Can you say Chili? Who would have ever thought that Vegetarian Chili could taste so good.

Pop Quiz #1:

What all these events have in common?

Don't cheat and look at the answers. Really think about it. Stumped?

Acceptable answers are:

Kosher food is expensive. RSVP. Lots of hard work and planning. Making a huge mess in the kitchen.

Great enjoyment sharing a meal with friends, family, fellow congregants and the community

Why did I list cost as the first answer? First and foremost, that kosher food is expensive. Have you recently compared the cost of beef and chicken to non-kosher food? Highway robbery. And when you factor in all that goes in to making the event happen, trust me, nowhere can you get a kosher meal like what our talented kitchen crew (and I mean crew) can produce for twice the price. "Such a bargain". Planning for an event starts weeks before and RSVPs are essential to our planning, food preparations and event details. We know that life happens and that family issues, illnesses and unexpected complications arise but please, please, please, make those reservations. Deja vu right? Almost as if I have said this before.

To sum up: Lots of events, lots of food, lots of fun. Let us know you will be there.

By the way, making a mess in the kitchen is free (and fun) and we welcome all to join in and experience firsthand what it takes to feed our Etz Chaim family.

RSVP



Have you noticed they keep mentioning how important it is to RSVP to events. They have been asking nicely – so you better listen. **Be sure to RSVP for Camelot Kabbalat Shabbat by November 22 or they might send me to your house!**

SAVE THE DATE

CAMELOT KABBALAT SHABBAT
FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 1, 2017
6PM – SERVICES
7PM – DINNER FIT FOR A KING

COME AND LEARN HOW THE
KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE
& KING ARTHUR TIE INTO JUDAISM.
THEN ON 12/2 WE'LL CELEBRATE MEN'S
CLUB SHABBAT & DUB SOME VERY SPECIAL
HONOREES – IT'S A WEEKEND AFFAIR!



Breakfast Learning

First Friday at:



We'll meet at
10am – RSVPS
appreciated

Join Hank & Chava
for Breakfast and Learning
We're Outside the Building
& Outside the Box

The First Friday of Each Month
at the Scrambler Marie's
40006 Hauck Rd.
Sharonville, OH 45241
(Across from Gabes on Rt 42)

Mark Your Calendars:

Friday, November 3
Friday, January 5
Friday, February 2
Friday, May 4
Friday, June 1

Wisdom on Wednesdays

After 11 years of study, discussion, laughter, and challenge, the Wednesday Torah class (now at 12-14 regular students from all backgrounds) has finally arrived at the final parashah, V'Zot haBrakhah! Studies of this portion will be completed by Thanksgiving, the momentous occasion to be acknowledged with a siyyum (party!)

But never fear – this class is ongoing! We'll then direct our studies to the REST of the Tanakh, beginning with the Book of Joshua. At the same time, each session will include a parashat ha-shavua (weekly Torah portion) "learning moment" in preparation for the upcoming Shabbat.

Join in as we continue to "unpack" our foundational stories – you're guaranteed an "aha" moment or two along with the lively conversation! Come when your schedule allows or every week – there's plenty of room!

NEWCOMERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME – NO TEXT STUDY EXPERIENCE OR HEBREW NECESSARY.

*Wednesdays at Bronte Bistro
(Joseph Beth Books @ Rookwood)*

3:00-4:30pm followed by dinner, if you choose to stay!

Classes will be held on the following dates:

November 1, 8, 15, 29

December 6, 13, 20, 27

To receive email updates including change or cancellation notices, contact Candy at KITANDCABOODLE@gmail.com



The entire Tanakh displayed on wooden rollers at the Wycliffe Bible Translator's campus in Dallas, 2009.



Thank you to our congregants who reached into their homes and their hearts to bring in donations for the 2017 Project Isaiah food drive. Special Thank you to the volunteers who delivered the food: Ron Shapiro, Richard Pywen & Russ Rosen. Again, a special thank you to Richard Behrman for donating the sturdy and reusable bags. Kol Hakavod Everyone!



☆ Etz Chaim's Sisterhood –Be Part of the Community ☆

Our next Sisterhood Board meeting is scheduled for 10:30 AM on November 5 at the synagogue. We'll be planning all sorts of fun events so stay tuned.

Sandy and Laura



COLLECTION
DRIVE



Sisterhood Donation Project:

As volunteers were cooking at the Over the Rhine Soup Kitchen they were unable to find dish towels or potholders without holes. It is a dangerous situation for the unknowing volunteers. While there are over 10 organizations that work at that pantry our synagogue is stepping up to the plate to perform this mitzvah.

If you are able, please help by donating one or two pot holders or dish towels before our next soup kitchen. You can drop them off in the office.

Matt Brodof will pick them up and use them Thanksgiving weekend.

If you can join us that Sunday morning, November 26th, please contact Matt Brodof via text/phone at 513-373-6925, or email (mb371607@gmail.com)

There are many families in need. We have many hands that are able to help.

This year, we could use yours.



Etz Chaim – one of the most humbling aspects of working here is that when a need arises you jump to lend a hand, you reach into your pockets and you step up to the plate. This winter we are going to really put our tikkun olam to the test. We will be participating in multiple collection drives and social action projects. Find one or several that interest you and help us **CHANGE THE WORLD**.

Watch for the collection bins and more information on the dates of these various projects.

Cookies for a Cause

Baking & Decorating Holiday Cookies for the Shoppers at the Barbash Family Vital Support Center. Since they have both Jewish and Non-Jewish clients we'll be making Chanukah and Christmas cookies. Have you always wanted to make holiday cookies just like on the hallmark network? – This is your chance. Date & Time TBD – watch the eblast.

Adopt-a-Child

Once again, our CEC Sisterhood will be partnering with JFS to pair our congregants with children in need. If you have participated in this special project before you know there is nothing more fun than finding the pair of snow boots or Barbie doll your child has asked for. The requests will be passed out at Dinner on December 1st – then just return your gifts by December 13th at our Chanukah Party.

School Children in Need

A local Jewish woman who teaches 1st grade in Price Hill asked for our help – and we simply can't say no. Her students do not have warm enough clothes for the winter. They are in need of hats/gloves/jackets and navy or khaki uniform pants (all sizes; while each child has a pair of bottoms, most families cannot afford more than one set – please stop and imagine your son or daughter or grandchildren with only one pair of pants.) Walmart and Gabriel Brothers have great prices and your gift giving can really go further.

This Chanukah why not ask your loved ones to help you fulfil one of these special mitzvot. We are fortunate to have more than what we need – let's help others feel the joy of the holiday season and the warmth that comes from knowing you are cared about.



Healing Service

Sometimes our world feels broken
Natural disasters, violence, threats of war...

Sometimes we are troubled by illness and loss
Among our families, friends and community

Sometimes we feel a need for healing ourselves
In body, mind or spirit

Join us for a 1-hour Healing Service
Experience the restorative power of contemplative
communal prayer and singing
Saturday, November 18, 4:00 PM in the Chapel

This will not be a traditional mincha, but we will say
mourner's kaddish if there is a minyan

Light refreshments
For more information, contact Lynne Haber

Y AHRZEITS

This list represents yahrzeits for this month as listed in the Synagogue Database. If we have missed a name, please call the synagogue office at 489-3399 and let us know so we can update our records.

This November (Cheshvan-Kislev) we remember:

November 1 – Cheshvan 12

Morris Essig*
Toby Greenbaum*
Linda Mellman
Dorothy Plotnick*

November 2 – Cheshvan 13

Meyer Goldfarb*
Rose Goldstein*
Max Okrent*
Aaron Spiegel*
Julius Sternberg

November 3 – Cheshvan 14

Frieda Baron*
Nathan Goldfarb
Joseph Stone*

November 4 – Cheshvan 15

Fanny Edelstein
Dora Lipsky*
Norma Meyer
Benjamin Silverstein*
Louis Skurow*

November 5 – Cheshvan 16

Agnes Canner*
Robert Horn*
Morris Neuer*
Nathan Raboff*
Nelson Zeidman
Louis Zippin*
Mordechai Zippin*

November 6 – Cheshvan 17

Ceil Bernstein*
Milton Gillett*
Moritz Kahn
Eugene Miller*
Freda Rosen*

November 7 – Cheshvan 18

Victor Borstein*
Samuel Finer*
Harry Gersenfish*
Louis Ginsberg*
Beatrice Golden*
Pearl Kahn
Emanuel Marks
Abraham Schraeder*

November 8 – Cheshvan 19

Sarah Bell*
John Hoodin*
Lew Lederman*
Emilie Perez-Sarfati
Harold Perlman
Linda Rose Schneider

November 9 – Cheshvan 20

Jean Caplan*
Sam Fisher*
Margie Friedman

Henry Gonska*
Samuel Kwiatek

November 10 – Cheshvan 21

William Arinow*
Ruth Dorfman
Hedwig Neu
Rudolph Shostack

November 11 – Cheshvan 22

Morris Bell*
Israel Cohen
Edith Farkas
Henrietta First*
Sidney Hillman
Molly Knapp*
Leon Lipsky*
Joan Mermelstein
Lillian Skurow*

November 12 – Cheshvan 23

Helen Fisher*
Rebecca Fuchs*
Hilda Mitman
Libby Seidenman
Goldie Slovin*

November 13 – Cheshvan 24

Isadore Boskind
Morris Cantor
Bernard Herman*
Leah Mackroff*

November 14 – Cheshvan 25

Soloman Landy*
Israel Plotnick
Isadore Seidenstein
Gedalia Zwickelski

November 15 – Cheshvan 26

Ralph Becker
Jacob Feldman*
Jane Gonska*
Samuel Mervis
Gilbert Nadel
Becky Simmons*

November 16 – Cheshvan 27

Shirley Lewengood
Michael Parkin*
Louis Wolpa*

November 17 – Cheshvan 28

Dorothy Borstein*
Bella Kirchanblatt*
Rita Korros
Goldie Krauss*
Sam Malinsky*
Ella Rosky
Max Shuller*
Rosella Zavell

November 18-Cheshvan 29

Aubrey Behrman*
Charles Bell*
Hyman First*
Sam Goodman*
Celia Gurfine*
Samuel Horwitz*
Kalman Plotnick
Bernie Siegel
Ethel Stuhlbarg*
Augusta Wasserman*

November 19 – Kislev 1

Gerald Brookenthal
Mary Goldstein*
Rebecca Greenwald*
Chana Hazan
Mildred Kichler*
Sam Rosenbaum*
Yechiel Waldman*
Anna Wolff

November 20 – Kislev 2

Louis Cohen*
Jacob Einhorn*
Rose Goldberg*
Charles Harris*
Arnold Tessel

November 21 – Kislev 3

Sam Borden*
Minnie Glassman
Rachel Hantman*
Cecelia Hoffman*
Fannie Kessler*
Goldene Kolstein*
Harry Lepsky*
Ross Levin
Nathan Mitman*
Sarah Rosen*
Isidore Wasserman*

November 22 – Kislev 4

Sarah Kadetz*
Eileen Karp
Malka Mellman*
Sarah Schneider

November 23 – Kislev 5

Simon Bartel*
Max Becker*
Rose Benjamin
Harice Monyek
Jacob Morovchik*
Bertha Noiman

November 24 – Kislev 6

Morris Becker*
Pearl Egherman*
Samuel Eurove*

Yahrzeits

This list represents yahrzeits for this month as listed in the Synagogue Database. If we have missed a name, please call the synagogue office at 489-3399 and let us know so we can update our records.

This November (Cheshvan-Kislev) we remember:

Paula Forman*
Dolores Fox*
Max Goldfarb*
Bessie Licht
Ben Skurow*
Mary Skurow*
Sarah (Ollie) Tunick*

November 25 – Kislev 7

Elaine Cohen*
Sarah Davis*
Samuel Klein*
Marvin Kolstein*
Ethel Lande*
Sarah Neuerman
Sylvia Saul*
David Tessel*

November 26 – Kislev 8

James Phalo Belhassen
Mary Brown*
Sarah Greenfield
Ernest Ince*
Rebecca Okrent*
Freda Roseman
Melvin Sandow
Ira Schneider
Wilbur Zimmerman

November 27 – Kislev 9

Daniel Dannenberg*
Fannie Goldstein*
Irwin Herzon
Jack Kwiatek
Atsuko Yoshida
Fred Young*

November 28 - Kislev 10

Leon Goldhoff
Esther Lea Rose*
Louis Samelson*

November 29 – Kislev 11

Sadie Fogel*
Esther Levine*
Ben Polasky*
Joseph Rogoff

November 30 – Kislev 12

Phyllis Cohn
Sara Lee Goldstein
Sam Greenbaum*
Frances Nidich
Morris Sudman*
Carl Wasserman*
Richard Youkilis

** Names are on
the Sanctuary
Yahrzeit Panels*

Congregation Etz Chaim is proud to offer minyanim upon request. If you would like to observe the Yahrzeit of a loved one and it occurs on a date that we do not have services scheduled, please call or email Julie Kaufman at jsk9998@gmail.com or call 793-6354 and leave a message.

Julie is our dedicated volunteer who helps to coordinate yahrzeit minyanim. If you would like to request a minyan please do so at least one week in advance.

When a minyan is requested Julie will send out an email to people who have signed up to help us ensure we always have ten people in attendance. If you would like to sign up to help us ensure minyanim please contact Julie and ask her to add your name to the list.

We are a community and we are strengthened by each other. Thank you in advance for helping us perform and fulfill these good deeds.

Of Blessed Memory
ז'כרוןם לברכה

Yahrzeit - Begins the evening before the date listed above. Kaddish should be recited the evening before the above listed date, and the following day at both morning and afternoon services.

Shabbat to Honor CYJL

(Create Your Jewish Legacy) Donors

Saturday, December 16, 2017

On Saturday, December 16, Congregation Etz Chaim will be hosting a Shabbat to honor all donors who have committed to the future of our synagogue, with a special Shabbat and luncheon.

CYJL, or Create Your Jewish Legacy, is a program hosted by Jewish Federation and funded by both Federation and Jewish Foundation, to ensure that all local Jewish institutions including synagogues, prepare for their future, by encouraging members and friends of such institutions to leave a legacy gift, such as a bequest in your will, in honor of that beneficiary organization.

The CYJL planning for Congregation Etz Chaim is off to a fantastic start, with at least 18 members and friends having committed to leave legacy gifts to assist with the future of our shul. We will honor any person who has planned for the future of Etz Chaim on December 16 with a special Shabbat program and luncheon. Please mark the date on your calendar, so you can join us in this celebration of our donors. We hope to see you there.



What will your legacy be?



CREATE YOUR JEWISH
LEGACY

Legacy Team Members

*Sandy Baden
Russell Rosen
Steven N. Segerman
Randy T. Slovin*

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Jewish community with
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or life insurance policy.*



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CYJL – Create Your Jewish Legacy

At the end of this year's High Holiday Appeal, I took a few minutes to speak about Create Your Jewish Legacy (CYJL). I noted that these are two different appeals with two very different purposes. The HHD Appeal is about paying for current or upcoming short-term expenses with money that you donate now, while CYJL is about including our congregation (as well as other Greater Cincinnati Jewish organizations) in your will or trust, or IRA or life insurance policy after you've passed away. That's because CYJL is simply Legacy Gift Planning to those organizations that you've had strong ties to. What does your Jewish Legacy mean to you and your family? Do you, or do you not, want your children and grandchildren to truly understand how important giving back to Jewish organizations can be? This really is an important sentence to consider, so I'd ask you to really read it again: Do you, or do you not, want your children and grandchildren to truly understand how important giving back to Jewish organizations can be?

It's truly all on you, as you decide how much you would like to give back after you have passed away. As I indicated before, the amount that you leave behind for Etz Chaim or other organizations, can be provided through your will, annuities, 401k, and life insurance policies, via a simple note of beneficiaries. You don't have to be wealthy to give back, as you can designate as little as \$1,000 to an organization that's on the list noted on the Letter of Intent document that our team had a hand in crafting. You just have to decide how important this synagogue and other Jewish Organizations are to you and your family, and note them as a recipient. And the Jewish Federation has provided the tools to make it as simple as possible.

Through the Letters of Intent (LOI's) that we've already received, Etz Chaim will be receiving \$10,000 early next year from the Federation. More LOI's received, means more money from the Federation to our synagogue, which can go directly into our general fund.

Over the coming months, the CYJL team from Etz Chaim will be contacting individuals and groups within the synagogue to schedule meetings in order to explain in greater detail how the program works. However, if you feel strongly about what you're reading or what you heard during my High Holiday Appeal, don't wait for our team to contact you. You can reach out to us and we will discuss how simple it is to go from filling out the Letter of Intent to Confirmation of Commitment.

-Steve Segerman

SIMCHAS ✧ REMEMBRANCES ✧ CONGRATULATIONS

Please call, mail or e-mail your contributions to Stephany Schechtman.

Synagogue General Fund

Yahrzeit

Edith Rogoff, Mother
Marty Rogoff, Brother
Mark Rogoff

Walter Harris, Father
Shelley Weltman

Rebecca Davidson, Niece
Audrey Martin

Mardee Gutterman, Father
Joyce Liberman

Ted & Edith Lipsky, Parents
Jacob & Lillian Koorland, Grandparents
Sol & Thelma Lipsky, Grandparents
Jeffrey Lipsky, Brother
Susan & Adrian Litman

Bud (Irwin) Harris, Father
Cheryl Harris

Milton Landman, Father
Jack Landman

Max Feldman, Husband
Evelyn Feldman

Rose Neuer, Sister
Dorothy Stiebel

Perry Liberman, Father
Mardee Gutterman, Grandfather
Mitchell Liberman

Phyllis Cohn, Mother & Grandmother
Steven, Sasha & Rachel Cohn

Rose Neuer, Mother
Ann Neuer
Dayva Green

Simon Rosen, Husband
Edee Rosen

Jacob Ruben, Father
Martin Ruben

Jacob Neuer, Uncle
Dayva A. Green

Hulda Meyer, Grandmother
Max Machnovitz, Uncle
Hatsy Lerer

Tom Carsch, Brother
Pete Simmons, Father
Milton Zeifman, Father
Eva Zeifman, Mother
Gail & Fred Zeifman

Charles Ornstein, Father
Esther Zwerdling

Selma Donny, Mother
Hershel Donny, Brother
David Schorr, Grandfather
Marc & Elaine Skurow

Robert Mellman, Father
Phyllis Mellman

Ben Ettin, Father
Bea Schaen
Shirley Brown-Dreyer
Edward Ettin

Ethel Spiegel Bartel, Mother
Patricia Weiner

Joseph Jacob Scheer, Father
Victor Scheer

Jack Pywen, Father
Richard Pywen

Harold Winkler, Brother-in-Law
Patricia Weiner

Herman Weiner, Father-in-Law
Patricia Weiner

David Timmer, Father
Stan Timmer

Billy Chalom Perez, Cousin
Francine F. Heilmann-McClung

Bernhard Sally, Uncle
Howard & Cara Saal

Alvin Novick, Husband & Father
Phyllis & Pamela Novick

Jerry Mellman, Husband
Israel R. Cohen, Father
Linda Mellman, Daughter
Phyllis Mellman

Selma Meyer Licht, Mother
Hatsy Lerer

Sidney Lerner, Husband
Monica Lerner

Albert & Helen Levine, Parents
Michael Levine

Betty Polinsky, Mother
Harriet Kuhr

Jack Cyrkin, Father & Grandfather
Miriam Cyrkin
Debby Cyrkin

SIMCHAS ☆ REMEMBRANCES ☆ CONGRATULATIONS

Please call, mail or e-mail your contributions to Stephany Schechtman.

Sally Novick, Mother-in-Law
Phyllis & Pam Novick

Debbie Fox, Mother
Irv & Donna Fox

Max Rose, Father
Ronald Rose

Meyer Goldfarb, Father
Fred Goldfarb

Achille Chalom Belhassen, Father
Francine F. Heilmann McClung

Rene Makhlouf Perez, Grandfather
Francine F. Heilmann McClung

Melvin Ornstein, Brother
Esther Zwerdling

Ernst Kahn, Father
Emmy Friedenberg

Bertha Fox, Mother-in-Law
Harry Sudman

Joseph T. & Freda E. Brod, Parents
Evelyn Brod

Sarah Mandell, Grandmother
Evelyn Brod

Esther Liberman Schifrin, Mother-in-Law
Joyce Liberman

**Generous Donations Were Received for
Yahrzeits of**

Miriam & Aaron Schilmeister, Aunt & Uncle
From Howard Mayers

Marie Taplits, Mother
Michael Taplits

Bea Merdinger, Mother
Barbara Rosen

Memory

To Mr. & Mrs. Hal Arenstein
IMO Mother
From MaryLee & Louie Sirkin
Deborah Ellison
Peter Rosenwald
Hallie Dovich
Terry Brodof
Shaney Sherwat
Barbara Spiegel
Bill Gallagher & Beth Conkin
Marcia & Richard Goldberg
Cheryl & Scott Mattes
Jeanie & Steve Messer

To Barbara Taggart-Millberg
IMO Mother
From Joyce Liberman
Esther Zwerdling
Mitch Liberman
Lynne Haber

To Richard Behrman
IMO Parents
From Norman and Paula Nevins

To Darrell Raden & Family
IMO Father
From Hank Lerer
Carol Friedman

To Michael Thomas
IMO Phyllis
From Carol Friedman
To Brian & Robin Goldberg
IMO Dog
From David Weil

To Karen & Craig Schiro
IMO Father
From Hatsy, Hank, Eddie, Ellen & Emily
Lerer

To Linda Steiner & Family
IMO Loss
From Gayle Zimmerman

To Steve & Terry Ruben
IMO Shirley
From Roy & Marcie Silber

To Marty Ruben
IMO Shirley
From Penny Manes
Lynne Haber

To Shirley Goldfarb
IMO Sister
From Audrey Goldfarb

To Family of Harvey Bergman
IMO Harvey
From Shirley & Bob Dreyer

Honor

To Stan Timmer
IHO Birthday
From Carol Friedman

To Laura & Andy Maxwell
IHO New Home
From Carol Friedman

SIMCHAS ✧ REMEMBRANCES ✧ CONGRATULATIONS

Please call, mail or e-mail your contributions to Stephany Schechtman.

To Sally & Alex Cohen
IHO "Just because"
From Audrey Martin

To Robert Kluger
IHO PhD
From Esther Zwerdling

To Friedenbergs
IHO Daughter's Marriage
From Esther Zwerdling

To Candy Kwiatek
IHO Years of Teaching
From Esther Zwerdling

To Phyllis Novick
IHO Birthday
From Edee Rosen

To Phyllis Mellman
IHO Birthday
From Margo Nathan
Audrey Martin

To Bob & Emmy Friedenberg
IHO Daughter's Marriage
From Lynne Haber

To Pam & Simon Newman
IHO Good Luck in Florida
From Carol Friedman

Sandy Baden
Stephany & Aaron Schechtman
Audrey Martin
David Neman
Penny Manes
Mark Rogoff
Carney Sotto
Harvey & Jane Cohen
Robyn DuVall
Stan Timmer & Michelle Fesman
Adele Nagler
Richard & Michelle Gabbour
Cindy & Oscar Jarnicki
Bob & Emmy Friedenberg
Lynne Haber

To Barbara & Harold Schwartz
IHO 60th Anniversary
From Edee Rosen & Fred Goldfarb

To Lois & Ken Germain
IHO New Grandson
From Carol Friedman

To Aaron Schechtman
IHO Reading Haftorah
From Ken & Lois Germain

To Hank Lerer & Chava Vidal
From Phyllis Mellman

Recovery
To Dan Franklin
From Herb & Eleanor Segal

To Bob Shokler
From Herb & Eleanor Segal

To Hirsch Wise
From Rona Peerless

To Gale Goldner
From Carol Friedman

Aliyot
Karen & Albert Sawdai
Barbara Rosen

Lily & Frank Friedman Prayer Book Fund

Yahrzeit
Alvin Goldey, Husband
Bobbie Goldey

E. Pike Levine, Husband
Bev Levine

Lily Friedman, Mother
Bev Levine

Rose & Simon Schneider, Parents
Robert & Alberta Schneider

Sandor Kutas Hunger Fund

Yahrzeit
Bertha P. Fox, Mother
Sylvia Fox Sears

Sara Rockwern, Grandmother
Stephanie Rockwern Amlung

Jeanette Landman Cohen, Mother
Phyllis Mellman

Morris H. Nemoff, Husband & Father
Ethel Nemoff & Family

Herman Weiner, Father
Bernice Winkler

Jacob Silverstein, Father
Ethel Nemoff

Jack Kabakoff, Husband, Father & Grandfather
Donna Kabakoff

Irvin & Sylvia Rauchman Youth Fund

Yahrzeit
Nathan Shostack, Father
Marcy Weinzimer

Leo Herman, Father
Scott Herman

**A Generous Donation Was Received for the
Yahrzeit of** Dr. Joseph Ginsberg, Uncle
Marlene Starnbach Ricanati

November Synagogue Happenings

We wish Speedy Recoveries to:

Marilyn Diamond
Shirley Dreyer
Gale Goldner
Arlene Solomon

We Extend a Mazel Tov to:

Allan & Melissa Goldstein on the birth
of their grandson – Elijah

New Members

Paul & Tsila Evers

And

Shaney Sherwat

SERVICE PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP

Your participation and leadership in our services - weekday and Shabbat - is encouraged. Please volunteer to assist in leading services, reading Torah or chanting Haftorah. If you would like to learn the skills, please contact Hank Lerer at the office, or via e-mail at: hlerer@fuse.net.

MISHEBERACH

It is customary to recite a Misheberach, a prayer requesting blessing and healing, for those who are sick. These prayers are recited on Monday and Thursday mornings and on Shabbat. If you would like a Misheberach recited for a friend or loved one, please call the synagogue office.

ANISH/OKRENT

REMEMBRANCE WALL

The Anish/Okrent Remembrance Wall is dedicated in memory of:

**Harry & Ethel Anish
and
Joseph & Ida Okrent**

whose bequests provided for the purchase of the Cornell Road property. Bricks of Remembrance are available for purchase. Have your significant events and dedications permanently inscribed and made a part of ETZ CHAIM Bricks on the Remembrance Wall are available for \$250 each. Please contact the office if interested at 489-3399.

Shabbat Kiddush Opportunities

Kiddush Sponsorships are available for any occasion. Many menu choices are available and Sisterhood will accommodate special requests. Our catering kitchen crew is delighted to be cooking for larger Shabbat kiddush lunches.

The price to sponsor a basic kiddush lunch will now be \$118. This will consist of 1 salad, a protein dish, bread & a dessert.

The standard enhanced dairy Kiddush will be \$225.

To add smoked salmon and the accompaniments or to add special requests, the additional enhancements will raise the costs slightly to \$300.

To sponsor a meat kiddush the cost will be \$450.

Please contact the office to book your Kiddush and share your simchot with your synagogue family.

Kitchen Volunteers are always welcome! Check your eblast for weekly cooking dates. It's a pretty safe assumption if we have a sponsored kiddush or Friday Night Dinner we'll be cooking the Thursday before the event from 6pm on!

Upcoming Events:
November

Breakfast Learning 10am
Friday Morning, November 3, 2017

At Scrambler Marie's across from Gabe's on Route 42. Please let Hank or Chava know you'll be joining us.

Sisterhood Board Meeting
Sunday, November 5 at 10:30am

Steering Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2017 – 7:30pm

Congregational Spaghetti Dinner,
Dixieland Band & Raffle Drawing

Sunday Night, Nov. 12 – 6pm
A delicious dinner, great entertainment – fun for everyone
RSVP today!

November Birthday Minyan
Friday Night, November 17 – 6PM

If you were born in the month of November we want to celebrate with you! Join us for birthday cake following our one-hour Friday night service

Men's Club Brunch & Topgolf

Sunday, November 19, 2017
10am Brunch at the Shul then head over to Topgolf in West Chester
\$10 for brunch rsvps required

Trivia Night at Cedar Village
Wednesday, Nov. 22 at 6:30pm

All are welcome to help with this mitzvah opportunity!

Please Note Thursday Morning Minyan on November 23rd will be held at 8am due to the Chag ☺

Wishing all of our Congregants
A Happy Thanksgiving



Over the Rhine Soup Kitchen

Sunday, November 26
Contact Matt Brodof for details

Save these Important
December Dates:

Camelot Kabbalat Shabbat 12/1

Men's Club Shabbat 12/2

Choir Shabbat 12/9

Men's Club Latka Making 12/13
& Congregational Chanukah Dinner

CYJL Shabbat 12/16

NYE Party – 12/31/17 – 9pm – 1am



SING SING SING

Ruach Etz Chaim Choir was extra active this time around as we sang our way through our recent High Holy Day (HHD) services. We appreciate the feedback we've received from many of you thus far and want to ask – please, may we have some more? We accept both the positive and the negative so that we can address any issues for the next HHD.

The choir has worked hard and has put in many hours in the months leading up to the HHD and we feel it is appropriate to acknowledge and thank our members. Thank you to Gale Goldner, Marianne Nidich, Michelle Fesman, Emmy Friedenberg, Rachel Rachovitsky, Karen Litz, Lynne Haber, Candy Kwiatek, Diane Marcus, Elliot Chandler, Alex Cohen, Russ Rosen and Barbara Taggart-Milberg. Thank you also to the Etz Chaim office staff and to all Etz Chaim congregants for your support!

So now we have gone back to our more leisurely but more regular bi-monthly rehearsal schedule. Following a short break after the HHD, we had our first rehearsal on October 22. We met to discuss the feedback we received and also to start rehearsing other songs that we have had 'waiting in the wings.' Our intent is to showcase these at the next Choir Shabbat (we will have four such Shabbatot in the year), to be held in a couple of month's time – but more about that in the next bulletin...

Did you know we have not one but two choirs at Etz Chaim? Pri Yadeiha, our women's choir, has not been as active lately but is starting back up and will definitely take part in our Choir Shabbatot as well.

We welcome any of you to join our choirs. Don't read music? Not required. Don't read Hebrew? Not required. Don't carry a tune? Well, this is a requirement but we don't require a great voice, just one that can blend in with others and there's no audition required. So what are you waiting for? Come join us – we're a fun group!

**Musically Yours,
Barbara and Emmy,
Choir Co-Directors**

IN THE ETZ CHAIM FAMILY

Share a simcha with your synagogue family – call the office today to schedule a sponsored Kiddush! Thank you to the many kitchen volunteers who make these kiddushim possible!

Special Thank You to:

Anonymous Donor who covered the cost of the Men's Club Sukkah building dinner on Sunday, October 1

Anonymous Donor who covered the first two luncheons of Sukkot

The Gabbour Family for sponsoring Kiddush on Shemini Atzeret

Carol Friedman for sponsoring Kiddush on Simchat Torah

May we continue to have share Simchat Together!

Congratulations to all our November Birthdays!

- 2 Barry Austern
- 2 Rita Edlin
- 3 Robert Barnett
- 3 Fred Goldfarb
- 3 Albert Sawdai
- 3 Michael Taplits
- 6 Elliott Edelstein
- 6 Richard Pywen
- 9 Bryan Taplits
- 12 M. Penny Manes
- 16 Paul Nidich
- 17 Ethel Nemoff
- 17 Cara Saal
- 23 Laura Maxwell
- 24 Sami Ninio
- 25 Atarah Jablonsky
- 26 Robin Goldberg



Happy Anniversary to:

- | | |
|--------|-------------------------|
| Nov 10 | Brian & Robin Goldberg |
| Nov 12 | David & Barbara Neman |
| Nov 23 | Robert & Shirley Dreyer |
| Nov 26 | Marc & Elaine Skurow |



We look forward to celebrating with you at our
November Birthday Minyan!

Friday Night,
November 17, 2017

Kabbalat Shabbat services start at 6pm in the
chapel then at 7pm we'll have cake in honor of
all our November Birthdays!
We'll see you there!

** If you have a birthday or anniversary and it
is not listed above, please call the office so we
can put it in our database.

NOVEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>We look forward to seeing you at events and services. For more information please feel free to call the office. Remember to check your weekly e-blast which is sent out every Wednesday. If you are not receiving the e-blast please call the office and we'll add you to the list.</p>			1 Wisdom on Wednesday 3pm	2 Morning Minyan 7AM followed by shots, lox & blocks	3 Breakfast learning Scrambler Marie's 10am Kabbalat Shabbat Services 6pm	4 Shabbat Morning Services at 9:30am
5 Daylight Savings time ends 10:30am Sisterhood Board Meeting	6 The office is closed	7	8 Wisdom on Wednesday 3pm Steering Committee Meeting 7:30pm	9 Morning Minyan 7AM followed by shots, lox & blocks	10 Kabbalat Shabbat Services 6pm	11 Shabbat Morning Services at 9:30am
12 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser & Dixie Land Band – 6pm	13 The office is closed	14	15 Wisdom on Wednesday 3pm	16 Morning Minyan 7AM followed by shots, lox & blocks	17 Kabbalat Shabbat Services 6pm & Birthday Minyan with Cake	18 Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am 4pm Healing Service
19	20 The office is closed	21	22 Cedar Village Trivia 6:30pm	23 NOTE THE TIME CHANGE MINYAN 8AM! HAPPY THANKSGIVING	24 Kabbalat Shabbat Services 6pm	25 Shabbat Morning Services at 9:30am
26 Over the Rhine Soup Kitchen	27 The office is closed	28	29 Wisdom on Wednesday 3pm	30	Remember to check your weekly e-blast which is sent out every Wednesday. If you are not receiving the e-blast please call the office and we'll add you to the list.	



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